

**SNPLMA Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updates as of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 1

Entity: Churchill County

Project: 3C Recreational Complex Expansion

SECTION A - BACKGROUND:

1. County confirms project location within 006-191-13 and portion of 006-191-01.

Churchill County confirmed that the proposed project will occur within County owned land parcels APN 006-191-13 (south of Miners Road) and portion of 006-191-01 (north of Miners Road) and access roads (Miners Road and Elm Drive). Elm Drive is owned by the county; not NDOT. The County will need to clarify ownership of the mineral estate and any use rights held by others.

The county also clarified that parcel 006-191-12 (1.79 acres) is not part of the proposed project and will be removed from the nomination.

Copies of the vesting deeds for the subject parcels and the recorded survey map(s) of Elm Drive will be provided to the SNPLMA Program Manager.

2. Throughout the construction phase, the project/construction manager [*an assigned County employee*] will coordinate with the county's on-site representative [*an employee of the engineering/design consulting firm*] who will observe the progress and quality of the work. The on-site representative has the authority to accept or reject work in accordance with the contract documents...The on-site representative will also verify quantities of work completed upon receipt of applications for progress payments. Once the quantities have been verified, the application for progress payment will be processed for payment.

SNPLMA Comment: Non-federal entity recipients (e.g., Churchill County) of federal awards are required to monitor, evaluate, and report project financials and performance of subawards, subrecipients, contractors, etc., including itself as the award recipient. The on-site representative is a third-party consultant (contractor), not a county employee. Clarify county's involvement as required under federal awards.

Churchill County Response: The County will have a project/construction manager who will be a Churchill County employee. The project/construction manager has the ultimate authority on the project and will monitor and evaluate project financials and performance of subawards, subrecipients, contractors, etc., including itself as the award recipient, and prepare project performance narrative reports.

SECTION C – PURPOSE STATEMENT

“Churchill County will construct the 3C Recreational Complex in Fallon, Nevada, to create greater diversity of recreational and outdoor space that will benefit the citizens of Churchill County and regional travelers. This project will provide the public with a centralized location to connect the public to an unmatched diversity of petroglyphs, natural, and wildlife in the surrounding areas. In addition, the design and construction allows for a unique and accessible area for festivals, concerts, and recreational play for people of all ages and capabilities.”

SNPLMA Comment: The nomination must contain a specific statement of the purpose of the project that includes a description of the action to be taken.

Churchill County response: The project purpose statement will be updated accordingly.

SECTION D – PROJECT DELIVERABLES

SNPLMA Comment overall: Project deliverables in comparison to the Project Budget Detail Narrative do not clearly cross-reference. Primary deliverables required to complete the project and “Purpose” must be measurable (e.g., quantity, size, distance), and cross-reference with the Budget Detail to show how the project budget is derived and that costs are reasonable. Need to also identify which project deliverables are contingent on results of design, planning, cost estimates, public scoping or other studies, analyses, or reports. Suggest adding an asterisk (*) to identify those deliverables.

Churchill County Response: The county will work with the SNPLMA Program Manager to update the nomination to better align the project deliverables with the project budget including specifying deliverables that are contingent on final design, planning, cost estimates, etc.

1. Primary Deliverables comments:

c) **Install 10 interpretive and historical elements along walking and biking trails.**

SNPLMA Comment: Change “elements” to “signage”.

Churchill County Response: Understood.

d) **1,275-ft of asphalt road and bike path from front of 3C Complex to Miners Road behind complex.**

SNPLMA Comment: Front area of 3C Complex to Miners roadway appears to be asphalt paved— clarify the proposed location for this ¼ mile road and bike path; is it identified on the conceptual plan?

Churchill County Response: This is the construction of Elm Drive to provide a secondary access and bike path to the RV Park area. This will be clarified in the narrative prior to final submission.

f) **Install 25 trash receptacles.**

SNPLMA Comment: Will these trash receptacles be affixed to the ground? The Budget Detail identifies three separate cost line items identified as “Misc. (trash receptacles, etc.)” for a total of over \$80K – “Misc. and etc.” are not an acceptable cost description and requires clarification.

Churchill County Response: 25 trash receptacles is an estimate based on the size of the project. The final design will determine the exact quantity as well as location and mounting preference. The budget line item will be revised to reflect a more accurate description prior to final submission.

g) **Install 25 recyclable receptacles.**

SNPLMA Comment: Will these recyclable receptacles be affixed to the ground? The Budget Detail does not identify estimated costs for this deliverable.

Churchill County Response: 25 recycling receptacles is an estimate based on the size of the project. The final design will determine the exact quantity as well as location and mounting preference. The budget line item will be revised to reflect a more accurate description prior to final submission.

h) **Install 1 covered public picnic BBQ area w/picnic tables and benches to be affixed to the ground.**

SNPLMA Comment: The county provided an update for the BBQ area (60'x85'); the County will still need to provide the approximate number of picnic tables and benches—and further qualifying the approximation with “as determined through the design phase.”

i) **i - Install 10 dog waste receptacles.**

SNPLMA Comment: Will these waste receptacles be affixed to the ground? The Budget Detail does not identify estimated costs for this deliverable.

Churchill County Response: 10 dog waste receptacles is an estimate based on the size of the project. The final design will determine the exact quantity as well as location and mounting preference. The budget line item will be revised to reflect a more accurate description prior to final submission.

j) **Install multiple bicycle racks that will hold 10 bikes each around the park.**

Churchill County Response: The number of bicycle racks is unknown until the final design is complete. The final design will determine the exact quantity as well as location and mounting preference. The cost of the bicycle racks is included in the miscellaneous bid item. It is the intent of the county to design the project within the confines of the budget.

SNPLMA Comment: Miscellaneous bid items is not acceptable. The county will need to clarify the amount estimated for the bike racks and show how the calculation was derived.

k) **Install 10 shade structures (20' by 20').**

SNPLMA Comment: The county will need to clarify this deliverable and the BBQ Areas (w/ Shade Shelters x2 & Landscaping) identified in the budget detail.

l) **Install multiple security cameras and systems. Quantity and locations of cameras TBD throughout final design plan with consultation of camera manufacturer.**

Churchill County Response: The number of security cameras is unknown until the final design is complete. The final design will determine the exact quantity as well as location and mounting preference. It is understood that the SNPLMA program will only pay for the wiring and installation.

SNPLMA Comment: The county will need to provide an approximate number of security cameras anticipated—and qualify it based on final design, planning, cost estimates, etc. SNPLMA can pay for wiring and installation, not service connection.

m) **Design and construct 1 children's play structures and park area.**

SNPLMA Comment: Quantify the approximate size or capacity of play structure and for what age group.

- *Is this deliverable combined with Budget Detail line-item cost totaling over \$871K for park site, splash pad, playset and 50x75 Gazebo?*

Churchill County Response: Yes. More detailed information will be added to the final nomination packet.

- *The excel budget detail outlines 3,250 LF in fencing and panels for an estimate of \$164K, but there is no fencing OR panels discussed in the nomination narrative OR deliverables.*

Churchill County Response: A more defined narrative will be added to the final nomination packet.

- *Similarly, the budget detail identifies a contract cost for a park site, splash pad, playset, and 50 x 75 Gazebo for over \$871K; but the project deliverables in the nomination only identify a splash pad and covered public BBQ area.*

Churchill County Response: A more defined narrative will be added to the final nomination packet.

- *The project scope and estimated costs in the nomination and the excel budget detail should clearly align.*

Churchill County Response: The budget line item will be revised to reflect a more accurate description prior to final submission.

n) **Landscape restoration and creation of 3 to 5 acres of natural areas along trails.**

No comment.

- o) **Install 1 splash pad.** SNPLMA Comment: Clarify 1 lump sum unit cost of \$775K for park site, splash pad, playset and 50x75 Gazebo totaling over \$871K in the Budget Detail Narrative. Add “measurement” to 50x75.

Churchill County Response: Understood. More detailed information will be added to the final nomination packet.

- p) Design and install 1 Equestrian arena (160 x 300).

SNPLMA Comment: Clarify measurement (e.g., feet) of arena.

Churchill County Response: Measurements are in feet

- q) **Install 1 Stock Cover (410 x 80).**

SNPLMA Comment: County clarified the measurement of the stock cover is feet; and further clarified that this deliverable is the Budget Detail contract cost under Rafter 3C Stock Covers for "Pre-engineered Building" totaling over \$730K. (yes).

- r) **Design and install 1 Dry Gulch Multi-use building.**

SNPLMA Comment: Clarify purpose of this Dry Gulch Multi-Use building (approx. size/capacity?). Does this deliverable include demolition of any existing structures? Is any portion of this building for private use, if so explain? This deliverable includes costs outlined in the Budget Detail Narrative totaling over \$5.9 million. This amount includes “miscellaneous (trash receptacles, etc.)” costs of over \$22K. Miscellaneous costs are not acceptable.

Churchill County Response: A more defined narrative and additional budget detail will be added to the final nomination packet.

- s) **Installation of utilities (LF of water, sewer and power). This infrastructure will not impact other existing utility easement rights-of-way.**

SNPLMA Comment: Does this deliverable include bringing utilities from afar to the project site for connection and installation? Identify the “other existing utility easement ROWs”; are they within the project site and/or adjacent to the site?

Churchill County Response: No. Utilities are already on site. These are the services required to bring utilities to the various amenities.

- t) **The budget detail outlines 3,250 LF in fencing and panels for an estimate of \$164K, but there is no fencing/panels discussed in the nomination narrative/deliverables. Similarly, the budget detail identifies a contractual cost for a park site, splash pad, playset, and 50 x 75 Gazebo for over \$871K; but the project deliverables in the nomination only identify a splash pad and covered public BBQ area. While we want to provide some flexibility during the nomination period to avoid inadvertent scope change—the project scope and estimated costs should clearly align.**

Churchill County Response: Understood. Additional clarity will be provided in the final nomination.

SECTION E– PROJECT LOCATION

SNPLMA Comment: Project location identifies two parcels: 006-191-01 (within) and 006-191-13; yet the nomination “project site” boundary maps and County online records, identify the proposed project within three parcels (006-191-13, 006-191-01 and 006-191-12). The nomination and maps need to consistently identify all land parcel numbers (including access roads – Miners Rd and Elm Dr) where project work is proposed and provide status of each.

Churchill County Response: Additional clarity will be provided in the final nomination.

SECTION Q – SUPPORT LETTERS

SNPLMA Comment: Converting a few of the support letters to a PDF changed letterhead images, signatures, etc. Please provide corrected PDF’d letters (e.g., Letter from Mayor Tedfor).

Churchill County Response: The county will provide newly scanned letters of support.

SECTION I PROJECT BUDGET

“The project budget takes into consideration the potential for cost escalation, particularly as it relates to construction labor and material costs. The projected budget for the project has included a 4% escalation for labor and material costs in Year 2, Year 3, and Year 4, which will be the construction period. The budget has also considered the annual cost escalation for county employees at a rate of 2.5% annually. This escalation cost has been accounted for in each line-item estimated cost.”

SNPLMA Comment: The County added a 4% escalation cost for labor and material planned in years.

- *Year 2: Design and Engineering Construction Documents*
- *Year 3: Breaking Ground / Construction*
- *Year 4: Construction/Close Out and Dedication*

Clarify adding a 4% escalation for Year 2 for preparing documents (design and engineering).

Churchill County Response: Design/Engineering consultants are subject to annual increases for labor and equipment in order to keep pace with inflation. Although the design process is the first phase in the project process, it is still likely 18 months from the time of the nomination submittal, and it is unrealistic to dismiss any wage increases during this time.

EXCEL BUDGET DETAIL NARRATIVE

Tab 9 “Indirect Costs” of \$53,496.42 in total for Comptroller and Audit Fees

SNPLMA Comment: County needs to provide further explanation how these costs were derived.

Churchill County Response: Below are the calculations for the Comptroller and Audit Fees. The spreadsheet has been recalculated based on current project values and is represented below. The revised cost for indirect costs for this project is \$60,402.91 and will be reflected in the nomination packet prior to final submission.

Churchill County, Nevada									
In Direct Cost Allocation									
SNPLMA									
Fiscal Year 2025 Estimated Cost									
Description	Annual Cost								
Audit Fees	\$ 9,660.00								
Comptroller's office cost	\$ 17,023.12								
Total In Direct Costs	\$ 26,683.12								
				5% Increase	5% Increase	5% Increase	5% Increase		Total 5-year Budget Per Project
		% of Total Cost	2025	2026	2026	2027	2028		
R3 Recreational Complex Expansion	\$ 32,355,772	40.97%	\$ 10,931.40	\$ 11,477.97	\$ 12,051.87	\$ 12,654.47	\$ 13,287.19	\$ 60,402.91	
Oser Regional Park Reconstruction	\$ 36,675,573	46.44%	\$ 12,390.85	\$ 13,010.39	\$ 13,660.91	\$ 14,343.96	\$ 15,061.16	\$ 68,467.27	
N. Maine Softball Complex	\$ 9,947,810	12.60%	\$ 3,360.87	\$ 3,528.91	\$ 3,705.36	\$ 3,891.16	\$ 4,082.51	\$ 10,595.14	
	\$ 78,979,155	100%	\$ 23,322.25	\$ 27,849.24	\$ 29,241.70	\$ 30,703.78	\$ 28,348.35	\$ 139,465.32	

Churchill County, Nevada		
Audit Fee In Direct Cost Allocation		
SNPLMA		
Fiscal Year 2025 Estimated Cost		
Churchill County Audit Fees	15% increase estimated	
Estimated Audit Fees	96,600.00	
% of Audit Time on Single Audit Work	15% Hinton Burdick	
Cost of Single Audit	\$ 14,490.00	
Total Federal Grant Awards	\$ 15,000,000.00 Estimated	
SNPLMA Federal Awards	\$ 10,000,000.00 Estimated	
% Allocated to SNPLMA	66.67%	
Audit Cost Associated with SNPL	\$ 9,660.00	

Churchill County, Nevada					
Comptroller's Office Staff In Direct Cost Allocation					
SNPLMA					
Fiscal Year 2025 Estimated Cost 5% increase from 2024					
Employee Number	Total Gross Pay	Total Benefits	Total Labor Rate	% of time	% of cost
Comptroller	\$ 144,407.38	\$ 59,760.28	\$ 204,167.66	1.00%	\$ 2,041.68
Accountant II	\$ 65,148.72	\$ 37,657.17	\$ 102,805.89	1.00%	\$ 1,028.06
Accounting Specialist (Average Cost)	\$ 59,947.15	\$ 33,075.44	\$ 93,022.59	15.00%	\$ 13,953.39
Totals per year	\$ 269,503.25	\$ 130,492.89	\$ 399,996.14		\$ 17,023.12

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Churchill County



3C Recreational Complex Expansion

Amount Requested: \$32,355,772

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The 3C Complex is located in Fallon, Nevada. The property was formerly known as the Churchill County Fairgrounds and previously used for a wide array of activities such as rodeos, tribal pow wows, community recourse days, and public mental health education events. The county re-marketed the property in 2022 after investing in the Rafter 3C, a \$15-million indoor events arena to provide sufficient space for construction and installation of large-scale recreational uses and park amenities. The northern most parcel (APN 006-191-01) consists of the Rafter 3C stock cover, bathrooms, support buildings as well as the Dry Gulch and Multi-Use building. All current standing buildings are in use for multiple recreational events. The second parcel (APN 006-191-13) consists of the Recreational Vehicle Park and associated parking and operations facilities. The northern parcel is zoned C-2 for the General Heavy Commercial District, and the associated facilities are permitted in this zone with a special use permit. The parcel south of Miners Road is zoned A-5 for the Agricultural District which the Recreational Vehicle Park and associated facilities are also permitted in this zone with a special use permit. The project is proposed on County-owned land identified as APN 006-191-13 (south of Miners Road) and a portion of APN 006-191-01 (north of Miners Road), within M.D.M., T.18N., R.28E., sec. 1, Lot 5 SWNE. The project site is surrounded by Churchill County lands to the north, private lands to the south, east and west, and NDOT highway corridor to the east. The current Churchill County 2020 Master Plan, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on April 21, 2021, outlines goals and policies in support of parks and recreational facilities:

Goal R1 – Continue implementation/construction of improvements to regional park facilities and fairgrounds.

Policy R1.1 – Prepare a master plan for the fairgrounds and regional parks to include:

1. Necessary for expansion of the facilities to accommodate increased use and demand for more recreational resources.
2. Safe pedestrian and traffic routes to access different recreational facilities.
3. Parking and restroom facilities.
4. Covered arena.

Policy R1.3 – Develop property on Miners Road.

The necessary expansion of facilities will include the expansion of livestock areas, Dry Gulch building and Multi-Use building in order to provide an adequate space for recreational use. Safe pedestrian and traffic routes will include the design and construction of walking and biking pathways around the park followed by accessible lighted asphalt parking and driving areas. Finally, the development of Miners Road will include the addition of 192 RV spaces, public restrooms/showers and public lounge visitors greeting area of 1,000 sq-ft.

The implementation process will include a design planning phase aimed at addressing the project's purpose. The county will hold public hearings and education sessions aimed to ensure transparency and attainable goals and completion dates. Following the design planning phase, the county will enter the bid and construction process. The county will determine accomplishments using their economic impact calculator and assessing league and tournament events.

1. **Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:**

The 3C Complex project will be a single-phase project which includes the request of \$32,355,772 for the construction and development of the recreational park.

Acknowledgment of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

The county acknowledges that future phases developed are not guaranteed to be funded.

Churchill County will provide oversight and monitoring by assigning a current employee of the Public Works, Planning & Zoning Department to act as a construction/project manager for the project. This person will be responsible for the overall coordination of the project from the design phase through completion of construction. Once the project is complete and has been accepted by the SNPLMA program, a turnover meeting will be held with Facilities and Grounds to transfer the project from construction to operations and maintenance.

Throughout the construction phase, the project/construction manager will coordinate with the county's on-site representative. The on-site representative is an employee of the engineering/design consulting firm and will observe the progress and quality of the work. The on-site representative has the authority to accept or reject work in accordance with the contract documents.

As a part of the contract documents, the county will include a schedule of values which will outline the quantities and unit prices of the scope of work. The quantities of the project will be tracked on a spreadsheet and compared to applications for progress payment when received by the contractor. Each project will be broken down into account codes and subcodes so that all progress and payments will be tracked in the county accounting system.

The on-site representative will also verify quantities of work completed upon receipt of applications for progress payments. Once the quantities have been verified, the application for progress payment will be processed for payment.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

Nominated projects should meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community. Every nomination must explain how the three values are promoted by the project.

1. Sustainability:

The 3C Complex design will be thoughtful and intentional such that sustainability is considered. The design will include 610,000 square feet of asphalt parking which will reduce the cost, maintenance, and public health concerns associated with the dust and pollen that is stirred up while maintaining gravel and dirt parking lots. Additionally, three to five areas of the complex will include landscaping restoration. The restored natural areas along walking trails will make sustaining the park more feasible by lowering maintenance requirements. Lastly, the complex will provide natural walking paths next to privately owned farms and ranches. The county will create a green belt buffer with adjacent properties to maintain current cottonwoods and plant additional native forage to encourage wildlife.

2. Connectivity:

This project will support connectivity by connecting urban Fallon with the natural Nevada landscapes of the county. The park will serve as a gateway for citizens to enjoy a shift from life in the city to the pleasures of the great outdoors. The project will attract and connect a wide and diverse array of the public simply by the sheer scope of activities the area offers. The 3C Complex will attract locals, travelers and tourists and will offer a unique opportunity to spend time outdoors and enjoy the biking and walking paths, RV hookups and public showers for camping, and other recreational activities. This project will create a massive Nevada resource and will provide a significant contribution towards tourism for the City of Fallon, Churchill County, and Northern Nevada.

3. Community:

The 3C Complex project will have a direct impact on 9,500 residents within the City of Fallon and a significant impact on the remaining 17,000 residents within Churchill County. The property is located adjacent to the city limits and within a mile and a half of all city residents. It is within 3 miles of 85% of all county residents. The county is predominantly Caucasian, but has a 15.5% Hispanic, 5.5% Native, 2.9% Asian and 2.9% African American population. In addition, the population has a high level of transiency as it is home to Naval Air Station, Fallon, Top Gun and Elite Navy Seal training grounds. The 3C Complex will provide the community with a safe entity where unique and restored natural areas can be enjoyed. The complex will open the doors to educational and recreational opportunities for people of all ages in and around the community.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

Churchill County will construct the 3C Complex in Fallon which will create greater diversity of recreational and outdoor space that will benefit the citizens of Churchill County and regional travelers. This project will provide the public with a centralized location to connect the public to an unmatched diversity of petroglyphs, natural, and wildlife in the surrounding areas. In addition, the design and construction allow for a unique and accessible area for festivals, concerts, and recreational play for people of all ages and capabilities.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables:

Design and construct 84-acres of a multi-use park encompassing:

- a. 2.25 miles of walking and biking paths (10-ft wide).
- b. Design and construct asphalt parking area with LED lighting (610,000-SF parking).
- c. Install 10 interpretive and historical elements along walking and biking trails. These signs will provide information on historical sites around Churchill County.
- d. (1,275 ft) of asphalt road and bike path from front of 3C Complex to Miners roadway behind the complex.
- e. Install 192 RV parking spaces/public shower/restrooms and public lounge visitors greeting area of (1,000 sq-ft).
- f. Install 25 trash receptacles.
- g. Install 25 recyclable receptacles.
- h. Install 1 covered public picnic barbecue area with picnic tables and benches that will be affixed to the ground.
- i. Install 10 dog waste receptacles.
- j. Install multiple bicycle racks that will hold 10 bikes each around the park.
- k. Install 10 shade structures (20' by 20').
- l. Install multiple security cameras and systems. Quantity and locations of cameras to be determined throughout final design plan with consultation of camera manufacturer.
- m. Design and construct 1 children's play structures and park area.
- n. Landscape restoration and creation of 3 to 5 acres of natural areas along trails.
- o. Install 1 splash pad.
- p. Design and install 1 Equestrian arena (160 x 300).
- q. Install 1 Stock Cover (410 x 80).
- r. Design and install 1 Dry Gulch Multi-use building.
- s. Installation of utilities (LF of water, sewer, and power). This infrastructure will not impact other existing utility easement rights-of-way.

2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)

- a. Install 3 public art sculptures (8' to 15' tall and 6' to 15'wide), size and configuration is contingent on design.

4. Standard Deliverables:

- a. Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).
- b. Public scoping with affected stakeholders.
- c. Developing scopes of work for contractors.
- d. Preliminary Design of the trail and amenities.
- e. Surveys as necessary for construction.
- f. Submitting and obtaining management approval of project documents.
- g. Environmental Clearances.
- h. Construction phase.

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 227 Sheckler Fallon, 485 Miners Rd Fallon, NV 89406

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: Churchill County, Nevada:
M.D.M., T.18N., R.28E., sec. 1, Lot 5 SWNE

Parcel Number(s): 006-191-01 (within) and 006-191-13

Current Land Use and Zoning:

- 06-191-01 Zoned C-2, General Heavy Commercial
Land Use 990 (Mixed Use with Special Purpose as Primary Use).
- 006-191-13 Zoned A-5, Agricultural
Land Use 100 (Vacant)

Latitude and Longitude: 39.458364, -118.786807

Congressional District(s): NV District 2

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1: Complete project workplan, pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM; response to NOI via federal financial assistance application submittal; Sec. 106 compliance/CRINA, obtain SNPLMA NTP; Design and Bid Process
- Year 2: Design and Engineering Documents
- Year 3: Breaking Ground / Construction
- Year 4: Construction/Close Out and Dedication
- Year 5: Project Evaluation and Implementation of Programs

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

Answer: The final planning and design will occur in the first year. Once that is complete, the project will be shovel ready.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or non-federal funding:

Answer: No.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Operations and maintenance for this project will be performed by county staff using existing equipment. Estimated maintenance and operation costs are \$250,000. Maintenance would include regular trash cleanup, trail cleanup, and as-needed trail surface maintenance. This project was approved by the Churchill County Commissioners in March of 2023.

County acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the County from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the County's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is **\$32,355,772**.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet which provides a summary and detailed breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 217,887	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ 125,882	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ 6,000	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 31,952,506	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 32,302,275	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ 53,497	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 32,355,772	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis:

The project budget takes into consideration the potential for cost escalation, particularly as it relates to construction labor and material costs. The projected budget for the project has included a 4% escalation for labor and material costs in Year 2, Year 3, and Year 4, which will be the construction period. The budget has also considered the annual cost escalation for county employees at a rate of 2.5% annually. This escalation has also been accounted for in the project budget.

Churchill County has been working closely with Lumos & Associates to determine budget pricing for the project. As the design and engineering of the project is a part of the proposed

grant application, budget pricing, based on the conceptual design was determined using current market pricing in both the public and private sector. Lumos & Associates' decades of experience in this type of work has served in determining the most accurate budget pricing.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

Churchill County has provided in direct contributions since 2022 of over \$15 million for this project. We will continue to provide financial support with approximately \$1 million expended in 2023 alone, excluding the staff time in planning and design of the proposed project build out. Currently, in the month of July 2023 started on two projects for the complex at a cost of roughly \$750,000 as part of the counties in direct contributions.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

Authorized Officer: Jim Barbee, County Manager

Email: jim.barbee@churchillcountynv.gov

Phone Number: 775-217-1011

Project Manager: Chris Spross, Director of Public Works, Planning & Zoning

Email: chris.spross@churchillcountynv.gov

Phone Number: 775-423-7627

Budget Officer: Sherry Wideman, Comptroller

Email: sherry.wideman@churchillcountynv.gov

Phone Number: 775-423-4365

K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

The 3C Complex project will improve an existing park and will provide regional recreational opportunities for Northern Nevada, Churchill County and the City of Fallon. The 3C Rafter as it stands now provides a space for livestock and equestrian events, educational and community resources events, and concerts. The proposal for new construction will include event arenas, livestock stalls, RV parks, picnic areas and biking and walking paths. These will be utilized for diverse recreational and educational events for members of all races and backgrounds, and different income levels. The asphalt parking and lighting will provide easy and safe access for individuals.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Churchill County is home to multiple recreational opportunities that the 3C complex will also support including Sand Mountain, Lovelock Caves, Grimes Point and the new Numunaa Nobe National Conservation Area. The project will have a significant impact on economic development based on the population of Washoe and Lyon Counties along with numerous Nevada Tribal communities. In addition, this facility will also offer regional and community events that will increase the economic environment by increasing fuel, store, restaurant and hotel sales.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

The current 3C Complex is a very unique project as other similar venues in Reno have either shrunk in size (Reno Livestock Event Center) or closed in recent years (Rancharrah Equestrian Center). The Rafter 3C is the only facility within 100 miles that has grown and the only facility within 300 miles that is all new construction. Without the development of this facility many of the long historic events such as the Bobfeast Invitational Team Roping, Snaffle Bit Futurity, and other future relocation events would have left this region permanently. The improvement of the size of this facility will provide a location to host historical events and support the number of spectators that are brought in due to these large events and support new events and recreational activities.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

The current Rafter 3C Complex has made improvements in safety for the public with respect to livestock events by updating corrals, working pens, stalls, building new roadways and by using the latest technology in animal and agriculture events. Additionally, the Rafter 3C complex is fully staffed and patrolled by the Churchill County Sheriff's Office which keeps crime and safety risks low. In past years, the Rafter 3C Complex has been used as Churchill County's emergency response facility and was utilized for COVID-19 testing, vaccination and treatment which drew in individuals from neighboring counties as well as throughout the state. Enhancements such as being power redundant through installing a large emergency generator that is capable of keeping the facility running in the event of an emergency. Although the Rafter 3C Complex is a well-built facility for emergency response, it also provides a location for recreational activities. These activities are known to improve and provide strong physical and mental health and encourage a healthy lifestyle. Improvement and growth of this facility will only help to improve public health and safety concerns.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

The improvement of the 3C Complex project will not only allow for a more accessible location for Churchill County residents, but also provides a connecting path for residents and travelers to access and be educated on other historic outdoor locations, all within thirty miles of Churchill County. The 3C Complex project will reduce barriers to venues to host concerts, festivals, educational events and livestock events.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***

The Rafter 3C Complex, as it stands, has provided the community with a long list of resources and activities throughout the years and has continued to grow. It has provided a facility in which the community has gathered at, not only for concerts, festivals, livestock and rodeo events but also for educational events that include tribal activities, Mental Health and Suicide Education events. The facility has provided a location for the annual Community Day which brings resources for students going back to school and their parents. In addition, the Rafter 3C Complex has held emergency response meetings in order to give the community a safe, clean, accessible location in order to discuss solutions on this year's flood concerns. The expansion of the 3C Complex will enhance and provide the community with more space and resources for educational and recreational resources.

B. ***The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.***

The 3C Complex will provide many recreation opportunities such as biking, walking, sports tournaments as well as educational events like wrestling, educational mental health events, culture, and marketing events. The facility will allow for rodeo athletes to receive education to grow their athletic abilities. Enhancing this facility and providing the proper maintenance will increase conservation stewardship by enhancing resilience to weather and improving wildlife habitat conditions.

C. ***The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.***

The 3C Complex project will utilize a sustainable design that will allow for the conservation of energy and water. The asphalt parking lots will allow for easier accessibility and will reduce maintenance, water usage, and emissions by reducing the use of motorized equipment for upkeep on gravel parking and walking paths. In addition, low voltage LED lighting systems will be installed in order to provide appropriate visibility throughout the facility and will reduce the amount of energy being used, in turn reducing the carbon footprint.

D. ***The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.***

The design and construction of the 3C Complex will enhance the value and beauty of the natural environment by creating walking and biking pathways and providing 10 interpretive and historic elements along trails. These historic elements will not only educate individuals but will show the appreciation of the natural environment on which the Rafter 3C Complex sits. In addition, the facility is within thirty miles of eleven existing trails, parks and federal lands and will serve as a gateway location for these recreational opportunities.

3. **CONNECTIVITY:** Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. ***The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.***

The project will provide connection to existing trails, parks, and federal lands. Please find the map attached in submission. These include, but are not limited to:

- Lovelock Cave
- Humboldt Sink
- Numunaa Nobe National Conservation Area
- Grimes Point Petroglyphs
- Hidden Caves-Sand Mountain
- Lake Lahontan
- Top Gun Raceway
- Rattlesnake Raceway
- Indian Lakes
- Stillwater Wildlife Refuge-Clan Alpine, Desatoya, and Cain Mountain Wilderness

B. ***The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)***

This project is part of the local and regional plans Churchill County Master Plan:

- Churchill Parks and Recreation Board
- Rafter 3C Operations Committee
- Churchill County Junior Livestock Show Board
- Churchill County Commission
- City Of Fallon
- Fallon Tourism Board
- Fallon Chamber of Commerce

C. ***The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.***

The 3C Complex is located on the South end of Fallon Nevada at the junction of U.S. Route 95 and U.S. Nevada Route 117. This creates a central location from Lovelock Cave to the North, Lake Lahontan to the West, Clan Alpine Wilderness to the East and Sand Mountain to the South. The 3C Complex will serve as a base camp for these locations with ongoing events on the property that will attract a diverse population of users.

D. ***The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.***

The 3C Complex will serve as a base camp for other locations and activities that will be integrated into the facility itself. The different buildings, parks, and event arenas will be named after some of the regional landmarks to serve as a way to bridge visitors to our community with the recreational opportunities in our county. An

example of this is the Fairview Arena, Barrel House Multipurpose building, and the Buckland Station Room in the Rafter 3C Arena.

- E. ***The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or under-served communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.***

The 3C Complex will encourage typically under engaged communities with activities for people from all backgrounds to enjoy. The proposed and current events area is a great way for youth and children to interact with the area. The well paved trails will inspire older people and people with disabilities to reconnect with nature. The complex will also be a short walk away from the Senior Life Center and a quarter of a mile from the low-income areas of Fallon. Accessibility is an important aspect of the project and ensuring everyone's comfort. Everyone, regardless of their socioeconomic status, deserves an opportunity to connect with nature and their communities.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

- A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

The project, when complete, will provide a park with recreational opportunities and an inviting environment for the outdoors for the county residents. The proposed budget is reasonable for a project of this magnitude and its impacts.

- B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

Within half a mile there is a population of 9,237 and within 65 miles, there is a population of 600,000. Due to its close proximity to large populations, many people in and outside of the community will benefit from this public space.

- C. ***The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.***

Churchill County continues to explore strategies to minimize costs of construction, operations, and maintenance. The strategies are incorporated in the design of this project and the project will use materials and components intended to minimize operations and maintenance expenses. Materials for the amenities would be of material that is able to withstand the environment of the Desert West. The project, although on a site of approximately 100 acres, will be constructed in such a manner as to reduce maintenance costs on current property.

- D. ***Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).***

Churchill County has provided in direct contributions to the development of the area since 2022 with over \$15 million for the Rafter 3C arena. The County will continue to provide financial support with approximately \$1 million in improvements to minors

road expended in 2023 alone, excluding the staff time in planning and design of the proposed project build out. In the month of July 2023, the County started on two projects for the complex at a cost of roughly \$750,000 dollars which included a RV dump station fully funded by Churchill County.

E. ***Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).***

The 3C Complex will utilize the latest technological advancements to reduce operational costs. This will include energy and water efficiency and materials used for the project will be of good quality, but economical. The county will ensure that all amenities provided are comfortable, safe, and functional. The 3C Complex project standards include amenities to reduce operations and maintenance costs.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

- ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***

The 3C Complex project will support EO No. 13855 by taking precautionary measures to reduce wildfire risks.

- ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***

The 3C Complex project will support EO No. 14005 as County staff and those who will be contracted for construction work are American workers.

- ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***

This goal does not apply to this project.

- ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***

The 3C Complex project will support EO No. 14072 by strengthening the Nation's communities and local economies by enhancing the value and natural environment of the Rafter 3C Complex. The facility is within thirty miles of eleven existing trails, parks and federal lands and will serve as a gateway location for these recreational opportunities. The 3C Complex will draw in neighboring counties and travelers who will have an impact on the economic environment via increasing fuel, store, restaurant and hotel sales.

- ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***

Churchill County will provide all cultures, races, and ethnicities in the community with protection from environmental and health hazards by providing proper land

management and care. The 3C Complex project will utilize a sustainable design that will support EO No. 14096 and will reduce the amount of energy being used, in turn reducing the carbon footprint.

B. Secretarial Orders

- ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***
The 3C Complex project will support SO No. 3347 by providing a space for the community and travelers to engage in recreational supports and will provide for a wide array of activities such as rodeos, tribal pow wows, community resources days, and public mental health education events.
- ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***
While the 3C Complex project does not support hunting, fishing, or recreational shooting, the project supports SO No. 3356 by providing water conservation and protecting native plant species on walking paths and trails.
- ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***
This goal does not apply to this project.
- ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***
The 3C Complex project supports SO No. 3366 by providing recreation opportunities such as biking, walking, sports tournaments as well as educational events like wrestling, educational mental health events, culture, and marketing events. The facility will allow for rodeo athletes to receive education to grow their athletic abilities.
- ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***
The 3C Complex project supports SO No. 3370 as it will provide play and picnic areas where the community and regional travelers can engage in activities in the natural environment. Churchill county will provide the proper maintenance which will increase conservation stewardship by enhancing resilience to weather and improving wildlife habitat conditions.
- ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***
This project supports SO No. 3372 as the County will take the proper measures and precautions to reduce the risk of human-caused fires by providing proper land management and protection.
- ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public***

recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).

This goal does not apply to this project.

- ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

This project supports SO No. 3376 by providing biking paths and racks for community members and travelers to use.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.***

The 3C Complex project will utilize a sustainable design that will allow for the conservation of energy and water. Churchill County will consider all measures during the design phase and consider usage of renewable sources.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.***

This goal does not apply to this project.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.***

The 3C Complex project will support this goal by creating jobs for the construction and maintenance of the complex. These jobs will support the initiative of conservation and environmental stewardship.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.***

The 3C Complex project supports the goal of conserving at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. One of the ways this project supports that goal is the by including measures to preserve water by using turf rather than grass in its design.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.***

Churchill County supports centering equity and environmental justice and believes the 3C Complex will provide a space for all community members of all backgrounds and physical abilities a place to participate in all levels of recreational activities and sports.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. ***Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic***

Churchill County is committed to protecting the community and travelers against COVID-19. The 3C Complex will provide an appropriate outdoor space where members can socially distance if need be.

2. ***Providing economic relief***

The 3C Complex will create job opportunities for the construction and maintenance of the project.

3. *Tackling climate change*

The 3C Complex will support tackling climate change by proper land management and care, and the use of motorized equipment for upkeep on gravel parking and walking paths to reduce emissions.

4. *Advancing racial equity*

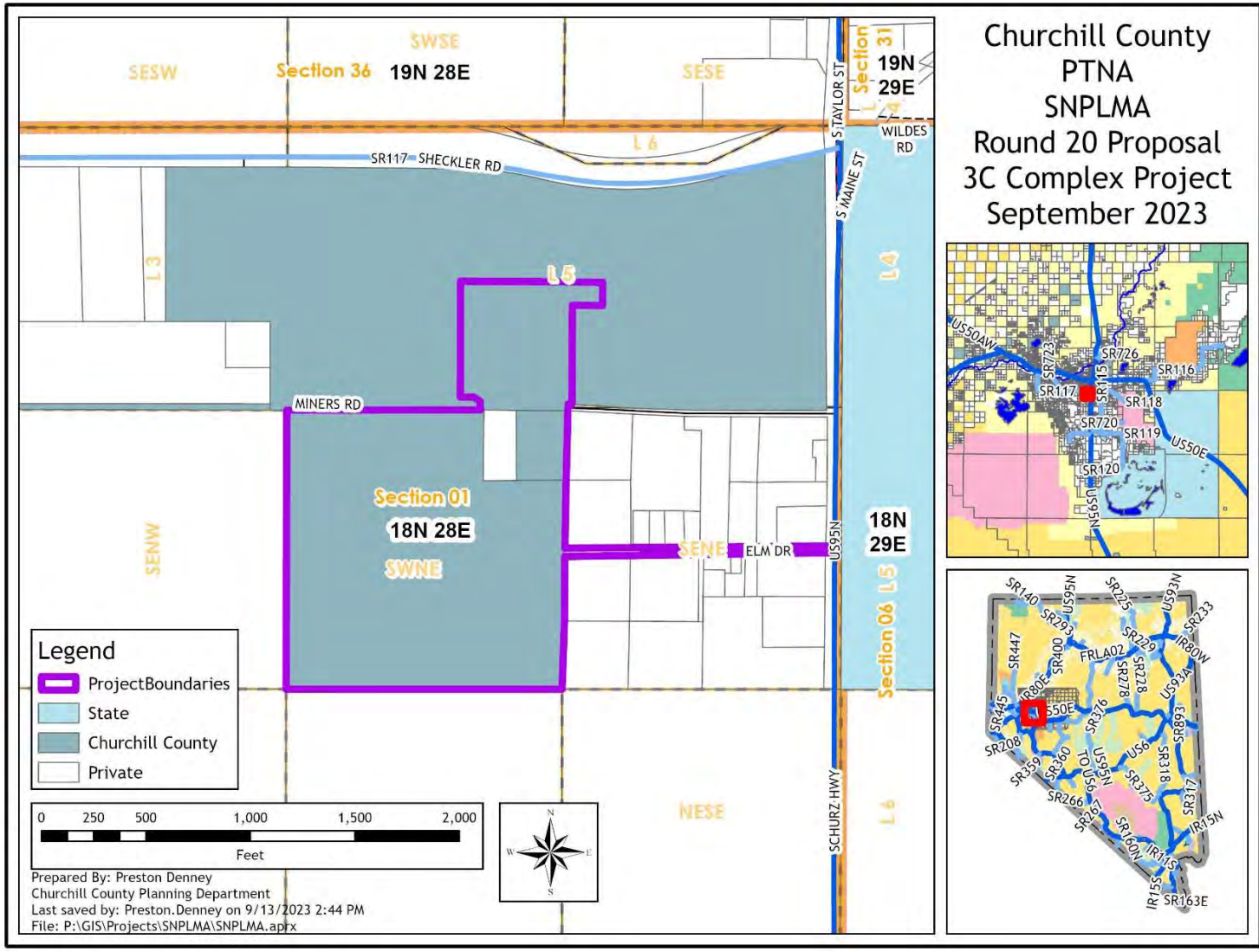
The 3C Complex will advance racial equity by providing a space for diverse recreational and educational events for members of all races and backgrounds, and different income levels.

5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

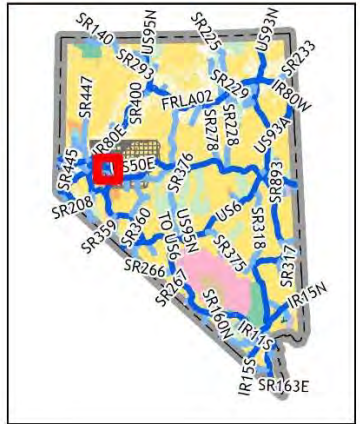
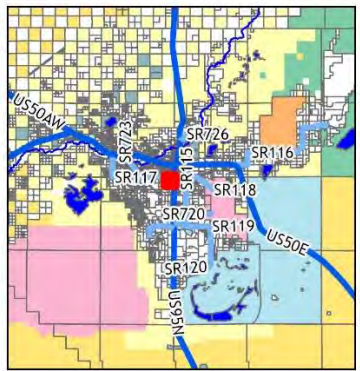
The 3C Complex will improve our workforce and work environment by creating new jobs centered around improving the quality of life by providing a space for recreational activities.

M. MAPS

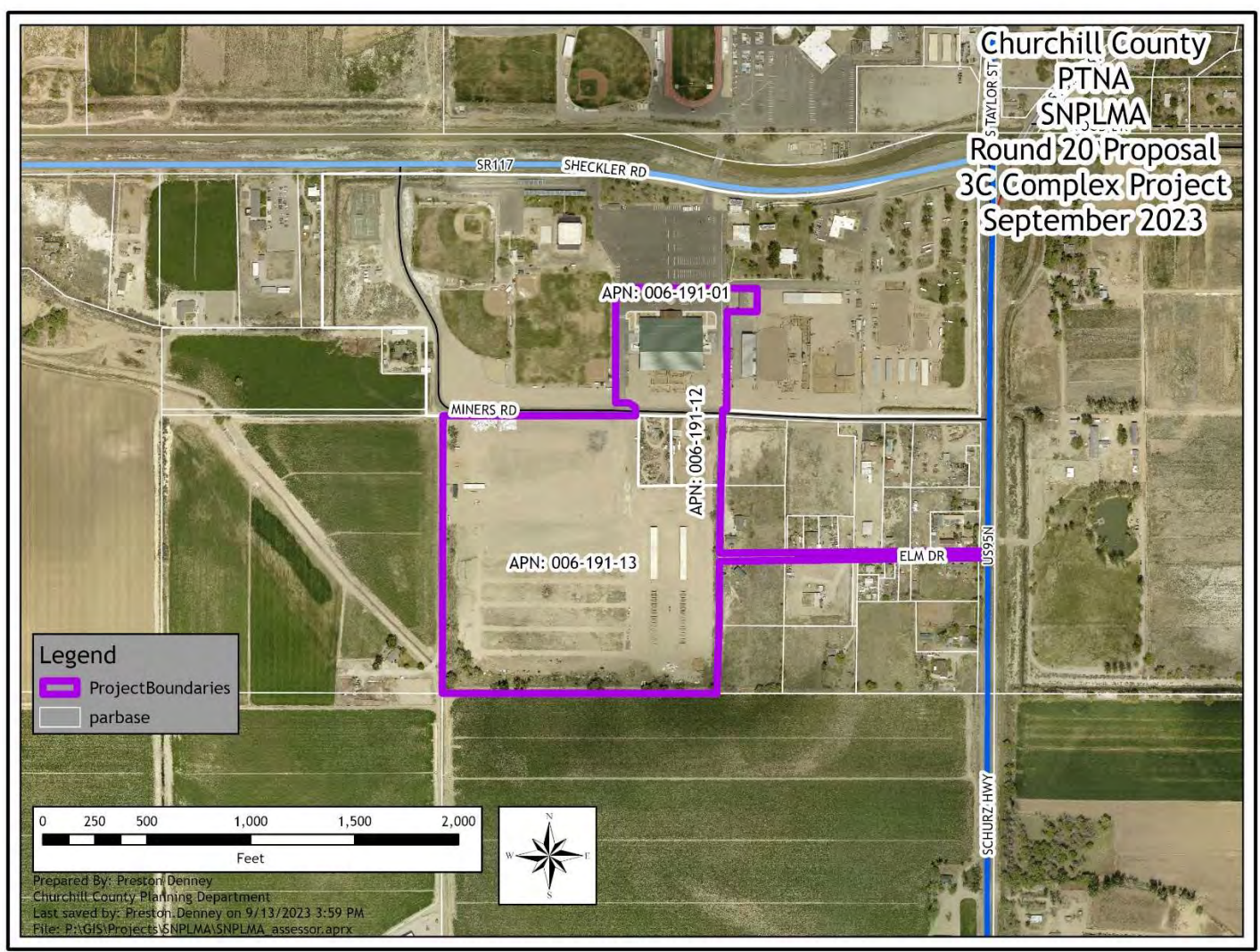
LOCATION MAP



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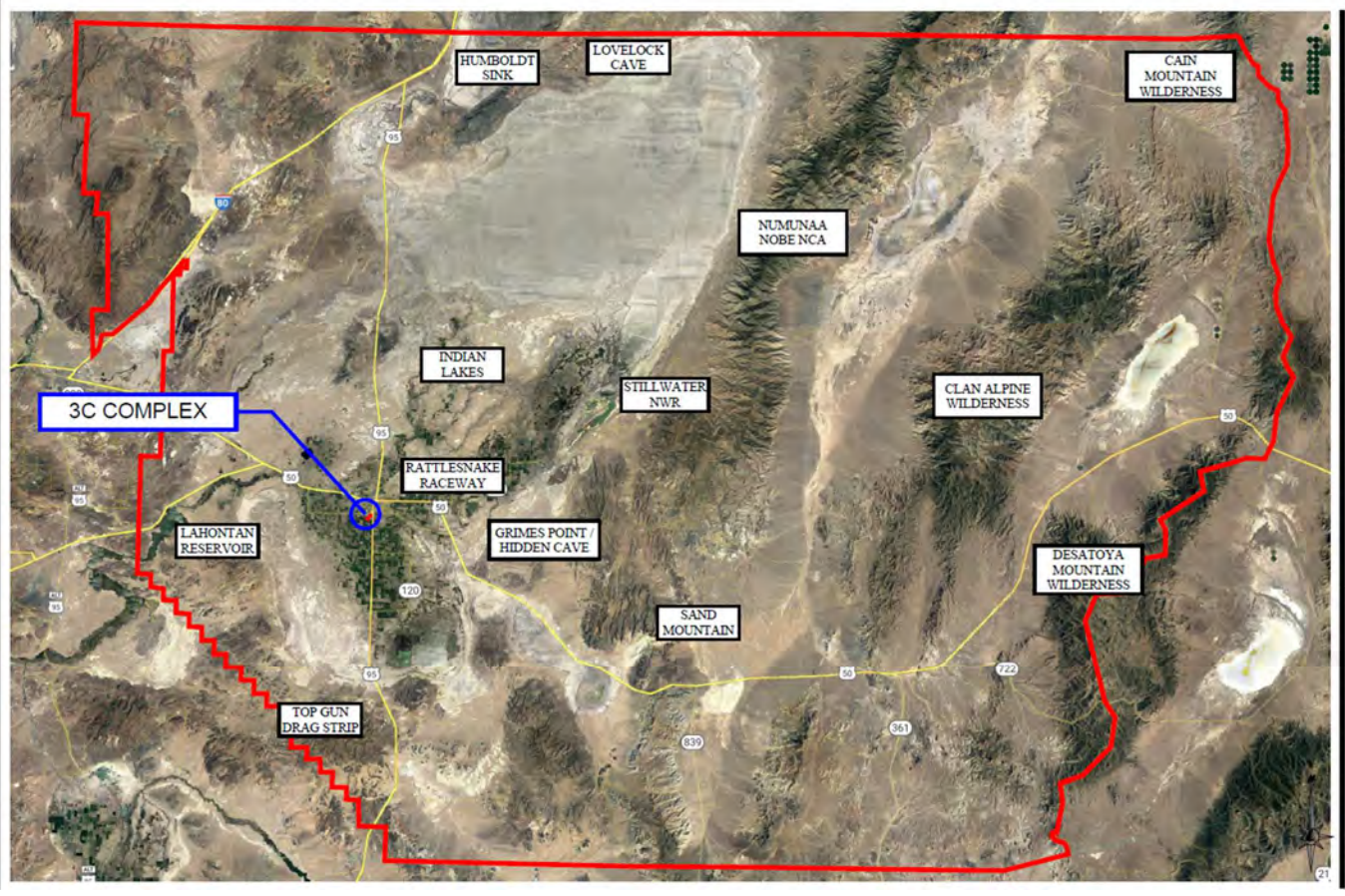
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STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES MAP – CONNECTIVITY



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N. PHOTOS



Covered Arena (SE View)



R3C Overhang (West View)



Dry Gulch (NW View)



Road Extension Access (East View)



O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources		
Performance Measures for Habitat Enhancement	Definition of Performance Measure	Quantity
H9 - Acres of Invasive Plant Species Treated or Restored	<p>*Report the number of acres of weed infestation treated with chemical, mechanical, physical, or biological control agents for the purpose of weed control. Include acres treated by fire when fire is used as a physical control agent for weed control rather than as a hazardous fuels treatment. Each acre treated is counted only once during the life of the project, no matter how many re-treatments occurred during the project.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	84 acres
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
Performance Measures for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	84 acres
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6.</p> <p><i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<p><u>Primary Deliverables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1 RV Park 192 spaces ● 1 Splash Pad ● 1 Childrens play area ● 1 Community barbeque pit ● 1 stockcover/restroom/storage ● 1 Multi-use building ● 1 Equestrian arena ● 1 paved secondary access road ● 10 20' by 20' Shade structures <p><u>Anticipated Deliverables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3 Public art sculptures

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	<p>*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed.</p> <p><i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 interpretive education signs
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	<p>*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable.</p> <p><i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asphalt parking lot • RV area • Security lighting • Structure lighting

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



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Dear Mr. Spross:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of Churchill County (County) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 5, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

3C Complex Project – This proposal is to develop a plan to revamp the 3C Complex in Fallon, Nevada, to provide sufficient space for construction and installation of large-scale recreational uses and park amenities. The project is proposed on County-owned land identified as APN 006-191-13 (south of Miners Road) and a portion of APN 006-191-01 (north of Miners Road), within M.D.M., T.18N., R.28E., sec. 1, Lot 5 SWNE.

The subsurface mineral estate is federally reserved via Patent No. 5579 issued 1/8/1906. BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3601.71 outline that surface estate owners may only extract, sever, or remove federally-reserved mineral materials from within the boundaries of their surface estate after obtaining a contract or permit from the BLM. Exceptions to this regulation occur when the surface estate owner: (1) uses a minimal amount for their own personal use; (2) has statutory authority to use the mineral materials; or (3) has other express authority to use the mineral materials. Prior to any ground disturbance, the County should coordinate with the BLM to determine if any use authorizations (e.g., Free-Use Permit) would be required. There may also be federal interests or easements held by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) along Miners Road and US-95. The County should coordinate with the Reclamation Lahontan Basin

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Area Office to verify whether ensure no impacts or potential encroachments would result from the proposed project. The project also includes paving a secondary access road for improved ingress/egress from the proposed Miners Road RV Park along Elm Drive, east to the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) highway right-of-way (US-95). The County should coordinate with NDOT on this component of the proposed project. There are no other federal resources adjacent to the proposed project.

Per Appendix A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Softball Complex Upgrade Project – This proposal is to reconstruct three existing softball fields on 6-acres of County-owned land (APN 001-051-37), and an existing baseball field and open space park land on 7 acres (APNs 001-011-03 and 001-051-26) owned by the City of Fallon. The project will provide additional updated ballpark amenities and improve the ballpark complex connectivity in Fallon, Nevada. The proposed project is situated within M.D.M., T. 19 N., R. 29 E., sec. 30, Lot 3 and NESW.

The subsurface mineral estate of City-owned land parcel 001-011-03 is federally reserved via Patent No. 3653 issued 9/24/1896. BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3601.71 outline that surface estate owners may only extract, sever, or remove federally reserved mineral materials from within the boundaries of their surface estate after obtaining a contract or permit from the BLM. Exceptions to this regulation occur when the surface estate owner: (1) uses a minimal amount for their own personal use; (2) has statutory authority to use the mineral materials; or (3) has other express authority to use the mineral materials. Prior to any ground disturbance, the County should coordinate with the BLM to determine if any use authorizations (e.g., Free-Use Permit) would be required. There are no other federal resources adjacent to the proposed project.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office.

Oser Regional Park Reconstruction Project – This proposal is to design, construct, and upgrade 32-acres of park facilities to include sports fields, walking paths, picnic areas, and restrooms situated on the westerly portion of County-owned parcel APN 006-191-01 in Fallon, Nevada, within M.D.M., T. 18 N., R. 28 E., sec. 1, Lot 5.

A portion of the westerly subsurface mineral estate is federally reserved via Patent No. 5579 issued 1/8/1906. BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3601.71 outline that surface estate owners may only extract, sever, or remove federally-reserved mineral materials from within the boundaries of their surface estate after obtaining a contract or permit from the BLM. Exceptions to this regulation occur when the surface estate owner: (1) uses a minimal amount for their own personal use; (2) has statutory authority to use the mineral materials; or (3) has other express authority to use the mineral materials. Prior to any ground disturbance, the County should coordinate with the BLM to determine if any use authorizations (e.g., Free-Use Permit) would be

required. There may also be federal interests or easements held by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) along Miners Road. The County should coordinate with the Reclamation Lahontan Basin Area Office to ensure no impacts or potential encroachments would result from the proposed project. There are no other federal resources adjacent to the proposed project.

Per Appendix A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Terah Malsam, Realty Specialist at 775-885-6153 or tmalsam@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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Q. SUPPORT LETTERS

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August 22, 2023

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County Manager, Churchill County

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA) Round 20

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Fallon supports Churchill County in the progression of the 3C Event Complex Park Project.

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Regards,



Ken Tedford
Mayor



United States Department of the Interior

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Lahontan Basin Area Office
705 North Plaza Street, Room 320
Carson City, NV 89701-4015



IN REPLY REFER TO:

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County
155 North Taylor Street, Ste. 194
Fallon, Nevada 89406-2754
jim.barbee@churchillcountynv.gov

Subject: Churchill County Rafter 3C Complex and Oser Regional Park, Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act Reconstruction Projects

Dear Mr. Barbee:

Thank you for notifying the Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) regarding the above referenced projects and their vicinity to Reclamation easements. Reclamation fully supports these Churchill County (County) projects. Reclamation staff will work with the County to ensure any needed approvals are completed in a timely manner. Reclamation will work with County staff so that construction in the vicinity of or directly in easements does not impact Federal facilities.

Please contact Mrs. Rena Ballew, Resources Manager, by telephone at (775) 884-8342 or by email at rballew@usbr.gov. If you are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

Sincerely,

LAURIE NICHOLAS Digitally signed by LAURIE NICHOLAS
Date: 2023.10.31 08:55:48 -0700

for Jack Worsley
Area Manager

cc: Mr. Chris Spross
Director, Public Works, Planning and Zoning
Churchill County
chris.spross@churchillcountynv.gov



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12 Sep 23

Mr. Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County
155 N. Taylor St, Suite 153
Fallon, NV 89406

Dear Mr. Barbee:

SUBJECT: CHURCHILL COUNTY'S SOUTHERN NEVADA LAND MANAGEMENT
ACT GRANT APPLICATION

On behalf of Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF), I submit this letter of acknowledgment for the proposed "North Maine Softball Fields, Oser Regional Park, and the 3C Complex Expansion project" grant application submitted by Churchill County. I recognize that the proposed work seeks to improve leisure and sports activities for Churchill County, which would include our Service Members, Department of Defense civilian employees, and their families. Please note that neither the Department of the Navy nor NASF endorses or promotes the grant application in any way. Rather, this letter serves as a formal acknowledgement that I have been made aware of the grant application.

As you may know, NASF has experienced substantial growth, approximately 36% growth in personnel is projected from 2020 to 2027. We anticipate our growth will lead to increased need for recreational opportunities within Fallon, NV. We appreciate Churchill County's vision, perseverance, and commitment to continuing to pursue recreational opportunities and we look forward to seeing your project come to fruition.

Sincerely,

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S. P. TANNER
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Ken Tedford
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August 22, 2023

US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA) Round 20

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Ken Tedford
Mayor

August 22, 2023

U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
Round 20

To Whom It May Concern:

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CC Communications fully supports Churchill County in their grant application and view this project as vital to economic development in the County. CC Communications has deployed Fiber to the Home to over 95% of locations in Churchill County, and the continued success of our company is dependent upon attracting and retaining a skilled workforce. Out of town applicants consistently raise the issue of the lack of high-quality parks and recreation facilities. The designs provided by Churchill County would greatly enhance the quality of life in the County and provide an impactful selling point when businesses seek to attract and retain talent in a rural community.

Best Regards,

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Mark Feest, CEO

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 155 N. Taylor Street #153
 Fallon, Nevada 89406

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
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Further, we support Churchill County in their grant application because the recreational enhancements will make Churchill County a safer place to live and recreate. All too often we see youth being drawn to recreate in our area's canals and ditches which is a significant safety hazard. It is expected that the additional recreational opportunities will reduce the attraction of the canals and ditches.

Sincerely,

TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT



Benjamin D. Shawcroft
General Manager

August 16, 2023

U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
Round 20

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We Ullman-Peterson Events LLC support Churchill County in their grant application because we are in need of additional RV Hookups and pens for livestock for our annual week long event that we hold at the 3C Complex.

Sincerely,

Daren Peterson

Ullman-Peterson Events LLC

Owner



**920 W Williams Ave
Fallon, NV 89406**

775.423.5437

OANV.org

Melissa Mackedon

August 7, 2023

CEO

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant
(SNPLMA)

To Whom It May Concern:

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Oasis Academy supports Churchill County in their grant application as they have proven to be very generous with the use of the 3C Complex for public schools. Having facilities of this nature made available to

public schools is a responsible use of tax dollars and helps minimize the duplication of efforts and expenses in small communities such as ours.

Regards,



Melissa Mackedon



SIERRA WRESTLING ASSOCIATION
RENO, NEVADA

August 18, 2023

U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
Round 20
To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Eric Beye, I am the President of the Sierra Wrestling Association Reno, Nevada. I am pleased to commit my support to Churchill County in the Southern Nevada Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Grant application for the 3C Complex Park project.

The Sierra Wrestling Association has been honored to attend several events at the Rafter 3C in Fallon, Nevada. Churchill County has provided wrestlers of Nevada with a facility that is functional, spacious, orderly, and secure. These youth events are important for our state and the continued growth of youth sports. This facility, and any additional additions, will continue to provide Nevada with a central meeting location which is important for all rural communities.

The continued growth of the 3C complex will encourage the well-being, strength, and efficient development that our state and local communities strive for.

Sincerely,

Eric Beye

Eric Beye
Sierra Wrestling Association

Greenwave Youth Wrestling Club

Fallon, Nevada 89406

greenwavewrestlingclub@gmail.com

August 7, 2023

U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee

County Manager, Churchill County



RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
Round20

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Wendy Bullock, and I am the Director of Greenwave Youth Wrestling Club. I am pleased to commit my support to Churchill County in the Southern Nevada Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Grant application for the 3C Complex Park project.

Churchill County and the 3C Complex have provided a clean, spacious, safe, and functional facility for us to host youth events. These events are not only important to our local community but also for our state. Many youth families travel from all over the state of Nevada, and beyond, to attend events that I have hosted at the 3C Complex. My non-profit organization has been able to expand our events to accommodate more youth and their parents in a more comfortable environment. Additionally, the continued growth of the 3C complex will encourage the well-being, health, and economic development that our community strives for.

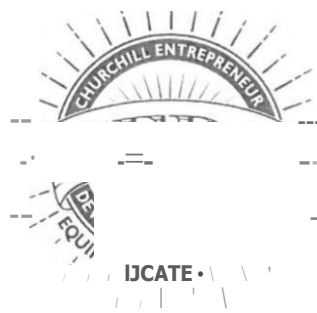
We at Greenwave Youth Wrestling Club support Churchill County in their grant application. Having the 3C facility and the local support will continue to change the lives of many children.

Sincerely,



Wendy Bullock

Greenwave Youth Wrestling Club



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We at CEDA support Churchill County in their grant application because companies are drawn to communities where there is a vibrant network and infrastructure in place to help small businesses succeed. An increase in outdoor recreation infrastructure means increased support and opportunity for small businesses in Churchill County.

Sara L. Beebe
Sincerely,
Sara L. Beebe

CEDA Director

**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 2

Entity: City of Henderson

Project: Bermuda Larson Park

Excel Budget Detail Narrative – Cost Estimates

SNPLMA comment:

1. **Tab 1 “Personnel” labor costs:** City updated the budget allocation for city labor by decreasing the requested SNPLMA funds for personnel costs from over \$4.9 million to \$1,753,575; and increased the voluntary non-federal cost share for staff labor from \$132,371 to \$135,211.
2. **Tab 2 “Fringe Benefits” costs:** City updated the budget allocation for city fringe benefit costs by increasing the requested SNPLMA funds for from over \$733,096 to \$882,294; and decreased the voluntary non-federal cost share for fringe from \$92,382 to \$75,477.
3. **Tab 6 “Contractual” costs:** City provided an updated breakdown on the contractual costs which remained unchanged. The breakdown of the contractual estimated costs is not sufficiently detailed to understand how project costs are derived. The SNPLMA Program Manager will work with the city for more details.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

City of Henderson



Bermuda Larson Park

Amount Requested: \$51,054,442

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Henderson is proposing the design and construction of Bermuda Larson Park, a new youth sports hub facility in West Henderson. This project is located at the intersection of Larson Lane and Bermuda Road in the northern 39-acre portion of a 344-acre parcel currently owned by the Bureau of Land Management. The parcel is identified with APN 191-15-101-002 in the Clark County Assessor website and legally described within T.23S., R.63E., sec.15. The proposed park project has a pending R&PP lease identified with N-100544 to be completed in late 2024. The parcel has no additional claims or interest from either individuals or businesses as the City of Henderson intends to use the northern portion of the BLM parcel for the proposed park.

The Bermuda Larson Park is part of the West Henderson Land Use Plan area with a planned land use of Public/Semi-Public (PS) for the most part of the project site as well as Neighborhood Type 3 (NT3) on the northwest and southwest corners. The planned uses consist of providing a transition area from lower-density neighborhoods into mixed-use neighborhoods and community centers. At the moment of this nomination, there is no zoning assigned to this parcel.

The area referred to as West Henderson is a rapidly growing area. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, population projections for West Henderson indicate an increase of approximately 73,900 residents by the year 2050. Following the adoption of the West Henderson Land Use Plan in 2014, there has been an increase in demand for both residential and nonresidential development in the area. Between now and the year 2050, West Henderson is projected to add extensive new commercial growth, including both retail and industrial development projects. The current inventory and capacity of existing public facilities are inadequate and incapable of accommodating the projected residential and commercial growth of West Henderson. Specifically, West Henderson is currently underserved with recreational public facilities to meet the City's standards of having a park or trail within a 10-minute walk or ½-mile distance from residential areas.

The Bermuda Larson Park project is a needed youth sports facility strategically and centrally located for the purpose of serving this growing community as a gathering place for its residents and visitors. The project will be integrated with the existing and planned network of parks, trails, and bicycle infrastructure (as shown in the Connectivity and Community maps attached). The proposed park will be connected to nearby existing trails which include the Volunteer Trail, Inspirada Trail, Bermuda Trail, and the Anthem neighborhood trail. The Bermuda Larson Park will be another stop along the greater Henderson trail network.

The Bermuda Larson Park project includes functional turf, age-appropriate playgrounds, splash pad, group picnic areas, restrooms, decorative fencing, plaza space, shared-use paths, two parking areas, one bus parking area, six multi-use sports fields, and a pedestrian track. These amenities were selected to be able to host tournaments for sports and races at the proposed track and multi-purpose fields. The playgrounds and splash pads will provide the necessary amenities for the neighborhood needs component.

The City of Henderson is excited at the possibility of residents and visitors having a place for active recreation in a rapidly growing area. The City of Henderson envisions this park to be used

by not only residents and visitors but also public, charter, and private schools, sports teams, and large events and competitions.

1. Describe the relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

There are no prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects on the site, other than securing the R&PP Lease.

2. Acknowledgment of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

The City of Henderson acknowledges if in the future another phase were to develop, there is no guarantee or expectation of funding. The City of Henderson has the capacity and capability to properly manage project performance conducted by the recipient and sub-recipients, contractors, and subcontractors consistent with the SNPLMA business rules and cooperative agreement regulations. If this project is approved, this type of information will be part of the nominating entity "Recipient" performance narrative annual/semi-annual reporting requirements post-award.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The Bermuda Larson Park project will promote the goals of the Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) identified in the Strategic Plan. These goals will be accomplished by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values: connectivity, sustainability, and community as described below.

1. Sustainability:

Projects that incorporate durability, relevancy, and shared support to ensure project benefits in the near and long term.

The Bermuda Larson Park project will incorporate sustainability principles in the design, ensuring low impact from development as well as water conservation. Detailed designs will ensure the restoration of desert vegetation with native plants and the relocation of desert tortoises, if encountered. Landscaping areas will utilize desert climate-appropriate planting and drought-tolerant varieties. The landscaping design will be required to utilize plant materials from the [Southern Nevada Water Authority \(SNWA\) Regional Plant List](#) to ensure that the selected plants are drought-tolerant and water-efficient.

With ongoing drought conditions affecting water levels at Lake Mead, a newly implemented law, AB 356, is aimed at increasing efficient water use throughout Southern Nevada. The useless grass removal law prohibits the use of water delivered by SNWA's member agencies to irrigate decorative grass in streetscapes, medians, parking lots, and other areas where it is used for aesthetics and not recreational purposes by the end of 2026.

Additionally, the Bermuda Larson Park will utilize water-efficient technologies for irrigation (smart controllers, drip irrigation, and more efficient nozzles for spray irrigation). The project will follow the City of Henderson's water conservation measures already in place including the conservation watering schedule designed to help maximize water efficiency. This schedule is created by a centrally controlled irrigation system that monitors daily weather station data, utilizes computerized controllers, and applies the optimum amount of water needed to keep plants healthy. Park restrooms will feature water-efficient low-flow features.

A progressive stormwater management approach is also integral to the project to preserve to the extent possible the presence of natural washes, along with its associated benefits for green infrastructure. The addition of shade structures and functional Bermuda turf will be considered in the park design, thereby helping to contribute to a reduction in the heat island effect.

This involved and evolved sustainability approach has been discussed and approved by City staff to ensure the project investment is durable, relevant, and has shared community support (see letters of support from various community organizations attached). The City of Henderson is confident that the Bermuda Larson Park project will be a sports hub in the West Henderson area and a recreational destination for the wider community of Las Vegas Valley to enjoy for years and generations to come.

2. Connectivity:

Projects that restore and protect healthy and resilient landscapes that connect important habitats and protect the integrity of the human and biological communities.

The proposed Bermuda Larson Park project will consider the proximity of the Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area (NCA) and the North McCullough Wilderness Area to the south as critical important components for landscape and habitat connectivity. The park design will consider existing contours, natural washes, scenic views from the mountain ranges, restoration of disturbed desert vegetation, and potential presence of protected species such as the desert tortoise in and around the project site. Bermuda Larson Park project will ensure integration of the desert landscapes that are characteristic and representative of West Henderson into the park design for future generations to appreciate, preserve, and enjoy.

Additionally, the proposed Bermuda Larson Park project will be an important addition to the City of Henderson's existing and planned parks and trail network, which is predicated on the goal of having every resident living within a 10-minute walk (approximately one

half-mile) of a park or trail. This goal was established based on having easy and convenient access to open space which contributes to a quality of life that is essential to keeping residents and businesses in Henderson. Having access to a park that is near where people live promote healthy lifestyles, improving physical and mental health outcomes.

Pedestrian and bicycle access will be provided within the park site and connected to already existing trails along Bermuda Road, Via Inspirada, Via Centro, and Volunteer Boulevard, providing connectivity throughout West Henderson, to the City of Henderson, and to the larger regional trail system (as shown on the attached Connectivity Map). Having this youth sports project in place early in the development of West Henderson will help ensure that new or relocating residents will enjoy the same high-quality recreational amenities as the rest of the city.

This project will conform to the connectivity elements as laid out in the goals and strategies of the Henderson Strong Comprehensive Plan, the West Henderson Land Use Plan, the Master Bicycle & Trail Plan, the Open Space and Trails Plan, the West Henderson Desert Edges Plan, and the Master Transportation Plan.

3. Community:

Projects that provide outdoor recreation opportunities that improve the quality of life for the public and encourage interaction with nature.

The proposed Bermuda Larson park project will provide much-needed amenities to serve the demand for athletic fields for a wide variety of sports, providing outdoor recreation opportunities that improve the quality of life for the general public and encouraging interaction with nature. The proposed project is essential to accommodate the increasing demand for youth sports such as soccer, pickleball, softball, and other tournaments and sports events that the City of Henderson has been unable to accommodate. Construction of the Bermuda Larson Park will make these types of events possible and further impacting as an economic generator for the community. The proposed park will allow the city and the entire region to balance the currently unmet demand for sports and recreational activities more effectively.

The location of the project site has a great potential to encourage interaction with nature due to the existing natural environment of the Mojave Desert and outstanding mountain vistas of the nearby Sloan Canyon NCA and North McCullough Wilderness Area. Taking advantage of these great assets, the park site design will incorporate educational signage to inform residents and visitors of the surrounding landscape, native plants, and native animals that make up the area encompassed by the park. The existing natural environment and the amenities being proposed by this project will have a direct impact on improving the health and quality of life of residents and visitors of all ages and backgrounds as they enjoy the active and passive recreational opportunities provided by the project.

The Bermuda Larson Park project will directly serve current and future residents of the fast-growing West Henderson community. The proposed project will relieve pressure on the existing community and neighborhood parks in Inspirada, Anthem, Seven Hills, Madeira Canyon, and the unincorporated Clark County area north of St. Rose Parkway. Currently, there is no other facility of this size and scope within the ½ mile area that surrounds the park. Schools in the nearby area such as Robert and Sandy Ellis Elementary, and Pinecrest Academy Sloan Canyon Campus will be able to utilize the park space for athletic practices and events. The proposed youth sports fields will also have a positive impact to the growing local sports community valley wide.

West Henderson has seen a boom in new residents, according to the U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey 5-year estimates, the total population for zip code 89044, which is the zip code of the proposed park has increased by 54% in the past 10 years. In 2011, the total population was 13,705 compared to 25,614 residents in 2021. The census tract (57.20) data show that although predominantly white (60.6%), there is a significant Asian community at (22.3%) which significantly exceeds the wider Henderson average (9.1%) and the Clark County average at (10.0%). The area also has a higher proportion of young children 9.7% of the population under 5 which compares to the Henderson average of 4.8% respectively. In addition, the owned housing sector significantly exceeds that of the wider Henderson mean, with 94.3% of residents owning their homes compared to 55.4% of residents owning their own homes in Clark County.

In addition to experiencing significant population growth, the nearby vicinity of the proposed Bermuda Larson Park is also experiencing economic development growth opportunities with the construction of Henderson Hospital West, Turano Nevada Baking Company, the Las Vegas Raiders Headquarters and Intermountain Health Performance Center, the M Resort & Casino, Amazon Distribution Center, Kroger Distribution Center, and Fedex Warehouse. Future planned development includes the Inspirada Station Hotel & Casino and the Haas Automation Inc. manufacturing facility. West Henderson is also home to a unique business district called the West Henderson Global Business District (WHGBD). The WHGBD has updated design guidelines to provide an overall framework for future development and to establish a brand identity for a high-quality job and innovation district.

The Bermuda Larson Park will be an important youth sports and recreational facility addition to the fast-growing community of West Henderson contributing to the quality of life of its residents, workforce, and visitors.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The City of Henderson is proposing the design and construction of Bermuda Larson Park, a new 39-acre youth sports hub facility in the fast-growing community of West Henderson. The purpose of the proposed project is to address Henderson's currently unmet demand for sports tournaments for soccer, pickleball, softball, and other athletic events; and to achieve the City's goal of providing a park within a 10-minute walking (approximately half-mile) distance from residential areas. The project aims to connect the public with an outdoor youth sports facility first of its kind in the West Henderson area, designed with the surrounding natural desert environment

in mind. The Bermuda Larson Park project features six multi-use sports fields, playground and splash pads, a pedestrian promenade space, an outdoor track with bleachers for spectating, and other recreational amenities. The project proposal will be a fundamental component to Henderson's existing neighborhood parks and trails network as West Henderson continues to grow and develop.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables:

- a. Install a lighted interactive splash pad with a shaded playground area for ages 2-5 and ages 5-12, approx. 34,900 SF to 52,200 SF
- b. Install 1-2 large group shade structures
- c. Construct 2 restroom buildings with concession space
- d. Install 304,000 SF to 410,000 SF of asphalt paving for:
 - Bus parking with a loading zone
 - Surface parking with two loading zones
 - Surface parking with one loading zone
 - Park road
- e. Install 125,000 SF to 152,000 SF event promenade
- f. Construct 55,000 SF to 67,500 SF of concrete trail/paths within the park
- g. Construct 14,600 SF to 17,850 SF of asphalt trail along Larson Lane
- h. Construct 9,000 SF to 11,000 SF of asphalt trail along Via Centro
- i. Construct 6 multi-use fields of approx. 584,000 SF of turf
- j. Construct 1 outdoor track and field area, approx. 148,000 SF to 152,000 SF
- k. Install 8-12 bleachers, 10-row at track and field
- l. Install 4-6 activity waysides of approx. 23,500 SF to 28,800 SF
- m. Install 4-6 shade structures at activity waysides
- n. Install 4-6 benches at activity waysides
- o. Install 5-8 game tables at activity waysides
- p. Install 1-2 bicycle repair stations at activity waysides
- q. Install 8-12 specialty seating at activity waysides (eg. Concrete Adirondack chairs)
- r. Install 4-6 table tennis structures at activity waysides
- s. Install 4-6 cornhole sets at activity waysides
- t. Construct 2,000 SF to 4,000 SF of decorative concrete at activity waysides
- u. Install 1 playground wayside with age 2-5 playground and age 5-12 playground, approx. 4,000 SF to 6,000 SF
- v. Install 4-6 bicycle parking with shade
- w. Install landscaping and irrigation
- x. Install park lighting
- y. Install 18-22 trash receptacles
- z. Install 18-22 recycle receptacles
- aa. Install 10-15 picnic tables
- bb. Install 18-22 benches
- cc. Install 2-4 monument signs
- dd. Install 2-3 park rules sign
- ee. Install 5-10 educational signage
- ff. Install conduit for park Wi-Fi

gg. Install conduit for security cameras (COH will provide cameras)

2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
Not Applicable

3. Standard Deliverables:

- a. Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)
- b. Public scoping with affected stakeholders
- c. Developing scopes of work for contracts
- d. Preliminary design (Master Plan)
- e. Surveys as necessary
- f. Final design
- g. Submitting and obtaining management approval of project documents
- h. Construction documents
- i. Specialist's review of project documents
- j. Construction phase

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address:

- Currently, there is no designated site address for the location of the proposed project. However, the project site is generally located at the intersection of Bermuda Road and Larson Lane in the largely undeveloped West Henderson area.

