Park system planning

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Park system plan update

Kline line Pond / Salmon Creek Regional Park

- **Why update the plan?**
- **Current plan snapshot**
- **Key bodies of work**
- **Public engagement**
- **Decision points**

Why update the plan?

Purpose

Meet the community's needs for parks, recreation, open space and trails.

Requirements

- Clark County Comprehensive Plan
- Growth Management Act
- Grant funding

Helps to address challenges

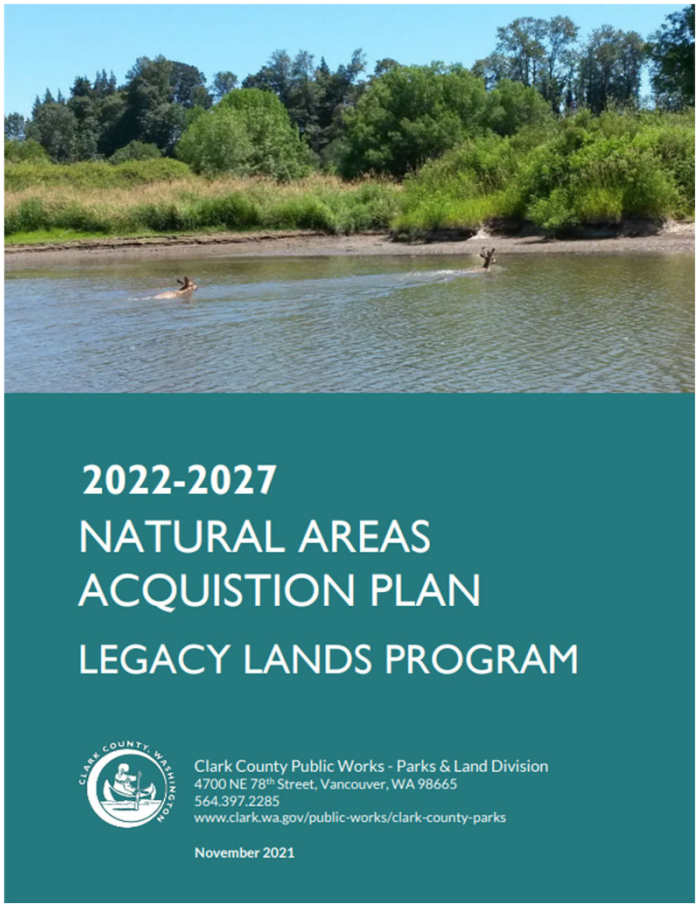
- Increasing park demands
- Evolving recreational trends
- Climate impacts
- Land acquisition needs
- Disparities in access

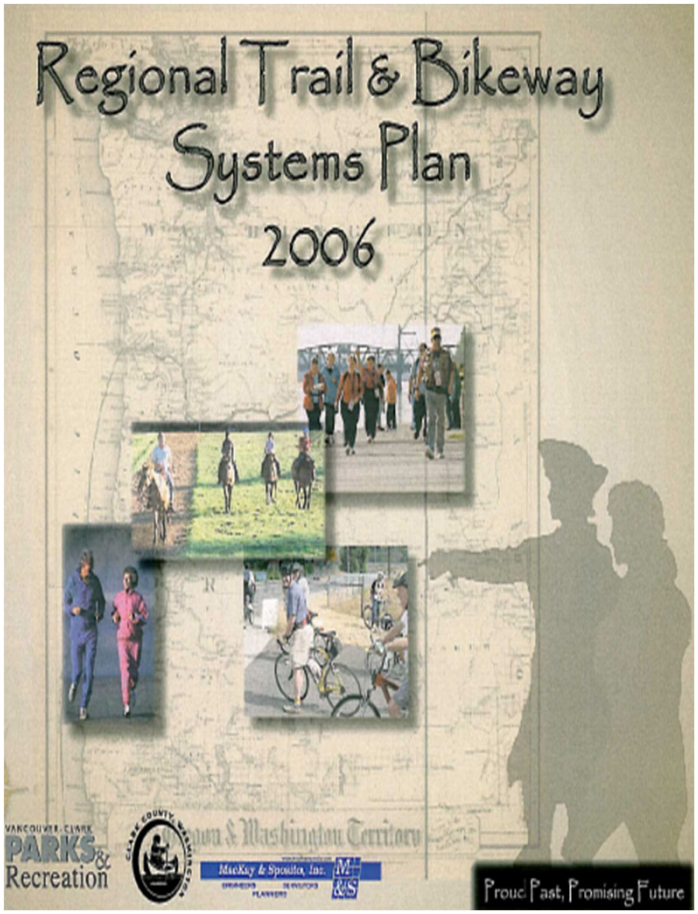
Vancouver Lake Regional Park

Current plan snapshot

- Adopted by Council in 2022.
- Inventory assessment
- Level of service
- Establishes capital priorities
- Reviews public input
- Establishes goals

Key bodies of work





- Natural Areas Acquisition Plan
- Regional trail plan
- Level of service methodology

Natural Areas Acquisition Plan

Gordy Jolma Natural Area

Acquisition principles

- Community access
- Conservation and natural areas stewardship
- Regional trail integration
- Working lands and watershed protection
- Fiscal responsibility and partnership leverage.

