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NOTICE OF ADOPTED CHANGE TO A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OR LAND USE REGULATION

Date: October 09, 2015

Jurisdiction: Lake County

Local file no.: 15-030-CPA-TA

DLCD file no.: 002-15

The Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) received the attached notice of adopted amendment to a comprehensive plan or land use regulation on 10/08/2015. A copy of the adopted amendment is available for review at the DLCD office in Salem and the local government office. This amendment was submitted without a signed ordinance.

Notice of the proposed amendment was submitted to DLCD 39 days prior to the first evidentiary hearing.

Appeal Procedures

Eligibility to appeal this amendment is governed by ORS 197.612, ORS 197.620, and ORS 197.830. Under ORS 197.830(9), a notice of intent to appeal a land use decision to LUBA must be filed no later than 21 days after the date the decision sought to be reviewed became final. If you have questions about the date the decision became final, please contact the jurisdiction that adopted the amendment.

A notice of intent to appeal must be served upon the local government and others who received written notice of the final decision from the local government. The notice of intent to appeal must be served and filed in the form and manner prescribed by LUBA, (OAR chapter 661, division 10).

If the amendment is not appealed, it will be deemed acknowledged as set forth in ORS 197.625(1)(a). Please call LUBA at 503-373-1265, if you have questions about appeal procedures.

DLCD Contact

If you have questions about this notice, please contact DLCD's Plan Amendment Specialist at 503-934-0017 or plan.amendments@state.or.us



NOTICE OF ADOPTED CHANGE TO A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OR LAND USE REGULATION

FOR DLCD USE

File No.: 002-15 {23944}

Received: 10/8/2015

Local governments are required to send notice of an adopted change to a comprehensive plan or land use regulation **no more than 20 days after the adoption**. (See [OAR 660-018-0040](#)). The rules require that the notice include a completed copy of this form. **This notice form is not for submittal of a completed periodic review task or a plan amendment reviewed in the manner of periodic review.** Use [Form 4](#) for an adopted urban growth boundary including over 50 acres by a city with a population greater than 2,500 within the UGB or an urban growth boundary amendment over 100 acres adopted by a metropolitan service district. Use [Form 5](#) for an adopted urban reserve designation, or amendment to add over 50 acres, by a city with a population greater than 2,500 within the UGB. Use [Form 6](#) with submittal of an adopted periodic review task.

Jurisdiction: Lake County

Local file no.: **15-030-CPA-TA**

Date of adoption: October 7, 2015

Date sent: 10/8/2015

Was Notice of a Proposed Change (Form 1) submitted to DLCD?

Yes: Date (use the date of last revision if a revised Form 1 was submitted): August 7, 2015

No

Is the adopted change different from what was described in the Notice of Proposed Change? Yes No

If yes, describe how the adoption differs from the proposal:

Very minor change: [addition] and [deletion]: "That the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be utilized as the guideline for Parks [and Recreation- added] [Planning -deleted] implementation."

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PLEASE COMPLETE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS THAT APPLY

For a change to comprehensive plan text:

Identify the sections of the plan that were added or amended and which statewide planning goals those sections implement, if any:

Lake County Comprehensive Plan, specifically (Statewide Planning Goal 8) Goal 8 Recreation Needs. The plan was adopted and included by reference only: an addition to Plan Policies: (8.)

For a change to a comprehensive plan map:

Identify the former and new map designations and the area affected:

Change from	to	acres.	A goal exception was required for this
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Location of affected property (T, R, Sec., TL and address):

The subject property is entirely within an urban growth boundary

The subject property is partially within an urban growth boundary

If the comprehensive plan map change is a UGB amendment including less than 50 acres and/or by a city with a population less than 2,500 in the urban area, indicate the number of acres of the former rural plan designation, by type, included in the boundary.

Exclusive Farm Use – Acres:	Non-resource – Acres:
Forest – Acres:	Marginal Lands – Acres:
Rural Residential – Acres:	Natural Resource/Coastal/Open Space – Acres:
Rural Commercial or Industrial – Acres:	Other: – Acres:

If the comprehensive plan map change is an urban reserve amendment including less than 50 acres, or establishment or amendment of an urban reserve by a city with a population less than 2,500 in the urban area, indicate the number of acres, by plan designation, included in the boundary.

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Forest – Acres:	Marginal Lands – Acres:
Rural Residential – Acres:	Natural Resource/Coastal/Open Space – Acres:
Rural Commercial or Industrial – Acres:	Other: – Acres:

For a change to the text of an ordinance or code:

Identify the sections of the ordinance or code that were added or amended by title and number:

Lake County Comprehensive Plan, specifically (Statewide Planning Goal 8) Goal 8 Recreation Needs. The plan was adopted and included by reference only: an addition to Plan Policies: (8.)

For a change to a zoning map:

Identify the former and new base zone designations and the area affected:

Change from	to	Acres:
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Identify additions to or removal from an overlay zone designation and the area affected:

Overlay zone designation:	Acres added:	Acres removed:
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Location of affected property (T, R, Sec., TL and address):

List affected state or federal agencies, local governments and special districts:

Identify supplemental information that is included because it may be useful to inform DLCD or members of the public of the effect of the actual change that has been submitted with this Notice of Adopted Change, if any. If the submittal, including supplementary materials, exceeds 100 pages, include a summary of the amendment briefly describing its purpose and requirements.

RESOLUTION 2015-10-07

COUNTY OF LAKE

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

IN THE MATTER OF TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE LAKE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LAKE COUNTY, OREGON RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, in 2014, Lake County received an Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (ORPD) grant to create its first Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Over the next year, County officials and the Parks and Recreation Task Team (Task Team) worked with the Community Service Center (CSC) at the University of Oregon to develop this plan;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Plan is to create a comprehensive, countywide guide for the development, coordination, and management of parks and recreation programming and facilities; while providing a roadmap for creating parks and recreation resources to meet the needs of residents in Lake County; implementation therefore promoting recreation, health, tourism, livability and quality of life;

WHEREAS, Lake County contracted with the University of Oregon's Community Service Center (CSC) to help facilitate the parks and recreation planning process, which included research, inventory, and extensive public engagement;

WHEREAS, on August 7 the Notice of Proposed Amendment was submitted to the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) satisfying the 35 day Notice of the 1st Evidentiary hearing by the County;

WHEREAS, on September 15 the Planning Commission held a hearing on the proposed plan and inclusion by reference into the Lake County Comprehensive Plan and made a Recommendation for approval of the Plan by reference to the County Board of Commissioners;

WHEREAS, as the County has initiated this update, which is a Legislative Action persuade to Article 28 of the Zoning Ordinance, which has been followed as to the existing language procedures, including due notice in the Lake County Examiner on September 23 and 30, 2015;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners have reviewed the proposed drafts and Planning Commission Staff Report and Recommendation in Public Hearing on October 6 and 7, 2015 along with all written and oral testimony received;


WHEREAS, it is intended that this Master Plan be a living document to be updated as improvement are made and or priorities change; therefore,

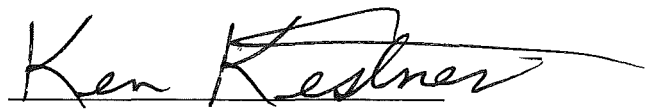
IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the attached document (Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan) be approved and included in the Lake County Comprehensive Plan by reference only as an amendment to Planning Guidelines: VIII. Recreation Needs: B. the addition of #8 to read as follows: "That the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be utilized as the guideline for Parks and Recreation Implementation."

DATED at Lakeview, Oregon this 7th day of October, 2015.