Legal Description:

- Clark County, Nevada MDM:
 - Township 23 South, Range 16 East, Section 15, N2NW4.

Parcel Number(s):

- APN 191-15-101-002 (39-acres portion to be developed for the proposed sports park facility, Bureau of Land Management owned)

Current Land Use and Zoning:

- Planned Land Use: Public/Semi-Public (PS) and Neighborhood Type 3 (NT3). These land uses focus on providing a transition from lower-density neighborhoods into mixed-use neighborhoods and community centers.
- Zoning: Not assigned to this parcel at the time of the project nomination submission.

Latitude and Longitude:

- Latitude: 35.9485726
- Longitude: 115.1500402

Congressional District(s):

- NV District 1

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

The City of Henderson proposes the project will be completed within 5 years from the date of the awarded SNPLMA financial instrument (assistance agreement).

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

The Bermuda Larson Park project, if funded, is shovel-ready and prepared to move forward with design and construction within the SNPLMA five-year timeframe.

The City of Henderson is currently in the process of obtaining a Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) lease from the BLM (Application number N-100544). The R&PP lease application is currently on track for BLM approval in the final quarter of next year. As of October 2023, the R&PP lease application is in the Notice of Realty Action (NORA) phase. The City’s proposal is consistent with the R&PP lease application. The R&PP lease, if issued, will include a plan of development and maintenance plan reviewed and approved by the BLM.

The project will include compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes, environmental requirements (e.g., NEPA), compliance with the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW), and any other.

Have you applied, received, or is there an opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

The City of Henderson has not applied or received funding from another source for the implementation of the SNPLMA Round 20 proposed Bermuda Larson Park project.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Operations and maintenance for the Bermuda Larson Park project will be performed by city staff using existing equipment. Estimated maintenance and operation costs are \$721,500 annually. Maintenance would include regular trash cleanup, trail cleanup, turf care, athletic field maintenance, irrigation maintenance, tree maintenance, lighting maintenance, weed control, restroom cleanup, playground equipment inspections and maintenance, splash pad maintenance, and any other maintenance associated with a park operation to ensure it is in proper condition in perpetuity (99+ years) for the community to use and enjoy.

The Bermuda Larson Park project proposal was presented to and accepted by the City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Board on August 2, 2023. Subsequently, the Bermuda Larson Park project proposal was presented and approved by the Henderson City Council during the City Council meeting held on September 5, 2023, and committed to any future operation and maintenance costs when the project is completed.

The City of Henderson acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity any facilities, trails, or other features that are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the City from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA-funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the City's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The City of Henderson is seeking SNPLMA funding to implement and complete the proposed Bermuda Larson Park project. **The SNPLMA funding amount requested is \$48,052,149.**

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the "Project Budget Detail & Narrative" spreadsheet which provides a summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 1,753,575	\$ 135,211
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ 882,294	\$ 75,477
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ 28,000
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 45,416,280	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 48,052,149	\$ 238,689
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 48,052,149	\$ 238,689

The estimated project budget is based on the costs of projects of similar nature. The information has been prepared by City of Henderson staff with experience on park projects' design and construction.

Cost-Benefit Analysis:

Sports and health go hand in hand. Regular physical activity is a critical aspect for good health. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), not only can being physically active help manage weight, strengthen muscles and bones, and reduce the risk of disease, but it can also improve brain health. These benefits are arguably even more vital for youth. According to the CDC, the benefits of physical activity include improved thinking or cognition for children ages 6-13 and reduced short-term feelings of anxiety for adults.

Additionally, youth sports facilities promote economic development growth and real estate development. Youth sports facilities attract participants, spectators, and their families, which can create more vibrant communities and lead to increase spending and higher tax base in the local

community. This spending includes hotel accommodations, dining, shopping, and other related services, all of which will have a significant impact on the economic vitality of the fast-growing community of West Henderson.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

The City of Henderson will provide an in-kind contribution of staff time (salary plus fringe benefit costs) for \$210,689. The time includes a Park Planner involved with the project from its design inception through construction completion and the Park Project Manager for oversight of the project. The City of Henderson will also provide funding for security cameras that will be located throughout the park. There will be seven cameras that will be installed and the cost for the cameras is approximately \$28,000. The cost for in-kind and contributed funds is \$238,689. The City's written commitment for the voluntary non-federal cost share is enclosed at the back of this nomination.

The contributed funds will be outlined in the assistance agreement as a non-federal funding resource and will be tracked and reported by the City consistent with the 2 CFR 200.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Construct a new or improve an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: The requested funding will be applied toward the design and construction of the Bermuda Larson Park, a new youth sports hub facility which will encompass 39 acres of BLM-administered public land in West Henderson. The proposed project will

relieve pressure for sports events from residents on the existing community and nearby neighborhood parks located in Inspirada, Anthem, Seven Hills, Madeira Canyon, and the unincorporated area in Clark County north of St. Rose Parkway. Currently, there is no other facility of this size and scope in the area.

The park will provide much-needed amenities to serve the demand for sports fields for a wide variety of activities. The City of Henderson has been unable to accommodate the increasing number of requests for soccer, pickleball, softball, and other tournaments and events. These additional facilities will allow the city and the entire region to balance the demand more effectively for local recreational activities with events that serve as economic generators for the community as they bring people who need hotel rooms, restaurants, and other services to the area.

West Henderson is currently underserved with recreational facilities to meet the City of Henderson's standards of having a park or trail within a 10-minute walk or ½-mile distance from residential areas. The Bermuda Larson Park project will provide equitable access to recreational opportunities to enhance and increase the quality of life for residents and visitors of all ages and backgrounds.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: Currently, the West Henderson area has a limited number of recreational amenities or venues to attract events, gatherings, tournaments, or competitions. The City of Henderson envisions the Bermuda Larson Park to be the West Henderson hub with the capability to host youth, teen, and adult recreational tournaments for sports. The city anticipates that this project will attract the local schools to host after-school and extracurricular activities at this proposed park. As new homes are built within the West Henderson Master Plan, the City of Henderson believes that this project will help encourage home developers to meet the demand for housing in this area.

Currently, the city has been unable to accommodate the increasing number of requests for soccer, pickleball, softball, and other tournaments and events. The proposed project will allow the city and the entire region to balance the demand more effectively for local sports activities with events that serve as economic generators for the community.

The proposed Bermuda Larson Park sports facility will promote economic development growth as well as real estate development. It is anticipated that this sports facility will attract participants, spectators, and their families, which can create more vibrant communities and lead to increase spending and higher tax base in the local community. Events hosted at this park will increase the demand for hotel rooms, restaurants, shopping, and other related services, all of which will have a significant impact on the economic vitality of the fast-growing community of West Henderson.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: In 2017, the City of Henderson adopted the Henderson Strong

Comprehensive Plan. Within this plan are goals to ensure that the residents live in premier complete communities. The Bermuda Larson Park proposed project supports many goals that are outlined within Henderson Strong such as H 1.11 (Strive for equitable distribution of parks, community amenities, public facilities, and services within walking distance of neighborhoods; identify neighborhoods lacking in key services or amenities and design incentives to fill these gaps.) and H 4.2 (Encourage destinations for community gathering, play, and exercise, such as parks, plazas, or other open spaces).

The City of Henderson believes that this proposed park not only aligns with the Henderson Strong Comprehensive Plan goals listed above, but its uniqueness is in the fact that there is no other large-scale park within the fast-growing area of West Henderson. The City of Henderson believes that the proposed park will attract new residents to create a sense of shared community and belonging through sports. Additionally, the project is in alignment with the SNPLMA Strategic Plan which is to improve the outdoor environment for the community, link people to nature and recreational opportunities, and provide an element of sustainability within the park design and construction.

The Bermuda Larson Park project will be the first of its kind in the newly developed West Henderson area. As stated in previous sections, this area represents a gap to meet the goal of having a park or trail within 10-minute walk or ½-mile distance from a residential area. The amenities proposed by the City of Henderson will provide residents with the opportunity to enjoy multiple multi-use fields, an outdoor track, and paved trails for all people ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities to enjoy. The project amenity unique to a public park will be the outdoor track. City staff has received numerous requests through Contact Henderson for this type of recreational facility.

D. *The project addresses, remedies, or improves public health and safety concerns (s).*

Answer: The Bermuda Larson Park project will assist with improving public health concerns such as obesity, diabetes, and high blood pressure by giving the community additional forms of exercise in a park setting. Regular physical activity is a critical aspect for good health. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), not only can being physically active help manage weight, strengthen muscles and bones, and reduce the risk of disease, but it can also improve brain health. These benefits are arguably even more vital for youth. According to the CDC, the benefits of physical activity include improved thinking or cognition for children ages 6-13 and reduced short-term feelings of anxiety for adults.

With the Bermuda Larson Park, residents in the area will be encouraged to get outdoors to walk, run, and bike more often. Children will have a place to play, and youth and adults will have additional recreational activities that they can enjoy.

The Bermuda Larson Park design will incorporate elements of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CEPTED) principles to address any potential safety

concerns. Application of CEPTED principles will assist at preventing crime by designing a physical environment that positively influences human behavior. These principles are based on natural access control, natural surveillance, territoriality, activity support, and maintenance. Security cameras and lighting system will deter nefarious activities from occurring and will enhance crime prevention.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: The Bermuda Larson Park project will provide increased access to sports and recreational activities that disenfranchised communities are not typically able to enjoy. The City of Henderson is committed to ensuring all citizens are within a 10-minute walk to a park, trail, and/or natural area. The proposed park aims to meet this goal in West Henderson.

As West Henderson continues to grow and experiences a boom with new residents and business, the demand for public facilities such as parks is also going to increase. According to the U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey 5-year estimates, the total population for zip code 89044, which is the zip code of the proposed park has increased by 54% in the past 10 years. In 2011, the total population was 13,705 compared to 25,614 residents in 2021. The census tract (57.20) data show that although predominantly white (60.6%), there is a significant Asian community at (22.3%) which significantly exceeds the wider Henderson average (9.1%) and the Clark County average at (10.0%). The area also has a higher proportion of young children 9.7% of the population under 5 which compares to the Henderson average of 4.8% respectively.

This Bermuda Larson Park project will meet the needs of the newly built and rapidly growing community of West Henderson that is currently facing barriers of access and connectivity due to residential, commercial, and industrial development focused growth. The proposed sports park facility will provide needed amenities currently inexistent in the area with multi-use sports fields and age-appropriate playgrounds closer to where people reside.

The City of Henderson will continue to work with community organizations that promote outdoor recreation as well as the Clark County School District to ensure equitable access to sports and recreational opportunities (see letters of support from various organizations attached) are met. The Bermuda Larson Park will increase equity because the facility will serve immediate residents in its vicinity, local and outside visitors participating in tournaments and events, and the general population of all ages and backgrounds from all over the Las Vegas Valley that wish to visit.

2. RESOURCES: The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Answer: The proposed Bermuda Larson Park will enhance the community of West Henderson through cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources available in the area. The project site is located in an area bordered to the south by the Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area (SCNCA). Spanning 48,000 acres, the SCNCA offers distinctive geologic features, cultural resources, and volcanic rock peaks. The area is known for historic petroglyphs. Hiking trails can be found throughout the SCNCA with equestrian and biking uses allowed on some trails.

West Henderson has become one of the newest and fastest growing communities in Henderson as the premier destination for economic development and livable neighborhoods through large light industrial sites and diverse housing opportunities. The West Henderson Land Use Plan has been the guiding document that has outlined how the envisioned complete community of West Henderson will shape out. The City of Henderson identifies this proposed project as an integral piece in shaping the future development of West Henderson. This proposed Bermuda Larson Park project has the potential to bring the community together and enjoy the amenities listed in the project proposal. Amenities such as the multi-purpose fields are currently nonexistent in the West Henderson area.

By building the proposed project, the City of Henderson will achieve its goal of providing quality parks within a ten-minute (½-mile) walk of every resident. As stated previously, throughout the park site, educational signage will be posted informing residents and visitors of the landscape, plants, and animals that make up the area encompassed by the project. This public amenity will enhance the West Henderson community with a new park that will become a significant recreational resource for existing and future residents and visitors.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: The City of Henderson has the goal of creating an interconnected system of protected desert environments with parks, off-street trails, and open spaces to enhance the City's unique image and sense of place. As such, the proposed Bermuda Larson Park project will support undisturbed special status animal and plant species and integrate into the park facility design existing natural washes and panoramic vistas of the City. This approach will ensure the project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation within the West Henderson community.

The recreational opportunities being proposed by the Bermuda Larson Park project will advance the existing open space and trails network with amenities currently nonexistent in West Henderson. The proposed multi-purpose fields and track will not only advance recreational opportunities in the area for people of all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities but will also enhance conservation stewardship within the community with thoughtful sustainable design. This park will incorporate conservation techniques such as drought-tolerant plant material, drip irrigation, and

LED lighting. Educational signage and events such as community park clean-ups will encourage stewardship of the park. The Bermuda Larson Park project will create a gathering space for people who might otherwise not be able to easily access recreational spaces.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly regarding the conservation of energy, water, and materials.*

Answer: Sustainability will be woven into every aspect of the design, ensuring low environmental impact development. Any disturbed plant material will be salvaged and re-planted on-site to reinforce the natural beauty of the site. Construction will stop if there any desert tortoises are found, to allow them to relocate safely.

Additionally, considering the ongoing drought conditions affecting water levels at Lake Mead, a newly implemented law, [AB 356](#), is aimed at increasing efficient water use throughout Southern Nevada. The useless grass removal law prohibits the use of water delivered by SNWA's member agencies to irrigate decorative grass in streetscapes, medians, parking lots, and other areas where it is used for aesthetics and not recreational purposes by the end of 2026.

Detailed designs will ensure landscaping areas will utilize desert climate-appropriate planting and drought-tolerant varieties. The landscaping design will be required to utilize plant materials from the [Southern Nevada Water Authority \(SNWA\) Regional Plant List](#) to ensure that the selected plants are drought-tolerant and water-efficient.

Bermuda Larson Park project once constructed, will follow the City of Henderson's water conservation measures already in place including the conservation watering schedule designed to help maximize water efficiency. This schedule is created by a centrally controlled irrigation system that monitors daily weather station data, utilizes computerized controllers, and applies the optimum amount of water needed to keep plants healthy.

A progressive stormwater management approach will be integral to the project to preserve to the extent possible the presence of natural washes, along with its associated benefits for green infrastructure. The addition of shade structures and functional Bermuda turf will be considered, thereby helping to contribute to a reduction in the heat island effect. The Bermuda Larson Park project will utilize water-efficient technologies for irrigation (smart controllers, drip irrigation, and more efficient nozzles for spray irrigation).

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: The proposed project has a backdrop of natural mountain landscapes that make up the Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area (NCA) and North McCullough Hills Wilderness Area. The City of Henderson anticipates the proposed

project to be a place where residents, tourists, and local visitors come to connect to the natural environment.

This project is a clear opportunity to protect special places, provide accessible trails, and conserve natural resources while maintaining the City's vibrant economy. The City of Henderson is committed to ensuring the preservation of the natural desert landscaping in a way that compliments the vista of the Sloan Canyon NCA. The City of Henderson views this project as a celebration of the desert environment, as interpretive signage will assist with showcasing the desert environment and the importance of the natural environment.

3. **CONNECTIVITY**: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

Answer: West Henderson is ideally situated to be a part of the Vegas Valley Rim Trail, a planned 100+ mile trail encircling the Las Vegas Valley. The trail will connect the SCNCA, Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area, Desert National Wildlife Refuge, Nellis Dunes Recreation Area, and Lake Mead National Recreation Area and will border the southern edge of the City of Henderson. The Bermuda Larson Park project will be an important recreational facility that will be well integrated into the City of Henderson and Las Vegas Valley trail networks. Pedestrian and bicycle access will be provided through future trails along Via Inspirada, Via Centro, and Volunteer Blvd, providing connectivity throughout the city and the regional trail system.

The Bermuda Larson Park project has been outlined and identified in the Open Space and Trails Plan as a key component for connecting West Henderson residents to the overall trail network. This project will serve as a restful oasis where residents can enjoy the amenities, trails, and community that this park will provide.

Trails within ½ mile (walking distance)

- Larson Trail
- Via Nobila Trail
- Bermuda Trail
- Volunteer Trail

Parks and Trails within 3 miles (biking distance)

- Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area
- McCullough Wilderness Area
- Aventura Park
- Esselmont Park
- Madeira Canyon Park
- Potenza Park
- Attesa Park

- McCullough Hills Trail
- Anthem Hills Trail
- Shadow Canyon Trail
- NV Energy Trail
- Trails within the Inspirada Community

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Answer: This project is part of the following local and regional plans:

- [Henderson Strong Comprehensive Plan \(2022\)](#)
- [Henderson Open Space & Trails Plan \(2005\)](#)
- [West Henderson Land Use Plan \(2014\)](#)
- West Henderson Desert Edges Plan (2006)
- [Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan \(2019\)](#)
- [Henderson Master Bicycle and Trail Plan \(2014\)](#)

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

Answer: The Bermuda Larson Park project is integral in strengthening the City of Henderson's comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas because the park will provide a needed facility in an underserved and fast-growing area. Currently, there isn't a park to serve existing residents in the area. This park will serve as a gathering point for residents and visitors of West Henderson. The City of Henderson has carefully curated a vision for what open space can look like in West Henderson, and the proposed project falls within the previously adopted Open Space and Trails Plan.

The goal of this park and many others is to respect the land and integrate the desert environment into the community as it grows. In other words, to conserve through development, as demonstrated by recent master-planned communities built around the "green infrastructure" of trails, greenways, natural washes, and open spaces. This park will play an integral part in shaping the identity of West Henderson as this project has been identified as a key amenity for West Henderson in the West Henderson Land Use Plan. The Bermuda Larson Park project will enhance the connectivity of the City's trails and parks network, specifically the Inspirada and Bermuda Trail, within West Henderson.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Answer: The proposed facility will provide important quality-of-life and well-being amenities to serve residents throughout the city and beyond. All City facilities are constructed using sustainable design and materials respectful of our desert environment, Bermuda Larson Park project will follow the same standards.

The project will extend the opportunities to program events such as, Hoolaulea, Bark in the Park, and Memorial Day connecting people to the outdoors. As West Henderson grows, it is understood that recreational opportunities will be made available for those who reside there. To further connect people to the outdoors, interpretive signage that details information on the land, desert, and the environment will be included.

- E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

Answer: The proposed park project will host activities for people from all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities to enjoy. The proposed splash pad areas are a great way for youth and children to interact with the area and the outdoor track and multi-purpose fields will encourage adults to exercise and practice sports. Accessibility is an important aspect of the project and ensuring everyone is comfortable is crucial.

Everyone, no matter their socioeconomic status, deserves an opportunity to connect with nature. This park will not only serve the immediate residents of Henderson but also the residents in nearby Clark County and the City of Las Vegas who live in the Silverado Ranch and the Southern Highlands Neighborhoods. The Bermuda Larson Park project will be the first park in the area to serve residents in a way that will re-engage an underserved population with an opportunity to participate in active recreation.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers the costs and benefits of the project.

- A. *The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.*

Answer: The City of Henderson will design and construct \pm 39 acres of a 77.5-acre park site, which is on Bureau of Land Management-owned land. The projected deliverables and associated costs for the project have been developed by internal staff that has used historical data as well as current bid information to as accurately as possible determine costs. The project, when complete, will provide a park with recreational opportunities and an inviting environment to enjoy sports and the outdoors for all.

The proposed budget of \$48,052,149 is reasonable for a project of this magnitude and in today's industry. The City of Henderson's Parks and Recreation department has conducted a project cost analysis to ensure a quality and cost-efficient product. The proposed project is a stand-alone project.

The Bermuda Larson Park project provides the opportunity to develop a park within the 10-minute walk or ½-mile distance from a residential area and be part of an integrated parks and open space system. One that meets community needs for parks, trails, and recreation facilities while also providing ecological benefits. Protected open space and parks provide habitat for wildlife; stormwater collection and filtration; and protection of sensitive terrain, such as steep slopes. According to recent studies completed by The Trust for Public Lands, parks, open space, and trails benefit the health of the residents and the local economy. People and employers are attracted to locations that offer proximity and access to parks and open space.

B. *Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.*

Answer: The proposed Bermuda Larson park project will provide much-needed amenities to serve the demand for athletic fields for a wide variety of sports, providing outdoor recreation opportunities that improve the quality of life for the general public and encouraging interaction with nature. The proposed project is essential to accommodate the increasing demand for youth sports such as soccer, pickleball, softball, and other tournaments and sports events that the City of Henderson has been unable to accommodate. Construction of the Bermuda Larson Park will make these types of events possible and further impacting as an economic generator for the community. The proposed park will allow the city and the entire region to balance the currently unmet demand for sports and recreational activities more effectively.

Within a 10-minute walk (½-mile), there is an estimated population of 60,623 residents within a 3-mile radius of the project. The park would provide a direct benefit to these communities. Inspirada and Anthem, which are the closest residential communities to the proposed project, both are within a 5-mile radius of the area. This project will have a massive impact on the residents and the visitors of the area as the proposed park is the first of its kind for the community in terms of scale and proposed amenities.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: The City of Henderson continues to explore strategies to minimize the costs of construction, operations, and maintenance. The strategies are incorporated into the design of this project. The design will incorporate desert adaptive material which requires less overall maintenance. The materials used for park amenities are durable and therefore are capable of a longer lifespan. Shade is an important component of parks to assist with reducing the heat island effect and with the lifespan of play equipment.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: The City of Henderson will contribute \$238,689 in staff time to ensure the completion of the park. Additionally, the city will be installing 7 security cameras for \$28,000. This installation will promote a safe environment and will enhance crime prevention through environmental design.

- E. ***Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).***

Answer: The Bermuda Larson Park project will consider the use of sustainable and cost-effective methods such as solar. The materials used for the project will be good quality, effective, and economical. The city will ensure that all amenities provided are comfortable, safe, and functional. The city standards include amenities to reduce operations and maintenance costs.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***

Yes, the project supports EO No. 13855 by taking the proper measures to reduce the risk of human-caused wildfires in West Henderson. The landscape design will be a thoughtful design that provides an aesthetic value for the public. The project will be maintained following City of Henderson standards which will reduce fire risk.

2. ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***

Yes, the project supports EO No. 14004 because the City will contract with American workers and American workers will staff the park.

3. ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***

EO No. 14063 does not apply to this project

4. ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***

Yes, this project supports EO No. 14072. This project will strengthen the community by expanding, revitalizing, and activating a green space in West Henderson. This space will provide a large-scale park for 60,623 residents within a three-mile radius of the park.

5. ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***

Yes, this project is considering the impact on environmental justice for this project. The area surrounding the park is currently underserved as there is no major park in West Henderson within a three-mile radius of the proposed project. The proposed

project will provide a state-of-the-art park that will ensure an enjoyable recreational and educational experience for all people, no matter their age, background, or physical ability.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

Yes, this project supports SO No. 3347 because the purpose of the park is to create an active and passive recreational space in West Henderson while educating the public on stewardship of the land. This project will open up opportunities for field trips for school children and community-led events. The park also provides outdoor recreation for walking, sports, and biking.

2. ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

No SO No 3356 does not apply to this project.

3. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

No SO No 3356 does not apply to this project.

4. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

Yes, this project supports SO No. 3366 because of the increased opportunities for active and passive recreational opportunities for all people to enjoy, no matter their age, background, or physical ability.

5. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

No, SO No. 3370 does not apply because this project is not located in a National Wildlife Refuge

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

Yes, this project supports SO. No. 3372 because the City of Henderson will take measures to reduce the risk of human-caused wildfires through active land management. City of Henderson Parks and Recreation staff will monitor the area.

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

No, SO No. 3373 does not apply to this project.

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

Yes, this project supports SO No. 3376 of increasing recreational opportunities through the use of electric bikes.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.*** *We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.*
 - Yes, the project seeks to retain as much of the mature tree coverage as possible and introduce a new landscaping scheme that focuses on climate-appropriate and drought-tolerant plantings. In addition, renewable energy sources and approaches will be adopted, including the consideration of solar panel-covered parking, as well as electric vehicle charging points and dimmable LED lighting.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*
 - Yes, this project will strengthen government-to-government relationships with Tribal Nations. The City of Henderson will work with BLM to ensure the sovereignty of the tribal land.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*
 - Yes, the Bermuda Larson Park will create jobs through the associated construction, operation, and maintenance of the project. Park and Recreation positions will be dedicated to ensuring the success of the park. The selected jobs and careers that are associated with the project are in line with the Administration's goal of creating family-supporting jobs and union jobs that have a focus on conservation.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*
 - The City of Henderson will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic*

sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.

- Yes, this park project focuses on equity and environmental justice by significantly enhancing an existing outdoor space so that anyone can enjoy it, no matter their age, background, or physical ability. Henderson has become more racially and economically diverse within the past ten years. This park will serve an area that needs a large-scale public park as this park will impact 60,623 residents who live within three miles of the site

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

Yes, the City of Henderson is committed to ending the COVID-19 pandemic and just recently won an award from the American Planning Association for the proactive handling of the epidemic. During construction, staff will follow all CDC, state, and local guidelines. This will also serve as an outdoor space where people can safely socially distance.

2. *Providing economic relief*

Yes, this project will help provide economic relief by creating job opportunities for Southern Nevadans. This project will also offer free and reduced services and programs to those in need.

3. *Tackling climate change*

Yes, the Bermuda Larson Park project will further protect and enhance our natural areas, reduce urban sprawl, reduce the urban heat island effect, and use renewable energy sources. Preserving natural areas from intense development is an important factor in reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The project will use LED and dimming technologies for lighting, and native plant material to eliminate irrigation needs, and disturb the least amount of the site as possible to reduce carbon footprints.

4. *Advancing racial equity*

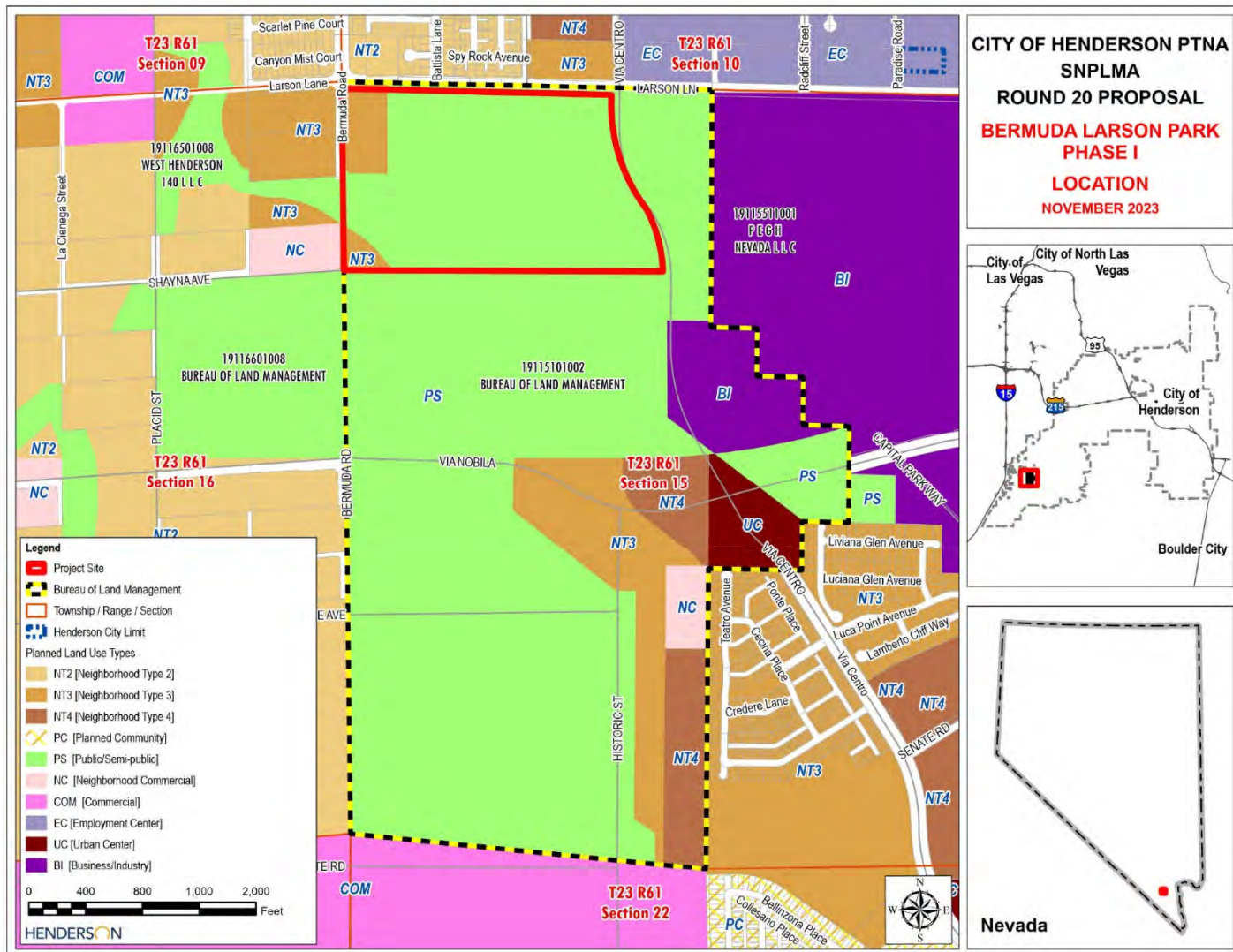
Yes, the proposed project will advance racial equity by providing all residents, no matter their racial background or socioeconomic status, a place where they can enjoy outdoor activities and recreation.

5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

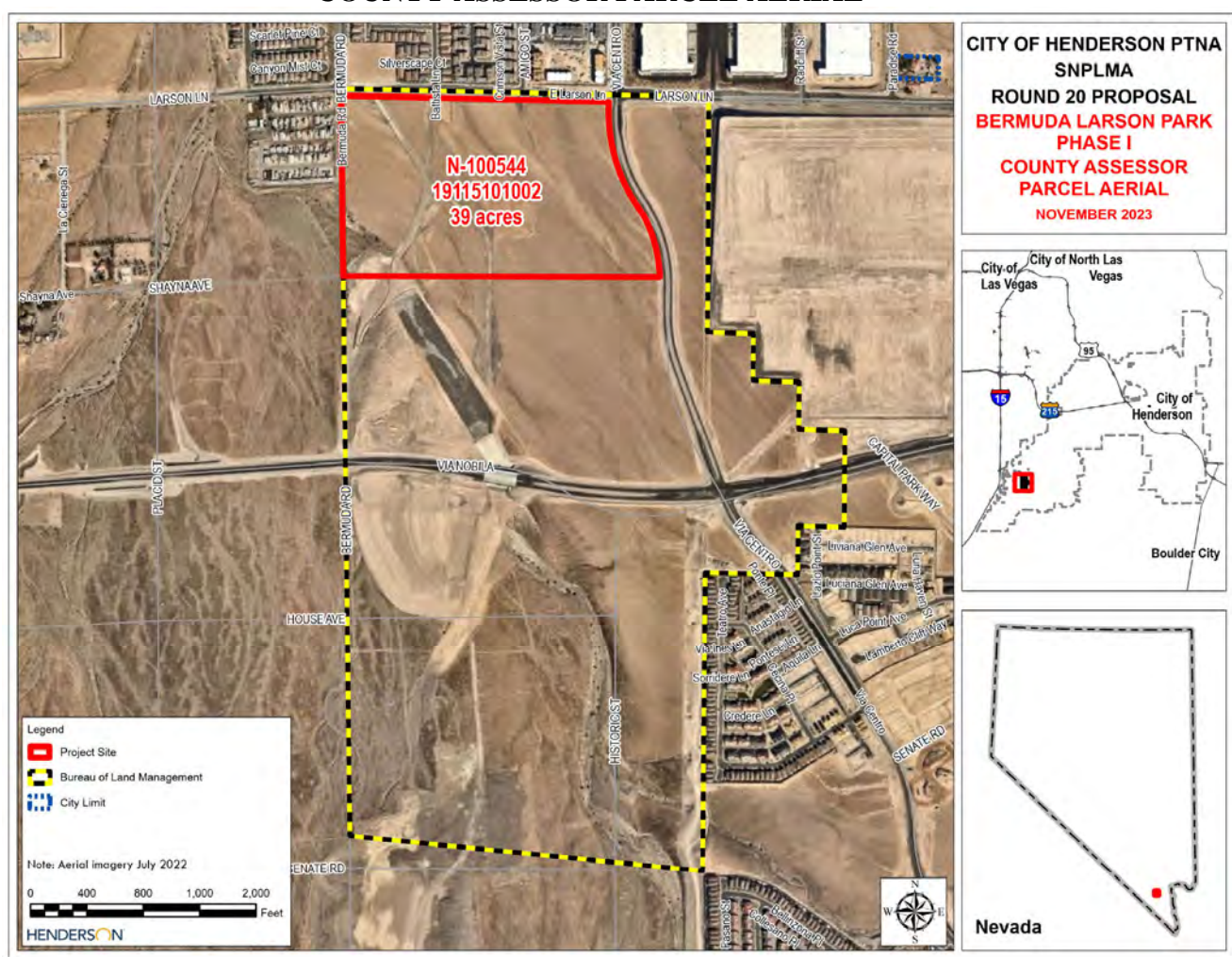
Yes, the Bermuda Larson Park, will be an opportunity for the workforce to have a natural area to enjoy. Getting outdoors improves quality of life which, in turn, improves our workforce and work environment.

M. MAPS

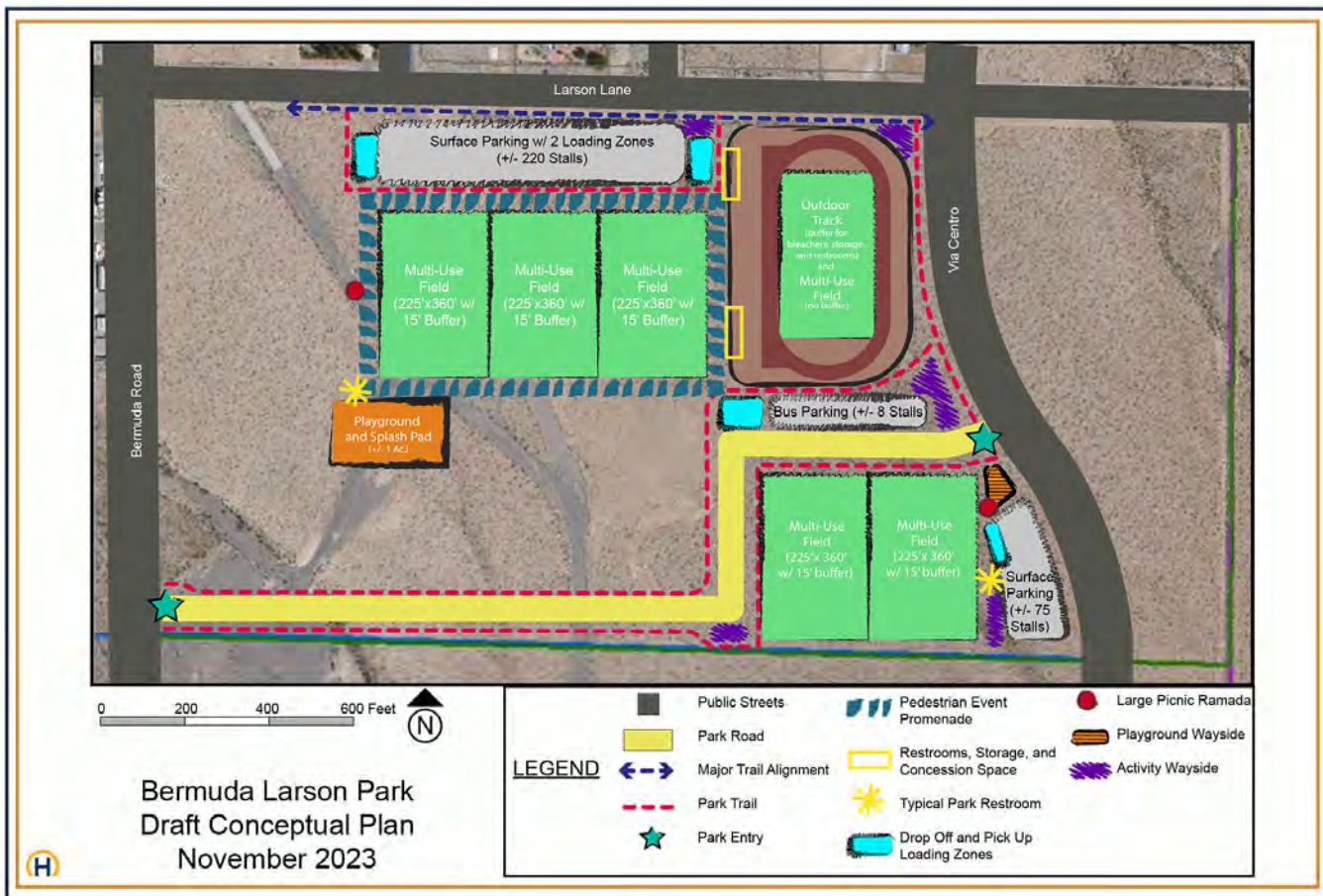
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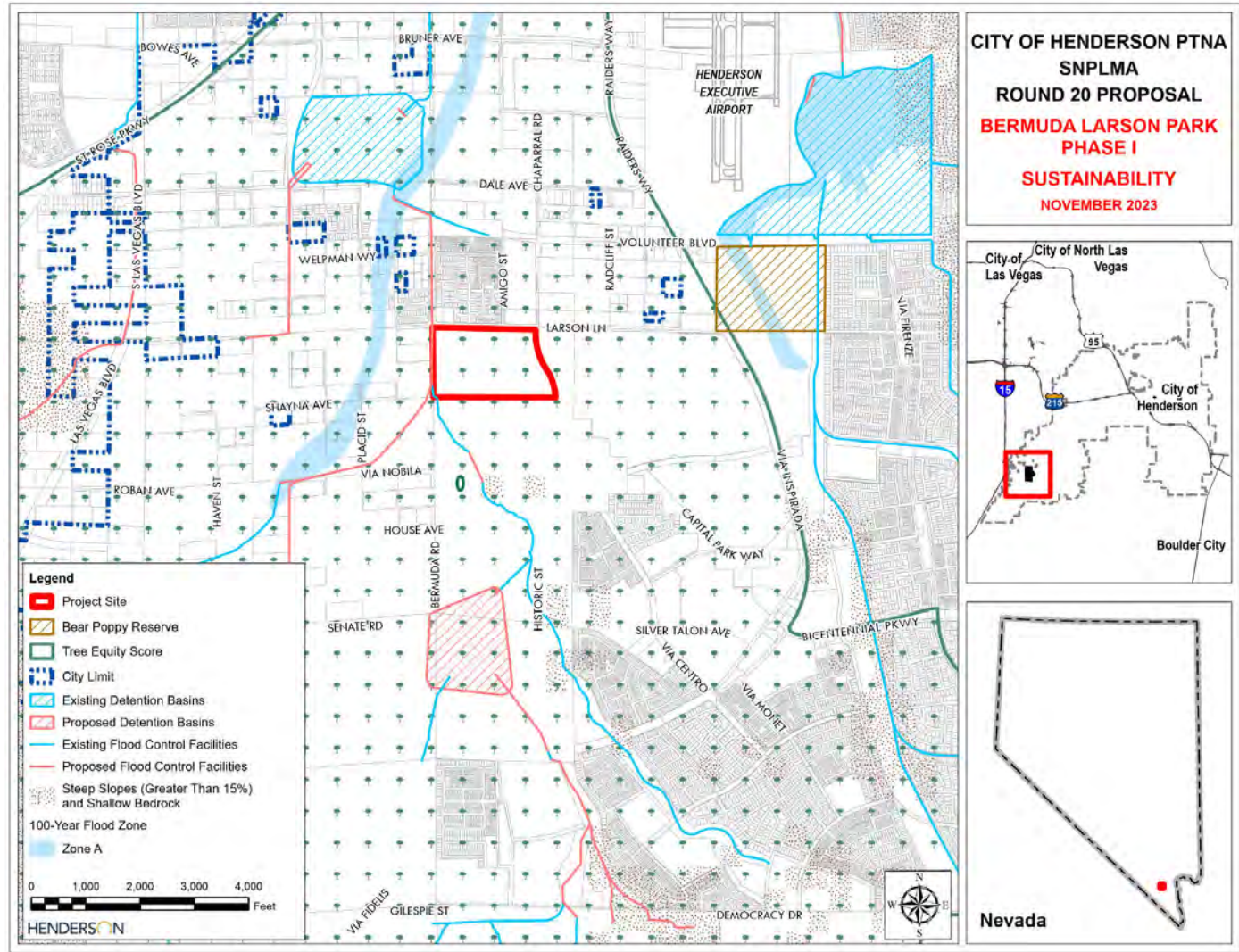
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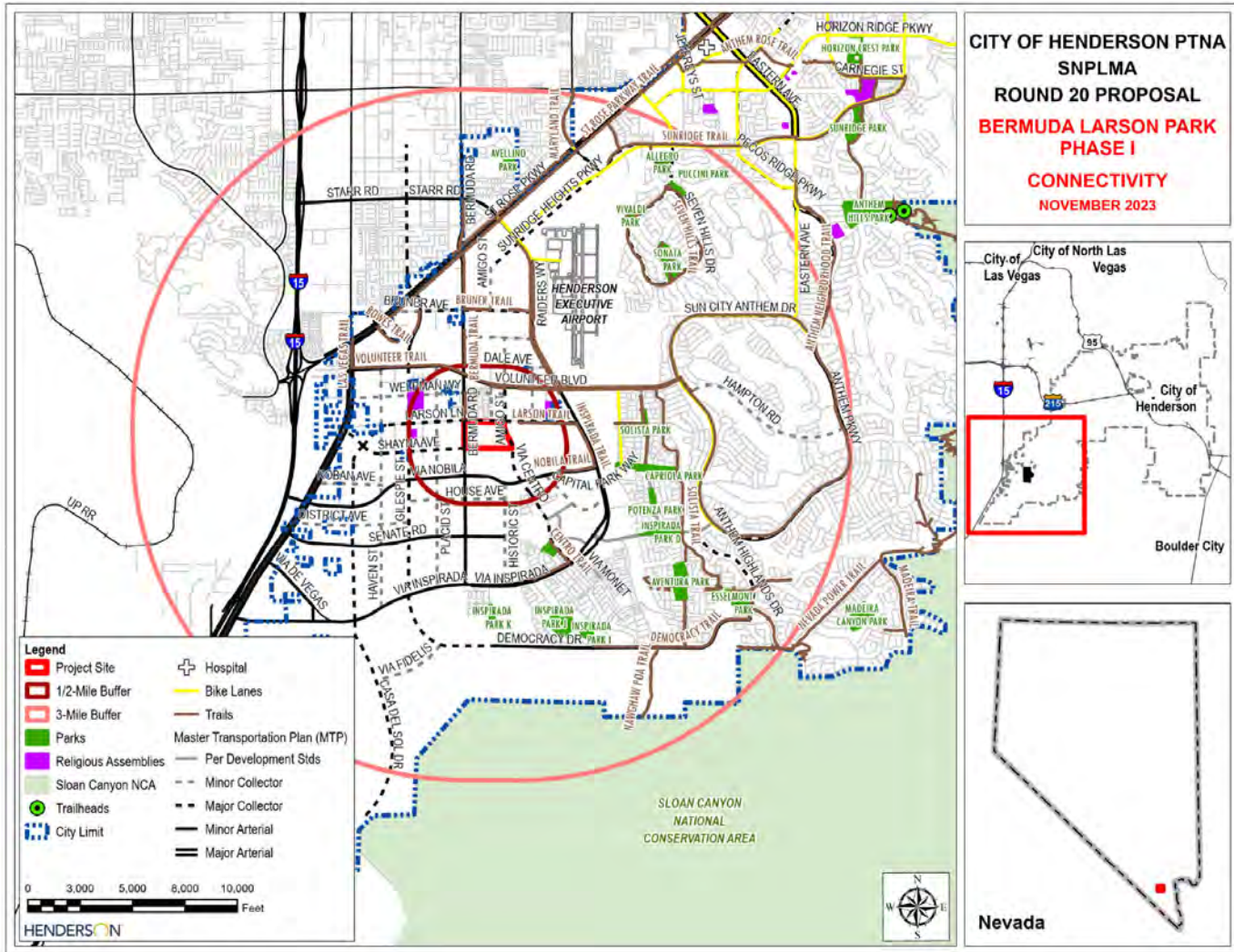
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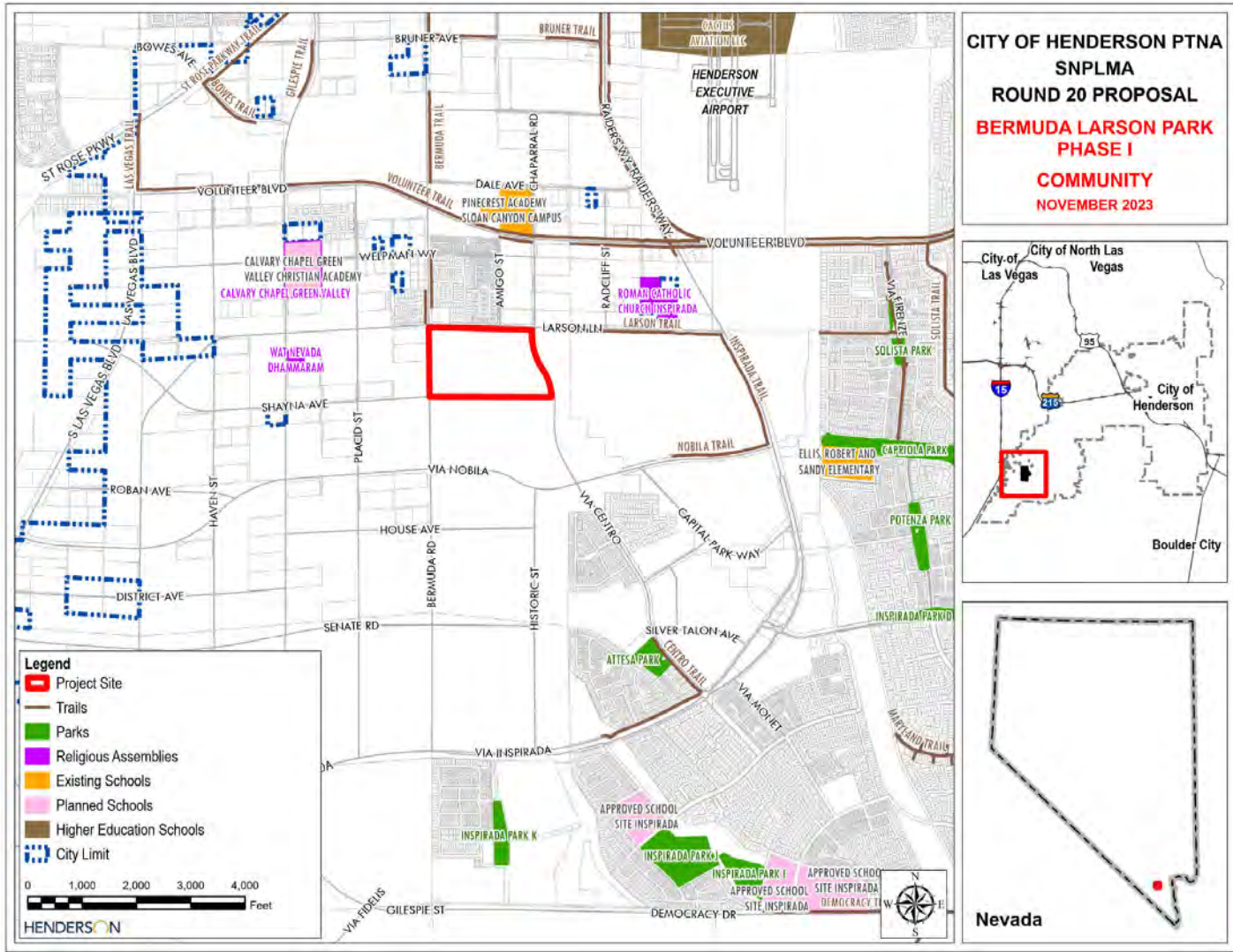
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N. PHOTOS

Photo 1: Project site view of the northwest corner showing the intersection of Bermuda Road and Larson Lane. The photo illustrates the project site scale and topography as well as the natural vistas of Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area in the background.



Photo 2: Project site view from the intersection of Bermuda Road and Larson Lane. This cross street can be viewed as the gate to the proposed project. The project site is currently vacant. Mountain views in the background are from Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area.



Photo 3: Project site view looking south. Adjacent to the project on the right is an existing mobile home park with residents living there who make up a diverse residential population that reflects the variety of income and housing types of the area.



Photo 4: Project site view of the existing conditions of the natural environment showcasing native vegetation, soils, and mountain views. The City of Henderson intends to integrate the desert environment into the park design.



Photo 5: Project site view illustrating the natural desert landscape with some litter. The proposed park project will highlight the use of native desert vegetation and mountain views.



Photo 6: Project site view from the south-west side of the property. In the distant background is located the fast-growing Inspirada Masterplan Community. Residents in the area will benefit from the proposed sports fields of Bermuda Larson Park currently nonexistent in nearby parks.

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources		
PM for Habitat Enhancement	Definition of Performance Measure	Quantity
H14 - Number of Threatened and Endangered Species Recovery Actions Implemented	<p>*Report the number of individual recovery actions performed for threatened or endangered species recovery as identified in recovery plans, conservation management plans, or land use planning documents. Include surveys, inventories, and monitoring as recovery actions. Note: One distinct action repeated 5 times over the course of the project would report as 1 action, not 5. The same recovery action conducted at distinct sites can be counted once for each site (this does not apply to individual plots within one single project site). The number of acres over which the actions were taken are reported under either H4 or H6.</p> <p><i>*Report each action as one unit.</i></p>	Conduct a Desert tortoise survey of the land during environmental review of the park site.
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	39 acres of a new park that will be designed and constructed to include the integration of the desert environment. This will increase the opportunity for the public to enjoy the outdoor environment.
R3- Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6.</p> <p><i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install a lighted interactive splash pad with a shade playground area. • Install 1-2 Large Group Shade Structures. • Install 2 Restroom Buildings. • Install 6 Multi-Use Fields (~584,000SF of turf) • Install 1 Outdoor Track and field area (~148,000SF to 152,000SF). • Install 8-12 bleachers, 10-row at track and field. • Install 4-6 shade structures at activity waysides. • Install 4-6 benches at activity waysides. • Install 5-8 game tables at activity waysides.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install 1-2 bicycle repair stations at activity waysides. • Install 8-12 specialty seating at activity waysides (e.g. Concrete Adirondack chairs). • Install 4-6 table tennis structures at activity waysides. • Install 4-6 cornhole sets at activity waysides. • Install 2,000SF to 4,000SF of decorative concrete at activity waysides. • Install 1 playground wayside with age 2-5 playground and age 5-12 playground (~4,000SF to 6,000 SF). • Install 4-6 Bicycle Parking with shade. • Install conduit for park Wi-Fi, and • Install conduit for security cameras (city will provide cameras)
R4- Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	<p>*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install 0.468 miles of Event Promenade • Install 1.04 to 1.28 miles of concrete trail/paths within the park. • Install 0.23 to 0.282 miles of asphalt trail along Larson Lane. • Install 0.142 to 0.174 miles of asphalt trail along Via Centro.
R6 – PTNA Rights of Way or Easements	<p>*Report the acres of rights of way or easements acquired for a PTNA project.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	N/A
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other PM's	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - # of New Interpretive or Education Publications, Signs, Kiosks, Displays, etc. Produced.	<p>*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed.</p> <p><i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install 5-10 educational signage. • Install 2-3 park rules sign. • Install 2-4 monument signs.
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	<p>*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable.</p> <p><i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install 1-2 Large Group Shade Structures, and water efficient low drip restroom room

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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In Reply Refer To:
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Dear Ms. Wojtech:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the City of Henderson (City) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the City for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Downtown Park Renovation – This proposal is to renovate and modernize the Downtown Park, a park located on City-owned land.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources, however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Bermuda Larson Park – This proposal is to design and construct a new park site located on BLM managed lands. The City is currently in the process of obtaining a Recreation and Public Purposes lease from the BLM (Application number N-100544). The R&PP lease application is currently on track for BLM approval in the final quarter of next year. The City's proposal is consistent with the R&PP lease application. The R&PP lease, if issued, will include a plan of development and maintenance plan reviewed and approved by the BLM. Should the proposal be modified, BLM recommends a review by the BLM's Division of Lands.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

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Morrell Park Renovation – This proposal is to renovate the historic Morrell Park facilities located on City-owned land and School Board of Trustees/ Clark County School District-owned property. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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Acting District Manager

e-cc: Bruce Sillitoe, Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office
Catrina Williams, Field Manager, Red Rock/Sloan Field Office
Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS



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August 29, 2023

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Subject: Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park – City of Henderson Project Nomination
Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20
Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category

Dignity Health - St Rose Dominican Hospital (St. Rose) is pleased to support the City of Henderson's proposal for its new park, 'Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd' Park. The proposed project is west of the Inspirada Master Planned Community and within 5 miles of the St. Rose Siena Campus. This new park facility aims to provide much needed recreational amenities for the residents and visitors of this fast-growing community. It is approximately 60 acres of indoor and outdoor active recreation including but not limited to a pool, multi-use fields, and outdoor track.

Our organization recognizes that West Henderson is a growing area that desperately needs a place for residents and visitors to engage in recreational activities. In 2022, St. Rose adopted our Community Health Implementation Strategy to work with community members and agency partners to strengthen the capacity and resiliency of local ecosystems of health, public health, and social services. We therefore see this project as a unique opportunity to strengthen public health through this partnership with the City of Henderson.

We are elated to support the City of Henderson's Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park project. Dignity Health – St. Rose Dominican supports the city application to expand recreational opportunities in West Henderson. This effort by the City of Henderson to provide a place for residents to engage in heart healthy activity supports our goal to prevent chronic diseases. The Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park directly strengthens our mission to increase the community's access to high quality health care through an experienced staff and state-of-the-art resources.

Dignity Health - St Rose Dominican is proud to work with the City of Henderson on the Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park project and give our unwavering support to this application.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at jon.vanboening@commonspirit.org.

Sincerely,

Jon Van Boening
Nevada Market President and President/CEO, Siena Campus

August 25, 2023

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Dear Ms. Leiber,


On behalf of Pinecrest Academy Nevada, Sloan Canyon Campus we are pleased to extend our support for the City of Henderson's Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park project. Pinecrest Academy's purpose is to provide a safe and nurturing educational environment that maximizes student achievement and fosters respect for all. Our campus serves over 2,200 students in grades Kindergarten through 12th grade. Pinecrest Academy utilizes ongoing assessments, engaging activities, the creation of a strong community environment, and regular parent involvement to achieve student success. In this manner, Pinecrest Academy will assist all students to become equally successful as lifelong learners and responsible citizens, and we consider that the Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park project aligns with this goal by fostering inclusivity across all age groups and backgrounds, thereby encouraging greater outdoor engagement.

We welcome the project's goal to design and construct a new public park and recreation center in alignment with City of Henderson policy to locate residential areas within a ½-mile or 10-minute walking and bicycling distance of parks and trails. We see this park as a potential destination to support our sports and extracurricular activities and programming. We are excited that there is an opportunity for our students and their parents/guardians to enjoy a community outdoor aquatic center, multiple multi-use fields, and other amenities that the City of Henderson has proposed.

With this project being proposed by the City of Henderson, we are confident that our academy will be able to collaborate to realize educational opportunities for our students. Pinecrest Academy Nevada is in full support of the Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park and its aspirations to enhance our community's connectedness and growth opportunities. Myself along with the faculty and staff eagerly anticipate the positive impact this initiative will have on our school and community.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (702) 462-9700 or by email at lisa.satory@pinecrestnv.org

Sincerely,


Lisa Satory
Principal, Pinecrest Sloan Canyon



August 30, 2023

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Re: Larson Ln. & Bermuda Rd. Park – City of Henderson Project Nomination Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Southern Nevada Home Builders Association (SNHBA), I would like to express our full support for the proposed recreation facility, Larson Ln. and Bermuda Rd. Park in West Henderson. The proposed project holds significant promise for the growth and development and enhancement of the West Henderson area. Many of our builders have a presence in the West Henderson area shaping new communities for current and future generations. The addition of this facility will strengthen their mission of building quality neighborhoods.

The proposed park is located to the west of the Inspirada Master Planned Community and is in an area of the city that has experienced rapid growth. The need for recreational amenities that cater to the demands of this thriving community is clear. The envisioned park facility, spanning approximately 60 acres, is a key step toward fulfilling this requirement. Its comprehensive offerings, including indoor and outdoor active recreational facilities such as an aquatic center, multi-use fields, and an outdoor track, signify a thoughtful response to the evolving needs of the area's residents.

The Southern Nevada Home Builders Association (SNHBA) is the oldest and largest local trade association representing the residential construction industry in the state of Nevada. SNHBA represents over 90% of the residential market in Southern Nevada. With a deep commitment to enhancing the quality of life in Southern Nevada, our association has consistently worked to address housing and community development needs.

The proposed park will be essential in proactively shaping one of the most important growth areas in the City of Henderson. Our shared vision of cultivating livable neighborhoods is exemplified by this thoughtful project, which promises to contribute significantly to the creation of a vibrant and sustainable community. In closing, we wish to reiterate our unwavering support for the City of Henderson's Larson Ln. and Bermuda Rd. Park nomination. It is our belief that this undertaking will leave an indelible mark on the city, serving as a testament to collaboration, innovation, and the spirit of community-building. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (702) 794-0117 or by email at nat@snhba.com. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Nat Hodgson, CEO
 Southern Nevada Home Builders Association



August 29, 2023

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**Subject: Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park – City of Henderson Project Nomination
Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category**

On behalf of Get Outdoors Nevada, I would like to express our support for the proposed project nomination "Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park" for SNPLMA Round 20 – PTNA Category. The proposed project is in West Henderson, west of the Inspirada Master Planned Community. This new park facility aims to provide needed recreational amenities for the residents and visitors of this fast-growing community. It is approximately 60 acres of indoor and outdoor active recreation including but not limited to a pool, multi-use fields, and outdoor track.

Get Outdoors Nevada's mission and vision is to connect Nevadans and visitors from all backgrounds and ages to the state's diverse outdoor places. To this end, we pursue a three-fold approach of education, service, and community engagement. Many of our efforts and programs focus on the needs and lives of families and school children, especially those who are at-risk and often have limited opportunity to experience the great outdoors. We work to protect and educate people on all of Nevada's outdoor and recreational areas.

We are elated to support the City of Henderson's Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park project. Get Outdoors Nevada supports City of Henderson's application to expand recreational opportunities in West Henderson. One of our main programs is to educate Nevada's youth on the outdoors and give children that face barriers to getting outdoors access to areas in their own backyard. This project will assist with our educational component and get more youth in nature. This project aligns with our organization's vision of "envisioning a world where everyone has access to, benefits from, and cares for outdoor spaces."

Get Outdoors Nevada is proud to work with the City of Henderson on the Larson Ln & Bermuda Rd Park project and give our unwavering support to this application.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-997-3350 or by email at rbergren@getoutdoorsnevada.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel Bergren".

Rachel Bergren
Executive Director

Voluntary Non-Federal In-Kind/Cash Contribution Commitment Letter



November 2, 2023

Michelle Leiber
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Subject: City of Henderson Project Nominations
 Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA)
 Round 20 - Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category
 In-kind or Cash Contribution Commitment

Dear Ms. Leiber,

The City of Henderson is pleased to share our commitment for staff in-kind time, furnished equipment, and cash contribution for the projects being submitted for SNPLMA Round 20 PTNA nominations. The contributions for each project are as follows:

1. **Downtown Park Renovation – Contribution of \$236,753.00**
 Contribution includes cost for three security cameras and staff in-kind time that includes salary and fringe benefit costs for a Park Planner and Park Project Manager for the duration of the project for design and construction.
2. **Bermuda Larson Park – Contribution of \$252,753.00**
 Contribution includes cost for seven security cameras and staff in-kind time that includes salary and fringe benefit costs for a Park Planner and Park Project Manager for the duration of the project for design and construction.
3. **Morrell Park Renovation – Contribution of \$405,753.00**
 Contribution includes cost for five security cameras and staff in-kind time includes salary and fringe benefit costs for a Park Planner and Park Project Manager for the duration of the project for design and construction, and a cash contribution for construction of areas not considered public. The funds will be covered by the Parks and Recreation Department's Residential Construction Tax.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by email at Shari.Ferguson@cityofhenderson.com or by phone at (702) 267-4000.

Sincerely,

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**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updates as of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 3

Entity: City of Las Vegas

Project: Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex Upgrades

C. Purpose Statement

SNPLMA Comment: The nomination must contain a specific statement of the purpose of the project that describes the action to be taken by describing “who, what, where, and why” of the project. A slightly edited Purpose Statement is suggested as follows: *“The City of Las Vegas will design and construct upgrades to the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex in the northwest part of the Las Vegas Valley in Clark County, Nevada. Upgrades will increase recreational capacity of the existing 60-acre facility by adding four new regulation-size soccer fields, parking, restroom enhancements, over-size walking paths, LED lighted trail, and a tot lot for younger patrons to enjoy. This project will complete a highly used public soccer complex located within an at-risk community and provide local and regional trail connectivity to further promote outdoor activities and community.”*

- City concurs with SNPLMA’s proposed changes to the Purpose Statement.

D. Project Deliverables

SNPLMA Comment: Nomination Primary Deliverables (itemized below) are not descriptive enough and do not adequately define the project purpose statement with specified items (primary deliverables) that must be accomplished to complete the project and accomplish the purpose.

- City concurs with SNPLMA’s comment—updated deliverables are outlined below.

1. **Primary Deliverables:**

- a) Remove 687,660 SF of real turf
- b) Install 357,100 SF of synthetic turf fields
- c) Install 18,600 SF of synthetic turf warm up area
- d) Demolish 1 existing restroom building
- e) Construct a 380 SF new restroom building
- f) Construct 35,200 SF of asphalt paved parking
- g) Construct 114,600 SF of concrete sidewalk
- h) Install approximately 33 walkway light fixtures
- i) Install a minimum of 20 trees

- j) Install 110,500 SF of decomposed granite and landscaping with irrigation
 - k) Construct 6,050 LF of concrete curb
 - l) Install playground equipment
 - SNPLMA Comment: This deliverable is not measurable—can city provide additional details (e.g., number/capacity/age group)
 - m) Install 4,600 SF of safety playground surface
 - n) Install 1 (90' x 55') playground shade structure
 - o) Install 2 (35' x 55') site shade structures
2. **Anticipated Deliverables (Additive Alternatives)**: To be determined during the design phase.
- SNPLMA Comment: Not an acceptable Anticipated Deliverable. Both primary and anticipated deliverables must be measurable. This deliverable must be updated or removed.
3. **Standard Deliverables**:
- a) Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)
 - b) Award design contract
 - c) Final design
 - d) Review and approval of design and construction bid documents
 - e) Formal bidding of construction project
 - f) Award construction project
 - g) Construction
 - h) Close-out

M. Maps

SNPLMA Comment: Only a “general” Location Map was provided. Nominations are to include a site-specific aerial (County Assessor parcel(s) map), and SNPLMA strategic plan values map(s) depicting how the project promotes sustainability, connectivity and/or community.

- City provided an Assessor’s parcel map and SNPLMA Strategic Plan Values maps as incorporated into the nomination.

I. Project Budget (Budget Detail Narrative)

SNPLMA Comment: Budget detail reads “City of Las Vegas internal staff time associated with this project will not be billed to SNPLMA.” No “Personnel” or “Fringe Benefit” costs are identified to show city’s (recipient) involvement in monitoring, evaluating and reporting project compliance and accomplishments during the project period of performance.

- City concurs with SNPLMA’s proposed changes the Excel Budget Detail Narrative. Thus, an updated budget detail narrative illustrating CLV personnel and fringe benefits has been provided. The SNPLMA Program Manager will review the updated budget detail.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails and Natural Areas
Round 20**

City of Las Vegas



Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex Upgrades

Amount Requested: \$19,300,000

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Brief narrative description that supports the need of the project and describes:

- *Site ownership (surface and subsurface), size (in acres), access, existing site facilities, structures, and other uses (e.g., rights-of-way, easements, tenants), type of land use authorization (including reference casefile/serial number) held or to be obtained by entity for use of the site (e.g., R&PP lease).*

The Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex includes two adjacent parcels for a total of ~60 acres. The main entry to the Bettye Wilson Soccer complex is located on City-owned parcel 183-22-201-004 (40 Acres) with an entrance off Eugene Avenue in Las Vegas, while the adjacent parcel (138-22-201-005, 20 acres) can be accessed off Caliche Way. The two parcels are separated by a wash and are often referred to as the Bettye Wilson West and East fields.

Both parcels are patented to the City of Las Vegas, with 138-22-201-004 being patented in 2003 (Patent 27-2003-0095) and 138-22-201-005 being patented in 2004 (Patent 27-2004-0097).

- *Any claims, restrictions, or interests of other individuals or business in the property (project site) and provide status; and describe abutting landowners.*

20-acre parcel 138-22-201-005 is associated with US Patent 27-2004-0097 (N-37129) issued 5/22/2004 and recorded on June 17, 2004, which the US government retains a right-of-way for ditches and canals and all mineral deposits in the land.

40-acre parcel 183-22-201-004 is associated with US Patent 27-2003-0095 (N-63252) issued 7/3/2003 and recorded on July 10, 2003, which the US government retains a right for ditches and canals and all mineral deposits in the land.

Abutting Landowners: North and east of the project site is Cimarron-Memorial High School situated on a 37.31-acre parcel (APN 138-22-102-002) owned by Clark County School Board of Trustees; all other surrounding ownership is private.

- *Projects that provide opportunities for underserved communities should address the community served, and how the project meets the need.*

The Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex expansion is considered a project focused on the underserved community. Although the existing facility serves more the 650,000 participants annually, another 90,000+ potential participants have to be “turned away” each year due to capacity limitations. The demand for more soccer fields at this facility has steadily increased over the past few years, and introducing four new regulation-size synthetic fields in this complex will meet this demand. In addition, Bettye Wilson West has been natural turf since its inception. Conversion to synthetic turf is a demonstration of the city’s desire to meet the surrounding community’s needs in an environmentally conscious manner.

With Cimarron High School located on an adjacent parcel, the surrounding community reflects the school's Title 1, at-risk status. As such, having amenities such as the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex in close proximity is critical to the "health" of the area. Without sufficient capacity, a portion of those turned away may fall into this already underserved user group. A key component to make the upgraded facility functional is ensuring related infrastructure such as restrooms and parking are upgraded to meet the changing demands of the facility.

- *Identify the entity-approved master plan and approval date with which the project conforms. If no plan, describe the planning process for the project site.*

This project falls under the Twin Lakes section of the City of Las Vegas' 2050 Master Plan. The first priority of this plan is to ensure the City's parks and recreational centers meet the needs of the community. The second priority is to either complete or enhance existing parks and sports complexes, which leads us to the third priority, to minimize future maintenance costs and resource utilization. Considering those three priorities, the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex upgrades meet all of these objectives by meeting the public's demand for more soccer fields, completing the Bettye Wilson Soccer complex by enhancing the functionality of western portion of the site, and implementing long-term sustainability measures such as the synthetic turf and other water conservation techniques to protect natural resources while reducing operation and maintenance costs.

- *Project implementation process and how to determine and measure project purpose with accomplished deliverables to support project completion.*

All contracts and all lower-tier agreements shall include applicable Federal flow-down clauses. All work conducted under this agreement shall be performed using the City's existing and proven method for managing, monitoring, and reporting on federally funded contracts which include obtaining necessary approvals, bidding, contract award, contract execution, and close out. The design and construction process shall be managed using the City's comprehensive oversight processes to ensure the final product, as well as interim deliverables, meet all project and funding agreement objectives.

- *Major milestone including land management agency or other entity roles for project completion.*
 - Cooperative Agreement Executed
 - Section 106 Compliance
 - SNPLMA Notice to Proceed (NTP)
 - Design Contract Awarded
 - Design Complete
 - Construction Contract Bid
 - Construction Contract Awarded
 - Construction NTP
 - Identification and procurement of long-lead items
 - Construction Complete
 - Project Objectives Achieved
 - Contract Close out.

1. *Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:*

The Bettye Wilson Expansion includes an LED lighted trail which will directly connect to the Lone Mountain Trail constructed as project LV10 from SNPLMA Round 4 (Priority 4-22). No future phases are anticipated for this project.

2. *Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:*

This is a stand-alone project. No additional projects are currently planned for the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex which would require federal involvement.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The project will meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community as explained below.

1. Sustainability:

From a sustainability perspective, conversion of the existing fields from grass to synthetic turf and restroom upgrades will benefit water conservation, while maximizing field use during daylight hours conserves energy. LED trail lighting will promote energy conservation. These upgrades also result in reduced operational and maintenance costs.

2. Connectivity:

The Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex upgrades will enhance connectivity to the existing Lone Mountain Trail constructed with SNPLMA Round 4 funding. By adding walkways around the Bettye Wilson West fields, which transition to the new LED lighted trails ultimately connecting to the Lone Mountain Trail system, this upgrade will reintroduce participants, spectators, and those visiting the facility to the existing trail system further promoting outdoor activities and use of the vast trail system within the greater Las Vegas valley.

3. Community:

The Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex supports more than 650,000 participants annually, not including spectators. Public outreach events presenting the concept of expanding the Complex's capacity received positive feedback. The most common request was inclusion of expanded parking and restroom facilities by the west side of the complex. In addition, the project received additional support for inclusion of environmentally sensitive upgrades such as synthetic turf and desert landscaping. This field will increase the capacity of the complex

by 90,000 participants a year, which will significantly improve the ability to concurrently support soccer leagues and tournaments, as well as host larger reoccurring international tournaments such as the mayor's cup which has been held at this facility since its inception in 2021.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The City of Las Vegas intends to upgrade the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex by constructing four regulation-size soccer fields in the Bettye Wilson West location. The upgrades will include additional parking, restroom enhancements, over-size walking paths throughout the complex, and an LED lighted trail connecting to the Lone Mountain Trail system constructed with SNPLMA Round 4 funding. In addition, the upgrades will include a tot lot for younger patrons to enjoy the outdoors, as well as a new site entry sign and wrought iron fencing at the main entrance to enhance the overall user experience.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (*Base Bid*)

a. Enter itemized deliverables here. Primary Deliverables are those items that must be completed in order to accomplish the project purpose.

- Cooperative Agreement Executed
- Section 106 Compliance
- SNPLMA Notice to Proceed (NTP)
- Construction Contract Awarded
- Identification and procurement of long-lead items
- Construction Complete
- Project Objectives Achieved
- Contract Close out.

2. Anticipated Deliverables: (*Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval*)

a. None

3. Standard Deliverables:

a. Enter itemized deliverables here. Standard Deliverables are those items that are generally accepted by the industry standards as necessary to complete the deliverables.

- Design Contract Awarded
- Design Complete
- Permit Set approved
- Construction Contract Bid
- Construction NTP

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 7460 Caliche Way, Las Vegas, NV 89128 and
7300 W. Lake Mead Blvd., Las Vegas NV 89128

Legal Description: MDM: Clark, Nevada: T20S, R60E, sec. 22, Portion of Government Lot 2, Portion of Government Lot 3, and Government Lot 4.

- a) Parcel Number(s): and 138-22-201-004 and 138-22-201-005
- b) Current Land Use and Zoning: Parks for public use

Latitude and Longitude: 36.19929396047262, -115.26183566871852

Congressional District(s): Nevada District 3

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within five (5) years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1:
 - Cooperative Agreement executed
 - Section 106 Compliance
 - SNPLMA NTP
 - Design Initiated
- Year 2:
 - Design Complete
 - Permitting
 - Bid Construction Contract
 - Award Construction contract
 - Start Construction
- Year 3:
 - Construction
- Year 4:
 - Construction Complete
- Year 5:
 - Project Closeout

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding: No other external funding has been solicited for this project.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The City of Las Vegas Department of Parks and Recreation will continue to operate and maintain Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex. The Department of Parks and Recreation is committed to maintaining this facility to the same high standards as all other City parks and trails in the area. The total operations and maintenance costs (which are currently being performed at other locations of the complex) are \$410,000 per year. Expenses for water, equipment maintenance and electrical are estimated at \$270,000 per year. Programming of the site will continue to be performed by existing City staff within the City of Las Vegas Department of Parks and Recreation.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$19,300,000.

