



# Clark County Parks Advisory Board Meeting Minutes



Tuesday, April 8, 2025 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM  
78<sup>th</sup> Street Heritage Farm in the Conference Room and  
Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

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**Board Members:** Jim Kautz, Janis VanWyhe, Teresa Meyer, Donald Meeks, Brandon Erickson, Jessica Barksdale, John Rafanelli

**Clark County Staff:** Amy Arnold, Ross Hoover, Denielle Cowley, Evelyn Ives, David Stipe, Harrison Husting, Jennifer Coker

<b>Ex-Officio Members:</b>	<b>School District Liaisons:</b>	Cale Piland (Evergreen)*, AJ Panter (Vancouver)* Rachel Best (Camas)*
	<b>Parks Foundation:</b>	Tim Leavitt*

**Guests and Others:** None.

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## 4:01 PM Call to Order

Jim called the meeting to order and Advisory Board members and County staff introduced themselves.

## 4:02 PM Administrative Actions

Time	Action Item
4:02 PM	<b>MOTION BY:</b> Teresa Meyer <b>SECOND BY:</b> Janis VanWyhe
	<b>MOTION:</b> Motion to adopt Meeting Minutes for: January 14, 2025 Meeting Minutes March 11, 2025 Meeting Minutes
	<b>DISCUSSION:</b> The Minutes have been approved.
	<b>IN FAVOR:</b> Unanimous <b>OPPOSED:</b> None <b>ABSTAINED:</b> None

## 4:03 PM Public Comment

There is none.

## 4:03 PM Manager's Report

Ross thanked the new Advisory Board members for their patience during the appointment process.

David discussed the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and that the draft 2026-2031 CIP will be published shortly for its public comment period. David and Ross also discussed the types of funds and budgets that are included in the CIP, and the different categories of projects. Brandon, Ross, and David discussed the process of how the CIP is communicated to the county manager and its partners.

**4:09 PM Unfinished Business: Establish a sub-committee for the Legacy Lands Call for Projects – Denielle Cowley/Evelyn Ives**



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Ross introduced who Denielle Cowley is and Denielle discussed why a sub-committee needs to be established. Denielle also discussed the schedule or timeline for this sub-committee and the process of the next steps. David and Denielle discussed who the applicant is, and Teresa, Denielle, and Jessica discussed the number of volunteers needed and when the sub-committee would meet.

Brandon discussed appointing members for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) now so that Advisory Board members can decide accordingly.

Time	Action Item
4:22 PM	<b>MOTION:</b> Establish a sub-committee for the Legacy Lands Call for Projects.
	<b>DISCUSSION:</b> Jessica, Janis, and Teresa volunteered.

Denielle also discussed the ribbon cutting event for the East Fork Lewis River Groundbreaking event on May 9, 2025 and invited the Advisory Board members to attend.

Denielle also discussed locations and acreage of the various Legacy Lands acquisitions over the years from the map that Ross shared via the MapsOnline/ArcGIS website.

#### 4:14 PM Unfinished Business: Joining BPAC – Designate primary and alternate participants – PAB

Harrison re-introduced himself, discussed having a member from the Parks Advisory Board (PAB) participate in their meetings, and indicated when their meetings occur. David discussed appointing an alternate member from the PAB and the number of PAB members that could volunteer, and he and Harrison discussed how often the PAB members would need to attend. Janis, Harrison, and David discussed what time these meetings occur and where they are held.

Time	Action Item
4:23 PM	<b>MOTION:</b> Designate primary and alternate participants to join the BPAC
	<b>DISCUSSION:</b> Brandon volunteered as the primary and Teresa, Jim, and/or John said they can be alternates.

#### 4:31 PM Unfinished Business: Bylaws – Revised #3 – Ross Hoover/PAB

Ross discussed this and the advice from legal counsel that this meeting must be held at least quarterly. Brandon and Ross discussed if the language in the Bylaws needs to be changed, and Don, Janis, and Ross discussed public notification regarding what the website displays and time for cancellation notices.

Time	Action Item
4:38 PM	<b>MOTION BY:</b> Janis VanWyhe <b>SECOND BY:</b> Teresa Meyer



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	<b>MOTION:</b> Motion to adopt Bylaws version Revised #3 as-is that changed the language in Article V, Section 1 regarding the frequency of the meetings.
	<b>DISCUSSION:</b> Jessica discussed the formatting of the Bylaws, and Don, Janis and Ross discussed the mechanism for notifying the public of when meetings occur and when they are cancelled.
	<b>IN FAVOR:</b> Unanimous <b>OPPOSED:</b> None <b>ABSTAINED:</b> None

#### 4:40 PM Unfinished Business: Parks and Nature Sustainable Future – Overview, Summary of Work Session, and Next Steps – Ross Hoover

Ross discussed the Work Session he had with Council about this, the types of sites in the parks system, and the different classifications of each property, and Jessica and David discussed examples of those classifications. Ross also discussed how the park system is used by various programs and Don discussed how the data for this was collected. Ross also discussed the mission of the division, why parks and nature are important, a map of the system's current conditions, and metrics for meeting future demands. John and Ross discussed the national benchmarking data as it relates to current projections and growth, and Ross summarized the current conditions.

Ross discussed the budget projections for District Parks and Regional Parks and their deficits, and the metrics for meeting future needs. Ross also discussed the three future scenarios of Decline, Sustain, or Fulfill and actions that need to be completed by staff members. Brandon, Ross, Teresa, and Jim discussed working with the City of Vancouver to develop a transition plan, and Ross discussed other areas that have already transitioned including Magnuson Park, the Burke-Gilman Trail, and Mayrmoor Park. Ross also discussed the funding options and his recommendation of creating a Task Team.

Jessica, Teresa, and Brandon discussed feedback on this information, and Brandon, Ross, Jenny, and Janis discussed how the Advisory Board members will be involved. Ross also discussed the process for taking recommendations to Council for approval, and Brandon discussed the types of organizations for the Task Team. Ross said to email any suggestions to him at [ross.hoover@clark.wa.gov](mailto:ross.hoover@clark.wa.gov).

Ross discussed the budget forecast further regarding operating costs to maintain the county's properties and reductions in tasks associated with this. Janis and David discussed how this is affecting the Gordy Jolma Natural Family Area already, and Ross discussed that other municipalities in the region are facing the same challenges. Ross and Teresa also discussed Captain William Clark Park that's owned by the Port of Camas-Washougal.

#### 5:30 PM New Business: Outreach events for 2025 – Lynde Wallick

Lynde is not present to give these updates.

#### 5:30 PM New Business: Gordy Jolma project Overview and Updates – Evelyn Ives



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Evelyn introduced herself and discussed that the Parks and Nature Planning and Development team is supporting Legacy Lands in developing a master plan for the Gordy Jolma Family Natural area. Evelyn discussed the site's existing conditions including its acreage, what property is on its border, how many bridges are on site, and the number of wetlands it has. Evelyn also discussed the goals of this project which are to improve its water quality, to remove barriers to Salmon spawning, and improve access to the site and what that entails.

Evelyn discussed that the Open House for this project is on April 24, 2025 at the Cedars Public House from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, with their presentation beginning at 6:30 PM. Evelyn also discussed that this meeting will also be held in a hybrid format via Webex. David and Evelyn discussed when the survey for this project will be run, and that more information can be found on the website, at [Gordy Jolma Family Natural Area | Clark County](#).

## **5:39 PM Roundtable Discussion**

Brandon shared that he will be running as a candidate for the 2025 home rule charter review commission.

David discussed the groundbreaking event for the Curtin Creek Community Park which will be scheduled in the coming weeks.

Teresa discussed that she will not be at the next meeting since she'll be out of country traveling to England.

## **5:41 PM Adjourn**

Respectfully submitted, Amy Arnold





## CLARK COUNTY WASHINGTON

### PUBLIC WORKS

MEMO

**To:** Eligible organizations

**CC:** Kevin Tyler, County Lands Management Division Manager

**From:** **Denielle Cowley, Legacy Lands Program Coordinator**

**Date:** Feb. 13, 2025

**Subject:** Call for proposals for Conservation Futures projects

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Clark County is seeking proposals for land conservation projects through its Legacy Lands – Conservation Futures program. The call for proposals, issued Feb. 13, 2025, invites applications from the county, cities, towns, and other eligible organizations.

Established in 1985, the Legacy Lands program, administered by Clark County, funds the acquisition of land or easements for farm, forest, open space, and other uses consistent with RCW 84.34.