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Bradley J. Winters, Chair


Dan Shoun, Commissioner


Ken Kestner, Commissioner



**LAKE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
STAFF REPORT / MEMO / RECOMMENDATION**

Agenda Date: 9/15/2015

Item Number: 2

*This report is financed in part by an Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development
Planning Assistance Grant.*

*Lake County Planning Commission Staff Reports are considered part of the record and may be utilized for
decision making purposes.*

TITLE: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT – TEXT AMENDMENT
APPLICATION FILE #15-030-CPA-TA

APPLICANT: Lake County Planning Department
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Lakeview, Oregon 97630
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SUMMARY: A Public Hearing concerning an application by Lake County to amend the Lake County Comprehensive Plan: Planning Guidelines: VIII. Recreation Needs: B. to adopt and include by reference only the recently completed Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan, with the additional policy, “That the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be utilized as the guideline for Parks Planning Implementation.” The Plan addresses all areas within the county, except the incorporated areas of Lakeview and Paisley and the Christmas Valley Parks and Recreation District boundaries. A recommendation from the Lake County Planning Commission to the Lake County Board of Commissioners will be based upon the draft Parks Plan referenced above. The Parks Plan and all information related to the proposal are available for review at the Courthouse, Planning Department at no cost and copies can be supplied at a reasonable cost. A staff report will be available for review seven (7) days before the hearing, and can be supplied at a reasonable cost. For further information contact the Planning office by phone at (541)947-6036, or stop in Monday through Friday, 8:30-5:00pm at the above address.

DECISION: Following a review of all relevant information, the Planning Commission **RECOMMENDS APPROVAL** of the Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Text Amendment to Planning Guidelines, VIII. Recreation Needs, B. Plan Policies, adding: “8. *That the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be utilized as the guideline for Parks Planning Implementation.*” based upon the meeting discussion, edits and enclosed drafts and conclusions of law.

REPORT BY: Darwin Johnson Jr., Planning Director

LEGAL NOTICES: By publication, Lake County Examiner – September 2 & 9, 2015 (see Attachment B).

GENERAL SITE INFORMATION: The plan addresses all property within Lake County, except the incorporated areas of Lakeview and Paisley and the Christmas Valley Parks and Recreation District boundaries.

WHY IS A PARKS PLAN NEEDED?

In 2014, Lake County received an Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (ORPD) grant to create its first Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Over the next year, County officials and the Parks and Recreation Task Team (Task Team) worked with the Community Service Center (CSC) at the University of Oregon to develop this plan.

The purpose of the Plan is to create a comprehensive, countywide guide for the development, coordination, and management of parks and recreation programming and facilities. It provides a roadmap for creating parks and recreation resources to meet the needs of residents in Lake County. When implemented, it will promote recreation, health, tourism, livability and quality of life.

PLANNING PROCESS:

Lake County contracted with the University of Oregon's Community Service Center (CSC) to help facilitate the parks and recreation planning process, which included research, inventory, and extensive public engagement. For detailed information and reports on methodology, please see the Data and Methods Addendum to the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

PROCEDURES:

ARTICLE 28: ZONING AMENDMENTS

Section 28.01 Authorization to Initiate Amendments. An amendment to the text of this Ordinance or to a zoning map may be initiated by the Commission, the County Planning Commission, or by application of a property owner. The request by a property owner for an amendment shall be accomplished by filing an application with the Planning Administrator using forms prescribed pursuant to Article 28 of this Ordinance.

Section 28.02 Application for a Zone Amendment. An application for a Zone Change or Zone Text Amendment by a property owner or authorized agent thereof shall be filed with the County Planning Director on forms prescribed by the County and shall be accompanied by the required filing fee. Said application shall be filed not less than 21 days prior to the date of the Commission hearing thereon. The applicant shall provide reasons for the requested change, and shall present sufficient facts to show that the amendment will be in substantial compliance with the goals, objectives and policies of the County Comprehensive Plan and applicable Statewide Planning Goals and LCDC Administrative Rules.

Section 28.03 Public Hearings on Amendments. The Planning Commission shall, at its earliest practicable meeting date following the 21 day filing period, duly advertise and conduct a public hearing on the proposed amendment, and shall within five (5) working days following the conclusion of such hearing, recommend to the Board of County Commissioners, approval, disapproval or modified approval of the proposed amendment. Within 30 days of the receipt of the Commission's recommendations, the Board shall duly advertise and conduct a public hearing on the proposed amendment. The Board shall approve, approve with modifications, or disapprove the proposed amendment. The Commission or the Board may recess or continue a hearing in order to obtain additional information and input on the proposed amendment.

Section 28.04 Public Notice Requirements. The following public notice requirements shall apply to applications for a zoning amendment:

- A. Each notice of a public hearing regarding a zoning amendment shall be published once a week for the two (2) successive weeks prior to the date of the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the County.*
- B. In addition to the notice requirements set forth in Sub-Section A. above, for an amendment that proposes to rezone property individual notice shall be given as set forth by ORS 215.503(2) (c) except as provided*

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otherwise by ORS 215.508. If such rezoning is for a single lot or parcel, individual notice shall be provided to all property owners within 250 feet of the exterior boundaries of the subject property.

- C. *Notice of an application for a zone amendment shall be provided to the owner of a public use airport if the property subject to the zone amendment is:
 - 1. *Within 5,000 feet of the side or end of a runway of a "visual airport"; or*
 - 2. *Within 10,000 feet of the side or end of the runway of an "instrument airport"; and*
 - 3. *If the zone amendment would allow a structure greater than thirty-five (35) feet in height on property located inside the runway "approach surface".**
- D. *Notice of an application for a zone change of property which includes all or part of a mobile home park shall be given by first class mail to each existing mailing address for tenants of the mobile home park at least twenty (20) days but not more than forty (40) days before the date of the first hearing.*
- E. *Notice of an application for a proposed zoning amendment, together with a copy or description of the proposed amendment, shall be provided to the State Land Conservation & Development Commission (LCDC) at least forty-five (45) days prior to the date of the final hearing thereon.*

Finding: Lake County finds that although this is not a Zoning Ordinance amendment the same criteria generally apply to a Comprehensive Plan Amendment. The County has initiated the amendment by providing the required 35-day Notice of Proposed Amendment to [DLCD] on August 7, 2015. The first evidentiary hearing was scheduled for September 15, 2015 before the Planning Commission. Anticipating a review and recommendation, the Board of Commissioners has scheduled a Hearing for the proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Text Amendment hearing on September 16, 2015. The only change to the Comprehensive Plan within the Planning Guidelines: VIII. Recreation Needs: B. to adopt and include by reference only the recently completed Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan, with the additional policy, "That the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be utilized as the guideline for Parks Planning Implementation." The Planning Commission hearing on September 15, 2015 satisfies the Public Hearings requirement and a recommendation will be made to the Board of Commissioners to approval the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan as reviewed, edited and submitted to the Board. Publication in the Examiner has occurred as required by Section 28.04 as noted previously. No map is being amended with this project. All other notice requirements do not apply to this amendment review process.

Section 28.05 Record of Amendments. The Planning Administrator shall maintain records of amendments to the text and zoning map of the Ordinance.

Finding: Lake County finds that this amendment will be, if approved by the Board of Commissioners, included in the maintained records of the Lake County Comprehensive Plan.

Section 28.06 Limitation on Re-application. No application of a property owner for an amendment to the text of this Ordinance or to the zoning map shall be reconsidered by the Planning Commission within one year of the previous consideration of the application, except the Planning Commission may permit a new application, if in the opinion of the Planning Commission, new evidence or a change of circumstances warrant it.

Finding: Lake County finds that this section does not apply to this review and update.

Section 28.07 Compliance with Comprehensive Plan. In considering an amendment to an Ordinance or map, the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners shall seek to determine the following:

- A. *That there has been a substantial change in the character of the area since the zoning was adopted.*
- B. *That the level of development in the other locations has reached the point whereby additional land is needed for the proposed use(s), and that the area of the proposed change can best facilitate such needs.*
- C. *That the zoning adopted for the area is in error.*

Finding: Lake County finds that this section does not apply to this review and update.