Summarized below are the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet that provides the budget summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 19,300,000	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 19,300,000	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 19,300,000	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

With the current facility having to turn-away 90,000 potential annual users due to lack of capacity, upgrading the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex is consistent with the City’s 2050 Master Plan. Investing public funds to complete an existing facility to further promote outdoor recreation, while meeting the immediate needs of the local users and the southern Nevada soccer community is a key objective for the City of Las Vegas. Through the use of synthetic turf, LED lighting, and water-conserving technology this project will further the sustainability of the facility.

When establishing these cost estimates the City used its in-house design and construction staff; as well as local third-party design, construction, and cost estimating professionals. The cost estimates considered design starting in 2024 and construction beginning late 2025, using the industry’s projected material and labor escalation costs to account for cost variance between project nomination and project initiation. Increasing the facility’s capacity to accommodate and

additional 90,000 participants annually, provides a one-year total cost to participant ratio of \$214 per person. When assuming a 10-year depreciation this equates to a total expenditure of ~\$21 per participant over the 10-year time frame. The 10-year time frame used in this equation is based on data which indicate synthetic turf installed at high-use facilities has a life expectancy of ~ 10 years.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

The city will assume all in-house staff labor and related expenses; however, this project does not include partnership or other contributed funding.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: This project improves both an existing park and the adjacent trail. Located along the Lone Mountain Trail system constructed with SNPLMA Round 4 funds, this project will upgrade the City's Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex and construct additional LED lighted trails that will connect to the Lone Mountain Trail. Located adjacent to Cimarron-Memorial High School which is a Clark County School District Title1, at-risk school, this complex and trail system support an underserved community. Ensuring adequate space for soccer leagues, tournaments, and access to the trail system is critical for the health of this community.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: Located in a Clark County School District Title 1 community, the Bettye Wilson Soccer complex provides a much needed venue for at-risk youth to use their non-school hours in an outdoor and healthy recreational activities. Likewise, the soccer tournaments and leagues hosted by the soccer complex brings additional patrons to the businesses and restaurants in the immediate area.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: This project completes an existing and highly used public soccer complex located within an at-risk community. With more than 650,000 annual participants and many more who are currently turned away due to capacity limitations, this project will support an additional 90,000 potential annual users and significantly enhance the amenities available to the public.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: The existing fields at the Bettye Wilson West consists of aging natural turf fields, along with an inadequate parking and restroom facilities. This project will upgrade this portion of the facility with synthetic fields, oversize walkways, additional parking and upgraded restrooms; all of which address ecological and human health concerns related to improved accessibility to restrooms with improved water conserving fixtures. The synthetic turf fields and new walkways are environmentally sound when considering water conservation and long-term sustainability. The additional parking will address the existing on-street parking issue at the west fields and the upgraded restrooms will better serve the physical needs of the participants and spectators.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: Although the existing complex has an annual attendance of more than 650,000 participants, 90,000 of additional potential annual users are turned away due to capacity limitations. Increasing the complex capacity to accommodate these potential participants eliminates a significant barrier to outdoor activities. In addition, the added walkways and trails, along with the connection to the existing Lone Mountain Trail system further enhances connectivity with the immediate area.

2. RESOURCES: The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Answer: This project will enhance community, environmental, open space, and recreational resources. With increased and improved amenities, and environmentally sensitive designs and materials both the surrounding community and the southern Nevada soccer community will directly benefit from this project. This project also aligns with the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan which focuses on meeting community needs, completing existing parks and community centers, and reducing the long-term maintenance costs associated with these facilities.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: By adding four new regulation-size synthetic soccer fields, this project increases the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex's annual capacity by ~90,000 participants. Aligning with the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan, this project focuses on meeting community needs, completing an existing park, and reducing the long-term maintenance costs associated with the facility. This includes incorporation of sustainable design and materials. The project also includes a new park entry sign and fencing which enhances the complex's visual appeal to those not familiar with this incredible amenity.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: Through incorporation of water and energy sustainable design and materials, this project will reduce the environmental footprint of the project site. The use of synthetic turf, LED trail lighting, and water-conserving restroom fixtures align with the City's overall sustainability effort, while reducing the long-term costs associated with the facility.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: The Bettye Wilson Soccer complex expansion focuses on increasing the capacity of the existing facility with environmentally sensitive and sustainable applications, while maintaining a natural environment. Although the project includes removing existing turf and installing synthetic fields, the benefits realized are water conservation and a long-term cost efficiencies. Likewise, the inclusion of oversized walking paths and a new LED lighted trail connecting to the existing Lone Mountain Trail (SNPLMA Round 4) encourages patrons to explore nature and outdoor recreation from a variety of perspectives.

3. CONNECTIVITY: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

Answer: The walkways and trails included in this project connect to the existing Lone Mountain Trail System (installed with SNPLMA Round 4 funding) further enhancing connectivity with the immediate surrounding area.

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Answer: Aligning with the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan, the Bettye Wilson upgrades focus on meeting community needs, completing an existing park, and reducing the long-term maintenance costs associated with the facility. This includes completion

and upgrade of existing facilities, including incorporation of sustainable design and materials.

C. ***The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.***

Answer: Although this project does not create a “comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas,” it does complete upgrades for an existing high-demand park complex, and adds an additional component and connection to the Lone Mountain Trail System (installed with SNPLMA Round 4 funding).

D. ***The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.***

Answer: Although this project does not “serve as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors,” it adds an additional component and connection to the Lone Mountain Trail System (installed with SNPLMA Round 4 funding) which connects people to the outdoors.

E. ***The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.***

Answer: Located in a Clark County School District Title 1 community, the Bettye Wilson Soccer complex provides a much needed venue for at-risk youth to use their non-school hours on outdoor and healthy recreational activities. Likewise, the soccer tournaments and leagues hosted by the soccer complex promote outdoor recreation. In addition, the soccer fields and Lone Mountain trail systems encourage those less inclined to experience recreation through high-impact sports to view the outdoors in a more passive and welcoming environment.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

Answer: This project includes the construction of four regulation-size synthetic soccer fields, expanded parking lot, upgrading restrooms, constructing walkways, and paths, and improving site signage and fencing at the Bettye Wilson Soccer complex. The cost estimate of \$19,300,000 was prepared by 3rd party design and construction professionals, and verified by the City of Las Vegas Public Works in-house design and construction management staff.

B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

Answer: The Bettye Wilson Soccer complex expansion serves more the 650,000 participants annually, with another 90,000+ potential participants “turned away” each year due to capacity limitations. The demand for more soccer fields has been increasing steadily over the past few years, and introducing four regulation-size synthetic fields will provide the local soccer community the needed capacity to support concurrent local and

league use, and competitive events. The estimated design and construction costs were established by City of Las Vegas Public Works staff members and 3rd party independent cost estimators working in the design and construction industry, and are reasonable and representative of the work to be performed.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: In addition, as the complex has been natural turf since its inception, replacement with synthetic fields is a demonstration of the city's desire to meet the surrounding community's needs in an environmentally conscious manner, while reducing the short and long-term maintenance costs.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: No additional funding has been identified at this time.

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: As the complex has been natural turf since its inception, replacement with synthetic fields is a demonstration of the city's desire to meet the surrounding community's needs in an environmentally conscious manner, while reducing the short and long-term maintenance costs. This also includes the use of water saving technology in the upgraded restrooms and LED lighting on the new trail components.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. *EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk*

N/A

2. *EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers*

This project creates jobs, saves energy, and reduces the water consumption requirements of an existing facility. This project is valued at \$8.9 Million, of which labor is estimated at \$6.1 Million. Assuming an average prevailing wage of \$150,000 (wages and benefits), that equates to ~40 new jobs. In addition, replacing existing turf fields with synthetic turf and upgrading an existing restroom facility reduces water consumption at the complex.

3. *EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)*

N/A

4. ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation’s Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***

This Project does not strengthen the Nation’s Forests, but it does strengthen communities and local businesses. This project will allow residents to participate in outdoor recreation within their own community which promotes camaraderie among the local residents and the greater Las Vegas Soccer community, In addition, the increased capacity and enhanced amenities will result in individuals from the surrounding communities visiting the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex for practice, leagues, and general recreation. Local business and restaurants see the majority of their revenue from a steady and repetitive client base; therefore, enhancing the capacity of Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex will stimulate the local business community.

5. ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation’s Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***

Located in an at-risk, low income, and Clark County School District Title 1 neighborhood, this project expands a high-demand sports complex with environmentally sensitive fields (synthetic turf) which meets the needs of the local community and the greater Las Vegas soccer community. In addition, this project will create about 40 high-paying construction jobs which further stimulates the local economy.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

The Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex is located within a lower-income, Clark County School District Title 1 community. The expanded facility will not only enhance outdoor recreation, the project includes an LED lighted trail which will tie directly into the Lone Mountain Trail constructed as project LV10 in the SNPLMA Round 4 (Priority 4-22). These new amenities will increase direct accessibility to outdoor activities offered through the Bettye Wilson complex and the Lone Mountain Trail system.

2. ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

N/A

3. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

N/A

4. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

N/A

5. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

N/A

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

N/A

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

N/A

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

N/A

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.*** *We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.*

N/A

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

N/A

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*

This project creates jobs and reduces the water consumption requirements of an existing facility. This project is valued at \$19 Million, on which labor is estimated at \$6.1 Million. Assuming an average prevailing wage of \$150,000 (wages and benefits), that equates to ~40 new jobs. In addition, replacing existing turf fields with synthetic turf and upgrading an existing restroom facility reduces the water consumption at the complex.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This*

relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.

N/A

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government’s trust responsibilities.*

With Cimarron High School located on an adjacent parcel, the surrounding community reflects the school’s Title 1, at-risk status. As such, having amenities such as the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex in close proximity and available is critical to the “health” of the area. Without sufficient capacity, a portion of those turned away may fall into this already underserved user group.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. ***Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic***

N/A

2. ***Providing economic relief***

N/A

3. ***Tackling climate change***

N/A

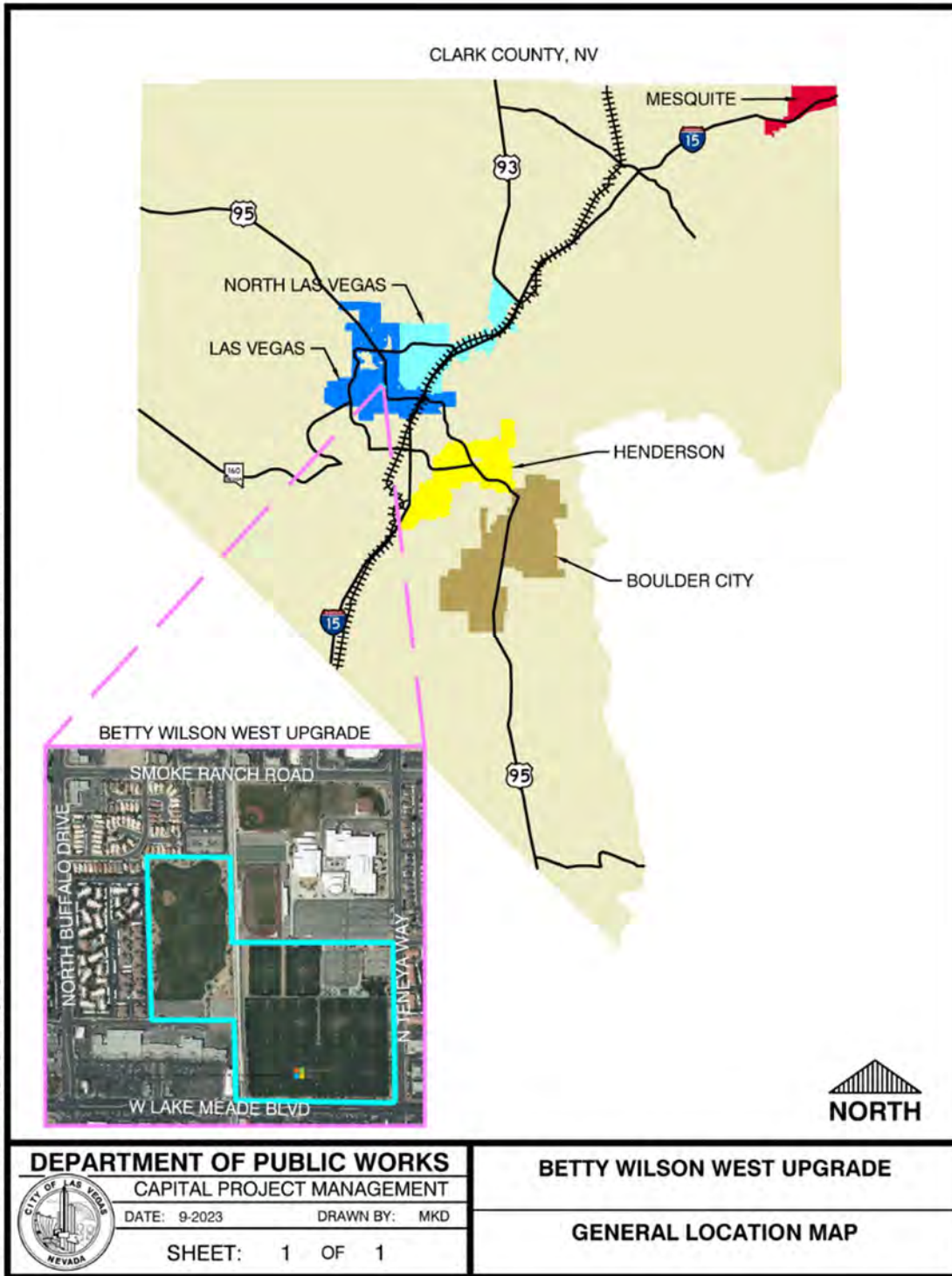
4. ***Advancing racial equity***

The Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex is located in low income area, with almost 70% of the residents identifying with a recognized minority group. To this point, Cimarron High School which is located on an adjacent parcel maintains Clark County School District Title 1, at-risk status. As such, having amenities such as the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex in close proximity and available is critical to the “health” of the area. Without sufficient capacity, a portion of those turned away may fall into this already underserved user group.

5. ***Improving our workforce and work environment***

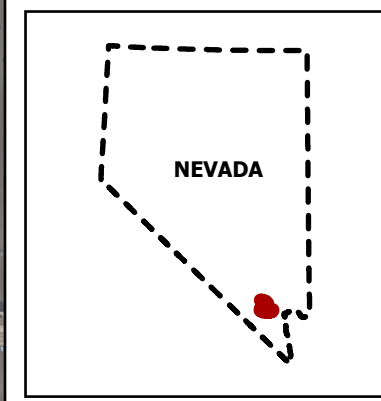
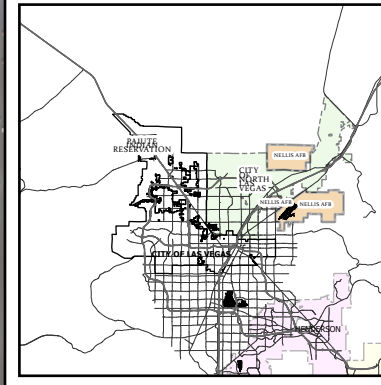
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LOCATION MAP



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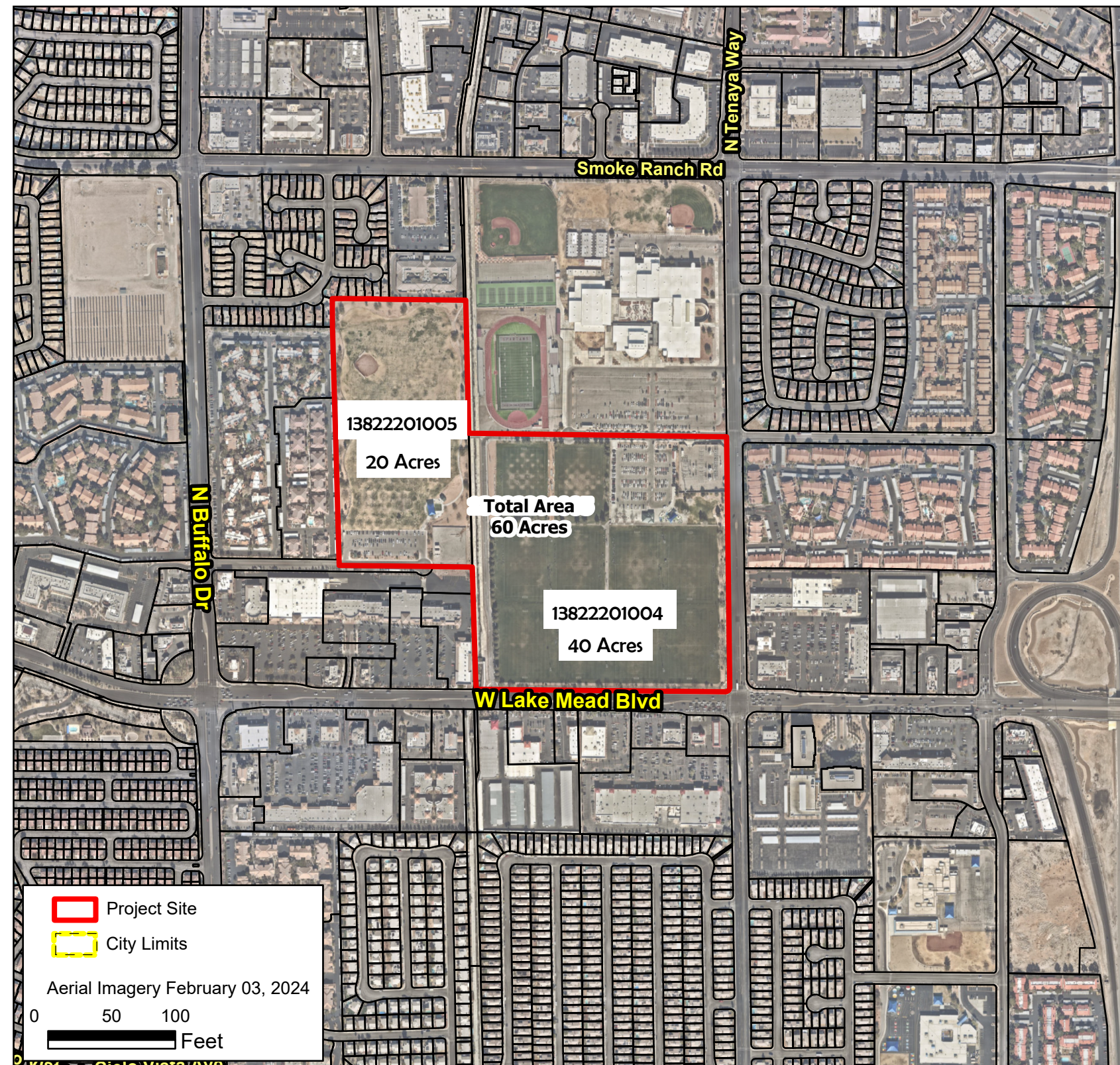




COUNTY ASSESSOR
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 Project Site
 City Limits

Aerial Imagery February 03, 2024

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CONCEPTUAL SITE AERIALS

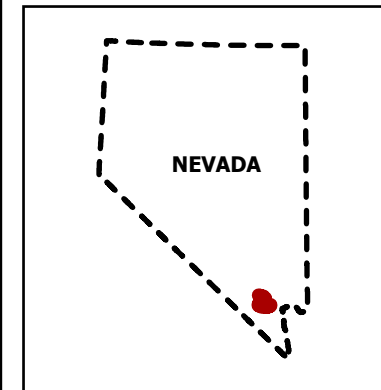
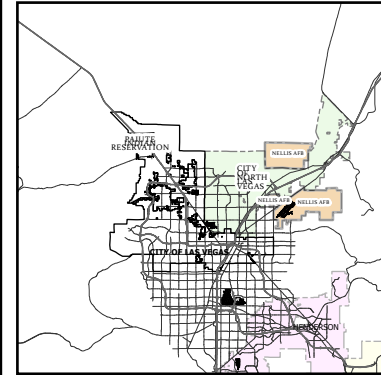
Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex Main Entrance



Bettye Wilson West Fields



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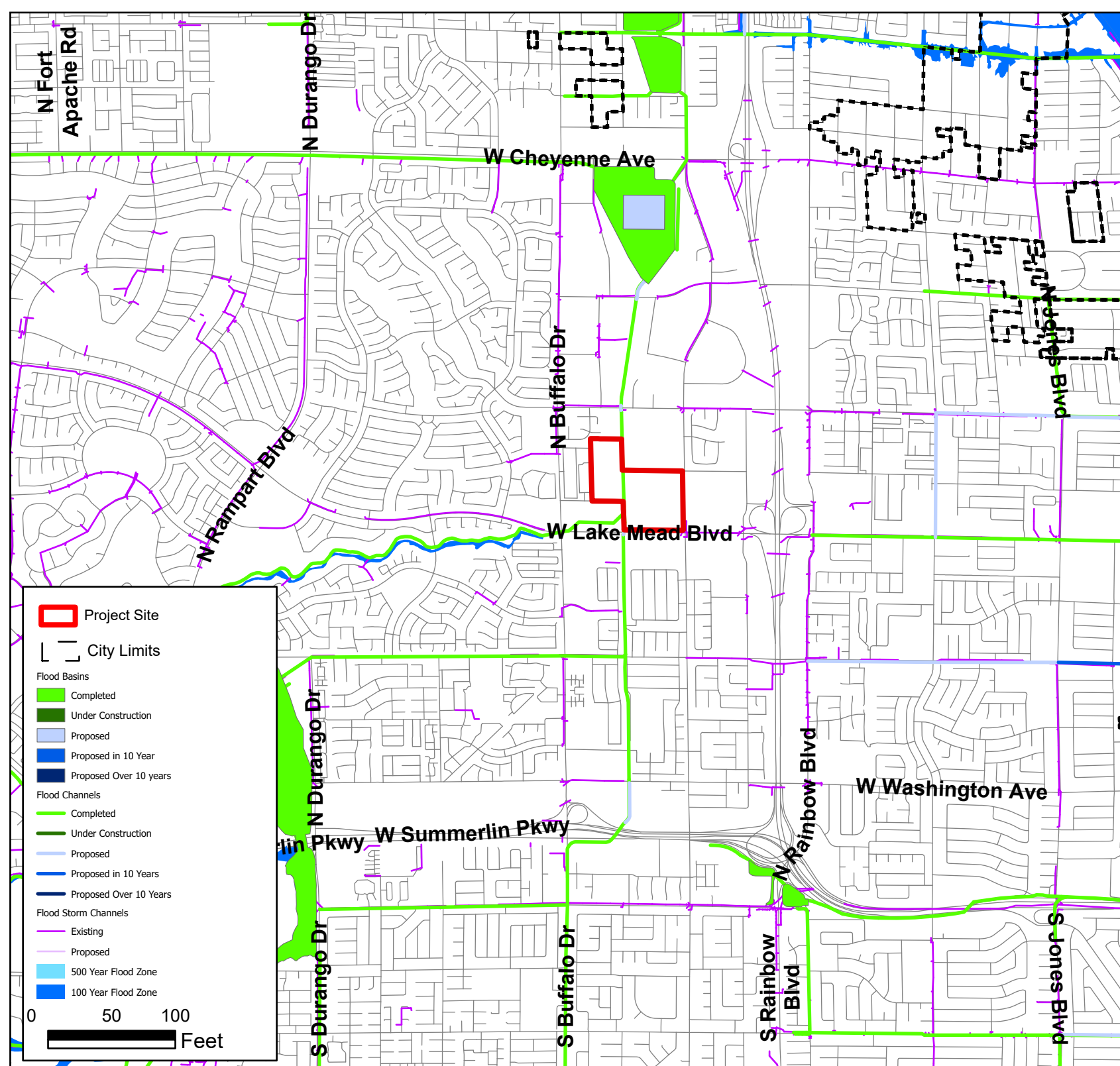


STRATEGIC PLAN
VALUES - SUSTAINABILITY

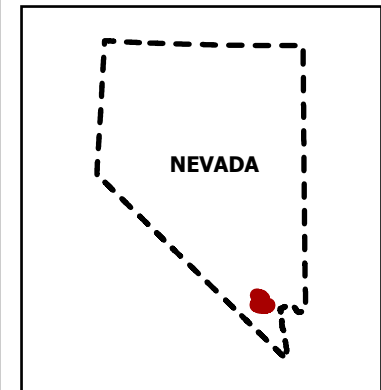
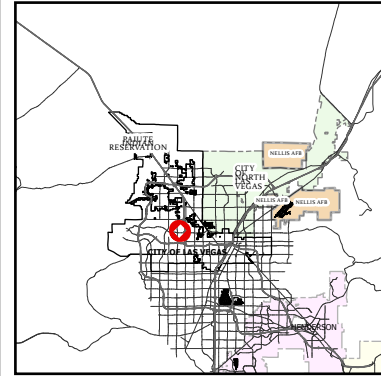


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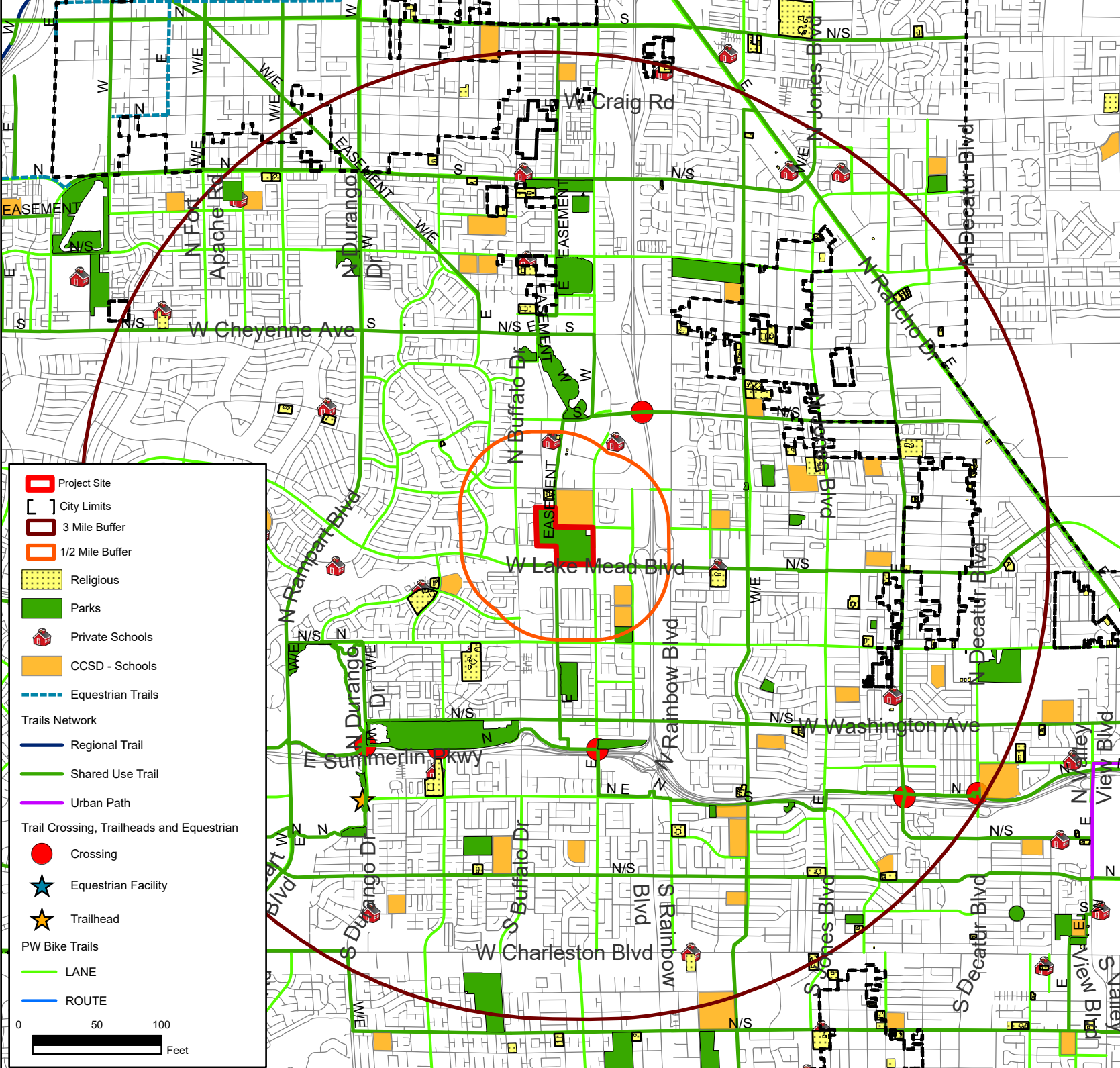


**STRATEGIC PLAN
VALUES - CONNECTIVITY**



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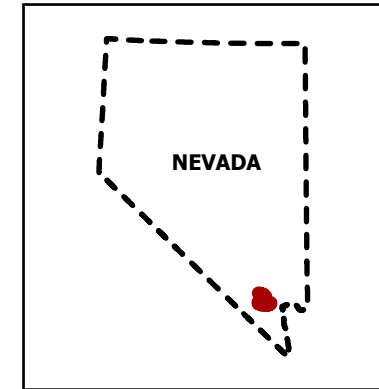
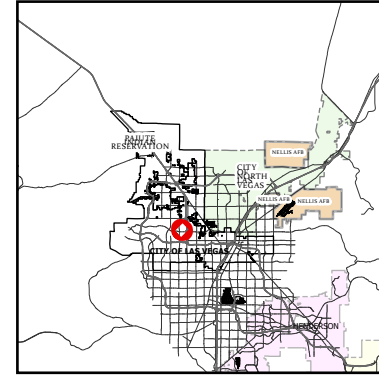


Legend

- Project Site
- City Limits
- 3 Mile Buffer
- 1/2 Mile Buffer
- Religious
- Parks
- 🏠 Private Schools
- CCSD - Schools
- Equestrian Trails
- Trails Network**
- Regional Trail
- Shared Use Trail
- Urban Path
- Trail Crossing, Trailheads and Equestrian**
- Crossing
- ★ Equestrian Facility
- ★ Trailhead
- PW Bike Trails**
- LANE
- ROUTE

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**STRATEGIC PLAN
VALUES - COMMUNITY**



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N. PHOTOS

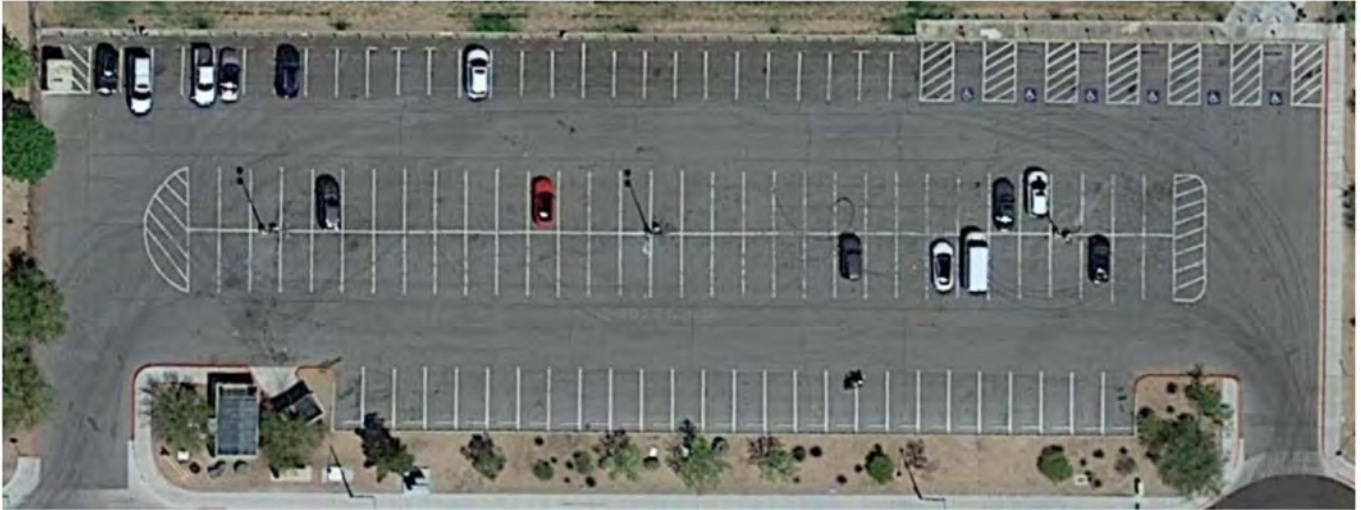
Betty Wilson Soccer Complex Main Entrance



Aerial view of existing Betty Wilson West Soccer Fields



Existing parking lot at the Bettye Wilson West location



Existing fence at eastern portion of the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex



O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	20 Acres
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	1
R4 - Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. <i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i>	1
R5 - PTNA Land Acquired	*Report acres of land acquired in fee for development of a park, trail, or natural area. Do not report acres of easements or rights of way that encumbered the property when acquired. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	0
R6 – PTNA Rights of Way or Easements	*Report the acres of rights of way or easements acquired for a PTNA project. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	0
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable. <i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i>	1
O12 – Number of Management Plans/Handbooks/Manuals/ Guides for Activity on Public Lands Completed	*Report the number of new or revised ecosystem restoration, hazardous fuels reduction, recreation, cultural, resource management, or other activity plans when the decision document for the plan is signed. Revisions include modification of a significant portion of the decisions in the activity plan. Do not report minor amendments or changes in these plans. <i>*Report each plan as one unit.</i>	0

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Southern Nevada District Office

4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive

Las Vegas, Nevada 89130

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In Reply Refer To:
2710 (NVS00000)

Dr. Katie Sears, Ph.D.
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ksears@LasVegasNevada.gov

Dear Dr. Sears:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the City of Las Vegas (City) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the City for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Chuck Minker Sports Complex – This proposal is to demolish the existing Chuck Minker Sports Complex facility and design and construct a new sports complex facility on site. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Betty Wilson Upgrades – This proposal is to design and construct upgrades to both east and west sections of the Betty Wilson Soccer Complex. The project proposal is located on City-owned lands, but the subsurface mineral estate is reserved to the BLM per the subject land patents issued to the City (patent numbers 27-2003-0095 and 27-2004-0097). Because the project may include the use of subsurface mineral materials, the proposed budget and timeline should include coordination with the BLM geologists and obtaining any necessary permits from the BLM for the use of those materials. Free use permits are issued subject to the requirements of 43 CFR Part 3600 and can take 6 to 8 months to process.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a

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Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Darling Tennis Center Expansion – This proposal is to design and construct an additional 14 tennis courts at the Darling Tennis Center located within the Kellogg Zaher Sports Complex. In 2011, the park was conveyed to the City under the authority of the Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act, R&PP Patent Number 27-2011-0017, and case file number N-63336, but the subsurface mineral estate is reserved to the BLM. Because the project may include the use of subsurface mineral materials, the proposed budget and timeline should include coordination with the BLM geologists and obtaining any necessary permits from the BLM for the use of those materials. Free use permits are issued subject to the requirements of 43 CFR Part 3600 and can take 6 to 8 months to process.

An amended Plan of Development with a complete design plan and updated management plan will need to be submitted to the BLM Las Vegas Field Office and approved prior to initiating any changes or new construction.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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M. Ryan Chatterton
Acting District Manager

e-cc: Bruce Sillitoe, Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office
Catrina Williams, Field Manager, Red Rock/Sloan Field Office
Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

Q. SUPPORT LETTER

Commitment Letter - Voluntary Non-Federal In-Kind Contributions



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November 2, 2023

Robert Wandel
Southern Nevada District Office
4701 North Torrey Pines Drive
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Subject: Round 20 City of Las Vegas Commitment – Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex Upgrade

Dear Mr. Wandel,

I am pleased to inform you that the City of Las Vegas has nominated Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex Upgrade for Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 in the category of Parks, Trails and Natural Areas (PTNA).

The City of Las Vegas is requesting \$19,300,000 of federal funds, with no matched contributions. However, the City of Las Vegas commits to covering all associated internal costs and staffing needs involved in the project to ensure successful completion.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding the City's nomination. We appreciate your Round 20 consideration.

Mike Janssen, P.E.
City Manager
City of Las Vegas, Nevada

cc: Michelle Leiber, Program Manager - PTNA, MSHCP and Capital Improvements

SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024

Nomination: Tab 4
Entity: City of Las Vegas
Project: Chuck Minker Sports Complex

D. Project Deliverables

SNPLMA Comment: Primary deliverables must be measurable and descriptive to adequately define the project purpose with specified elements (primary deliverables) that must be accomplished to successfully complete the project. This nomination must also describe the facility non-public spaces and estimated square footage and update the budget detail to identify contributed funds to cover the costs (e.g., contractual construction) of the non-public space portion of the facility. The nomination must also describe any fees collected for use of the facility and explain where the revenue will be spent. Fees must go back into the facility for O&M—O&M costs do not include costs to fund staff to run the facility.

Project deliverables are updated based on city response in February 2024:

1. Primary Deliverables
 - a) Demolish existing 36,000 SF facility and parking lot
 - *SNPLMA comment: what is the estimated size of the existing parking lot to be demolished?*
 - b) Construct new 57,000 SF facility* which includes:
 - Gymnasium - ~9,500 SF
 - Sport court - ~15,000 SF
 - Two dance rooms - ~3,200 SF
 - Four multi-use sport courts - ~3,600 SF
 - Cardio/Weight room - ~4,500 SF
 - Five community activity rooms - ~ 4,100 SF
 - Programming/Event Coordination - ~1,200 SF
 - *SNPLMA Comment: City will need to clarify whether or not any portion of the "Programming/Event Coordination" area is non-public space.*
 - Restrooms - ~1,770 SF
 - Bleachers – 2,100 SF
 - c) Construct Outdoor Sports Court/Mini-Pitch - ~1,500 SF
 - d) Construct Parking lot – Minimum 180 spaces
 - e) Install New Trees and landscaping – Minimum 50
 - *SNPLMA Comment: Clarify “minimum 50” of what?*
2. Anticipated Deliverables: To be determined during the design phase.
 - *SNPLMA Comment: Not acceptable--this is not measurable; remove.*

3. Standard Deliverables

- a) Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)
- b) Award Design Contract
- c) Review and Approval Design and Preparation of Construction Bid Documents
- d) Formal Bidding of Construction Project
- e) Award of Construction project
- f) Construction
- g) Close out

Section I – Project Budget (MS-Excel Budget Detail)

In February 2024, the city provided an update to the budget detail by allocating \$908,937 in voluntary non-federal cost share for personnel labor and fringe benefits to show city's substantial involvement in monitoring, evaluating, and reporting project.

Section M - Maps

In February 2024, the city provided a site-specific aerial (County Assessor parcel(s) map), and SNPLMA strategic plan values map(s) depicting how the project promotes sustainability, connectivity and/or community. The original nomination submittal only included the a "general" Location Map.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management
Act Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

City of Las Vegas



Chuck Minker Sports Complex

Amount Requested: \$47,203,000

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Brief narrative description that supports the need of the project and describes:

- *Site ownership (surface and subsurface), size (in acres), access, existing site facilities, structures, and other uses (e.g., rights-of-way, easements, tenants), type of land use authorization (including reference casefile/serial number) held or to be obtained by entity for use of the site (e.g., R&PP lease).*
 - The Chuck Minker Sports Complex is on a ~4 acre parcel located at 275 N Mojave Road, Las Vegas, NV 89128.
 - NW1/4, SE1/4 Section 36, Township 20 South, Range 61 East, M.D.M., City of Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada
 - County APN: 139-36-701-001
 - Land Use & Zoning: commercial, recreational, non-profit, and entertainment
 - Site Ownership (surface and subsurface): City of Las Vegas (both surface and subsurface) since 1899.
- *Any claims, restrictions, or interests of other individuals or business in the property (project site) and provide status; and describe abutting landowners.*
 - No claims or restrictions are associated with this parcel.
 - Abutting Land Owners: Westport Las Vegas Mojave Storage LLC, City of Las Vegas to the West, and public right-of-way (Stewart Ave. and Mojave Road)
- *Projects that provide opportunities for underserved communities should address the community served, and how the project meets the need.*

This project will address the recreation needs of nearly 100,000 residents of an underserved community through the reconstruction of the Chuck Minker Sports complex. This heavily used facility is located in an area where the schools are designated as Title 1, at-risk by the Clark County School District. The population is primarily Hispanic (72%), with an average income of \$32,000 which is low when compared to other locations within the city of Las Vegas. The Complex only consists of a single gymnasium, five racquetball/wallyball courts, a weight room, and a dance room. This limited space precludes the facility to host youth and adult leagues at the same time, there is no usable space for community meetings or activities,

the exercise room is undersized and lacks space for expansion, and the area available for space programming is not conducive to coordinating sports events. In addition, the current clientele of more than 70,000 annual users (based on daily headcount, not individuals) is seeking more room for basketball, dance classes, martial arts practice, as well as racquetball and other small court sports. For example, a local basketball group has expressed interest in establishing a standard schedule for their practice; however, the current Minker facility cannot support this request. This is not only a loss of patronage, but also represents a loss of mentorship opportunity and community involvement.

On top of lacking amenity space, the current facility's aging/failing infrastructure includes restrooms and programmable space which are not ADA compliant, plumbing and sewer lines which continually clog and cannot support the facility during peak demands driving the need for full replacement from the trunk lines; the HVAC/central plant system which, when operational, is inefficient and no longer maintains the facility at the required temperatures; and roof leaks which can no longer be repaired forcing full replacement.

- *Identify the entity-approved master plan and approval date with which the project conforms. If no plan, describe the planning process for the project site.*

This project falls under the East Las Vegas section of the City of Las Vegas' 2050 Master Plan. The first priority of this plan is to ensure the City's parks and recreational facilities meet the needs of the community. The second priority is to either complete or enhance existing parks and sports complexes, which leads us to the third priority which is to minimize future maintenance costs and resource utilization. Considering those three priorities, the Chuck Minker Sports Complex replacement achieves all of these objectives by meeting the public's demand for more a facility that provides the desired amenities and is programmable to meet the current and future community needs, is sustainable, and offers reduced operation and maintenance costs.

- *Project implementation process and how to determine and measure project purpose with accomplished deliverables to support project completion.*

All contracts and all lower-tier agreements shall include applicable Federal flow-down clauses. All work conducted under this agreement shall be performed using the City's existing and proven method for managing, monitoring, and reporting on federally-funded contracts which include obtaining necessary approvals, bidding, contract award, contract execution, and close out. The design and construction process shall be managed using the City's comprehensive oversight processes to ensure the final product, as well as interim deliverables, meet all project and funding agreement objectives.

- *Major milestone including land management agency or other entity roles for project completion.*
 - Cooperative Agreement Executed
 - Section 106 Compliance
 - SNPLMA Notice to Proceed (NTP)
 - Design Contract Awarded

- Design Complete
- Construction Contract Bid
- Construction Contract Awarded
- Construction NTP
- Identification and procurement of long-lead items
- Construction Complete
- Project Objectives Achieved
- Contract Close out

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

The Chuck Minker Sports Complex is not directly associated with prior SNPLMA funded projects. There are no future phases planned for this project.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

This is a stand-alone project. No additional projects are currently planned at this site which would require federal involvement.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

Nominated projects should meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community. Every nomination must explain how the three values are promoted by the project.

1. Sustainability:

This project includes construction of a new facility that includes a variety of sustainable designs and materials. The City designs and constructs its new facilities to LEED standards, including but not limited to high-efficiency HVAC systems, updated climate control systems, water-conserving plumbing, insulated wall and ceilings, LED lighting, and a variety of other materials and technology. As this facility will replace a building constructed in 1979, every aspect of the building will offer cost savings for both operations and maintenance.

2. Connectivity:

By reintroducing the east Las Vegas residents to the availability and importance of indoor and outdoor recreation, the Chuck Minker Sports Complex reconstruction will promote connectivity to the adjacent Rafael Rivera Park, and existing US 95 and Cedar Drainage trails which are about a ¼ mile north of the Complex. An upgraded facility will provide alternate recreational space for the surrounding community who currently is limited to the East Las Vegas Community Center, which is 5 miles away and routinely operates at capacity. Much of this increased patronage are individuals who reside by Minker, but cannot utilize the existing facility due to capacity limitations. Local entities who have expressed interest in support of this project include Roy Martin Middle School, Sunrise Acres and the Latin Chamber which are all located in close proximity to the Chuck Minker Sports Complex.

3. Community:

This facility is the only public indoor sports complex within 5 miles which offers sports courts and workout rooms for public use and league play. Although the facility has more than 70,000 users, it routinely operates at capacity and often turns down local patrons due to a lack of available space and amenities. For example, a local basketball group has expressed interest in establishing a standard schedule for their practice; however, the current Minker facility cannot support this request. This is not only a loss of patronage, but also represents a loss of mentorship opportunity and community involvement.

The existing facility is challenged with American with Disabilities Act (ADA) deficiencies (e.g., restrooms, counters), failing HVAC and central plant equipment, as well as other insufficient and failing utility infrastructure. In addition, the facility was designed and constructed to meet a demographic from 40 years ago. During the past 40 years the needs of the community have significantly changed, and adaptation of the current facility is not feasible or cost effective. These demographic changes are both ethnicity and age, driving the need for recreation that is more culturally aligned and readily adaptable to meet the age and skill level of the participants.

Located in an area that lacks public indoor recreational space, the current facility cannot meet the community demand for sport-court space. The public desiring to use the basketball courts, dance rooms, martial arts practice, and even league play are often turned away due to lack of space or insufficient amenities. Based on facility assessment noted above, the best solution is to design and construct a new facility at the existing location. The objective of this project to create a viable and sustainable recreation Complex which meets the immediate and future needs of the community. Current estimate is the facility could see in excess of 150,000 individual users per year if sufficient amenities and space was provided.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The City of Las Vegas (“City”) will demolish the existing 36,000-SF Chuck Minker Sports facility located on 4 acres of City-owned land near Stewart Avenue and N. Mojave Road in East Las Vegas. The sports facility was built in 1979 and the aged building and infrastructure is failing, does not meet ADA requirements, and the available space is inadequate and lacks amenities to meet the community’s recreational demands. The City will design and construct a new 57,000-SF sports facility with two indoor basketball courts, two dance studios, four multi-purpose mini sports courts, three community rooms and two rooms to support low-impact

activities targeted for use by the elderly and youth, a weight and aerobics room, restrooms, programming space, and an outdoor multi-sport court. The completed project will enhance recreational opportunities through the expansion and addition of indoor and outdoor recreational public spaces and amenities.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid)
 - a. Enter itemized deliverables here. Primary Deliverables are those items that must be completed in order to accomplish the project purpose.
 - Cooperative Agreement Executed
 - Section 106 Compliance
 - SNPLMA Notice to Proceed (NTP)
 - Construction Contract Awarded
 - Construction Complete
 - Project Objectives Achieved
 - Contract Close out

2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
 - a. None

3. Standard Deliverables:
 - a. Enter itemized deliverables here. Standard Deliverables are those items that are generally accepted by the industry standards as necessary to complete the deliverables.
 - Design Contract Awarded
 - Design Complete
 - Permit Set approved
 - Construction Contract Bid
 - Construction NTP
 - Identification and Procurement of Long-Lead Items

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 275 N Mojave Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89101

Legal Description: MDM, Clark County, Nevada: T20S, R61E, sec. 36, NWSE

- a) Parcel Number(s): 139-36-701-001

- b) Current Land Use and Zoning: Commercial, recreational, non-profit, and entertainment

Latitude and Longitude: 36.16515291941133, -115.1077668679719

Congressional District(s): NV District 1

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within five (5) years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1:
 - Cooperative Agreement executed
 - Section 106 Compliance
 - SNPLMA NTP
 - Design Initiated
- Year 2:
 - Design Complete
 - Permitting
 - Bid Construction Contract
 - Award Construction contract
 - Start Construction
- Year 3:
 - Construction
- Year 4:
 - Construction Complete
- Year 5:
 - Project Closeout

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

No other external funding has been solicited for this project.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The City’s Department of Parks and Recreation will continue to operate and maintain the Chuck Minker Sports Complex. The Department of Parks and Recreation is committed to maintaining this facility to the same high standards as all other City parks and trails in the area. The total operations and maintenance costs (which are currently being performed at other locations of the Complex) are \$600,000 per year. Expenses for water, equipment maintenance and electrical are estimated at \$120,000 per year. Programming of the site will continue to be performed by existing City staff within the City of Las Vegas Department of Parks and Recreation.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$47,203,000.

Summarized below are the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet that provides the budget summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ 603,700
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ 305,237
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 47,203,000	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ 908,937
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 47,203,000	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 47,203,000	\$ 908,937

Cost-Benefit Analysis

When considering this project the City researched three alternatives from updating the facility to complete demolition and reconstruction. This 40+ year old highly used facility is currently experiencing three primary challenges: (1) the facilities electrical, plumbing, and HVAC systems are failing and need full replacement; (2) the existing facility is not ADA compliant and does not have the ability to reprogram existing space to accommodate the recreational needs of the community; and (3) the existing facility does not have the capacity to support the number of participants desiring to utilize the Chuck Minker Sports Complex.

The first two options considered updating the existing infrastructure or adding an additional gymnasium for a total cost approaching \$17 million. However, both of these options fail to meet the programmable and/or capacity needs of the community. In addition, these options only enhance limited components of the existing facility (e.g., electrical, plumbing, HVAC), which still leaves windows, insulation, flooring, and other aging/out-of-date technologies which are not considered sustainable over time. Therefore, complete replacement of the Chuck Minker Sports Complex is considered the best use of public funds to meet the short- and long-term community needs.

When establishing these cost estimates the City used its in-house design and construction staff; as well as local third-party design, construction, and cost estimating professionals. The cost estimates considered design starting in 2024 and construction beginning late 2025, using the industry’s projected material and labor escalation costs to account for cost variance between project nomination and project initiation. As this project will directly benefit approximately 150,000 facility users based on current use and projects, a one-year total cost to participant ratio

of \$315 per person. When assuming a 20-year depreciation this equates to a total expenditure of ~\$16 per participant over the 20-year time frame. Since the current facility requires approximately \$17 million repairs, if you consider the difference in total rebuild to repair costs (\$30,203,000), the one-year total cost to participant ratio becomes \$201 per person. When assuming a 20-year depreciation this equates to a total expenditure of ~\$10 per participant over the 20-year time frame. The 20-year time frame used in this equation is based on data which indicate facilities begin to require equipment replacement and surface refinishing ~ 20 years after opening.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

The City will assume all in-house staff labor and related expenses in the form of voluntary non-federal cost share as identified in the above summary budget table.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

The Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category. Nominating entities are not to include either the total point value or the point values by criteria in their responses. Nominations will be reviewed and scored by the PTNA subgroup.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: The existing Minker sports facility only consists of a single gymnasium, five racquetball/wallyball courts, a weight room, and a dance room. This limited space precludes the facility to host youth and adult leagues at the same time, there is no usable

space for community meetings or activities, the exercise room is undersized and lacks space for expansion, and the area available for space programming is not conducive to coordinating sports events. In addition, the current clientele of more than 70,000 users (based on daily headcount not individuals) is seeking more room for basketball, dance classes, martial arts practice, as well as racquetball and other small-court sports. For example, a local basketball group has expressed interest in establishing a standard schedule for their practice; however, the current Minker facility cannot support this request. This is not only a loss of patronage, but also represents a loss of mentorship opportunity and community involvement.

On top of lacking amenity space, the current facility's aging/failing infrastructure includes restrooms and programmable space which are not ADA compliant, plumbing and sewer lines which continually clog and cannot support the facility during peak demands driving the need for full replacement from the trunk lines; the HVAC/central plant system which, when operational, is inefficient and no longer maintains the facility at the required temperatures; and roof leaks which can no longer be repaired forcing full replacement.

This heavily used facility resides in a community where the schools in the area are designated as Title 1, at-risk by the Clark County School District. The population is primarily Hispanic (72%), with an average income of \$32,000 which is low when compared to other locations within the city of Las Vegas.

The City will demolish the existing 36,000-SF Chuck Minker Sports facility located on 4 acres of City-owned land near Stewart Avenue and N. Mojave Road in East Las Vegas. The existing sports facility was built in 1979 and the aged building and infrastructure is failing, does not meet requirements of the ADA, nor is there adequate space or amenities that meets the community recreational demand. The scope of this project also includes removing the two existing storage buildings on the site; and palm trees, hardscape, and parking spaces will be removed and replaced as needed to accommodate the new facility. The plan also includes resurfacing the parking lot. The city will design and construct a new 57,000-SF sports facility with two indoor basketball courts, two dance studios, four multi-purpose mini sports courts, three community rooms and two rooms to support low-impact activities targeted for use by the elderly and youth, a weight and aerobics room, restrooms, programming space, and an outdoor multi-sport court. Due to cost constraints, the project will not require relocation or undergrounding of the existing utility tower. When complete, the project will enhance recreational opportunities through the expansion and addition of indoor and outdoor recreational public spaces and amenities.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: Located in an area that lacks public indoor recreational space, the current facility cannot meet the community demand for sport-court and other indoor recreation space. The locals desiring to use the basketball courts, dance rooms, martial arts practice, and even league play are often turned away due to lack of space or insufficient amenities. As mentioned, a local basketball group has interest in establishing a standard schedule for their practice; however, the current Minker facility cannot support this request.

Based on the facility assessment discussed below, the best solution is to design and construct a new facility at the existing location. The objective of this project to create a viable and sustainable recreation complex which meets the immediate and future needs of the community. Currently it is estimated the facility could see individual uses approaching 150,000+ per year if sufficient amenities and space was provided. This will not only improve the physical health of the residents in the immediate area, but will serve patrons locally, benefiting businesses and restaurants in the area, rather than seeking other areas in the valley to play basketball, dance, etc.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: The Chuck Minker Sports complex is the public indoor sports complex within a 5 mile radius which offers sports courts and workout rooms for public use and league play. Although the facility has more than 70,000 users, it routinely operates at capacity and often turns down local patrons due to a lack of available space and amenities. Over the past year the City's consultants performed a three-tiered facility analysis which considered: (1) bringing the facility up to code, and replacing the failing infrastructure; (2) bringing the facility up to code, replacing the failing infrastructure, and expanding the existing facility to include a second gym; and (3) demolishing the current facility and building back with a larger, more versatile, and more efficient facility which meets the user community's needs. When considering the first two options, it was determined that the immediate needs of the user community could not be met and the \$17+ million investment would lack the desired/necessary results. The only way to meet the needs of the current 70,000+ annual users is to construct a new 57,000-SF sports complex facility with sufficient space and recreational amenities identified above. The facility will use sustainable technology such as LED lighting, water saving faucets and toilets, energy efficient HVAC and heating system, and insulated walls and windows. In addition, the smaller multi-use sport courts within the facility will adapt to support racquetball, wallyball, and martial arts; while being convertible for overflow dance and other indoor activities as needed as user demographics change over time. In addition, being adjacent Rafael Rivera Park and the nearby US 95 and Cedar Drainage trails, this updated facility will promote both indoor and outdoor recreation. An upgraded facility will provide alternate recreational space for the surrounding community who currently is limited to the East Las Vegas Community Center, which is 5 miles away and routinely operates at capacity. Much of this increased patronage are individuals who reside by Minker, but cannot utilize the existing facility due to capacity limitations. Local entities who have expressed interest in support of this project include Roy Martin Middle School, Sunrise Acres and the Latin Chamber which are all located in close proximity to the Chuck Minker Sports Complex.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: The City of Las Vegas believes increasing the number of local residents participating in physical recreational activities is an essential component of a healthy life style. Current trends indicate that patrons are more apt to leave a facility and change their plans when amenities are not readily available. Therefore, the one-time user of the facility who could have become a regular customer may now be a missed opportunity for

routine participation in indoor and outdoor recreation. Recent studies show many people stop playing sports after high school due to long-term the financial and time commitments. Therefore, increasing the capacity of publically owned sports facilities is critical to reversing the national trend of the casual athlete leaving sports because they no longer have the time/desire to wait or cannot afford to participate in recreational activities on a routine basis.

E. ***The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.***

Answer: Although the existing Complex has an annual attendance of more than 70,000 participants, additional potential users are turned away due to capacity, lack of programmable space, and facility infrastructure concerns (e.g., plumbing, HVAC). By constructing a facility that is larger, has programmable space, and infrastructure that is operational and effective the Complex capacity will accommodate an additional ~30,000 participants eliminating a significant barrier to indoor recreational activities for the surrounding underserved community. In addition, the new outdoor multi-use field, close proximity to Rafael Rivera Park, and the nearby trails further promotes outdoor recreation and connectivity within the immediate area. An upgraded facility will also provide alternate recreational space for the surrounding community who currently is limited to the East Las Vegas Community Center, which is 5 miles away and routinely operates at capacity.

2. **RESOURCES**: The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***

Answer: This project will enhance community and recreational resources. With increased and improved amenities, and environmentally sensitive designs and materials the surrounding community will directly benefit from this project. This project aligns with the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan which focuses on meeting community needs, completing existing parks and community facilities, and reducing the long-term maintenance costs associated with these facilities. This project lies within City of Las Vegas Ward 3. The Council Woman for this Ward has indicated the Chuck Minker upgrade is a significant component in the vision for improving the quality of life for residents in this area.

B. ***The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.***

Answer: The ground-up reconstruction of Chuck Minker Sports Complex has multiple recreational and conservation benefits. As the current facility is 40 years old, there are minimal features that would be considered sustainable under today's standards. Beginning with bringing in new utilities directly from the trunk lines; to installing insulated walls, energy-efficient windows, a new roof; a high-efficiency HVAC systems;

water conservation plumbing; and trimming out with environmentally sound materials this new facility will offer so many energy, water, and raw material benefits that the current facility could never achieve.

Combining this with a larger facility that boasts flexible/programmable space, multiple indoor courts, dance rooms, and community areas; as well as an outdoor multi-use sport court this new facility will advance the recreational opportunities for patrons of every and recreational preference. With amenities that can support basketball, volleyball, dance, martial arts, weight lifting, yoga, and many other exercise options this facility will meet the immediate and long-term needs of the community.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: Through incorporation of water and energy sustainable design and materials, this project will reduce the environmental footprint of the project site. The use of LED lighting, water-sensitive restroom fixtures, state-of-the-art HVAC systems, insulated walls and windows, and drought-sensitive landscaping align with the City's overall sustainability effort, while reducing the long-term costs associated with the facility.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: The Chuck Minker Sports complex is located in an area with limited "natural" recreation opportunities. The adjacent Rafael Riviera Park offers two sports fields and a small park/picnic area, while the US95 and Cedar Drainage trails are about a ¼ mile north. Therefore, incorporating an outdoor multi-use sports field into the Minker complex will promote appreciation of the natural environment to the extent practical for the area.

3. CONNECTIVITY: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

Answer: Being adjacent to Rafael Rivera Park and the nearby US 95 and Cedar Drainage trails, this updated facility will promote both indoor and outdoor recreation. The Desert Pines Golf course is located about ½ mile north. There are no Federal lands in close proximity.

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Answer: Aligning with the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan, the Chuck Minker Sports Complex reconstruction focuses on meeting community needs, completing an existing recreational center, and reducing the long-term maintenance costs associated with the facility. This includes completion and upgrade of existing facilities, including incorporation of sustainable design and materials.

C. The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.

Answer: Although this project does not create a “comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas,” it does upgrade an existing high-demand recreational facility and adds an outdoor multi-use sports field. Being located adjacent to Rafael Riviera Parks and within a ¼ mile of the US95 and the Cedar Drainage trails, this facility will allow participants to partake in both indoor and outdoor activities, and make them aware of the parks and trails available in the area.

D. The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.

Answer: Although this project does not “serve as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors,” being adjacent to Rafael Rivera Park and the nearby US 95 and Cedar drainage trails, this updated facility will promote both indoor and outdoor recreation.

E. The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.

Answer: The City of Las Vegas strives to create parks, trail systems, and recreation facilities that promote participation in indoor and outdoor recreation. By designing facilities that meet the surrounding community’s needs, the City is able to engage the public as they experience our venues. This Chuck Minker Sports complex is located in a lower income, predominantly Hispanic neighborhood with limited indoor public recreation space. When evaluating options for upgrading Minker the city held a public outreach meeting to understand the needs, wants, and concerns of the current facility. The outreach revealed that user interest is not a concern; however, the current 40+ year-old facility cannot meet the needs of the community.

The outreach demonstrated the user community is vested in the facility rehabilitation/reconstruction process. Those present and others who routinely use the current facility are look forwarding to seeing how many of their ideas and requests come to fruition.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. *The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.*

Answer: This project includes demolition of the existing 36,000 SF Minker Sports complex and construction of a new 57,000 SF sports complex. The cost estimate of \$47,202,860 was prepared by 3rd party design and construction professionals, and verified by the City of Las Vegas Public Works in-house design and construction management staff.

B. *Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.*

Answer: With more than 70,000 annual users, the Minker Sports Complex is a highly used facility in Eastern Las Vegas. Being the only indoor facility of this nature within a 5-mile radius, Minker routinely turns away individuals and teams, due to a lack of capacity or amenities. In addition, having been constructed more than 40 years ago (1979), the current facility does not meet today's ADA requirements and much of the infrastructure (e.g., plumbing, roofing, electrical) is failing and requires complete replacement. When considering the options to improve this facility's usability, it was determined that the immediate needs of the user community could not be met without complete reconstruction, and the \$17 million investment would lack the desired/necessary results. Although the estimated cost of the selected option is \$47 Million, it is considered the only way to meet the needs of the 70,000+ annual users.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: Completely replacing a 40 year-old facility eliminates all failing and out-of-date equipment and infrastructure. In addition to gaining the fundamental performance efficiencies through the use of current technology, the construction of a new facility includes a variety of long-term warranties on key equipment and infrastructure. For example, today's HVAC systems, roof technologies, and wall insulation offer significant energy efficiencies which result in significant cost saving when compared to what was available 40-years ago. Just replacing the HVAC system should result in a 30% to 40% reduction in energy usage and reduced maintenance costs. When considering a new building envelope that maximizes efficiency, a 40% reduction in costs would be a conservative estimate.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: No additional funding has been identified at this time.

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: The City is able to reduce the short- and long-term operational and maintenance cost through the incorporation of water and energy sustainable design and materials. Use of LED lighting, water-sensitive restroom fixtures, state of the art HVAC systems, insulated walls and windows, and drought-sensitive landscaping align with the City's overall sustainability effort, while reducing long-term the operation and maintenance costs associated with the facility.

I. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***

N/A

2. ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***

This project creates jobs and reduces the carbon footprint of an existing facility. This project is valued at \$47Million, on which labor is estimated at \$15 Million.

Assuming an average prevailing wage of \$150,000 (wages and benefits), that equates to ~100 new jobs. In addition, replacing aging/out-of-date equipment and constructing a new facility which is more efficient reduces energy consumption.

3. ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***

N/A

4. ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***

This Project does not strengthen the Nations Forest, but it does strengthen communities and local businesses. This project will allow residents to participate in a variety of recreation activities within their own community which promotes camaraderie among the local residents. In addition, the increased capacity and enhanced amenities will result in individuals from the surrounding communities to visit the Chuck Minker Sports complex for practice, leagues, and general recreation. Local business and restaurants see the majority of their revenue from a steady and repetitive client base; therefore, establishing a functional and desirable venue such as the new Chuck Minker Sports Complex will stimulate the local business community.

5. ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***

Located in an at-risk, low income, and predominantly Hispanic neighborhood, this project replaces the 40-year old Chuck Minker Sports Complex with a larger and

environmentally efficient facility that is aligned and programmable to meet the community's immediate and changing needs. In addition, this project will create about 100 high-paying construction jobs which further stimulates the local economy.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

The Chuck Minker Sports Complex is located within a lower-income, urban section of Las Vegas. The new facility will not only enhance indoor recreation, inclusion of a multi-function outdoor sports court will reintroduce patrons to outdoor recreation. Being adjacent to Rafael Rivera Park and with ¼ mile of two trail systems, patrons of Chuck Minker will be encouraged to participate in a variety outdoor activities offered through the Minker complex as well as those of the surrounding community.

2. ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

N/A

3. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

N/A

4. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

N/A

5. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

N/A

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

N/A

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

N/A

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

N/A

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.*** *We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.*
 During the design phase of this project, City staff will evaluate the feasibility of including rooftop solar panels in the initial design and construction, as well the option for including infrastructure for future installation.
2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*
 N/A
3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*
 This project creates jobs and reduces the carbon footprint of an existing facility. This project is valued at \$47Million, on which labor is estimated at \$15 Million. Assuming an average prevailing wage of \$150,000 (wages and benefits), that equates to ~100 new jobs. In addition, replacing aging/out-of-date equipment and constructing a new facility which is more efficient reduces energy consumption.
4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*
 N/A
5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.*

Located in an at-risk, low income, and predominantly Hispanic neighborhood, this project replaces the 40-year old Chuck Minker Sports Complex with a larger and environmentally efficient facility that is aligned and programmable to meet the community's immediate and changing needs. In addition, this project will create about 100 high-paying construction jobs which further stimulates the local economy.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. ***Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic***

N/A

2. ***Providing economic relief***

N/A

3. ***Tackling climate change***

The existing Chuck Minker Sports Complex is 40-years old with adding infrastructure. Tackling climate change includes large strides and smaller steps. In this case constructing an environmentally efficient facility which is adaptable to meet community needs reduces the facility's carbon footprint while minimizing the need for complimentary facilities by including multi-functional sports courts.

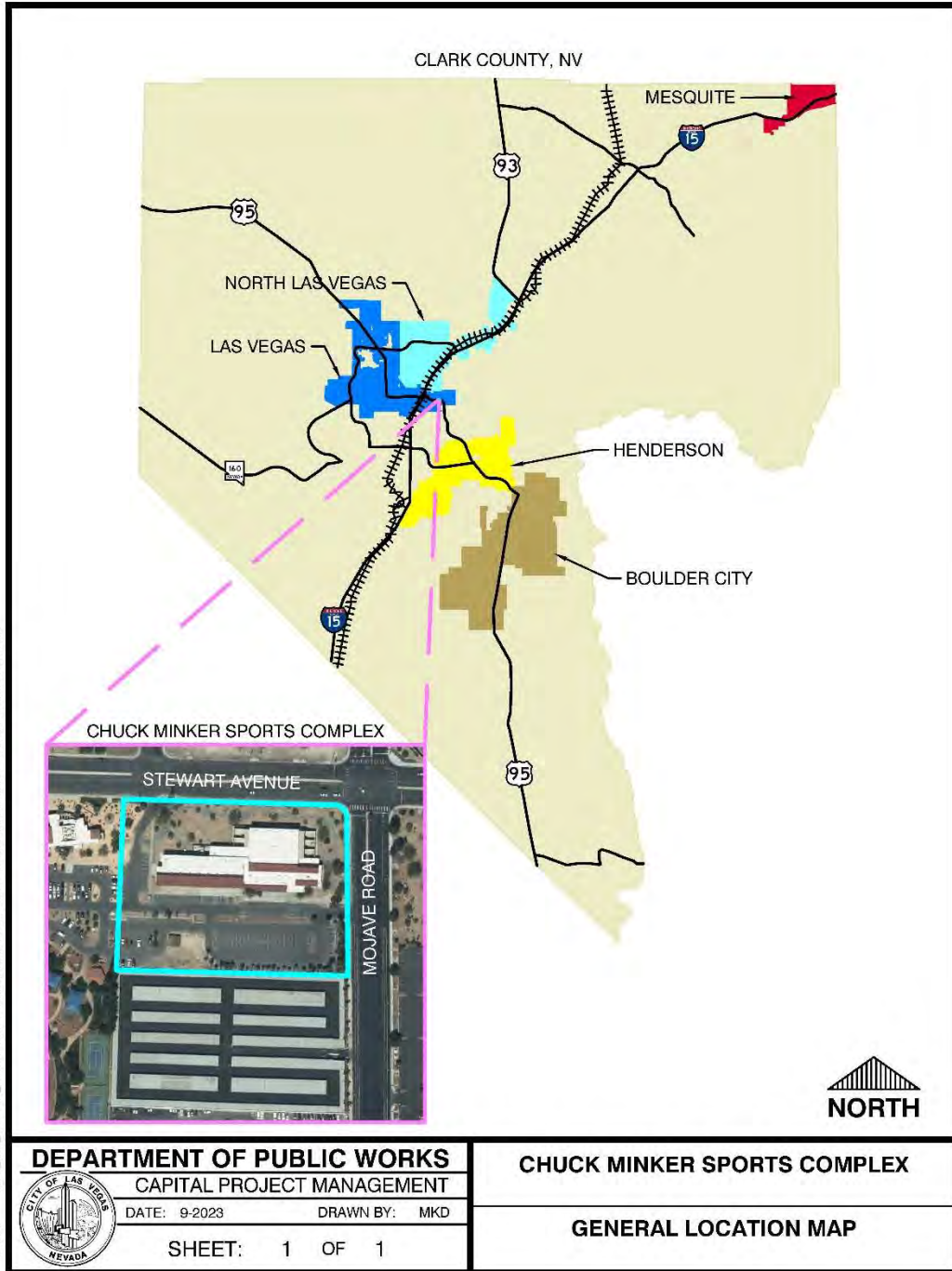
4. ***Advancing racial equity***

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5. ***Improving our workforce and work environment***

This project creates jobs and reduces the carbon footprint of an existing facility. This project is valued at \$47 Million, on which labor is estimated at \$15 Million. Assuming an average prevailing wage of \$150,000 (wages and benefits), that equates to ~100 new jobs. In accordance with the Nevada Revised Statutes, this project will be subject to the Apprentice Utilization Act which requires use of trade apprentices based on workforce composition and daily manpower. This process trains and prepares new workers for a career future in construction.

