INTRODUCTION

THE MASTER PLAN TEAM

San Mateo County Parks

» Gates + Associates
  (Park & Recreation Planning/Landscape Architecture)

» WRA Environmental Consultants
  (Biological Resources Assessment)

» Pacific Watershed Associates
  (Erosion Inventory and Assessment)
MEETING OVERVIEW
TODAY’S AGENDA

1. Background Recap
2. Project Update
3. Table Discussions
4. Table Sharing/Summary
5. Focus Groups Discussion
6. Next Steps
INTRODUCTION

SCOPE OF MASTER PLAN DOCUMENT

Existing Conditions Assessment
» Biological Assessment
» Sediment Source Reduction Plan
» Existing Uses
» ADA accessibility

Community Outreach Process/Input

Preferred Plan
» Park Uses and Amenities
» Vehicle and Trail Access and Travel
» Infrastructure
» Signage and Interpretive Opportunities

Management Guidelines

Partnerships

Implementation and Phasing
INTRODUCTION

PROJECT SCHEDULE

MAY 16
Project Background

JULY 25
Alternatives Review + Feedback

SEPT. 23
Onsite trail & Alternatives Review

OCT. 3
Present Preferred Plan

DECEMBER
Parks Board Review + Approval

YOU ARE HERE

Check web site for updates on survey
parks.smcgov.org/quarry-park
BACKGROUND

EFFORTS TO DATE

Mid-Coast Recreational Needs Assessment (2002)
Midcoast Park Action Plan (2007)
Granada Community Services District Survey (2016)
County Parks Visitor Survey (2016)

Consistent Priorities
» Hiking
» Dog Walking
» Cycling
» Swimming
» Picnic
» Playgrounds
**BACKGROUND**

**RECENT IMPROVEMENTS**

» Surfer’s Beach Coastal Trail Improvements
» Mirada Surf Coastal Trail
» San Vicente Creek Restoration
» Moss Beach Park
» Clipper Ridge Playground
» Quarry Park Playground

![San Vicente Creek Restoration](image)

![Surfer’s Beach](image)

![Moss Beach Playground](image)

![Mirada Surf Phase III](image)
BACKGROUND

DOGS IN PARKS

» Dog management committee currently developing policy recommendations, which are to be presented to Parks Commission in December 2017

San Mateo County Parks Dog Committee web page:
parks@smcgov.org/dogs-at-SMC-parks
PROJECT UPDATE
EFFORTS SINCE MAY

» 3 Community Meetings (one on-site)

» Online Survey Results

» Technical Studies Analysis

» Draft Trail Plan

» Alternatives for Entry Area
PROJECT UPDATE
COMMUNITY MEETING #1

» Project Scope and Background

» Breakout Stations
  - Trails Network
  - Existing and Potential Uses
  - Technical Studies

» Feedback helped inform survey questions
  - desire for designated trails for mountain biking
  - dogs access a priority
  - concerns about drainage/erosion
  - concerns about fire
  - desire for pump track
  - concerns about native vs. invasive vegetation
PROJECT UPDATE

ONLINE SURVEY RESULTS

TOTAL # OF ONLINE SURVEY PARTICIPANTS: 235

OPENED JUNE 12, 2017
RESPONSE COLLECTED FOR 37 DAYS

AGE

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WHO DO YOU ATTEND QUARRY PARK WITH?

- Alone: 16%
- With Children: 17%
- With Other Adults: 30%
- With Dogs: 40%
**PROJECT UPDATE**

**ONLINE SURVEY RESULTS**

**PARK IMPROVEMENTS: HOW IMPORTANT ARE THE FOLLOWING POTENTIAL PARK IMPROVEMENTS?**

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» E-mails received requesting pickleball
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ONLINE SURVEY RESULTS

TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS: HOW IMPORTANT ARE THE FOLLOWING TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS?

- Establish Trails for Designated Uses Ex: Mountain Biking On-Leash Dog Walking, Equestrian: 82%
- Create Connection To Golden Gate National Recreation Area: 80%
- Establish Connection Between Mirada Fire Rd. To South Ride Trail: 72%
- Improve Trail Along Western Edge Of the Park: 68%

VISTA POINTS:
PROJECT UPDATE

ONLINE SURVEY RESULTS

**DOG ACCESS**

- 64% Fenced Off Leash Dog Park
- 64% Dogs On-Leash (All Trails)
- 54% Dogs On-Leash (Restricted Trails)
- 44% Restricted Number of Dogs Per Visitor