OREGON STATEWIDE PLANNING GOALS

Finding: The Lake County Comprehensive Plan and Implementing Ordinances were acknowledged by the Land Conservation and Development Commission on July 8, 1982 as satisfactorily meeting each of the State's Land Use goals as applicable. The Lake County Planning Commission finds that the Comprehensive Plan: Planning Guidelines: VIII. Recreation Needs states the following:

A. *State Planning Goal No. 8*

To make provisions to satisfy the recreational needs of the County, State and visitors.

B. *Plan Policies*

1. *That park and recreation improvements will be provided in all areas where demand exists, sites can be obtained, financing is feasible, and improvements can be made compatible with surrounding development.*
2. *The State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP), the State Park Systems Plan, and other relevant parks and recreation plans shall be utilized as guidelines for Plan implementation of the Recreation Needs element thereof.*
3. *That private enterprise will be given priority for developing recreational resources providing resource protection can be assured and proposed uses are compatible with surrounding development.*
4. *That the Plan will provide for diversification of outdoor recreation programs to more fully utilize existing facilities during all seasons.*
5. *That uses in the Warner Canyon Ski Area vicinity will be managed so as to be compatible with ski area objectives.*
6. *The need for park and recreation areas and facilities shall be considered in the review and approval of all developments likely to create a demand for such use, particularly large developments, and the provisions of such may be required as a condition of approval.*
7. *That park rehabilitation, replacements, minor betterment repairs and improvements, and other similar construction activities which do not impact land uses will not require County approval.*

C. *Recommendations:*

1. *That a Parks & Recreation Plan be prepared to include addressing hiking and related pedestrian and bicycle trail and other improvement needs; to satisfy demands for all types of recreation not presently provided; and to recognize the development and rehabilitation proposals in the State Park Systems Plan. Such Plan should also take into account the need for handicapped, elderly, low income, and minority recreation needs.*
2. *That local, State and Federal government agencies work together with local individuals and civic groups in developing those park and recreation projects including RV use areas, bicycle and other trails, etc., identified in a County Parks & Recreation Plan.*
3. *That easements, development rights and other means of protecting open space are utilized.*
4. *That public access be maintained or secured to appropriate stream areas to insure recreational access.*

Finding: Lake County finds that sections A and B above need not be changed. Furthermore the proposed text amendment to include under section B. "**8. That the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be utilized as the guideline for Parks Planning Implementation.**" satisfactorily meets Recommendation 1. under subsection C. By adopting the proposed Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan the County will now have a document to use as a guide in the "development, coordination, and management of parks and recreation programming and facilities."

APPLICATION, ATTACHMENTS & EXHIBITS *Complete File in the Record:

- * Attachment A: Lake County Draft Master Plan Application
- * Attachment B: Lake County Master Plan Scope of Work_v2
- * Attachment C: Workshop Findings Memo_Final
- * Attachment D: Proposed Draft of the "Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan – July 2015.
- * Attachment E: Notice of a Proposed Change to a Comprehensive Plan – emailed to DLCD August 7.
- * Attachment F: Notice to Paper of the Hearing.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

Following a review of all relevant information, the Planning Commission **RECOMMENDS APPROVAL** of the Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Text Amendment to Planning Guidelines, VIII. Recreation Needs, B. Plan Policies, adding: “8. *That the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be utilized as the guideline for Parks Planning Implementation.*” based upon the meeting discussion, edits and enclosed drafts and conclusions of law. This Recommendation is now forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for their review and final decision.

PLANNING COMMISSION VOTE RESULT:

PLANNING COMMISSIONER	POSITION & TERM	MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Meredith Smith – <i>Chair</i>	1 – 12/31/2018		X		
(vacant) – <i>Vice-Chair</i>	2 – 12/31/2018				(vacant)
(vacant)	3 – 12/31/2015				(vacant)
Justin Ferrell	4 – 12/31/2015		X		
Michael King	5 – 12/31/2016	X	X		
John Flynn	6 – 12/31/2016	2 nd	X		
Chaylon Shuffield	7 – 12/31-2017		X		

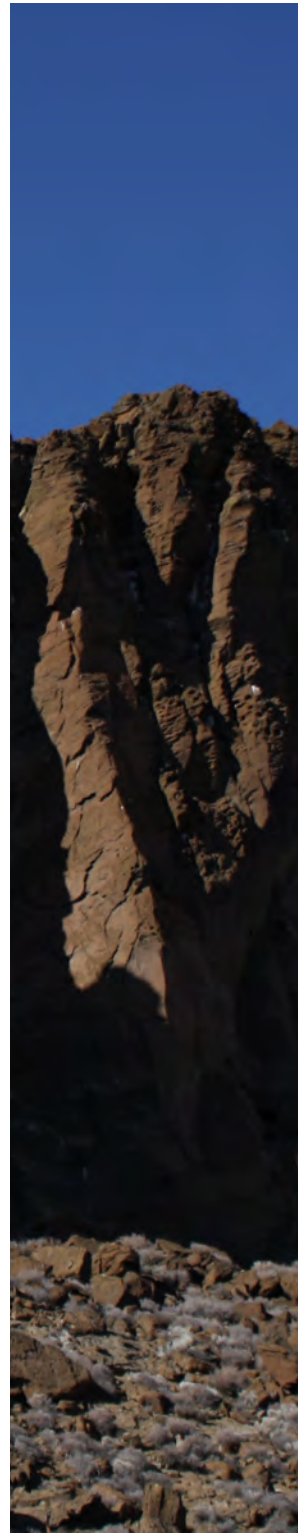
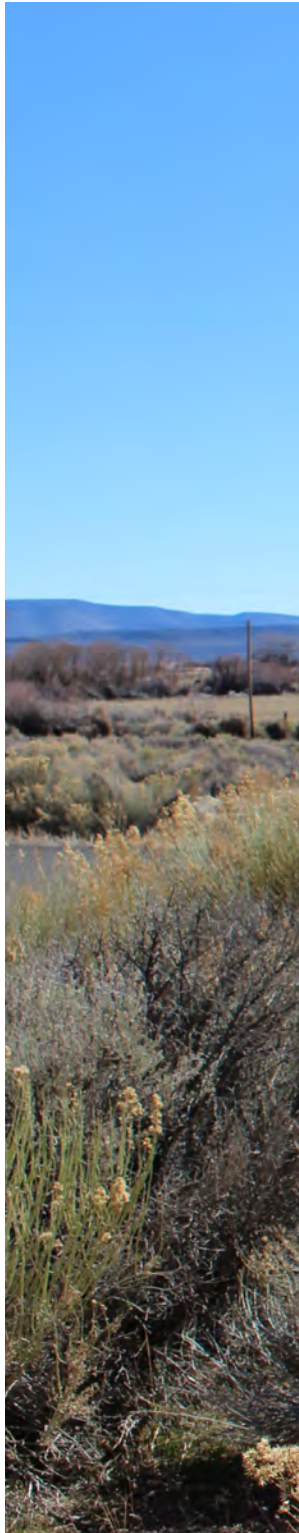
SIGNATURE:

Upon the vote of quorum at the Planning Commission, the Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Text Amendment is hereby Recommended for Approval this 15th day of September, 2015 based upon the meeting discussion, edits and enclosed drafts and conclusions of law associated with this land use application.

Meredith Smith
Planning Commission Chair

APPEAL PROCEDURE:

Any party aggrieved by the decision of the Lake County Planning Commission may exercise the right to appeal if they provided input or evidence into the record concerning this land use application, and if filed within 15 days from the mailing of the Notice of Decision. Please refer to Section 30.01 of the Lake County Zoning Ordinance for details, or contact the Planning Dept.



LAKE COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

LAKE COUNTY, OREGON

JULY, 2015



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The purpose of the Plan is to create a comprehensive, countywide guide for the development, coordination, and management of parks and recreation programming and facilities. It provides a roadmap for creating parks and recreation resources to meet the needs of residents in Lake County. When implemented, it will promote recreation, health, tourism, livability and quality of life.