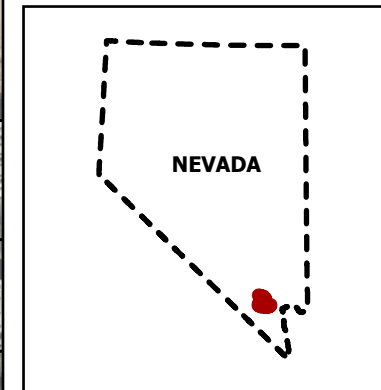
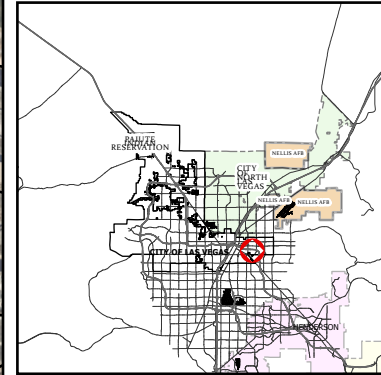
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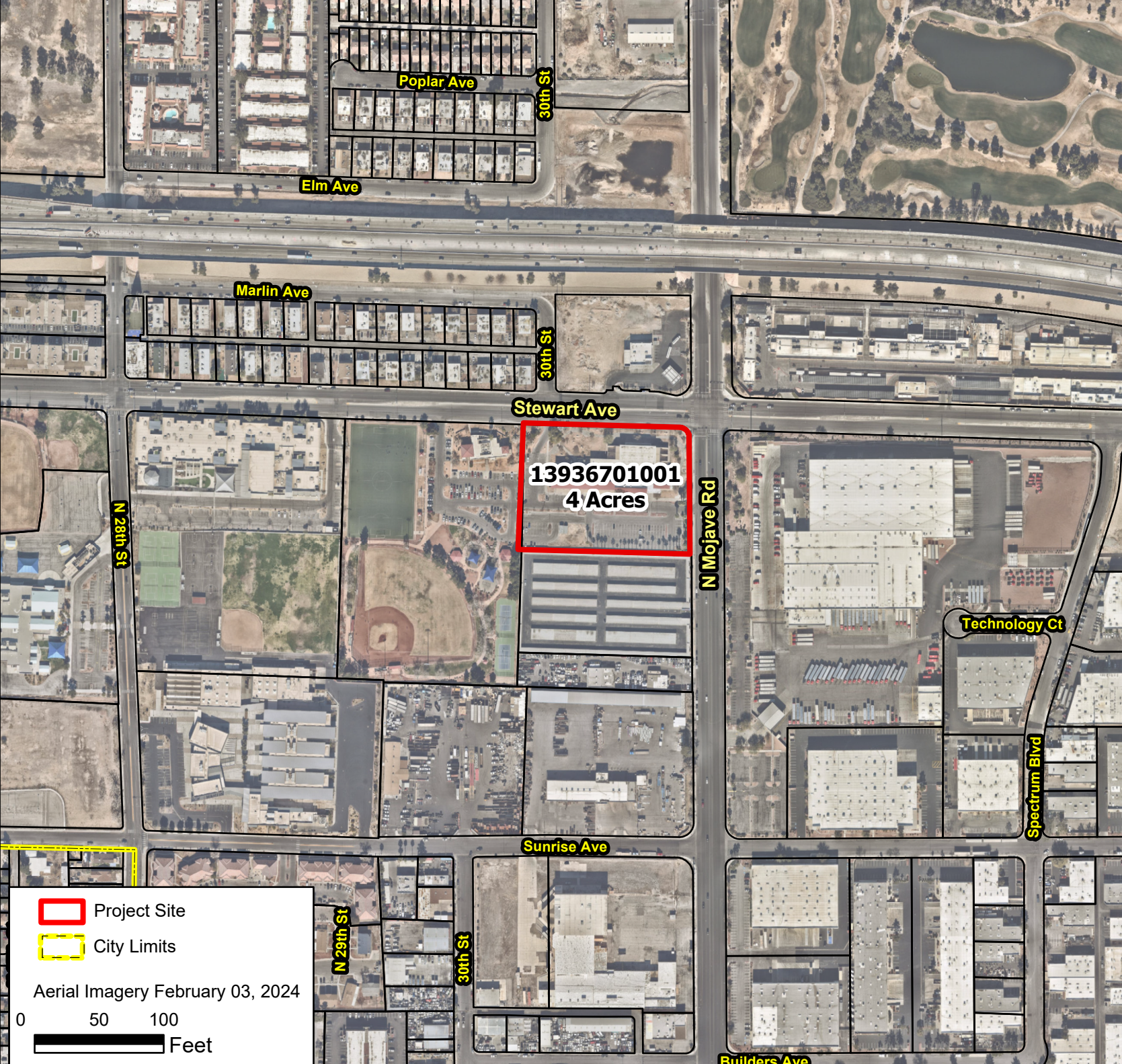




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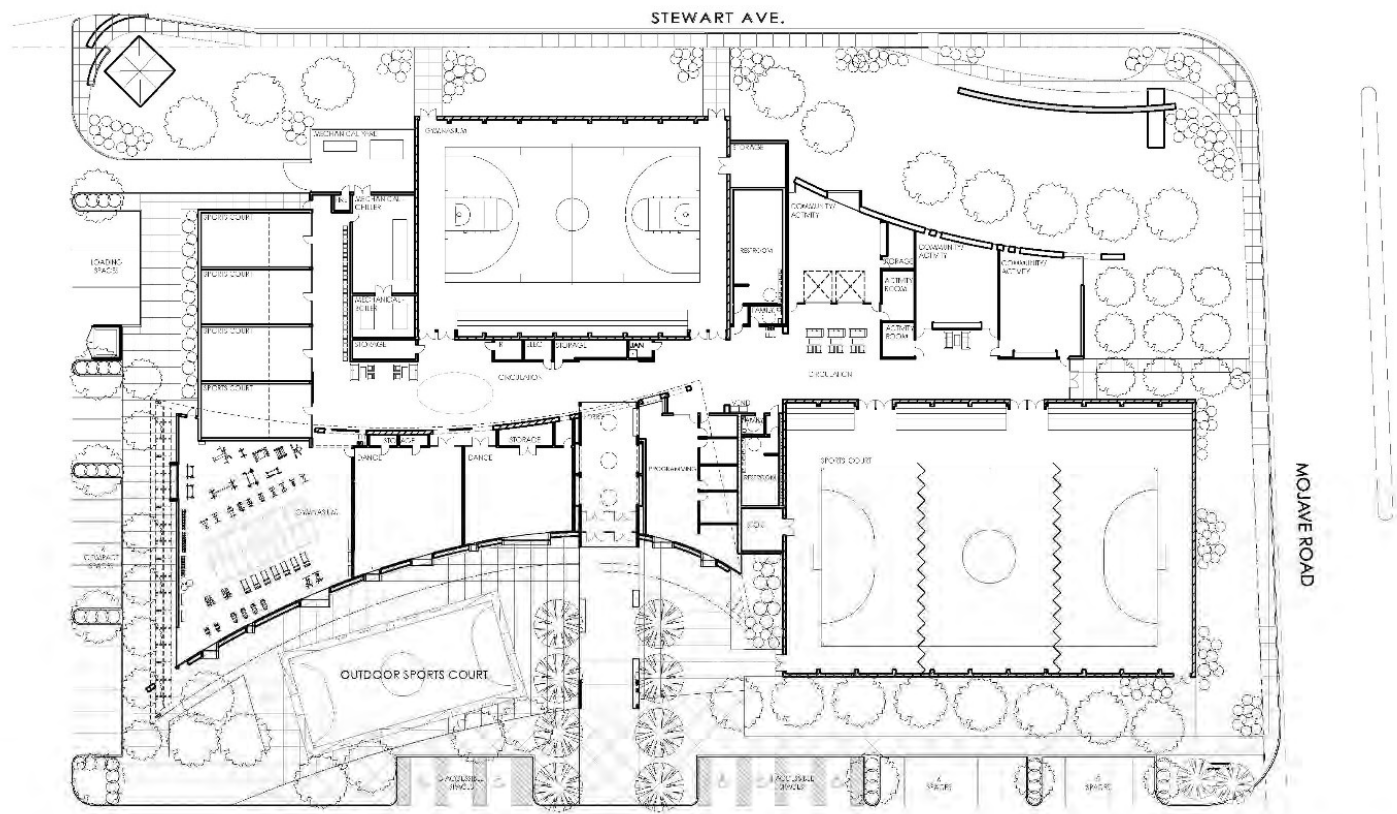


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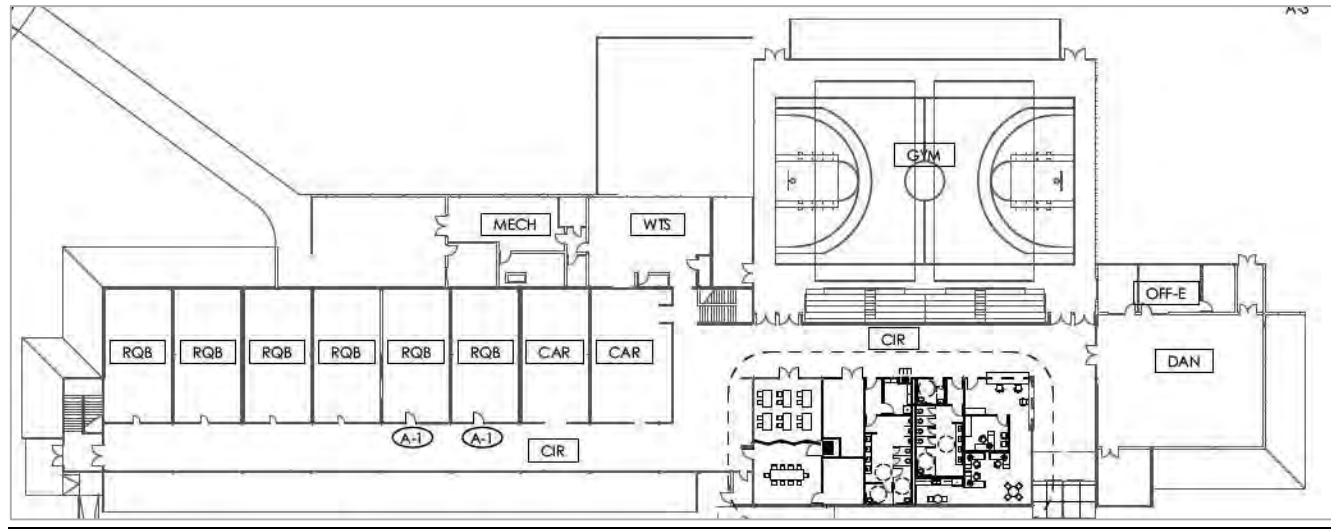
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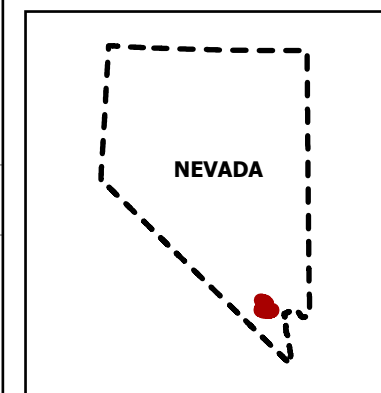
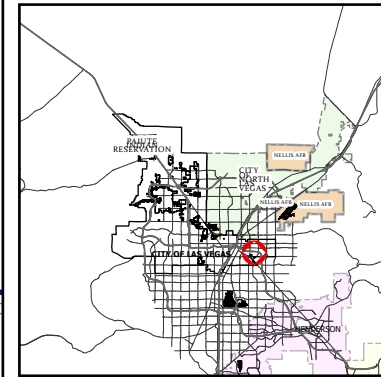
CHUCK MINKER ASSESSMENT
AND CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

Building Gross Area: 56,970 square feet

Floor Plan
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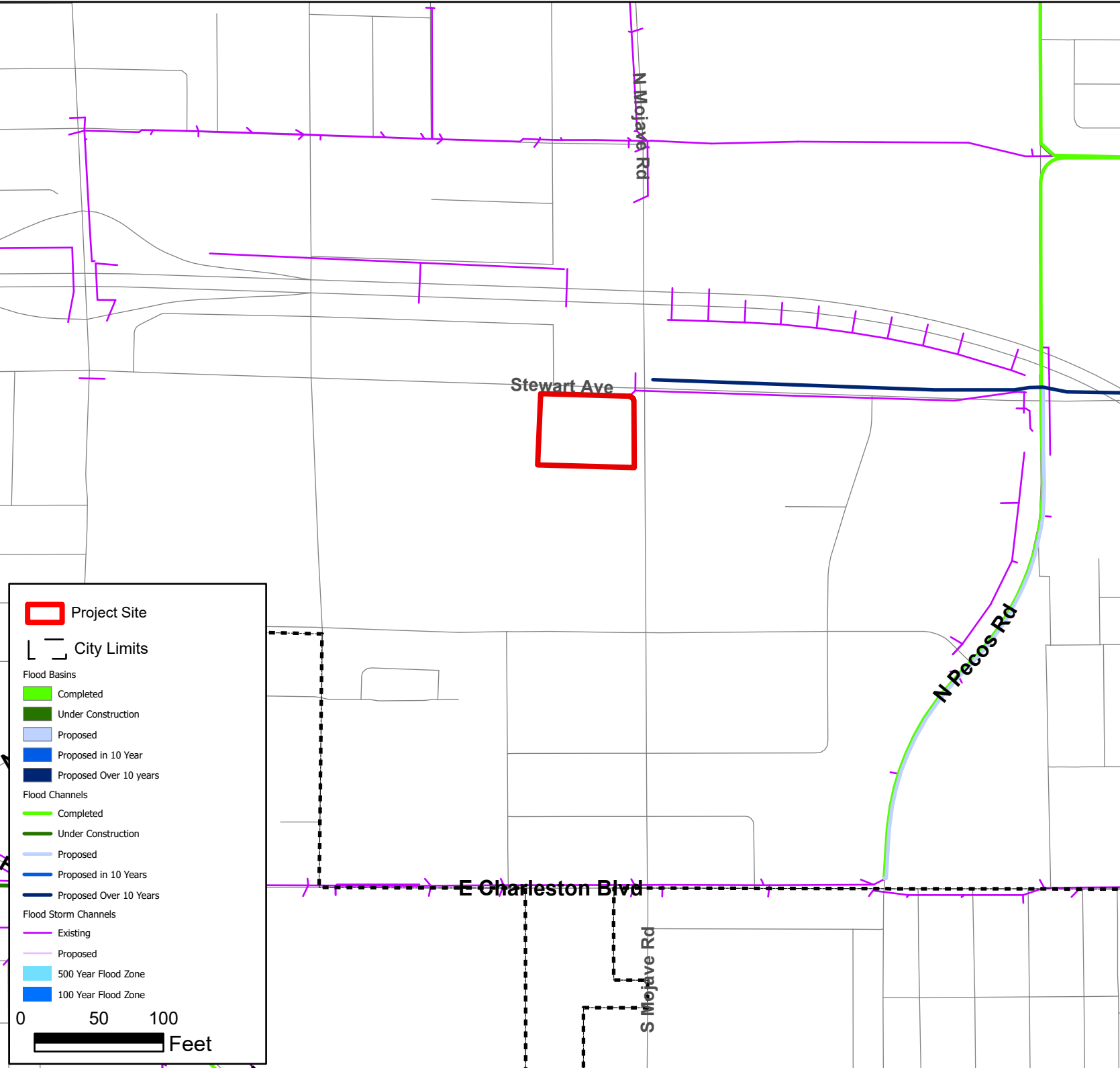


**STRATEGIC PLAN
VALUES - SUSTAINABILITY**



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Project Site

City Limits

Flood Basins

- Completed
- Under Construction
- Proposed
- Proposed in 10 Year
- Proposed Over 10 years

Flood Channels

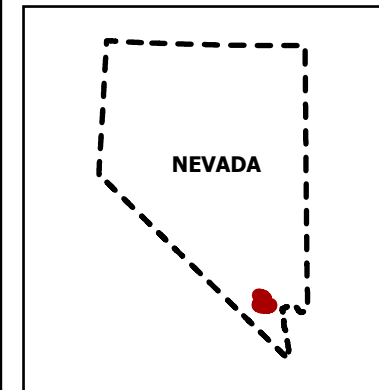
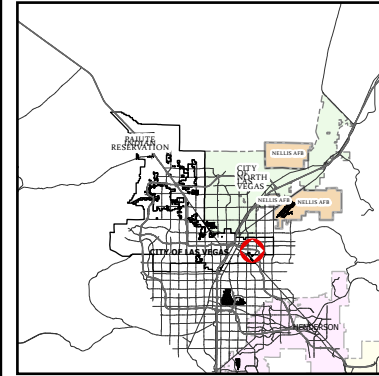
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- Proposed
- Proposed in 10 Years
- Proposed Over 10 Years

Flood Storm Channels

- Existing
- Proposed
- 500 Year Flood Zone
- 100 Year Flood Zone

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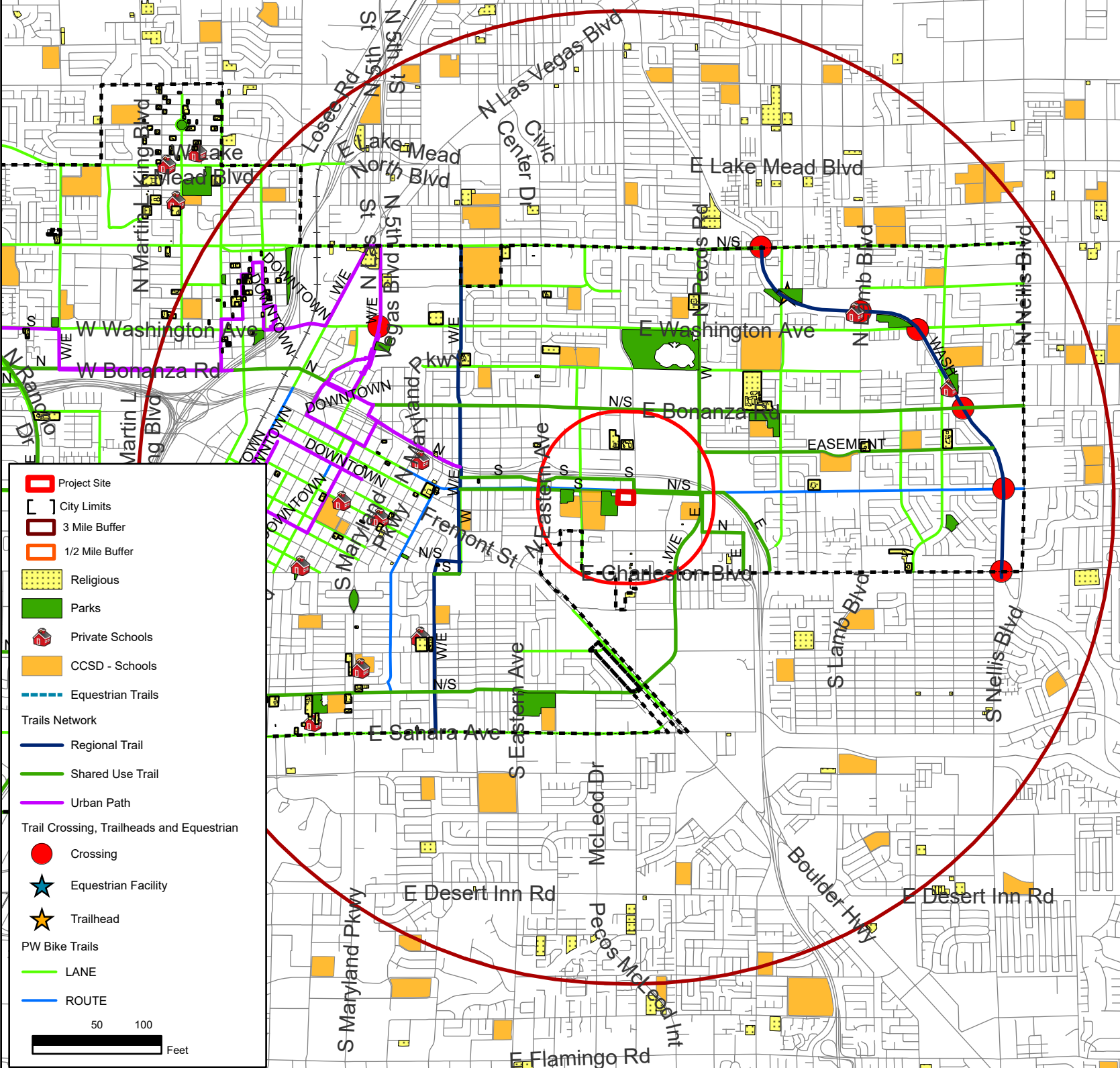


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VALUES - CONNECTIVITY**



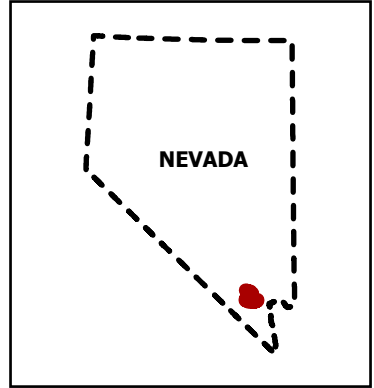
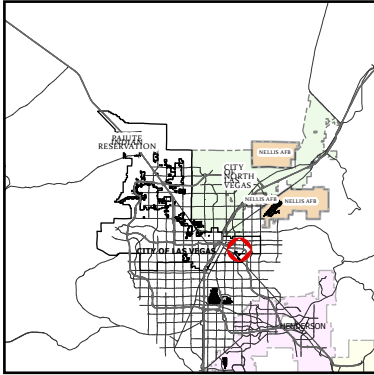
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- Project Site
- City Limits
- 3 Mile Buffer
- 1/2 Mile Buffer
- Religious
- Parks
- Private Schools
- CCSD - Schools
- Equestrian Trails
- Trails Network**
- Regional Trail
- Shared Use Trail
- Urban Path
- Trail Crossing, Trailheads and Equestrian**
- Crossing
- Equestrian Facility
- Trailhead
- PW Bike Trails**
- LANE
- ROUTE

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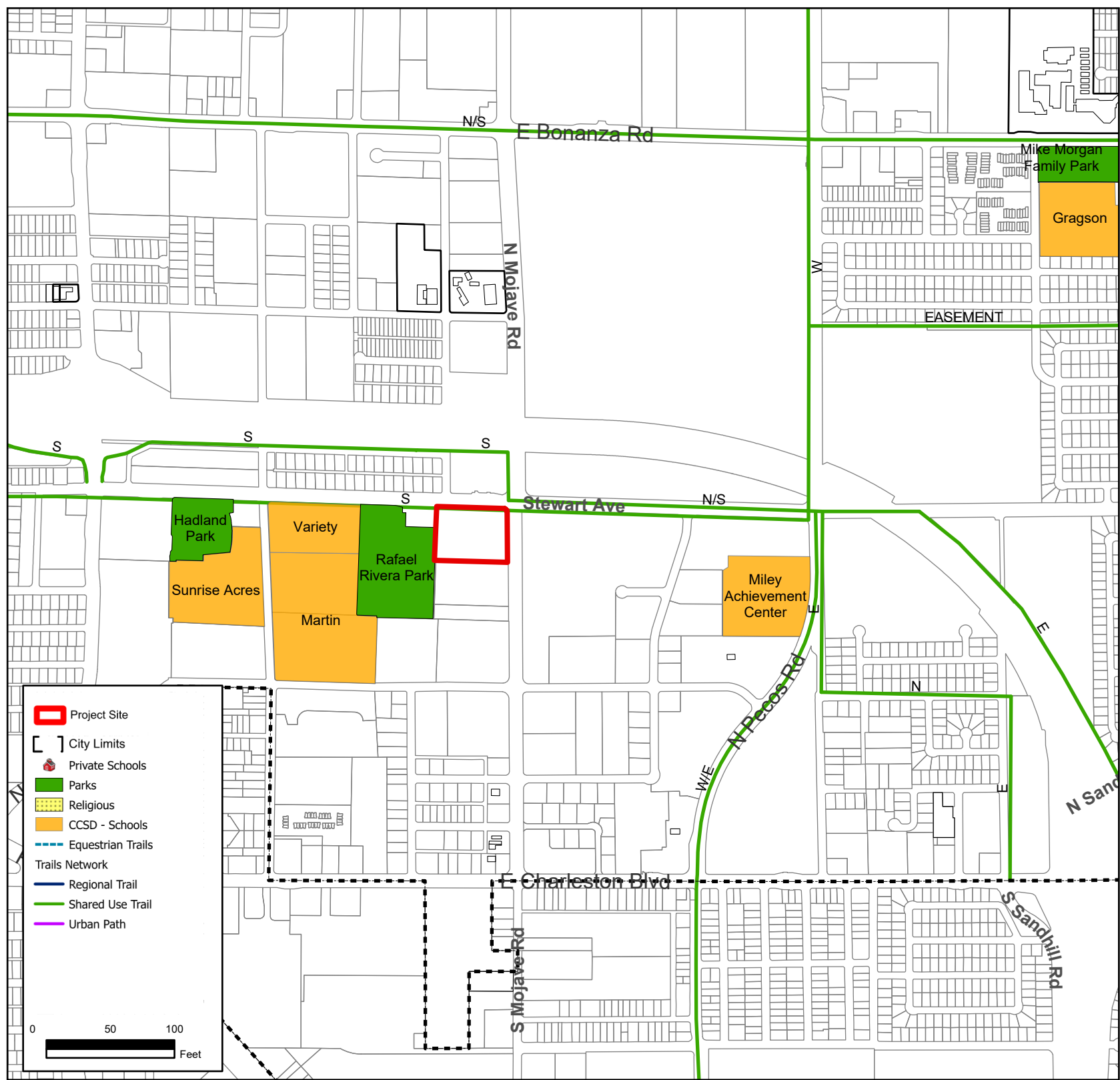












**STRATEGIC PLAN
VALUES - COMMUNITY**



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-  Project Site
-  City Limits
-  Private Schools
-  Parks
-  Religious
-  CCSD - Schools
-  Equestrian Trails
- Trails Network
-  Regional Trail
-  Shared Use Trail
-  Urban Path

N. PHOTOS

Existing Chuck Minker Sports Complex Facility (north side)



Facility (south side)



Existing Restrooms



Conceptual Renderings



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Entry Plaza
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Southeast Corner
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Stewart Avenue
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O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	0
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	1
R6 – PTNA Rights of Way or Easements	*Report the acres of rights of way or easements acquired for a PTNA project. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	0
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O1 - Number of Hazardous Sites Remediated	*Report the number of hazardous sites where remediation actions are completed. Actions to be included are: removal of safety hazards, clean-up operations, restoration actions, and water quality remediation actions. Do not report temporary remediation measures. <i>*Report each site as one unit. When applicable, also report total weight of trash removed during clean-up operations.</i>	0
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/ Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. <i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i>	0
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable. <i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i>	57,000-SF built to LEED Silver Standards
O12 – Number of Management Plans/Handbooks/Manuals/ Guides for Activity on Public Lands Completed	*Report the number of new or revised ecosystem restoration, hazardous fuels reduction, recreation, cultural, resource management, or other activity plans when the decision document for the plan is signed. Revisions include modification of a significant portion of the decisions in the activity plan. Do not report minor amendments or changes in these plans. <i>*Report each plan as one unit.</i>	0

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
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 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
 Las Vegas, Nevada 89130
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In Reply Refer To:
 2710 (NVS00000)

Dr. Katie Sears, Ph.D.
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Dear Dr. Sears:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the City of Las Vegas (City) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the City for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Chuck Minker Sports Complex – This proposal is to demolish the existing Chuck Minker Sports Complex facility and design and construct a new sports complex facility on site. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Bettye Wilson Upgrades – This proposal is to design and construct upgrades to both east and west sections of the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex. The project proposal is located on City-owned lands, but the subsurface mineral estate is reserved to the BLM per the subject land patents issued to the City (patent numbers 27-2003-0095 and 27-2004-0097). Because the project may include the use of subsurface mineral materials, the proposed budget and timeline should include coordination with the BLM geologists and obtaining any necessary permits from the BLM for the use of those materials. Free use permits are issued subject to the requirements of 43 CFR Part 3600 and can take 6 to 8 months to process.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a

Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Darling Tennis Center Expansion – This proposal is to design and construct an additional 14 tennis courts at the Darling Tennis Center located within the Kellogg Zaher Sports Complex. In 2011, the park was conveyed to the City under the authority of the Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act, R&PP Patent Number 27-2011-0017, and case file number N-63336, but the subsurface mineral estate is reserved to the BLM. Because the project may include the use of subsurface mineral materials, the proposed budget and timeline should include coordination with the BLM geologists and obtaining any necessary permits from the BLM for the use of those materials. Free use permits are issued subject to the requirements of 43 CFR Part 3600 and can take 6 to 8 months to process.

An amended Plan of Development with a complete design plan and updated management plan will need to be submitted to the BLM Las Vegas Field Office and approved prior to initiating any changes or new construction.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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M. Ryan Chatterton
Acting District Manager

e-cc: Bruce Sillitoe, Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office
Catrina Williams, Field Manager, Red Rock/Sloan Field Office
Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

O. SUPPORT LETTERS

DINA TITUS
MEMBER OF CONGRESS
1ST DISTRICT NEVADA



CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
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TRANSPORTATION &
INFRASTRUCTURE

November 2, 2023

Robert Wandel
Assistant District Manager – SNPLMA Division
Bureau of Land Management
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, Nevada 89130

Dear Mr. Wandel,

I write to share my strong support for the City of Las Vegas's application to the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 grant program for the reconstruction of the Chuck Minker Sports Complex located in Nevada's First Congressional District.

The current facility, built in 1979, is aging, does not meet ADA requirements, and is inadequate to meet the community's growing recreational demands. The City plans to design and construct a new 57,000 square foot facility with, among other amenities, two indoor basketball courts, two dance studios, four multi-purpose mini sports courts, three community rooms, a weight and aerobics room, programming space, and an outdoor multi-sport court.

Once completed, the new facility will serve the recreation needs of nearly 100,000 residents of an underserved community which is primarily Hispanic (72%) with an average income of \$32,000. The complex will also serve students attending schools designated as Title 1, at-risk by the Clark County School District.

I am pleased to support the City of Las Vegas's efforts to improve the quality of life and recreation in an underserved community located in District One. Accordingly, I respectfully request that your office give their application fair and full consideration. If you require further information, do not hesitate to contact Mitch Moonier in my office at (202) 225-5965. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dina Titus
Member of Congress



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Dear Mr. Wandel,

On behalf of the city of Las Vegas, I would like to express my enthusiastic support of the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) Parks, Trails and Natural Areas (PTNA) Round 20 city of Las Vegas project nomination for the Chuck Minker Sports Complex reconstruction project. This is an important project that will provide much needed opportunities for Las Vegas residents, and our Ward 3 community, to experience both indoor and outdoor recreation at a new, modern recreation center able to meet the needs of all users. The closest indoor recreation facility is over 5 miles away.

I want to make sure you understand the benefits this indoor facility would bring to the residents of Ward 3 and the city of Las Vegas. I have the honor to represent a diverse ward where 64% of my residents are Latino, 18% are white, and 11% are black. The median household income is \$36,000 per year and 89% of the residents are between the ages of 0 to 64. The community adjacent Chuck Minker was ravaged by COVID-19, and if we learned anything from the pandemic, we need to ensure the community has spaces for them to recreate. Another compelling fact is that Chuck Minker is in the part of my ward that suffers from extreme heat due to the increasing heat island effect and lack of tree canopies. As you may know, Las Vegas has long and intense summers so this indoor facility would ensure that residents have a modern, cooler, indoor space to promote an active and healthier lifestyle for everyone.

The city of Las Vegas is an iconic, world-class city. The core purpose for employees of the city of Las Vegas is to "Build community to make life better." SNPLMA funding to reconstruct the Chuck Minker Sports Complex will certainly "make life better" for the community of our east side who enjoy using this complex to partake in basketball, wallyball, dance studios and other recreational activities. The existing facility was constructed in 1979, therefore does not meet current code requirements (ADA), nor provide recreational space desired by the current surrounding neighborhoods. It is my belief that reconstruction of Chuck Minker will add incredible value for our community by being able to serve more residents and by creating a one-of-a-kind multi-faceted sports complex.

I strongly support this project proposal to fund and reconstruct Chuck Minker Sports Complex located at the corner of Stewart Avenue and Mojave Road in Ward 3 of the City of Las Vegas. I strongly encourage the Bureau of Land Management to fully fund this life-changing and community-focused project. Thank you in advance for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

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 City of Las Vegas – Ward 3
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Commitment Letter - Voluntary Non-Federal In-Kind Contributions



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November 2, 2023

Robert Wandel
Southern Nevada District Office
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Subject: Round 20 City of Las Vegas Commitment – Chuck Minker Sports Complex

Dear Mr. Wandel,

I am pleased to inform you that the City of Las Vegas has nominated the Chuck Minker Sports Complex project for Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 in the category of Parks, Trails and Natural Areas (PTNA).

The City of Las Vegas is requesting \$47,203,000 of federal funds, with no matched contributions. However, the City of Las Vegas commits to covering all associated internal costs and staffing needs involved in the project to ensure successful completion.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding the City's nomination. We appreciate your Round 20 consideration.

Mike Janssen, P.E.
City Manager
City of Las Vegas, Nevada

cc: Michelle Leiber, Program Manager - PTNA, MSHCP and Capital Improvements

SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024

Nomination: Tab 5

Entity: City of North Las Vegas

Project: Craig Ranch Regional Park Improvements

Section C – Purpose Statement

“The City of North Las Vegas requests funding to add essential amenities and features to Craig Ranch Regional Park. The amenities and features include replacing playground surfaces and shade covers, installing security cameras, lighting, a fitness court, and event transformers. Concrete park benches, tables, trash cans, and barbecue structures and are also included in the project. Belted, ADA, and infant swing sets complete the project. The proposed amenities will address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while supporting the needs of our residents.”

SNPLMA Comment: The nomination must contain a specific statement of the purpose of the project that describes the action to be taken by describing “who, what, where, and why” of the project. Purpose statement must also include complete sentences. Furthermore, installation of security cameras was removed from the purpose statement since this item is an anticipated deliverable. Drafted here is a slightly edited Purpose Statement such as: *“The City of North Las Vegas will add essential park amenities and features to improve the Craig Ranch Regional Park located in the northeast part of the Las Vegas Valley, Clark County, Nevada. Improvements include replacing playground surfaces and shade covers, installing a new fitness court with shade structure, park security lighting, permanent event transformers, and replace metal park furnishings (trash cans, benches, and BBQ pits) with concrete environmentally sustainable options. The proposed amenities will address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while supporting the needs of the local and regional communities.”*

Section D – Project Deliverables

Primary Deliverables: some Primary Deliverables (itemized below) are not descriptive enough or measurable—clarification is needed as noted below:

1. **Install 1 new Fitness Court with shade structure on east side of park near Commerce St.**
 - What is the estimated size/capacity of this fitness court?
2. **Replace 165 to 210 existing metal trash cans with CNLV standard concrete trash cans add additional new concrete trash cans at the dog park, community garden, north side of the park, near the amphitheater, playgrounds, picnic areas, tennis, baseball, skate park, volleyball, basketball and adjacent to passive lawn areas.**
 - Are any of these trash cans funded by SNPLMA? If so, provide an inventory with purchase date, quantity and the associated SNPLMA project number that funded the purchase.
3. **Replace 118 to 143 existing metal benches with CNLV standard concrete trash cans, add additional new concrete benches at the dog park, community garden, north side of the park, near the amphitheater, playgrounds, picnic areas, tennis, baseball, skate park, volleyball, basketball and adjacent to passive lawn areas.**

- Are any of these trash cans funded by SNPLMA? If so, provide an inventory with purchase date, quantity and the associated SNPLMA project number that funded the purchase.
- 4. Replace 38 to 57 existing metal barbeques with CNLV standard concrete trash cans add additional new concrete barbeques at the dog park, community garden, north side of the park, near the amphitheater, playgrounds, picnic areas, tennis, baseball, skate park, volleyball, basketball and adjacent to passive lawn areas.**
 - Are any of these trash cans funded by SNPLMA? If so, provide an inventory with purchase date, quantity and the associated SNPLMA project number that funded the purchase.
- 5. Install 4 - 9 large shade structures located at community garden, cover at ticket booth/entry area to Amphitheater, skate park, and playgrounds.**
 - What is the approximate size of a “large shade structure”?
- 6. Install 18 - 31 small shade structures located at dog park, east of the Amphitheater, central park, skate park, and playgrounds.**
 - What is the approximate size of a “small shade structure”?
- 7. Upgrade 5 to 9 existing shade structures to increase shade canopy.**
 - What are the sizes of these existing shade structures?
- 8. Install 26- 43 permanent event power transformers with hook ups throughout the park and amphitheater.**
 - City needs to narrow this range and denote it by stating actual quantities will be determined by final design requirements.

Section L – Orders and Priorities

Received 12/20/2023 and incorporated into the nomination.

Section M – Maps

Only a general “Conceptual Aerial Site Plan” provided. Nominations are to include a location map, site-specific aerial (County Assessor parcel(s) map), and SNPLMA strategic plan values map(s) depicting how the project promotes sustainability, connectivity and/or community.

Section O – Performance Measures

Received 12/20/2023 and incorporated into the nomination.

Excel Budget Detail Narrative

Budget detail does not reflect substantial involvement by the city over the project 5-year period of performance. The city identifies one position – a full time “Project Construction Manager “who is planned to dedicate 5% of their time on the project annually.

City (recipient) needs to show its involvement in monitoring, evaluating and reporting project compliance and accomplishments during the project period of performance.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

City of North Las Vegas



Craig Ranch Regional Park Improvements

Amount Requested: \$21,199,200

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of North Las Vegas requests funding to add essential park amenities to Craig Ranch Regional Park (CRRP), the City's first designated regional park. The Park serves the neighboring and greater North Las Vegas communities with a minority population historically underserved in recreational opportunities and facilities. The City's commitment to serving its diverse and historically under-resourced community is reflected in our work.

Opened in 2013, the park quickly became the crown jewel of the community to North Las Vegas residents and throughout the greater Las Vegas Valley. The City of North Las Vegas (CNLV) owns the nearly 200-acre park on parcel 13903102007 and has a public/semi-public zoning classification incorporated in Clark County. (Recorded Doc Number: 2005032500004371) Nevada Power Company has possessed an easement for the park since 2016. Abutting landowners include CNLV to the east and private land ownership to the north, south, and west. Residents and visitors can access the park using northern, southern, and eastern entry points on city or state roadways.

After the CNLV purchased the land in 2005, the City retained a consultant who developed the park's master plan, which drives long-term development for community needs and continuous growth. Craig Ranch Regional Park's Master Plan and Development Report provided opportunities and constraints, calculated capital and long-term operations and maintenance costs and established a phasing plan to implement the master plan. The planning process engaged City staff and the public in creating a vision for the park that would best serve the diverse recreational needs of the community as part of the entire park system. The sprawling park features a 65,000 square-foot skate park, four civic plazas, three dog parks, two lighted competitive baseball fields, six tennis, four volleyball and two basketball courts, and an outdoor senior exercise facility. The AMP at Craig Ranch, a 6800-seating capacity amphitheater, debuted in 2015. The venue provides live entertainment options ranging from community productions to large-scale, multi-day, multi-artist festivals. The Park offers shelters and spaces to accommodate groups from 5 to over 50,000. Personal gardening plots also outfit the park in the Community Garden.

Residents use the park extensively, as many of the surrounding homes lack spacious properties for recreational activities. The Park offers a balance of active, passive, and non-traditional recreational opportunities, programming, and events, attracting nearly 750,000 annually.

The Park improvements will add additional swing areas equipped with belted, ADA, and infant swings that support users by offering a safety feature and accessibility for individuals with mobility challenges. A fitness court on the eastside of this vast park provides a convenient fitness option for individuals accessing the park from the Commerce entrance. Replacing wood chips with rubberized surfacing on the playgrounds provide a safer and comfortable support. Replacing metal trash cans, barbecues, picnic tables and benches with a concrete option is a low maintenance selection that offer stability and resistance to weathering. Adding a shade cover at the ticket booth entry area, upgrading fabric shade covers throughout the park, and adding more shade structures will provide sun protection and create a cooler environment. Installing permanent event transformers in the major event hubs expands the range of recreational options and ensures emergency services have access to electricity when needed. Resurfacing the concrete surface in the skate park is a safety measure for users of this popular space. Complementing the

skate park with signage serves to assist parkgoers find their way. Extra security lighting and security cameras increases visibility and provides a sense of safety and peace of mind. The project implementation will include crucial steps to ensure adherence to federal terms and conditions and successful scope completion. Implementation activities include the following:

1. Finalize project scope and set deliverables
2. Develop a timeline and prepare for risks through the SMART workplan
3. Project planning
4. Monitor adherence to the cooperative agreement terms
5. Execute plan,
6. Monitor performance,
7. Report programmatic and financial updates
8. Adjust the plan or take corrective action when necessary

Significant milestones for the Craig Ranch Regional Park Improvements consist of the following over the project performance period of five years. Some milestones require collaborating with other federal and local agencies or entities to meet milestones.

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Receive Cooperative Agreement Compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA Compliance with Section 107 of NEPA	Receive Notice to Proceed Project Planning Issue Contract for Design and Engineering Design Phase	Complete Design Phase Obtain Permitting Issue Contract for Construction Procure Contracts	Construction Phase Final Construction and Build-out	Final Construction and Build-out Project Final Acceptance Project Closeout

The City has the organizational capacity and capability to support this project. The City’s Grants Development and Administration Department (GDA) and Finance Department will provide fiscal oversight which will include financial management and reporting. GDA currently administers more than 100 active grant awards and subawards for the city totaling more than \$150 million. The City uses accounting, financial management, and grant administration systems to track financial and performance progress. Parks and Recreation will be responsible for the execution and delivery of the project’s scope. This team is led by a Director and Deputy Director who bring extensive specialized experience in parks and nature projects and have had direct involvement on many SNPLMA projects. The City’s internal controls are central to ensuring adherence to cooperative agreement and federal regulations.

In addition, the City’s Parks, Trails and Open Space Task Force was reestablished in 2023. The task force consists of key members of various departments associated with the project. The group will meet regularly to discuss project performance, schedules and resolve conflicts.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

The request for funding to add park amenities to Craig Ranch Regional Park is related to several prior SNPLMA projects.

- Round 4 NL05 funded the original acquisition of the 132 acres of golf course lands.
- Round 5 NL09 funded converted the golf course into a central regional park. Park developments include the construction of the park to have play areas, picnic shelters, restrooms, a skate park, signage, and park furnishings—a refinement of the habitat for various flora and fauna.
- Round 7 NL17 funded the acquisition of an additional 34 acres directly adjacent to the original 132-acre park site.
- Round 9 NL19 funded the development of the primary destination play area and the installation of play equipment and shade structures.
- Round 16 NL-26 & Round 16 NL-27 funded the acquisition of two expansion parcels: 5.34 acres at the park's southeast corner and 20+ acres at the northwest corner.
- Round 19 is funding the development of the expansion parcels purchased in Round 16.

In addition to the funding received from SNPLMA for the incremental development of Craig Ranch Regional Park, the City received funding from the Clark County Projects of Regional Significance Fund for the construction of the amphitheater and lake and a second grant from Clark County to develop six full-sized multipurpose sports fields.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

The City acknowledges there is no guarantee or expectation of funding for future phases and that the proposed additions are stand-alone projects that the City can scale.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The proposed project will promote PTNA's goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community as described below.

1. Sustainability:

Craig Ranch Park offers many environmental benefits, including preserving plant and animal habitats. The Park also decreases air pollution and reduces the heat island where the city has experienced rising temperatures for longer periods. The new amenities will serve to

preserve park resources by incorporating durable and environmentally conscious options that contribute to park sustainability and counter climate change effects. The upgraded and new shade structures will reduce heat island by providing shade and cooling temperatures of the existing hardscapes. Replacing trash cans, picnic benches, and tables with concrete is an environmentally sustainable option made from sustainable material. It is non-combustible, making it fire resistant and highly resistant to weathering. Furthermore, it requires minimum maintenance. Adding permanent transformers will allow events to have easy access to power and will reduce the use of portable transformers.

2. Connectivity:

The Las Vegas Wash Regional Trail is a popular recreational trail in the Las Vegas Valley. It is a multi-jurisdictional collaboration between North Las Vegas, Las Vegas, and Clark County. The Las Vegas Wash Trail stretches nearly 15 miles through three jurisdictions and is mainly an off-street urban trail that connects residents to Craig Ranch Regional Park and the Clark County Wetlands Park. The Park is a popular destination for trail users. CRRP provides a stopping place with rolling terrain, community gardens, athletic fields, sports courts, themed playgrounds, and one of the country's largest skate parks. Installing a new fitness court on the park's east side will improve connectivity for parkgoers entering from the east.

3. Community:

Building connections to and among the City's parks and trails system creates spaces where families can strengthen their ties to one another and weave together the fabric of our community. Parks provide neutral, open spaces where people can come together for various activities. Craig Ranch Regional Park serves as a vast venue for community-wide events, festivals, and celebrations. Playground enhancements such as adding ADA and infant swings promote child development and family bonding. The installation of another fitness court encourages friendly competition or encouragement for parkgoers with common interest. Event transformers expand the range of group gathering. The addition of these amenities serves to increase park visitors, demographics, and populations. The features will also improve public health and safety by installing lighting, cameras, and shade structures. Protecting our human, natural, and park resources is paramount and strengthens community spirit and pride.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The City of North Las Vegas requests funding to add essential amenities and features to Craig Ranch Regional Park. The amenities and features include replacing playground surfaces and shade covers, installing security cameras, lighting, a fitness court, and event transformers. Concrete park benches, tables, trash cans, and barbeque structures and are also included in the project. Belted, ADA, and infant swing sets complete the project. The proposed amenities will address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while supporting the needs of our residents.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES-

1. **Primary Deliverables:** *(Base Bid)*

- a. Upgrade playground surfacing with pour-in-place rubberized surfacing. This includes removing of woodchip surfacing/ground treatment and replacing any current pour-in-place surfacing. 150,800 to 172,200-SF.
- b. Install 1 new Fitness Court with shade structure on east side of park near Commerce St.
- c. Install swings areas next to four existing playground areas – including belt swings 10-15; infant swings 10-15; and ADA swings 4-6.
- d. Replace 165 to 210 existing metal trash cans with CNLV standard concrete trash cans add additional new concrete trash cans at the dog park, community garden, north side of the park, near the amphitheater, playgrounds, picnic areas, tennis, baseball, skate park, volleyball, basketball and adjacent to passive lawn areas.
- e. Replace 118 to 143 existing metal benches with CNLV standard concrete trash cans, add additional new concrete benches at the dog park, community garden, north side of the park, near the amphitheater, playgrounds, picnic areas, tennis, baseball, skate park, volleyball, basketball and adjacent to passive lawn areas.
- f. Replace 38 to 57 existing metal barbeques with CNLV standard concrete trash cans add additional new concrete barbeques at the dog park, community garden, north side of the park, near the amphitheater, playgrounds, picnic areas, tennis, baseball, skate park, volleyball, basketball and adjacent to passive lawn areas.
- g. Install 15 - 35 additional security lighting throughout the park.
- h. Install 4 - 9 large shade structures located at community garden, cover at ticket booth/entry area to Amphitheater, skate park, and playgrounds.
- i. Install 18 - 31 small shade structures located at dog park, east of the Amphitheater, central park, skate park, and playgrounds.
- j. Upgrade 5 to 9 existing shade structures to increase shade canopy.
- k. Install 26- 43 permanent event power transformers with hook ups throughout the park and amphitheater.

2. **Anticipated Deliverables:** *(Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)*

- a. Replace 10-15 fabric shade covers at or near playgrounds.
- b. Skate Park Upgrades: add 2-4 signs; install 2-5 security cameras; re-surface concrete surfacing.

3. **Standard Deliverables:**

- a. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
- b. Section 107 NEPA
- c. Public scoping with affected stakeholders
- d. Project Planning
- e. Engineering design and construction
- f. Bidding and negotiating
- g. Permitting
- h. Construction
- i. Close-out

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 628 W. Craig Road, North Las Vegas, NV 89032

Legal Description:

- Parcel Number(s): Clark County APN 139-03-102-007
- T-R-S: 20-61-3
- Current Land Use: Incorporated Clark County (INCORP) / Single Family Low Density (R-1): Zoning: Public/Semi-public

Latitude and Longitude: 36.24294357287688, -115.151116724707

Congressional District(s): District NV-04

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME-

Project will be completed within 5 years from the execution date of the SNPLMA federal award.

Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1: Receipt of financial instrument
 - City Council approval of project funding – 2-3 months after receipt of financial instrument
 - Project Planning - months 4 -12 will include the consultant selection, completed concept plans, public input, and city approvals.
- Year 2: Design and Construction
 - Construction documents and specification creation and completion – months 1-6
 - City approvals, contractor bidding, and awarding construction – months 7-12
- Year 3: Construction
 - Pre-Construction/mobilization – months 1-4
 - Construction – months 5-12
- Year 4: Construction and Final Construction
 - Construction – months 1-8
 - Complete Construction – 9-10
 - Substantial completion to project completion – months 11-12
- Year 5: Project Close-out
 - Close-out project – months 1-6

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

The North Las Vegas City Council authorized staff to nominate this project for Round 20 funding, and the City has qualified personnel on staff to begin implementing this project within one year of the Special Account Funds Notice.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

The City does not have any anticipated funds for this project.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The City of North Las Vegas will continue to fund Craig Ranch Regional Park's operation and maintenance (O&M). The maintenance costs include routine park maintenance such as mowing and landscaping, trash removal, graffiti removal, sweeping, and minor repairs. The City's Parks Services division estimates the cost of O&M for all parks and trails annually.

Planning new projects and estimating costs associated with the latest projects, including construction, operation, and maintenance, is performed by professional staff and subject matter experts from the City's Land Development Department, Parks and Recreation Department, and Public Works Department. These three departments comprise the City's Park Planning Taskforce, a collaborative process for long-range park planning. New projects are incorporated into the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The CIP is the proposed plan for significant public facility improvements that will be implemented over the next five years. The CIP includes operation and maintenance budget impacts for five fiscal years. The CIP is updated annually and adopted by the City Council.

The City acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the City from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the City's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$21,199,200.

Summarized below are the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet that provides the budget summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 25,000	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ 2,500	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 21,163,868	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 21,191,368	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ 7,832	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 21,199,200	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

Members of the adjacent neighborhoods, North Las Vegas Communities, the entire Valley are the primary stakeholders of Craig Ranch Regional Park. The Park has supported the immediate and greater community members since opening in 2013. CRRP features the largest skate park in Nevada. With nearly 200 acres of green space, it offers amenities ranging from competitive baseball fields, sports courts, to dog parks and community gardens. It is a premier location for live entertainment events, festivals and large group gatherings. The surrounding areas have and continue to expand with new residential and commercial properties.

The social, environmental, and health and wellness benefits outweigh the financial costs. The proposed projects will be a significant driver in promoting social interactions, encouraging passive and active physical activities for members of the community of all ages and abilities. Such activities can curtail stress, improve cognitive function, and potentially reduce healthcare costs and improve quality of life.

Access to well-equipped green spaces is vital identity of this community. The environment also benefits from a thriving green space with services such as air purification, noise reduction, and temperature regulation.

The City partnered with Civil Science to develop the park concepts and provided the cost projections. The projections consider inflation; however, market conditions at the time of construction will determine actual pricing.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

There are no contributed funds for the proposed project.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category. Nominating entities are not to include either the total point value or the point values by criteria in their responses. Nominations will be reviewed and scored by the PTNA subgroup.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Craig Ranch Regional Park is located in the City of North Las Vegas 89032 zip code, where individuals living below the poverty level is approximately 22%, which exceeds the Citywide percentage by nearly 10%. The nearly 200-acre complex serves residents throughout the northeast quadrant of the Las Valley and is the only large-scale regional park complex north of Washington and East of Buffalo Rd. Much of the surrounding area is made up of apartment complexes and other high-density housing, leaving minimal outdoor space for area residents to recreate. As such, this park is vital to a community that has been historically underserved. The selected amenities are deserving for the local communities/ families, providing essential enhancements and greater access to recreational opportunities.

- B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Craig Ranch Regional Park has established itself as the center of the community, both locally and regionally, since it opened in 2013. Since then, the park has hosted many small business entertainment ventures, putting entertainment merchants, food vendors,

merchandise vendors, and other supporting staff to work to produce these events, which number over 100 annually. The City forecasts 250 large scale events over the next five years.

Additionally, with its location on the north side of Craig Road, the park has spurred retail and service-related business explosion throughout the entire Craig Road corridor. Over the past several years, time-honored establishments include Olive Garden, Red Lobster, Texas Roadhouse, and others. The project will expand its offerings to service additional populations and demographics, continuing to provide the community with a place where individuals, families, and groups can gather with increased recreational options.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Craig Ranch Regional Park holds special significance to the City being the only developed regional park in the Northeastern part of the Valley. It preserves many acres of green open space and helps meet an unfilled need for provincial parks and natural areas within the City of North Las Vegas. The Parks and Recreational Facilities Master Plan adopted levels of service standards and identified the need for 750 acres of regional parkland in 2008. The City uses the valley-wide regional parkland acreage standard of 5 acres for every 1,000 residents. This standard is half the commonly accepted National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) standard of 10 acres for every 1,000 residents.

The target demographic for the Craig Ranch Regional Park is all residents of the City of North Las Vegas, as well as the residents of the Las Vegas Valley within a 10-mile radius or 30-minute drive time to the park. This Park helps fulfill the users' recreational, cultural, and educational needs. The development of this additional acreage will provide the opportunity to achieve greater balance among the active sports, passive and leisure pursuits, and the social, cultural, and educational elements planned for the park. The Craig Ranch Regional Park is a major destination for users interested in a unique open space experience.

The proposed project elements of enhancing the playgrounds with ADA, infant and belted swing sets are significant in that it ensures play and safety for all ages of children, as well as provides accessibility for all abilities of children, and provides extra safety. The fitness court on the east side of the park makes fitness more accessible to individuals who may not have access to or the means to join a traditional gym. The shift from wood chips to rubberized surfaces on playgrounds is an effort to reduce risk of injuries and provide greater accessibility and inclusivity for users of any ability.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Regular physical activity is one of the most important things a person can do for their health. The benefits of physical activity include controlling weight; reducing the risk of cardiovascular disease; reducing the risk of Type 2 diabetes; reducing the risk of some

cancers; strengthens bones and muscles; and improving mental health and mood. It is estimated that 65% of American adults are overweight or obese.

Encouraging our residents to adopt a healthy lifestyle is an important goal of the City of North Las Vegas. In addition to providing parks and trails, the City partners with Southern Nevada Health District and the other local jurisdictions to promote the Neon to Nature program. Neon to Nature is an online tool and app that encourages users to Escape, Explore, and Enjoy the Valley's outdoor opportunities. The program helps locate walking and bicycling opportunities throughout southern Nevada. Walking is an inexpensive form of exercise and one way to meet the recommended minimum daily exercise.

For the City, the health and safety of our residents are a priority. We are prioritizing safety by enhancing playgrounds with infant and belted swings. Enhancing surveillance and visibility with additional security lights can deter potential criminal activity and install a greater sense of safety and peace of mind. Fabric shade covers effectively block harmful UV rays and prevent sunburns while significantly reducing temperature.

E. ***The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.***

North Las Vegas is a culturally diverse city and is home to a young population with large families. Increasing parkland at Craig Ranch Regional Park is vital to the quality of life for all residents in the City of North Las Vegas and the surrounding areas.

North Las Vegas is the most ethnically and racially diverse city in Clark County, with the highest percentages of Hispanic, African American, and Other Race. The 2010 U.S. Census reported North Las Vegas' racial makeup consists of 47.4% Caucasian, 19.9% African American, 6.3% Asian, 20.6% all other reported races, 5.8% multiple races, and with 38.8% of any race identifying as Hispanic. North Las Vegas residents also have the youngest median age at 30.4 years.

The average household size in North Las Vegas is 3.2 persons per household which is higher than the Clark County average of 2.7 persons per household. North Las Vegas has the highest percentage of households with children in Clark County at 48%, compared to Clark County at 35%, Las Vegas at 36% and Henderson at 31%.

2. **RESOURCES**: The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***

Craig Ranch Regional Park, the City's largest open space reserve, connects our residents to the natural landscape, recreational activities, and on-site community gatherings. The project site is of cultural and historic significance as it was initially settled in the early 1900s as a ranch/farm. It contains environmental and open space resources like mature trees and lush lawns. The park's size and its central location in the City create a

significant open space resource available to the Valley's residents. The development of this land will enhance this resource and provide more recreational opportunities such as a new fitness court and swings with safety surfacing and shade.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

The proposed upgrades to CRRP will likely encourage individuals and families with children of all ages to utilize the park on a more frequent basis with increased access to amenities, programming and events and a greater sense of safety. While allowing for these upgrades and enhancements, the park itself highlights resource conservation in terms of water and electrical efficiency through the use of water smart landscaping ideals, smart irrigation controllers and LED lighting fixtures. at the forefront, thereby lessening both during normal park usage.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

In their design standards, the City of North Las Vegas has established construction and park maintenance standards that focus on conservation, sustainability and durability in mind. Lighting standards dictate that LED lighting be installed which minimizes light overspill and decreases energy costs exponentially. For items such as trash receptacles, benches and tables, the City has standardized the use of concrete and/or powder-coated materials to increase durability and reduce loss due to vandalism and weather elements. Additionally, the playground structures and water play features are selected based on durable construction materials in order that their usable lifecycle be prolonged.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Research has shown that regular participation in outdoor recreation and exercise leads to individuals with lower obesity rates; lower instances of disease including diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease and stroke. Additionally, among populations that regularly get outdoors and recreate, studies have shown more balanced communities that are more supportive and respectful of each other and that show lower overall levels of stress due to the physical and emotional benefits of community recreation.

Craig Ranch Regional Park plays an essential role in creating an enriching experience that fosters an appreciation of the natural environment. The Neon to Nature is an online tool and app that encourages park users to Escape, Explore, and Enjoy the Valley's outdoor opportunities. Schools and community groups engage with the natural environment of the City's parks. Implementing the proposed amenities will entice community engagement in the green spaces.

3. **CONNECTIVITY:** Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. ***The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.***

The Las Vegas Wash Regional Trail is a popular recreational trail in the Las Vegas Valley and is a multi-jurisdictional collaboration between North Las Vegas, Las Vegas and Clark County.

The Las Vegas Wash Trail stretches nearly 15 miles through three jurisdictions and is mainly an off-street urban trail that connects residents to Craig Ranch Regional Park and the Clark County Wetlands Park. The Park is a popular destination for trail users. CRRP provides a stopping place with rolling terrain, community gardens, athletic fields, sports courts, themed playgrounds, and one of the country's largest skate parks.

Craig Ranch Regional Park is a vast green space; the addition of the new fitness court on the eastern side of the park affords residents closer access to a fitness workout station.

B. ***The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)***

The need for the Craig Ranch Regional Park is described in the 2003 Parks and Recreational Facilities Master Plan. After the City purchased the existing golf course in 2005 for conversion to the regional park, the City retained a consultant to create a master plan and development report for Craig Ranch Regional Park.

The Craig Ranch Regional Park Master Plan and Development Report provides opportunities and constraints; establishes a park program that meets the community's needs and desires; calculates capital and long-term operations and maintenance costs for the plan and establishes a phasing plan for the implementation of the master plan. The planning process engaged City staff and the public in creating a vision for the park that would best serve the diverse recreational needs of the community as part of the entire park system.

C. ***The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.***

The ideal park system for the City of North Las Vegas is one composed of a hierarchy of park types which includes neighborhood, community, regional, and special use parks. Each park type offers different levels of recreation facilities, site amenities, and open space opportunities. Separately, each park type may serve only one basic function and specific geographic area, but collectively they serve the needs of the City.

Regional parks provide activities that attract users from a large geographic area and offer both active and passive park areas. Craig Ranch Regional Park currently provides residents the following:

- Extensive natural open space
- Lakes
- Shade trees and native plantings
- Community garden
- Trails
- Wildlife & pioneer themed playgrounds
- Amphitheater
- Dog park
- Sports fields and courts
- Picnic facilities
- Public art and community gathering spaces

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

There are so many opportunities for park visitors to interact with nature and enjoy the outdoor experience at Craig Ranch Regional Park. Throughout the park, there are animal and nature-themed play areas that create unique interactive experiences for children of all ages. For example, the tree house play area is designed to showcase nature with the large climbing tree; hollowed logs for hide-and-seek games; and motion-sensor animal sound machines. There is a large rattlesnake with a slide through the mouth of the reptile and a sound machine to enhance the experience. In the giant flower bed play area, you will find friendly insect-shaped coil springs for wobbly fun. The Peewee Park sandbox features a large gecko with mosaic detail and a water feature. The discovery of these and many more unique play areas are found throughout the park.

The installation of a new fitness court, shade structures, seating, and ADA and belted swings facilitate more opportunities to connect members of our community with nature and the park environment.

E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

The proposed improvements and installation of additional amenities promote re-engaging and retaining park-goers by providing a more comprehensive, family-oriented experience. The majority of the new components of the park will be focused on safety measures and addressing accessibility barriers. With these improvements, all of which will be available to the community free of charge, the City will be able to reach the economically disadvantaged surrounding community who have little or no access to exercise equipment, ADA enhanced playgrounds and safe gathering places.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

The projected design and construction budget of \$21,199,200 is in keeping with similar projects in the region and will be accomplished in one phase. The cost estimate was prepared by a professional engineer.

B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

Craig Ranch Regional Park has been the center of recreation programming for the surrounding community which has a large minority population and is underserved both in recreational opportunities and facilities. The Park is used extensively as many of the surrounding homes do not have spacious properties for recreational activities. This issue is compounded as there are few other amenities within a 2-mile radius. This proposed project, when fully completed, will add critical amenities that will allow the regional park to continue to establish itself as this center for community to gather, focusing on health, wellness and outdoor activities for all ages. Additionally, the project will address the safety, access and public health concerns.

C. ***The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.***

The City of North Las Vegas prioritizes park designs that minimize future maintenance and/or replacement costs, and will utilize durable and sustainable techniques and products. An example of this priority are the project specs calling for LED lighting, which is more efficient and is less frequently in need of replacement. Additionally, the City will be installing Bermuda grass which is more water efficient. Also, the City of North Las Vegas preventative maintenance calls for periodic coating of the safety playground surfacing, and periodic sealing of the asphalt areas, thereby extending useful life by 3-6 years.

D. ***Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).***

There are no additional funding sources identified for this project at this time.

E. ***Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).***

The Craig Ranch Regional Park Improvements will reduce operation and maintenance costs through the use of durable and sustainable materials including adding pour in place rubberized surfacing on the playground. This increases its lifeline while providing a safe and level playing surface. Replacing sun shade covers and replacing metal picnic tables and benches with concrete reduce these costs while providing sustainable solutions to address challenges. Furthermore, the City outfitted the park with Bermuda turf, a grass that offers significant water efficiency.

I. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

- ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***
N/A
- ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***
The City strives to use American-made products throughout its park system. Benches, picnic tables, and grills are all made in America, as is most of the playground equipment. The shade fabrics are all American-made, while the landscaping rock and Bermuda turf is mined/grown locally.
- ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***
N/A
- ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***
Craig Ranch Regional Park is critical to the health, prosperity, and resilience of North Las Vegas. The Park's green space, amenities, and biodiversity provides clean air, water, and sustain plant and animal life. These elements play a chief role in combating the effects of climate change. Climate-smart stewardship is central to the City. The Park's improvements advance community partnerships, economic development and social well-being.
- ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***
The City endeavors to provide equal access to a healthy recreational environment regardless of background or socio-economic status to all residents. Craig Ranch Regional Park improvements help to preserve acres of green open space and meets an unfulfilled need for regional parks and natural areas in the City of North Las Vegas. The City considers the collective impact of environmental exposures on communities and work to prevent environmental hazards. Furthermore, the project fosters active participation and engagement with residents.

B. Secretarial Orders

- ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***
The Craig Ranch Regional Park Enhancement project's focus is to increase conservation stewardship and outdoor recreation (DOI SO No. 3347). The Craig Ranch Regional Park is a regional recreational amenity enjoyed by Las Vegas Valley

residents. The new outdoor amenities being added to the park will attract new park visitors from North Las Vegas and Clark County and expand the experience for current park visitors, while utilizing design practices that maximize conservation of natural resources. With these improvements, Craig Ranch Regional Park will expand its reach as a center for the community to gather, focusing on health, wellness and outdoor activities.

- ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

N/A

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while***

reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.

N/A

- 2. *Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

N/A

- 3. *Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*

N/A

- 4. *Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*

The City's design standards have established construction and park maintenance standards that focus on conservation, sustainability and durability. As it relates to the conservation of water, the City utilizes Bermuda turf-grass for the active areas of parks, which is hardier than other types of turf and utilizes substantially less water throughout the year.

Additionally, the City has embarked on a long-term project with the Southern Nevada Water Authority, reducing turf areas throughout the park system by identifying areas of turf that are not being used for active play and replacing these areas with drought-resistant plant materials.

- 5. *Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.*

The City of North Las Vegas recognizes that historical inequities in our community exists and is making targeted efforts to promote inclusiveness and create equitable access to recreational and natural environments. Historically under-resourced

neighborhoods in the City are prioritized to ensure enhanced environmental quality and promote community well-being. Park improvements such as increased safety and security measures, modernized amenities, and new recreational opportunities are measures that are essential to ensure that historically under-resourced neighborhoods thrive.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

N/A

2. *Providing economic relief*

N/A

3. *Tackling climate change*

Project amenities such as shade structures, concrete barbeques, and playground surfacing are park improvements that highlight resource conservation. Additionally, the installation of Bermuda grass is more water efficient and reduces the burden on Lake Mead, while the splash pad design will minimize water usage by incorporating direct to sewer drainage which reclaims collected water. Trees and new shade structures will offer shade and cooler temperatures, reducing the heat island. The City's park design standards address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while supporting the needs of our residents. All Park assets that support sustainability and prevent climate change funded through this opportunity are detailed in the deliverables section of this application.

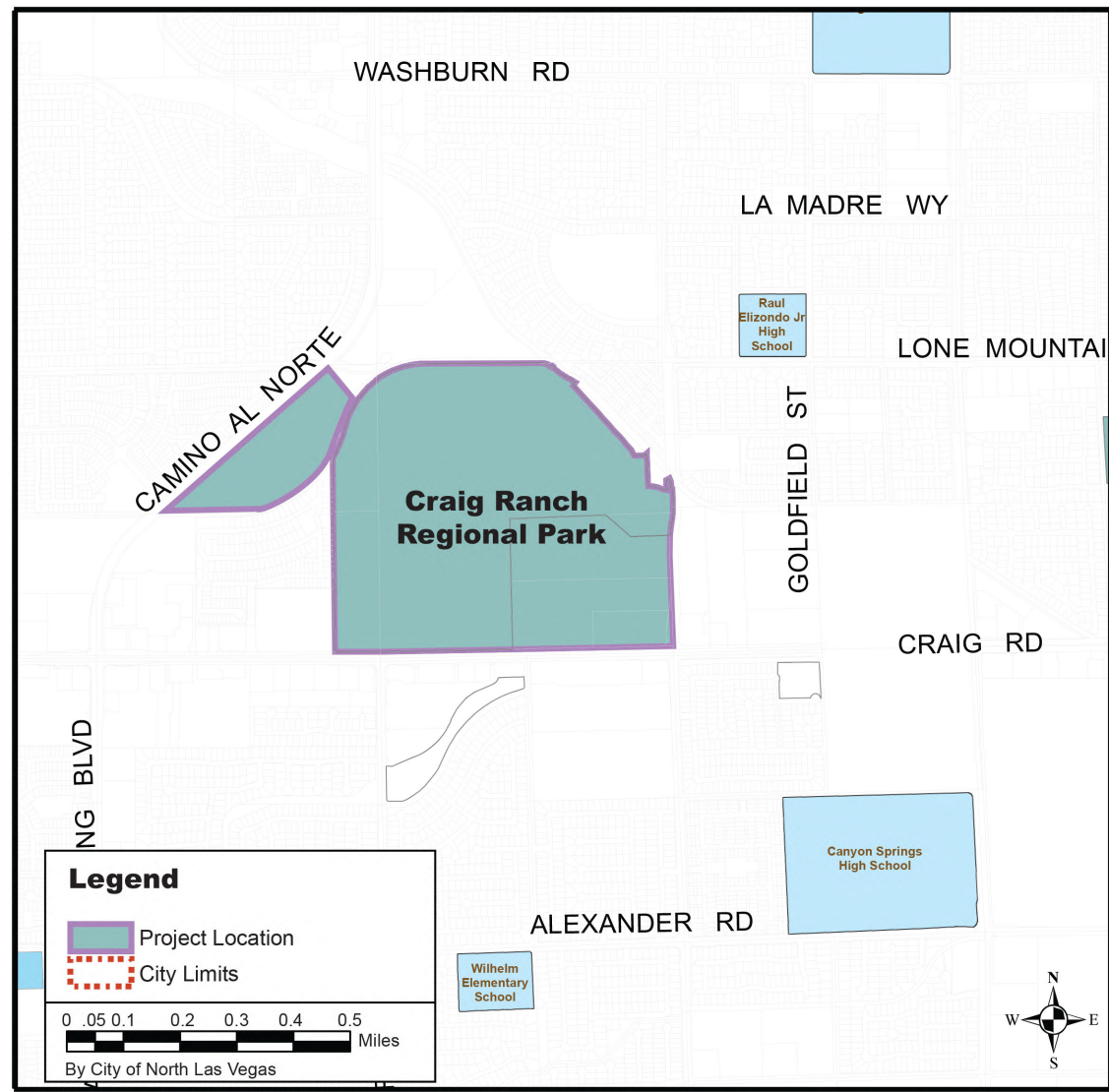
4. *Advancing racial equity*

North Las Vegas is an ethnically and racially diverse city within Clark County, with high percentages of Hispanic or Latino and Black or African American residents. The 2020 U.S. Census reported North Las Vegas' racial makeup consists of 24.5% White; 21.4% Black or African American; 6.4% Asian; 5.2% two or more races; and 40.7% Hispanic or Latino. The City's Minority-Majority population is distributed throughout the community. Creating additional recreational amenities in existing and developing areas of the City is key to ensuring historically underserved communities have better access to a wide range of recreational activities.

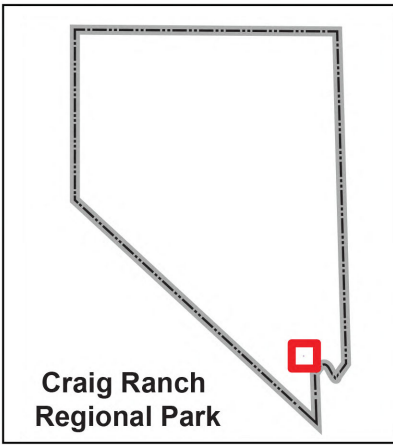
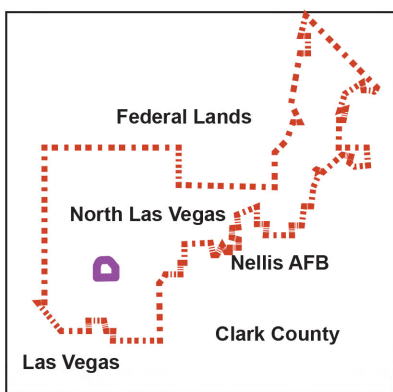
5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

N/A

M. MAPS



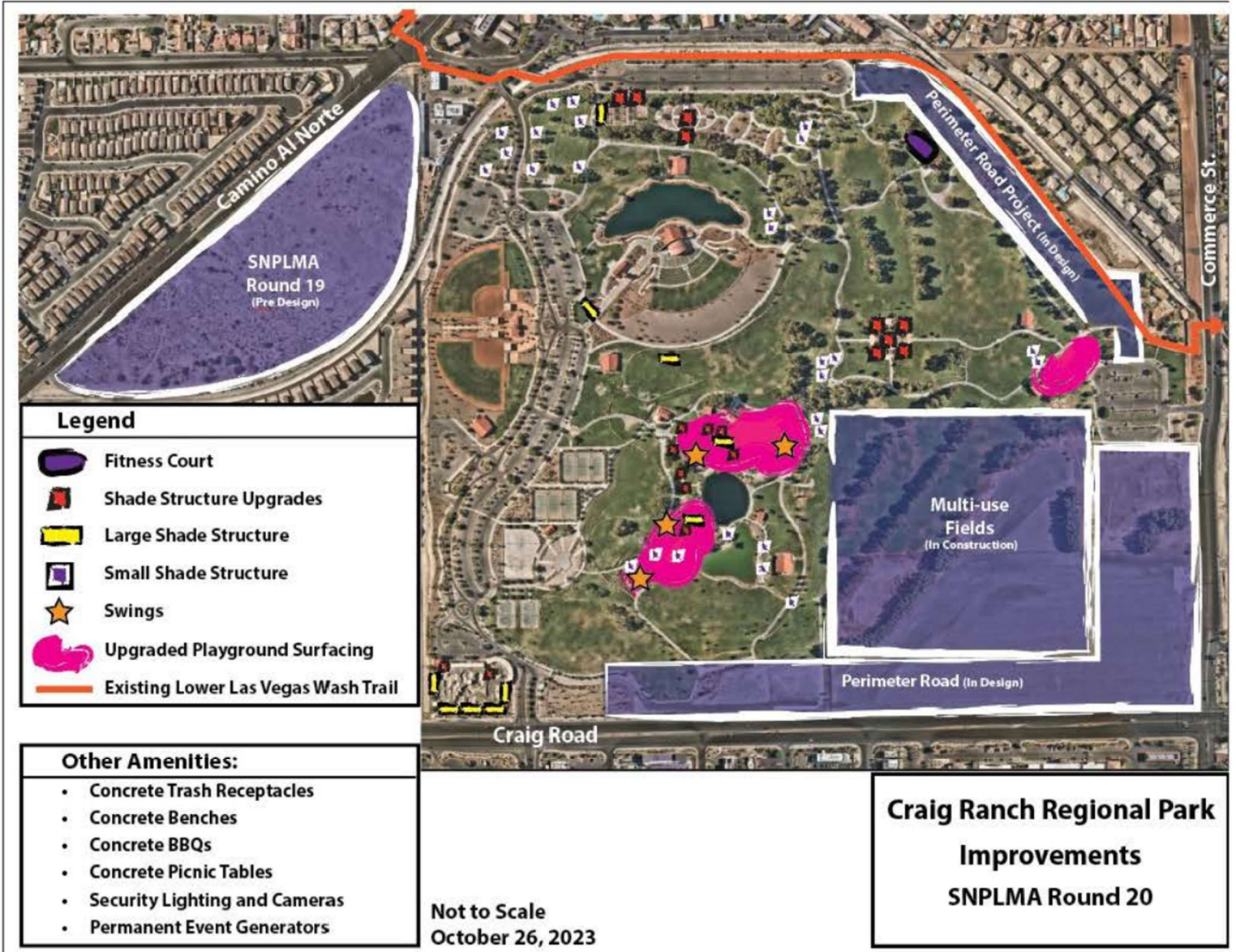
City of North Las Vegas
PTNA
SNPLMA
Round 20 Proposal
**CRAIG RANCH
REGIONAL PARK**
SEPTEMBER 2023



CONCEPTUAL PLAN

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SNPLMA ROUND 20 NOMINATION
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Craig Ranch Regional Park Improvements

Performance Measures

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2:		
Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
Performance Measures for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	200-acre park improvements
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	150,800 to 172,200 s.f. of playground resurfacing 1 New Fitness Court 10-15 belted swings 10-15 infant swings 4-6 ADA swings 165 -210 concrete trash cans 118-143 concrete benches 38-57 concrete barbeques 15-35 security lighting 4-9 large shade structures 18-31 small shade structures 5-9 upgrade shade structures 26-43 power transformers 10-15 fabric shade covers 2-4 signs 2-5 security cameras 1 resurface skate park concrete

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Southern Nevada District Office
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, Nevada 89130
<http://www.blm.gov/nevada>

In Reply Refer To:
2710 (NVS00000)

Veronica Freeman
Grant Officer
City of North Las Vegas
2250 Las Vegas Boulevard North
North Las Vegas, Nevada 89030
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Dear Ms. Freeman:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the City of North Las Vegas (City) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the City for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Craig Ranch Regional Park Improvements – This proposal is to add new and updated park amenities to the Craig Ranch Regional Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources; however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Seastrand Park Renovation – This proposal is to add essential and modernized amenities to the James K. Seastrand Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Valley View Park Renovation – This proposal is to design and construct park improvements at Valley View Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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M. Ryan Chatterton
Acting District Manager

e-cc: Bruce Sillitoe, Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office
Catrina Williams, Field Manager, Red Rock/Sloan Field Office
Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS

STEVEN HORSFORD
4TH DISTRICT, NEVADA



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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

October 23, 2023

Bureau of Land Management
SNPLMA Division
United States Department of Interior
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89130

Dear Review Committee of the Bureau of Land Management SNPLMA:

I am writing to express my support for the City of North Las Vegas' application for Round 20 funding from the Bureau of Land Management SNPLMA. The City of North Las Vegas is committed to enhancing public health and providing the community with access to high-quality parks. The proposed projects at three of the city's parks aim to modernize and provide essential amenities that will improve these parks and meet the growing needs of our neighborhoods and the larger community.

These initiatives will help the city advance their goal of achieving park equity, fostering community connections, and promoting a sense of pride in the community by highlighting the transformative value of parks.

The park project highlights include:

- Craig Ranch Regional Park- New fitness court, security lighting, ADA and infant swings, event transformers
- James K. Seastrand Park- New playground, splash pad, restroom, and security cameras and lighting
- Valley View Park- Playground expansion, splash pad, dog parks, and walking route.

The city recognizes the significant impact that parks have on the well-being of its residents, and they are committed to improving the quality of life by connecting them with nature and each other. Funding for these projects is crucial to ensuring equitable access to park amenities.