*25% Of the comments requested off leash dog trails

**NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT:**

- 79% Management For Improved Sediment and Drainage
- 72% Creek/Wetland Restoration
- 70% Thinning of Non-Native Eucalyptus
- 66% Selective Thinning/Removal of Non-Native Species and Planting of Native Species For Vegetation/Habitat Management
PROJECT UPDATE

ONLINE SURVEY RESULTS

86% Trail Improvements
59% Park Improvements
54% Natural Resource Improvements
**PROJECT UPDATE**

**COMMUNITY MEETING #2**

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» Review Draft Trail Map

» Explore Program Options for Entry Area
PROJECT UPDATE

COMMUNITY MEETING #3

» On-site Review of Trail Plan
» Discussed Alternatives for Entry Area
PROJECT UPDATE

SEDIMENT SOURCE ASSESSMENT

- Overlook closed for safety due to erosion
  - Master Plan to proposes new location

- Decision made to retain existing pond for:
  - Drainage functions
  - Program opportunities (rest area, educational signage)

- Team identifies priority areas for drainage and roads/trails to maintain/improve. Considerations:
  - Public health and safety
  - Biological sensitivity and ecological function
  - Accessibility
  - Preferred road/trail network and park uses
  - Aesthetics
  - Costs
» Restoration possibilities extremely limited due to size of site, extent of invasive species and very limited budgets.

» Best potential is to preserve/enhance/expand northern coastal scrub areas on edges of site

» Team has identified potential enhancement opportunities to synergize with other repairs or improvements.
A key consideration in developing the roads/trails network and prioritizing recommendations

Maintenance of existing fire buffers on north and south sides of the park

Master plan to identify fire management goals and priorities for when funds become available.
DRAFT TRAILS NETWORK

Considerations

» Importance for emergency vehicle access, fire management, maintenance

» Impacts on sediment/drainage

» Impacts on natural resources

» Recreation value

» Creation of loops and connections
» Improve multi-use trail networks
» Decommission non-essential problematic trails
» Provide networks for maintenance, fire management and safety
» Provide educational, information and interpretive trail signage system
» Relocate look out
» Continue use of Quarry Floor for events
DRAFT TRAILS NETWORK

HIKING ONLY TRAILS

» Bicycles not permitted
» Signage
» Potential downhill mountain bike trails identified
» Revision to County ordinance to be recommended
» Signage to be recommended (identification, safety)
» Recommended connections to GGNRA (needed easements to be explored)
» Connection between South Ridge Trail and Mirada Surf East to create loop
» Access from end of El Granada Blvd.
» Connect Mirada East Road & South Ridge Trail
POTENTIAL NEW USES

1: FENCED OFF-LEASH DOG AREA

PROS
» Exercise and socialize dogs
» Social activity for owners, creates “dog owner” community
» Dog activity contained, dog waste contained
» Serves community need
» Reduces conflicts on trails

CONS
» High maintenance commitment
» Significant construction costs
» Waste Management
» Reduces flexible space in meadow area
» Increased traffic
POTENTIAL NEW USES

PROS
» Attracts youth outdoors for active exercise
» Serves community need
» Social activity
» Builds skills
» Build Stewardship - volunteer involvement for maintenance & management

CONS
» Ongoing maintenance costs
» Noise and dust
» Construction disruption to import soil
» Significant construction costs
» Users age, continual volunteer recruitment
» Liability issue
POTENTIAL NEW USES

3: BOCCE BALL

PROS
» Low impact, small physical footprint
» Social activity
» Family and age friendly
» Compatible with adjacent uses
» Retains flexible use space

CONS
» Ongoing maintenance
» Limited number of users at one time
» Moderate construction costs
POTENTIAL NEW USES

**PROS**
- Active use, small groups
- Age friendly
- Increasing in popularity
- Serves community need
- Social activity
- Promotes fitness

**CONS**
- Requires paved court surface and fencing
- Takes up flexible space in meadow
- High construction costs

4: PICKLE BALL
POTENTIAL NEW USES

PROS

» Low impact: small physical footprints (paths, pads & baskets), low noise
» Less intense active recreation, does not interfere with trails
» Social activity
» Family and age friendly
» Low maintenance
» Stewardship: volunteers for maintenance and management
» Varied terrain & obstacles preferred

CONS

» Retrieval of discs that miss the targets
» Tournaments may attract high number of people
ALTERNATIVE 1
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TABLE STATIONS

» REFINE DESIGN CRITERIA
» IDENTIFY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE
» SHARE IDEAS
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