Multiple reports produced for Lake County have identified the importance of parks, recreation, and open space facilities, and stakeholders involved in the Master Plan process have repeatedly emphasized their value to the community. For example:

- The 2013 Lake County Health Needs Assessment ranked “Lack of Recreational Facilities” as the third highest health concern facing Southern Lake County.
- The 2014 Lake County Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) called for a coordinated and centralized approach to recreational programming and facilities, calling it a key strategy to promote physical activity and address the high risk factors for heart disease within the county.
- The 2013 South Central Oregon Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy identifies Lake County’s abundant natural and scenic areas as key elements in creating a more robust local economy.

By improving parks and recreation amenities and opportunities, the County hopes to retain current residents while attracting new residents and visitors. The coordinated approach to parks and recreation planning and management presented in this Plan is one tool to achieving the community’s goals for quality of life, health, and economic development.

PLANNING PROCESS

Lake County contracted with the University of Oregon's Community Service Center (CSC) to help facilitate the parks and recreation planning process, which included research, inventory, and extensive public engagement. For detailed information and reports on methodology, please see the Data and Methods Addendum to the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

Socio-Economic Profile: The research team looked at data from the United States Census, American Community Survey, Oregon Employment Department, Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP), and other reports to develop a basic understanding of the context of parks and recreation in Lake County.

Document Review: The team reviewed all of the county and state policy documents relevant to parks and recreation planning and explained how each policy may influence decisions about parks and recreation.

Inventory: The team created an inventory of county-owned parks facilities, including Lake County Fairgrounds, Lower Cottonwood Boat Launch and Day Use Area, Warner Canyon Ski Area, Egan Park, Drews Reservoir, and Ana Reservoir.

Stakeholder interviews: The team interviewed 25 stakeholders from Lake County businesses, schools, government agencies, healthcare, and other active community members. Stakeholders were identified and selected by the Parks and Recreation Task Team.

Community workshops: The team conducted community workshops in Christmas Valley, Lakeview, and Paisley in February, 2015. Between the three workshops, approximately 75 people participated.

Representative Survey: The research team mailed a parks and recreation survey to 1,500 Lake County households in early March, 2015 and received 376 completed surveys. The overall results can be generalized to the whole county with a 95% level of confidence.

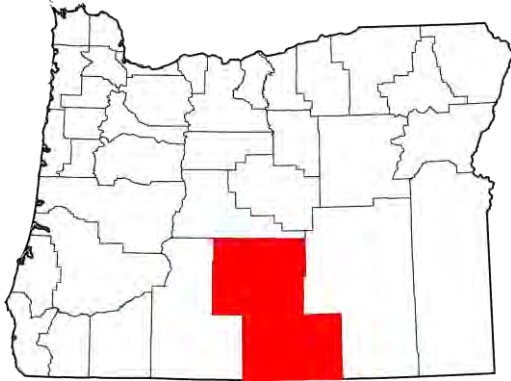
Task Team Meetings: The Parks and Recreation Task Team, a group of county and agency staff, has informed the research team's efforts throughout the plan's development.

Stakeholder Workshop: Stakeholders identified by the Task Team provided additional input and feedback on drafts of the initial recommendations and action items at the Stakeholder Workshop in Lakeview in early May, 2015.

Action Item Survey for Stakeholders: After incorporating revisions based on response from the stakeholder workshop, the research team sent out an online survey asking stakeholders to rate the priority level of all considered action items for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The research team sent the survey to 36 stakeholders and received 20 responses.

COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

Geography



Lake County is Oregon’s third largest county by area, at 8,359 square miles. The County is home to many unique and varied landscapes. The northern half of Lake County is primarily high desert. This area includes many unique geographic and cultural features including volcanic fissures, sand dunes, one of the largest alkali lakes in Oregon (Lake Abert), the Summer Lake Wildlife area, hot springs, and noteworthy fossil, archeological, and sunstone sites. The Summer Lake Basin boasts over 250 bird

species and both north and south Lake County are destinations for bird watching, hunting, and fishing. Fort Rock, a popular tourist attraction, is a volcanic rock outcropping north of Highway 31.

The Deschutes and Fremont-Winema National Forests cover Lake County’s west side and are popular destinations for hunting, fishing, hiking, and camping. Alkali lakes are abundant in the County and some have natural hot springs. Fishing is popular in lakes, reservoirs, and forest streams. The Hart Mountain National Antelope Refuge and Warner Valley Wetlands take up a large portion of the southeast part of the county and offer incredible wildlife and bird-watching opportunities. Mountainous areas occupy much of the southern portion of the County, providing further recreational opportunities. These sites already draw visitors to the county and have potential to be more intentionally managed and promoted for tourism.

Demographics

The County’s current population is 7,895, with one-third of the residents residing in Lakeview. However, unlike the dominant trend in western Oregon, the population is decreasing in towns and increasing in unincorporated areas.

As in rural areas across the state, the number of persons 65 years and older is increasing. In Lake County more than one in five residents are 65 and older. Of those, 44% have a disability, a proportion that exceeds the state average of 38%. On the other end of the age spectrum, Lake County has a disproportionately low population of younger adults. Oregon residents between the ages of 25 and 30 compose almost 14% percent of the state’s population, but the same age range constitutes only about 10% of Lake County’s residents. These demographics suggest that a parks and recreation plan should cater to the needs of an aging population, while at the same time working to attract more younger families and individuals to the area.

In Lake County, the number of people who identify as Hispanic or Latino is increasing. In 1990 the Hispanic and Latino residents made up less than 4% of Lake County’s total population. By 2010, the Hispanic population grew to almost 7% of the population.

Economy

The median household income in Lake County in 2013 was \$33,611. Lake County is predominately federally or state owned, with 73% being managed by federal or state agencies. Historically, the county has been partially reliant on federal in-lieu payments to fund county operations. Because these payments are subject to Congressional decision-making on a year-to-year basis, the County is looking for more reliable ways to fund operations.

The County is dominated by three main industries: agriculture, timber, and tourism. The tourism industry, which closely interacts with parks and recreation, currently makes up 5.2% of Lake County's total employment. In 2013, travel in Lake County generated \$13 million in spending and a corresponding \$100,000 in local taxes.

Special activities and events in Lake County attract both residents and visitors. Lake County is the "Hang Gliding Capital of the West" and hosts a hang gliding festival each July. Sunstone, Oregon's state gem, is found exclusively in Lake and Harney counties. Paisley also draws visitors with its annual "Mosquito Festival." Highway 31 runs from northwest to southeast across the County and is part of the Oregon Outback National Scenic Byway, a motor tour route that draws visitors into the heart of Lake County.



Hart Mountain National Antelope Refuge

Lake County Parks and Recreation

DESCHUTES COUNTY

HARNEY COUNTY

HART MOUNTAIN NATIONAL ANTELOPE REFUGE

Plush

Egan Park

ATV Access
Camping

Adel

140

Warner Canyon Ski Area

Downhill Skiing

Lakeview Lake County Fairgrounds

Co Hwy 2-20
140

Cottonwood Reservoir

Boat Launch
Picnic Area

Co Hwy 1-11D
West Side

Drews Reservoir

Boat Launch
Camping
Picnic Area

Goose Lake

Paisley

31

Lake Abert

Ana Reservoir

Summer Lake
Boat Launch
Picnic Area

Summer Lake

Christmas Valley

Christmas Valley Hwy

Christmas Lake

Old Lake Road

Co Hwy 4-16

Fort Rock

31

Silver Lake






FREEMONT NATIONAL FOREST

KLAMATH COUNTY

CALIFORNIA

NEVADA

Recreation

-  Camping
-  Boat Launch
-  ATV Access
-  Downhill Skiing
-  Picnic Area

10 miles

COUNTY PARKS INVENTORY

The County owns six park and recreation facilities.



