To: Status Report to the Parks and Recreation Board

From: Open Space Working Group

Date: September 5, 2025

Task 1: Recruit new OSWG members to ensure that the group represents a wide range of perspectives on open space and trails issues.

• The working group now has eight members of the public and two PRB members who attend meetings, with perspectives on hiking, mountain biking, trail maintenance, open space restoration, and natural resource protection.

Task 2: Seek public input for the Trails and Open Space Plan update.

• Provided additional written comments on the draft plan directly to Sites Southwest.

Task 3: Monitor conditions of the County open space and trails and submit recommendations for open space and trail maintenance projects to the Open Space Specialist if appropriate.

 Identified and marked several invasive species patches for attention of the Open Space Specialist.

Task 4: Identify open space and trail projects suitable for volunteers.

 Prepared for a Council presentation on the proposed Adopt-A-Trail program for the Council's October 7 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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