I kindly request your full and fair consideration of the City of North Las Vegas' funding request. If you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to contact my District Director, Divya Narala at Divya.Narala@mail.hous.gov.

Sincerely,

Congressman Steven Horsford
4th District, Nevada

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October 16, 2023

United States Department of Interior
Bureau of Land Management
SNPLMA Division
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
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Dear Bureau of Land Management SNPLMA Review Committee:

As Mayor of the City of North Las Vegas, it is with respect and gratitude that I express my support for the Round 20 project nominations. The proposed deliverables will assist the City to accelerate our efforts to advance park equity, connect the community with each other and nature, and improve public health. Such measures renew community pride and demonstrate the transformative value of parks.

The City is a minority-majority city with the majority being disadvantaged communities. We recognize park equity challenges and are taking action to strive for a future where our community members have fair and just access to high-quality parks. The parks proposed output are measures toward achieving our goal.

Craig Ranch Regional Park, a nearly 200-acre park is the City's crown jewel of parks. Open in 2013, the sprawling park features a 65,000 square-foot skate park, dog parks, lighted competitive baseball fields and a multitude of other amenities. The Park hosts large-scale and multi-day events, while the 6800-seating capacity amphitheater provides well-equipped space for live entertainment events. The focus of the project will add vital amenities and will address accessibility, inclusivity, and public health and safety concerns.

With the funding, the City will deliver the following key amenities and improvements:

- Replace Playground and Swing Area Surfacing
- Install Fitness Court
- Furnish Park with Infant, ADA, and Belted Swings
- Install Additional Security Cameras and Lighting

- Replace Barbecue, Picnic Tables & Benches with Concrete Options
- Install Event Power Transformers

The proposed park improvements will integrate inclusive and modernized amenities that will connect our community to natural landscape, promote environmental and fiscal sustainability, and address accessibility barriers. The improvements will also embody SNPLMA's core values of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community.

As the third-largest City and one of the fastest-growing cities in Nevada, we are boldly planning for the future. The City will experience unprecedented growth in population, residential communities, and commercial and industrial development. This growth requires the City to take progressive actions to support the expanding community and build a healthy, strong, and resilient city.

I look forward to working with our City Council, City Management, and the Parks and Recreation team to make health and wellness, park equity, and environmental stewardship a reality in North Las Vegas.

Sincerely,



Pamela Goynes-Brown
Mayor



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William Harty
Finance Director
City of North Las Vegas
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North Las Vegas, NV 89030

Dear Mr. Harty:

SUBJECT: City of North Las Vegas Indirect Cost Rate Proposal

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD or the Department) received City of North Las Vegas Indirect Cost Rate Proposal for its fiscal years 2020 and 2021 via e-mail on September 16, 2021.

In accordance with Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 200 (2 CFR 200), the Department is not required to review the indirect cost rate proposal for City of North Las Vegas. Appendix VII to 2 CFR 200, Section D.1.b. states, “A governmental department or agency unit that receives more than \$35 million in direct Federal funding must submit its indirect cost rate proposal to its cognizant agency for indirect costs. Other governmental department or agency must develop an indirect cost proposal in accordance with the requirements of this Part and maintain the proposal and related supporting documentation for audit. These governmental departments or agencies are not required to submit their proposals unless they are specifically requested to do so by the cognizant agency for indirect costs.” Since your organization receives less than \$35 million in direct Federal awards per year, the Department is not requiring your organization to submit an indirect cost rate proposal for formal review and approval. Instead, please continue to develop and maintain the proposal along with related supporting documentation on file. The Federal awards should be charged based on the calculated indirect cost rate.

If City of North Las Vegas has any questions, please contact Saleszni Jeet, Senior Financial Analyst, at 415-489-6578, or by email at Saleszni.L.Jeet@hud.gov.

Sincerely,

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Angelo Tom
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Indirect Cost Specialist
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City of North Las Vegas Indirect Cost Rate Calculation

DEPARTMENTS	INDIRECT COST RATE (Total Program Cost Base)
General Government	41.07%
Judicial	56.12%
Public Safety	18.65%
Public Works	52.44%
Culture & Recreation	68.08%
Community Support	158.02%
28.48%	\$42,686,454
TOTAL AGENCY ICRP	\$149,857,948

Calculated by eCivis, Use approved by HUD 09.23.2021

Nicolie Lettini

From: Mackey, Steven P. EOP/OMB <Steven.P.Mackey@omb.eop.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2023 9:02 AM
To: Nicolie Lettini
Subject: Indirect Rates for States and Local Governments

Hi Nicolie,

Please see the following clarification from OMB on Appendix VII.

Appendix VII to Part 200 - States and Local Government and Indian Tribe Indirect Cost Proposals 1. Submission of Indirect Cost Rate Proposals stipulates in Section D.1. (Submission and Documentation of Proposals; Submission of Indirect Cost Rate Proposals) that “a governmental department or agency unit that receives more than \$35 million in direct Federal funding must submit its indirect cost rate proposal to its cognizant agency for indirect costs. *Other governmental department or agency must develop an indirect cost proposal in accordance with the requirements of this Part and maintain the proposal and related supporting documentation for audit.* These governmental departments or agencies are not required to submit their proposals unless they are specifically requested to do so by the cognizant agency for indirect costs.”

If a governmental department or agency (such as a State or local Department of Health, Department of Transportation, Department of Housing, etc.) receiving \$35 million or less in direct Federal funding develops an indirect cost proposal in accordance with the requirements of Part 200 because the department/agency falls under the \$35 million threshold, and, therefore, does not have a negotiated rate, this established rate must be accepted by any Federal agency to which the governmental department or agency applies for funding. The cognizant agency for indirect costs, however, may request to review the proposal from the small governmental recipient if it chooses. The Federal agency may also choose to negotiate a rate with the department/agency; however, provided that the recipient developed its rate in accordance with Part 200 and maintains the proposal and related supporting documentation for audit, the Federal agency must not compel the department/agency to accept the 10% *de minimis* rate or some other rate established by the Federal agency.

Steven P. Mackey
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SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024

Nomination: Tab 6

Entity: City of Las Vegas

Project: Darling Tennis Center Expansion

D. Project Deliverables

SNPLMA Comment: The original nomination submittal did not include descriptive or adequately defined project deliverables to determine successful accomplishment of the project purpose. In February 2024, the nominating entity provided updated project deliverables as outlined below. The following deliverables will need to be in comparison with the city's budget detail (MS-Excel).

The city will also need to continue working with the SNPLMA Program Manager to update the project deliverables with more measurable details:

1. Primary Deliverables:
 - a) Construct 14 additional tennis courts with sports lighting
 - b) Install a minimum of 13, 8' seat benches
 - c) Construct one (1) 670 SF restroom
 - d) Remove and replace approximately 1,255 SF of steel decorative perimeter fencing
 - e) Remove and replace approximately 27 pathway lights
 - f) Install approximately 1,125 LF of new decorative steel perimeter fencing
 - g) Install a minimum of 11 trash receptacles
 - h) Install a minimum of 14 picnic tables
 - i) Construct approximately 22,150 SF of asphalt paving
 - j) Construct approximately 16,170 SF of concrete sidewalk
 - k) Construct approximately 515 LF of curb and gutter
 - l) Construct 7,725 SF of retaining wall
 - m) Install a minimum of 75 trees
 - n) Install a minimum of 300 shrubs
 - o) Install approximately 7, 22' x 14' shade structures
 - p) Install 2,092 SF of turf and grasses
 - q) Install 65,700 SF of landscaping
 - r) Install 3,590 LF of chain link fence
 - s) Install 28 chain link gates (Single and Double)
 - t) Install 32,575 SF of windscreen
 - u) Install approximately 94 sight lighting fixtures

2. Anticipated Deliverables (Additive Alternatives):
 - a) To be determined during the design phase. [SNPLMA Comment: *This is not an acceptable deliverable as it is not descriptive or measurable*]

3. Standard Deliverables:
 - a) Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)
 - b) Award design contract
 - c) Final design
 - d) Review and approval of design and construction bid documents.
 - e) Formal bidding of construction project
 - f) Award construction project
 - g) Construction
 - h) Close-out

M. Maps

In February 2024, the city provided a site-specific aerial (County Assessor parcel(s) map), and SNPLMA strategic plan values map(s) depicting how the project promotes sustainability, connectivity and/or community. The original nomination submittal only included the a “general” Location Map.

Section 1 – Project Budget (MS-Excel Budget Detail)

In February 2024, the city provided an update to the budget detail by allocating \$270,167 in voluntary non-federal cost share for personnel labor and fringe benefits to show city’s substantial involvement in monitoring, evaluating, and reporting project. City will need to provide a signed voluntary commitment letter for the said non-federal cost share.

During the PTNA Subgroup meeting there were questions on "fees for use of the facility" since it is not clearly identified in the nomination. The nomination needs to clearly demonstrate that these fees/revenues are going back into the facility for O&M—these O&M costs would not include costs to fund staff to run the facility.

City will also need to clarify its agreement w/ CJMS Tennis Management Company, LLC ("Operator"), the fees collected and other revenue such as interest maintained by this 3rd party non-profit Operator, and the ownership interest held by other principals of the non-profit as identified in operations agreement.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

City of Las Vegas



Darling Tennis Center Expansion

Amount Requested: \$9,647,000

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. Brief narrative description that supports the need of the project and describes:

- a. *Site ownership (surface and subsurface), size (in acres), access, existing site facilities, structures, and other uses (e.g., rights-of-way, easements, tenants), type of land use authorization (including reference casefile/serial number) held or to be obtained by entity for use of the site (e.g., R&PP lease).*

The Darling Tennis Center resides a 158-acre parcel located at 7901 W Washington Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89128. The Darling Tennis Center is located on the west side of parcel 138-28-301-007 (formerly 138-28-301-006 & 138-27-301-019), with the entrance located on W Washington Avenue. The Kellogg Zaher Sports Complex and more traditional park amenities are collocated on this parcel.

Site Ownership (surface and subsurface): This site has been patented to the City of Las Vegas since 2004 as Parcels 138-28-301-006 and 138-27-301-019. Subsequently, these parcels were combined as parcel 138-28-301-007. The site is associated with US Patent 27-2011-0017.

Surface and subsurface use of the site is associated with US Patent 27-2011-0017 recorded on June 6, 2011. Under this patent, the US government retains right-of-way for ditches or canals, as well as mineral deposits. The State of Nevada Department of Transportation reserves right-of-way Nev-062275 for US 95, while the site also remains subject to rights-of-way for telephone, water, power, and gas.

- b. *Any claims, restrictions, or interests of other individuals or business in the property (project site) and provide status; and describe abutting landowners.*

Parcel 138-28-301-007 (formerly 138-28-301-006 & 138-27-301-019) is associated with US Patent 27-2011-0017 recorded on June 6, 2011. Under this patent, the US government retains right-of-way for ditches or canals, as well as mineral deposits. The State of Nevada Department of Transportation reserves right-of-way Nev-062275 for US 95, while the site also remains subject to rights-of-way for telephone, water, power, and gas.

Abutting Landowners: The site is bound on all sides by public right-of-way.

- c. *Projects that provide opportunities for underserved communities should address the community served, and how the project meets the need.*

The Darling Tennis Center expansion is considered a project focused on the underserved community. Although the existing facility serves more than 140,000 annual participants and spectators annually, another 20,000+ annual users have been “turned away” in the past year as a result of capacity limitations. The demand for more tennis courts has been steadily increasing over the past few years. For example, in the past 12 months Darling declined to host seven national events (NCAA, USTA, and others) due to the current maximum facility capacity. These events were estimated to bring ~20,000 additional

annual spectators and participants to the facility. Constructing 14 new courts will permit the Center to host events of this nature, while meeting the surrounding community and Southern Nevada tennis association's needs.

- d. *Identify the entity-approved master plan and approval date with which the project conforms. If no plan, describe the planning process for the project site.*

This project falls under the Summerlin North section of the City of Las Vegas' 2050 Master Plan. The first priority of this plan is to ensure the City's parks and recreational centers meet the needs of the community. The second priority is to either complete or enhance existing parks and sports centers, which leads us to the third priority which is to minimize future maintenance costs and resource utilization. Considering those three priorities, the Darling Tennis Center expansion meets all of these objectives by meeting the public's demand for more tennis courts, completing the Darling Tennis Center by enhancing the functionality of the site by including an additional restroom in close proximity to the tennis courts, and implementing long-term sustainability measures through the use of LED lighting and drought resistant vegetation, conserving natural resources and reducing operation and maintenance costs.

- e. *Project implementation process and how to determine and measure project purpose with accomplished deliverables to support project completion.*

All contracts and all lower-tier agreements shall include applicable Federal flow-down clauses. All work conducted under this agreement shall be performed using the City's existing and proven method for managing, monitoring, and reporting on federally funded contracts which include obtaining necessary approvals, bidding, contract award, contract execution, and close out. The design and construction process shall be managed using the City's comprehensive oversight processes to ensure the final product, as well as interim deliverables, meet all project and funding agreement objectives.

- f. *Major milestone including land management agency or other entity roles for project completion.*

- Cooperative Agreement Executed
- Section 106 Compliance
- SNPLMA Notice to Proceed (NTP)
- Design Contract Awarded
- Design Complete
- Construction Contract Bid
- Construction Contract Awarded
- Construction NTP
- Identification and procurement of long-lead items
- Construction Complete
- Project Objectives Achieved
- Contract Close out

1. **Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:**

The Darling Tennis Center Expansion is adjacent to the Bonanza Trail that was constructed as part of the Multi-Use Transportation Trails, SNPLMA project LV14 in Round 5. There are no future phases of planned for this site.

2. **Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:**

This is a stand-alone project. No additional projects are currently planned for the Darling Tennis Center which would require federal involvement.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

Nominated projects should meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community. Every nomination must explain how the three values are promoted by the project.

1. Sustainability:

This project includes LED tennis court lighting, a new restroom and landscaping with water conserving materials and technology. As these upgrades are being constructed on portions of land surrounding the existing tennis courts, the maintenance effort for the bordering ground will be reduced.

2. Connectivity:

The Darling Tennis Center's connectivity to the existing Bonanza Trail constructed with SNPLMA Round 5 funding promotes patrons to experience nature in a variety of manners. The expansion to this facility will further the number of locals and visitors to take advantage of this great amenity. The walkways around the Darling West Center which connects to the Bonanza Trail and ultimately the Angel Park Detention Basin introduce participants, spectators, and those visiting the facility to the existing trail system. This will further promote outdoor activities and use of the vast trail system within the greater Las Vegas valley.

3. Community:

The Darling Tennis Center supports more than 90,000 annual participants and 50,000 spectators annually. Public feedback supports expanding the Darling Tennis Center. This expansion will increase the capacity of the Center by 20,000 annual participants a year, which will significantly improve the ability to support tennis leagues, open play, as well as hosting larger reoccurring tournaments from organizations such as the NCAA, USTA, and others.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The City of Las Vegas will construct 14 additional tennis courts at the Darling Tennis Center located in the west part of the Las Vegas Valley, Clark County, Nevada. The expansion includes LED lighting, an additional restroom, and landscape enhancements. This additional capacity is needed to meet the local tennis community's ongoing demand for the ability to host more leagues and open play, as well as larger national tournaments that are currently being turned away due to capacity limitations.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid)
 - a. Enter itemized deliverables here. Primary Deliverables are those items that must be completed in order to accomplish the project purpose.
 - Cooperative Agreement Executed
 - Section 106 Compliance
 - SNPLMA Notice to Proceed (NTP)
 - Construction Contract Awarded
 - Construction Complete
 - Project Objectives Achieved
 - Contract Close out
2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
 - a. None
3. Standard Deliverables:
 - a. Enter itemized deliverables here. Standard Deliverables are those items that are generally accepted by the industry standards as necessary to complete the deliverables.
 - Design Contract Awarded
 - Design Complete
 - Permit Set approved
 - Construction Contract Bid
 - Construction NTP

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 7901 W Washington Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89128

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: Clark, Nevada:

- Township, Range, Section, quarter-quarter.
28, N1/2SW1/4, E1/2NE1/4SE1/4, W1/2NW1/4NE1/4SE1/4,
SE1/4NW1/4NE1/4SE1/4, SW1/4NE1/4SE1/4, NW1/4SE1/4
- Parcel Number(s): 138-28-301-007
- Current Land Use and Zoning: Parks for public use

Latitude and Longitude: 36.196718137699186, -115.25950762514842

Congressional District(s): NV District 3

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within Five (5) years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1:
 - Cooperative Agreement executed
 - Section 106 Compliance
 - SNPLMA NTP
 - Design Initiated
- Year 2:
 - Design Complete
 - Permitting
 - Bid Construction Contract
 - Award Construction contract
 - Start Construction
- Year 3:
 - Construction
- Year 4:
 - Construction Complete
- Year 5:
 - Project Closeout

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

No other external funding has been solicited for this project.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

For the past 14 years, the City of Las Vegas has contracted with a third-party firm to operate and maintain the Darling Tennis Center. Operating under the parameters set-forth in the Recreation and Public Purposes Act 43, USC 869 e.t seq. (i.e., R&PP Act), CJMS Tennis Management Company is the current provider of this service. Per this contract CJMS is responsible for

facility operations and maintenance including daily maintenance and upkeep, utilities, as well as short and long-term repairs.

The Department of Parks and Recreation is committed to ensuring the maintenance of this facility to the same high standards as all other City parks and trails in the area. The total operations and maintenance costs for this facility are \$530,000 per year. Expenses for water, equipment maintenance and electrical are estimated at \$95,000 per year. Programming of the site will continue to be performed by CJMS in coordination with City of Las Vegas Department of Parks and Recreation staff.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$9,647,000.

Summarized below are the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet that provides the budget summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ 179,440
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ 90,727
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 9,647,000	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 9,647,000	\$ 270,167
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 9,647,000	\$ 270,167

Cost-Benefit Analysis

With the current facility having to turn-away 20,000+ potential users and national tournaments due to lack of capacity, upgrading the Darling Tennis Center is consistent with the City’s 2050 Master Plan. Investing public funds to complete an existing facility to further promote outdoor recreation, while meeting the immediate needs of the local users and the southern Nevada tennis community is a key objective for the City of Las Vegas.

When establishing these cost estimates, the City used its in-house design and construction staff; as well as local third-party design, construction, and cost estimating professionals. The cost estimates considered design starting in 2024 and construction beginning late 2025, using the industry’s projected material and labor escalation costs to account for cost variance between project nomination and project initiation. The increasing of the facility capacity by 20,000 participants annually, provides a one-year total cost to participant ratio of \$445 per person. When assuming a 20-year depreciation this equates to a total expenditure of ~\$22 per participant

over the 20-year time frame. The 20-year time frame used in this equation is based on data which estimated a 20-year lifetime for outdoor tennis courts.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

The City will voluntarily contribute a non-federal cost share as summarized in the above table for personnel labor and fringe benefit costs for in-house staff labor.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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Budget Officer: Marcy Skiba

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.

- A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: Located along the Bonanza Trail constructed with SNPLMA Round 5 funds, this project will expand the City's Darling Tennis Center with 14 additional courts with LED lighting and a new restroom. Darling is located in an area whose majority population is over 65 years old. This is reflected by the attendance data as approximately 2/3 of the players at Darling participate in adult leagues and tournaments. Research indicates the 65+ age group represents this is the fastest growing segment of the US population, and USTA says ~9 percent of its members are over 65 years old, with 40+ percent over 40 years old. These numbers do not include those non-USTA individuals who play and watch tennis. This project will provide this section of our local population with an expanded venue to play and watch tennis at local, national, professional, and college levels.

- B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: The Darling Tennis Center is a high-demand facility located in the western portion of Las Vegas. The existing center brings more than 150,000 participants and

spectators to the surrounding community promoting economic development. However, the current facility is not sufficient to host larger, annual reoccurring tournaments such as NCAA and USTA. This lack of capacity turns away 20,000+ individuals annually who would patronize businesses and restaurants within the surrounding community.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: The City of Las Vegas currently lacks the ability to host large, annual tennis tournaments at a single facility. This project will expand the existing Darling Tennis Center establishing the only facility in the Las Vegas valley with sufficient capacity to host large national, annual tennis tournaments at a single location. This expanded facility will identify Southern Nevada as a destination for National tennis tournaments, stimulating the economy in the area immediately surrounding the facility, as well as southern Nevada as a whole. The need for this expanded facility become more critical as the US Tennis Association National Standards no longer permit the use of high school courts to hold National events.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: The City of Las Vegas believes increasing the number of local residents participating in outdoor physical activities is an essential component of a healthy life style. However, in a society that is focused on “immediate gratification” having sufficient amenities available when wanted is key to making a one-time tennis match into a reoccurring life-style change. Recent studies show many people stop playing sports after high school due to the cost to participate and committing their ability to commit the time needed to participate. Therefore, in addition to increasing the capacity of publically owned sports facilities to meet the repeat user’s needs, this project is a step towards reversing the national trend of the casual athlete leaving sports because they can no longer have the time/desire to wait or afford to participate on a routine basis.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: Although the existing Center has an annual attendance of more than 90,000 annual participants, potential users are turned away due to capacity limitations. By increasing the Center’s capacity to accommodate an additional 20,000 annual participants this project will eliminate a significant barrier to outdoor activities. In addition, bringing more people in close proximity to the Bonanza trail system further promotes use of the trail system and its connectivity with the immediate area.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Answer: This project will enhance community, open space, and recreational resources. With increased and improved amenities, and environmentally sensitive designs and materials the surrounding community and the Southern Nevada tennis community will directly benefit from this project. This project is aligned with the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan which focuses on meeting community needs, completing existing parks and

community centers, and reducing the long-term maintenance costs associated with these facilities.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: By adding 14 new Tennis courts, this project increases the Darling Tennis Center's annual capacity by ~20,000 annual participants. Aligning with the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan, this project focuses on meeting community needs, completing an existing park, and reducing the long-term maintenance costs associated with the facility. This includes incorporation of sustainable design and materials, such as LED lighting and landscape improvements. The project also includes a new restroom which enhances the Center's functionality.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: Through incorporation of water and energy sustainable design and materials, this project will reduce the environmental footprint of the project site. The use of LED court lighting, water-conserving restroom fixtures, and drought-sensitive landscaping align with the City's overall sustainability effort, while reducing the long-term costs associated with the facility.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: Being located in a ~160 acre multi-function park, the Darling Tennis Center not only exposes patrons to the excitement and benefits of tennis, it reintroduces those individuals to the natural/recreational environment as a whole. With the 11 field Kellogg-Zaher soccer complex, a portion of the Bonanza Trail constructed with SNPLMA Round 5 funding and other common park amenities in the immediate area, people visiting the Darling Tennis Center have many options to enjoy nature and recreation. In addition, the Bonanza Trail extends west to the Angel Park Detention Basin which offers a more recreational and natural setting for the public to experience.

3. **CONNECTIVITY**: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

Answer: The project site includes a portion of the Bonanza Trail constructed with SNPLMA Round 5 funding. Not only does this trail run parallel to the Darling Tennis Center and Kellogg Zaher soccer complex, it extends west to the Bonanza Trail and Angel Park Detention Basin which offer more recreational and natural settings for the public to experience.

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Answer: Aligning with the City of Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan, the Darling Tennis Center expansion focuses on meeting community needs, completing an existing park, and reducing the long-term maintenance costs associated with the facility. This includes completion and upgrade of existing facilities, including incorporation of sustainable design and materials.

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

Answer: Although this project does not create a “comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas,” it does upgrade an existing high-demand recreational center, and is parallel to a portion of the Bonanza Trail which was installed with SNPLMA Round 5 funding.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Answer: Although this project does not “serve as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors,” it promotes outdoor recreation, and is in close proximity to the Bonanza Trail installed with SNPLMA Round 5 funding, and the Angel Park Detention basin which connects people to the outdoors.

E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

Answer: The City of Las Vegas strives to create parks, trail systems, and recreation centers that promote participation in outdoor recreation. By designing facilities that meet the surrounding community’s needs, the City is able to engage the public in experiencing our venues. For example, at this location funding sources such as SNPLMA have enabled the City to construct a the Bonanza Trail system along the existing Darling Tennis facility, Kellogg Zaher soccer complex, and the Angel Park detention basin. This network of amenities offers everything from a casual walk along the trail where one can experience the natural southern Nevada desert environment, to the high-impact of a soccer game. Expanding the Darling Tennis Center allows more people in the immediate area to play or watch tennis, as well as provides a natural transition to explore the immediate surrounding and connected paths and parks. This project is intended to benefit everyone independent of the demographic they represent.

4. COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT: Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. *The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.*

Answer: This project includes the construction of 14 additional tennis courts and a new restroom at the Darling Tennis Center. The cost estimate of \$9,647,000 was prepared by 3rd party design and construction professionals, and verified by the City of Las Vegas Public Works in-house design and construction management staff.

B. *Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.*

Answer: The Darling Tennis Center expansion serves more the 140,000 participants annually, with another 20,000+ potential annual participants “turned away” each year due to capacity limitations. The demand for more tennis courts has been increasing steadily over the past few years, and introducing 14 new courts will provide the local tennis community the necessary capacity to support concurrent local and league use, as well as large national tournaments.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: The City is able to reduce the short and long-term facility maintenance and replacement costs through the use of sustainable design and technology. By using sustainable products with improved durability, the cost to operate and maintain this facility will be reduced.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: No additional funding has been identified at this time.

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: The City is able to reduce the short and long-term operational and maintenance through the use of sustainable design and technology such as LED lighting, water conserving restroom fixtures, and drought resistant landscaping.

I. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. *EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America’s Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk*

N/A

2. *EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America’s Workers*

The Darling Tennis Center expansion creates jobs and includes energy saving features within existing facility. This project is valued at \$19.6 Million, of which labor is estimated at \$6.3 Million. Assuming an average prevailing wage of \$150,000 (wages and benefits), that equates to ~42 new jobs. In addition, installing LED lighting on the new courts provides these additional amenities with consideration for energy saving technology.

3. *EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)*

N/A

4. *EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation’s Forests, Communities, and Local Economies*

This project does not strengthen the Nation’s Forest, but it does strengthen communities and local businesses. This project will allow residents to participate in outdoor recreation within their own community which promotes camaraderie among the local residents and the greater Las Vegas tennis. In addition, the increased capacity and enhanced amenities will result in more individuals from the surrounding communities visiting the Darling Tennis Center for practice, leagues, general recreation, as well as local, regional, and national competitions. Local business and restaurants see the majority of their revenue from a steady and repetitive client base; therefore, enhancing the capacity of Darling Tennis Center will stimulate the local business community.

5. *EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation’s Commitment to Environmental Justice for All*

N/A

B. Secretarial Orders

1. *SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.*

N/A

2. *SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.*

N/A

3. *SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.*

N/A

4. *SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior*

N/A

5. *SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.*

N/A

6. *SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.*

N/A

7. *SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition)).*

N/A

8. SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.

N/A

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. **Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.** *We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.*

N/A

2. **Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

N/A

3. **Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*
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4. **Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*

N/A

5. **Centering equity and environmental justice.** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the*

country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.

N/A

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

N/A

2. *Providing economic relief*

N/A

3. *Tackling climate change*

N/A

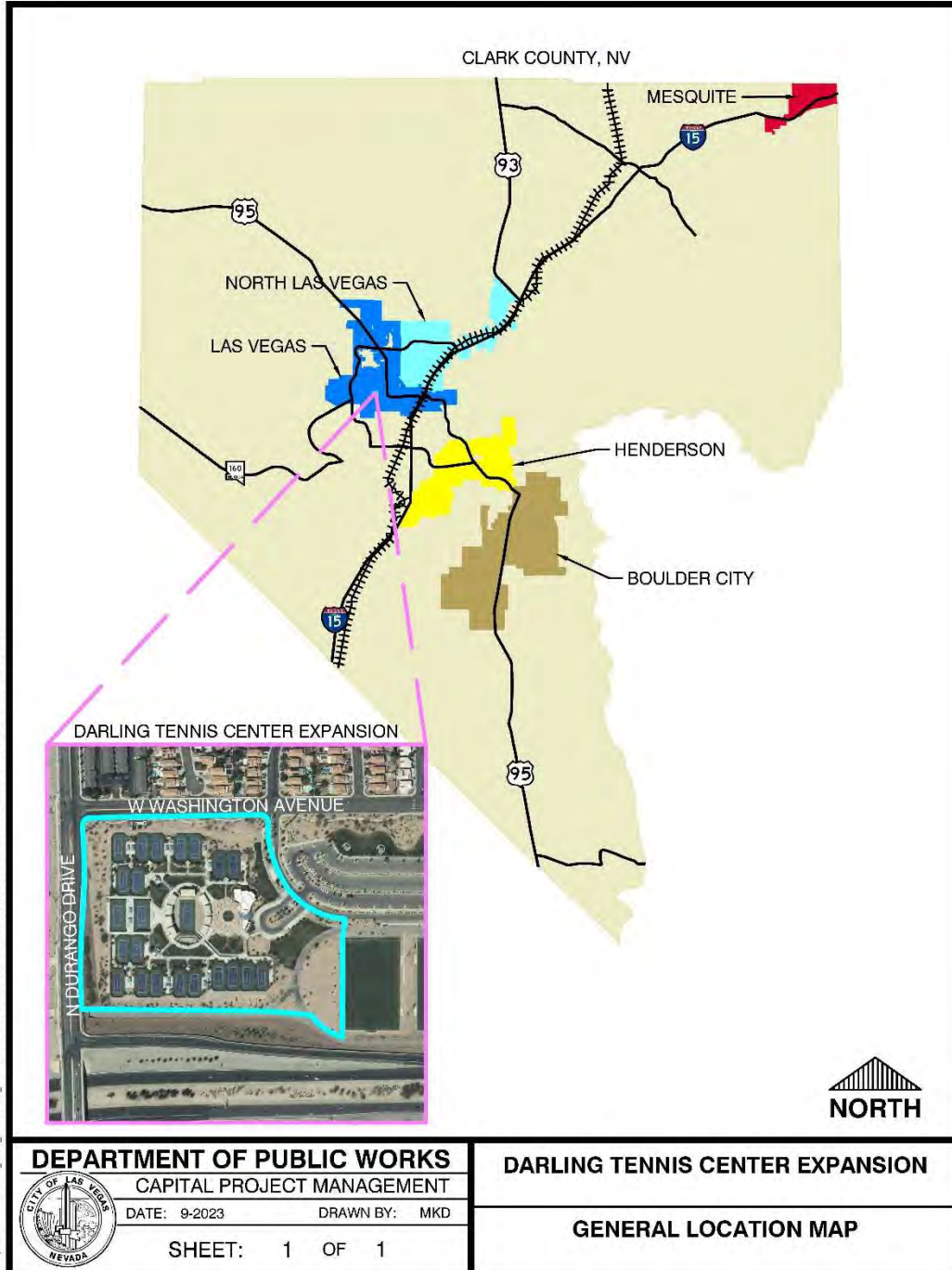
4. *Advancing racial equity*

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5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

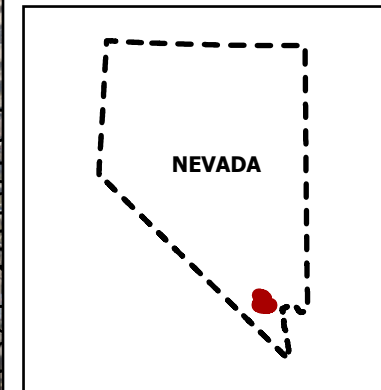
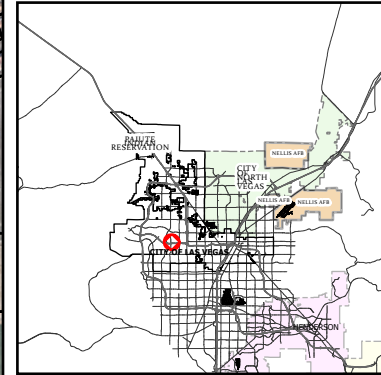
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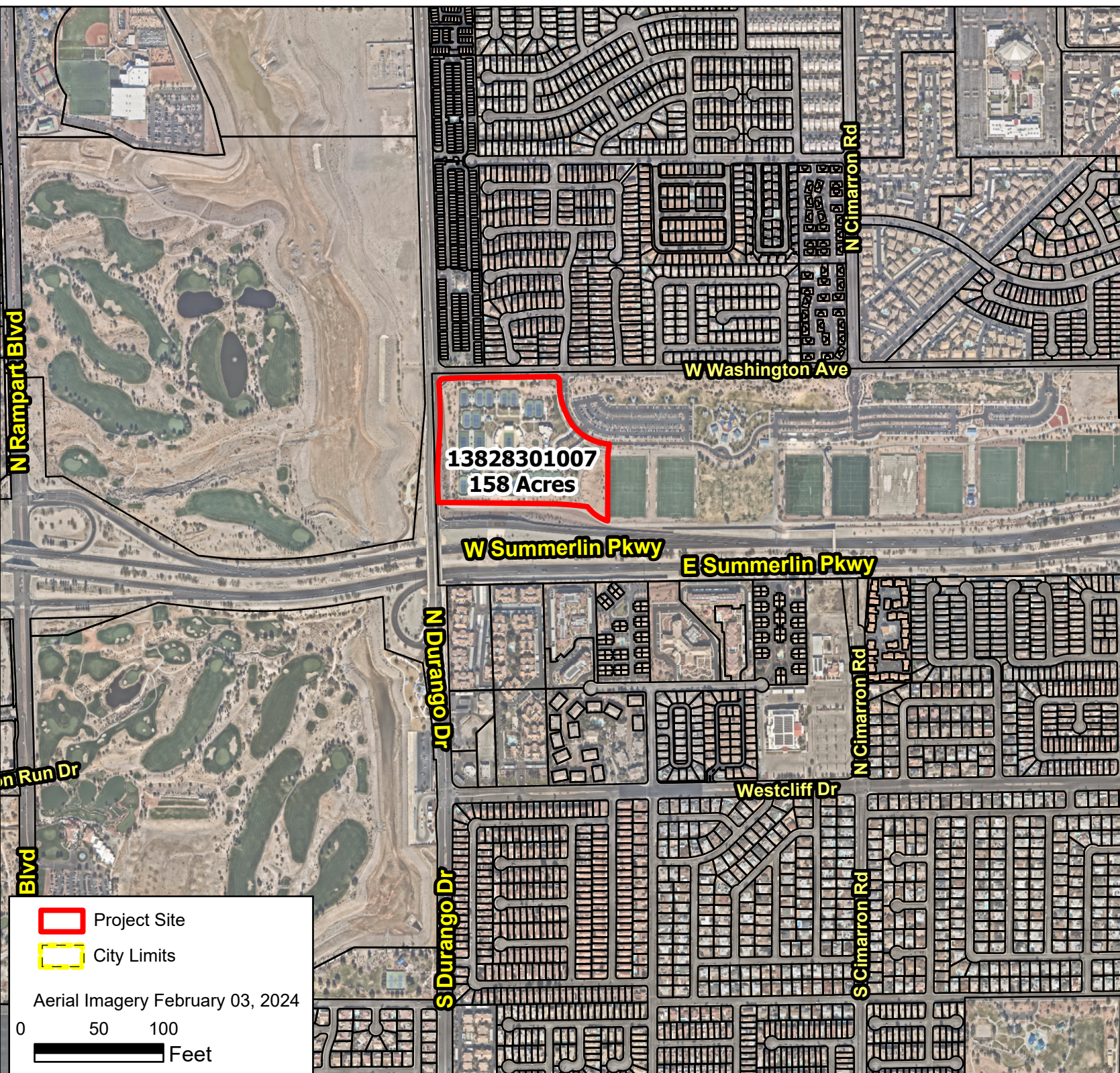


COUNTY ASSESSOR
PARCEL AERIAL



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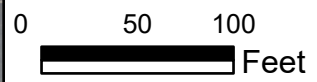
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Project Site

City Limits

Aerial Imagery February 03, 2024



SCHEMATIC SITE PLAN – PROPOSED COURT ADDITIONS



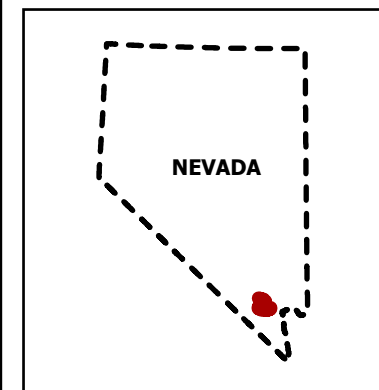
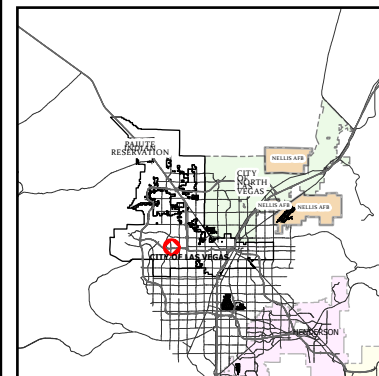
Figure GEN-2 Schematic Site Plan – Proposed Court Additions

SCHEMATIC LANDSCAPE PLAN



Figure GEN-7 Schematic Landscape Plan

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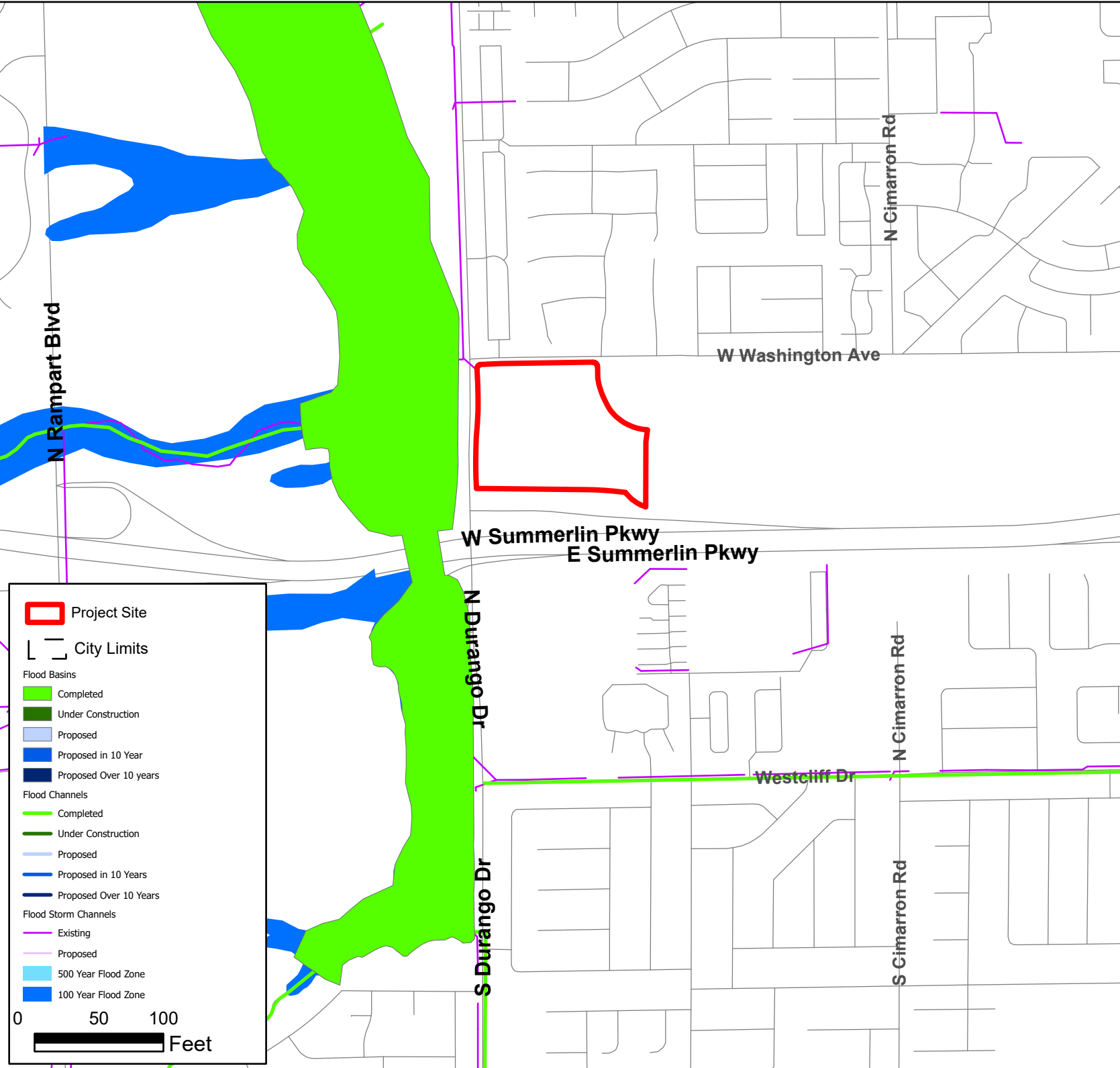


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Project Site

City Limits

Flood Basins

- Completed
- Under Construction
- Proposed
- Proposed in 10 Year
- Proposed Over 10 years

Flood Channels

- Completed
- Under Construction
- Proposed
- Proposed in 10 Years
- Proposed Over 10 Years

Flood Storm Channels

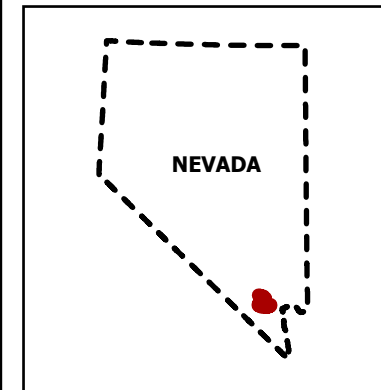
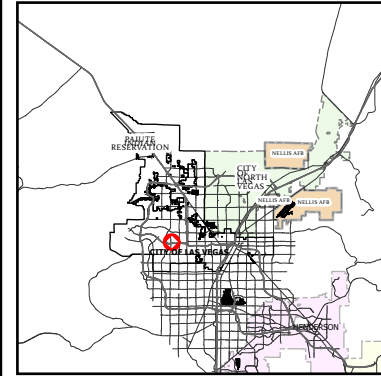
- Existing
- Proposed

Flood Zones

- 500 Year Flood Zone
- 100 Year Flood Zone

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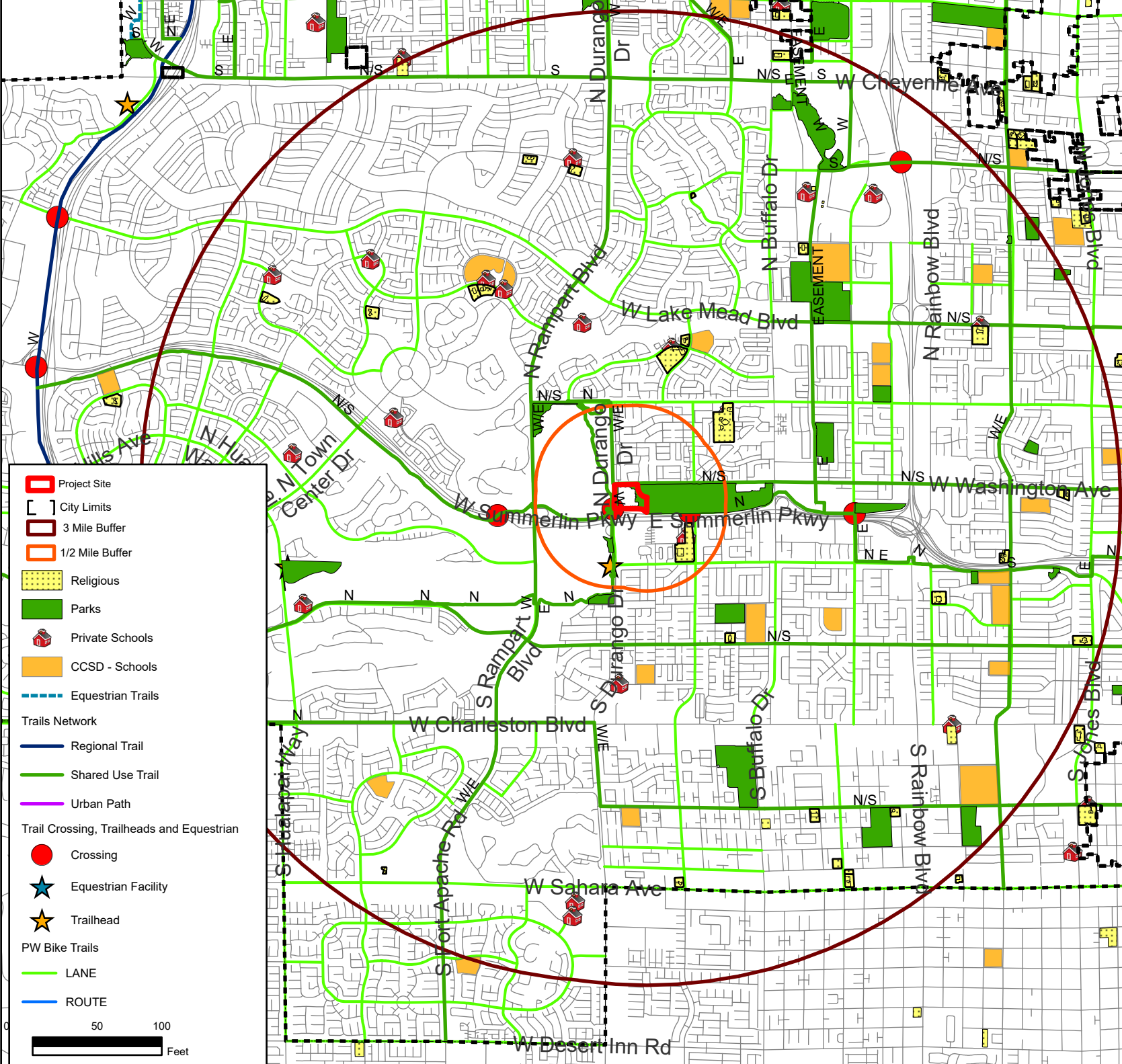


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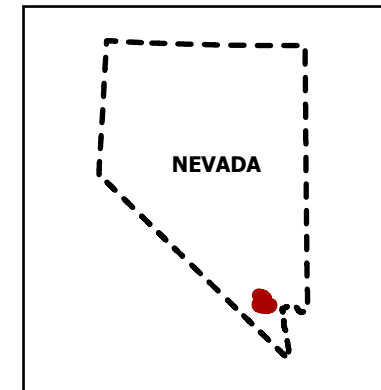
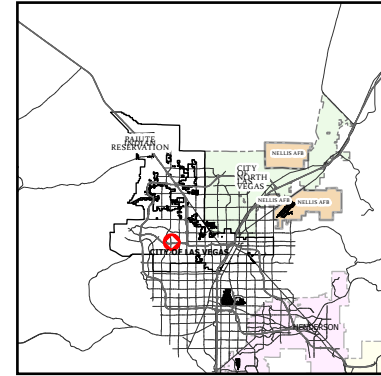


Legend

- Project Site
- City Limits
- 3 Mile Buffer
- 1/2 Mile Buffer
- Religious
- Parks
- Private Schools
- CCSD - Schools
- Equestrian Trails
- Trails Network**
- Regional Trail
- Shared Use Trail
- Urban Path
- Trail Crossing, Trailheads and Equestrian**
- Crossing
- Equestrian Facility
- Trailhead
- PW Bike Trails**
- LANE
- ROUTE

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Project Site

City Limits

Private Schools

Parks

Religious

CCSD - Schools

Equestrian Trails

Trails Network

- Regional Trail
- Shared Use Trail
- Urban Path

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N. PHOTOS



Photo 1 - Aerial view of Darling Tennis Center



Photo 2 - Aerial View of center court during a tournament



Photo 3 - Center court being used for wheelchair tennis lessons.



Photo 4 - Nighttime aerial view of tennis center showing LED lighting.

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
Performance Measures for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	0
R3- Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	1
R4- Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. <i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i>	0
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/ Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. <i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i>	0
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable. <i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i>	0

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



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ksears@LasVegasNevada.gov

Dear Dr. Sears:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the City of Las Vegas (City) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the City for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Chuck Minker Sports Complex – This proposal is to demolish the existing Chuck Minker Sports Complex facility and design and construct a new sports complex facility on site. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Bettye Wilson Upgrades – This proposal is to design and construct upgrades to both east and west sections of the Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex. The project proposal is located on City-owned lands, but the subsurface mineral estate is reserved to the BLM per the subject land patents issued to the City (patent numbers 27-2003-0095 and 27-2004-0097). Because the project may include the use of subsurface mineral materials, the proposed budget and timeline should include coordination with the BLM geologists and obtaining any necessary permits from the BLM for the use of those materials. Free use permits are issued subject to the requirements of 43 CFR Part 3600 and can take 6 to 8 months to process.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a

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Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Darling Tennis Center Expansion – This proposal is to design and construct an additional 14 tennis courts at the Darling Tennis Center located within the Kellogg Zaher Sports Complex. In 2011, the park was conveyed to the City under the authority of the Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act, R&PP Patent Number 27-2011-0017, and case file number N-63336, but the subsurface mineral estate is reserved to the BLM. Because the project may include the use of subsurface mineral materials, the proposed budget and timeline should include coordination with the BLM geologists and obtaining any necessary permits from the BLM for the use of those materials. Free use permits are issued subject to the requirements of 43 CFR Part 3600 and can take 6 to 8 months to process.

An amended Plan of Development with a complete design plan and updated management plan will need to be submitted to the BLM Las Vegas Field Office and approved prior to initiating any changes or new construction.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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O. SUPPORT LETTERS



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Robert Wandel
Assistant District Manager – SNPLMA Division
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Las Vegas, Nevada 89130

Dear Mr. Wandel,

On behalf of the city of Las Vegas, I would like to express my support for the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) Parks, Trails and Natural Areas (PTNA) Round 20 city of Las Vegas project nomination for the Darling Tennis Center Expansion. This important project will provide our local tennis community the needed capacity to support concurrent local and league use, as well as provide the ability to host large national tournaments such as NCAA and USTA events that are currently turned away due to facility limitations.

The city of Las Vegas is an iconic, world-class city. The core purpose for employees of the city of Las Vegas is to “Build community to make life better.” SNPLMA funding to construct additional tennis courts at Darling Tennis Center will certainly “make life better” for the community of in the western portion of Las Vegas who enjoy using the Darling Tennis Center for practice, league, lessons, and competitions. The current capacity of the tennis center is not sufficient to meet the needs of the surrounding community, resulting in leagues and competitions being delayed or turned away. It is my belief that expanding the Darling Tennis Center will enhance an already incredible value for our community by increasing community access to a high-demand amenity.

I strongly support the city of Las Vegas’s SNPLMA project proposal to expand the Darling Tennis Center at 7901 W Washington Avenue in Las Vegas, and encourage the Bureau of Land Management to fully fund this worthwhile project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victoria Seaman".

Councilwoman Victoria Seaman
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Commitment Letter - Voluntary Non-Federal In-Kind Contributions



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November 2, 2023

Robert Wandel
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Subject: Round 20 City of Las Vegas Commitment – Darling Tennis Center Expansion

Dear Mr. Wandel,

I am pleased to inform you that the City of Las Vegas has nominated the Darling Tennis Center Expansion project for Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 in the category of Parks, Trails and Natural Areas (PTNA).

The City of Las Vegas is requesting \$9,647,000 of federal funds, with no matched contributions. However, the City of Las Vegas commits to covering all associated internal costs and staffing needs involved in the project to ensure successful completion.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding the City's nomination. We appreciate your Round 20 consideration.

Mike Janssen, P.E.
City Manager
City of Las Vegas, Nevada

cc: Michelle Leiber, Program Manager - PTNA, MSHCP and Capital Improvements

**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Update as of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 7

Entity: City of Henderson

Project: Downtown Park Renovation

Excel Budget Detail Narrative

Tab 6 “Contractual” costs: Cost breakdown for contractual costs are provided in “lump sum” with no explanation or calculation to show how each contract cost was derived. During the early nomination review the City was advised that each contract must be justified with detail explanation of how the "Contract" cost estimate is derived; and a sample cost breakdown was shared to help the city show its work. Lump Sum is not acceptable.

City have provided corrected calculations for Personnel and Fringe costs. These amounts have been updated in the nomination, budget detail summary, SNPLMA Nomination Portal and the financial tracker presented to the PWG in March 2024.

The SNPLMA Program Manager will continue to work with the city for a more detailed breakdown of estimated costs. The budget will also need to be updated to identify contributed funds for non-public spaces (staff offices) to be constructed as part of the recreation center expansion—and clearly identify public vs non-public spaces and provide estimated cost share by square footage.

Personnel/fringe has been updated. City will also need to provide a revised signed contributed funds commitment letter for voluntary non-federal cost share. It is noted that SNPLMA does not require cost share.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

City of Henderson

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Downtown Park Renovation

Amount Requested: \$16,475,834

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Henderson is proposing the redesign and construction of the approximately 4-acre Downtown Park in Downtown Henderson, Nevada. This will improve its utilization by the neighborhood and wider community through the re-orientation of the park to Basic Road and by replacing the non-operational aquatics facility with an expansion of the Downtown Rec Center. Located in the historic Townsite Neighborhood built during World War II, within the City's Downtown Redevelopment Area, the Downtown Park is among the oldest of Henderson's parks and is currently not up to current development standards. The project aims to address existing concerns with lack of use, natural surveillance, and elevate the park to current City standards. The park redevelopment will contribute to the revitalization momentum currently happening in Downtown Henderson, specifically making a positive change on the streetscape and urban image of Basic Road.

The Downtown Park Renovation Project is abutted by historic single-family homes originally built during World War II, Henderson City Hall, and the Henderson Police Department Headquarters to the north; Our Saviors Lutheran Church and McCaw STEAM Academy to the east; townhomes to the south; and by the Fraternal Order of the Eagles to the west. The project site is made up of two parcels, with the City of Henderson owning one part, and the Henderson Redevelopment Agency owning the other. A quitclaim deed document to transfer ownership from the Redevelopment Agency as the current owner of a 1-acre portion of the project site to the City of Henderson has been requested and is in process. The quitclaim deed will be completed within the next 2-3 months. Existing site facilities include two parking lots, a park, a recreation center, offices for the City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Department, and a non-operation aquatics facility. The park itself has a playground area, two shade structures, barbecues, picnic tables, and trash receptacles. A Nevada Energy powerline easement runs parallel to the project location. However, this right-of-way falls outside the proposed project boundary.

This location may be accessed by vehicles through two parking lots. The first parking lot may be accessed from Basic Road to the north or from Lynn Street to the northeast. The second parking lot may be accessed from East Van Wagenen Street to the south. Furthermore, the location is bicycle friendly and may be accessed either by sharrows on Basic Street to the north, the Van Wagenen bicycle/pedestrian trail that runs adjacent to the project location to the south, or through bike lanes on East Van Wagenen Street also to the south. There is a bus stop on Basic Street for the BHX line, the busiest bus line in the Las Vegas Valley outside the Las Vegas Strip. The bus stop is approximately 1,800 feet away and is within a 7-minute walk to the project location.

The Downtown Henderson neighborhood is an economically challenged, ethnically diverse, and underrepresented community within the City of Henderson. Whereas the City as a whole has a 6.2% Black or African American population and 18.6% Hispanic population, the Downtown Henderson neighborhood is more ethnically diverse, with a 10.3% Black or African American population and a 23% Hispanic population. Additionally, housing median value is \$198,200, nearly half of Henderson's \$365,900 housing median value. Downtown Henderson has a per capita income of \$23,765 and a median household income of \$52,123. Both these numbers fall below Henderson's \$43,264 per capita income and \$79,611 median household income.

The City of Henderson has a strategic goal to provide every resident within a 10-minute walk to a

park or trail. The Downtown Henderson neighborhood has been identified as an area deficient in parks and recreational facilities. The project will help address this absence by providing the community with an accessible park that will provide an enjoyable recreational and educational experience while addressing environmental justice. Additionally, the implementation of the Downtown Park Renovation Project will help with advancing several City of Henderson plans, including the Henderson Strong Comprehensive Plan, Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Henderson Age-Friendly Action Plan, Henderson Downtown Investment Strategy, Henderson Open Space and Trails Plan, Henderson Master Bicycle and Trail Plan, and the 10-minute walk-to-park campaign.

The purpose of the project centers on renovating and reinvigorating the Downtown Park. The concept plan features the re-orientation of the park to Basic Road and includes an expansion of the Downtown Rec Center, active lawn areas, playgrounds, splash pads, shade structures, and pickleball courts. Restroom facilities and a central plaza area with amphitheater seating are centered on the site. The active lawn area will serve as a neighborhood event space and children's play area. A sloped lounge turf mound will be installed and will add a bit of variety to park visitors, such as for picnics and sitting under shade trees. The play areas will feature a one small-scale playground with boulder seating and climbing areas, one large-scale playground with lighting on a rubberized surface, one small scale lighted and interactive splash pad with pop jets and sprayers, and one large-scale lighted and interactive splash pad with water sculptures.

The park will also be designed in a way that addresses AB356, a Nevada legislature enacted in 2021 that seeks to prohibit the use of water to irrigate nonfunctional turf and to increase efficient water use by 2026. Existing fescue grass, which consumes 1-2 inches of water per week, will be replaced with a Hybrid Bermuda grass, which is more adapted to desert climates and consumes 0.5 – 1.5 inches of water per week. Approximately 16,708 square feet of fescue grass will be removed from Downtown Park, resulting in an estimate of 918,940 gallons of water saved per year. Finally, the non-operational aquatics facility that suffers from leaks and mechanical issues will be replaced with approximately 0.85 acres of additional usable space. This will help address the massive evaporation rates from the pools, which is of immense concern due to the water scarcity issues that Southern Nevada is currently facing.

Through the implementation of these deliverables, the Downtown Park Renovation Project will have a transformative and revitalizing impact to the Downtown Henderson neighborhood. It will provide an underserved community with updated and new recreational and educational opportunities, thus improving livelihood, physical well-being, and quality of life to residents and visitors from all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

Downtown Park has no relationship with prior SNPLMA rounds of funding. The proposed Downtown Park Renovation project will not be completed in phases. This is a stand-alone project.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

The City of Henderson acknowledges that this is a stand-alone project. If a future phase

were to be developed, the City of Henderson understands that there is no guarantee or expectation of funding.

The City has the capacity and capability to properly manage project performance conducted internally and with subrecipients, contractors, and subcontractors, consistent with the SNPLMA business rules and cooperative agreement regulations. Therefore, the City will provide oversight & monitoring before, during, and after project implementation. For completed deliverables versus remaining deliverables, and how to measure and ensure the project is in compliance with scope (time, costs and purpose), the following tools will be used to quantifiably track and report project performance:

Pre-construction (Design)

- Consultant Selection
- Consultant Contract Approval
- Construction Documents
- Public Bid Process
- City Council Approval
- Contractor Notice to Proceed

Construction

- Project Schedule
- Budget Reconciliation
- Contract Administration Documents
- Bi-weekly Construction Meetings
- Punchlist
- Substantial Completion
- Close Out
- Warranty Period

If this project is approved for SNPLMA funding, the City will use this data as part of the performance narrative annual/semi-annual reporting requirements post award.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The proposed project will promote the goals of the PTNA identified in the Strategic Plan. These goals will be accomplished by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values: connectivity, sustainability, and community as described below.

1. Sustainability:

Projects that incorporate durability, relevancy, and shared support to ensure project benefits in the near and long term.

This project nomination consists of addressing existing challenges of an aged recreational facility in poor conditions, underutilized vacant land, and a non-operational aquatics facility to fully redesign and reinvigorate the park into a place for the community to gather and enjoy. The newly proposed park design takes into consideration sustainability principles such as using drought-tolerant landscape materials, water-saving irrigation, LED lighting, and urban heat island effect.

With ongoing drought conditions affecting water levels at Lake Mead, a newly implemented law, [AB 356](#), is aimed at increasing efficient water use throughout Southern Nevada. The useless grass removal law prohibits the use of water delivered by SNWA's member agencies to irrigate decorative grass in streetscapes, medians, parking lots, and other areas where it is used for aesthetics and not recreational purposes by the end of 2026. To comply with AB356, the proposed Downtown Park Renovation will utilize drought-tolerant, low-water use, native plants, trees or other desert-friendly landscaping in accordance with the approved [Southern Nevada Water Authority \(SNWA\) Regional Plant List](#). Existing Fescue grass, which consumes 1-2 inches of water per week, will be replaced with a Hybrid Bermuda grass, which is more adapted to desert climates and consumes 0.5 – 1.5 inches of water per week. Approximately 16,708 square feet of fescue grass will be removed from Downtown Park, resulting in an estimate of 918,940 gallons of water saved per year.

Additionally, Downtown Park Renovation will follow the City of Henderson's water conservation measures already in place including the conservation watering schedule designed to help maximize water efficiency. This schedule is created by a centrally controlled irrigation system that monitors daily weather station data, utilizes computerized controllers, and applies the optimum amount of water needed to keep plants healthy. The project will seek to preserve as many of the existing matured trees as possible within the efforts of the renovation process to assist with urban heat island effect mitigation. Shade canopies and an enclosed extension to the existing Downtown Recreation Center with roll-up doors will increase shading and comfort levels for visitors, further contributing to a reduction in the urban heat island effect.

Furthermore, a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) was completed in October 2022 to identify potential or existing environmental contamination liabilities, including potential soil and/or groundwater contamination, and threats to the environment and/or human health. Based on the conclusions of the ESA, no evidence of Recognized Environmental Conditions (REC) was found, and no known cultural/biological resources will be impacted by the project.

Proper design of the park will also incorporate routine long-term maintenance to lessen potential future costs.

2. Connectivity:

Projects that restore and protect healthy and resilient landscapes that connect important habitats and protect the integrity of the human and biological communities.

This project will provide outdoor and recreation opportunities that will improve the quality of life for the public and encourage greater interaction with nature. An existing chain-link fence on the north side of the park will be removed, and the park itself will be expanded

upon and extended to Basic Road. Likewise, an existing chain-link fence on the south side of the park will be removed, providing a more direct connection for pedestrian and bicyclists that use the adjacent Van Wagenen trail. The changes will improve connectivity to the park, thus increasing accessibility for neighbors and visitors alike.

The park will also become a key hub to the existing City's Park and Trail network system. The Van Wagenen Trail runs adjacent to the Downtown Park and directly connects to several important key destinations within a half mile, including McCaw STEAM Academy (elementary school), Burkholder Middle School, Burkholder Park, the Water Street District, and the Harry Reid UPRR trail. The park also connects to the Boulder Highway Trail and the Lake Mead Trail via sharrows on Basic Road. Connectivity from the surrounding areas to and from the park will be enhanced by adding a primary 15-foot walking path that will allow access to food trucks and city maintenance vehicles while still maintaining ADA compliance and allow for sufficient walking spaces for pedestrians. Secondary-eight-foot walking paths that lead to the park interior will also be added. Pedestrian-level lighting will be included along the new and enhanced paths and trails.

Overall, the project will reinvigorate the Downtown Park area and provide enhanced recreational opportunities for people of all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities. In addition, the on-site Downtown Recreation Center will continue providing supplemental resources while also offering recreational and educational opportunity and experiences for all residents and visitors. Downtown Park will be part of the overall Downtown revitalization efforts, adding more investment and recreational opportunities in this underserved area.

3. Community:

Projects that provide outdoor recreation opportunities that improve the quality of life for the public and encourage interaction with nature.

The proposed Downtown Park Renovation project will provide outdoor recreation opportunities that will considerably improve the quality of life for the nearby residents, workforce, and visitors of all ages and backgrounds. Adjacent and/or nearby community organizations including The Fraternal Order of Eagles, McCaw STEAM Academy, Water Street District Business Association, the CCSD Safe Routes to Schools, and others have provided their support to the project (see letters of support attached).

According to 2021 US Census American Communities Survey (ACS) 5-year estimates, Census tract 52.00, the community surrounding the Downtown Park is characterized by having a large Hispanic population at 23% and Black or African American population of 10.3%, which exceeds the Henderson average of 18.6% and 6.2%, respectively. Populations with less than a high school degree is nearly three times higher, with 17.8% for Census tract 52.00 and only 6.1% for the City overall. The community is in a HUD-identified low-income census tract and Opportunity Zone. Nearly 21% of the population falls below the poverty line, which is nearly triple the Henderson rate of 7.7%.

The housing sector also sees significant differences with Census tract 52.00 seeing 58.5% of renter-occupied housing units compared to the City rate of 35.4%. Inversely, ownership rates are lower, with 41.5% of housing units being occupied by their owners compared to 64.6% for the City. Additionally, the housing median value is \$198,200, nearly half of

Henderson's \$365,900 housing median value. Downtown Henderson has a per capita income of \$23,765 and a median household income of \$52,123. Both these numbers fall well below Henderson's \$43,264 per capita income and \$79,611 median household income.

This project will incorporate durability, relevancy, and shared support to ensure a higher quality of life for an underrepresented and disadvantaged community. The project area includes the Downtown Recreation Center, which provides recreation, enrichment, and educational resources for parkgoers. The Downtown Recreation Center averages 252,291 annual visitors and features an indoor elevated walking/jogging track, warm-up and fitness area, game room, gymnasium, showers, and racquetball/wallyball courts. As part of this project, a new extension would be added and will include roll-up doors to create a seamless transition between outdoor and indoor recreation opportunities.

Additionally, as part of the master plan process, public outreach was conducted via online surveys and through mailers sent to all residents living within a mile of the Downtown Park. The response rate was very favorable and recognized the need to revitalize and reinvest in the Downtown Park. Public outreach responses showed a strong desire to incorporate playgrounds, splash pads, restrooms, multi-use/gathering areas, an amphitheater, and pickleball courts. The pickleball courts will be implemented as part of the Downtown Recreation Center extension and will provide shading while also including roll-up doors that exposes users with nature and the outdoors.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The City of Henderson is proposing to renovate the existing Downtown Park, originally built in the 1950's and located in historic Downtown Henderson, to upgrade existing amenities and expand recreational opportunities. Downtown Henderson, also known as Basic Townsite, is located in the Downtown Redevelopment Area and is one of the oldest neighborhoods in Henderson with matured housing and aging infrastructure. Residents of the area are among the most diverse and generally experience poorer health outcomes, higher unemployment and poverty rates, lower income and educational attainment when compared to citywide averages. Based on its the 2019 Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Downtown Park was ranked as the fifth lowest city park (number 61 out of 65 total parks) with regards to functional quality. The proposed design for Downtown Park renovation, supported by extensive community outreach, aims to reorient, and rebuild the existing park with updated and new amenities to meet current code requirements; bring positive change to the surrounding low-income neighborhood by addressing blight; and enticing private investment as part of the ongoing revitalization and redevelopment efforts currently taking place in Downtown Henderson.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables:

- a. Demolition of existing amenities, including:
 1. One 4,600-SF pool building
 2. One 25,000-SF non-operational aquatic facility (includes three pools)
 3. One 9,000-SF playground area
 4. One 500-SF picnic area
 5. 16,708-SF Fescue grass removal

- b. Install landscaping and irrigation.
- c. Expand the existing parking lot on west side by 8 stalls for a total of 71 stalls (this includes 4 existing ADA stalls).
- d. Construct 37,000-SF to 60,000-SF of hardscape for:
 - 1. Lighted 15-ft. minimum width main pedestrian/bicycle shared walkway.
 - 2. Lighted secondary 8-ft. minimum width walking paths.
 - 3. Lighted drop-off area and food truck access point.
 - 4. Multi-use event area and gathering space for dining, games, concerts, corporate events, etc.
 - 5. Flexible dining and rest area with decomposed granite.
 - 6. Designated food truck area that can also serve as a staging area for event or festival tents.
 - 7. Central grove area for events/activities with decomposed granite.
- e. Install one 3,750-SF lighted dog relief area with decorative fencing and a decomposed granite surface.
- f. Construct one amphitheater seating area (~350-SF to 450-SF).
- g. Install 800-900-LF perimeter fence to protect the play area.
- h. Install sloped lounge turf mound for picnics and sitting under shade trees (~4,500-SF to 5,000-SF).
- i. Construct one restroom building with 1-2 drinking fountains (~500-SF).
- j. Install one playground area with age 2-5 and age 5-12 equipment with lighting on rubberized play surface with boulder seating (~2,500-SF to 3,000-SF).
- k. Install 4-6 pieces of outdoor fitness equipment.
- l. Install one lighted splash pad area with surfacing (~4,500-SF to 5,000-SF).
- m. Install 17,000-18,000 square feet of turf.
- n. Construct a 10,000-SF building expansion for 4-8 pickleball courts with one main entrance and roll-up doors on the park side.
- o. Install 4-10 trash receptacles.
- p. Install 4-10 recycle receptacles.
- q. Install 4-6 dog waste receptacles.
- r. Install 4-15 picnic tables.
- s. Install 6-18 tables.
- t. Install 4-10 benches.
- u. Install 1-2 bicycle racks with shade.
- v. Install 3-5 shade structures.
- w. Install 1-3 lawn games such as bean bag toss.
- x. Install one park monument sign.
- y. Install one park rules sign.
- z. Install conduit for three security cameras (cameras to be provided by the City)
- aa. Install Wi-Fi.

*Please note: All amenities proposed are project specific and will be permanent fixtures of the project. Some of the amenities are contingent upon final results of the design and final cost estimates at the time the design is completed.

2. Anticipated Deliverables: Not applicable

3. Standard Deliverables:

- a. Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)
- b. Develop Scope of Work (SOW) for contracts
- c. Surveys as necessary
- d. Issue a Request for Proposals (RFP)
- e. Submit and obtain management approval of project documents.
- f. Environmental clearances
- g. Construction documents
- h. Specialist's review of project documents
- i. Construction phase

E. PROJECT LOCATION

This project is in Clark County, Nevada, within the City of Henderson in the Downtown Henderson neighborhood, generally located at the intersection of Basic Road and Lead Street. The project site is also within the Downtown Redevelopment Area.

Project Site Address: 105 West Basic Road, Henderson, Nevada 89015

Legal Description: MDM: Clark County, NV: T.22S., R.63E., Sec. 18

Parcel Number(s):

- 17908405005 (Vacant site to be developed as part of the proposed park expansion and renovation – City of Henderson Redevelopment Agency owned)
- 17918802008 (Current Park Site to be renovated – City of Henderson owned)
- 17918810128 (Existing Parking Lot to remain – City of Henderson owned)
- 17918810030 (Existing Parking Lot to remain – City of Henderson owned)
- 17918810031 (Existing Parking Lot to remain – City of Henderson owned)

Current Land Use: Downtown Public/Semi-public (DP); Zoned - Downtown Public (DP)

Latitude and Longitude: Lat 36° 1' 43.4316" N; Long 114° 59' 4.83" W

Congressional District(s): Nevada District 1

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

The project will be completed within 5 years from the date of the awarded SNPLMA financial instrument (assistance agreement). A year-by-year breakdown is as follows:

Year 1: SNPLMA Cooperative Agreement/Federal Environmental & Sec. 106 Compliance

- Request to initiate, develop project workplan; pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM.
- Respond to the Notice of Intent to Award by federal financial assistance application submittal.
- Coordinate with BLM on any required environmental review and Sec.106 compliance.
- Request and receive SNPLMA NTP.

Year 2: Project Design and Preliminary Architecture & Engineering

- Develop scope of work for park design contract services; solicit request for proposals.
- Execute design contract, start development of construction drawings.
- Construction bid process, City Council approval to award construction contract.

Years 3/4: Project Construction

- Execute Construction Contract.
- Notice to Proceed.
- Pre-construction kick-off meeting.
- Construct a 10,000-SF building extension to the Downtown Recreation Center.
- Construct and extend the 4-acre Downtown Park.
- Install picnic tables, shade structures, playgrounds, splash pads, and trails.
- Punch list.
- Finalize punch list items, payment of final construction contract invoices.

Year 5: Project Closeout

- Reconcile project file, financial expenditures, and unliquidated obligations.
- Conduct final site inspection with SNPLMA PM.
- Prepare closeout request package and update SMART.
- Submit final financial report (SF-425) and performance narrative via Grant Solutions.
- Submit closeout request package.

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

This proposal, if funded, is shovel-ready and prepared to move forward with construction within the five-year timeframe. The proposed Downtown Park Renovation project has been a priority for City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Department since it was identified as one of the lowest ranked park facilities (number 61 out of 65 total parks) with regards to functional quality per the 2019 Parks and Recreation Master Plan. As such, the Parks & Recreation Department partnered with the Community Development & Services Department to leverage existing grant funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Program to perform a Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), a Concept Master Plan, and Cost Estimate by contracted professional planning services. Concurrently, Parks & Recreation Department conducted public outreach with the community to obtain feedback on desired and needed amenities for this important recreational facility in historic Downtown Henderson.

A Phase I ESA was completed in October 2022 to identify potential or existing environmental contamination liabilities, including potential soil and/or groundwater contamination, and threats to the environment and/or human health. Based on the conclusions of the ESA, no evidence of Recognized Environmental Conditions (REC) was found, and no known cultural/biological resources will be impacted by the project.

The Downtown Conceptual Master Plan was completed in March 2023 to layout the new park design including direct access from Basic Road, new recreational amenities, and expansion of the recreation center to accommodate pickleball courts. This concept master plan was developed with community feedback received during the outreach process.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Operations and maintenance for the Downtown Park Renovation project will be performed by existing city staff using existing equipment. Estimated maintenance and operation costs are

\$129,500 annually. Maintenance will include regular trash cleanup, trail cleanup, turf care, irrigation maintenance, tree maintenance, lighting maintenance, weed control, restroom cleanup, playground equipment inspections and maintenance, splash pad maintenance, dog relief area cleanup, and any other maintenance associated with a park to ensure it is in proper condition for the community to use.

The Downtown Park Renovation project was presented to and accepted by the City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Board on August 2, 2023. Then, the Mayor and members of the Henderson City Council reviewed and approved the proposal during the City Council meeting held on September 5, 2023, and committed to any future operation and maintenance costs when the project is completed.