COUNTY PARKS INVENTORY

Park Name	Description	Address/ Location	Acreage	Primary Uses	Water Access	Restrooms	Safety or Maintenance Concerns
Warner Canyon Ski Area	Three main structures on site: (1) ski lodge with seating and concessions, (2) bathrooms, and (3) ski patrol building. No on-site well/water source limits off-season (summer) use. Operations are dependent on snow conditions in recent years.	1301 S G St, Lakeview, OR 97630	185	Skiing, hiking and mountain biking in the summer	No	Yes	Long term snow conditions may be insufficient to operate as a ski destination.
Lower Cottonwood Boat Launch and Day Use Area	The day use area has a bathroom and one picnic table. Parking capacity is 20 vehicles. Signage is not well marked for outsiders. Uses: Boating, picnics, hiking.	~12.5 miles W of Lakeview	0.5	Fishing, boating, hiking, camping	Yes	Yes	Water level in reservoir is too low for boat access.
Ana Reservoir Boat Launch	Features include: paved boat launch, dumpster, two picnic tables, and pit toilet facility.	~33 miles N of Paisley / ~33 miles S of Christmas Valley	0.3	Boating, fishing, bird watching, hiking/ walking	Yes	Yes	Many unmarked jeep trails make access confusing.
Drews Reservoir Campground and Boat Launch	Park has seven covered picnic tables, two tent and four RV campsites, and two bathrooms near a boat ramp. Parking capacity is 40 vehicles.	~25 miles west of Lakeview off Salt Springs Road	1.8	Boating, fishing, swimming, camping, bird watching	Yes	Yes	Water level in reservoir is often too low for boat access. Signage at entrance is unclear.
Egan Park and Campground	This park features: 0.75 acre grassy park with trees, three benches, nine picnic tables, two barbeque grills, and several water spigots. Parking lot with bathroom building containing two pit toilets. Three pull-in camping sites next to parking lot have picnic tables but no RV hookups.	In Plush, ~40 miles from Lakeview	0.75	Picnics, barbeques, camping	No	Yes	Fencing around park needs repair or removal. Several picnic tables have rotting wood. Signage is unclear, especially as to whether camping is permitted.
Lake County Fairgrounds (LCF)	Fairgrounds features a rodeo arena and grandstand, two general use buildings with kitchens, a fairgrounds office, and multiple show halls.	1900 N 4th St Lakeview, OR 97630	50	Lake County Fair, public and private events	Yes	Yes	Further study needed for understanding safety or maintenance concerns at the at Lake County Fairgrounds
LCF camping area	Located in grass field adjacent to Fairgrounds, this park features 12 RV hookups, grass field for tent camping, and a restroom.	1900 N 4th St Lakeview, OR 97630	4	Camping, picnicking	Yes	Yes	Further study needed for understanding safety or maintenance concerns at the at Lake County Fairgrounds
LCF ATV Park	ATV course is fenced in a lot next to the fairgrounds. There is parking lot next to the course and separate from the fairgrounds	1900 N 4th St Lakeview, OR 97630	7	ATV riding and racing	No	No	Further study needed for understanding safety or maintenance concerns at this facility.

WHERE DO WE WANT TO GO?

Vision Statement for the Plan

Lake County's extraordinary landscapes and culture support high quality recreation, health, and communities that benefit current residents, attract new residents, and encourage tourism.

Core Values

The core values of the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan reflect priorities across the County. Goals and actions recommended in this plan should be consistent with these values. Based on information from the planning process, the stakeholder task team designed four key values essential to the Plan:

- Lake County provides high quality amenities, experiences, and recreational opportunities that inspire, excite, and evolve to meet changing needs.
- Lake County parks and recreation amenities improve the quality of life for Lake County residents while also benefitting tourism and economic development.
- Improved parks and recreation amenities attract and maintain Lake County residents.
- Lake County provides parks and recreation opportunities for all residents, recognizing that diverse and unique needs exist across the county.

Goal and Actions

Goals and Action items are based on Key Findings, which were synthesized from common themes and critical insight obtained from the research and community involvement. **Goals** are defined as a solution to meet the needs identified in Key Findings. **Action Items** are practical steps that can be taken to achieve goals. Employing these actions will bring the county closer to meeting the needs identified in the Key Findings. The key findings, goals, and action items are divided into three main areas:

- Equity
- Coordination, Communication, & Implementation
- Recreation Facilities & Programming

Equity

Key Finding 1:

Residents in the North Lake area feel they have less access to recreation facilities and programming than residents in southern Lake County. Residents in unincorporated areas also feel they have less access to parks and recreation facilities and programming.

Responses from participants at the Christmas Valley community workshop, interviews with North Lake area stakeholders, and survey comments from North Lake residents all indicate a dissatisfaction with parks and recreation opportunities in Lake County. North Lake residents feel that their voices are not represented in County policies and programs, including those related to parks and recreation. The presence of the independent Christmas Valley Parks and Recreation District, distinct from the County, underscores this divide between North Lake and the rest of the County.

Interview and survey data also suggest that residents in unincorporated areas have very different parks and recreation needs than residents living in Lakeview, Paisley, Christmas Valley, and Silver Lake and Plush. Residents in these more concentrated community centers have a greater desire for organized, community-based parks and recreation programming. Residents in outlying rural areas are more interested in undeveloped, individual, open-space oriented recreation.

Goal 1: Improve accessibility to recreation opportunities in population centers and more rural areas of Lake County.

1.1: Include representation from all communities in Lake County, including Adel, Christmas Valley, Fort Rock, New Pine Creek, New Idaho, Paisley, Plush, Silver Lake, Summer Lake, and Westside in County parks and recreation actions, committees, and decisions.

1.2: Support the Christmas Valley Parks and Recreation District (CVPRD) in maintaining what they have and collaborating on present and future activities that further the goals of this Plan.



Lower Cottonwood Reservoir

Coordination, Communication, & Implementation

Key Finding 2: Better interagency coordination and leadership in parks and recreation are needed in Lake County.

With 73% of Lake County under federal or state management, the County can work towards increased collaborative efforts to provide parks and recreation opportunities for its residents. Many residents who attended the community workshops expressed that poor communication between agencies led to missed opportunities to improve access to recreation in Lake County. The County's Comprehensive Plan (1989) recreation recommendation #4 calls for collaboration between land management agencies throughout the county.

Goal 2: Coordinate the efforts of agencies that offer parks and recreation activities in Lake County, including state, federal, and local organizations.

- 2.1:** Create at least one Lake County staff position dedicated to interagency coordination, public relations and outreach, facility and program development, grant writing, fundraising, and overseeing facility maintenance.
- 2.2:** Form an Interagency Parks and Recreation Working Group that meets regularly to discuss organizations' activities, explore opportunities for collaboration, and to assign responsibilities for specific efforts.
- 2.3:** Adopt a model governance structure for the interagency working group to provide greater clarity of the structure and role of the working group.
- 2.4:** Develop a public relations strategy that communicates the purpose and vision of the new interagency working group to the public.
- 2.5:** Coordinate between agencies to develop more recreation opportunities on federal and state public lands.

Key Finding 3: Better communication is needed between parks and recreation providers and the public.

Lake County residents cherish the County's outdoor recreation opportunities and rural character, but interviews and community workshop response suggest that residents are largely unaware of where to learn about specific parks or recreation opportunities. Results from the survey indicate that the four most popular places people wish to obtain parks and recreation information are newspapers (76% of respondents), a recreation website (42%), flyers at local businesses (38%), and radio (34%). The survey also indicates that age plays a role in how residents wish to obtain information, with younger people preferring web-based resources. Additionally, many residents may be unaware of some County-owned park facilities, including Egan Park and Ana Reservoir.

Goal 3: Increase awareness of parks facilities and recreation activities available in Lake County.