The 2025 Request for Proposals is based on the 2024 Legacy Lands Guidance Manual and 2022 to 2027 Natural Areas Acquisition Plan. Consistent with RCW 84.34.020, "open space land" is defined as: (a) land designated as such in an official comprehensive land use plan and zoned accordingly, or (b) land whose preservation in its current use would:

- Conserve and enhance natural or scenic resources
- Protect streams or water supplies
- Promote conservation of soils, wetlands, beaches, or tidal marshes
- Enhance the value to the public of land abutting or neighboring parks, forests, wildlife preserves, nature reservations or sanctuaries or other open space
- Enhance recreation opportunities
- Preserve historic sites
- Preserve Farm and timber land properties
- Preserve visual quality along highway, road, or street corridors or scenic vistas
- Retain in its natural state tracts of land not less than one acre situated in an urban area and open to public use on such conditions as may be reasonably required by the legislative body granting the open space classification

Please review the newly adopted 2024 Legacy Lands Guidance Manual for program requirements and application information found at [clark.wa.gov/public-works/legacy-lands-program](https://clark.wa.gov/public-works/legacy-lands-program).

The Clark County Council will make final funding decisions. We appreciate your interest and participation. If you have questions, please contact Denielle Cowley at 564.397.1652, or Kevin Tyler at 564.397.1656.



# Establishing a subcommittee

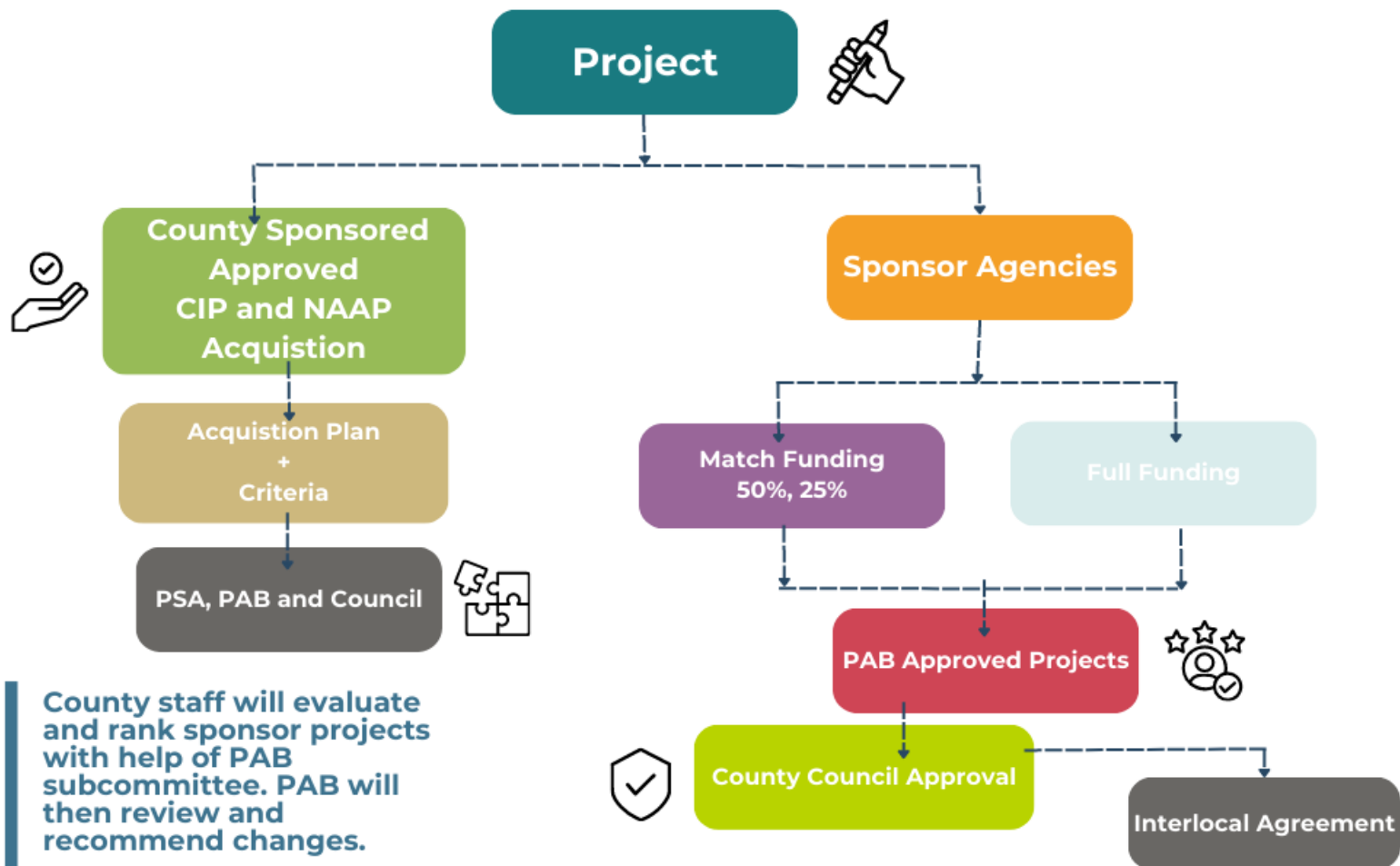
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Park Advisory Board

March 11, 2025



# PROJECT MATRIX



# Schedule

## Typical Application Timetable:

Month	Activity
January	Legacy Lands call for project proposals sent to approved sponsors.
March 1st	Submittal of proposals from project sponsors.
March to June	Lands Coordinator reviews proposals for completeness and statutory compliance. Required On-site tours conducted.
June	Project sponsors present proposals to the Clark County Parks Advisory Board (PAB) Subcommittee. PAB subcommittee evaluates project proposals and provides ranking and recommendations for PAB and Clark County Council.
July - August	Request work session with Clark County Council to review PAB recommended projects and seek feedback.
September	CIP updated to include NAAP approved acquisitions.
November	Clark County Council hearing to approve recommended Legacy Lands project projects as part of the Parks CIP. Lands Coordinator notifies the sponsors of final decisions upon approval.
December - Following year (January - March)	County Manager approves Interlocal agreement with approved sponsor.
Due each 6 months	Awarded project sponsors submit 'Interim Progress Report.
Three-year window	Implementation.
Application expected each third and sixth years of the NAAP.	



# Time commitment

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## ✓ On-Site (April-June)

- A site tour will be arranged with the project sponsor, staff, and PAB subcommittee.

## ✓ Advisory Subcommittee Evaluation (June)

- Sponsoring agencies will present their projects, explaining how they meet the criteria.
- The PAB subcommittee will review and rank acquisition proposals.
- Ranked projects will move forward for final approval by PAB.

## ✓ Parks Advisory Board (July)

- Approved recommendations by Subcommittee

## ✓ County Council Work Session (July - August)

- Approved recommendations by Subcommittee



# Questions?

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# **Clark County Parks Advisory Board Bylaws**

**Last Update: 3/12/24  
Revised and approved: 12/10/24  
Revised By: Parks Advisory Board**

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## **Clark County Parks Advisory Board Bylaws**

### **ARTICLE I-NAME**

The name of this advisory board shall be the Clark County Parks Advisory Board (PAB).

### **ARTICLE II-PURPOSE**

It is the purpose of this document to provide bylaws for the operation of the Clark County PAB which are consistent with section 2.61 of Clark County Code (Current through Ordinance 2015-11-24 passed November 24, 2015) which it was created under.

### **ARTICLE III-DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Clark County Parks Advisory Board, with access to staff support services, shall advise and make recommendations to the Clark County Council will include but not be limited to the following:

1. Advise and make recommendations to Clark County staff and the County Councilor's relating to acquisition, planning and development of Clark County parks.
2. Maintain communication with other organizations, associations and citizens regarding Clark County parks to facilitate opportunities, build advocacy and communicate PAB actions and activities.
3. Advocate to decision makers and the public for parks purposes.
4. Advise Clark County staff and the Clark County Councilors on the selection of new park designs and locations.
5. Recommend appropriate policies to be adopted by the Clark County Council which establish:
  - Criteria for park land acquisition, development and improvement.
  - Criteria for the function of approved park developments.
  - Rules and regulations governing the use of park facilities.
6. Participate in the review of the biennial county budget for the parks division.