Natural Areas Acquisition Plan

County Priorities

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Acquisition Principles

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Strategic Assessments

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GIS-Based Prioritization

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Tiered 20-Year Action Plan

Whipple Creek Regional Park

Regional trail plan update

Courtesy Design Workshop

Goals of the update:

- Create regional corridors
- Integrate parks
- Improve cross-jurisdiction connections
- Reducing physical and invisible barriers to access

Regional trail plan update

Steps of the update:

- Identify gaps and needs
- Simplify regional trail system
- Establish goals
- Performance measures

Level of service

Strengthening our approach

Current:

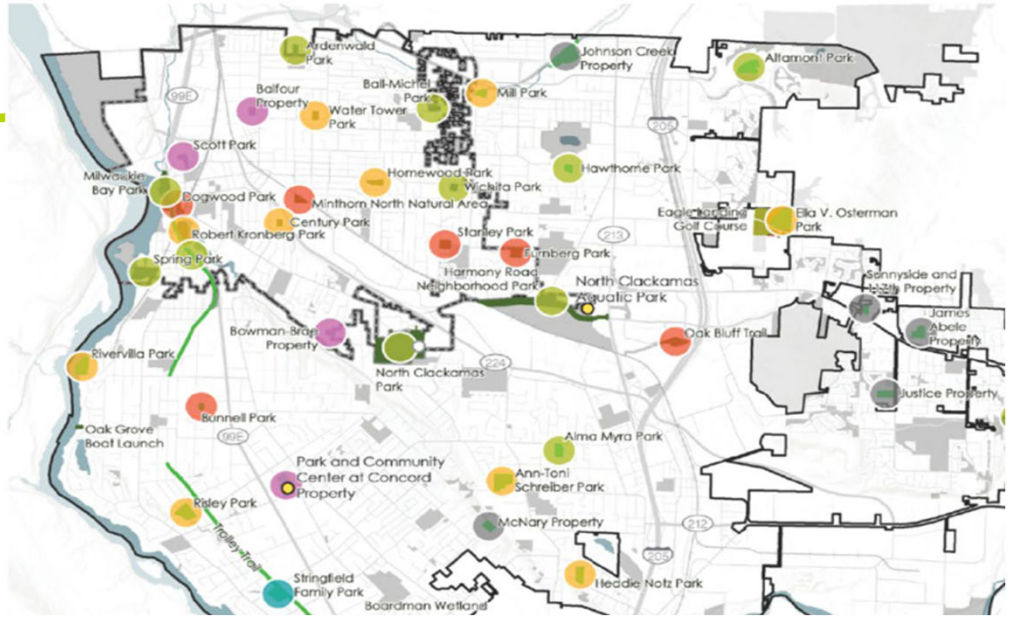
- Acres per capita

Other opportunities:

- Facilities per capita
- Access distance/time
- Facility condition
- Quality and inclusivity
- Operational funding per acre
- Increased programming