- 3.1:** Create a website that consolidates all parks and recreation information in Lake County.
- 3.2:** Provide printed parks and recreation information in strategic community locations.
- 3.3:** Announce specific parks and recreation events and programs in newspapers, on the radio, on flyers, and on internet social media.
- 3.4:** Develop a comprehensive map of parks and recreation facilities in Lake County to be shared online and distributed in print.
- 3.5:** Develop a wayfinding plan to standardize signage throughout facilities in the County.
- 3.6:** Connect with Travel Oregon to bring greater awareness of Lake County to a statewide audience.
- 3.7:** Develop tools to assess what kinds of outreach are effective at increasing awareness of parks and recreation activities in Lake County.

Key Finding 4: Funding is seen as the greatest barrier to improving parks and recreation in Lake County.

The County currently has limited financial resources to use for parks and recreation. Stakeholder interviewees and residents at community workshops indicated that additional taxes to support parks and recreation would be unpopular. However, survey respondents expressed a different opinion. Seventy five percent of surveyed residents reported a willingness to pay at least \$10-\$29 yearly for parks maintenance and at least \$10-\$29 yearly for parks expansion. Those with higher household incomes indicated a higher willingness to pay to support parks and recreation. Geographic location of survey respondents within the county did not have a significant influence on responses to willingness to pay.

Goal 4: Explore new funding sources for parks and recreation facilities and programming.

- 4.1:** Assess feasibility and public support for specific funding tools and amounts.
- 4.2:** Donate county owned properties to support parks and recreation facilities and programming.
- 4.3:** Develop a volunteer program to support parks and recreation.



Corum Park, Silver Lake

Recreation Facilities & Programming

Key Finding 5: Residents want better maintenance and improvements to existing facilities.

Users highly value existing facilities, but they want better maintenance of those facilities. The survey, workshops, and stakeholder interviews revealed satisfaction with the quantity of developed facilities, but also indicated a desire that facilities better serve their patrons.

Goal 5: Improve and maintain existing facilities.

- 5.1: Develop a permanent potable water source at Warner Canyon Ski Hill to enable year-round multi-use recreation activities.
- 5.2: Redesign the Lower Cottonwood and Drews Reservoir facilities to be adaptable to all water levels, and to facilitate increased non-water recreational uses.
- 5.3: Improve Egan Park in Plush.
- 5.4: Work with the Lake County Fairgrounds Board to identify improvements to the Lake County Fairgrounds, including renovations to support community functions and activities.
- 5.5: Create a 2-mile loop trail around Ana Reservoir with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Summer Lake Irrigation District.
- 5.6: Create a 1.75-mile paved path around Baert Lake with the Christmas Valley Parks and Recreation District.
- 5.7: Improve and develop hiking and biking trails from Bullard Canyon to Warner Canyon Ski Area with the Forest Service.
- 5.8: Support Silver Lake in building a public restroom at their community park.
- 5.9: Support Paisley's maintenance of the central park, community center, and basketball facility.

Key Finding 6: Residents want year-round, multi-use recreation facilities.

Through community workshops and survey response, residents in Lakeview, Christmas Valley, and Paisley indicated a desire for indoor recreation centers and field houses for a variety of recreation activities and programming. According to the survey, the most desired indoor facilities are (1) multi-purpose recreation center, (2) indoor swimming pool, (3) gym with exercise equipment, and (4) indoor performance venues. Providing indoor facilities and programming will increase year-round access to recreation and provide an important community amenity for cultural and social events.

The County is also lacking in outdoor spaces to engage in active recreation. According to survey results, the most desired outdoor facilities are (1) fishing access, (2) outdoor farmers market, (3) historical and natural interpretation, (4) group picnic areas and pavilions, (5) pools and water parks, (6) signage indicating recreation facilities, and (7) trailheads. Workshop attendees also communicated their desire for more outdoor recreation facilities and programming to accommodate both informal and programmed activities.

Goal 6A: Develop indoor recreation resources near community centers.

- 6.1:** Conduct a feasibility study for development of a multi-use indoor recreation center in Lakeview.
- 6.2:** Conduct a feasibility study for development of a multi-use indoor recreation center in in North Lake County.
- 6.3:** Conduct a feasibility study for covering and heating the Lakeview community pool to allow year-round operation.

Goal 6B: Develop new outdoor parks and recreation resources near population centers.

- 6.4:** Increase access to fishing near population centers, especially on the Chewaucan River.
- 6.5:** Develop community gardens in population centers.
- 6.6:** Create a multi-use trail master plan to designate new trails and improvements to existing trails.
- 6.7:** Create a County park in North Lake County with input from North Lake residents.
- 6.8:** Use donated county-owned properties to develop more parks and recreation opportunities.

Key Finding 7: Lake County residents desire additional recreation programming that serves all age groups.

Survey and community workshop participants indicated that residents of all ages in Lake County desire greater recreation programming opportunities. Survey results show that youth could benefit from more athletics leagues, adults want more fitness programs, and seniors want accessible recreation. Across age groups, cultural activities and special events were cited as the most widely enjoyed programming that is currently offered. Any expansion of community programming should rely on local feedback to ensure proposed programming reflects residents’ desires.

Goal 7: Increase community programming directed towards specific age groups.

- 7.1:** Provide sports leagues and swimming programs, especially for preschool and school-aged youth.
- 7.2:** Provide cultural and historical programming.
- 7.3:** Provide personal fitness and health education programming aimed at adults.
- 7.4:** Provide indoor programming options for winter activities based on a needs inventory described in the Ideas for Implementation included in the Action Plan section of this report.



Corum Park, Silver Lake

PARKS IMPROVEMENTS

The table below consolidates the specific improvements from action items in Goal Area 5.

Park Name	Improvement
Ana Reservoir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a 2-mile loop trail around Ana Reservoir.
Baert Lake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a 1.75-mile paved path around Baert Lake.
Bullard Canyon/Warner Canyon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve and develop hiking and biking trails from Bullard Canyon to Warner Canyon Ski Area.
Lower Cottonwood Reservoir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redesign facilities to be adaptable to all water levels, and to facilitate increased non-water recreational uses.
Drews Reservoir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redesign facilities to be adaptable to all water levels, and to facilitate increased non-water recreational uses.
Egan Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair benches, fence, and signs.
Paisley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain of the central park, community center, and basketball facility. • Increase fishing access along the Chewaucan River.
Silver Lake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build a public restroom at the community park.
Warner Canyon Ski Hill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a permanent potable water source.
Fairgrounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with the Fairgrounds Board to identify improvements.

ACTION PLAN

This 10-year Action Plan organizes action items into three phases with an emphasis on accomplishing tasks in the next 5 years, 2015 – 2020.

Phase 1: Get Organized

Phase 2: Maintain and Improve Existing Resources

Phase 3: Develop New Resources

Each action item has been assigned a **lead** and **partners**. Leads are the individuals or organizations responsible for carrying an action to completion, and partners are those individuals or organizations that can assist the leads with their tasks.

Each action item has also been assigned a **priority** level. Priorities were determined through various stages of feedback from the Task Team, survey respondents, and stakeholders. Priority is a measure of the overall level of importance – not a measure of when things should happen. For example a low priority action item may make sense to undertake immediately because it will take few resources to implement. At the same time, some high priority action items are more difficult to implement and may require a number of preliminary steps.

Priority Levels:

*	LOW
**	MEDIUM-LOW
***	MEDIUM
****	MEDIUM-HIGH
*****	HIGH

Phase I: Get Organized

Action Item 2.2	Priority	Lead & Partners
Form a Parks and Recreation Interagency Working Group that meets regularly to discuss organizations' activities, explore opportunities for collaboration, and to assign responsibilities for specific efforts.	*****	Lead: County, BLM, USFS Partners: all interested organizations
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invite a variety of local stakeholders to be part of working group, including business, healthcare, government, tourism, school districts, library, cultural and informational programs, and community members interested in parks and recreation. • See the standalone document "Interagency Working Group Protocol Memo" that was developed as part of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan planning process. 		