7. Be a part of the hiring process for the Parks Division Manager position.
8. Review proposals for changes in the structural organization and/or functions of the parks division.
9. Recommend development, adoption, and revision, as necessary, of the Clark County comprehensive parks, recreation and open space plan, policies and standards. The parks plan will be included as a required element of the Clark County comprehensive growth management plan.
10. Serve as members and representatives of the county on any regional or specialized parks advisory commissions or committees when appointed by and approved by the Clark County Councilors or its designee.
11. Guide and support any fund development efforts including grant applications and facility sponsorships.
12. Participate in any specialized studies and analyses regarding the standards or systems of providing parks, trails, and open space to residents and visitors.
13. Attend and testify at public meetings, hearings and other speaking engagements as necessary.

## **ARTICLE IV-MEMBERSHIP**

### Section 1. Number

The Board shall consist of seven (7) voting members as outlined in Clark County Code 2.61.010 – 2.61.070 Parks Advisory Board.

### Section 2. Classification of Members

- (a) Voting Members. The Clark County PAB will consist of seven voting members, who reside within the boundaries of Clark County, and who are appointed by the Clark County Council to serve without compensation.
- (b) Ex-Officio Members. Each school district with territory within the boundaries of unincorporated Clark County, and the Parks Foundation of Clark County, may be represented at all board meetings; they may take part in all discussions of matters before the PAB, but shall not have a vote.

### Section 3. Selection / Qualifications

Representation on Board: In filling vacancies, the Clark County Council has committed consideration to ensure representation of the broad range of interests related to parks in the community:

- (a) Board members should be knowledgeable about one (1) or more aspects of Clark County parks (e.g., trails, sports leagues, etc.) or be

willing to become appropriately knowledgeable and conversant about parks and issues.

- (b) Board members should be broadly representative of the different neighborhoods and areas served by Clark County parks.
- (c) Board members should be representative of the diversity within our community.

#### Section 4. Term of Office

The term of office for Clark County PAB members is three (3) years. Terms are staggered such that three (3) members terms expire one year, with two (2) members terms expiring the next year, and with two (2) more members terms expiring the next year after; and thereafter, the cycle shall be repeated from the beginning with three (3) members' terms expiring. The term of office begins on the first day in January. Vacancies will be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term. The Clark County Council may remove members from office at will.

#### Section 5. Ethics-Conflict of Interest

No Conflict of Interest. No member of the Clark County parks advisory board shall be employed in connection with parks services, including parks construction and planning, or otherwise employed by Clark County in a paid capacity, during his or her term on the board.

### ARTICLE V-MEETINGS

#### Section 1. Meetings

The regular public PAB meeting is held quarterly on dates to be determined by the Advisory Board members. Meeting dates shall be set dependent upon county staff availability and conflicts with other county meetings should be avoided. Special meetings may be held as often as the board deems necessary. All meeting dates, agendas, and minutes will be posted on the Clark County website.

#### Section 2. Location

Meetings typically will be held in-person at the **Luke Jensen Sports Complex** – Bud Van Cleve Community Room located at 4000 NE 78<sup>th</sup> Street, and an online option will be made available, but can be held at other locations, as properly noticed

### Section 3. Procedures

A majority of the number of voting Board members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, but four (4) affirmative votes are required to approve any action of the board. Attendance may be via electronic means (conference call, Skype etc.).

### **ARTICLE VI - VACANCIES**

The PAB shall find that a vacancy exists upon:

- (a) Receipt of a resignation in writing from one of its members or
- (b) A member has an attendance problem as defined in the Clark County PAB Attendance Policy and the board votes to recommend termination of the member to Clark County Council, and the Council may remove such member from the board.
  - The member has two un-notified absences in a row (“un-notified” means the member did not contact the Chair / one of the Co-Chairs before the meeting to indicate their anticipated absence);
  - The member has three notified absences in a row;
  - The member misses one third of the total number of board meetings in a twelve-month period;

Upon determination that a vacancy exists the Chair / Co-Chairs will report that vacancy to the Clark County Parks Division Manager who will notify the Clark County Council of the vacancy and request the recruitment process be initiated.

### **ARTICLE VII-OFFICERS**

The Clark County PAB will elect officers each year in January. Positions should include a Chair, Vice Chair (or optionally Co-Chairs), and a Secretary. PAB may determine if it requires other officers and elect them as necessary. The Chair and Vice Chair shall establish ground rules for meetings and ensure they are followed, keep meetings focused and on topic, be familiar with and promote Clark County’s policies, take responsibility for eliciting feedback from all members, ensure the exchanges between board members and staff are respectful and appropriate, and be sensitive to issues other board members want brought forward and ensure those issues are given discussion time. The Secretary shall have charge of all records and shall keep accurate



and complete minutes of all meetings. The term of office for each officer shall run until the subsequent election; provided, that vacancies shall be filled for the remaining term of office

### **ARTICLE VIII-SUBCOMMITTEES**

The PAB Chair or Co-Chairs, with the advice of the Board, may appoint standing and ad-hoc committees concerned with specific problems or areas of interest to the board. These sub-committees will be governed by the PAB Sub-Committee Bylaws.

### **ARTICLE IX-PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised for small groups, shall be the parliamentary authority for the board, except as to any conflict with these Bylaws, in which case, these Bylaws shall prevail.

### **ARTICLE X-AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS**

These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the PAB, provided that the proposed amendment has been introduced in writing at least two weeks prior to a regular meeting of the Advisory Board. Amendment of the bylaws shall require the affirmative vote of at least four of the members of the Parks Advisory Board

# Sustainable Future

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Parks and Nature Division



**CLARK COUNTY WASHINGTON**

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**PUBLIC WORKS**  
PARKS AND NATURE



# Sustainable Future-Parks and Nature

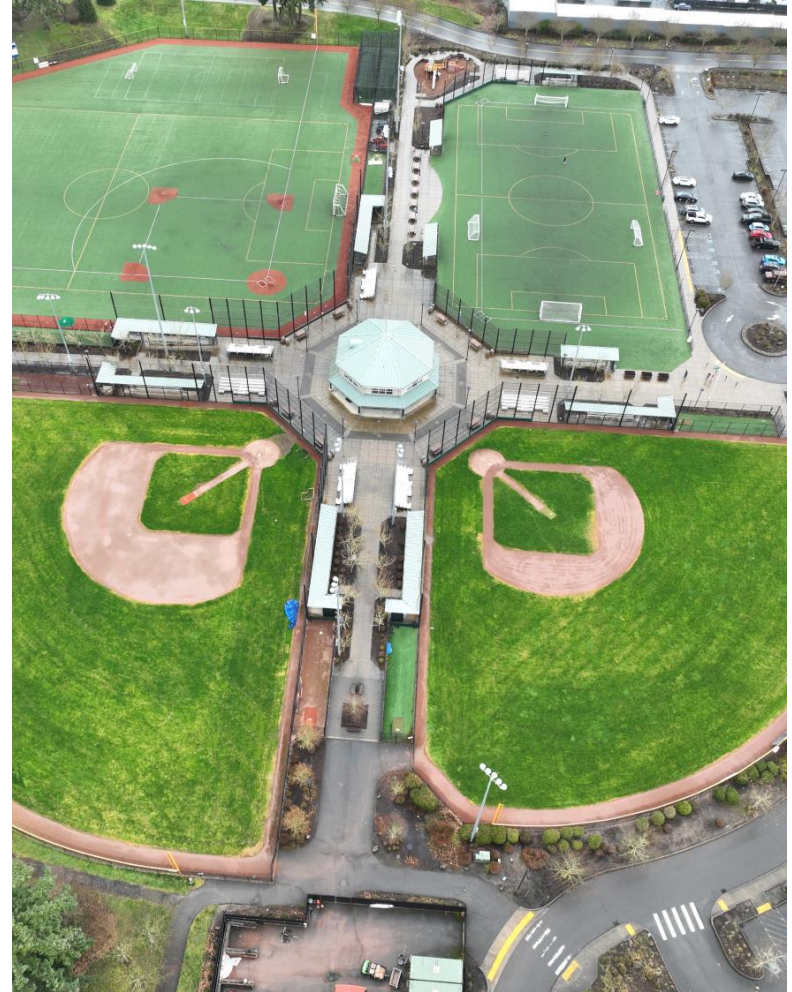
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- **Overview of Parks and Nature**
- **Mission of Parks and Nature**
- **The Current State**
- **Budget Projections**
- **Sustainable Future**



# Overview

- Acquisition
  - Planning and Design
  - Development
  - Operations and Maintenance
  - Permitting and Rentals
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- 7,166 acres - Parks
  - 4,300 acres - Legacy Lands
  - 111 parks and sites



# Overview

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## Neighborhood parks

In our urban park system these parks are usually up to 5 acres in size and designed to serve residents within a half mile. They provide basic recreation opportunities for nearby residents.