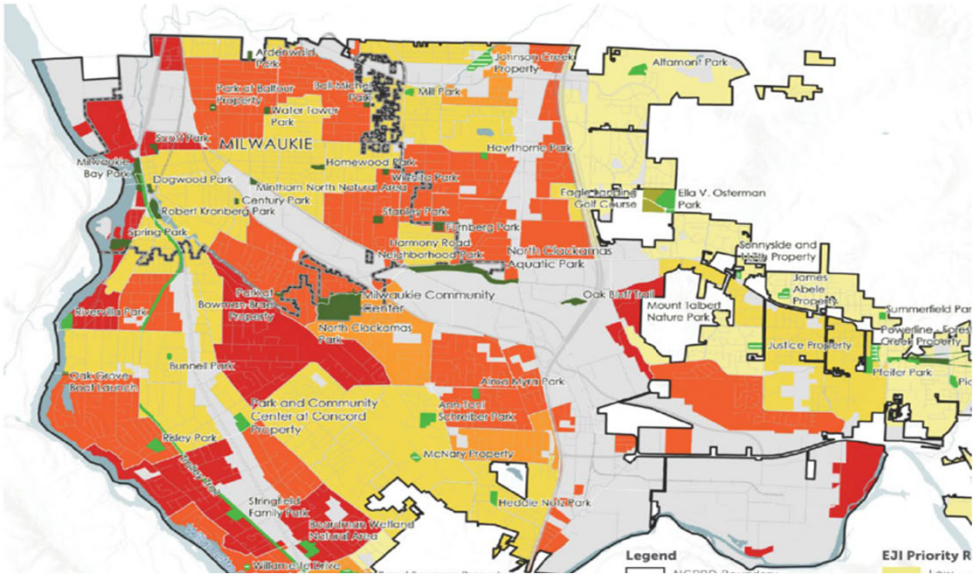
PARK CONDITIONS MAP

Figure 18: NCPRD Park Conditions Map



OVERALL PERCENTILE RANKING (EJI) MAP

Figure 15: Overall Percentile Ranking (EJI) Map



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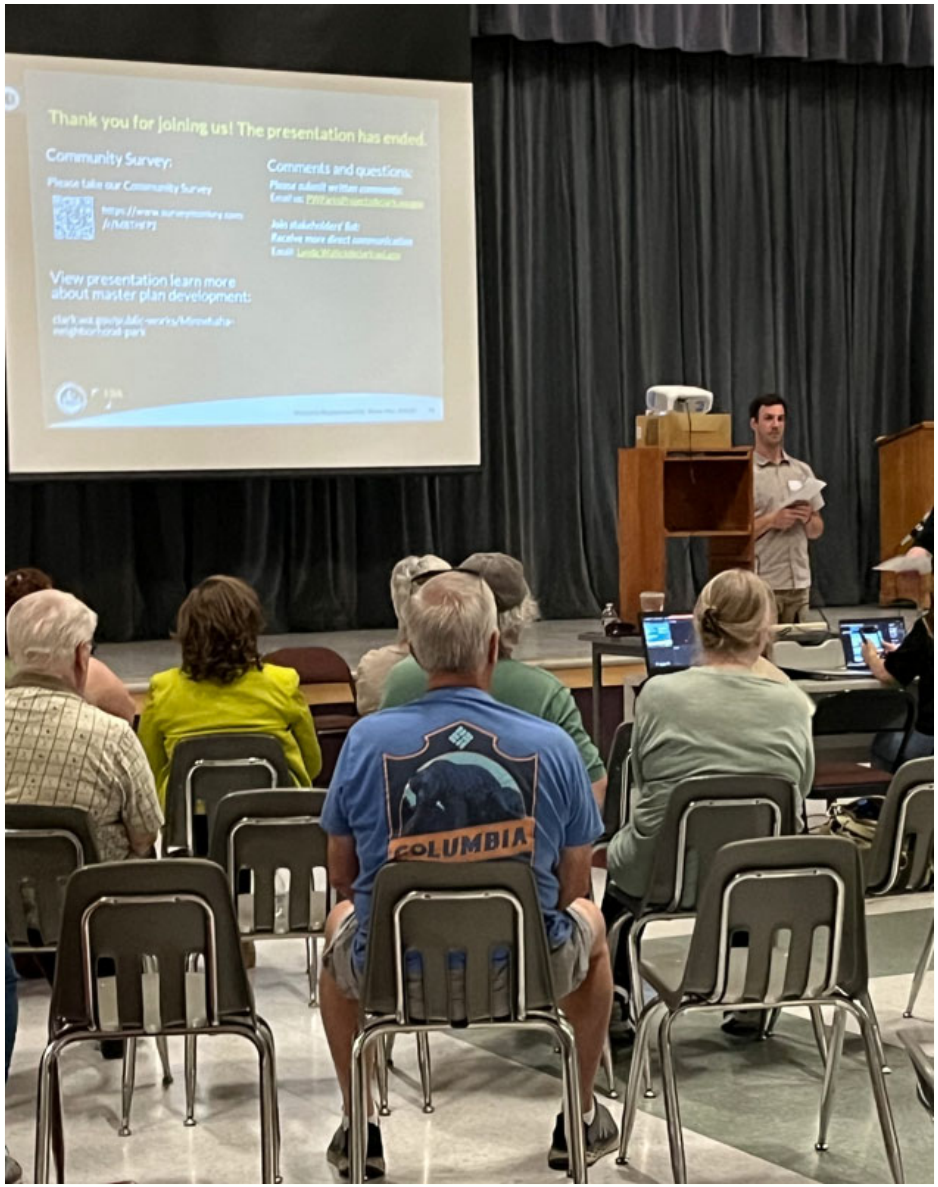
Public engagement strategies

Community partnership approach

- Engage with all community groups
- Understand increased expectations for parks
- Continue building trust, improving partnerships

Decision points

- Vision and goals (current step)
- Public involvement plan
- Level of service standards
- Funding strategies
- Land acquisition focus
- Regional trail plan adoption
- Policy updates
- Adoption of final plan



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