



Parks and Recreation Board Presentation to County Council

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Summary of past 12 months

- Initiated ballfield and tennis assessments
- Supported a pilot canyon-restoration project
- Supported a family-friendly flow-trail project
- Reviewed RV storage program
- Initiated camping improvements at various sites
- Reviewed and supported upcoming projects re: county's wildfire-plan efforts
- Supported Council's ongoing CIP project development

Overview of PRB FY19 Work Plan

- Special projects
 - Participate in scoping of CIP projects
 - Support the Tourism Strategic Plan
 - Meet with LA Historical Preservation Advisory Board
 - Assist as needed on school-based programs
- Other projects
 - Support Open Space Management Plan and Community Wildfire Protection Plan
 - Support Manhattan Project National Historic Park
 - Support development of Pajarito Mountain for year-round use

Overview of PRB FY19 Work Plan

- We interface with seventeen county boards, commissions, and departments
 - Shared missions include fire prevention, tourism, and planning & zoning
- Public information meetings to be conducted by PRB
 - Tennis courts, gym space, ballfields, North Mesa trails, flow trail, camping enhancements, canyon-restoration pilot project, and CIP initiatives will require public input
- Subcommittees
 - 2017's four subcommittees renewed in light of CIP projects
 - New subcommittees TBD

Going Forward

- Constraints
 - Navigating communication between all invested parties
 - Boosting creativity while respecting formal systems
- Lessons learned
 - Role of PRB vs. role of County staff
 - Utilize less-restrictive subcommittees for communication with public
- Greatest challenges
 - Parks & Rec budget not reflective of Comp Plan's priorities
 - Marketing CIP projects to entire community
 - Focusing subcommittees on their charters

How Council Can Help

- Involve PRB and subcommittees in recreation-related issues
- Align priorities with Comprehensive Plan
- Continued good communication with liaison

Thank You

- Thank you to the Los Alamos County Council for their support of this town's recreation facilities, open space, and parks. The time and energy the Council dedicates to this issue greatly benefits the citizens of Los Alamos County.