## Community parks

Typically, 20-100 acres in size these spaces are designed to serve the community within 3 miles. They contain parking and restrooms for people traveling to the park. Often include spaces for organized activities.

## Regional parks

Serve residents throughout Clark County and beyond. Usually larger than 50 acres in size and provide opportunities for diverse recreational activities. We have 13 regional parks providing 2603 acres of parkland.

## Natural Areas

We have a wide range of natural areas, open space, wildlife refuges and working forest lands that are open for various degrees of public access and recreation. These are primarily undeveloped spaces managed for natural and ecological value.



## Overview

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Shelter Rentals: 1,700

Special Events: 259

Luke Jensen Reservations: 3,623 hours

Passes Sold: 5,616

Day-of Parking Transactions: 139,492





## Part Two

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# Mission of Parks and Nature



# Why Parks and Nature

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- Growth Management Act
- WAC 365-196-440
- RCW 36.70A.020
- Clark County Comprehensive Plan
- Parks, Recreation, Open Space Plan



# Why Parks and Nature

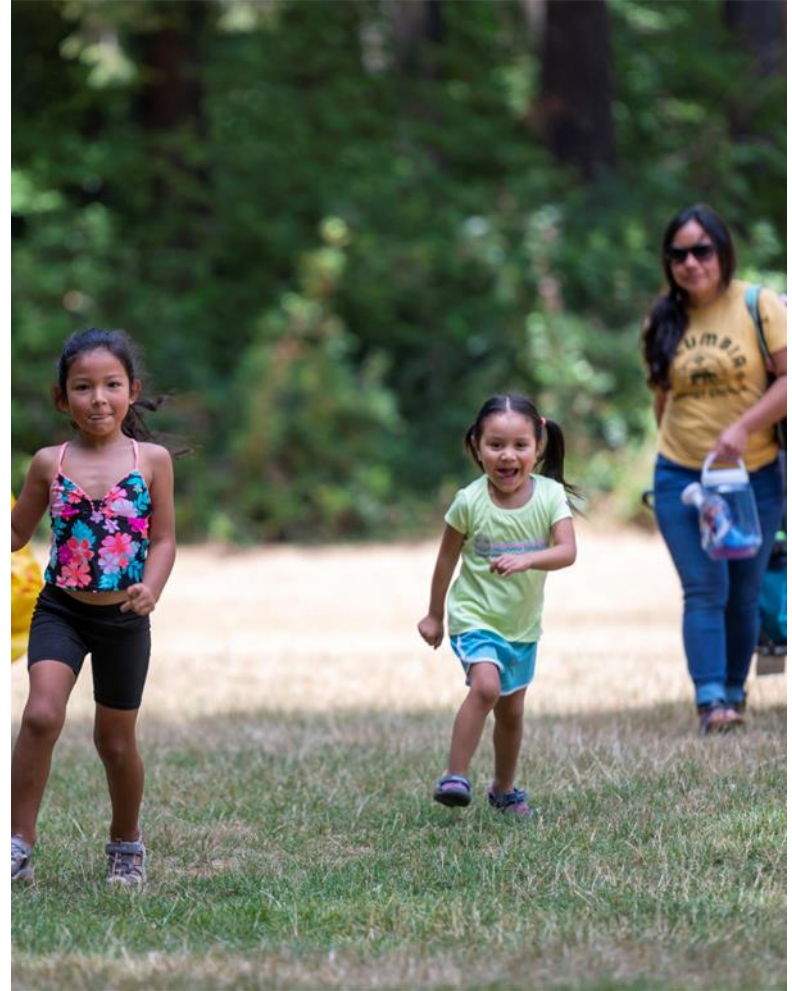
**Clark County Parks and Nature** enriches communities by creating and stewarding parks that promote health and wellness, boost economic vitality, preserve natural areas, and ensure access to the outdoors for all.



# Why Parks and Nature

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- Access
- Sustainable Stewardship
- Economic Vitality
- Health and Wellness



# Community Value of Parks and Nature

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**Residents visit Parks and Nature sites frequently**

91% visit Clark County Parks and Nature at least 1x month  
Fewer than 3% have not visited a park in the last year



**Residents strongly value Clark County Parks and Nature**

98% think Parks and Nature are important to quality of life in Clark County

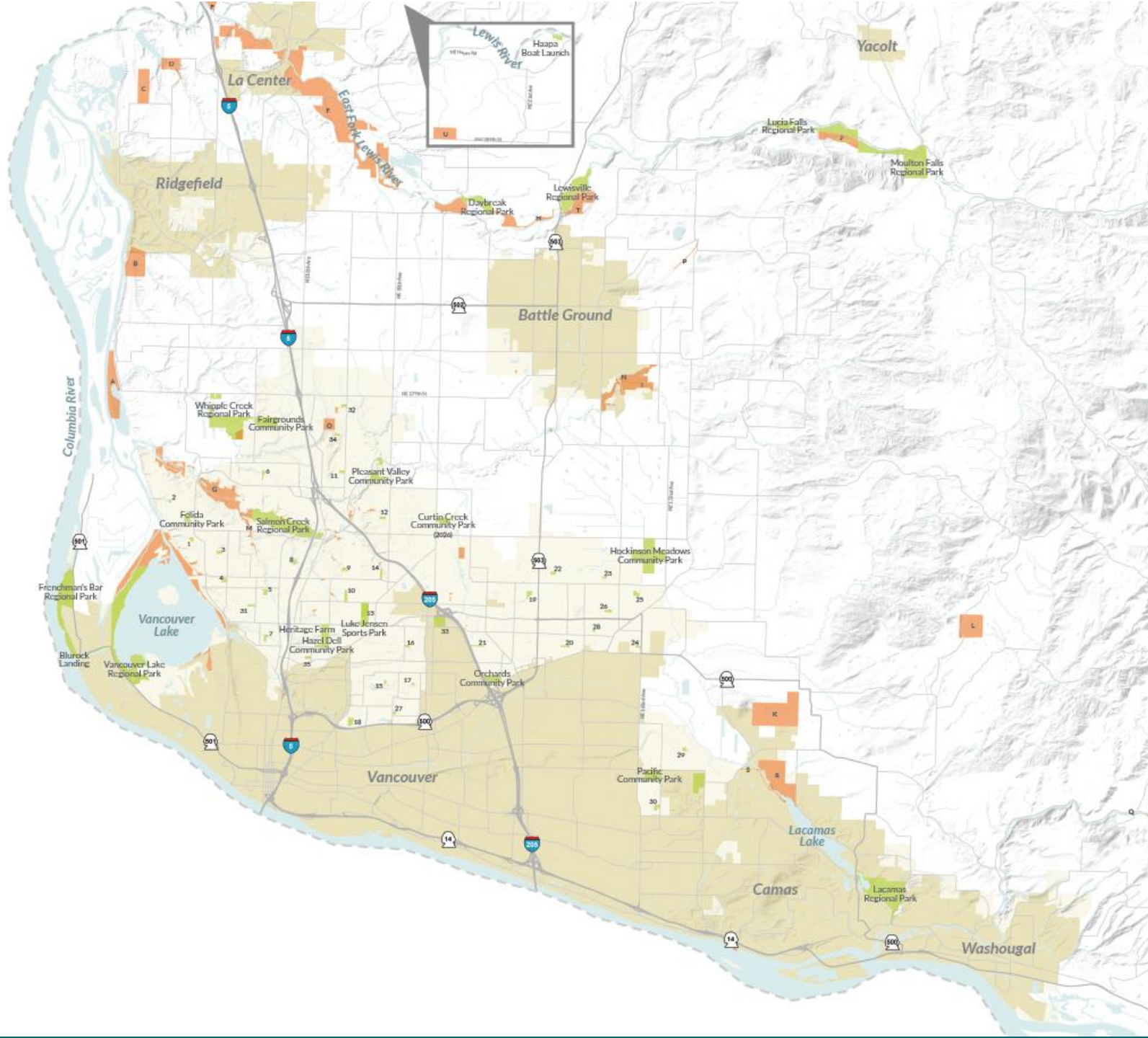
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# Current State of Parks and Nature