The City of Henderson acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the City from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the City's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$16,475,834.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the "Project Budget Detail & Narrative" spreadsheet that provides a summary and breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 804,091	\$ 135,211
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ 405,954	\$ 75,477
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ 12,000
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 15,265,789	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 thru 8)	\$ 16,475,834	\$ 222,689
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 16,475,834	\$ 222,689

The City of Henderson is seeking SNPLMA funding to implement and complete the proposed Downtown Park Renovation project. While it is difficult to predict cost escalations between the time the project is nominated and when it would be implemented, the cost estimate was prepared by an experienced design and construction consulting firm during the development of the Master Plan. The consultant took into consideration current industry trends into the cost estimate. The costs were reviewed by city staff and compared with similar park projects.

Cost-Benefit Analysis

The estimated cost for the Downtown Park Renovation will offset the numerous anticipated benefits that the proposed improvements will provide. Research shows that parks are used more often, and users are more active following improvements or renovations. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), insufficient physical activity is the fourth highest cause of death globally and is a major contributor to increases in healthcare expenditure. Improving public open spaces such as parks in areas of low-socioeconomic position such as Downtown Henderson, will increase recreational physical activity in this disadvantaged neighborhood.

In addition to the health benefits that the proposed Downtown Park renovation will provide, the project will become a new key destination within Downtown Henderson, increase foot traffic, attract new investment, host a wide variety of community events, improve streetscape and urban image, re-engage residents and visitors, and promote outdoor recreation for all, to name a few.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

The City of Henderson will provide a contribution of staff time (salary plus fringe benefit costs) in the amount of \$210,689. The time is for a Park Planner and Park Project Manager. The City of Henderson will also provide funding for security cameras that will be located in the park. There will be three cameras that will be installed and the cost for the cameras is approximately \$12,000.

J. KEY CONTACTS

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: The Downtown Henderson neighborhood is an economically challenged, ethnically diverse, and underrepresented community within the City of Henderson. Whereas the City has a 6.2% Black or African American population and 18.6% Hispanic population, the Downtown Henderson neighborhood is more ethnically diverse, with a 10.3% Black or African American population and a 23% Hispanic population. Nearly 19% of the population is 65 years and older while nearly 21% live below the poverty line. Housing median value is \$198,200, nearly half of Henderson's \$365,900 housing median value. Downtown Henderson has a per capita income of \$23,765 and a median household income of \$52,123. Both these numbers fall below Henderson's \$43,264 per capita income and \$79,611 median household income.

The proposed Downtown Park Renovation Project will result in the renovation of an existing park in the historic Basic Townsite Neighborhood built during World War II, today known as Downtown Henderson. It will provide diverse recreational opportunities that fit into the neighborhood context, serve all populations, and capitalize on the property's size and configuration adjacent to the Downtown Recreation Center. A park at this location will provide recreational amenities for the surrounding neighborhoods that are identified as a low service area pursuant to the 2019 City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

The project will construct passive recreation, shade structures, active recreation components such as a playground area and splash pads, outdoor fitness equipment, picnic areas, art elements, include safety measures through lighting, and restrooms. Additionally, the park will also have unique elements, such as a designated food truck area that will double as a staging area for events or festival tents, amphitheater seating area integrated into the planting areas, and the expansion of the Downtown Recreation Center with pickleball courts and roll-up doors on the park side that will create a seamless transition between the built and natural environment.

The Downtown Park will transform the area with an array of recreational amenities that will serve a variety of users of all ages and will introduce a premier park destination within the neighborhood. The proposed project divides the park into two distinct sections, with one part being a natural outdoor space and the other being an expansion of the Downtown Recreation Center. Both sections surround a multi-use event area and community gathering space that serves as the center of the park. This design allows for an organized spatial arrangement that perfectly blends nature with the built environment.

Approximately one acre will be swapped with land from the Redevelopment Agency through a quitclaim deed and will replace an existing underutilized vacant site with an active lawn area, a playground, trails, a sloped lounge mound, and integrated amphitheater seating. Another 0.85 acres will remove the non-operational aquatics facility, thus eliminating all issues associated with it, including leaks, non-compliance and mechanical issues, massive water consumption/evaporation concerns, and the fact that it is currently dead space for park visitors. In its place will go usable spaces, including shade structures, a fenced dog relief area, designated food truck area, and an expansion to the Downtown Recreation Center with roll-up doors to create a smooth transition between indoor and outdoor recreation.

The Downtown Park will increase access to recreational opportunities and have a revitalizing impact on the community. It will eliminate non-operational elements of the park and replace

them with usable spaces, replace the visual blight caused by the existing underutilized vacant site with natural elements, reconfigure the park footprint, ensure that Nevada legislature AB356 requirements are met, and increase connectivity and sustainability for the community. The Downtown Park will be a state-of-the-art public facility that people of all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities will be able to enjoy for years to come.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: This project will revitalize a low-income neighborhood where 20.7% of persons live in poverty, 12.4% are unemployed, and where there is a per capita income of \$23,765. These numbers are far worse than the City averages of 7.7%, 6.9 percent, and \$52,123, respectively. The surrounding neighborhood is in a HUD-identified low-income census tract, an Opportunity Zone (OZ), and is identified in the 2019 Parks and Recreation Master Plan as a low service area.

The proposed Downtown Park Renovation will transform 1.4 acres of underutilized vacant land, 0.85 acres of a non-operational facility, and 2.75 acres of an existing park that does not meet current standards into usable open spaces with amenities for residents of all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities to enjoy. A park at this location will provide recreational amenities for 8,779 residents within a 10-minute walk (1/2 mile) and for 90,024 residents within biking distance (3 miles). It will provide an opportunity to improve the property as a neighborhood park, put all elements of the site into productive community use, and provide additional recreational amenities for the surrounding neighborhoods.

The park renovation will contribute to the overall Downtown Henderson revitalization efforts, specifically improving the streetscape and urban image on Basic Road, a key access point to Downtown. The park improvements will perfectly blend and align with other public spaces and recent improvements in Downtown Henderson such as the Water Street Events Plaza, Water Street, and Army Street.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: The project plays a critical and significant role to the Downtown Henderson neighborhood. In 1954, one year after Henderson was incorporated, the City of Henderson initiated a campaign to raise a minimum of \$60,000 to build a park and youth center. The former Basic Management Inc. (BMI) donated nearly four acres for the project at what is now the Downtown Park. On June 30, 1956, a pre-dedication dance marked the official opening of the Henderson Youth Center. In 1986, the Downtown Recreation Center was opened and became the successor of the Henderson Youth Center. Seventeen years later, the Downtown Recreation Center was further expanded and re-opened on January 11, 2003.

The Downtown Park and Downtown Recreation Center have been valued recreational facilities resource in Downtown Henderson for residents and visitors for decades. The Downtown Recreation Center, which occupies the eastern portion of the project area, features an elevated walking/jogging track, game room, gym, racquetball/wallyball courts, showers, warm-up fitness area, and basketball courts. Through public outreach, feedback demonstrated a need and desire for pickleball courts. An expansion of the Downtown Recreation Center that

incorporates garage-type doors will include pickleball courts to allow for indoor/outdoor exposure during optimal temperatures.

Additionally, the center offers free and reduced services and programs to those in need, including low-income residents, youth/teens, seniors (age 60+), active military, and veterans. The Downtown Park makes up the western portion of the project area and features barbecues, a basketball courts, an open grass area, picnic shelters and tables, and a playground.

As Downtown Henderson continues to grow, so does the significance of the Downtown Park. The Downtown Park has not been renovated since it was first built in the 1950's and no longer meets current design standards and code requirements. There is also a non-operational aquatic facility that is permanently closed due to suffering from leaks, non-compliance, mechanical issues, and massive water consumption and evaporation concerns. The 2019 Parks and Recreation Master Plan identified the Downtown Park as a priority park for needed improvements.

This project will have a significant regional impact as it will accomplish the goals and strategies of several plans, including the Henderson Strong Comprehensive Plan, Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Henderson Age-Friendly Action Plan, Downtown Henderson Investment Strategy, Henderson Open Space and Trails Plan, and Henderson Master Bicycle and Trail Plan.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: The significance of the Downtown Park is the accessibility, convenience, and safety it will provide to the residents of Downtown Henderson. The project will remedy the park deficiency in this area, increasing the number of residents within a 10-minute walk of a park, and improving public health by offering indoor and outdoor recreational opportunities for residents. Additionally, safety concerns will be addressed by removing obstructions, adding lighting, and increasing visibility through the implementation of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles.

Approximately 0.85 acres of the existing park consists of a non-operational aquatic facility. Because it is closed to the public, it serves as unusable dead space, suffers from mechanical issues, and creates unsightly views. The project will address these operational concerns by replacing the aquatic facility with a splash pad area. The splash pad area will provide a usable space with water elements for the park, consciously making it more appropriate for this climate by reducing water consumption and water evaporation rates.

A Redevelopment Agency-owned vacant parcel adjacent to the park creates a visually unattractive image of the area. The City of Henderson, together with the Redevelopment Agency, have identified the need to adjust the park footprint to reconfigure its orientation, remove existing barriers, increase accessibility for everyone, and improve natural surveillance. The City has begun a quitclaim deed process to move forward with swapping approximately one acre of land with the Redevelopment Agency and redesign the park with a north/south orientation.

Overall, the Downtown Park Renovation Project will convert existing underutilized vacant land into green spaces, replace non-operational facilities with usable spaces, and convert the existing space into a vibrant park that will revitalize and transform the community.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: The Downtown Park Renovation project will revitalize a low-income and underserved historic neighborhood where 20.7% of persons live in poverty, 12.4% are unemployed, and where there is a per capita income of \$23,765 through access to open space and outdoor recreation opportunities. Some of the existing barriers for nearby residents to use the current park are access, connectivity, visibility, outdated and non-operational amenities, and blight. Downtown Park Renovation will provide access to outdoor recreational amenities for 8,779 residents within a 10-minute walk (1/2 mile) and for 90,024 residents within biking distance (3 miles).

Currently, there is no direct access to the park from the north, south, or west due to an existing chain link fence. Visibility is also compromised due to existing vacant parcel between Basic Road and the current park site as well as difference in elevation. By reconfiguring and expanding the park to create a north/south orientation, this will improve visibility, bring the park up to current city code standards, and transform the park into a unique and contemporary resource for current and future generations for years to come.

Connectivity, which is currently a barrier in the area, will be addressed by connecting the park to Basic Street, replacing the 0.85-acres of non-operational aquatic facility with usable open space, and enhancing bicycle and pedestrian access to the park from surrounding areas to allow for greater regional trail connections. The park will also become a key hub to the existing City's Park and Trail network system. The Van Wagenen Trail runs adjacent to the Downtown Park and directly connects to several important key destinations within a half mile, including McCaw STEAM Academy (elementary school), Burkholder Middle School, Burkholder Park, the Water Street District, and the Harry Reid UPRR trail. The park also connects to the Boulder Highway Trail and the Lake Mead Trail via sharrows on Basic Road. Connectivity from the surrounding areas to and from the park will be enhanced by adding a primary 15-foot walking path that will allow access to food trucks and city maintenance vehicles while still maintaining ADA compliance and allow for sufficient walking spaces for pedestrians. Secondary-eight-foot walking paths that lead to the park interior will also be added. Pedestrian-level lighting will be included along the new and enhanced paths and trails.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Answer: The proposed Downtown Park Renovation project will enhance community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational services of an aged and

underutilized facility. The current park site will go through a comprehensive renovation that will also contribute to the ongoing transformation and revitalization of Downtown Henderson.

A variety of recreational amenities will be provided considering the demographics of the surrounding community characterized for being racially and ethnically diverse; adjacent and nearby community assets such as schools, businesses, and civic buildings; and the existing infrastructure of trail network. The Downtown Park Renovation project is tailored to meet the needs of its community for current and future generations to enjoy.

Amenities such as splash pads with pop jets and sprayers, shade structures, a large-scale playground with lighting on rubberized play surfaces, integrated amphitheater seating with the environment, and multiple shaded areas with seating and lighting. The environment will be transformed by providing landscaping, shade, and structures to protect park users from harmful UV sun rays. Existing mature trees will be salvaged to provide more shade and help reduce the urban heat island effect. The landscape design will incorporate sustainable and desert-friendly elements with appropriate plant placement by allowing the plant material to grow in a natural state and avoiding situations where excess water could be wasted. The existing parking lot will also be enhanced with perimeter landscaped areas to soften its appearance on the neighborhood.

An active lawn game area, small scale playground with boulder seating and climbing areas, desert-friendly and low-water use landscaping, and lighted pedestrian/bicycle shared paths will replace one acre of existing underutilized vacant land. The existing chain link fence that surrounds the park from the south, west, and north will also be removed. The non-operational aquatics facility will be replaced with an expansion to the Downtown Recreation Center that will include pickleball courts with roll-up doors, creating a seamless connection between indoor and outdoor recreation. The lighted shared paths will connect the park from the north, south, and west to provide full accessibility. A multi-use event area and gathering space and designated food truck area that can also be used as a staging area for events or festival tents will serve as the center of the park.

Once the Downtown Park renovation is complete, the project will offer residents and visitors with access to an outdoor recreational facility where programming of activities for all ages, backgrounds and physical abilities can grow and flourish. The proposed updated amenities will create placemaking opportunities for the community. Additionally, education and community engagement opportunities will be further expanded through the existing Downtown Recreation Center.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservationstewardship within communities.*

Answer: The Downtown Park Renovation Master Plan represents a culmination of the community engagement responses the City of Henderson's Parks and Recreation Department received from residents and visitors that took the survey. Public participation topics focused on park planning and design, access, amenities, and programs. To identify what park amenities and programs the community wanted, participants were invited to take a survey which provided options for them to choose from for favorable features to be installed in the

park. From this, responses were tallied up and concept plans for the Downtown Park were developed.

The concept plan features re-orientation of the park to Basic Road, replacing the non-operational aquatics facility with an expansion of the Downtown Rec Center, active lawn areas, playgrounds, splash pads, shade structures, and pickleball courts. Restroom facilities and a central plaza area with amphitheater seating are centered on the site. The active lawn area will serve as a neighborhood event space and children's play area. The play areas will feature a one small-scale playground with boulder seating and climbing areas, one large-scale playground with lighting on a rubberized surface, one small scale lighted and interactive splash pad with pop jets and sprayers, and one large-scale lighted and interactive splash pad with water sculptures. The adjacent Downtown Recreation Center will offer health and wellness opportunities to teach the community about the importance of active living and experiencing the outdoors for physical and mental health.

The conservation aspect for the project will be evident with all features of the park. The design will incorporate sustainable practices for landscape and irrigation. Turf for the lawn area will be Hybrid Bermuda which is a warm season turf. Design of the turf area will comply with AB356. There are approximately 26 existing trees that will be salvaged where possible, which will help with reducing the urban heat island effect. The splash pad design will use significantly less water than a pool. Overall, this project will promote water conservation while advancing recreation opportunities for the community.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: The Downtown Park Renovation Project will be designed in a way that encompasses sustainable practices.

To comply with AB356, the proposed Downtown Park Renovation will have a landscape design that will use drought-tolerant plants listed in the [SNWA Regional Plant List](#) that require low water usage and are appropriate for the desert climate. Drip irrigation will be used in landscape planters and controlled by smart controllers and the active lawn area irrigation will be designed to reduce overspray. Hybrid Bermuda grass, which is more adapted to desert climates and consumes 0.5 – 1.5 inches of water per week, will be used instead of the existing high consumptive water Fescue grass, which requires 1-2 inches of water a week. Approximately 16,708 square feet of fescue grass will be removed from Downtown Park, resulting in an estimate of 918,940 gallons of water saved per year.

Downtown Park Renovation will follow the City of Henderson's water conservation measures already in place including the conservation watering schedule designed to help maximize water efficiency. This schedule is created by a centrally controlled irrigation system that monitors daily weather station data, utilizes computerized controllers, and applies the optimum amount of water needed to keep plants healthy.

The non-operational aquatic facility will be completely removed due to its heavy water use, high evaporation rates, and mechanical issues. As a substitute, the project is designed to have

a play area with two splash pads. Water use will be compliant with City of Henderson standards and the nozzles used within the area will be those that conserve water.

The project will seek to preserve as many of the existing matured trees as possible within the efforts of the renovation process to assist with urban heat island effect mitigation. Shade canopies and an enclosed extension to the existing Downtown Recreation Center with roll-up doors will increase shading and comfort levels for visitors, further contributing to a reduction in the urban heat island effect.

The lighting for the park will be LED and have dimming capabilities to conserve energy. The project anticipates incorporating smart city technologies such as security cameras and public wi-fi, where applicable. Wi-fi for the Downtown Park adds two elements. First, it enables the use of security cameras to address issues such as vandalism or other activities where additional law enforcement or recreation programming personnel can be assigned to enhance the quality of life for residents or increase community safety. Second, the addition of Wi-Fi would allow for youth to access resources through the internet to assist with their education if they do not have access in their home.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: The proposed Downtown Park Renovation project will enhance the quality of the recreation experience by providing a park for the public to use that improves visibility along the northern boundary. The project will adjust the current park footprint, making accessibility easier from Basic Road creating a north/south orientation, and park area expansion with an additional 1.4 acres. Furthermore, the existing fencing will be completely removed, expanding access to the park for all residents and visitors.

The center of the park will house a multi-use event area with amphitheater seating incorporated into the landscaped areas to provide a better connection with nature. The playground and water play areas will allow the park users a chance to connect with the natural environment while playing in it. Finally, in addition to its improved amenities, the Downtown Recreation Center will also feature pickleball courts. Overall, this project will enhance the quality of the recreation experience by incorporating key amenities and addressing key concerns as requested by the community from the public outreach process.

3. CONNECTIVITY: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

Answer: The project will provide connections to existing trails, parks, and federal lands. These include, but are not limited to:

Parks and Trails within ½ mile (walking distance)

- Burkholder Park

- Water Street Plaza
- Boulder Highway Trail
- Lake Mead Trail
- Harry Reid UPRR Trail
- Van Wagenen Trail

Parks and Trails within 3 miles (biking distance)

- Acacia Park
- Boulder Creek Park
- Cadence Central Park
- Equestrian Park
- Heritage Park
- Morrell Park
- River Mountain Park
- Roadrunner Park
- Saguaro Park
- Wells Park
- I-215 East Beltway Trail
- River Mountains Loop Trail

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the process process.)*

Answer: This project is part of the following local and regional plans:

- [Henderson Strong Comprehensive Plan \(2022\)](#)
- [Henderson Open Space & Trails Plan \(2005\)](#)
- [Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan \(2019\)](#)
- [Henderson Master Bicycle and Trail Plan \(2014\)](#)
- [Henderson Downtown Investment Strategy](#)
- [Henderson Age-Friendly Acton Plan \(2018\)](#)

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

Answer: One of the greatest public improvement needs for the Downtown Henderson neighborhood is more park facilities. Downtown Henderson is one of the oldest neighborhoods in Henderson dating back to World War II. Downtown Henderson is a matured neighborhood with aged infrastructure that is gradually being updated as part of the ongoing revitalization efforts that the City of Henderson and the Redevelopment Agency have successfully being implementing.

One of the City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Department's goals is to have a park within a 10-minute walk (approximately one half-mile) for all residents. Downtown Henderson is deficient in parks and an opportunity arose in 2022 to use both City and Redevelopment Agency owned parcels to enhance Henderson's park system, trails, and natural areas. The proposed project will encompass 4 acres and will consist of the revitalization and redesign of the Downtown Park.

The renovation will consist of adjusting the footprint of the park to make it more accessible, improving the park experience by constructing amenities identified through public outreach, and creating a more viable park option for the public to use. An estimated 8,779 residents are within a 10-minute walk (1/2 mile) and 90,024 residents within biking distance (3 miles) will benefit from increased access to open spaces, trails, and natural areas.

D. The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.

Answer: This project will serve as an educational bridge to connect people to outdoor recreation. Having access to a recreational opportunity within a 10-minute walk is a great benefit to the community. This provides a connection not only to the outdoors but the health benefits that being outside brings. The Downtown Recreation Center is located next to the park and will provide additional educational and recreational opportunities for all interested individuals. This project will make apparent the importance of being able to be outside and connect with others, as well as actively participate with the recreational amenities that will be offered in the park.

Students from both public schools, McCaw STEAM Academy and Burkholder Middle School will have direct access to the renovated Downtown Park. Other adjacent community organizations in the project area will also have direct access and will be able to host events connecting their members to the outdoors.

E. The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.

Answer: City staff has taken an active approach in engaging the community in an area that traditionally has low citizen participation. As part of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan outreach executed in March 2018, a consultant team met with staff and the community in a series of meetings. The goal of these sessions was to gather ideas and information that would help guide the planning process and development of the community survey questions. When community participants were asked “During the next 5 to 10 years, what should be the top parks and recreation priorities for the City,” survey results revealed that the modernization of the Downtown Park was one of them.

Following these survey results, two targeted public outreach efforts were conducted in March 2023 and in June 2023 via an online survey and mailers sent to all residents living within one mile from Downtown Park. Surveys were also made available at the Downtown Recreation Center via a QR code. There was a total of 94 survey responses in the first outreach and 61 survey responses for the second outreach.

When asked what new amenities they would like to see at the Downtown Park, the highest-ranking responses from the first outreach were playgrounds, splash pads, restrooms, multi-use/gathering areas, and amphitheater. The second outreach followed a similar pattern, with splash pads, restrooms, pickleball, playground, and amphitheater being the most popular options.

When asked what Downtown Recreation Center programs they would like to see expanded/started as part of the Downtown Park redevelopment, the highest-ranking responses

from the both outreach efforts were special events (preschool, proms, holiday events, glow-in-the-dark nerf wars, movies), fitness classes (aerobics, yoga), and arts (drama, painting, music).

When asked what cultural, arts, and community programs/events they would want to see at the Downtown Park, the highest-ranking responses from the first outreach group was farmers markets, festivals, performing arts, culinary, and community resources. The second outreach group also had near-similar responses, with farmers markets, festivals, performing arts, culinary, and public art (murals, sculptures, interactive) being the most popular options.

Based on the community outreach survey results, a Downtown Park Master Plan was created incorporating participants' input. Upon completion of the park renovation, it is the City of Henderson Parks and Recreation's goal to continue engaging with the neighborhood residents to expand programs at the Downtown Recreation Center based on their input. The City of Henderson wants to ensure that the park remains an important community asset for gathering.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

Answer: The projected deliverables for this project include 8 parking stalls (including 4 ADA stalls), pedestrian/bicycle share paths, multi-use event plaza, designated food truck area, amphitheater seating, dog relief area, playgrounds, splash pads, park furniture, lawn areas, landscaping, irrigation, shade structures, lighting, restrooms, outdoor fitness equipment, pickleball courts, and an expansion to the Downtown Recreation Center. When completed, the project will provide a park with several recreational opportunities and an inviting environment to enjoy the outdoors for residents and visitors of the Downtown Park.

The proposed budget of \$17,525,464 reflects today's construction costs for an approximately 4-acre park site. The estimate was developed by a design consultant experienced with park amenities being proposed for this project. The costs were reviewed by city staff and compared with similar executed projects. The proposed project is a stand-alone project. Refer to the Round 20 PTNA budget detail for more information.

B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

Answer: The project will directly benefit 8,779 residents within a 10-minute walk (1/2 mile) and for 90,024 residents within biking distance (3 miles) of the proposed Downtown Park, providing residents with various recreational opportunities.

The overall project costs are \$17,525,464 being requested from SNPLMA. With construction of the Downtown Park Renovation Project, residents will greatly benefit from enhanced park amenities, access to recreational facilities and open spaces, and access to an outdoor experience which brings many health benefits.

The return on investment for the requested SNPLMA funding is significant as this project will serve an economically challenged area within the City of Henderson. The estimated cost for the Downtown Park Renovation will offset the numerous anticipated benefits that the proposed improvements will provide. Research shows that parks are used more often, and users are more active following improvements or renovations. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), insufficient physical activity is the fourth highest cause of death globally and is a major contributor to increases in healthcare expenditure. Improving public open spaces such as parks in areas of low-socioeconomic position such as Downtown Henderson, will increase recreational physical activity in this disadvantaged neighborhood.

In addition to the health benefits that the proposed Downtown Park renovation will provide, the project will become a new key destination within Downtown Henderson, increase foot traffic, attract new investment, host a wide variety of community events, improve streetscape and urban image, re-engage residents and visitors, and promote outdoor recreation for all, to name a few.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: Sustainable principles will be incorporated into the design of the park to offset maintenance and prolong the life of equipment and features. Examples include drought-tolerant, desert-adaptive landscaping, drip irrigation, and energy-efficient LED lighting with an auto dimming feature and motion sensors to conserve energy.

The turf area will be designed as a functional space and the design of it will maximize the irrigation design to lessen the overspray of irrigation heads. Hybrid Bermuda turf will be used, as it is a warm season grass that is able to withstand the desert climate and is much more durable with usage. Standard City of Henderson site amenities are made of concrete and can withstand the desert climate. The splash pads be compliant with City of Henderson standards and the nozzles used within the area will be those that conserve water.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: The City of Henderson has determined that the overall project costs will be \$16,475,834 of which \$16,475,834 (99 percent) is requested from SNPLMA. The City of Henderson will provide in-kind staff time in the amount of \$210,689 and will contribute an additional \$12,000 for the installation of the cameras. This amounts to \$222,689 of total in-kind contributions.

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: The Downtown Park will incorporate sustainable landscape principles such as water smart methods. All new landscaping will utilize drought-tolerant, low-water use, and desert-friendly landscaping in accordance with current city codes and the [Southern Nevada Water Authority \(SNWA\) Regional Plant List](#). The use of drought-tolerant plant material, such as Hybrid Bermuda grass, will be used and will result in approximately 16,708 square feet of fescue

grass will be removed from Downtown Park, resulting in an estimate of 918,940 gallons of water saved per year. The splash pads will be designed to have low-flow nozzles for efficiency and still provide an excellent play value while adhering to current development standards.

LED lighting will be used throughout the park for more efficient use. Path lighting along the trails/paths will use dimming capabilities to further promote sustainable practices. Park lighting includes dimming capabilities to reduce energy costs as well as prolong the life of the fixtures. The installation of security cameras will add a level of monitoring and security to reduce operation and maintenance costs.

The project anticipates incorporating smart city technologies such as security cameras and public wi-fi, where applicable. Wi-fi for the Downtown Park adds two elements. First, it enables the use of security cameras to address issues such as vandalism or other activities where additional law enforcement or recreation programming personnel can be assigned to enhance the quality of life for residents or increase community safety. Second, the addition of Wi-Fi would allow for youth to access resources through the internet to assist with their education if they do not have access in their home.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

- ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***
 Answer: Yes, this project supports EO No 13855. Protecting sites to reduce the risk of fire is important to the City of Henderson. The landscape design will be a thoughtful design that provides an aesthetic value for the public and will be mindful of densities of plantings. The project will be maintained in accordance with City standards which will reduce fire risk.
- ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***
 Answer: Yes, the project supports EO No. 14004 because the City will contract with American workers and the park will be staffed by American workers.
- ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***
 Answer: No, EO No. 14063 does not apply to this project.
- ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***
 Answer: Yes, this project supports EO No. 14072. This project will strengthen the community by expanding, revitalizing, and activating a green space in a redevelopment area in Downtown Henderson. It will also strengthen local economies due to the historic Water Street District commercial area being located within walking distance to the project location.

- ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation’s Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***

Answer: Yes, this project supports EO No. 14096. The project will help address environmental justice by providing a HUD-identified low-income census tracts, Opportunity Zone (OZ), and a low service area community with a state-of-the-art accessible park that will provide an enjoyable recreational and educational experience for all.

B. Secretarial Orders

- ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

Answer: Yes, this project supports SO No. 3347 because the purpose of the park is to increase open spaces and outdoor recreation. There will be educational and recreational opportunities through the Downtown Park Renovation Project. The park will also provide additional outdoor recreation for walking, hiking, and biking.

- ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

Answer:

No SO No. 3356 does not apply to this project.

- ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

Answer: No, SO No. 3362 does not apply to this project.

- ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

Answer: Yes, this project supports SO No. 3366 because the addition of the trails and shift in the Downtown Park footprint will increase recreational opportunities for all people to enjoy, no matter their age or physical ability.

- ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

Answer: No, SO No. 3370 does not apply because this project is not located in a National Wildlife Refuge.

- ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

Answer: Yes, this project supports SO. No. 3372 because the City will take measures to reduce the risk of human-caused wildfires through active land management. City of Henderson Parks and Recreation staff will monitor the area.

- ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public***

recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).

Answer: No, SO No. 3373 does not apply to this project.

- ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

Answer: Yes, this project supports SO No. 3376 of increasing recreational opportunities through the use of electric bikes. Electric bikes are permitted on the Van Wagenen trail, which connects directly to the Downtown Park.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.***

Answer: Yes, the Downtown Park Renovation Project will implement technologies that will reduce energy and water use. Lighting at the park will be LED and have dimming capabilities to conserve energy. Water features will also feature drip irrigation and low-flow nozzles. This will help reduce reliance on unrenewable energy resources.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations. We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.***

Answer: Yes, this project will strengthen government-to-government relationships with Tribal Nations. A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) found no known cultural resources at the site, ensuring federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs. This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.***

Answer: Yes, the Downtown Park Renovation Project will create jobs through the associated construction and operation of the park. The jobs are in line with the Administration's goal of creating family-supporting jobs and union jobs that have a focus on conservation.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030. We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This***

relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.

Answer: Yes, the Downtown Park Renovation Project will assist with the goal of conserving 30% of our lands by the year 2030. This project will keep an existing park as recreational open space. The design will promote biodiversity of plant material and the use of desert adaptive plant material will reduce water requirements.

- 5. *Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.*

Answer: Yes, the Downtown Park Renovation Project ventures on equity and environmental justice by creating additional outdoor space for communities of color to enjoy. The City of Henderson has become more racially and economically diverse within the past ten years. This park will service the more than 37 percent of nonwhite residents and the nearly 19 percent of residents that are 65 years old and older. Additionally, the City enjoys partnerships with local entities and nonprofit organizations that focus on advocating for green spaces and trails in our communities. These partnerships are demonstrated with attached letters of support from McCaw STEAM Academy, the Water Street District Business Association, Get Outdoors Nevada, Safe Routes to School, the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, and the Henderson Historical Society. The redevelopment and revitalization of this project will make the Downtown Park more accessible to people of all ages and backgrounds while teaching them the importance of protecting our natural areas.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

Answer: Yes, the City of Henderson is committed to ending the COVID-19 pandemic and just recently won an award from the American Planning Association for the proactive handling of the epidemic. During construction, staff will follow all CDC, state, and local guidelines. This will also serve as an outdoor space where people can safely socially distance.

2. *Providing economic relief*

Answer: Yes, this project will help provide economic relief by creating job opportunities for Southern Nevadans. This project will also offer free and reduced services and programs to those in need, including low-income residents, youth/teens, seniors (age 60+), active military, and veterans.

3. *Tackling climate change*

Answer: Yes, the Downtown Park Renovation Project will further protect and expand our natural areas, reduce urban sprawl, reduce the urban heat island effect, and use renewable energy sources. Preserving natural areas from intense development is an important factor in reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The project will use LED and dimming technologies for lighting, native plant material to eliminate irrigation needs, and disturb the least amount of the site as possible to reduce carbon footprints. Plant material selection will be based on ability to sequester carbon.

4. *Advancing racial equity*

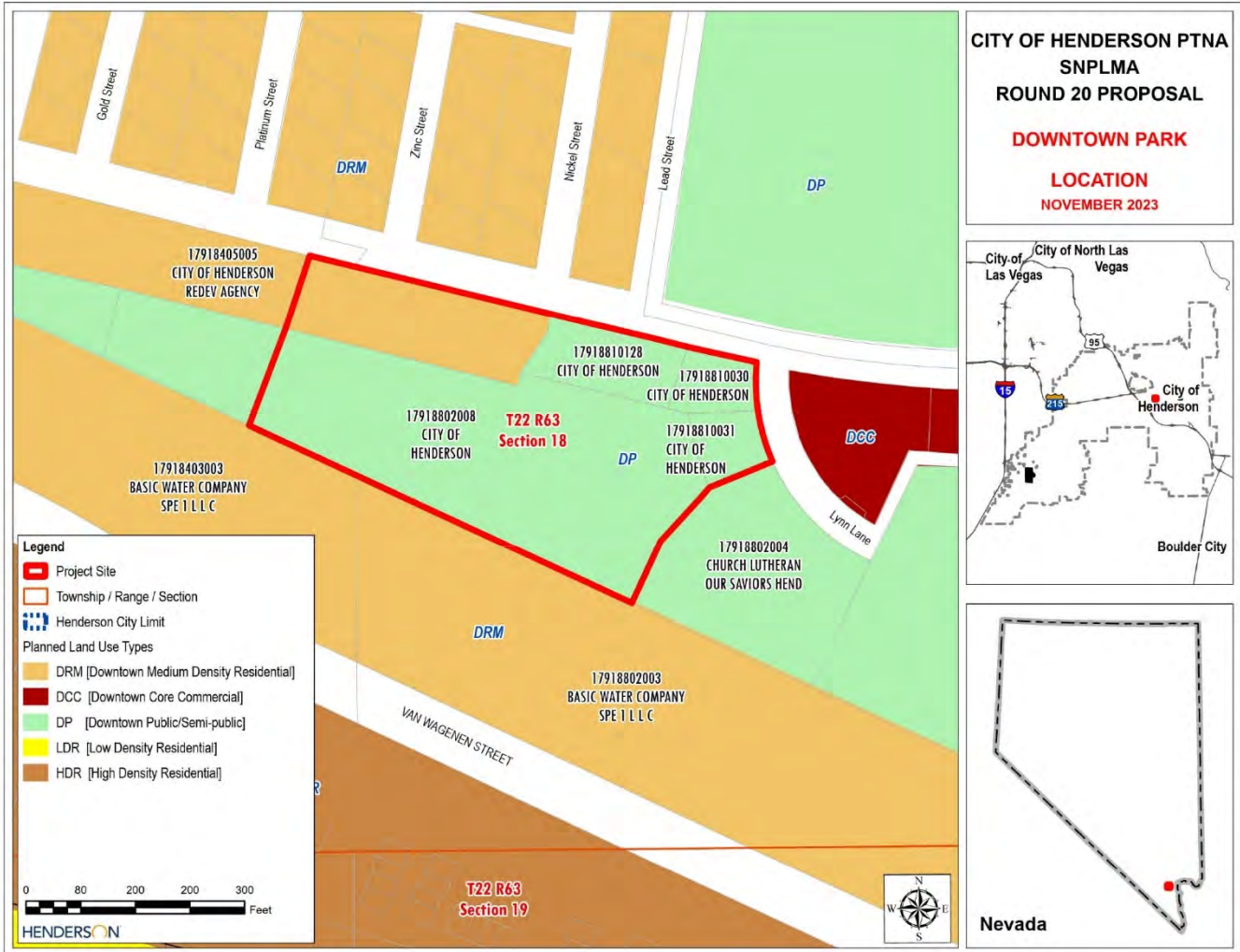
Answer: Yes, the Downtown Park Renovation Project will advance racial equity by providing all residents, no matter their racial background or socioeconomic status, a place where they can enjoy outdoor activities and recreation.

5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

Answer: Yes, the Downtown Park Renovation Project will be an opportunity for the workforce to have a natural area to enjoy. Getting outdoors improves quality of life which, in turn, improves our workforce and work environment.

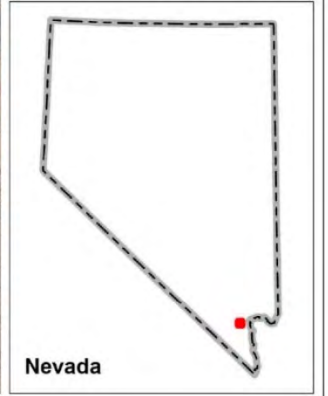
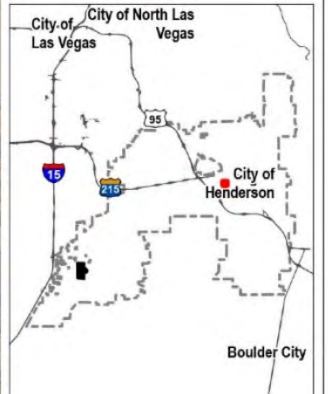
M. MAPS

LOCATION MAP



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CONCEPTUAL DRAWING



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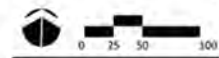
- 1 Existing Parking Lot to Remain with Expansion on West Side Adding Eight Stalls for a Total 71 Stalls (4 ADA Stalls)
- 2 New Lighted 15' Minimum Width Main Pedestrian/Bicycle/City Vehicle Shared Path
- 3 New Lighted Drop Off Area and Food Truck Access Point
- 4 Lighted Decorative Fenced Dog Relief Area with Shade Structure, Turf Run, and Decomposed Granite Area
- 5 Active Lawn Area
- 6 Amphitheater Seating Area Integrated into Planting Area
- 7 Multi-Use Event Area and Gathering Space (Dining, Games, Concerts, Corporate Events, etc.)
- 8 Flexible Dining and Rest Area with Tables, Shade Structure, and Trees in Decomposed Granite Surfacing
- 9 Perimeter Fence to Protect Play Area
- 10 Sloped Lounge Mound for Picnics, Napping, and Sitting Under Shade Trees. Integrated Amphitheater Seating Facing Plaza
- 11 Flexible Central Grove with Decomposed Granite Surfacing with Abundant Shade Trees, Variable Seating Options, and Open Space for Events or Activities
- 12 New Lighted Secondary 8' Minimum Width Walking Paths
- 13 New Restroom Building with Trash Receptacles, Lighting, and Drinking Fountains
- 14 Playground Large Scale with Lighting on Rubberized Play Surface

Downtown Recreation Center

Conceptual Reuse Plan

- 15 Playground Small Scale with Boulder Seating and Climbing Areas and Lighting on Rubberized Play Surface
- 16 Outdoor Fitness Equipment
- 17 Large Scale Lighted Interactive Splash Pad with Water Sculptures
- 18 Small Scale Lighted Interactive Splash Pad with Pop Jets and Sprayers
- 19 Shade Canopy with Seating and Lighting
- 20 Designated Food Truck Area which could also serve as Staging Area for Event or Festival Tents
- 21 Single Picnic Table in DG Shaded by Trees with Trash Receptacle (Typ.)
- 22 Lawn Game Area
- 23 Main Building Entrance ; Proposed Building Expansion to have Roll-Up Doors on Park Side

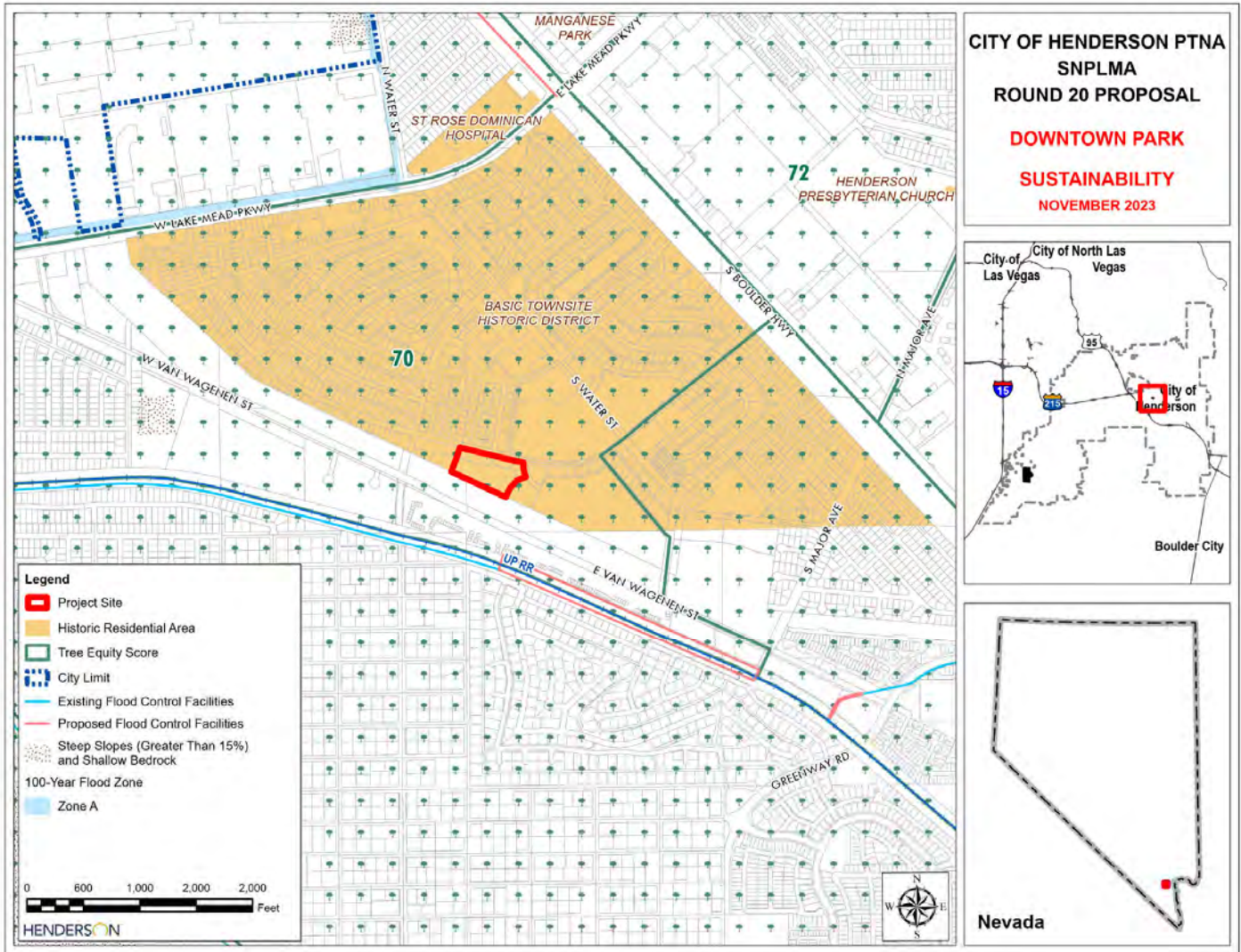
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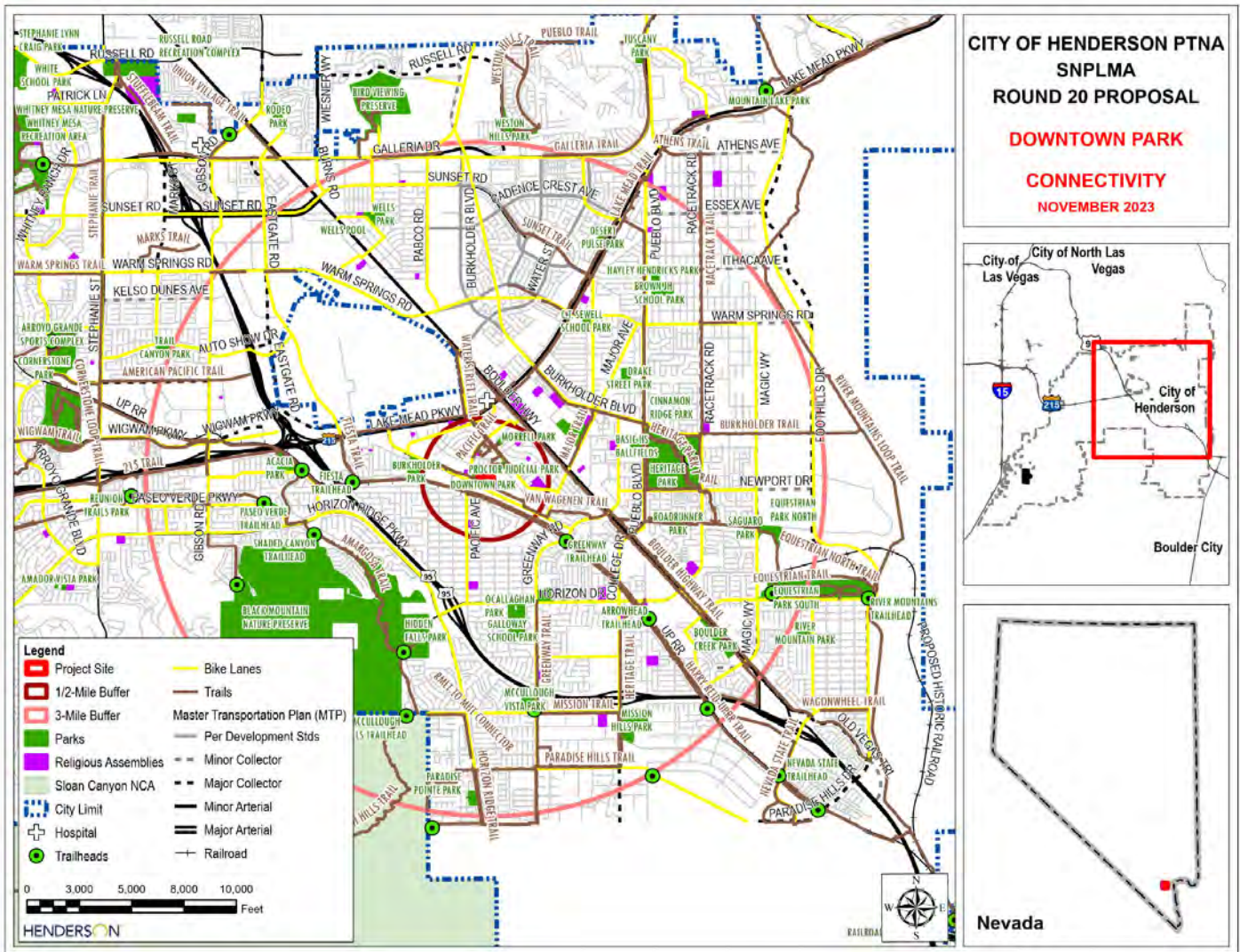
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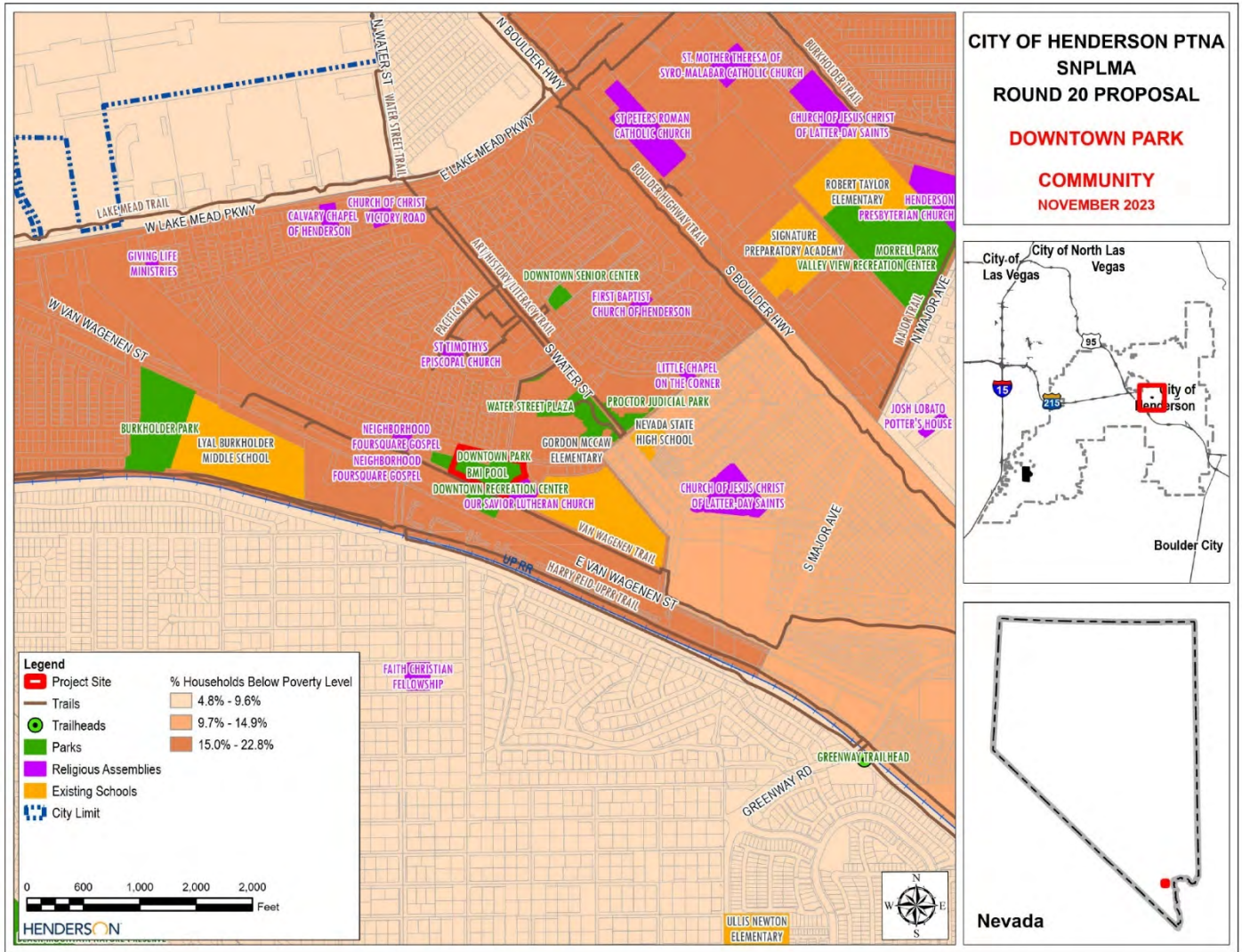
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STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES MAP – COMMUNITY



N. PHOTOS**Downtown Park Renovation Photos**

Photo 1: Project site view from the Van Wagenen Trail along East Van Wagenen Street, looking northeast towards the existing Downtown Park amenities including playground, picnic areas, non-operational aquatic facility, and lawn area with matured trees. The proposed park renovation will replace existing aquatic facility with new recreational amenities, update existing playground and picnic areas, and expand the overall site.



Photo 2: Project site view from the north parking lot along West Basic Road, looking southwest towards the main pool of the non-operational aquatic facility. The proposed park renovation will replace the aquatic facility with new recreational amenities such as lawn area, sloped lounge mound for picnics, central grove area, and food truck/staging area for events.



Photo 3: Project site view from West Basic Road, looking southwest towards the existing underutilized vacant parcel owned by the City of Henderson Redevelopment Agency and the existing Downtown Park. The proposed renovation design will incorporate this vacant site into the park for expansion and improve its accessibility, visibility, and overall streetscape design.



Photo 4: Project site view looking east towards the existing lawn area and basketball court in the back. The basketball court and some of the lawn area with mature trees will remain. New playground and splash pad areas will be adjacent to this lawn area.



Photo 5: Project site view from the existing Van Wagenen Trail along East Van Wagenen Street looking northwest towards the existing shade structures, picnic area, and playground. The proposed park renovation will keep matured trees to the extent possible and remove existing turf to be replaced with a drought-tolerant grass.



Photo 6: Project site view displaying the non-operational aquatic facility, including two pools and surrounding equipment and furniture. The Downtown Recreation Center can be seen in the background. The proposed park renovation will expand the recreation center to add pickle ball courts and a fenced dog relief area.

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	4 acres
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6.</p> <p><i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<p>(a) Install landscaping and irrigation</p> <p>(b) Expand existing parking lot on west side by 8 stalls for a total of 71 stalls (includes 4 existing ADA stalls).</p> <p>(c) 37,000SF – 60,000 SF hardscape, including walking paths, food truck areas, multi-use event gathering spaces, a central grove, and event/gathering space areas.</p> <p>(d) One 3,750SF lighted dog relief area with decorative fencing and a decomposed granite surface.</p> <p>(e) One amphitheater seating area, ~350-450SF.</p> <p>(f) 800-900LF perimeter fence to protect the play area.</p> <p>(g) Sloped lounge turf mound for picnics and sitting under shade trees (~4,500-5,000SF).</p> <p>(h) 1 restroom bldg. w/1-2 drinking fountains ~500SF</p> <p>(i) One Playground area with age 2-5 and age 5-12 equipment with lighting on rubberized play surface with boulder seating (~12,500-13,000SF).</p> <p>(j) One outdoor fitness equipment including 4-6 pieces of equipment.</p> <p>(k) One lighted splash pad area with surfacing (~4,500-5,000SF).</p> <p>(l) 17,000-18,000SF of turf.</p> <p>(m) A 10,000-SF building expansion for 4-8 pickleball courts with one main entrance and roll-up doors.</p> <p>(n) 4-10 each of trash and recycle receptacles.</p> <p>(o) 4-6 dog waste receptacles.</p>

		(q) 4-15 picnic tables, 6-18 tables, and 4-10 benches. (t) 1-2 bicycle racks with shade. (u) 3-5 shade structures. (v) 1-3 lawn games such as bean bag toss. (w) Install conduit for 3 security cameras and Wi-Fi.
R4 - Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. <i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i>	0.246 – 0.3125 miles of pedestrian trails
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O1 - Number of Hazardous Sites Remediated	*Report the number of hazardous sites where remediation actions are completed. Actions to be included are: removal of safety hazards, clean-up operations, restoration actions, and water quality remediation actions. Do not report temporary remediation measures. <i>*Report each site as one unit. When applicable, also report total weight of trash removed during clean-up operations.</i>	N/A
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. <i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i>	1 park rules sign 1 park monument sign
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the LEED certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable. <i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i>	918,940 gallons of water reduction per year
O12 – Number of Management Plans/Handbooks/Mannuals/ Guides for Activity on Public Lands Completed	*Report the number of new or revised ecosystem restoration, hazardous fuels reduction, recreation, cultural, resource management, or other activity plans when the decision document for the plan is signed. Revisions include modification of a significant portion of the decisions in the activity plan. Do not report minor amendments or changes in these plans. <i>*Report each plan as one unit.</i>	N/A

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



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Dear Ms. Wojtech:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the City of Henderson (City) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the City for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Downtown Park Renovation – This proposal is to renovate and modernize the Downtown Park, a park located on City-owned land.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources, however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Bermuda Larson Park – This proposal is to design and construct a new park site located on BLM managed lands. The City is currently in the process of obtaining a Recreation and Public Purposes lease from the BLM (Application number N-100544). The R&PP lease application is currently on track for BLM approval in the final quarter of next year. The City's proposal is consistent with the R&PP lease application. The R&PP lease, if issued, will include a plan of development and maintenance plan reviewed and approved by the BLM. Should the proposal be modified, BLM recommends a review by the BLM's Division of Lands.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

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Morrell Park Renovation – This proposal is to renovate the historic Morrell Park facilities located on City-owned land and School Board of Trustees/ Clark County School District-owned property. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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Q. SUPPORT LETTERS



August 29, 2023

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 Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20
 Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category**

Dear Ms. Leiber,

Get Outdoors Nevada (GON) envisions a world where everyone has access to, benefits from, and cares for outdoor spaces. We connect people of all ages and backgrounds to the outdoors by providing opportunities to experience, learn about, and care for our natural and urban outdoor spaces. We strive for community engagement in all we do, whether it be teaching kids about the desert around us, sharing stewardship opportunities at local parks and trails, or catching up with community members at various local events throughout Southern Nevada. Many of our efforts and programs focus on the needs and lives of families and school children, especially those who are at-risk and often have limited opportunity to experience the great outdoors. We work to protect and educate people on all of Nevada's outdoor and recreational areas.

GON programs include outdoor learning experiences and recreational field trips for low-income, at-risk youth who would not otherwise have these important experiences. The City of Henderson is always there to support these programs. The additional amenities that would be provided with the construction of this project will be beneficial to the community and will help GON continue its mission by providing more open space for the community to experience and enjoy.

GON strongly supports the City of Henderson's efforts to revitalize and improve the existing Downtown Park.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 702-997-3350 or rbergren@getoutdoorsnevada.org. Thank you for your consideration of this project.

Sincerely,

Rachel Bergren
 Executive Director



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Dear Ms. Leiber,

On behalf of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, we are pleased to extend our full support for the City

of Henderson's Downtown Park project. The Fraternal Order of Eagles is an international non-profit organization uniting fraternally in the spirit of liberty, truth, justice, and equality, to make human life more desirable by lessening its ills and promoting peace, prosperity, gladness, and hope. We've been a long-standing member of the Henderson community following our charter establishment as Basic Eagles 2672 Aeries on August 7, 1947. Our hall sits adjacent to the proposed Downtown Park project location was the site where the Basic Township signed its Incorporation Document, creating the new City of Henderson on April 16, 1953.

The Fraternal Order of Eagles welcomes the enhancements proposed by the Downtown Park project. In particular, we are big fans of the new lighting, amphitheater, multi-use-event and gathering spaces, designated food truck areas, and flexible dining and rest areas. These improvements are much needed and will also directly assist us by strengthening partnership opportunities with the City to further support our community events with local charities and groups.

The Fraternal Order of Eagles is in full support of the Downtown Park project and its aspirations

to enhance our community revitalization, connectedness, and growth. We eagerly anticipate the positive impact this project will have on our community.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-565 -2672 or by email at eaglestrustees2672@gmail.com

Sincerely, *Serapio Andrade*

Chairman

We must remember our History to grasp the Future



September 4, 2023

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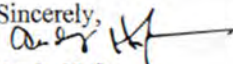
Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing on behalf of the Henderson Historical Society (HHS) to express our support of the City of Henderson's Downtown Park project.

The HHS is a gathering of like-minded individuals who share a deep respect for the city's history and are actively engaged in protecting the stories, photos, and folklore from Henderson's past. HHS seeks to foster public awareness and pride and to preserve the history of Henderson, Nevada for future generations. Supported by our membership, an enthusiastic cadre of volunteers, and educational outreach, HSS provides a unique opportunity to discover the remarkable history of Henderson and its contribution to the growth and development of Nevada.

HHS is in complete support of the transformative nature of this project. The Downtown Park project helps further our vision by enhancing a site that is in a Downtown Opportunity District and Redevelopment Area. This project aligns with both HHS and the City by preserving the existing Downtown Recreation Center while making improvements. The existing bicycle and pedestrian trail will also be enhanced while still connecting to the overall trail system. Thus, this project helps in preserving the past while building for the future.

The Downtown Park is a key component in creating a vision of creating an authentic and welcoming Historic Downtown Henderson. Through the emphasis on making the Downtown Park a safer and more attractive place and by ensuring quality of life opportunities for everyone, we are confident that our community will greatly benefit from the proposed redevelopment. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-373-6002.

Sincerely,

 Andy Hafen
 President/CEO



McCaw STEAM ACADEMY

CITY OF HENDERSON MAGNET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Jennifer Furman-Born, Principal
Wendy Hale, Assistant Principal

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Dear Ms. Leiber,

On behalf of McCaw STEAM Academy School, we are thrilled to extend our support for the City of Henderson's Downtown Park project.

At McCaw STEAM Academy, it is our goal to continue to provide an educational learning experience for our students to Explore... Discover... and Learn! We understand children love to explore, discover, and learn new things and are excited at the transformational and educational potential of this project. Our school focuses on learning through our STEAM program, providing students the opportunity to learn through real-life applications in the important areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Math. Through the Downtown Park project, our students have yet another way to engage in hands-on projects where problem-solving, collaboration, and the results of their efforts make the lessons more relevant than a textbook alone ever could.

We welcome the project's envisioned enhancements, particularly in terms of the active and passive recreational opportunities that it will offer. We are most excited about the new amphitheater, planting areas, active and game lawn areas, and playground and bouldering areas that this project will provide.

With this space being run by the City of Henderson, we are confident that McCaw STEAM Academy will be able to collaborate to realize educational opportunities for our students. McCaw STEAM Academy is in full support of the Downtown Park project and its efforts to revitalize and create an authentic and welcoming Downtown Henderson. We eagerly anticipate the positive impact this initiative will have on our school and community.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-799-8930 or by email at furmajm@nv.ccsd.net.

Sincerely,

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Dear Ms. Leiber:

On behalf of the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC), please accept this letter in support of the City of Henderson's Downtown Park project. As the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization, the RTC is committed to developing a safe, connected, and convenient multimodal transportation system while advancing the region's educational, health, and environmental goals.

The RTC also serves as the core administrator for the Southern Nevada Strong Regional Policy plan (SNS), which envisions a more vibrant and sustainable Southern Nevada where all residents have access to quality education, affordable housing choices, good-paying jobs, and multimodal transportation options. Additionally, the RTC is a member of and contract administrator for the Regional Open Space and Trails Workgroup (ROST), a regional working group consisting of local, state, and federal partners who collaborate on the development and promotion of Southern Nevada's trails and open space system.

Through ROST and RTC, the SNS plan identifies several goals related to increasing and improving regional access to open space and trails and seeks to promote a development pattern and transportation system that provides multimodal connections to parks and trails. The proposed City of Henderson Downtown Park application aligns with these goals by prioritizing the renovation of park space in the Water Street District that no longer meets community needs. The proposed project also improves regional multimodal connections with the addition of a multi-use pedestrian and bike path that will have a direct connection to the existing, adjacent trail network.

For these reasons, we hope you consider the City of Henderson's Downtown Park application as a top contender for SNPLMA Round 20 funding. Please feel free to contact my office at (702) 676-1500 for more information.

Sincerely,

MJ Maynard
 Chief Executive Officer
 Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada

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**Subject: Downtown Park – City of Henderson Project Nomination
 Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20
 Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category**

Dear Ms. Leiber,

On behalf of the Safe Routes to Schools Program, I am pleased to extend our full support for the City of Henderson's Downtown Park project.

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is an international program that encourages safe walking and bicycling to and from schools. SRTS is based on six principles, the "6 E's": Education, Encouragement, Engagement, Engineering, Evaluation, and Equity. SRTS programs are sustained efforts by parents, schools, community leaders and local, state, and federal governments to improve the health and well-being of children by enabling and encouraging them to walk and bicycle to school, and to do so safely.

SRTS welcomes the redevelopment of the proposed Downtown Park project, particularly the enhanced pedestrian/bicycle shared path, shaded areas, restrooms, and drinking fountains. The Downtown Park project will be a transformative element in the area as a key connector between the Van Wagenen and UPRR trails. Furthermore, it will also help advance the goals of SRTS by providing safe and accessible bicycling connections to both McCaw STEAM Academy and Burkholder Middle School. This project will therefore help the city by increasing bicycle transportation options and gets us one step closer to becoming a more bicycle-friendly community.

SRTS is in full support of the Downtown Park project and its aspirations to enhance our community's connectedness, growth, and multimodal options. We eagerly anticipate the positive impact this project will have on our community.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-799-0303 or by email at grubejl@nv.ccsd.net

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jennifer Grube".

Jennifer Grube
 Safe Routes to School Coordinator

WATER STREET DISTRICT

BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

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Dear Ms. Leiber,

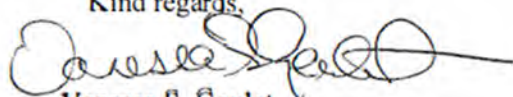
I am writing on behalf of the Water Street District Business Association (WSDBA) to express our support of the City of Henderson's Downtown Park project.

The WSDBA is a group of dedicated business leaders committed to the shared success of the enterprises located on and around historic Water Street. Together, association members develop strategies and serve as problem-solvers and visionaries for the entire district and act as advocates in the community and organizations. The WSDBA's vision is to make the Water Street District a destination of choice!

The Downtown Park project helps further our vision by enhancing a site that is in a Downtown Opportunity District and Redevelopment Area. Furthermore, this project aligns with both WSDBA and Henderson's Redevelopment Agency visions of creating an authentic downtown core that is welcoming to everyone, providing community gathering space, as well as a collection of retail, professional services, family and nightlife entertainment, employment centers, educational opportunities, and a place to call home.

As neighbors to the Downtown Park, WSDBA is in complete support of the transformative nature of this project. The Downtown Park is a key component of Downtown's revitalization efforts in creating a vision of creating an authentic and welcoming Downtown. Through the emphasis on making the Downtown Park a safer and more attractive place and by ensuring quality of life opportunities for everyone, we are confident that our community will greatly benefit from the proposed redevelopment. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-805-4777 or by email at vanessa@gouletlawfirm.com.

Kind regards,



Vanessa S. Goulet
President



September 14, 2023

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**Re: Downtown Park – City of Henderson Project Nomination
Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20
Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category**

Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing on behalf of the City of Henderson Redevelopment Agency to express our support for the proposed renovation and revitalization of the Downtown Park project here within the downtown core of the City of Henderson.

The purpose of the Redevelopment Agency is to help breathe new life into areas of the city that are in need of revitalization, economic development and new opportunity. In 1995, the City of Henderson recognized that some of our maturing neighborhoods were in need of revitalization and reinvestment. The Redevelopment Agency was created to meet this need by leveraging public funds in conjunction with private funds to attract new businesses, create jobs and fund physical improvements within these neighborhoods.

The vision for downtown Henderson is an urbanized mixed-use district that is highly functional, provides connectivity to a regional trail system, has added open space and recreational areas and activities, in addition to enhanced housing options and infrastructure. The downtown of the future is imagined as a vibrant place of activity and beauty, the kind of place where people will want to live, work and play.

The Agency is partnering with the City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Department on this downtown park project. This partnership will include a land swap of 1 acre of Agency owned property, which is located adjacent to the proposed park. This land swap will allow the future park space to be re-envisioned and redesigned to be a more functional space that is more accessible and will remove barriers to access the new open space. Once this project has been awarded the funds to move forward, the Agency will initiate the transfer of land.

The City of Henderson Redevelopment Agency looks forward to the physical improvements needed within our downtown park which will enhance and revitalize this important resource within our community. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (702)267-1511 or anthony.molloy@cityofhenderson.com.

Sincerely,

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Manager of Redevelopment

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Voluntary Non-Federal In-Kind/Cash Contribution Commitment Letter



November 2, 2023

Michelle Leiber
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Subject: City of Henderson Project Nominations
 Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA)
 Round 20 - Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category
 In-kind or Cash Contribution Commitment

Dear Ms. Leiber,

The City of Henderson is pleased to share our commitment for staff in-kind time, furnished equipment, and cash contribution for the projects being submitted for SNPLMA Round 20 PTNA nominations. The contributions for each project are as follows:

1. **Downtown Park Renovation** – **Contribution of \$236,753.00**
 Contribution includes cost for three security cameras and staff in-kind time that includes salary and fringe benefit costs for a Park Planner and Park Project Manager for the duration of the project for design and construction.
2. **Bermuda Larson Park** – **Contribution of \$252,753.00**
 Contribution includes cost for seven security cameras and staff in-kind time that includes salary and fringe benefit costs for a Park Planner and Park Project Manager for the duration of the project for design and construction.
3. **Morrell Park Renovation** – **Contribution of \$405,753.00**
 Contribution includes cost for five security cameras and staff in-kind time includes salary and fringe benefit costs for a Park Planner and Park Project Manager for the duration of the project for design and construction, and a cash contribution for construction of areas not considered public. The funds will be covered by the Parks and Recreation Department's Residential Construction Tax.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by email at Shari.Ferguson@cityofhenderson.com or by phone at (702) 267-4000.

Sincerely,

Shari Ferguson
 Director of Parks and Recreation, City of Henderson

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**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions**

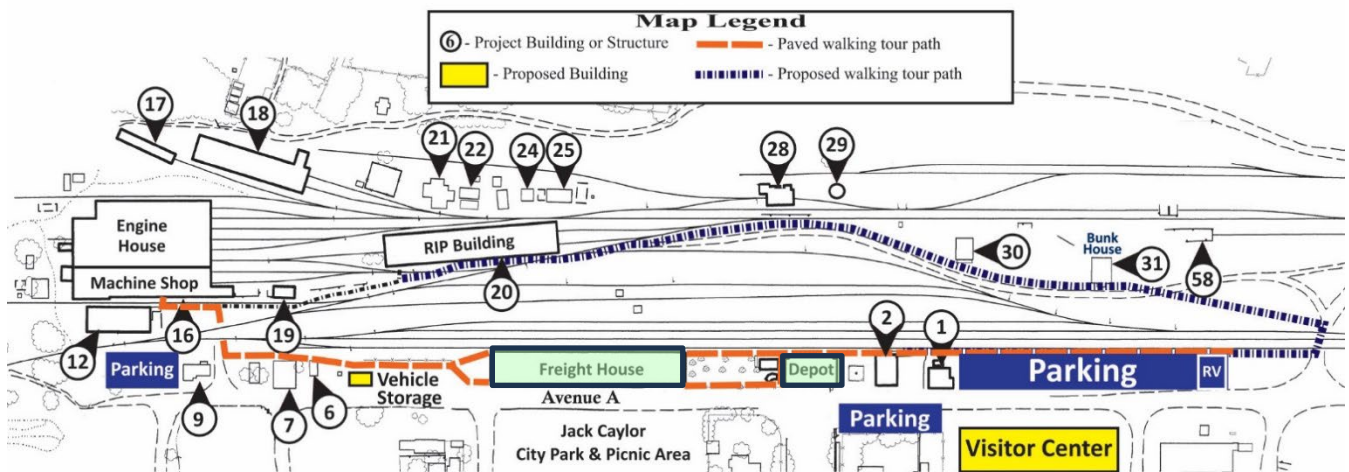
Nomination: Tab 8

Entity: White Pine County

Project: East Ely Railway Phase 4

Section A - BACKGROUND INFORMATION

“The Nevada Northern Railway (NNRy) museum is a 56-acre National Historical Landmark that is spread out over a mile in length, and it is a half-mile width. The NNRy museum is situated within the East Ely Depot area, in White Pine County, Nevada. The surface, subsurface, and utilities are all jointly owned by the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation (Foundation) and City of Ely.... project includes improvements to be made to Avenue A, a road easement is currently owned by Foundation alone. If SNPLMA project funding is awarded, Foundation will give partial ownership



to City of Ely.”

A) Under the PTNA category - per the business rules in the SNPLMA Implementation Agreement:

1. The eligible entity must own or legally control the land where a project is proposed for construction.
2. Eligible entities may not nominate projects on land owned by private entities unless the private entity has or will grant a permanent easement which will provide control of the land to the eligible entity.

B) Proposed Project Ownership Status:

1. **East Ely Railyard 56-acres* (010-530-25) owned (tenants in common) by Foundation and City of Ely.
 - a. 60 existing buildings/structures proposed for restoration. Ownership status must be provided.
 - b. Construction of a new building (Vehicle Storage & Display) and new parking area.
2. **Pedestrian Path* from East Ely Depot to White Pine Public Museum within rail ROW (Nev-043230) owned by City of Ely; tracks jointly owned by Foundation and City.
3. **New “Visitor Center”* within APN 002-022-04 – jointly owned by Foundation and City of Ely.
4. **Avenue A “Proposed Paving”* – road easement owned by Foundation.

C) Adjacent real property within project area – owned by the State of Nevada:

1. East Ely Depot/Gift Shop (002-021-08)
2. Freight Depot (002-021-07) are owned by the State of Nevada.

***REQUIREMENT:** An acceptable easement or lease issued to White Pine County for real property not solely owned by City where the project is proposed for new development/improvements; and recorded in the County records to create a lien on the associated property(s).

Section D – Project Deliverables

Several Primary Deliverables are not descriptive enough or measurable—clarification is needed. Red asterisks (*) are added to identify deliverables that are likely contingent on the **REQUIREMENT** note above:

1. **Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid)**

- a. **Visitor Center Building of undetermined size**
 - *What is the planned size or capacity of this visitor center building? Need to clarify what portions of the building will be public areas vs. non-public (office areas, etc.)
- b. **Auxiliary Vehicle Storage Building of undetermined size**
 - *What is the EST size—then denote it stating that actual size contingent on final design.
- c. **Upgraded Water, Sewer, and Electrical Utilities**
 - Describe facilities planned for utility upgrades and provide a map of general locations.
- d. **1.8-mile trail system throughout complex and to White Pine Public Museum**
 - *trail is proposed within property jointly owned by City and Foundation. Who owns the Museum? Need to understand the connection of this trail to the WP Museum and PDF copies of the museum ownership documents.
- e. **13,164 sq. ft paved parking lot**
 - *Parking lot is proposed within property jointly owned by City and Foundation.
- f. **1/2-mile paved access road (Avenue A)**
 - *Avenue A is owned by Foundation. A permanent easement to City/County is required.

*Deliverables “g thru w” and Anticipated deliverables – ownership status of buildings/structures proposed for rehab/improvement is required. Provide ownership documentation (e.g., deeds).

Excel Budget Detail Narrative

Budget detail does not reflect substantial involvement by the County over the project 5-year period of performance. There is no discussion on the County’s costs to monitor, evaluate and report project compliance and accomplishments during the period of performance.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

White Pine County



East Ely Railway Improvements-Phase IV

Amount Requested: \$38,675,362

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Nevada Northern Railway (NNRy) museum is a 56-acre National Historical Landmark that is spread out over a mile in length, and it is a half-mile width. The NNRy museum is situated within the East Ely Depot area, in White Pine County, Nevada. The surface, subsurface, and utilities are all jointly owned by the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation and the City of Ely.

This Round 20 “East Ely Railway Improvements-Phase IV” project includes improvements to be made to Avenue A, a road easement is currently owned by the Foundation alone. If SNPLMA project funding is awarded, the Foundation will give partial ownership to the City of Ely.

Additionally, improvements are proposed to an existing walking trail situated within a railroad right-of-way (ROW) (Nev-043230). Consistent with the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act, Public Law 109-59, subject to valid existing rights, in September 2005, ownership of this railroad ROW (surface and subsurface rights), was transferred out of federal ownership by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to the City of Ely.

In 2006, the NNRy was awarded National Historical Landmark (NHL) status by the Secretary of the Interior because all components of this historic facility are intact and interact with each other demonstrating the importance of the railroad to Nevada and the United States.

The size of the 56-acre complex intimidates our visitors because of its length and breadth. New construction of a visitor center would be a nexus where our visitors would get orientated on what to see and do at the railroad. The buildings and the structures are interlinked pieces that present the story of the railroad to the public. Our major attraction is the operating, original steam locomotives that bring our visitors out to BLM land to share the experience of the wide-open spaces and, after the sun goes down, the heavens.

