

To: Status Report to the Parks and Recreation Board

From: Open Space Working Group

Date: November 8, 2024

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

- Recruited one member for the working group, which now has seven members.

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

- The previously scheduled presentation at the October OSWG meeting from Sites Southwest on the draft Trails and Open Space Management Plan was postponed until November or December.
- Working with the Los Alamos-based non-profit Places and Spaces, developed, solicited input, and summarized the results of a Los Alamos Open Space Survey. Reported preliminary results to Sites Southwest before their deadline for input in September. See the full summary in the attachments.

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.

- Received updates on trails projects and open space management from the Open Space Specialist at the OSWG's October meeting.
- Continued work on a County Adopt-a-Trail program to encourage volunteer trail maintenance.
- Investigated several available apps for documenting and reporting trail maintenance issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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