# Meeting Future Demand

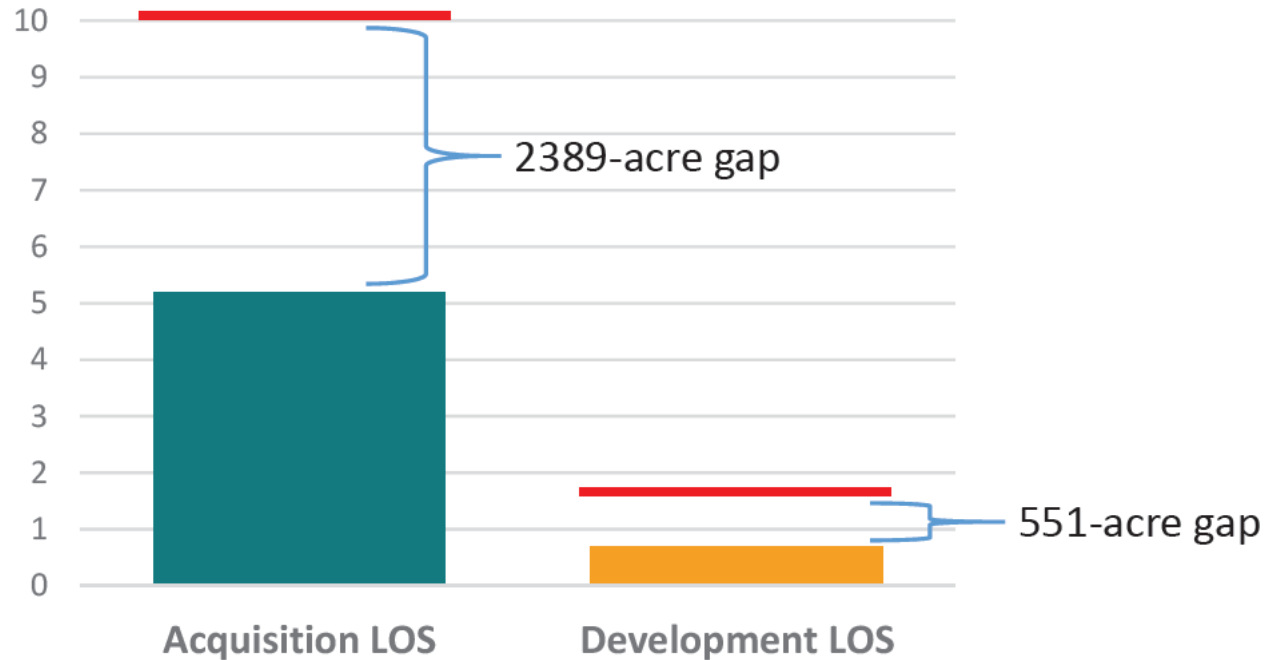


Figure 26. Current 2020 Level of Service & Performance to Regional Parks Standards (County property only)

# Meeting Future Demand

		2020				2030			
		Community Parks		Neighborhood Parks		Community Parks		Neighborhood Parks	
		Surplus / (-Deficit)		Surplus / (-Deficit)		Surplus / (-Deficit)		Surplus / (-Deficit)	
2030 Population Projection		Acquired	Developed	Acquired	Developed	Acquired	Developed	Acquired	Developed
Park District #5	40,311	(12.1)	(1.1)	(17.3)	(33.9)	(68.0)	(37.7)	(26.8)	(43.3)
Park District #6	29,179	38.3	12.1	(26.3)	(38.7)	(4.1)	(49.1)	(33.1)	(45.6)
Park District #7	17,994	(14.0)	(35.7)	(7.1)	(15.2)	(43.9)	(40.5)	(11.3)	(19.4)
Park District #8	32,732	(26.3)	(45.0)	(17.4)	(31.1)	(37.9)	(53.6)	(25.1)	(38.8)
Park District #9	34,227	7.5	(21.6)	(18.9)	(23.3)	(4.6)	(30.7)	(27.0)	(31.4)
Park District #10	24,496	11.4	(18.4)	4.4	(22.3)	(43.3)	(24.9)	(1.4)	(28.1)

Figure 33. Current Acquisition Level of Service (2020) by PIF District



# Operations and Maintenance

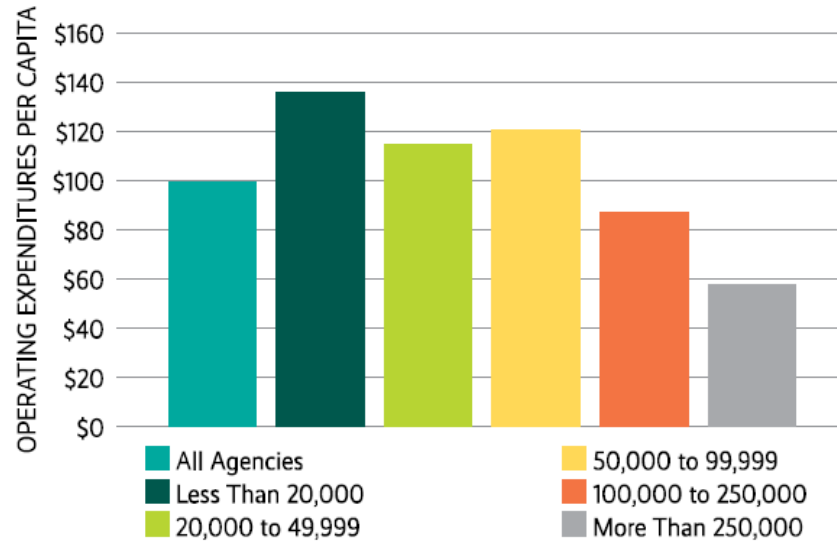
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- 521,150 residents in Clark County
- 7,166 acres of Parks
- 31 FTE in Parks Operations and Maintenance
- \$8.14M Operating budget



# National Benchmarking

**FIGURE 15: OPERATING EXPENDITURES PER CAPITA (BY JURISDICTION POPULATION)**



	All Agencies	Less Than 20,000	20,000 to 49,999	50,000 to 99,999	100,000 to 250,000	More Than 250,000
Median	\$99.47	\$135.53	\$114.81	\$120.72	\$87.10	\$57.61
Lower Quartile	\$53.44	\$74.22	\$62.32	\$74.14	\$39.69	\$24.47
Upper Quartile	\$183.96	\$263.21	\$226.13	\$196.53	\$160.76	\$97.91

Source: 2024  
National Recreation  
and Parks  
Association, Agency  
Performance Review



## Operating Expenditures per capita

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Clark County  
Parks and Nature

**\$15.62 per capita**

National Median

**\$57.61 per capita**

Source: 2024 NRPA Agency Performance Review,  
for agencies over 250,000 population



## Operating Expenditures per acre

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Clark County  
Parks and Nature

**\$1,136 per acre**

National Median

**\$4,421 per acre**

Source: 2024 NRPA Agency Performance Review,  
for agencies over 250,000 population



## FTE per 10,000 Residents

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Clark County  
Parks and Nature

**.59 per 10,000**

National Median

**4.7 per 10,000**

Source: 2024 NRPA Agency Performance Review,  
for agencies over 250,000 population





## Summary

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Staffing level is significantly under the national average