Action Item 2.3	Priority	Lead & Partners
Adopt a model governance structure for the interagency working group to provide greater clarity of the structure and role of the working group.	*****	Lead: County, BLM, USFS Partners: all interested organizations
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See the Interagency Working Group Memo for ideas about governance structure and ways to sustain the group for long-term success. • Create scope and benchmarks to reassess at future intervals. • Conduct monthly meetings to track objectives and goals. 		

Action Item 1.1	Priority	Lead & Partners
Include representation from all communities in Lake County, including Adel, Christmas Valley, Fort Rock, New Pine Creek, New Idaho, Paisley, Plush, Silver Lake, Summer Lake, and Westside in County parks and recreation actions, committees, and decisions.	*****	Lead: IWG (Interagency Working Group)
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and include other North Lake stakeholders other than CVRPD in County actions. • As called for in Action Item 2.2, create an Interagency Working Group with a diverse group of stakeholders from various Lake County communities. 		

Action Item 2.1	Priority	Lead & Partners
Create at least one Lake County staff position dedicated to interagency coordination, public relations and outreach, facility and program development, grant writing, fundraising, and overseeing facility maintenance.	*****	Lead: County Partners: Chamber of Commerce
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acquire funding from multiple streams. Funding could come from: the County, multiple cities, Chamber of Commerce, OR State Parks, grant funding. 		

Action Item 3.4	Priority	Lead & Partners
Develop a comprehensive map of park and recreation facilities in Lake County to be shared online and distributed in print.	*****	Lead: County Partners: IWG
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A map showing all County-owned parks and recreation facilities was developed as part of this plan, but it only shows County owned facilities. More sites and facilities should be added to the map. Create a comprehensive online map that shows town, County, State and federal parks and recreation opportunities in Lake County. Create online maps for specific user groups such as ATV riders, mountain bikers, hikers, backpackers, rock hounders, and birders. Display maps on website and Facebook page. 		

Action Item 3.1	Priority	Lead & Partners
Create a website that consolidates all parks and recreation information in Lake County.	****	Lead: County Partners: IWG
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine where a new countywide parks and recreation website should be hosted. Should it be a website on its own, or should it be a new page on the County website? As a first step, provide links to other parks and recreation providers on the new County or IWG website. Add information to the new website about all parks and recreation facilities and programs operated by Lake County, as well as by local governments, the Christmas Valley Parks and Recreation District, school districts, chambers of commerce, and other relevant organizations. Collaborate with federal and state agencies to include information about their parks and recreation opportunities on the same website. 		

Action Item 4.1	Priority	Lead & Partners
Assess feasibility and public support for specific funding tools and amounts.	****	Lead: County
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Model financing after successful efforts in other counties, including parks foundations, park bond issues, tax increment financing, public-private partnerships, sliding scale tax system for different incomes, fee-for-use programs, donations, foundations, partnerships, and grants. • Explore a parks and recreation taxing district around population centers to specifically serve those communities' residents (for example in the Lakeview vicinity). • Explore a county-wide parks and recreation taxing district, and county-wide steering committee to guide spending decision. 		



Fort Rock State Park

Phase 2: Maintain and Improve Existing Resources

Action Item 3.2	Priority	Lead & Partners
Provide printed parks and recreation information at strategic community locations.	****	Lead: County Partners: IWG
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create comprehensive pamphlet or multiple pamphlets to put at community locations. • Ideas for locations include: Chamber of Commerce, local restaurants & businesses, USFS/BLM offices, County & Government offices, Extension office, libraries and grocery stores. 		

Action Item 3.3	Priority	Lead & Partners
Announce specific parks and recreation events and programs in newspapers, on the radio, on flyers, and on internet social media.	****	Lead: County Partners: IWG
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put announcements on flyers at Chamber of Commerce, local restaurants & businesses, USFS/BLM offices, County & Government offices, Extension office, libraries and grocery stores. • Put announcements on website and facebook page. 		

Action Item 3.5	Priority	Lead & Partners
Develop wayfinding plan to standardize signage throughout facilities in the County.	****	Lead: County Partners: IWG
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use IWG logo and other standardized signage to signify all recreation sites in Lake County as affiliated with the new Lake County Parks and Recreation Interagency Working Group. 		

Action Item 5.1	Priority	Lead & Partners
Develop a permanent potable water source at Warner Canyon Ski Hill to enable year-round multi-use recreation activities.	****	Lead: County, DLCD Partners: OPRD, Ski Club
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look for grant funding to develop permanent potable water source. 		

Action Item 5.7	Priority	Lead & Partners
Improve and develop hiking and biking trails from Bullard Canyon to Warner Canyon Ski Area with the Forest Service.	****	Lead: County Partners: Town of Lakeview, USFS, Mile High Striders, Lakeview Public Works
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for Oregon Recreation and Parks Department maintenance grants. • Utilize volunteer hours to improve and develop trails. • Improve signage and wayfinding on trails. 		

Action Item 6.6	Priority	Lead & Partners
Create a multi-use trail master plan to designate new trails and improvements to existing trails.	****	Lead: County Partners: USFS, OPRD, USFWS
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate to inventory existing trails and to find places where more trails are desired. • Note areas for improvement and potential costs. 		

Action Item 1.2	Priority	Lead & Partners
Support the Christmas Valley Parks and Recreation District (CVPRD) in maintaining what they have and collaborate on present and future activities that further the goals of this Plan.	***	Lead: IWG. Partners: CVPRD.
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The County could offer administrative or financial resources to support CVPRD in future endeavors. • Develop a plan for areas of collaboration between IWG and CVPRD. 		

Action Item 5.4	Priority	Lead & Partners
Work with the Lake County Fairgrounds Board to identify improvements to the Lake County Fairgrounds, including renovations to support community functions and activities.	***	Lead: Lake County Fairgrounds Board Partners: 4-H, FFA, County, Roundup Association
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore foundation grants, bond issuance, a Capital Improvement Project for the County, or funding from corporate entities and foundations. • Some desired improvements include: pavement, restrooms, new or updated barns, and better quality campgrounds. 		

Action Item 6.1	Priority	Lead & Partners
Conduct a feasibility study for development of a multi-use indoor recreation center in Lakeview.	***	Lead: County, Town of Lakeview Partners: CHIP/Hospital, OPRD, RARE, LCS (school district).
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct workshops and interviews with community members and stakeholders. • Assess strengths and weaknesses of projects in different areas, and assess if a sufficient market exists for the proposed indoor recreation resources. • Analyze financial and political feasibility. • Explore the acquisition of existing buildings, and if not available, explore the development of new buildings for multi-use indoor recreation facilities. 		

Action Item 6.2	Priority	Lead & Partners
Conduct a feasibility study for development of a multi-use indoor recreation center in in North Lake County.	***	Lead: County Partners: CHIP/healthcare clinic, CVPRD, OPRD, RARE, NLSD (school district).
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct workshops and interviews community members and stakeholders. • Assess strengths and weaknesses of projects in different areas, and assess if a sufficient market exists for the proposed indoor recreation resources. • Analyze financial and political feasibility. • Explore the acquisition of existing buildings, and if not available, explore the development of new buildings for multi-use indoor recreation facilities. 		

Action Item 2.4	Priority	Lead & Partners
Develop a public relations strategy that communicates to the public the purpose and vision of the new interagency working group.	**	Lead: IWG, County
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A parks and recreation employee (see action item 2.1) works between federal, state, and local levels to develop a public relations plan that appears in a variety of media sources. • Brand park improvements that come from the Interagency Working Group and coordinate with various agencies to make the public aware of these efforts. 		

Action Item 5.2	Priority	Lead & Partners
Redesign the Lower Cottonwood and Drews Reservoir facilities to be adaptable to all water levels, and to facilitate increased non-water recreational uses.	**	Lead: County Partners: USFWS
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a plan for hiking, biking, and walking trails near facilities. • Apply for ORPD maintenance grants. 		