Operating these century-old steam locomotives, means they must be maintained and stored. That is the function of the Machine Shop/Engine House building. Without this building the steam locomotives don't operate. To support the Machine Shop/Engine House building you need the Master Mechanic's Building, the Blacksmith Shop, Coaling Tower, Electric Shop, Paint Shop, Carpenter Shop, Pipe Shop, RIP Building and Airbrake Building. Supporting the operations of the railroad are the Transportation Building, Firehouse, Bus Barn and Wrecker Shed. The Bunkhouse provides lodging for volunteers and interns. Finally, the Twin Garages will provide storage for our new e-railbike program.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

The proposed project is the fourth phase of a large rehabilitation project on the Nevada Northern Railway which will focus on the East Ely Yard. There are no planned future phases for the East Ely Yard. Previous phases included the Nevada Northern Historic Railroad Interpretive Trail project paid for by SNPLMA Round 8 (WP01, 8-7) and the Nevada Northern Historic Railroad Interpretive Trail Phase II project paid for by Round 16 (WP11, 16-3). Round 8 added a paved trail with lighting and Round 16 added paved parking, extended the paved trail with lighting, and added restrooms to the property.

Currently, SNPLMA Round 17 is paying for the second phase of the Jack Caylor Park project (WP12, 17-3) on property adjacent to the East Ely Depot owned by the City of Ely.

White Pine County has been awarded funding from SNPLMA Round 18 for the Nevada Northern Railway Phase III project (WP16, 18-11) which will complete restoration of the McGill Depot and restore 16 miles of railroad track between the East Ely and McGill depots.

If fully awarded, this fourth phase will complete all of the needed improvements to the NNRy East Ely Yard. There are no anticipated future phases for the East Ely Yard beyond the proposed improvements.

- 2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:** White Pine County, City of Ely, and the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation acknowledge that there is no guarantee or expectation that any future phases may be funded.

White Pine County administration and the NNRy Foundation will provide project oversight and monitoring to ensure our performance and all contractors and subcontractors' performance is consistent with the SNPLMA business rules and cooperative agreement regulations. The Project Manager, Budget Officer, Authorized Officer, White Pine County's Maintenance Superintendent, and NNRy staff will each contribute to the project oversight. These key personnel will hold monthly progress update meetings with the Engineer(s) and Architect(s) and Construction Management. The County will also require weekly updates from Construction Management through the Engineer on the work completed and will require payroll, invoices, correspondence with vendors, photos of items received, and photos of work completed be included in these weekly updates. Additionally, a daily report of work completed will be conducted by an employee of the NNRy Foundation with practical experience and a degree in Construction Management.

The Project Manager will track and report project performance during project implementation using spreadsheets to record the date each deliverable – and more specifically each task – was started and completed. This will be compared to the Construction Schedule determined at the pre-construction kick-off meeting, the Project Timeframe agreed upon between SNPLMA and White Pine County, and the Cost Tracking spreadsheet to ensure the project is in compliance with the scope including time, costs, and purpose.

Additionally, the Project Manager and Budget Officer will track and report on costs incurred during project implementation using spreadsheets and our accounting software to record each payment by Vendor, Services Rendered, Fiscal Year and Quarter, Invoice Date, and Date of Services. The Cost Tracking spreadsheet will also record Check Dates and numbers, Draw Request Dates, and Reimbursement Dates. Costs incurred will be cross referenced with the Progress Tracker to ensure payments are only made for work completed.

The County also intends to hire a Contract Officer's Representative to ensure that all parties that enter into agreements during the course of this project fulfill their duties as agreed upon.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The NNRy Phase IV project will meet the goals of the PTNA Strategic Plan by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values: connectivity, sustainability, and community.

1. Sustainability:

The NNRy East Ely Yard complex was given to the City of Ely and the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation (formally known as the White Pine Historical Railroad Foundation), a non-profit corporation by Kennecott Copper Corporation in 1987 by a Grant, Bargain, and Sale Deed recorded at the White Pine County Recorder's office, Book 132 Pages 65 to 74.

The East Ely Yard complex consists of 60 buildings and structures given to the City of Ely and the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation (formally known as the White Pine Historical Railroad Foundation, a non-profit corporation by Kennecott Copper Corporation in 1987 by a Gift Deed recorded at the White Pine County Recorder's office, Book 132 Pages 59 to 62. Included in the gift were the railroad's steam and diesel locomotives along with antique freight and passenger cars and thirty miles of railroad track.

Next year [2024] is the 40th anniversary of the formation of what would lead to the creation of the NNRy. Since then over \$40 million has been invested in the NNRy. Currently, there is nearly \$11 million in funding for improvements to the railroad that is being invested. This funding is made up of federal and state grants (Figure 1):

Figure 1: Current NNRy improvement projects

Fund	Source	Purpose	Amount
SNPLMA Round 18 (WP16)	DOI-BLM	McGill Depot and track restoration	\$10,168,421
Commission for Cultural Centers & Historic Preservation (CCCHP)	State	Urgent Building Repair to the Transportation Building	\$75,000
CCCHP	State	McGill Depot Interior Renovation	\$221,371
CCCHP	State	Roof Repair on Engine House & Machine Shop	\$247,000
Save America's Treasures (2021)	DOI-NPS	Nevada Northern Railway Archives	\$260,000

Seemingly impossible challenges have been overcome that has led to the creation of a major regional tourist attraction which brings people from around the world to our wide-open spaces.

Our visitation has gone from 4,000 to almost 40,000 annually. Considering that Ely is considered the most remote incorporated city in the contiguous United States, 40,000 people making a minimum of a 500-mile round trip speaks to our relevancy. We have come roaring back from Covid. The past two years have been the largest in the history of the NNRy. If this trend continues, then 2023 will be our largest visitation year ever, with a projected visitation of over 40,000.

The uniqueness of the NNRy has attracted the television and movie producers which again speaks to our relevancy. We have been featured in popular television shows including The Big Bang Theory, Modern Marvels, Pawn Stars and American Restoration. Movies have been filmed here that range from horror to whimsical to historical. The NNRy is supported by a multitude of funders and supporters. In addition to previous SNPLMA grants, federal grants have paid for track improvements, locomotive restoration and archival record storage improvements. These grants include:

Figure 2: Other federal grant funded projects

Fund	Purpose	Start	End	Amount
Economic Development Administration Grant	NNRy Track Improvements (track repairs)	2007	2008	\$412,809
Congressional Earmark	NNRy Track Improvements (track repairs)	2008	2016	\$2,000,000
NDOT LPA Track Project to White Pine Public Museum	Track Repairs to White Pine Public Museum	2019	2023	\$797,005
Small Business Administration Shuttered Venue Grant	Financial Support to remain open	2020	2021	\$448,653
Small Business Administration Payroll Protection Program Grant	Financial Support to remain open	2020	2020	\$156,444
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	Track Repairs to White Pine Public Museum	2021	2021	\$144,987
Save America’s Treasures	Restoration of NNRy Locomotive 40	2019	in progress	\$487,160
America’s Treasures – NNRy Archives	Restoration Document Vault and historic document cataloging and archival storage	2021	in progress	\$260,000

State and local grants have paid for railroad crossing repairs, building rehabilitation, utility improvements, locomotive and antique railroad car restoration. For over twenty years, the NNRy has been supported by room tax revenue. Both White Pine County and the City of Ely have enacted ordinances that direct 2% of the cost of lodging in either the County or the City to the Foundation. Starting at \$97,019 annually, it has increased to \$341,332 annually. This is a win-win for the community and the railroad. The more visitors that we attract, the more room tax revenue that is generated. Moreover, the Foundation has 6,000 financial contributors from every state of the union and eleven foreign countries including Mexico, Canada, Chile, Great Britain,

France, Switzerland, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Russia, Australia, and Japan. Since 1984, they have contributed almost \$9,000,000. The annual contributions of the NNRy financial supporters is increasing yearly.

The NNRy's thirty-nine-year track record has proven itself to be durable and relevant with broad financial support.

2. Connectivity:

Previous NNRy SNPLMA projects have been built with the goal of introducing our visitors to not only our surrounding high desert landscapes but also, and perhaps more importantly, to the importance of a dark night sky. Our train rides and e-railbikes take our visitors out into the surrounding public lands. There they learn about the high desert up close and personal. Our train rides expose our passengers to wildlife. They learn about the importance of water in our arid climate and also effects of wildfires. Since the vast majority of our passengers come from cities, the experience of seeing our open vistas, seeing wildlife and the impact of no water on the landscape is eye-opening for many.

This is especially compelling with our astro-tourism trains. According to scientists, the luminous glow of light pollution, prevents nearly 80 percent of people in North American from seeing the Milky Way in the night sky. To those of us fortunate to live where we can see the Milky Way on any clear night, it is astounding to us that people cannot see and appreciate the night skies. On the flip side of that coin, our visitors who participate in our astro-tourism events are even more astonished by the beauty of the night sky when they see it. As part of our astro-tourism programing we explain the importance of protecting the integrity of the night sky.

3. Community:

The NNRy East Ely Yard complex provides outdoor recreations opportunities. These activities include tours of the fifty-six-acre complex either by walking, using one of the e-railbikes— or for something more physical— we do allow our visitors to use our handcar. The e-railbike is an e-bike that goes on the railroad track. Because it has an electric assist a person doesn't need to be in top physical shape to use it. In contrast, our handcar also known as a pump-car, is very physical. The car is propelled by four individuals pumping the car.

Another outdoor recreation opportunity is our astro-tourism programs. In partnership with Great Basin National Park, the railroad hosts the Great Basin Star Trains. When the Star Trains are not running, we do star gazing on the complex at night and also have a sun telescope set up for looking safely at the sun during the day. The importance of our astro-tourism programs is to improve the quality of life for the public and to encouraging interaction with nature is exceptionally important. According to NPR, "The luminous glow of light pollution prevents nearly 80 percent of people in North America from seeing the Milky Way in the night sky." Our astro-tourism programs provide visitors with the opportunity to see the heavens in a way that they cannot do where they live.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

White Pine County in conjunction with the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation and the City of Ely will rehabilitate and construct various infrastructure including a new visitor center and auxiliary storage building, eighteen contributing buildings and structures, sewer, water, and electrical utilities, a trail system, parking lot, and access road at the NNRy East Ely Yard complex located in Ely, Nevada. Completion of the East Ely Yards project will improve visitor safety and improve public access to the NNRy National Historic Landmark and in turn connect people to the outdoors, add regional trails connectivity for community enrichment, and increase recreational opportunities in the community.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (*Base Bid*)
 - a. Visitor Center Building of undetermined size
 - b. Auxiliary Vehicle Storage Building of undetermined size
 - c. Upgraded Water, Sewer, and Electrical Utilities
 - d. 1.8 mile trail system throughout complex and to White Pine Public Museum
 - e. 13,164 sq. ft paved parking lot
 - f. $\frac{1}{2}$ mile paved access road (Avenue A)
 - g. Rehabilitated Master Mechanic Building (BLDG 12) to include:
 - Fire suppression
 - Building repairs
 - h. Rehabilitated Machine Shop/Engine House (BLDG 16) to include:
 - Heating system
 - Water utility upgrades
 - Drainage utility upgrades
 - Electrical utility upgrades
 - i. Rehabilitated Blacksmith Shop (BLDG 16) to include:
 - Utility upgrades
 - Drop hammer repair
 - j. Rehabilitated Coaling Tower (BLDG 28) to include:
 - Building repairs
 - Electrical utility upgrade
 - Coaling Tower Tracks repairs
 - k. Rehabilitated Twin Garages (BLDG 1) to include:
 - Building repairs and structural work
 - l. Rehabilitated Transportation Building (BLDG 2) to include:
 - Building repairs
 - Roof replacement
 - m. Rehabilitated Firehouse Building (BLDG 6) to include:
 - Building repairs
 - n. Rehabilitated Bus Barn (BLDG 18) to include:
 - Water utility restored to building

- Sewer utility restored to building
 - o. Rehabilitated Electric Shop (BLDG 7) to include:
 - Building repairs
 - Electrical utility upgrade
 - p. Rehabilitated Paint Shop (BLDG 18) to include:
 - Building repairs
 - Water utility restored to building
 - Sewer utility restored to building
 - q. Rehabilitated Carpenter Shop (BLDG 21) to include:
 - Building stabilization
 - Roof replacement
 - Window replacements and repairs
 - r. Rehabilitated Airbrake Building (BLDG 22) to include:
 - Building repairs
 - Electrical utility upgrades
 - s. Rehabilitated Blacksmith shop (BLDG 24) to include:
 - Water restored to building
 - Sewer restored to building
 - Electrical utility upgrades
 - t. Rehabilitated Bunkhouse (BLDG 31) to include:
 - HVAC system
 - u. Rehabilitated Pipe Shop (BLDG 19) to include:
 - Roof replacement
 - Building repairs
 - v. Rehabilitated RIP Building (BLDG 20) to include:
 - Window repairs
 - Electrical utility upgrades
 - Roof coating
 - w. Rehabilitated Wrecker Shed (BLDG 17) to include:
 - Building stabilization
2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
- a. Rehabilitated Trailer On Flat Car (TOFC) Ramp to include
 - b. Miscellaneous Shed Repairs to various sheds across complex
 - c. Paved Floor in Ice House (BLDG 30)
 - d. Repairs to Material Storage Building (BLDG 25)
3. Standard Deliverables:
- a. Land use authorizations/easements (e.g. Avenue A/Railyard)
 - b. Engineering design and technical reports
 - c. Development of contracts including bidding and negotiating
 - d. Construction management and oversight
 - e. Budget tracking, accounting, and execution
 - f. Reporting
 - g. Administrative duties
 - h. Submitting and gaining commission approval of project documents

- i. Public scoping/planning
- j. Review of project documents and plans
- k. National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) consultation
- l. Required and necessary inspections

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 1100 Avenue A Ely, Nevada 89301

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: White Pine County, Nevada:

NNRy Yard

- T16N R63E
Section 10: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$
Section 11: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$
Section 15: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$

Parcel Number(s): APNs 010-530-25, 002-022-04, Avenue A (No APN)

Current Land Use and Zoning: 520 – Heavy Industrial, 150 – Vacant Industrial, 7.1670 Street

NNRy Federal Track Right of Way, Nev-043230 (100ft)

- T16N, R63E
- Section 15: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$
- Parcel Number(s): No APN
- Current Land Use and Zoning: 4.6520 East Ely Yard to WPP Museum Federal RR Right of Way

Latitude and Longitude: 39.259722N -114.869444W

Congressional District(s): NV-2

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within ____ years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

Year 1: SNPLMA Cooperative Agreement/Federal Environmental & Sec. 106 Compliance

- Request to initiate, develop project work plan; pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM.
- Respond to the Notice of Intent to Award by federal financial assistance application submittal.

- Coordinate with BLM on any required environmental review and Section 106 compliance.
- Request and receive SNPLMA NTP and federal award (cooperative agreement).
- Begin project design parameters and individual assessments on historic buildings.

Year 2: Project Design and Preliminary Architecture & Engineering

- Develop scope of work and engineering for the project to include design of the visitor's center, vehicle storage building, utility upgrades and historic building repairs; solicit request for proposals.
- Execute design contract, start development of construction drawings.
- Construction bid process, White Pine County Commissioners approval to award construction contract.
- Execute Construction Contract.

Year 3: Pre-Construction Site Preparation and Construction

- Pre-construction kick-off meeting, Administrative Notice to Proceed.
- Permitting and site preparation, utility installation/relocation
- Notice to proceed issued for project construction.
- Construction starts on visitor's center, vehicle storage building, utility upgrades and historic building repairs.

Year 4: Project Construction – Primary Deliverables

- Construct visitor's center and vehicle storage building.
- Construct water, sewer and electrical utility upgrades to the existing on site.
- Complete trail system throughout the complex and to WPPM
- Rehabilitate the Twin Garages, Transportation Building, Firehouse, Bus Barn, Electric Shop, Master Mechanic Building, Machine Shop/Engine house, Blacksmith Shop, Paint Shop, Carpenter Shop, Airbrake Building, Blacksmith Shop, Coaling Tower, Bunkhouse HVAC
- Pave Avenue A and Parking Lots
- Request permission to do the Anticipated Deliverables, Ice House floor, Material Storage Building door repairs, Pipe Shop building repairs, RIP Building window repair and roof coating, Wrecker Shed building stabilization, TOFC Ramp repairs, Miscellaneous Shed Repairs and repair the coaling tower tracks.
\$365,000
- Finalize punch list items, payment of final construction contract invoices.

Year 5: Project Closeout

- Reconcile project file, financial expenditures, and unliquidated obligations.
- Conduct final site inspection with SNPLMA PM.
- Prepare closeout request package and update SMART.

- Submit final financial report (SF-425) and performance narrative via Grant Solutions
- Submit closeout request package (minimum of 60 days prior to POP end date).

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

Previous phases have received funding from several sources including SNPLMA, SHPO, NDOT, ARPA, and many other agencies. No additional funding has been sought for this phase yet as there are no funding opportunities open for the County or the Foundation to apply to currently. If a funding opportunity presents itself, the Foundation will pursue that funding. The NNRy has proven very successful in raising funds for improvements to the Landmark over the last 40 years.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The NNRy keeps on staff individuals that are skilled in carpentry and glass repair, as well as mechanics and other trades. Currently these staff members have to spend a lot of time in emergency and major repairs to keep the building as sound as possible. These improvements would bring these historic buildings and infrastructure up to modern standards, for the most part, allowing our staff to concentrate on more routine maintenance and upkeep rather than emergencies brought on by deterioration. In short, these upgrades will allow our staff and volunteer time to go farther.

White Pine County acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the County from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the County’s ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$ \$38,675,362.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet which provides a summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ -

2) Fringe Benefits	\$	-	\$	-
3) Travel	\$	-	\$	-
4) Equipment	\$	-	\$	-
5) Supplies	\$	-	\$	-
6) Contractual	\$	35,159,420	\$	-
7) Construction	\$	-	\$	-
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$	-	\$	-
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$	35,159,420	\$	-
9) Indirect Charges	\$	3,515,942	\$	-
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$	38,675,362	\$	-

Cost-Benefit Analysis

A preliminary cost estimate was developed by a team consisting of the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation President and Construction Project Manager. Between the two individuals, they have over 50 years of experience in historic building restoration and preservation. They were supported by an experienced cartographer. The three individuals are familiar with the construction industry, the property, and all of the work that was completed in previous phases. The estimate considered which items could be restored to historical accuracy, materials and structures necessary to match historical accuracy and the work completed in previous phases. Included in the calculations was the cost of inflation for construction materials and an Engineer's and Historical Architect fee at a rate of 18% of the cost of construction. We anticipate the Engineer and Architect's work to overlap and the fee will cover both professionals. We also plan to hire a Contract Officer's Representative (COR) to help ensure that all parties that enter into agreements are fulfilling their duties as agreed upon. We have estimated this to cost around \$150,000 as that is what we have paid for consultants on other recent federally funded projects.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

White Pine County has partnered with both the City of Ely and The NNRy Foundation on the application of this project. While no funds have been contributed to this project, all three entities have contributed administrative in-kind for preliminary cost estimates and planning for the project.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

Authorized Officer: Michael Wheable, County Manager

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Phone Number: 775-293-6504

Project Manager: Delaney Marich, Grant Specialist

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Phone Number: 775-293-6593

Budget Officer: Kathy Workman, Finance Director/Comptroller

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

The Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. ***The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).***

Answer: This project improves an existing park and trail system at the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark and it improves an existing trail that is in the railroad's right-of-way that connects the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark to the White Pine Public Museum.

- B. ***The project improves community prosperity and economic development.***

Answer: The NNRy improves community prosperity. Since its founding, it has been estimated that it has brought over 665,000 visitors to White Pine County. Those visitors have spent an estimated \$107,000,000 in the community. That visitation has led to economic development on many levels. It was partially responsible for the construction of two new hotels, a La Quinta and a Holiday Inn Express. Since its building, the La Quinta expanded by building an annex with 27 additional rooms. Currently there is a Hampton Inn being developed with a new casino in Ely.

Economic development contribution being generated by the NNRy is evidenced by the previously mentioned increases in room tax being experienced by the community. Closer to home, since the first SNPLMA project was implemented at the railroad, our employment has more than doubled, there are currently thirty individuals employed by the Foundation. Our increased employment is reflected throughout the community in the increased demand in service sector job market.

- C. ***The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.***

Answer: The Nevada Northern Railway has been recognized by the Secretary of the Interior as a National Historic Landmark. National Historic Landmark Status is the highest honor that the federal government can bestow on an historic site.

National Historic Landmarks are so designated because they possess exceptional value or quality in illustrating and interpreting the heritage of the United States. The Nevada Northern Railway is one of only two operating National Historic Landmark Railroads in the United States.

As such, it draws visitors to White Pine County from across the country and from around the world. This is evidenced by our social media following of over 181,686 people.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: The project addresses, remedies and improves serious public health and safety concerns in access, building stabilization, building usage and utility upgrades. The NNRy site was constructed beginning in 1906. The complex consists of sixty buildings and structures that were built to support the operations of the railroad. In 1984, when the railroad began its new life as a historic park, it created a dichotomy. It was an industrial site that was never intended for the general public to come visit, but now the public was being invited to come visit. Compounding the situation was that the principle structures that make up the historic site were eighty years old at the time. Today they are all over a century old. The buildings and structure are critical to the interpretation of this National Historic Landmark site and they need to be made safe for the public to experience.

In addition to the buildings, the site utilities: water, sewer and electrical are now all over a century old and long since passed their service life, if the utility even exists anymore. On a site inspection of the complex by the State Fire Marshall, he commented that our fire hydrants belong in a museum. My reply was that they were. He pointed out that in the case of fire, they would be pretty much useless. The water system through the complex was installed in 1906-1907. It is metal pipe that was laid in alkaline soil. Over a century, the metal pipe is now paper thin, any disturbance causes it to fail. Trying to hook up a new water pipe to the existing rarely works.

And fire is a major concern, we are operating steam locomotives, past wooden buildings that have over a century of oil base paint on them with fire hydrants that are questionable at best or non-operating at worse. In addition to water for fire suppression, buildings such as the Paint Shop, Blacksmith Shops and the Bus Barn need their water and sewer restored to operation for public safety and to make the buildings useful in the interpretation of the railroad.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: The Nevada Northern Railway Foundation has implemented programs to address the issues of communities that have limited access or connectivity to recreational activities.

The Foundation has provided either reduced price or free tickets to the Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows and Little People's Head Start. Annually, we offer Food Trains where the cost is a can of food. This food is then collected and given to the local food bank. Every year we offer free train rides to the community, so local residents can come experience the railroad. And during the holiday season, we offer special holiday

train rides for underprivileged kids. Additionally, we also offer free tours of the National Historic Landmark complex to school children.

Perhaps our most impactful program is being the community sponsor of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program. This program provides free books to children until age 5 so they can develop a life-long love of reading. This is in conjunction with the White Pine County Library.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Answer: This project enhances, improves and preserves a National Historic Landmark through building restorations, interpretation and enhanced programing. All projects are completed with a mind for historic preservation as directed by DOI. In addition, the project establishes new trails and improves exiting trails that will provide greater access to recreational opportunities.

The proposed visitor's center includes a theater for orientation on the historic significance of the railroad, the high desert environment but also the importance of protecting the night skies.

Our popular astro-tourism events expose our visitors to the dark skies and astronomy. The e-rail bikes allow a family to ride the rails and connect with the outdoors. Trains to Trails allows passengers to bring their bicycles on board the train for drop offs along our route on to public lands.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: The NNRy advances recreational opportunities in numerous ways. The vast preponderance of our visitors who travel to the museum are from cities. For many, this is their first visit to a historic site. Once here, our visitors can experience a multitude of recreational activities from daytime excursion train trips that offer vistas of open public lands, to our nighttime astro-tourism trains for enjoying the heavens. Additional recreational programs include photography, volunteering, hiking, mountain biking and taking an e-railbike out onto the railroad.

The very fact that our visitors are experiencing the high desert for the very first time, works towards educating them in the importance of protecting the natural resources and wildlife that they are viewing.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: This project addresses sustainability and conservation of energy, water and materials on two levels. First historic building rehabilitation sustainability is recognized the Secretary of The Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation Historic Buildings as a worthwhile goal to preserve and give new life to historic structures.

This goal is also emphasized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency:

1) A historic building or district can be a tangible symbol of a community's interest in honoring its heritage, valuing its character and sense of place, getting the most out of prior investments in infrastructure and development, and encouraging growth in already-developed areas.

2) Rehabilitating historic properties can be a critical part of promoting energy efficiency by preserving the energy already represented by existing buildings (known as "embodied energy"), rather than expending additional energy for new construction. A new, green, energy-efficient office building that includes as much as 40 percent recycled materials would nevertheless take approximately 65 years to recover the energy lost in demolishing a comparable existing building.

3) Repurposing old buildings—particularly those that are vacant—reduces the need for construction of new buildings and the consumption of land, energy, materials, and financial resources that they require.

The rehabilitation of the existing buildings on the National Historic Landmark dovetails with the goals of the Secretary of The Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation Historic Buildings and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Secondly, the proposed visitor's center will be designed and built using sustainable construction involving using renewable and recyclable materials to reduce energy consumption and toxic waste. The primary goal will be to decrease the building's impact on the environment by utilizing sustainable construction procedures, practicing energy efficiency, and harnessing green technology.

D. The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.

Answer: The NNRy serves as the hub for the train rides that the railroad offers. The train rides introduce our visitors to not only our surrounding high desert landscapes but also, and perhaps more importantly, to the importance of a dark night sky.

Our train rides, e-railbikes and astro-tourism programs expose our visitors to the surrounding public lands. There they learn about the high desert up close and personal. The train rides expose our passengers to wildlife, they learn about the importance of water in our arid climate and also effects of wildfires.

Since the vast majority of our passengers come from cities, the experience of seeing our open vistas, seeing wildlife and the impact of no water on the landscape is eye-opening for our visitors. This is especially compelling with our astro-tourism trains. According to scientists, the luminous glow of light pollution, prevents nearly 80 percent of people in North American from seeing the Milky Way in the night sky. To those of us fortunate to live where we can see the Milky Way on any clear night, it is astounding to us that people cannot see and appreciate the night skies.

The proposed visitor's center includes a theater for orientation on the historic significance of the railroad, the high desert environment but also the importance of protecting the night skies.

3. **CONNECTIVITY**: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. ***The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.***

Answer: This project enhances physical connectivity and access to local trails and federal lands on multiple levels. The railroad is developing an e-railbike program that expands on a previous SNPLMA project which funded repairs to the railroad track to McGill Nevada. This application builds on that project by converting and rehabilitating the twin garages for e-railbike storage and a meeting place for program participants to be introduced to the experience. This project will complete the walking path trail through the National Historic Landmark and pave an existing walking trail that is within railroad right-of-way to the White Pine Public Museum.

Finally, as the largest local tourist attraction in the Ely area, the new visitor's center will serve as an orientation point and as a base camp, to educate our visitors on the regional and local recreation opportunities in the area. The NNRy NHL is open daily with extended hours during the summer months for the convenience of our visitors.

B. ***The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)***

Answer: Yes, the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark is included in the White Pine County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies, specifically:

Dark Skies: Continue to develop existing partnerships with Great Basin National Park and the Nevada Northern Railway; actionable items include an Astronomy Festival, Star Photography Workshops, Star Trains, Sunset Stars and Champagne, and Park-to-Park in the Dark.

Mountain Biking: Existing strategic partners include the U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Great Basin Trails Alliance, and the Nevada Northern

Railway; continued development and maintenance of approximately 50 miles of existing single-track, establish national and international recognition of the area's mountain bike attractions and assets.

Nevada Northern Railway: Primary partner includes the Nevada Northern Railway; continue to promote 'astro tourism' regionally, statewide, nationally, and even internationally, development of new programs including 'Trains to Trails' and 'HI Rail 18'.

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

Answer: Yes, the proposed new visitor's center and the railroad will serve as a hub that connects Ely, Ruth and McGill with trains, Trains to Trails (allows passengers to bring their bicycles on board the train for drop offs along our route onto public lands), e-rail bikes and hiking trails. Our visitors can experience a multitude of recreational activities from daytime excursion train trips that offer vistas of open public lands, to our nighttime astro-tourism trains for enjoying the heavens.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Answer: The proposed new visitor's center will serve as an orientation point and as a base camp, to educate our visitors on the regional and local recreation opportunities in the area. The train then serves as the "bridge" to connect people with the outdoors. The excursion passengers are treated to ever changing views of their public lands along the route.

Our popular astro-tourism events expose our visitors to the dark skies and astronomy. The e-rail bikes allow a family to ride the rails and connect with the outdoors. Trains to Trails allows passengers to bring their bicycles on board the train for drop offs along our route onto public lands.

E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

Answer: While this project does make improvements to our facilities, the completed facilities will provide a safe place for people of all backgrounds to become connected with the world around them. Moreover, the e-railbike program will increase employment opportunities at the railroad to implement the program. The creation of a similar program by American Rail Bike Adventures in York PA and Las Vegas NV created twelve new positions. The railroad already has a vibrant intern program that engages the youth. Throughout the year the railroad offers free rides on the train to the community. Additionally, we work with schools to bring students to the railroad to explore it and experience the history.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. *The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.*

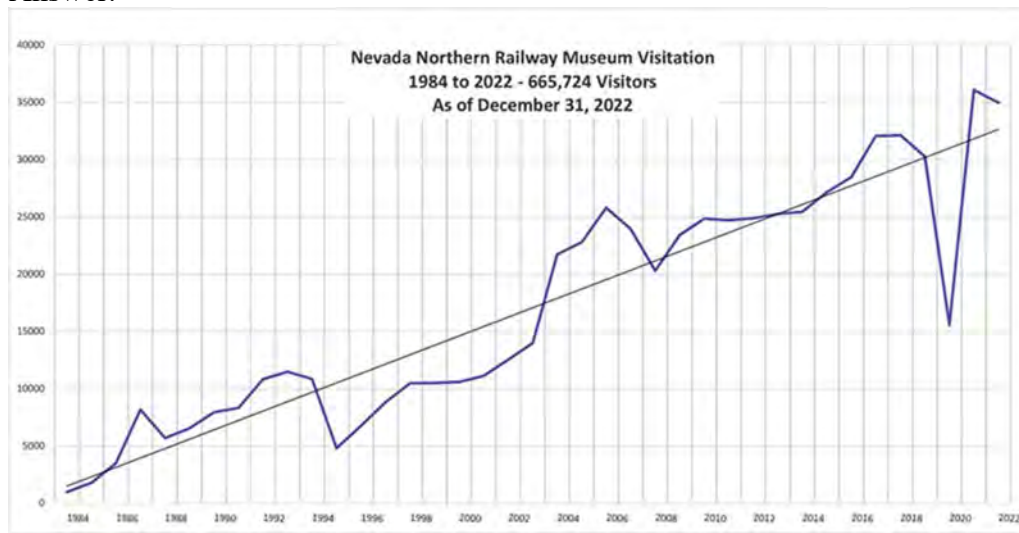
Answer:

Yes. The project budget for this phase of the NNRy Improvements is \$ \$38,675,362

Cost estimates were developed by a team consisting of the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation President and Construction Project Manager. Between the two individuals, they have over 50 years of experience in historic building restoration and preservation. . This estimate considered the work needed on the complex, the necessary construction materials, the costs incurred for previous phases, the current rate of inflation, and the federal funding process. Although not preferred, this project could be phased out further if necessary.

B. *Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.*

Answer:



As shown on the chart, the NNRy's visitation has gone from a few thousand a year to now where it is approaching 40,000 visitors annually. Considering that we are in remote rural Nevada where a visitor must commit to minimum of a 500-mile round trip to visit the NNRy NHL this is very commendable.

Our visitors mainly come from southern Nevada, California, Arizona, Utah, Washington and Idaho. We even receive visitors from every state in the union and multiple foreign countries such as Canada, Mexico, Great Britain, China, Germany and France.

- C. ***The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.***

Answer: The project design approach will use the guidance from the Secretary of the Interior's Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings and the Guidelines on Sustainability for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings to minimize the future maintenance costs of the project.

- D. ***Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).***

Answer: Though no funds have been contributed to this project, White Pine County, The City and the Foundation have already contributed countless administrative hours toward preliminary planning and engineering costs for this project as well as several hours of County professional staff time.

- E. ***Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).***

Answer: The primary purpose of this project is to modernize the existing infrastructure of the National Historic Landmark to reduce the operation and maintenance costs of the facility. This will be accomplished by preserving the existing historic structures and upgrading utilities by incorporating the latest in technology and engineering efficiency for sustainability.

The proposed new construction will incorporate the latest in technology and engineering efficiency for sustainability.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

- A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***

This EO is not applicable.

2. ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***

Previous projects have shown that approximately 80%-100% of materials used in similar or nearby project have come from within the United States. The County plans to work with engineers and contractors to try to increase this number not only to ensure that the future is made in America, but to attempt to avoid extensive material lead times caused by shipping from overseas or across borders.

3. *EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)*

White Pine County in conjunction with the City of Ely and the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation, will enter into a project labor agreement that:

- binds all contractors and subcontractors through the relevant solicitations and contract documents;
- allow any contractor or subcontractor who is a party to a collective bargaining agreement to compete for contracts and subcontracts;
- provide guarantees against, strikes, lockout, and similar job disruptions;
- provide Alternative dispute resolution procedures to resolve labor disputes arising during the term of the project; and
- Provide mechanisms for labor-management on matters concerning mutual interest such as productivity, quality of work, safety, and health.

4. *EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies*

This project extends the life of National Historic Landmark park while adding an abundance of new outdoor recreational opportunities for both residents and visitors to White Pine County. This facility promotes the quality of being fair and impartial towards all individuals regardless of skill level, income, residential status, race and more. The project is centered in an area just outside of City congestion allowing for recreation in an area with next to no pollution. This project is located near disadvantaged residents such as farming/ ranching property, low income apartments, and more that lack recreation near these specific areas.

The Railroad Foundation has provided either reduced priced or free tickets to the Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows and Little People's Head Start. Annually, we offer Food Trains where the cost is a can of food. This food is then collected and given to the local food bank. Every year we offer free train rides to the community, so local residents can come experience the railroad. And during the holiday season, we offer special holiday train rides for underprivileged kids. Additionally, we also offer free tours of the National Historic Landmark complex to school children.

Research shows a significant growth in physical and mental fitness and health throughout communities with increased parks and recreation. White Pine County needs this project to help promote health and fitness to all members of the

community. This project will bring more tourists in to the community as it has demonstrated over the past thirty-nine years through extended recreational offerings that include riding the railroad track on e-railbikes, participating in astro-tourism programs, exploring the area through Trains to Trails that allows passengers to bring their bicycles on board the train for drop offs along our route on to public lands. This increase in visitation has led to the building of new hotels and more jobs in the community.

This project will also increase the quality of life for surrounding residents not to mention the entire county, residents of neighboring counties and visitors who come from across the country and around the world to visit the Nevada Northern railway National Historic Landmark. Through all of this, the project aligns with this EO regarding strengthening the forests, communities and local economy.

5. *EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All*

The Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark promotes the quality of being fair and impartial towards all individuals regardless of skill level, income, residential status, race and more.

The project is centered in an area just outside of City congestion allowing for recreation in an area with next to no pollution. This project is located near disadvantaged residents such as farming/ ranching property, low income apartments, and more that lack recreation near these specific areas.

The Railroad Foundation has provided either reduced priced or free tickets to the Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows and Little People's Head Start. Annually, we offer Food Trains where the cost is a can of food. This food is then collected and given to the local food bank. Every year we offer free train rides to the community, so local residents can come experience the railroad. And during the holiday season, we offer special holiday train rides for underprivileged kids.

Additionally, we also offer free tours of the National Historic Landmark complex to school children. Perhaps our most impactful program in conjunction with the White Pine County Library is the Foundation is the community sponsor of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program that provides free books to children until age 5, so they can develop a life-long love of reading. Because of this, the project is pivotal in centering equity and environmental justice in White Pine County.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

This SO seeks to conserve an existing National Historic Landmark park while expanding outdoor recreational opportunities for current and future generations while managing habitat. This project extends the life of an existing National Historic Landmark park while adding an abundance of new outdoor recreational opportunities for both residents and visitors to White Pine County.

2. ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

Passengers on board the Nevada Northern Railway train travel through the adjoining public lands. On board the train our visitors have the opportunity to see wildlife in their natural habitat. Passengers have seen rabbits, deer, antelope, bobcats, hawks and eagles just to mention a few.

3. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

This EO is not applicable.

4. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

This EO is not applicable.

5. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

This SO encourages assisting Americans to experience the outdoors within their local communities. Located in Ely, the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark does and will continue to provide abundant outdoor opportunities to residents and visitors right in our community. Furthermore, many of our visitors are from large urban areas. Their visit to this National Historic Landmark allows them to experience the outdoors at the facility while also being able to view surrounding mountain ranges, valleys, amazing sunsets, and rare dark skies.

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

This EO is not applicable.

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public***

recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).

This EO is not applicable.

8. *SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.*

The Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark offers two programs to our visitors that use electric bikes. The first program is our electric railbike (e-railbike) program. The e-railbike program is an electric bike that rides on the railroad track. The e-rail bikes are available at the railroad for the public to use. The second program is our Trains to Trails program. This program allows our visitors to bring their electric bike on board the train. Once on the train, the train will stop at various locations for the visitor to take their bike off the train and ride their electric bike back to the railroad depot.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. *Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.*

This project addresses the need to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations by encouraging the reuse of historic structure rather than tearing down and build new. This is recognized by the Secretary of the Interior and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to address sustainability and conservation of energy, water and materials on two levels. First historic building rehabilitation sustainability is recognized the Secretary of The Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation Historic Buildings as a worthwhile goal to preserve and give new life to historic structures.

This goal is also emphasized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency:

1) A historic building or district can be a tangible symbol of a community's interest in honoring its heritage, valuing its character and sense of place, getting the most out of prior investments in infrastructure and development, and encouraging growth in already-developed areas.

2) Rehabilitating historic properties can be a critical part of promoting energy efficiency by preserving the energy already represented by existing buildings (known

as "embodied energy"), rather than expending additional energy for new construction. A new, green, energy-efficient office building that includes as much as 40 percent recycled materials would nevertheless take approximately 65 years to recover the energy lost in demolishing a comparable existing building.

3) Repurposing old buildings—particularly those that are vacant—reduces the need for construction of new buildings and the consumption of land, energy, materials, and financial resources that they require.

The rehabilitation of the existing buildings on the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark (NNRy NHL) dovetails with the goals of the Secretary of The Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation Historic Buildings and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Secondly, the proposed visitor's center will be designed and built using sustainable construction involving using renewable and recyclable materials to reduce energy consumption and toxic waste. The primary goal will be to decrease the building's impact on the environment by utilizing sustainable construction procedures, practicing energy efficiency, and harnessing green technology.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

The upgrade to the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark (NNRy NHL) will create a venue for potential tribal events for all to enjoy. The facility is can used by local Tribal members, but also Duckwater Tribal members. The Duckwater Shoshone Tribe is located outside of White Pine County. Their location is closer to White Pine County and the City of Ely than any other city in Nye County thus forcing many to come to White Pine County for emergency medical services, jobs and recreation. A large number of Duckwater Tribal members spend a majority of their free time in White Pine County.

Members of the tribes are financial supporters of the NNRy NHL, whose financial contributions help preserve and maintain the railroad. This project and its improvements to amenities all around the facility are just as important (if not more important) to this Tribal Nation as it is to locals.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work*

conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.

With this project, we are proposing short term union jobs that will be available during the construction process. The success of this project will create five long term jobs at the railroad. The e-railbike project will improve access to recreation and will introduce the public to the advantages of electric bikes this in part will address climate change.

4. *Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*

We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.

The location for this project is upgrading a current a National Historic Landmark park, therefore, conserving land for public use in perpetuity. With this facility upgrade, there will become connections to other nearby cultural assets such as the White Pine Public Museum, parks such as the Great Basin National Park, State, County and City parks and access to the regional trail system on public lands. Because use of this project, there will be an increase in the use of all recreational parks in the area. This project will emphasize preservation, conservation and restoration.

5. *Centering equity and environmental justice. The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.*

This facility promotes the quality of being fair and impartial towards all individuals regardless of skill level, income, residential status, race and more. The project is centered in an area just outside of City congestion allowing for recreation in an area with next to no pollution. This project is located near disadvantaged residents such as farming/ranching property, low income apartments, and more that lack recreation near these specific areas.

The Railroad Foundation has provided either reduced priced or free tickets to the Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows and Little People's Head Start. Annually, we offer Food Trains where the cost is a can of food. This food is then collected and given to the local food bank. Every year we offer free train rides to the community, so local residents can come experience the railroad. And during the holiday season,

we offer special holiday train rides for underprivileged kids. Additionally, we also offer free tours of the National Historic Landmark complex to school children.

The facility currently encourages tribal uses from not only local Tribes but neighboring tribal members and will continue to do so after this project is complete. Because of this the project is pivotal in centering equity and environmental justice in White Pine County.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

This project provides spacious outdoor areas for solo and spaced out recreation to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional restrooms provide multiple additional hand washing stations to allow for ample opportunity to rid of pathogens and other impurities.

Additionally, this project combats the after effects of COVID-19 such as depression due to isolation and other mental, physical and social illnesses onset by the pandemic by allowing social interaction and physical activity.

2. *Providing economic relief*

Research shows a significant growth in physical and mental fitness and health throughout communities with increased parks and recreation. White Pine County needs this project to help promote health and fitness to all members of the community.

This project will bring more tourists in to the community as it has demonstrated over the past thirty-nine years through extended recreational offerings that include riding the railroad track on e-railbikes, participating in astro-tourism programs, exploring the area through Trains to Trails that allows passengers to bring their bicycles on board the train for drop offs along our route on to public lands. This increase in visitation has led to the building of new hotels and more jobs in the community.

This project will also increase the quality of life for surrounding residents not to mention the entire county, residents of neighboring counties and visitors who come from across the country and around the world to visit the Nevada Northern railway National Historic Landmark.

3. *Tackling climate change*

This project addresses the need to tackle climate change by encouraging the reuse of historic structure rather than tearing down and building new. This program is recognized by the Secretary of the Interior and the U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency to address sustainability and conservation of energy, water and materials on two levels. First historic building rehabilitation sustainability is recognized the Secretary of The Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation Historic Buildings as a worthwhile goal to preserve and give new life to historic structures.

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- 1) A historic building or district can be a tangible symbol of a community's interest in honoring its heritage, valuing its character and sense of place, getting the most out of prior investments in infrastructure and development, and encouraging growth in already-developed areas using less resources which results in the creation of less carbon.
- 2) Rehabilitating historic properties can be a critical part of promoting energy efficiency by preserving the energy already represented by existing buildings (known as "embodied energy"), rather than expending additional energy for new construction. A new, green, energy-efficient office building that includes as much as 40 percent recycled materials would nevertheless take approximately 65 years to recover the energy lost in demolishing a comparable existing building. Again helping to defeat climate change.
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Secondly, the proposed visitor's center will be designed and built using sustainable construction involving using renewable and recyclable materials to reduce energy consumption and toxic waste. The primary goal will be to decrease the building's impact on the environment by utilizing sustainable construction procedures, practicing energy efficiency, and harnessing green technology.

Connecting the railroad to existing trail systems will encourage nearby residents and students to walk or ride a bike to a nearby park rather than driving a car across town to find a safe park to recreate at thus reducing emissions.

4. *Advancing racial equity*

White Pine County, the City of Ely and the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation are all equal opportunity employers and providers. White Pine County due to its history is a very inclusive community. The community was built by immigrants who came to area to be part of the American dream. This idea is celebrated with a large mural in the heart of the community showing children from different ethnic backgrounds. The name of this mural is “Where the World Met and Became One.” This title has become the unofficial motto of the community. It is not only celebrated on the mural but also by Renaissance Village which educates people on the diverse ethnicity of our community and by the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark.

Recreation and physical activity are something that people of all ethnic backgrounds can and do enjoy. Whether users are local or travelers, they can feel at ease knowing that the community and, more specifically, this facility considers them as equals.

5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

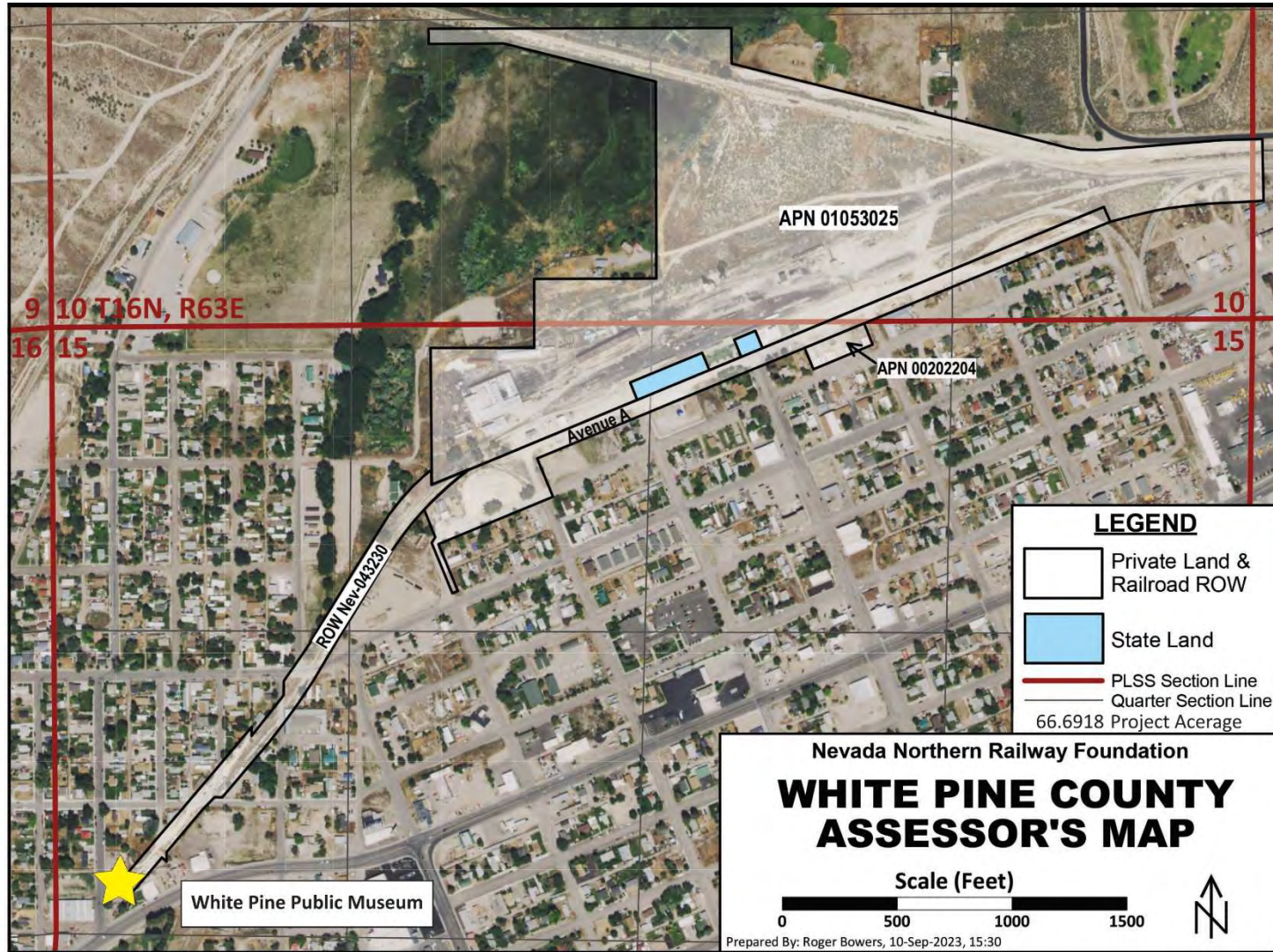
The Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark in partnership with the White Pine School District and Great Basin College have developed internships and training programs for not only local youth, but has recruited young adults from across the country to participate in training here. In many cases this was the participants first experience of working for a company and learning about the work environment. Graduates of the program have been employed by local industry but also by firms across the country.

The skills taught at the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark are in high demand by companies and businesses across the country. In fact there is a National Security Finding that states training in mechanic positions is critically important to the national security of the United States.

The training that is received here brings good work ethics into the workforce. Improving this facility will provide new opportunities to learn and teach a multitude of youth who will soon be joining the workforce.

This will result in young adults with preparedness for the future, higher GPAs, time management skills, more positivity, better health and wellness, teamwork, leadership and collaboration skills that they will be able to contribute to the workforce. This in turn will create a more collaborative work environment for all.

LOCATION AND ASSESSOR PACEL MAP



PROJECT MAP - WEST SIDE

Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark Project Area - West Half



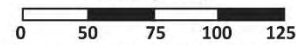
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| ㉔ Coaling Tower and Coaling Tower Track | ㉒ Blacksmith Shop |
| ⑦ Bus Barn | ㉓ Pipe Shop |
| ⑨ Electric Shop | ㉔ RIP Bldg |
| ⑱ Paint Shop | ⑰ Wrecker Shed |

Map Legend

⑫ - Project Building or Structure	▬ - Proposed areas to be paved
▬ - Proposed Building	⋯ - Proposed walking tour path

- ⑬ Proposed Auxiliary Vehicle Storage Bldg
- ⑳ Miscellaneous Shed Repairs

Scale (Feet)



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PROJECT MAP – EAST SIDE

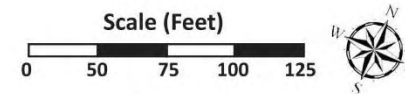
Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark Project Area - East Half



- ① Twin Garages
- ② Transportation Bldg
- ③ Bunkhouse
- ⑤ TOFC Ramp
- ⑩ Ice House

- ⓐ Proposed Visitor Center
- ⑤ Miscellaneous Shed Repairs

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⑥ - Project Building or Structure	■ - Proposed areas to be paved
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PROJECT MAP – PROPOSED TRAIL

Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark to White Pine Public Museum Trail

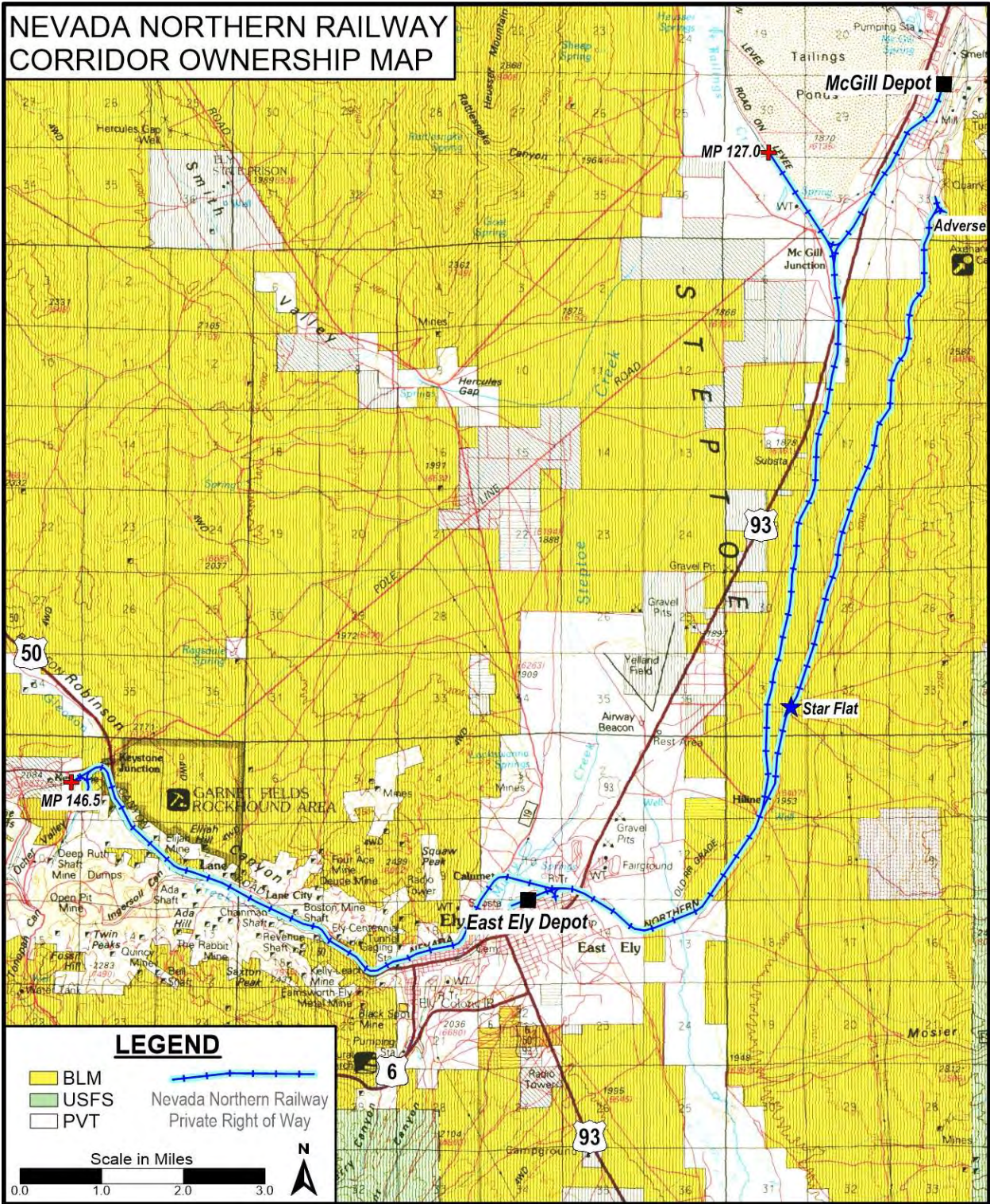
Area Map



Key

- Nevada Northern Railway Track..... 
- Pedestrian Path to be Paved..... 

STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES – CONNECTIVITY AND COMMUNITY



N. PHOTOS

Nevada Northern Railway East Ely Yard National Historic Landmark



The Nevada Northern Railway East Ely Yard was recognized by the Secretary of the Interior as a National Historic Landmark in the railroad's centennial year, 2006. National Historic Landmarks are so designated because they possess exceptional value or quality in illustrating and interpreting the heritage of the United States. It is the highest honor that the federal government can bestow on an historic site.

The complex consist of 56-acres with sixty buildings and structures with the oldest dating from 1906. Our challenge is to make the site accessible to the public, in a safe manner, while at the same time preserving the historic integrity of the site. Our restorations follow The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings. Our grant includes funding for historic building restoration and trail development. It also includes funding for a Visitor's Center. This photo illustrates the need for the Visitor's Center. The complex is overwhelming and visitors don't know where to start their visit or where they are allowed to go, the Visitor's Center would solve this issue.

RENDITION OF PROPOSED VISITOR CENTER

Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark Proposed Visitor Center



Artist's conception of the proposed Visitor's Center, north wall facing the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark.

**Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark
Proposed Auxiliary Vehicle Storage & Display Building**



The proposed Auxiliary Vehicle Storage and Display Building will house three historic vehicles that are in our collection:

- 1) 1956 Pontiac HyRail Station Wagon;
- 2) 1930 Ford Model A United States Post Office truck and;
- 3) 1929 Model A Railway Express Truck.

These vehicles are used in telling the story of the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark.

Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark Machine Shop and Engine House Building



The heart of the railroad is the machine shop/engine house building and is one of the principle reasons why we are a National Historic Landmark. This massive structure is core to our operations and is the number one visitor attraction on the National Historic Landmark complex. The building was built in 1907 to store and repair the original locomotives of the railroad. We allow our visitors to enter the building and watch as the staff and volunteers work on the locomotives and railroad cars.

All of the locomotives and equipment in this photo are original to the railroad with the oldest pieces dating to 1907. The steam locomotives power our popular excursion trains on a 14-mile round trip through public lands. The orange diesel locomotives power our very popular astro-tourism trains that are done in conjunction with Great Basin National Park.

The Foundation has raised and spent millions on this building to make it structurally sound. Awarding this grant will allow us to make utility upgrades and install a heating system. Our staff and volunteers brave frigid temperatures during the winter months to maintain the locomotives to keep them running. Not only does our staff and volunteers need to bundle up, but so do our visitors when they visit.

This photo also includes to other buildings that are part of the project, in the center rear is the wrecker shed that needs building stabilization as evident by the boards holding the building up. The large building to the right is the Paint Shop Building that needs door and window repairs to make the building usable for display and interpretation.

Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark Coaling Tower Restoration



The coaling tower was built in 1917 to coal the steam locomotives of the railroad. Prior to its construction the locomotives were filled by hand; each tender holds 12 tons of coal. Awarding this grant would allow the coaling tower to be returned to service to once again coal the steam locomotives of the railroad.

Once back in service it would once again coal the locomotives as it was designed to do. Currently we use a front end loader to coal the locomotives which is hazardous to do and has been known to damage the locomotives.

Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark Repair In Place (RIP) Building



The Repair In Place (RIP) Building is the second largest building on the complex. Historically, the building was used to make repairs to the railroad's passenger, freight and ore cars. Today, the building is used for the storage of our historic railroad cars, with the oldest one dating to September 1872.

The building is also used for restoration of our antique railroad cars. We still use the RIP moniker but have amended it slightly. Now when we refer to the building, the RIP stands for Restoration In Progress, currently there are three projects in progress in there. Grant funding would allow us to address the building's windows, roof and electrical service. Once this was accomplished, the building then could be open to the public, to allow them to interact with the restorers to learn about the importance of historic preservation and the impact of railroading on society.

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

<p align="center">SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources</p>		
<p align="center">Performance Measures for Cultural / Paleontological Resources</p>	<p align="center">Definition of Performance Measures</p>	<p align="center">Quantity</p>
<p>C1 - Number of Cultural or Historic Sites or Structures Stabilized or Protected</p>	<p>*Report the number (one unit for each site or each structure) where work is completed to protect, stabilize, restore, excavate, and/or manage cultural features. For sites receiving multiple treatments, count each site only once, but if multiple structures are on a site, count each structure separately. For example, an archeological dig site would be counted as one although multiple excavations may take place on the site, whereas a site having remnants of three separate dwellings would be counted as three. Report installation of interpretive signs and structures (e.g., kiosk displays) under O6. Report administrative actions such as mineral withdrawals, closures, or special designations under H1. <i>*Report each site or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<p>30 buildings stabilized</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Garages 2. Transportation Bldg 3. Firehouse 4. Bus Barn 5. Electric Shop 6. Master Mechanic Bldg 7. Machine Shop/Engine House 8. Blacksmith Shop 9. Paint Shop 10. Carpenter Shop 11. Air Brake Bldg 12. Blacksmith Shop 2 13. Coaling Tower 14. Bunkhouse 15. Ice House 16. Material Storage Bldg 17. Pipe Shop 18. RIP Bldg 19. Wrecker Shed 20. TOFC Ramp 21. 10 Tool Sheds
<p align="center">SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment</p>		
<p align="center">Performance Measures for Recreation Management</p>	<p align="center">Definition of Performance Measures</p>	<p align="center">Quantity</p>
<p>R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved</p>	<p>*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	<p>57.5 acres of upgraded park/outdoor recreation area.</p>

R3- Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2 new, structures 2. 1 Visitor Center 3. 1 Auxiliary Vehicle Storage Bldg 4. 20 improved structures 5. Garages 6. Transportation Bldg 7. Firehouse 8. Bus Barn 9. Electric Shop 10. Master Mechanic Bldg 11. Machine Shop/Engine House 12. Blacksmith Shop 13. Paint Shop 14. Carpenter Shop 15. Air Brake Bldg 16. Blacksmith Shop 2 17. Coaling Tower 18. Bunkhouse 19. Ice House 20. Material Storage Bldg 21. Pipe Shop 22. RIP Bldg 23. Wrecker Shed 24. TOFC Ramp 25. 10 Tool Sheds
R4- Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	<p>*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. <i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i></p>	<p>2 Miles of trail improved</p>
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/ Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	<p>*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. <i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 4 SNPLMA project Facility SignS 2. 2 Wayfinding Signs

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



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Ely District Office
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Dear Mr. Wheable:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of White Pine County in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 4, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The County has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Ely Little League Fields Renovation –White Pine County proposes upgrade, replace or refurbish infrastructure at the +/-12-acre Little League Fields facility in Ely, NV, providing a safer and more accessible environment for all age groups with increased ADA accessibility. Upgrades include energy efficient utilities, redesigned ballfields, parking improvements, renovation of concession/bathroom/announcer stand and more.

Legal Description: MDM: White Pine County, NV: T16N, R63E, sec. 14 NWSW, sec. 15 NESE (within).

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Historical McGill Ballpark Restoration – Phase III –White Pine County proposes to complete the third and final phase of the McGill Ballpark Project to restore the 4.76-acre facility to historical accuracy. This project includes the restoration of a Little League Field, bleachers, announcer's booth, upgrades to the utility systems, installation of new playground and picnic area equipment, and construction of a new maintenance house and concession stand

Legal Description: T18N, R64E, S28, SENW (within); APN 004-034-01; 39.3986°N, -114.7815°W.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process and any coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office that may be needed.

Northern Nevada Railway East Ely Yard Improvements Phase IV – White Pine County proposes to design and construct a visitor center with the goal of interpreting the railroad and its natural surroundings; an auxiliary building to house and display historic vehicles which will be used for interpreting the railroad and taking visitors out on the railroad through adjoining public lands. The County also proposes to rehabilitate 18 contributing buildings and historic structures to provide safer and more accessible environment; update the complex's 1906 utilities including sewer, water and electrical for public safety, to meet basic habitation needs and energy efficiency; finish the walking trail system through the East Ely railyard; tie in the trail system to the White Pine Public Museum; pave Avenue A and pave additional parking areas.

Legal Description: 39.2597220000, -114.8694440000; 1100 Avenue A, Ely Nevada; NNR Y East Ely Yard within T16N, R63E, sec.10: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$; sec.11: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$; and sec.15: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$; Main rail yard within APN 010- 530-25; Proposed new visitor center within APN 002-022-04; Avenue A (no APN) Street; ROW Nev-043230 East Ely yard to White Pine Public Museum Federal RR Right of Way within T16N, R63E, sec.15, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

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If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Melanie Peterson, Special Legislation Program Manager at 775- 289-1896 or m1peters@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



JARED BYBEE

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Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Great Basin National Park
Baker, Nevada 89311



In Reply Refer to:

August 30, 2023

Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA PTNA Program Manager
Bureau of Land Management
SNPLMA Division
4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr. Las Vegas, NV 89130

Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing you in support of the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation and the City of Ely's Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) grant request for Round 20. I strongly urge that this grant be funded. The railroad is the tourism anchor for the community. Previous SNPLMA grants have allowed tremendous improvements to be made at this National Historic Landmark.

This grant request will allow this National Historic Landmark to reach its full potential. For the past 35 years, the Foundation has been working to preserve, maintain and to develop the complex as the foremost tourism destination in the region. In this goal, they have been very successful. Their visitation has gone from 4,000 to almost 40,000 annually. They have come roaring back from Covid. The past two years have been the largest visitation in the Foundation's history. If this trend continues, then 2023 will be their largest visitation year ever, with a projected visitation of over 40,000.

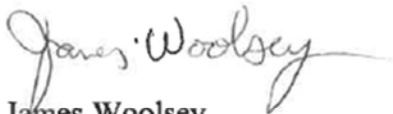
While this visitation is commendable and exciting, it is also bringing its own set of issues that need to be addressed. Because this National Historic Landmark is so large, one mile by a half mile, covering fifty-six acres, their visitors don't know where to start. The key components of the grant request are:

- The construction of a Visitor's Center, with display space and a theater that would be used for interpretation of the railroad and for their very popular astronomy programs.

- The construction of an auxiliary building to house their historic vehicle collection. These vehicles are related to telling the story of the railroad and they are used to take visitors out in the track through the adjoining BLM property.
- Completing the rehabilitation of the historic buildings and structures that make up the National Historic Landmark.
- Rehabilitating the sewer, water and electrical systems that dates to 1906 for public safety and protection.
- Finishing the trail system through the railroad yard and tying that trail system to the White Pine Public Museum.
- The last component is to pave additional parking areas and Avenue A which the railroad fronts and is currently a dirt road.

SNPLMA grants have allowed impressive improvements to the complex. Now is the time to finish the needed work that is so sorely needed. This is why [the organization or individual] support the awarding of a SNPLMA Round 20 grant to the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Woolsey". The signature is written in black ink and has a fluid, connected style.

James Woolsey
Superintendent

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I am writing in support of the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation and the City of Ely's Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) grant request for Round 20. The railroad is the tourism anchor for the community and a leader in historic preservation and interpretation, making it an essential partner for the Great Basin National Heritage Area, whose mission is to preserve, promote, and interpret the unique natural, cultural, and historic resources of eastern Nevada, including the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark.

This grant request will enable this National Historic Landmark (NHL) to reach its full potential and to address needs created by a significant increase in visitation, now reaching 40,000 visitors per year. At 56 acres, the NHL complex has numerous buildings and historic resources to explore, but visitors are sometimes at a loss as to where to begin their journey. With SNPLMA Round 20 funding, the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation will build of a Visitor Center with display space and a theater for interpretation of the railroad; construct an auxiliary building to house the historic vehicle collection; complete the rehabilitation of the historic buildings and structures that make up the NHL; rehabilitate the sewer, water and electrical systems that dates to 1906 for public safety and protection; finish the trail system through the railroad yard and connect that trail system to the White Pine Public Museum; and pave additional parking areas and Avenue A which the railroad fronts and is currently a dirt road.

The Great Basin National Heritage Area has partnered with the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation on numerous projects, and with each project, the Foundation has improved the visitor experience and further preserved an important piece of Nevada history for future generations. They have taken our relatively small dollar contributions (\$20,000 or less per project) and leveraged those considerably to create significant impacts. But the needs of the National Historic Landmark are great, and can only be addressed through the high dollar grants available through SNPLMA funds. This is why the Great Basin Heritage Area Partnership supports the awarding of a SNPLMA Round 20 grant to the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark.

Sincerely,

Brandi E. Roberts
Executive Director



A MEMBER OF THE
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Area System**



OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
Stavros S. Anthony

October 17, 2023

Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA PTNA Program Manager
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4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr.
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Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing to you in support of the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation and the City of Ely's Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) grant request for Round 20. Previous SNPLMA grants have allowed tremendous improvements to be made at this National Historic Landmark.

This grant request will allow this National Historic Landmark to reach its full potential. For the past 35 years, the Foundation has been working to preserve, maintain and to develop the complex as the foremost tourism destination in the region. Their visitation has gone from 4,000 to almost 40,000 annually with the past two years being the largest in the Foundation's history.

This National Historic Landmark covers 56 acres. While the increased visitation is exciting, it also brings its own set of issues that need to be addressed. The key components of the grant request are:

- The construction of a Visitor's Center, with display space and a theater that would be used for interpretation of the railroad and for their very popular astronomy programs.
- The construction of an auxiliary building to house the historic vehicle collection.
- Completing the rehabilitation of the historic buildings and structures that make up the National Historic Landmark.
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- Finishing the trail system through the railroad yard and tying that trail system to the White Pine Public Museum.
- Pave additional parking areas and Avenue A which is currently a dirt road.

As Lieutenant Governor and chair of the Nevada Commission on Tourism, I support awarding SNPLMA Round 20 grant to the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark. SNPLMA grants have allowed impressive improvements, and I would like to see the work continued that is needed for their complex.

Sincerely,

Stavros S. Anthony
Nevada Lieutenant Governor

BERT K. GURR
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September 20, 2023

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Dear Ms. Leiber,

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While prior SNPLMA grants have allowed impressive improvements to the complex, now is the time to finish the work that is so sorely needed. This is why I support awarding a Round 20 grant to the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark.

Sincerely,

Bert K. Gurr

Bert K. Gurr
Nevada Assemblyman, District 33



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September 14, 2023

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While this visitation is commendable and exciting, it is also bringing its own set of issues that need to be addressed. Because this National Historic Landmark is so large, one mile by a half mile, covering fifty-six acres, their visitors don't know where to start. The key components of the grant request are:

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The City of Ely is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

SNPLMA grants have allowed impressive improvements to the complex. Now is the time to finish the needed work that is so sorely needed. This is why [the organization or individual] support the awarding of a SNPLMA Round 20 grant to the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark.

Sincerely,



Jerri Lynn Williams-Harper
Mayor Pro Tempore



November 1, 2023

Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA PTNA Program Manager
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4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr.
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Re: Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark Phase IV – East Ely Yard Improvements
– Letter of support

Dear Ms. Leiber:

Cardigan-West Resources is a strong member and supporter of the Nevada Northern Railway, and I am personally a long-time member and volunteer at the Railroad. I am writing to support the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation and the City of Ely's Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) grant request for Round 20. I have witnessed how previous SNPLMA grants have allowed tremendous improvements to be made at this National Historic Landmark. Therefore, I strongly urge that this grant be funded.

The Railroad is the tourism anchor for the community. Visitation has gone from 4,000 to almost 40,000 annually. The past two years have seen the largest number of visitors in the Foundation's history. If this trend continues, 2023 will be the Railroad's largest year ever, with a projection of more than 40,000 visitors.

This grant request will allow this National Historic Landmark to reach its full potential. Over the past 20 years, I have seen the Foundation work hard to preserve, maintain, and develop the complex as the foremost tourism destination in the region. The designation as a National Historic Landmark only adds to the importance of the work.

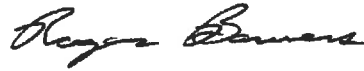
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Previous SNPLMA grants have allowed the Railroad to make impressive improvements to this historic complex. Approval of this grant will allow the Railroad to finish work that is desperately needed for public safety and to preserve this National Historic Landmark for generations to come. Cardigan-West Resources strongly supports approval of this grant.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Roger Bowers".

Roger Bowers
Owner/Manager

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October 15, 2023

Michelle Leiber
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Dear Ms. Leiber,

Re: Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark Phase IV – East Ely Yard Improvements – Letter of support

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff, volunteers and members of the Foundation, I am writing in support of the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation and the City of Ely's Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) grant request for Round 20. I strongly urge that this grant be funded. The railroad is the tourism anchor for the community. Previous SNPLMA grants have allowed tremendous improvements to be made at this National Historic Landmark.

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In this goal, we have been very successful. Our visitation has gone from 4,000 to almost 40,000 annually. We have come roaring back from Covid. The past two years have been the largest visitation in the Foundation's history. If this trend continues, then 2023 will be our largest visitation year ever, with a projected visitation of over 40,000.

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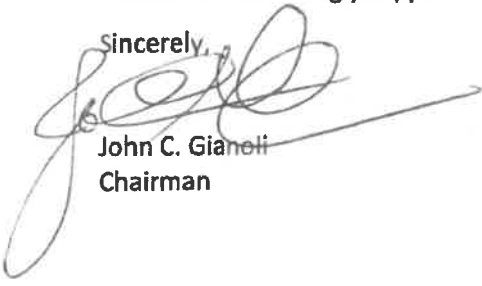
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Previous SNPLMA grants have allowed us to make impressive improvements to this historic complex. Approving this grant will allow us to finish that work that is so sorely needed. This is why the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation so strongly supports the awarding of a SNPLMA Round 20 grant to this National Historic Landmark.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John C. Gianoli', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John C. Gianoli
Chairman



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September 14, 2023

Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA PTNA Program Manager
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Dear Ms. Leiber,

On behalf of the Northeastern Nevada Regional Development Authority (NRRDA) Board of Directors, I would like to formally express our support for the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation and the City of Ely's Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) grant request for round 20. The Nevada Northern Railway (NNRY) is an absolute gem that provides a foundational resource to Northeastern Nevada's tourism industry. NNRY has taken advantage of SNPLMA funds in the past and have proven themselves a worthy recipient through their project development efforts and overall enhancement of the National Historic Landmark.

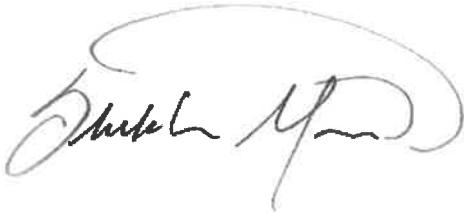
Unfortunately, Northeastern Nevada is not blessed to have an assorted or diverse economic portfolio; as a result, our region must bolster existing industry to ensure sustainable operations. Tourism and recreation act as one of three pillars to our economic base; sharing the load with mining and agriculture. NRRDA completed a regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) that was delivered to and approved by the Economic Development Administration (EDA) in July of 2020. Within that document, stakeholders highlighted specific pathways that should be pursued in order to create, attract, retain, and expand on the economic environment. Participants specifically stated that the region should "aggressively attract" and support "Firms that can promote and provide an 'outdoor experience' for visitors, site tours, and provide a legitimate 'western' experience."

In addition to this regional document, several communities within the NRRDA region have conducted their own CEDS and provided annual updates per EDA requirements. The annual update provided by White Pine County in 2021 included an "Economic Recovery and Resiliency" section prompted by the effects of COVID-19 on local business and industry. The NNRY was specifically highlighted in this section due to its overwhelming impact on local commerce. With over 40,000 visitors a year, this unique facility injects hundreds of thousands, if not millions, into the local economy through hotel stays, restaurant visits, and general spending.

The plans laid out by the NNRY Foundation and the City of Ely include the construction of a visitor's center and out buildings to be used for historic vehicle display, rehabilitation of buildings and track, upgrades to sewer, water, and electrical systems, and many other rehabilitation projects. The said upgrades will undoubtedly enhance the overall experience of the

facility and likely continue to draw even more visitors to Ely and White Pine county annually. Because these initiatives fall directly in line with NNRDA's EDA approved economic development strategy, and due to the fact that the NNR Foundation and the City of Ely have proven themselves tremendous stewards of this National Historical Site as well as the SNPLMA funds that have previously been used to enhance it, the NNRDA Board of Directors are in full support of this request and would ask that your agency provide full funding to ensure its success.

Sincere Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sheldon Mudd". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping loop at the top that extends over the rest of the name.