We are not and will not meet growth needs for parks and natural areas

Operating Expenditure is significantly under the national average

Deferred maintenance list continues to grow



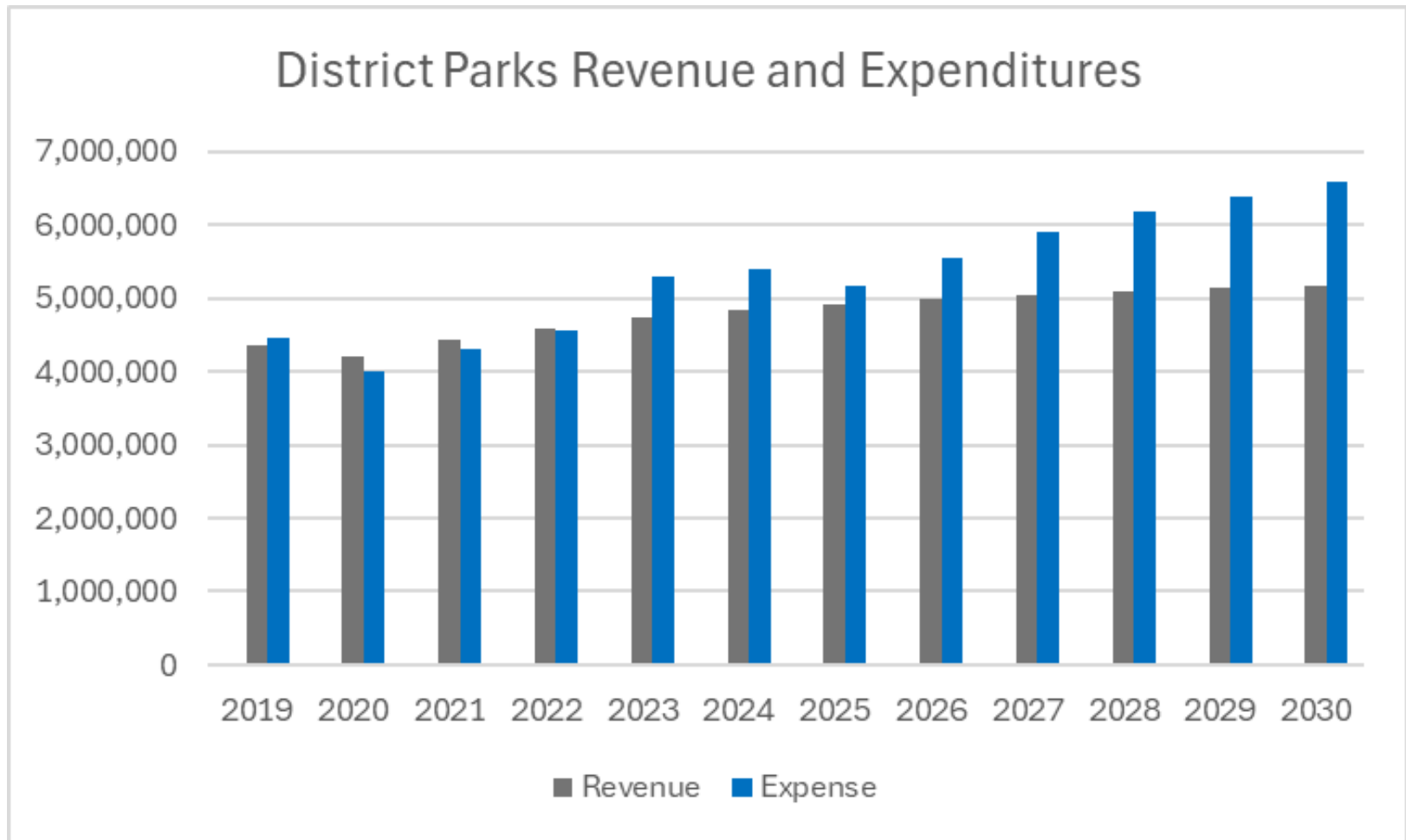
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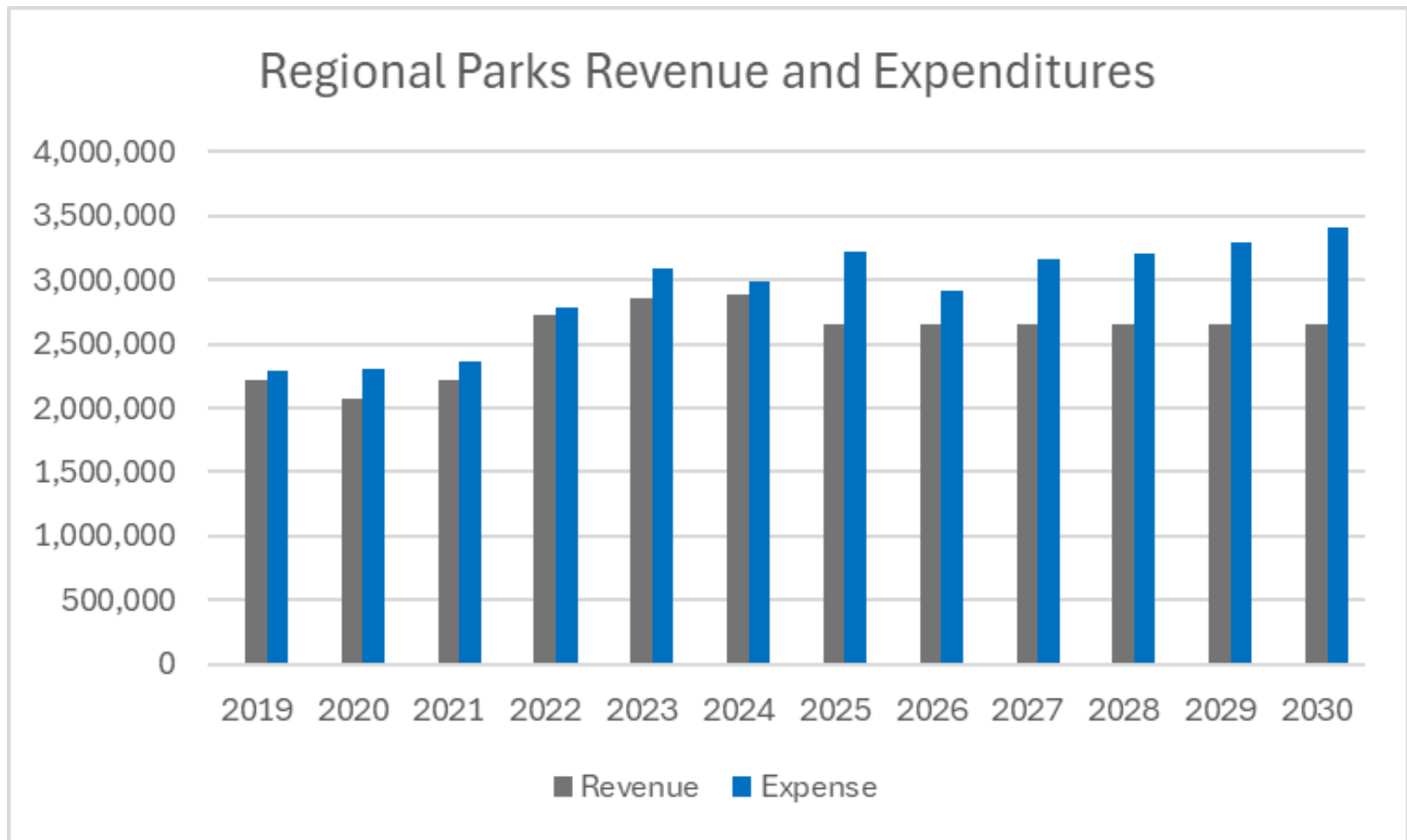
# Budget Projections



# GCPD-Operating Projections



# Regional Parks-Operating Projections



# Budget Forecast

District Parks						
Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Revenue	4,909,300.76	4,980,602.16	5,045,818.48	5,095,367.14	5,139,491.62	5,176,099.77
Expense	5,178,687.23	5,552,478.69	5,912,432.84	6,176,642.95	6,376,794.97	6,596,130.74
Gap	(269,386.47)	(571,876.53)	(866,614.37)	(1,081,275.81)	(1,237,303.35)	(1,420,030.97)
Regional Parks						
Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Revenue	2,659,067.00	2,659,067.00	2,659,067.00	2,659,067.00	2,659,067.00	2,659,067.00
Expense	3,221,848.13	2,918,387.00	3,157,451.35	3,206,863.30	3,289,691.30	3,403,476.15
Gap	(562,781.13)	(259,320.00)	(498,384.35)	(547,796.30)	(630,624.30)	(744,409.15)
	<b>\$832,167</b>	<b>\$831,196</b>	<b>\$1,364,998</b>	<b>\$1,629,071</b>	<b>\$1,867,927</b>	<b>\$2,164,439</b>



## Summary

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Significant deficits in the current Operating Budget and worsening into the future.