Lakeview Pool

Phase 3: Develop New Resources

Action Item 7.3	Priority	Lead & Partners
Provide personal fitness and health education programming aimed at adults.	****	Lead: County Partners: CHIP, local communities
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct an inventory of existing recreation programming to identify gaps in services for specific communities throughout the County. Plan to tailor recreation programming to specific communities as recreation needs and desires may differ between different communities. Identify needs by conducting age-targeted in-person and phone outreach. 		

Action Item 2.5	Priority	Lead & Partners
Coordinate between agencies to develop more recreation opportunities on federal and state public lands.	***	Lead: IWG
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop public lands based opportunities such as RV camping, hunting access, fishing, ATV riding and touring routes, mountain biking, hiking and camping, outdoors skills education, and historical and cultural education. (See Data and Methods Addendum to the Lake County Parks and Recreation Master Plan for more details and ideas.) 		

Action Item 3.6	Priority	Lead & Partners
Connect with Travel Oregon to bring greater awareness of Lake County to a statewide audience	***	Lead: County Partners: Oregon Tourism Commission, OPRD, IWG.
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> County officials reach out to Travel Oregon and request that new materials be included in future Travel Oregon distribution materials. 		

Action Item 4.2	Priority	Lead & Partners
Donate county owned properties to support parks and recreation facilities and programming.	***	Lead: County
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use foreclosed land to create new public spaces or facilities Acquire County grants from OPRD to develop new facilities. Cross-listed with Action Item 6.9. 		

Action Item 5.8	Priority	Lead & Partners
Support Silver Lake in building a public restroom at their community park.	***	Lead: County Partners: Silver Lake Volunteer Fire Department, Lions Club
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply for ORPD maintenance grants. 		

Action Item 7.2	Priority	Lead & Partners
Provide cultural and historical programming.	***	Lead: County Partners: CHIP, local communities
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct an inventory of existing recreation programming to identify gaps in services for specific communities throughout the County. Plan to tailor recreation programming to specific communities as recreation needs and desires may differ between different communities. Examples of culture and historical programming include: summer outdoor music and movie events, outdoor festivals, living history days, history and natural history talks or guided walks Identify needs by conducting age-targeted in-person and phone outreach. 		

Action Item 7.4	Priority	Lead & Partners
Provide indoor programming options for winter activities based on a needs inventory.	***	Lead: County, local communities Partners:
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct an inventory of existing recreation programming to identify gaps in services for specific communities throughout the County. Plan to tailor recreation programming to specific communities as recreation needs and desires may differ between different communities. Identify needs by conducting age-targeted in-person and phone outreach. 		

Action Item 3.7	Priority	Lead & Partners
Develop tools to assess what kinds of outreach are effective at increasing awareness of parks and recreation activities in Lake County.	**	Lead: County Partners: IWG
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct random household mail, phone call, and door-to-door surveys to understand what, if any, types of outreach tools are increasing awareness. 		

Action Item 5.3	Priority	Lead & Partners
Improve Egan Park in Plush.	**	Lead: County Partners: Plush School District
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair and maintain benches, fence, and signs using County funds. • Conduct a feasibility study for a community garden using existing park sprinkler system. 		

Action Item 5.5	Priority	Lead & Partners
Create a 2-mile loop trail around Ana Reservoir with ODFW and the Summer Lake Irrigation District.	**	Lead: SLID (Summer Lake Irrigation District) Partners: ODFW, BLM, County
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for ORPD maintenance grants. 		

Action Item 5.6	Priority	Lead & Partners
Create a 1.75-mile paved path around Baert Lake with the Christmas Valley Parks and Recreation District.	**	Lead: CVPRD Partners: County, private entities, Chamber of Commerce
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for ORPD maintenance grants. 		

Action Item 5.9	Priority	Lead & Partners
Support Paisley's maintenance of the central park, community center, and basketball facility.	**	Lead: City of Paisley Partners: County, IWG, Paisley Schools
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for ORPD maintenance grants. 		

Action Item 6.3	Priority	Lead & Partners
Conduct a feasibility study for covering and heating the Lakeview community pool to allow year-round operation.	**	Lead: Town of Lakeview, town manager Partners: YMCA, CHIP, Town of Lakeview, pool-supporters coalition
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct workshops and interviews community members and stakeholders. • Assess strengths and weaknesses of projects in different areas, and assess if a sufficient market exists for the proposed indoor recreation resources. • Analyze financial and political feasibility. • Explore the acquisition of existing buildings, and if not available, explore the development of new buildings for multi-use indoor recreation facilities. 		

Action Item 6.4	Priority	Lead & Partners
Increase access to fishing near population centers, especially on the Chewaucan River.	**	Lead: IWG, USFWS
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reach out to and work with local property owners to develop more areas for fishing access. 		

Action Item 6.7	Priority	Lead & Partners
Create a County park in North Lake County with input from North Lake residents.	**	Lead: IWG. Partners: CVPRD.
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for ORPD grants for new parks developments. 		

Action Item 6.8	Priority	Lead & Partners
Use donated county-owned properties to develop more parks and recreation opportunities.	**	Lead: County
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for ORPD facilities grants. • Utilize volunteer hours to improve and develop new facilities. • Cross-listed with Action Item 4.2. 		

Action Item 7.1	Priority	Lead & Partners
Provide sports leagues and swimming programs, especially for preschool and school-aged youth.	**	Lead: County, IWG Partners: Schools
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with schools to identify potential service providers (if schools are unable to provide these services themselves). • Approach potential service providers with ideas for funding and offers of technical support. 		

Action Item 4.3	Priority	Lead & Partners
Develop a volunteer program to support parks and recreation.	*	Lead: County
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquire volunteers through the County college scholarship programs. • Create internship program with local high school and KCC students. • Paid-staff person does outreach to increase volunteer hours on specific projects. 		

Action Item 6.5	Priority	Lead & Partners
Develop community gardens in population centers.	*	Lead: County Partners: Outback Food Initiatives, OSU Extension, private entities
Ideas for Implementation		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop pay-for-use plots for community garden space in Lakeview and Paisley near fairgrounds. • Include water, raised beds, and hoop houses to prolong the short growing season. • Apply for grants designed for growing local food. 		

HOW DO WE MAKE IT HAPPEN?

The goals and action items of this plan provide a framework and roadmap to help Lake County achieve its vision of establishing high quality recreation, health, and communities that benefit current residents, recruit new residents, and encourage tourism.

To keep this plan useful in the implementation phase, the County and other stakeholders should consider the following factors:

Strong Leadership

- ✓ To ensure that entities convene and discuss opportunities and challenges

Continued Collaboration & Communication

- ✓ Across federal, state, and local entities to address the North and South County divide.

Funding Diversification

- ✓ Particularly for facility development, maintenance, and management—Oregon Parks and Recreation Department offers many funding opportunities.

Monitoring & Evaluation

- ✓ To understand the effectiveness of Plan implementation and course-correct when necessary.

Community Involvement

- ✓ To ensure that Plan implementation meets community needs and desires.

Plan as a Living Document

- ✓ Revisit the Plan in 5 years to re-evaluate and make necessary changes so it remains feasible and continues to forward the vision of high-quality recreation, health, and communities.

Investing in the outdoor recreation economy, as outlined in this Plan, can catalyze economic activity in Lake County. Improving parks and recreation opportunities will increase Lake County’s desirability for residents and visitors alike, perhaps even attracting new residents to make their home in Lake County’s impressive and expressive landscape. Enhanced parks and recreation amenities can also contribute to better overall public health as residents more frequently take advantage of opportunities for active, healthy living.

Lake County has a wealth of natural beauty, dedicated community members, and parks and recreation opportunities. Through the coordination of all of Lake County’s people and resources, as well as strategic exploration of new financial and administrative resources, this Plan can maintain and improve Lake County’s quality of life for current and future residents.



Summer Lake