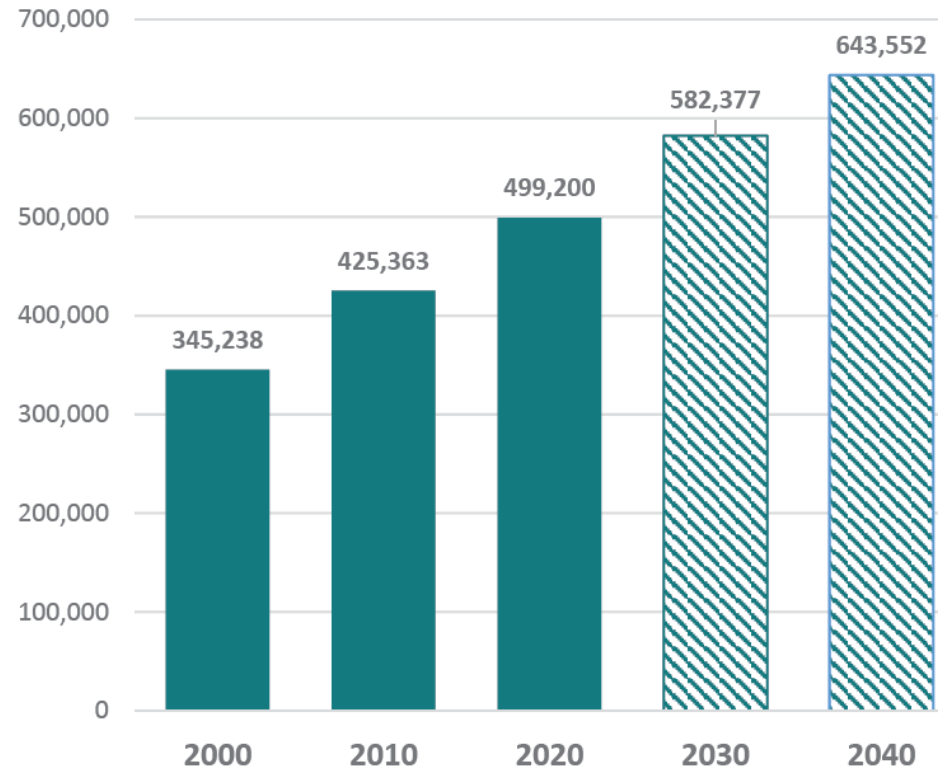
Current state is not sustainable



# **Sustainable Future Parks and Nature**



# Meeting Future Needs

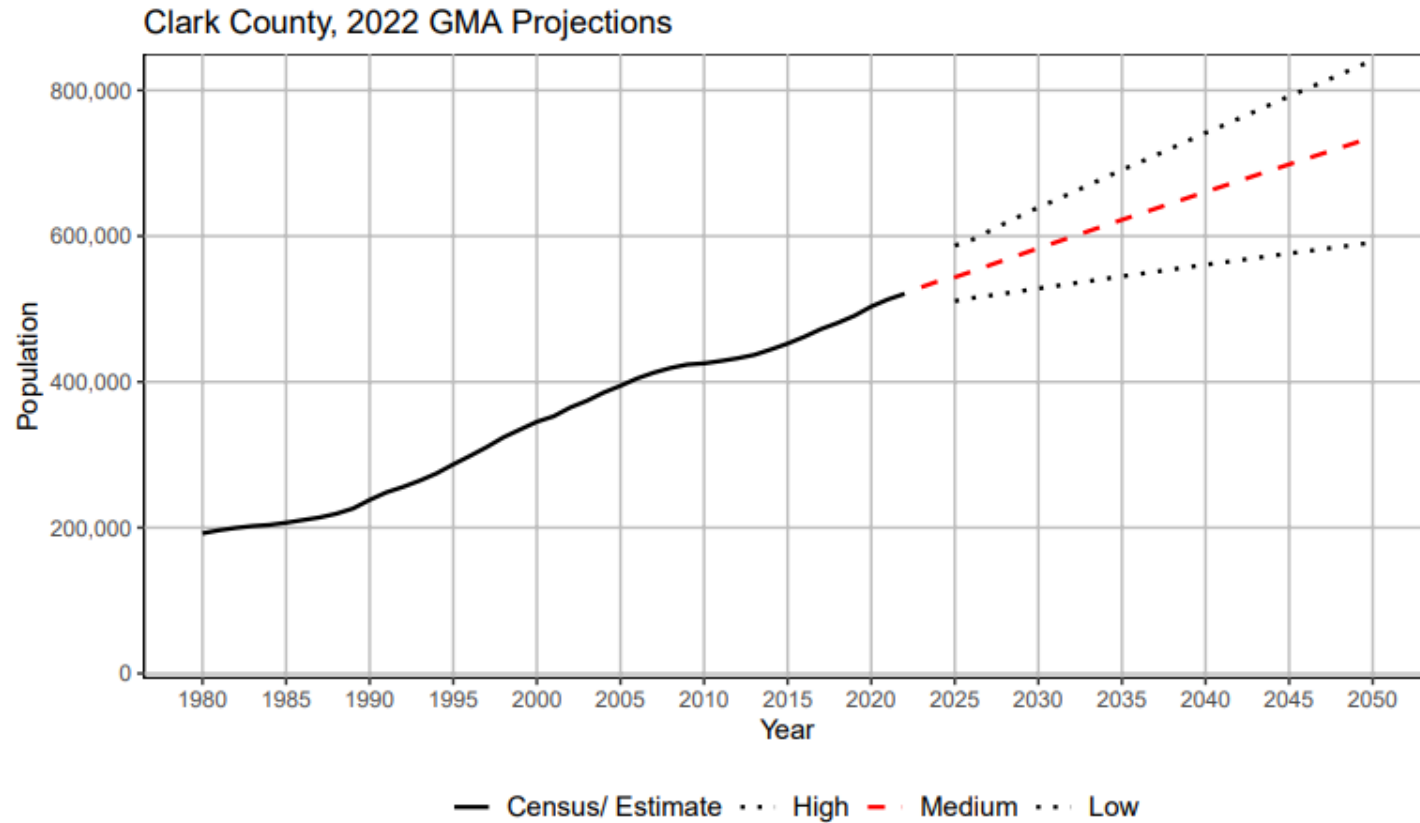


	OFM Adj. Census	Estimate		Projection					
	2020	2021	2022	2025	2030	2035	2040	2045	2050
Clark	503,311	513,100	520,900	543,507	583,307	622,329	660,653	698,416	735,724





# Meeting Future Needs



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# Three Future Scenarios

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Decline



Sustain



Fulfill

# Decline Scenario

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- Assumes no new funding
- Closure of parks
- Closure of parks amenities
- Decline in Level of Service throughout County Parks
- End new park acquisition and development
- Safety issues and liability issues throughout the system



# Sustain Scenario

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- Assumes funding to fill existing gap only
- Keep parks open
- Keep amenities open
- Not adequate meet growth needs
- Continue to invest in new park acquisitions
- Limited preventative maintenance
- Doesn't increase level of service
- Doesn't address deferred maintenance



# Fulfill Scenario

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- Assumes funding to maintain level consistent with peer counties
- Preventative maintenance to scale with growing system
- Keeping pace with growth
- Reinvesting in significant regional parks



## Staff Actions

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Rebalancing of Parks and Nature portfolio

Revitalizing regionally significant parks

- Operationalizing existing assets
- Creating synergistic partnerships

Synchronizing with cities

Focus on future state and meeting growth



# Transition Model-Magnuson Park

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# Transition Model-Burke-Gilman Trail

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# Transition Model-Marymoor Park

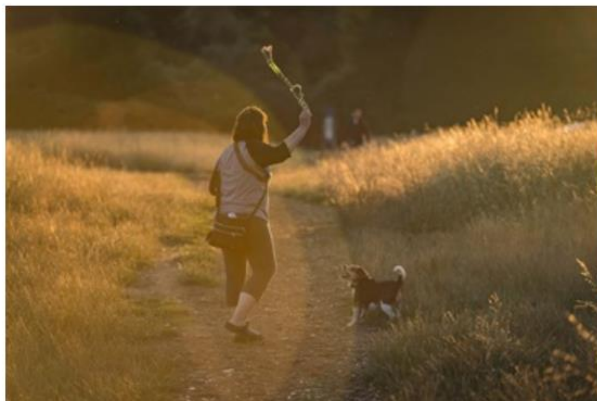
## Movies



King County's Summer Movies Series at Marymoor Park. Summer events feature big screen outdoor movies, food trucks, entertainment and are all dog friendly.

[Find more information and upcoming show times](#)

## Off-leash dog park



"Doggy Disneyland", as it is locally dubbed, Marymoor Park is best known for its 40-acre off-leash dog area. It is a great place to meet old friends and make new friends, both two-legged and four.

[Learn more about the Marymoor off-leash dog park](#)

## Concerts



King County's Summer Concert Series at Marymoor Park. The park offers a top-rated 5,000-person concert venue, nestled in the Willowmoor Farm historical district near Clise Mansion.

[Check out upcoming shows and information about concerts at Marymoor](#)



# Transition Model-Marymoor Park

## Cirque du Soleil



Cirque du Soleil produces world-renowned shows every other year on the Recreation Event Pad at Marymoor Park.

## Rentals



Offers available rentals for athletic fields, shelters, open space, recreation event pad, and Clise Mansion.

Find more information and [book a rental at Marymoor Park](#).

Looking to plan a special event at Marymoor Park? Check out our Marymoor [Special Events Rental Guide](#) to help your planning process!

Ready to apply for a special event? Fill out our [Special Events Application](#).

## Velodrome



Marymoor Park is home to the state's only velodrome, a 400-meter track dedicated to bicycle racing. Operated by the [Marymoor Velodrome Association](#).



Pathways exist to sustainability

Funding options are utilized by other counties

# Funding Options

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- Greater Clark Park District- Lid Lift
- Greater Clark Park District-Levy Update
- New Levy
- New Metropolitan Parks District
- Conservation Futures Tax Rate
- Other revenue sources



# Recommendation

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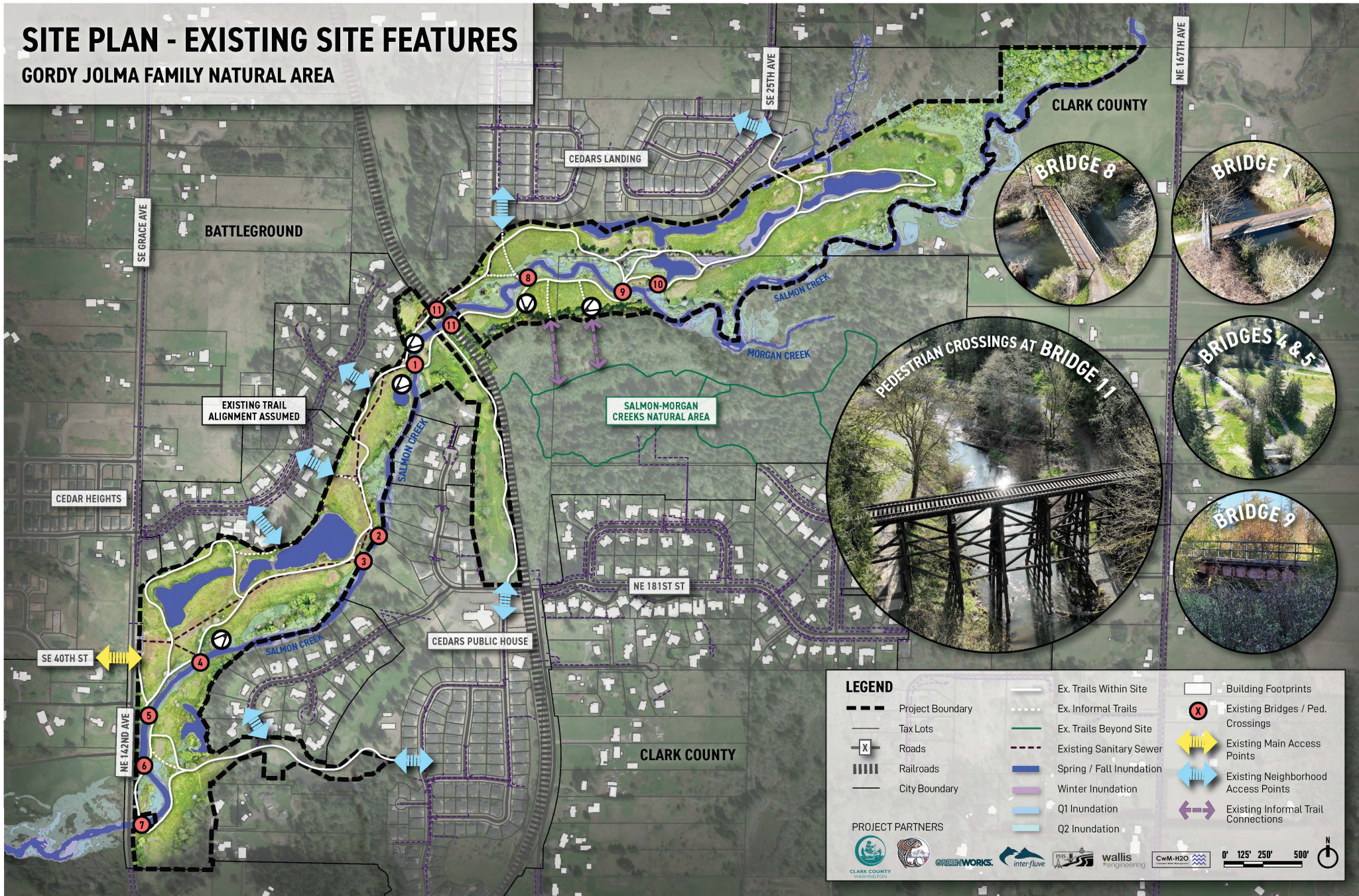
- **Create a Parks and Nature-Sustainable Future Task Team**
  - Evaluate and review potential funding options
  - Provide updates to Council at work sessions
  - Present a report to Council at conclusion of the work
  - Provide a recommendation to Council





# SITE PLAN - EXISTING SITE FEATURES

## GORDY JOLMA FAMILY NATURAL AREA

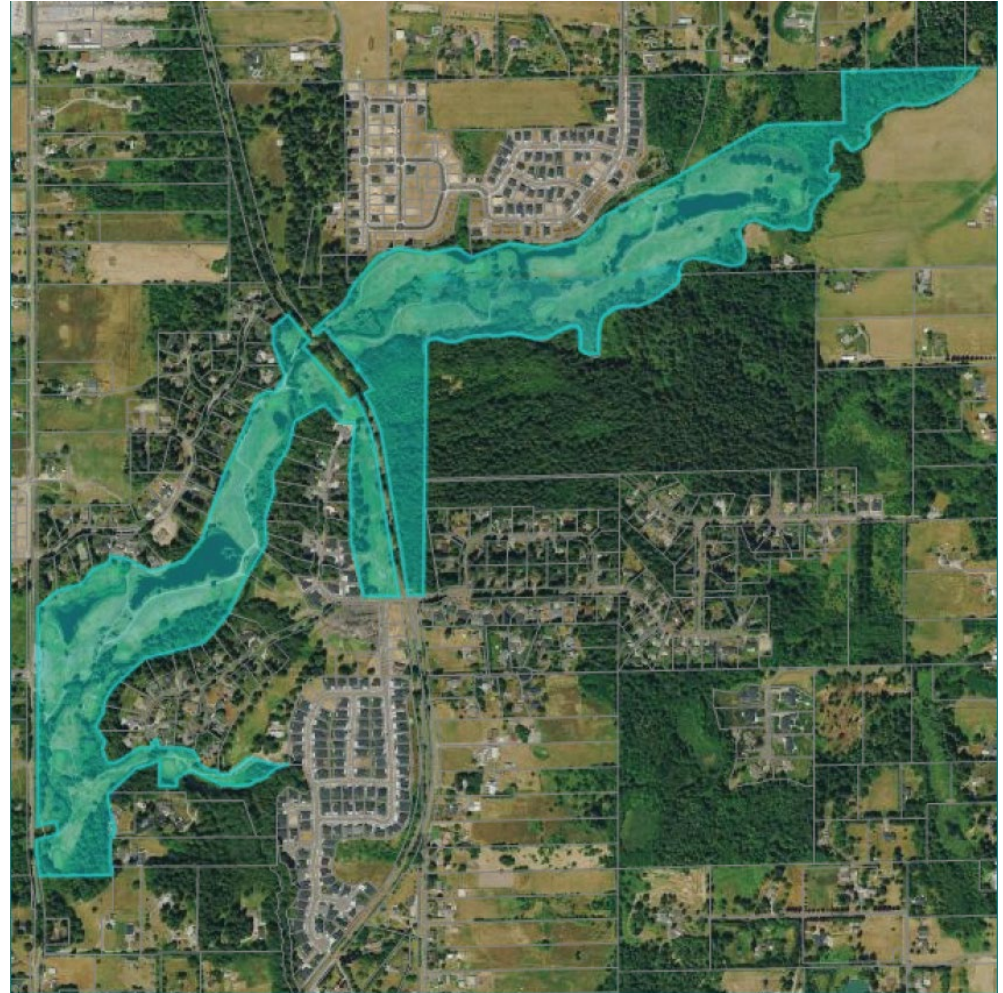




# Existing Conditions

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- 118-acres
- 2.2 miles along Salmon Creek
- Bordered by Salmon-Morgan Natural Area (108 acres)
- 11 bridges needing repairs or replacement
- 26 acres of wetlands





Gordy Jolma Family Natural Area  
Park Plan

# Open House

Join us to learn about the project plans for:

- 🌲 Trail alignments
- 🌲 Trailheads and parking
- 🌲 Salmon Creek habitat improvements
- 🌲 Fish passage restoration
- 🌲 Amenities to support nature-based recreation

Refreshments Provided!



Scan with your phone camera to visit the project website!



## When and where?

6-8 pm Thursday, April 24



The Cedars Public House

15001 NE 181st St, Brush Prairie



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