Sheldon Mudd
Executive Director

PRESERVE NEVADA

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Ms. Michelle Lieber
SNPLMA PTNA Program Manager
Bureau of Land Management
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
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Dear Ms. Lieber:

We at Preserve Nevada, our state's oldest statewide historic preservation organization, are glad to endorse the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation's application for \$39 million for the East Ely Yard Improvements. You would be aiding one of the truly great railroad museums in the world, and making an immense contribution to history.

The Nevada Northern served the Ely area for more than three quarters of a century until its owner, Kennecott Copper, withdrew from the area in 1983. Its donation enabled the formation of the Nevada Northern Railway Museum. For nearly forty years, it has run excursions, rehabilitated locomotives, and created a truly hands-on historical experience for its many visitors. It also has served the vital purpose of enabling people to see how railroads functioned, and continue to function. It has been designated a National Historic Landmark, and it is, but it is also so much more. It employs twenty paid staff and more than 130 volunteers who have managed to bring the past alive and keep it alive. It is known throughout the world and attracts visitors from throughout the world. With its proximity to Great Basin National Park, it has been a major attraction and contributor to the regional economy.

But it also can be so much more, and thus the importance of this request, which I hope you will fund. This magnificent museum is without a visitors' center, which could provide so much additional information, interpretation, and, yes, comfort for those who want to learn about the history of railroads, and of this railroad in particular. An auxiliary building to house historic vehicles would protect those vehicles and make the experience of studying them much better. Historic buildings require specific and considerable effort and funding to maintain them, and this grant would contribute greatly to rehabilitating and protecting—*preserving*—these buildings. Improving the historic trails—and tying them to the White Pine museum—would benefit the entire populace. So would the infrastructure improvements that the museum contemplates.

The Nevada Northern Railway Museum is a jewel in Nevada's crown. We support any effort we can to make that jewel shine even more, to the benefit of all and for the sake of historical information and historic preservation. This is a great opportunity to do so. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Michael Green,
Executive Director

TAYLOR WESTERN RESOURCES, LLC

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November 1, 2023

Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA PTNA Program Manager
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Re: Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark Phase IV – East Ely Yard
Improvements – Letter of support

Dear Ms. Leiber:

Taylor Western Resources (TWR) is a long-time member and supporter of the Nevada Northern Railway. We are writing to support the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation and the City of Ely's Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) grant request for Round 20. We have seen how previous SNPLMA grants have allowed tremendous improvements to be made at this National Historic Landmark. TWR strongly urges that this grant be funded.

It is obvious that the Railroad is the tourism anchor for the community. Visitation has gone from 4,000 to almost 40,000 annually. The past two years have seen the largest number of visitors in the Foundation's history. If this trend continues, 2023 will be the Railroad's largest year ever, with a projection of more than 40,000 visitors.

This grant request will allow this National Historic Landmark to reach its full potential. Over the past 20 years, TWR has seen the Foundation work hard to preserve, maintain, and develop the complex as the foremost tourism destination in the region.

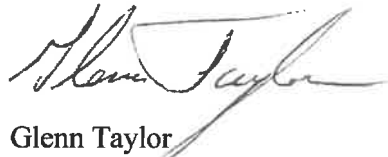
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- Pave additional parking areas and Avenue A (which the Railroad fronts and is currently a dirt road).

Previous SNPLMA grants have allowed the Railroad to make impressive improvements to this historic complex. Approval of this grant will allow the Railroad to finish work that is desperately needed for public safety. The designation as a National Historic Landmark only adds to the importance of the work. TWR strongly supports approval of this grant.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Glenn Taylor". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Glenn Taylor
Manager



White Pine Chamber of Commerce

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To: Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA PTNA Program Manager
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Dear Ms. Leiber,

We write to you in support of the Nevada Northern Railway Foundation and City of Ely's Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) grant request for Round 20. As the premier organization overseeing robust economic sustainability in the region, we urge this grant be funded, as the Nevada Northern Railroad is a stabilizing economic pillar for our community.

Previous SNPLMA grants have allowed tremendous improvements to be made at this National Historic Landmark. This grant request will allow them to reach their full potential. Over 35 years, the Foundation has worked diligently to preserve, maintain and develop their complex, becoming the foremost tourism destination in the region, increasing visitation rates from 4,000 to almost 40,000 annually. These previous two years have been the busiest tourism seasons in the Foundation's history. If this trend continues, then 2023 will be their largest visitation year ever.

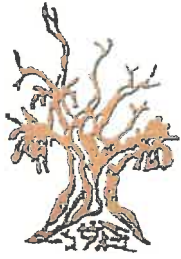
While these visitation statistics are commendable and exciting, they introduce their own sets of issues that must be addressed. This National Historic Landmark is large, one mile by a half mile, covering fifty-six acres. In order to provide an immersive, comprehensive, safe and enjoyable visitor experience, this grant request requires a few critical components:

- The construction of a Visitor's Center, with display space and theater that would be used for interpretation of the railroad and for their very popular astronomy programs.
- The construction of an auxiliary building to house a historically important vehicle collection.
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SNPLMA grants have allowed impressive improvements to this National Landmark complex. Now is the time to finish their important work of preserving history. We support the awarding of the SNPLMA Round 20 grant to the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark.

Sincerely,

Shadrach Robertson
CEO- White Pine Chamber of Commerce



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Bristlecone Convention Center & Visitors Bureau

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To Whom It May Concern,


My name is Kyle Horvath. I am the Director of Tourism for White Pine County, Nevada. I am writing to you in support of a SNPLMA Round 20 project submitted by White Pine County to complete the final phase renovations of the historic Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark East Ely Yard Improvements. SNPLMA has partnered on past projects including the development of Jack Caylor Park that is adjacent to the Nevada Northern Railroad complex. A second project is the opening of the railroad to McGill Nevada with improvements to the Nevada Northern Railway McGill Depot and yard facilities. This fourth, and final phase, would complete the last of the needed improvements to the Nevada Northern Railway East Ely Yard.

For the last 40 years, The Nevada Northern Railway is a major driver of visitation to White Pine County. The complex can see over 60,000 visitors a year or more through its regular and theme trains, as well as through their Astrotourism programs and annual events. As a National Historic Landmark, the railroad has international recognition and sees people and film crews from all over the world. The Nevada Northern Railway is a partner to all organizations in the community, and as such, the impacts of these necessary improvements will be felt throughout the community for decades to come.

White Pine County Tourism recently completed an asset mapping project with the National Parks Service as well as a 10-year master planning project with Travel Nevada. The results of both of those projects positioned the Nevada Northern Railway as a main urban trailhead that offers connectivity to our neighboring communities and will be the catalyst for visitors and locals to experience our history, arts, culture, and outdoor recreation opportunities. The upgrades in this proposal support that plan and are essential to growing our tourism economy over the next 10 years. The Nevada Northern Railway is a proven partner in accomplishing what it sets out to do and is a visionary leader in this community by tying in all of our quality of life opportunities in to creative and memorable experiences.

My board, lodging properties, and local businesses all appreciate the past support for essential SNPLMA projects. They truly have had a huge impact on our community. The Nevada Northern Railway has long been an economic and cultural driver of White Pine County for over a century, and we hope it will be far into the future. Thank you for your consideration to fully fund this very important project.

Sincerely,



Kyle Horvath, Director

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SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024

Nomination: Tab 9

Entity: Clark County

Project: Echo Trail Park Phase II

Nominating entity did not follow the PTNA Nomination Package Requirements:

1. Photos are not required; but if provided – must be provided individually in JPEG format. County provided JPEG photos in February 2024.
2. Budget detail does not adequately identify County’s substantial involvement in the project. County identifies \$15,000 in cost to oversee the project over the 5-year POP. County provided an updated budget detail which is under review.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Clark County



Echo Trail Park-Phase II

Amount Requested: \$25,943,651

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Echo Trail Park offers the perfect outdoor setting for families and nature enthusiasts, with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains. The proposed project will occur within +/-10 acres of a +/- 36-acre parcel (APN 163-28-802-003), owned by Clark County which is abutted primarily by single-family housing. Only +/- 5 acres of the site has been developed with Park Bond funding in 2022, leaving approximately 31.3 acres that still need to be developed. Although the current park amenities include a splash pad complex, jungle gym, 2 playgrounds, shade shelters with benches, open turf areas, tennis courts and a restroom, the park is severely underdeveloped.

Echo Trail Park does not have a master plan; however, Clark County's approach to completing a master plan involves comprehensive planning that considers the needs and preferences of our diverse communities. Clark County is committed to conducting community surveys, engaging in public outreach through town hall meetings, and conducting joint planning sessions among stakeholders to ensure that the park is inclusive and serves the needs of all residents. To implement the proposed project, Clark County will contract with architectural and design consultants to provide a design and construction schedule from pre-design to final completion of the project. As part of the design schedule, the County would track the final milestones:

- Development of a Scope of Work for Design.
- Solicit request for design consultant.
- Award design contract/agreement and issue Notice to Proceed.
- Obtain 30% and 60% design documents.
- Obtain input from the public, stakeholders and SNPLMA.
- Finalize 100% design documents.
- Solicit request for construction consultant.
- Award construction contract and issue Notice to Proceed.
- Construct the project holding weekly & bi-weekly progress meetings.
- Finalize 100% construction.
- Close out the project.

Once the project is designed, Clark County requires the contractor to provide a detailed schedule for completions, which will allow the County to track deficiencies and remedy to keep the project on schedule. The progress schedule is reviewed at weekly or bi-weekly construction meetings.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

This project is not related to prior SNPLMA funded projects.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

This project is a stand-alone project designed to be self-contained and implemented independently without additional SNPLMA funding in the future.

The County will provide oversight and monitoring of the project using the following performance measures:

- Clark County Real Property Management Design & Construction (RPM D&C) has introduced construction management software for the management of projects called Procore. Procore is shared with design consultants and contractors to track project stakeholders, commitments, documents, meeting minutes, tasks, drawings, photos, schedules, Request for Information (RFIs), construction submittals, punch list items and daily logs.
- RPM D&C completes weekly or bi-weekly meetings during the design and construction phases to track progress and resolve issues. These meetings are documented and transcribed in meeting minutes.
- Monthly reporting in the RPM D&C Project Book database. The Project Manager inputs milestone dates that are key impacts to the project schedule.
- Clark County utilizes SAP software to track budgets, encumbrances, and invoices.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The proposed project will meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community.

1. Sustainability:

Clark County recognizes the importance of using modern technology for efficiency, sustainability, and cost-effectiveness when building new infrastructure. This project will be built using smart technologies such as LED sports lighting for all amenities being proposed and water-efficient irrigation systems.

Additionally, this project fosters a sustainable interaction with the natural environment by connecting area residents to the outdoors. Knowledge about the natural surroundings is provided through interpretive and educational signage.

2. Connectivity:

There are several connectivity components of this project including the large central plaza that will function as a trailhead. Directional signage will be installed to direct trail users to the nearby Tropicana Flamingo Wash Trail system to the north.

All the recreational sports and park amenities being proposed with this project include: Pickleball courts, tennis courts, basketball courts, and roller hockey that will encourage individuals of all ages and skill levels to venture outdoors, participate in physical activity and have an opportunity to connect with nature.

3. **Community:**

This project focuses on providing multiple community recreational opportunities for park users of all ages. in an underserved area within a mostly undeveloped urban park setting and will include park patron plaza spaces to provide a gathering place for the community.

The Pickleball Complex being proposed with this project can be a central place where community members can gather to play, watch, or socialize around the sport. Basketball is a popular sport for parks because it can be played by people of all ages and abilities and the sport teaches kids valuable lessons such as how to be a good team player.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

Clark County will design and construct Phase II of Echo Trail Park, 10+/- acres that will include a pickleball complex, tennis complex, outdoor basketball courts, outdoor roller hockey rink and park patron plaza spaces. This project is designed to serve a diverse, underserved community, engage all ages to outdoor recreational experiences and provide healthy opportunities in a safe environment.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. **Primary Deliverables:** (*Base Bid*) (* denotes = *To be determined with final design*)

1.1. **Design and Construct Pickleball Complex:**

- 1.1.1 Up to 12-pickleball courts (20 ft by 44 feet, with 10-foot baseline and 6–8 ft sideline runoffs on each side). *
- 1.1.2 Pickleball nets with center anchor straps, concrete post-tensioned slabs, and acrylic sports coating.
- 1.1.3 Up to 6-ft-high fencing with windscreens on the back side of each court.
- 1.1.4 4-ft vinyl fences with openings between side courts
- 1.1.5 LED overhead sports lighting.
- 1.1.6 Central plaza for players and spectators with benches/picnic tables with group metal shade covers.
- 1.1.7 Landscape buffer between the courts and Diablo Drive to serve as a sound barrier for residential houses to the north of Diablo Drive.
- 1.1.8 Reroute existing DG walking path to the north of the tennis courts connecting to the north end of the plaza.

1.2 **Design and Construct Tennis Complex:**

- 1.2.1 Up to 4-court outdoor standard sized doubles tennis courts with concrete post-tensioned slabs, textured acrylic sports coating, 12' high fence around the complex with windscreen on the backside of each court and lockable pedestrian and maintenance access gates. *

- 1.2.2 4 ft fence between courts.
- 1.2.3 Benches between pairs of courts with shared metal shade covers.
- 1.2.4 LED overhead sports lighting.
- 1.2.5 Central plaza for players and spectators with benches, picnic tables and a minimum of 2 metal shade covers.
- 1.3 Design and Construct Outdoor Basketball Courts:
 - 1.3.1 2-outdoor basketball courts, 50 ft by 84 ft with 10–15-ft baseline and 10-ft runoffs, with concrete post-tensioned slabs and three-toned colored-textured acrylic sports coating.
 - 1.3.2 4' high fence on the sides behind the endlines, to keep balls from rolling into parking lot.
 - 1.3.3 Baskets to hold balls to keep them from rolling into the parking lots or sidelines.
 - 1.3.4 LED overhead sports lighting.
 - 1.3.5 Central plaza for players and spectators with benches, picnic tables and a minimum of 2 metal shade covers. *
 - 1.3.6 Two basketball standards per court.
- 1.4 Design and Construct Outdoor Roller Hockey Rink:
 - 1.4.1 1-outdoor roller hockey rink (oval shaped, ≈60-70 ft wide by 120 ft), with concrete post-tensioned slab with 12"x12" curbed border around the perimeter.
 - 1.4.2 10-ft wide concrete pads with outside benches.
 - 1.4.3 LED overhead sports lighting.
 - 1.4.4 Central plaza shared with the basketball courts.
 - 1.4.5 10-ft wide sidewalk circle around rink with landscape planters and synthetic turf.
- 1.5 Design and Construct Parking Lot:
 - 1.5.1 Parking lot with ADA stalls, including lights and parking lot landscaping.
 - 1.5.2 Direct pedestrian ADA walkways through parking lot from back row to park amenities, plaza, and connections to street sidewalks.
- 1.6 Design and Construct Park Patron Plaza Spaces:
 - 1.6.1 Central Plaza for court amenities: *
 - 1.6.2 1-Restroom with chilled drinking fountain with bottle filler.
 - 1.6.3 1-Group Picnic Pavilion with 4-6 tables, landscape planters for shade trees*
 - 1.6.4 Benches and/or seat walls*
 - 1.6.5 Up to 3 park rule signs.
 - 1.6.6 Up to 10 directional or interpretive signs*
- 1.7 1-smaller Plaza for the northeast corner of the property near Buffalo and Diablo which would serve as a trailhead plaza and connection for the nearby Tropicana Flamingo Wash Trail system to the north:
 - 1.7.1 Directional signage with map, covered benches or seat walls and bike rack.
 - 1.7.2 Walkway that connects parking lot, both plazas, new court complexes, and existing park with 10-foot-wide concrete walkways (to match existing park walkways).

1.8 Existing Walking Trail Amenities:

- 1.8.1 Up to 6 benches for the current/existing perimeter walking trail.
- 1.8.2 Signage for the current DG path and concrete walking paths in the park. *

2. **Anticipated Deliverables:** (*Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval*)

2.1. Design and Construct Half-Street Improvements along:

- 2.1.1 Buffalo Dr to Diablo Dr (APN: 163-28-899-009, ~650LF), and
- 2.1.2 Diablo Dr (from Buffalo Dr intersection) west to end of streetway (APN: 163-28-899-010, ~1150LF).
- 2.1.3 Improvements will include curb gutter, storm drain, detached 6-foot-wide sidewalk, landscaping, and streetlights (approximately 130 feet on center).
- 2.1.4 West side of Buffalo-Diablo Intersection will be improved for pedestrian crossing and trail connection with crosswalk and signage.

3. **Standard Deliverables:**

- 3.1 Design, engineering, surveying, construction drawings, technical reports, cultural review, field inspections, drainage, utilities, soil or other analysis, grading, permits, site improvements, costs to repair irrigation system or landscaping damaged during new amenity construction, public input meetings, staff and management reviews, professional service fees, contract administration, and other necessary expenses.
- 3.2 Financial and Performance Reporting (e.g., SF-425, Performance Narrative)
- 3.3 SNPLMA Status Reporting (Quarterly and Annually).
- 3.4 SNPLMA Annual Accomplishments and Performance Measures.
- 3.5 SNPLMA Close-out Package Construction Contract.

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 5655 S. Buffalo Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89113

Legal Description: MDM: Clark County, Nevada: T.21 S., R.60 E., Section 28, SE4SE4

Parcel Number(s): 163-28-802-003(36.3 acres) [project site within 10-acres of said parcel]

Current Land Use: Public Use (PU); Zoning: Public Facility (P-F)

Decimal Degrees (Lat / Long): 36.000183134302546, -115.24752860684615

Congressional District(s): NV-3

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

The proposed project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1: Receive Cooperative Agreement, NEPA, Section 106 Consultation, Award design contract, obtain 30% and 60% of the design.
- Year 2: Obtain input from the public/SNPLMA, Finalize 100% design documents. Award construction contract.
- Year 3: Construct the project while holding weekly & bi-weekly meetings with the contractor.
- Year 4: Continue construction of the project.
- Year 5: Complete the construction including punch list items and close-out the project.

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

This proposal, if funded, is prepared to move forward with design and construction within the project time frame. A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) for APN: 163-28-802-003, the location of the proposed project was completed January 18, 2018.

Additionally, a survey was conducted by Clark County Parks and Recreation staff and residents provided feedback and input about the development of Echo Trail Park.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

Clark County has not had an opportunity to fund additional funding from another source.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Standard maintenance costs for the project as well as other County facilities include site inspections, litter cleanup, repair and/or replacement of all project components, when necessary, graffiti mitigation, etc. County staff prepared the cost estimates for O&M for the project and related amenities. These costs are based on industry trends and the County’s historical data.

Clark County addresses operation and maintenance costs for all projects on an annual basis. Once completed, operation and maintenance costs for this project will be incorporated into the annual budget for all park and recreational facilities. Maintenance of the facility will be accomplished by the Clark County Department of Real Property Management. Estimated annual O&M costs for this project is approximately \$10,061 per acre.

County acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the County from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the County’s ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is **\$25,943,651**. Summarized below are the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet that provides the budget summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ 15,000
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 25,943,651	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 25,943,651	\$ 15,000
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 25,943,651	\$ 15,000

Cost-Benefit Analysis

The County is requesting \$25,943,651 in SNPLMA appropriation to complete the project. Cost estimates were primarily developed using current labor/material costs, standard industry costs, and comparison of recent projects with similar characteristics. These evaluations were completed by third-party estimators and subject matter experts within the Clark County Department of Real Property Management.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

Clark County will provide \$15,000.00 in voluntary in-kind expenditures in the form of staff time from salaried employees. This amount is based on 240 hours of time at an average salary/benefits rate of \$62.18. The County’s written commitment for the voluntary non-federal cost share is enclosed at the back of this nomination.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: In line with SNPLMA's commitment to inclusivity and accessibility, Clark County will create new park space in an underserved area, as well as upgrade this existing park to meet modern recreational needs. The amenities being proposed with this project will provide equitable access and recreation within a community for all income levels, population, race, and backgrounds:

- The park will feature a Pickleball Complex. One of the significant factors contributing to the popularity of pickleball is how easily accessible it is to all ages, particularly for seniors.
- The Basketball Courts that are being proposed with the project will be a recreational option for all ages. It is an affordable sport as it requires minimal equipment, and many schools and community organizations offer basketball programs and leagues that are accessible to low-income youth.
- A Tennis Complex will offer a recreational opportunity that can be played by anyone, regardless of their financial situation. The courts being proposed with this project will provide access to tennis for individuals of all backgrounds and the various levels of competition in tennis, ranging from casual recreational play to professional tournaments.

- B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: Parks can have a positive impact on community prosperity and economic development. The amenities being proposed with this project will provide a variety of recreational opportunities for residents, which can improve their overall well-being and quality of life. This can lead to increased community engagement and a stronger sense of community pride, which in turn can attract businesses and investment to the area.

Clark County Parks & Recreation facilities generate limited revenue; however any revenue that could potentially be generated by pickleball tournaments is tracked through the Clark County Parks & Recreation Sports Division, which utilizes a point-of-sale (POS) system.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: This project is unique due to its diverse range of park amenities being proposed in an underserved area. The central plaza will serve as a connecting component, linking the pickleball complex, tennis courts, basketball courts and roller hockey rink, fostering a sense of community. The plaza will provide a comfortable space for visitors to gather and will have plenty of wide landscape planters for shade trees, as well as benches and/or seat walls to take advantage of future shade.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: This project will address numerous health and safety concerns with the variety of opportunities for physical activity, which is crucial for maintaining good health. Regular physical activity can help prevent chronic diseases like obesity, heart disease and diabetes.

In terms of safety, this project will be designed with the well-being of visitors in mind. There will be well-maintained pathways and LED lighting to ensure visibility and reduce the risk of accidents.

This project can also help contribute to mental health and well-being. Spending time in nature has been shown to reduce stress and improve mood. This project is aimed to provide a peaceful and serene environment where people can connect with nature, which can have positive effects on mental health.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: As outlined in its Master Plan, Clark County aims to build 2.5 acres of park land per 1,000 residents in urban areas. The attached map entitled 'Echo Trail Park 2.5 Mile Radius Buffer) shows that within a 2.5-mile radius of Echo Trail Park, there are in excess of 128,500 residential homes. There are 2 elementary schools, 1 junior high school, and 1 high school located within a 5-mile radius. The amount of youth within such a close proximity to basketball courts and an outdoor roller rink underscores a significant demand for additional recreational amenities and open spaces in this community.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Answer: Clark County is dedicated to providing cultural, educational and environmental information about the Las Vegas valley. The project will include

interpretive signage that will educate park users about the cultural heritage and historical significance of the land managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: This project provides multiple recreational opportunities for park users to connect to the outdoors, thereby fostering a deeper appreciation for the outdoors. This will empower residents and visitors to become stewards of the land, fostering a sense of environmental responsibility and cultural enrichment.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: The Echo Trail Park project will be designed with long-term sustainability in mind. The park will be constructed using sustainable design and engineering will require that construction techniques and materials, such as LED lighting and water-efficient systems, will enhance the durability of the park facilities. The goal will be to minimize maintenance, protect the facilities against graffiti and destructive actions, and limit the deterioration of the park features through time.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: This project will provide a variety of recreational experiences for participants of all ages while providing critical park amenities to an underserved area.

3. CONNECTIVITY: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

Answer: Clark County has a trails program that is an extensive system of routes that provide outdoor enjoyment and accessibility to Clark County residents and visitors and Southern Nevada. The plaza being proposed with this project will continue to meet that purpose and will serve as a trailhead and connection for the Tropicana Flamingo Wash Trail system to the north.

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Answer: Clark County Department of Comprehensive Planning Parks Planning Program, in conjunction with the Parks & Recreation Department and Real Property Management, facilitates the planning, design and development of parks in Clark

County. The program's goal is to assist with planning to build safe, attractive, and functional parks and recreation facilities. Echo Trail Park, which opened in 2021 is among the County's newest park that is part of the Master Plan.

C. ***The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.***

Answer: Part of Clark County's Master Plan is to encourage the integration and connection of parks, trails common open space, recreational amenities, and other features in new neighborhoods to enhance the health and quality of the residents. As this area of Spring Valley is not fully developed, Echo Trail Park is an integral part in the plan to create a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.

D. ***The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.***

Answer: The interpretive and educational aspects of this project will provide tools to help people understand the natural environment they live in and provide opportunities for them to enjoy the outdoors through the use of interpretive signage.

E. ***The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.***

Answer: Clark County is committed to promoting the recruitment, retention, and re-engagement of a diverse range of individuals and conservationists, with a strong emphasis on engaging youth, veterans, minorities, and underserved communities. This project will be located in an underserved community; therefore, it will create an inclusive and accessible environment and a vehicle to encourage residents to foster a love for the outdoors.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

Answer: As evidenced with SNPLMA Round 18, construction materials have fluctuated. In 2023, the industry has shown that construction costs will continue to fluctuate. The deliverables and cost estimates were based on similar park projects that have recently been constructed and determined using professional estimating techniques with the collaboration of third-party estimators.

B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

Answer: Considering the deficiency of park and open space facilities and the ever-increasing residential densities in the service area, the value and positive impact of this investment is substantial.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: This park will be constructed using sustainable design and construction techniques to minimize future maintenance costs. Project design and engineering will require that construction techniques and materials will enhance the durability of the park facilities. The goal will be to minimize maintenance, protect the facilities against graffiti and destructive actions, and limit the deterioration of the park features through time.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: Clark County has committed to provide \$15,000 of in-kind expenditures in the form of staff time (see attached commitment letter).

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: Clark County acknowledges the importance of incorporating modern technology to enhance efficiency, sustainability, and cost-effectiveness with the development of this project, by constructing it using LED lighting throughout the project and water-efficient irrigation systems.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. *EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk*

The Echo Trail Park-Phase II project will be maintained in accordance to Clark County standards, thereby reducing the risk of wildfire.

2. *EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers*

Clark County supports EO No. 14005 and has partnered with other jurisdictions as well as Workforce Connections and the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR) Job Connect to host job fairs for America's workers.

3. *EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)*

N/A

4. *EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation’s Forests, Communities, and Local Economies*

The Echo Trail Park-Phase II project includes park patron plazas that will provide gathering spaces for the community; and the pickleball and tennis complexes, basketball courts and roller hockey rink being proposed with this project will create the opportunity for one-on-one play as well as team sports, strengthening the community and local economy.

5. *EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation’s Commitment to Environmental Justice for All*

Ensuring Clark County parks are inclusive and welcoming to diverse communities is essential. This project will provide access and inclusivity to the community, regardless of their socioeconomic status, race or ethnicity.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. *SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.*

This project, which includes pickleball and soccer complexes, an outdoor hockey rink and basketball courts would increase outdoor recreational opportunities in Clark County, activities that will promote physical health and well-being.

2. *SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.*

On April 20, 2021, the Clark County Board of County Commissioners adopted the ‘Resolution of the County of Clark in Support of Protection of 30 Percent of Nevada’s and the United States’ Lands, which states Federal, state and local agencies engaged in efforts to support and expand the protection of land and waters are urged to honor tribal jurisdictions and the rights of indigenous tribes through consultation with tribal governments.

3. *SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors. N/A*

4. *SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior*

This project will increase outdoor recreational opportunities with a pickleball complex, hockey rink and basketball courts.

5. *SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.*

N/A

6. *SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.*

The Echo Trail Park project will reduce wildfire risks; the park will be actively maintained by Clark County Department of Real Property Management.

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

N/A

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

N/A

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.*** *We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.*

The Echo Trail Park project will adhere to the policies of Clark County's All-In Sustainability and Climate Action Plan. The goal of this plan is to shift how the County consumes energy; sourcing its energy from clean, renewable sources, and empower its employees to make smarter energy choices critical to reducing the County's energy-related greenhouse gas emissions, saving on operating costs, and meeting its energy goals.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

As a governmental entity, on April 20, 2021, Clark County BCC adopted a resolution in support of federal, state, and local agencies be engaged in efforts to support and expand the protection of land and waters to honor tribal jurisdictions and the rights of indigenous tribes through consultation and tribal governments.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*

On April 20, 2021, Clark County BCC adopted a resolution that supports protected and private lands, which are the drivers of the State and County's outdoor recreation industry, which generates \$12.6 billion of annual consumer spending, supports 87,000 jobs and provides more than \$1 billion in tax revenue to the State.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America’s lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*

As a government entity, the Clark County Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution on April 20, 2021 as a commitment to support the protection of 30% each of Nevada’s and the United States’ lands and waters by 2030.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government’s trust responsibilities.*

On April 20, 2021, Clark County BCC passed a resolution urging federal, state and local agencies provide fair treatment and meaningful involvement of people of all races, cultures, incomes and natural origins by soliciting, accounting for and responding to the voices, needs and priorities of communities of color, indigenous communities and economically disadvantaged communities.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. ***Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic***

Echo Trail Park design and construction meetings, and construction activities will follow mandated Covid-19 protocols as per the State of Nevada’s Governor’s office.

2. ***Providing economic relief***

This project will attract businesses because people prefer living near parks and open spaces. A recent survey in Area Development Magazine found that 75% of corporate executives rated quality of life features like parks and open space as important when choosing a location for their business.

3. ***Tackling climate change***

The Echo Trail Park will follow the Clark County’s recently adopted All-In Sustainability and Climate Action Plan, which focuses on taking action to address climate change and create a more sustainable future for Clark County. After assessing the need to expand outdoor lighting control systems, such as sensors and timers, it was determined all Parks development, including ball fields will include Maxicom software controls for most exterior lighting.

4. ***Advancing racial equity***

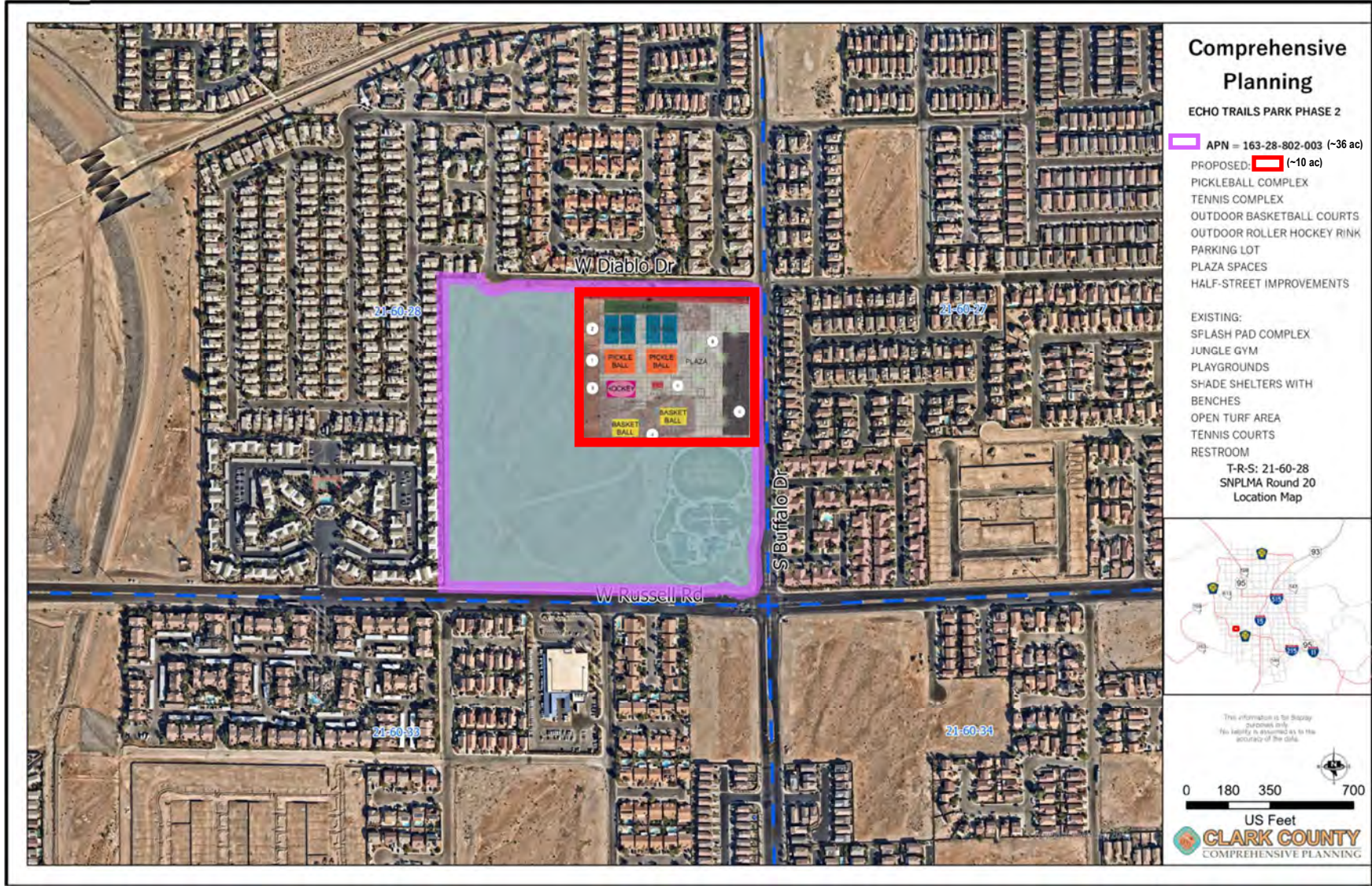
As a part of Clark County’s All-In Sustainability and Climate Action Plan, a top goal is to provide opportunities for diverse housing options to meet the needs of residents of all ages, income levels and abilities, and to expand the number of long-term

affordable housing units available in Clark County. Clark County also strives to reflect the diversity of the County in membership of volunteer boards and commissions, including but not limited to people of different races, ethnicities, income levels and occupational experience.

5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

This project will employ workers for the design and construction of the Echo Trail Park project, as well as staff for maintenance. Additionally, as a governing board, Clark County Commissioners work closely with Workforce Connections, Southern Nevada's Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) and has become the largest County in the nation to become a certified ACT* Work Ready Community. The Work Ready Community initiative provides individuals the opportunity to assess job readiness skills and earn a nationally recognized certificate reflecting their skill levels. The effort was a collaboration by Workforce Connection Clark County, College of Southern Nevada (CSN) and the Clark County School District.

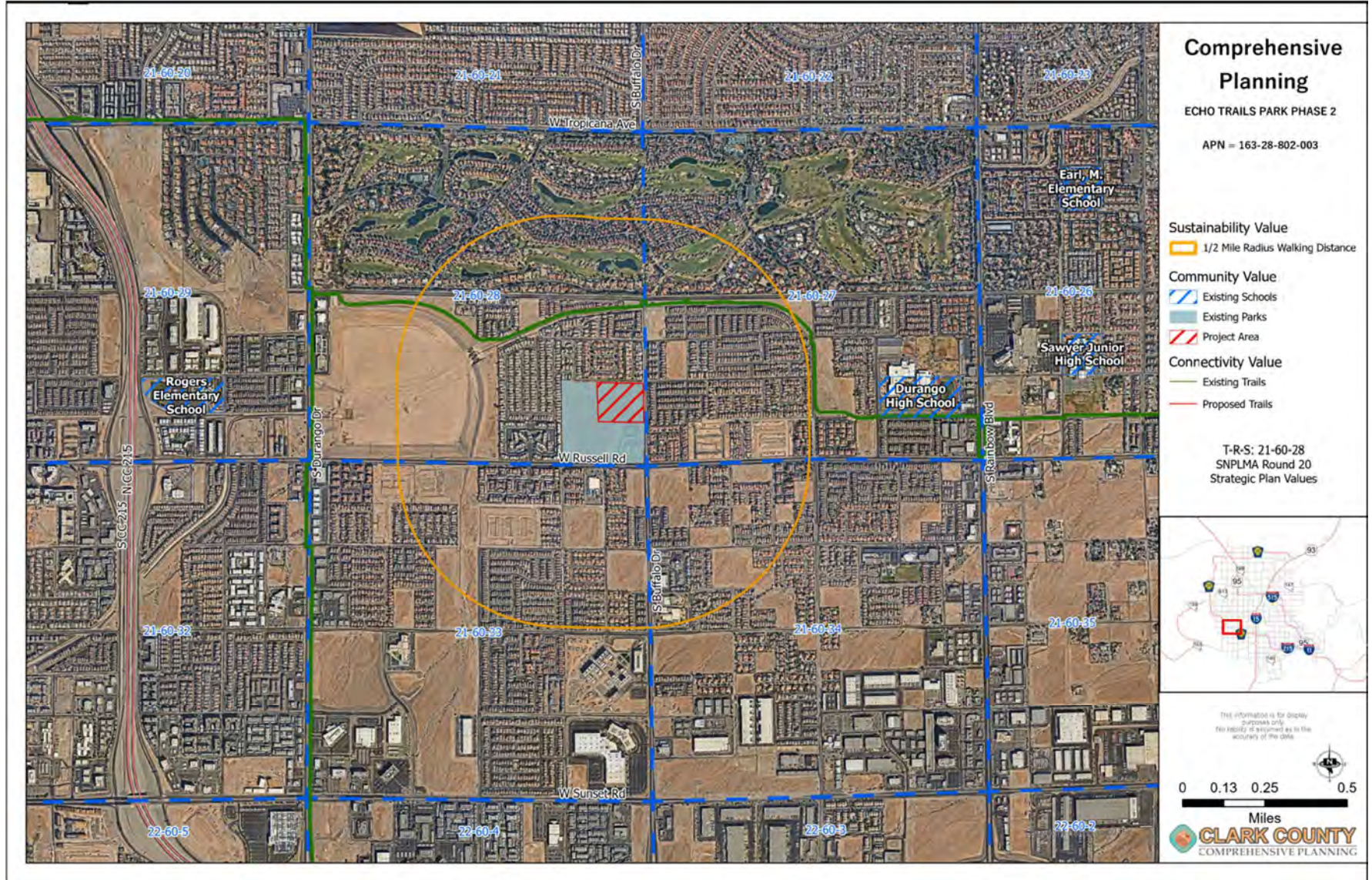
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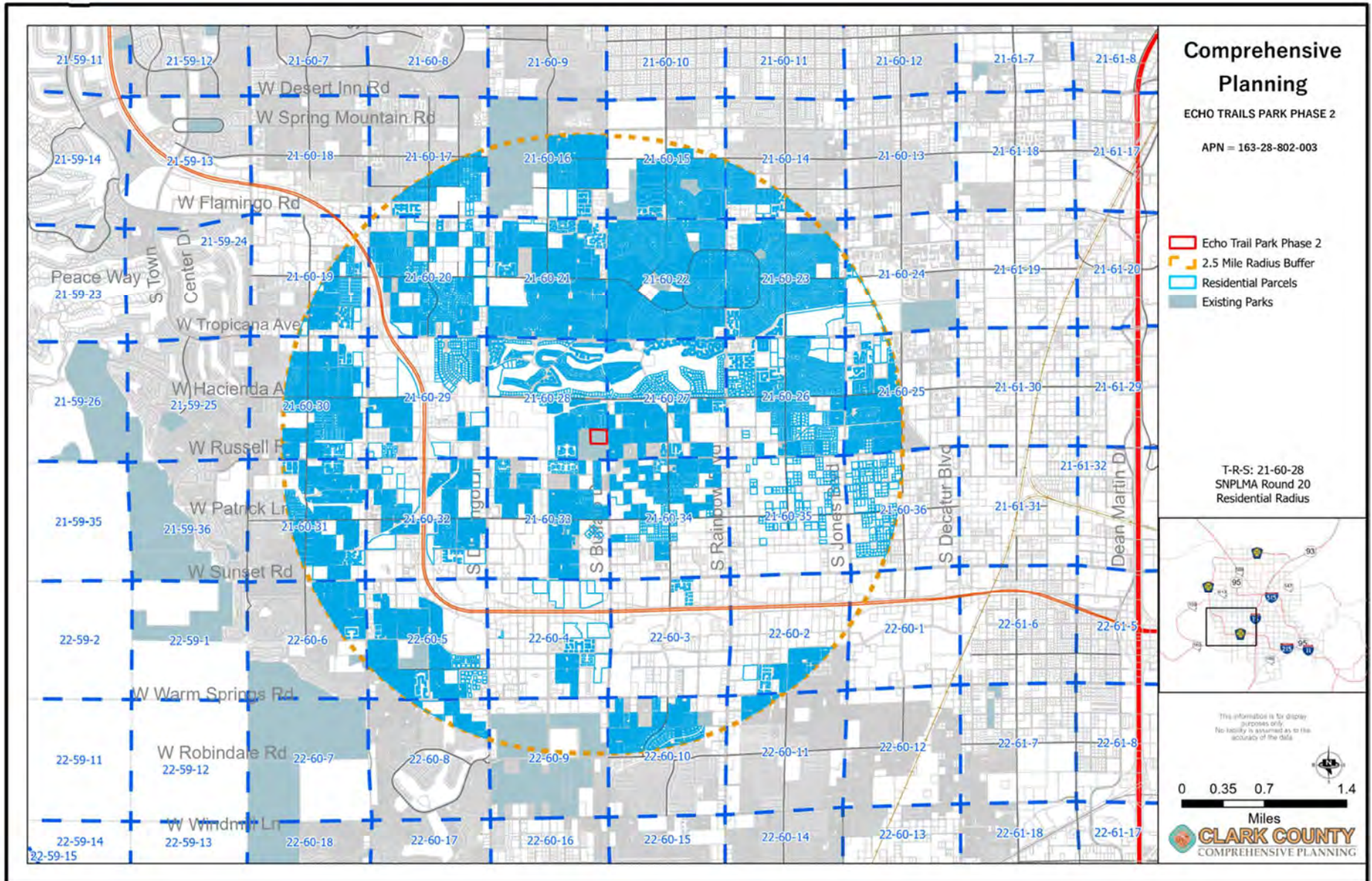
CONCEPTUAL PLAN



STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES MAP



RESIDENTIAL RADIUS MAP



N. PHOTOS

ECHO TRAIL PARK (Existing Amenities)

Open Turf Area



Playground



Picnic Tables/Shade Structures



Splash Pad



Tennis Courts



O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	+/-10 acres of new park development
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6.</p> <p><i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Restroom (~800SF) • 12-court Pickleball Complex • Up to 4-court Tennis Complex • shade structures • 2-Basketball Courts • 1-Roller Hockey Rink • Parking Lot • park patron plazas w/benches and/or seat walls • fencing for courts • up to 6 benches for existing perimeter walking trail
R4 - Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	<p>*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ~650-LF along Diablo Dr from Buffalo Dr intersection west to end of streetway • ~1150-LF by up to 10-ft sidewalk circle around the roller hockey rink. • Direct pedestrian ADA walkways through parking lot to connect parking lot, park amenities, plaza, and connections to street sidewalks.

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other PM's	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/ Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	<p>*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed.</p> <p><i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i></p>	Up to 10 directional and interpretive signs. Signage for the current DG path and concrete walking paths in the park.
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	<p>*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable.</p> <p><i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LED lighting and water-efficiency materials for 1 Restroom ~800-SF • 12-court Pickleball Complex • up to 4-court Tennis Complex • 2 shade structures • 2-Basketball Courts • 1-Roller Hockey Rink • Parking Lot • 2 Park Patron Plazas with benches and/or seat walls.

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior

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In Reply Refer To:
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Ms. Tamara Williams
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Dear Ms. Williams:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of Clark County (County) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The County has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Echo Trail Park-Phase II – This proposal is to design and construct phase II of the Echo Trail Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the County.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources; however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Mountains Edge Regional Park-Phase II – This proposal is to design and construct phase II of the Mountain's Edge Regional Park. The project proposal is located on BLM-administered land leased to the County through the Recreation and Public Purpose (R&PP) Act, serialized N-66442. An amended Plan of Development with a complete design plan and updated management plan will need to be submitted to the BLM Las Vegas Field Office and approved prior to initiating any changes or new construction. Any changes to the lease will require coordination with the BLM to determine any additional consultation consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

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ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, OREGON*

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Wetlands Park Enhancements-Duck Creek Interpretive Garden Areas – This proposal is to construct new features to enhance the 2,900-acre Clark County Wetlands Park including adding the dragonfly wetlands interpretive area, nature art garden, event area, and walkway connections. The proposal also includes adding pedestrian bridges, area for bird and pond viewing, interpretive and wayfinding signs, and parking. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the County.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources; however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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Q. SUPPORT LETTERS**Voluntary Non-Federal In-Kind/Cash Contribution Commitment Letter****Department of Comprehensive Planning**

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Sami Real, Director

October 25, 2023

Michelle Leiber
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CONTRIBUTING FUNDS FOR THE ECHO TRAIL PARK – PHASE II PROJECT

Dear Ms. Leiber:

Clark County is committing \$15,000.00 in in-kind contributions in the form of staff time for the Echo Trail Park-Phase II project.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Tamara Williams, Senior Management Analyst, at (702) 455-3121 or tgw@clarkcountynv.gov.

Sincerely,

Sami Real
 Director of Comprehensive Planning

cc: Tamara Williams

SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024

Nomination: Tab 10

Entity: White Pine County

Project: Ely Little League Fields Renovation

Section D – Project Deliverables

1. Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid) - Primary deliverables must be measurable--those deliverables that do not provide an approximate size measurement will need to be updated. The SNPLMA Program Manager will work with the county.

Section I - Project Budget

Budget detail does not adequately identify White Pine County's substantial involvement in the project. Currently there is no budget allocated for county personnel labor or fringe benefit costs. The county proposes 100% of the requested SNPLMA funds for contractual services.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management
Act Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

White Pine County



Ely Little League Fields Renovation

Amount Requested: \$12,378,175

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Ely Little League Fields facility was constructed in the 1970's. The facility is located on approximately 12 acres owned by White Pine County, located at 1150 Avenue M Ely, NV 89301.

The Ely Little League Fields consists of 3 little league softball/baseball playing fields, a two-story structure (710 sq. ft.) that serves as the announcer stand on the second level with a concession area and two gender specific bathroom underneath on level one, a two story structure (800 sq. ft.) that serves as a crow's nest/storage, a tuff Shed (96 sq. ft.) that serves as an announcer booth for field 3, and various storage areas. The facility has been used for nearly all school aged leagues over its lifespan. Volunteers and those who use the facility have donated countless hours toward improvements to the facility such as rebuilding dugouts, working infield dirt (to the best of their abilities) and more. Many if not all amenities have exceeded their useful lifespan and are outdated and in need of upgrading. When consulting with an engineer regarding preliminary cost estimates for this project, it was found to be more cost efficient and feasible to redesign the entire facility. This would allow for low-cost construction as well as incorporate energy efficient utilities and a more user-friendly design. These upgrades will provide enhanced recreational opportunities, better accessibility for the public, eliminate many safety hazards, provide opportunities to host tournaments, optimize conservation and would reinstate the facilities reputation of being one of the best in the region.

White Pine County will be completely renovating the entire facility. While the facility currently has 2 softball fields and a baseball field, they are not ideal locations and are not all to regulation size. It was found to be more feasible to redevelop these three fields and an additional t-ball field in an organized fashion that would allow for more central locations, space and accessibility. To accommodate three of these fields, a two-story restroom, concession/press box building will be developed in the middle of these three fields to allow for all three fields to be overlooked at once. It will allow for utilities to be centralized as well. Additionally, this will make room for many of the new amenities proposed in this application. A new playground, pavilion, batting cage area and dog courtyard will allow for diverse types of recreation. A new parking lot and sidewalks will allow for safer access, a new restroom near the fourth field will allow for necessary health and safety facilities at different ends of the facility. This will be a single phased project as the facility has no previous phases and will be complete at the end of this project.

This project, supports Comprehensive Economic Development Goal Number One found within the County's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS) document dated July 2020 "Foster a countywide awareness of strategic thinking and planning in order to secure federal, state, and private funding for priority economic development projects that benefit the entire County." Further on in the CEDS document there is discussion of the importance of and the need to develop recreational opportunities for both citizens and to promote tourism. In this project we will be working through SNPLMA to obtain funding that expands recreational opportunities within the County benefiting both citizens and tourism. (The County's full CEDS document can be found at CEDS-JULY-2020-FINAL-DOCUMENT (whitepinecounty.net).)

1. **Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:**

The proposed project has no previous phases. This project is a stand- alone project in its entirety. The proposed project could be phased if necessary.

2. **Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:**

The County acknowledges that there is no guarantee or expectation that any future phases may be funded.

White Pine County administration will provide project oversight and monitoring to ensure our performance and all contractors and subcontractors' performance is consistent with the SNPLMA business rules and cooperative agreement regulations. The Project Manager, Budget Officer, Authorized Officer, and Maintenance Superintendent will each contribute to the project oversight. These key personnel will hold Monthly progress update meetings with the Contract Officer's Representative (COR), Engineer(s) and Architect(s) and Construction management. The County will also require weekly updates from Construction management on the work completed and will require payroll, invoices, correspondence with vendors, photos of items received, and photos of work completed be included in these weekly updates.

The Project Manager will track and report project performance during project implementation using spreadsheets to record the date each deliverable – and more specifically each task – was started and completed. This will be compared to the Construction Schedule determined at the pre-construction kick-off meeting, the Project Timeframe agreed upon between SNPLMA and White Pine County, and the Cost Tracking spreadsheet to ensure the project is in compliance with the scope including time, costs, and purpose.

Additionally, the Project Manager and Budget Officer will track and report on costs incurred during project implementation using spreadsheets to record each payment by Vendor, Services Rendered, Fiscal Year and Quarter, Invoice Date, and Date of Services. The Cost Tracking spreadsheet will also record Check Dates and numbers, Draw Request Dates, and Reimbursement Dates. Costs incurred will be cross referenced with the Progress Tracker to ensure payments are only made for work completed.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The Ely Little League Fields Renovation will meet the goals of the PTNA Strategic Plan by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community.

1. Sustainability:

The project will sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by upgrading a facility and amenities to those that require low maintenance and conserve energy. The facilities will include material that is durable (such as fencing, dugouts and more) to support sustainable, environmentally friendly outdoor recreational opportunities into the long term. Lighting systems will be very energy efficient and dark sky friendly. Additionally irrigation and utilities will be reconfigured in a manner that will cover the entire field(s) while conserving water.

2. Connectivity:

The Ely Little League Fields facility has been an important place within the County where people come to celebrate talents, traditions, and occasions. This project will provide up-to-date facilities (such as playing fields, restrooms, seating and more), linking people to nature and recreational opportunities, and unite others to this important place and its traditions. The project will improve the quality of life for all by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment. Additionally, it will link nearby residents and schools to close by recreational opportunities. The County is envisioning connections to future recreation trails, bike paths from the Little League Fields, to Steptoe Park, and the nearby Little People's Head-start preschool and elementary, and charter schools; All within a 1 mile radius, just a walking distance away.

3. Community:

The construction of a new playground, coupled with outdoor playing fields and the other amenities included in this application will allow communities and others to connect with each other, natural landscapes and traditions. The project will also improve the quality of life for the community by providing safe facilities for public events. The park encourages healthy habits such as sports, spectating, walking, getting fresh air, listening to music, interacting with others, enjoying family events, and the pleasure in nature with the trees and landscaping. All these opportunities will increase the mental and physical health of our residents and improve the overall quality of life. The facility will continue to encourage generational family engagement between children, parents and grandparents. Small children will be able to play t-ball or play at the playground, older children can be playing little league or high school baseball/softball, adults/ parents will engage in dog walking, spectating, coaching, and volunteering, all while grandparents cheer from the stands.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

To continue serving the community and visitors by providing safe, reliable, clean, low maintenance, ease-of-use facilities for traditional and future recreational opportunities, White Pine County will create new opportunities, and upgrade, replace or refurbish infrastructure at the Little League Fields facility in Ely, Nevada providing a safer and more accessible environment for all age groups with increased ADA accessibility. Upgrades include energy efficient utilities, redesigned ballfields, parking improvements, renovation of concession/bathroom/announcer stand and more.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (*Base Bid*)

- a. redesign 3 softball/baseball fields to include:
 1. Infield material/sand for 2 regulation size softball fields and 1 regulation size baseball field
 2. Outfields -2 regulation size softball fields and 1 regulation size baseball field
 3. Irrigation systems for 2 regulation size softball fields and 1 regulation size baseball field
 4. Fencing (homerun, breakaway, backstops, and portable to change field size as needed)
 5. Bases/base locations for 2 regulation size softball fields and 1 regulation size baseball field
 6. 8 dugouts (one for each team on each field) to increase spaciousness and include wind blocks and storage
 7. 8 bull pens (one for each team on each field)
 8. 1 Removable pitching mound
 9. Fencing around 2 regulation size softball fields and 1 regulation size baseball field
 10. LED, dark sky compliant, motion censored, and solar lighting as found necessary
 11. 3 Scoreboards
- b. Develop new playground to include:
 1. 4000 Sf. of Play surfacing
 2. Modern play equipment
 3. Lighting as needed
 4. ADA access
- c. Parking improvements to include:
 - a. Development of 37,000 Sf. parking lot with ADA access
 - b. LED energy efficient lighting as needed
 - c. New LED sports field lights for all 4 playing fields with control panel
- d. Upgraded Restrooms and concessions building with 1500 Sf. 2 story building/crow's nest for the three softball/t-ball fields to include:
 1. LED and motion censored lighting based on engineering recommendations.
 2. Upgraded sound/speaker system.
 3. Upgraded gender specific bathrooms to low maintenance and energy efficient utilities including upgraded septic system based on engineering recommendations and health code.
 4. Concessions with utilities such as grill, ice machine, etc.
 5. 1 Outdoor eating area with picnic tables
 6. Equipment and maintenance storage
- e. Upgraded spectator area to increase shade and safety based on engineering recommendations.
- f. Construct 1 shade structure w/ SNPLMA Signage
- g. 1 Upgraded facility sign to provide information on amenities available at facility
- h. Security cameras and signage to deter vandalism as needed throughout the facility.
- i. Upgraded drainage throughout entire facility based on engineering recommendations
- j. Upgraded power, water and sewer utilities within site.

- k. Exterior facility fencing along the perimeter of the facility
 - l. Grade/landscape hill behind field backstops/concession regrading (teared lawn)
 - m. Bullpens at each field (8 total)
 - n. 1 Press Box for Baseball Field
 - o. 1 Bathroom building near Baseball Field and playground
 - p. 2 Batting cage areas with portable batting machines (to be stored while not in use)
 - q. Develop 1 new T-ball field (to alleviate usage at other fields)
 - r. Develop 1 Fenced (1000 LF) dog park area with paved pathway and agility course elements
 - s. ADA concrete sidewalk and ramps throughout facility as needed
 - t. Seating upgrades (up to 10 bleachers and retractable shades for the bleachers)
2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
3. Standard Deliverables:
- a. Engineering design and technical reports
 - b. Development of contracts including bidding and negotiating
 - c. Construction management and oversight
 - d. Budget tracking/accounting and execution
 - e. Reporting
 - f. Administrative duties
 - g. Submitting and gaining commission approval of project documents
 - h. Public scoping/planning
 - i. Review of project documents and plans
 - j. National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) consultation
 - k. Required and necessary inspections

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 1150 AVENUE M ELY, NV 89301.

Legal Description:

Mount Diablo Meridian: White Pine County, Nevada:
Township 16N, Range 63E,
Section 14, NWSW,
Section 15, NESE.

Parcel Number(s): 00220402

Current Land Use and Zoning: 440 - Commercial Recreation

Latitude and Longitude: 39.25022, -114.86131

Congressional District(s): NV District 2.

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

Year 1: SNPLMA Cooperative Agreement/Federal Environmental & Sec. 106 Compliance

- Request to initiate funding, develop Work Plan, pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM.
- Notice of Intent to Award, Federal Financial Assistance, Grant Solutions
- Environmental Review, Section 106 Compliance
- Work Plan approval, Notice to Proceed, and Cooperative Agreement

Year 2: Project Design and Preliminary Architecture and Engineering

- Scope of Work for project design services, Request for Proposals
- County Commission to award contract, execute design contract, finalize concept drawings
- Bid for construction contractor, County Commission approval to award contract

Year 3: Pre-Construction Site Preparation

- Execute construction contract
- Pre-construction kick-off meeting, Notice to Proceed to contractor
- Permitting, site preparation, utility relocation and traffic controls (if necessary)

Year 4: Project Construction

- Renovate/reconstruct current fields
- Replace water, sewer and lighting systems
- Construct t-ball field
- Construct new dog courtyard
- Construct new playground
- Install picnic area equipment and park signage
- Finalize punch list, payment of final invoices to contractor and engineer

Year 5: Project Closeout

- Reconcile project file, financial expenditures, and unliquidated obligations
- Final site inspection with SNPLMA PM
- Prepare closeout package and update SMART
- Final SF-425, performance narrative, closeout request

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

The County is not aware of any other funding sources to assist in funding this project. This project is anticipated to be 100% federally funded through BLM SNPLMA.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Because this project deals with an already currently maintained facility and White Pine County is committed to future operation and maintenance. The facility has been maintained by the County for over 50 years and will continue to be maintained in perpetuity. The Park will be more sustainable because the cost of repair and maintenance would decrease as new, maintenance free material would be used as compared to current based on historical average. Some utility and new amenity cost would be paid with the pay-per-use systems, and upgraded lighting to LED and an energy efficient irrigation system would decrease energy costs compared to current.

White Pine County acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the County from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the County's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is **\$12,378,175**.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the "Project Budget Detail & Narrative" spreadsheet which provides a summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 11,239,250	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 thru 8)	\$ 11,239,250	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ 1,138,925.00	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect)	\$ 12,378,175	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

When consulting with an engineer regarding preliminary cost estimates for this project, it was found to be more cost efficient and feasible to redesign the entire facility. This would allow for low-cost construction as well as incorporate energy efficient utilities and a more user-friendly design. This project budget is based off the Engineer's Opinion of Cost (EOC). The EOC is made based on Engineer's experience, qualifications, general familiarity with the construction industry and represents the Engineer's best judgement as an experienced and qualified professional.

Please refer to the Budget Detail attached to this application for details on metrics and cost breakdown.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

No funds have been contributed to this project, but the County has contributed administrative in-kind for preliminary cost estimates and planning for this project.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

Authorized Officer: Michael Wheable, County Manager

Email: wheable@whitepinecountynv.gov

Phone Number: 775-293-6504

Project Manager: Delaney Marich, Grant Specialist

Email: dmarich@whitepinecountynv.gov

Phone Number: 775-293-6592

Budget Officer: Kathy Workman, Finance Director/Controller

Email: kworkman@whitepinecountynv.gov

Phone Number: 775-293-6530

K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.

- A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: Yes, this project improves an existing park in Ely, NV. The Ely Little League Fields Ballpark is the County's main facility for little league softball and baseball and t-ball leagues. This park is vital to the community as it is the largest facility of its kind in the area. After these upgrades are complete, it will be the only facility in Ely, with a designated t-ball field as well as three other full-size fields. The upgrades to this park will improve the quality of life for the public and encourage interaction with nature by offering amenities that encourage physical and mental wellness. The amenities at this facility are well past their useful life. This project will provide needed access to both improved and new recreational opportunities while improving safety all around. This project will make the facility a destination for both active and passive recreation. The project provides specific benefits to Preschool and Elementary School students by providing a safe, green and enjoyable place for students to walk to and field trip while staying near the school. This project also provides various sports/recreation venues that will greatly benefit the students as they are adjacent to the schools.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: Yes. The Ely Little League Fields has served White Pine County for decades. However, the facility is limited in its ability to serve its users, lacking amenities that would greatly improve the public's experience and opportunity thus limiting the quality of life for the community. The addition of these new amenities and the overall improved facility will increase usage and bring more events such as tournaments to the facility thus increasing patrons to nearby restaurants and hotels. Cost efficient utility upgrades will allow cost and time savings ultimately improving maintenance throughout the County in places where more attention may be needed. The more facilities that can be better maintained and upgraded, the more economic development.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: Yes. The Little League fields is the largest facility of its kind in White Pine County. After these upgrades are complete, it will be the only facility in Ely, with a designated t-ball field as well as three other full size little league softball and baseball fields. The facility is used for t-ball and little league softball/ baseball; some of White Pine County's most popular league sports throughout school aged groups in the County. The improvements to this facility would allow for more cost efficient, safe, convenience facility for the entire community. Aspects such as the playground and a dog courtyard provide recreation for even those that do not play in leagues and create a more family-oriented facility. The upgrades to this field will eliminate obstacles in tournament eligibility and will introduce vast potential for hosting tournaments and games with proper field sizing.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: Yes, this project is focused on the health and safety of the public. In fact, every aspect of this project has the wellbeing of the community and facility users in mind. Providing a safer facility with utilities and amenities that have not exceeded their useful life is the main goal for this project. There has been an endless concern from families utilizing the facility. The current facility layout provides little to no ADA accessibility from fields to parking areas on the hill above. This forces all to trek through uneven ground, stairs and rough terrain to get to seating, the baseball field and concession. This project includes additional restroom amenities to allow for nearby amenities and washing stations. Aspects such as a playground, batting cages, a dog courtyard and a user-friendly facility as a whole promote recreation which in turn promotes physical, social and mental health.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: Funding for infrastructure and park areas are limited in the White Pine County area. While the area is surrounded by public lands and recreational opportunities, this project will provide facilities that can host additional recreational events. The project meets a need for nearby residents that have faced the barrier of having to commute across town in order to enjoy similar recreation at a facility that is up to date. It meets the need of the whole County by broadening recreational opportunities. The facility includes currently the only baseball size field for 12 miles. Mainly, the project focuses on access

barriers by providing parking, ADA accessible seating and walkways, and generally more accessible amenities with the redesign of the facility. Children, elderly and handicapped persons will now have ease of access to necessary amenities such as bathrooms, concession, seating and more without navigating across the 12 acre facility as these amenities will be increased and centrally located.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***

Answer: Yes, this project is enhancing a current park/open space utilized by the community for cultural, educational and recreational purposes. This park has been used for this purpose for many years and will continue to be for many more. With the proposed upgrades, this park will elevate the experience of its users. The upgrades to this facility will allow families to participate together in outdoor recreation. It will allow parents to teach children how to play the game no matter their skill level, as well as the importance of working together as a team, thus enhancing the educational aspect of this goal.

B. ***The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.***

Answer: Yes. For this project, White Pine County is conserving a current recreational facility thus the current recreational opportunities while also enhancing this resource by providing new recreational opportunities (such as a playground) for the benefit of those using the facility. This project will be conserving nearly 12 acres of recreational facility. We hope to provide carbon-reducing sustainable landscapes that clean air and water. Overall this project will contribute significantly to the economic well-being of the community through energy and resource conservation and provide many economic benefits to the community derived from recreation.

C. ***The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.***

Answer: Yes, a huge goal of this project is to make the facility as low maintenance and sustainable as possible. Upgrades such as LED, motion censored, pay-to-use, and solar powered lighting all allow for a cost and energy efficient facility. An irrigation system update will allow for a more energy and cost-efficient system for watering grass. White Pine County will work with engineers with strong backgrounds in park design to create a modern, state-of-the-art park. Materials will be utilized that are durable and long-lasting. Efforts will be made to minimize the energy needed to operate the facilities and the water that will be needed to maintain green spaces. Solar power and other alternative energy sources will be utilized when possible.

D. ***The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.***

Answer: Yes, the location of Ely Little League Fields is a great location for viewing the various surrounding mountain ranges and valleys that Ely has to offer. Settled right at the edge of residential area, the facility bridges homes to spacious outdoor areas and native/undeveloped area. These amazing views, the green grass, and the fresh air that is experienced without the congestion of the city allows for users to appreciate such experiences that White Pine County is lucky enough to still have. As the sun goes down and the games are ending views of the incredible sunsets and dark skies can be seen.

3. **CONNECTIVITY**: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. ***The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.***

Answer: Yes. This project allows opportunity to connect nearby parks and schools. The County is envisioning connections to future recreation trails, bike paths from the Little League Fields to Steptoe Park, and the nearby Little People's Head-start preschool and elementary, and charter schools; All within a 1 mile radius, just a walking distance away. An ideal area to encourage and teach the community about the importance of outdoor activity including health and fitness.

B. ***The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)***

Answer: Yes. The White Pine County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Document, includes goals of creating a youth recreation center, adding parks to beautify the area, and continuing to develop current facilities. This plan will help complete aspects of each of these goals. Though the facility will not be a year round recreation center, it will increase youth recreation throughout warmer seasons. While doing so, it will touch on the goals of beautifying the area with parks and developing current facilities.

C. ***The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.***

Answer: This project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks and trails for White Pine County. There is a need to improve the Ely Little League Fields to better serve the community functions such as sports tournaments. There is also a need to upgrade the park system in White Pine County to provide opportunities for group events in a recreational type setting. With leveled ballfields and increased ADA access throughout the facility, this could be the perfect area to put on such events. This facility will be centered in an area that encompasses a wide range of not only diverse recreation but diverse communities. Within a 1 mile radius of that park, just a walking distance away, facility is surrounded by an elementary school, charter school, head start, and even the hospital. An ideal area to encourage and teach the community through outdoor activity including health and fitness. The White Pine County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Document outlines goals to build and expand trails which will interconnect all of these areas. Ultimately this project will be part of the effort to

connect a wide range of communities such as farming/ ranching property, low income apartments, and inner city to diverse recreational opportunities.

D. ***The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.***

Answer: Yes. This park allows for the enjoyment of an outdoor recreational sport. Not only does the location provide for green spaces that include a large field of grass, the location of Ely Little League Fields is a great location for viewing the various surrounding mountain ranges that Ely has to offer and the fresh air that is experienced without the congestion of the City. As the sun goes down and the games are ending views of the incredible sunsets and dark skies occur. Use of this upgraded facility will enhance the public's awareness and respect for the environment and outdoors with treasured experiences and memories that will be made at the facility.

E. ***The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.***

Answer: Yes. This project would promote the importance of health and fitness school aged children. This renovation will create opportunities for the underserved through events such as newly feasible tournaments, sport clinics/camps and more. Many people tend to stray away from new sports or sports that they have never done for that exact reason. If someone has never played sports such as baseball or softball before high school, it is not likely that they will ever start to play the sport as they grow older. Whether it is the fear of embarrassment or the lack of interest or the simple fact that they do not know how to participate, this project will help. The facility would not only provide opportunity for school aged kids to learn such sports but would engage more youth by having safe, ease of access, recreational opportunities near their homes. This is especially key for the families that live nearby. This project will also recruit families from low-income apartments that are less than a mile away from the facility. Increased ADA access and ease-of-use amenities will reengage and retain the elderly communities that come to watch family play and enjoy themselves. An overall upgraded, leveled, and maintained facility will retain those that are middle aged utilizing the facility.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

Answer: Yes. The project budget for the Ely Little League Fields redesign is \$12,378,175.00. Cost estimates were provided by an engineering firm with experience in the area, experience with similar project and who are familiar with not only local costs but costs for recently federally funded projects in the area. Although not preferred, this project could be phased if necessary.

B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

Answer: Yes. This facility will be centered in an area that encompasses a wide range of not only diverse recreation but diverse communities. This project reaches disadvantaged residents such as farming/ ranching property, low-income apartments, and schools/ daycares that lack recreation near these specific areas. The facility is also currently used by members of neighboring County's such as Eureka County and competitors from all over the state that come to play in leagues at the facility. This project received over 10 letters of support from families, coaches and more who feel the need to upgrade the only current little league designated facility for 12 miles.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: Yes. Amenities such as utility updates in various areas eliminate current maintenance issues with water usage, light cost, and more. Amenities such as energy efficient light upgrades will allow for cost efficient use as well as less maintenance. Many aspects are a huge maintenance relief as there will no longer be the issue of mowing and watering in certain hard to maintain areas where new amenities will be located. Outfield upgrades will decrease water usage and picking up rocks and other hidden hazards in an uneven terrain. Upgrade of amenities that have exceeded their useful life will lower the amount of continuous maintenance necessary as well. The design allows for centrally located amenities to those tasks such as trash pickup, snow plowing and more mainstream and efficient.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: Though no funds have been contributed to this project, White Pine County has already contributed \$7,900 toward preliminary planning and engineering costs for this project as well as several hours of County professional staff time.

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: The intention of this project is to modernize existing infrastructure by upgrading facilities and structures to low maintenance material and incorporating technology for efficient use of utilities (e.g., lighting, pay-to-use amenities and energy efficient utilities and irrigation system). Installing modern material will reduce operation and maintenance costs of the existing facility.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. *EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk*

This EO is not applicable.

2. *EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers*

Previous projects have shown that approximately 80%-100% of materials used in similar or nearby project have come from within the United States. The County plans to work with engineers and contractors to try to increase this number not only to ensure that the future is made in America, but to attempt to avoid extensive material lead times caused by shipping from overseas or across borders.

3. *EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)*

This EO is not applicable as this project is only estimated to cost \$12,378,175.00

4. *EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies*

This project extends the life of an existing park while adding an abundance of new outdoor recreational opportunities for both residents and visitors to White Pine County. This facility promotes the quality of being fair and impartial towards all individuals regardless of skill level, income, residential status, race and more. The project is centered in an area just outside of City congestion allowing for recreation in an area with next to no pollution. This project is located near disadvantaged residents such as farming/ ranching property, low-income apartments, and more that lack recreation near these specific areas. Little Peoples Head Start targets childcare for low income families and having it as a neighbor to this facility would encourage and help families to be involved. The facility currently encourages tribal uses from not only local Tribes but neighboring tribal members and will continue to do so after this project is complete. Research shows a significant growth in physical and mental fitness and health throughout communities with increased parks and recreation. White Pine County needs this project to help promote health and fitness to all members of the community. This project is believed to bring more tourists in to the community through tournaments and other events at the facility. This project will also increase the quality of life for surrounding residents not to mention the entire county and residents of neighboring counties. Through all of this, the project aligns with this EO regarding strengthening the forests, communities and local economy.

5. *EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All*

This facility promotes the quality of being fair and impartial towards all individuals regardless of skill level, income, residential status, race and more. The project is centered in an area just outside of City congestion allowing for recreation in an area with next to no pollution. This project is located near disadvantaged residents such as farming/ ranching property, low-income apartments, and more that lack recreation near these specific areas. Little Peoples Head Start targets childcare for low income families and having it as a neighbor to this facility would encourage and help families to be involved. The facility currently encourages tribal uses from not only local Tribes but neighboring tribal members and will continue to do so after this project is complete. Because of this the project is pivotal in centering equity and environmental justice in White Pine County.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

This SO seeks to conserve an existing park while expanding outdoor recreational opportunities for current and future generations while managing habitat. This project extends the life of an existing park while adding an abundance of new outdoor recreational opportunities for both residents and visitors to White Pine County.

2. ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

This SO seeks to expand recreational opportunities on public lands. This project will upgrade a large public park with recreational opportunities of different types allowing for different skill levels. Opportunities for activities include baseball, softball, picnicking, a playground for children, walking and just generally enjoying the outdoors.

3. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

This EO is not applicable.

4. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

This EO is not applicable.

5. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

This SO encourages assisting Americans to experience the outdoors within their local communities. Located in Ely, the Little League Fields does and will continue to provide abundant outdoor opportunities to resident's right in our community. In addition, league teams, many of which bring visitors from large urban areas, will be able to experience the outdoors at the facility while also being able to view surrounding mountain range, valley, amazing sunsets, and rare dark skies.

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

This EO is not applicable.

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

This EO is not applicable.

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

This EO is not applicable.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.*** *We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.*

Upgrades such as LED, motion censored, pay-to-use, and solar powered lighting all allow for a cost and energy efficient facility. A modern sprinkler system will allow for a more energy and cost-efficient system for watering grass. White Pine County acknowledges that SNPLMA funding requires that this location be used as a recreational facility in perpetuity, which will allow it to be conserved as a green space forever. Providing for more green space allows for removal of carbon dioxide from the air, storage of carbon in the trees and soil, and releasing oxygen into the atmosphere thus combatting climate change.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

The upgrade to Ely Little League Fields will create a venue for potential tribal events for all to enjoy. The facility is not only used by local Tribal members regularly, but also Duckwater Tribal members. The Duckwater Shoshone Tribe is located outside of White Pine County. Their location is closer to White Pine County's City of Ely than any other City in Nye County thus forcing many to come to White Pine County for emergency medical services, jobs and recreation. A large number of Duckwater Tribal members spend a majority of their free time in White Pine County and more specifically, Ely Little League Fields. Dozens of Duckwater locals participate in little league and many other forms of recreation at the facility. With Duckwater being such a small community, they lack such facilities. They consider White Pine County facilities as their own. This project and its improvements to amenities all around the facility are just as important (if not more important) to this Tribal Nation as it is to locals.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*

With this project, proposed short term union jobs will be available during the construction process. Long term jobs will also be available for maintenance needs. These permanent parks maintenance positions are represented by the International Union of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3, AFL-CIO. Seasonal parks maintenance positions will also support local family's short term.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.***
We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.

The location for this project is upgrading current public recreational facility, therefore, conserving land for public use in perpetuity. With this facility upgrade, there will become connection to other nearby parks such as the White Pine County Steptoe Park. Because of this there will be an increase in the use of all recreational parks in the area as they become upgraded.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.*

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D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic

This project provides spacious outdoor areas for solo and spaced-out recreation to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional restrooms provide multiple additional hand washing stations to allow for ample opportunity to rid of pathogens and other impurities.

Additionally, this project combats the after effects of COVID-19 such as depression due to isolation and other mental, physical and social illnesses onset by the pandemic by allowing social interaction and physical activity.

2. Providing economic relief

Research shows a significant growth in physical and mental fitness and health throughout communities with increased parks and recreation. White Pine County needs this project to help promote health and fitness to all members of the community. This project is believed to bring more tourists in to the community through tournaments and other events at the facility. This project will also increase the quality of life for surrounding residents not to mention the entire county and residents of neighboring counties.

3. Tackling climate change

Providing for more green space allows for removal of carbon dioxide from the air, storage of carbon in the trees and soil, and releasing oxygen into the atmosphere. The park encourages appreciation for our climate by installing a modern sprinkler system that will use up to thirty percent (30%) less water and energy efficient lighting that will reduce the carbon footprint of the park. Additionally, it encourages nearby residents and students to walk or ride a bike to a nearby park rather than driving a car (or bus) across town to find a safe park to recreate at thus reducing emissions

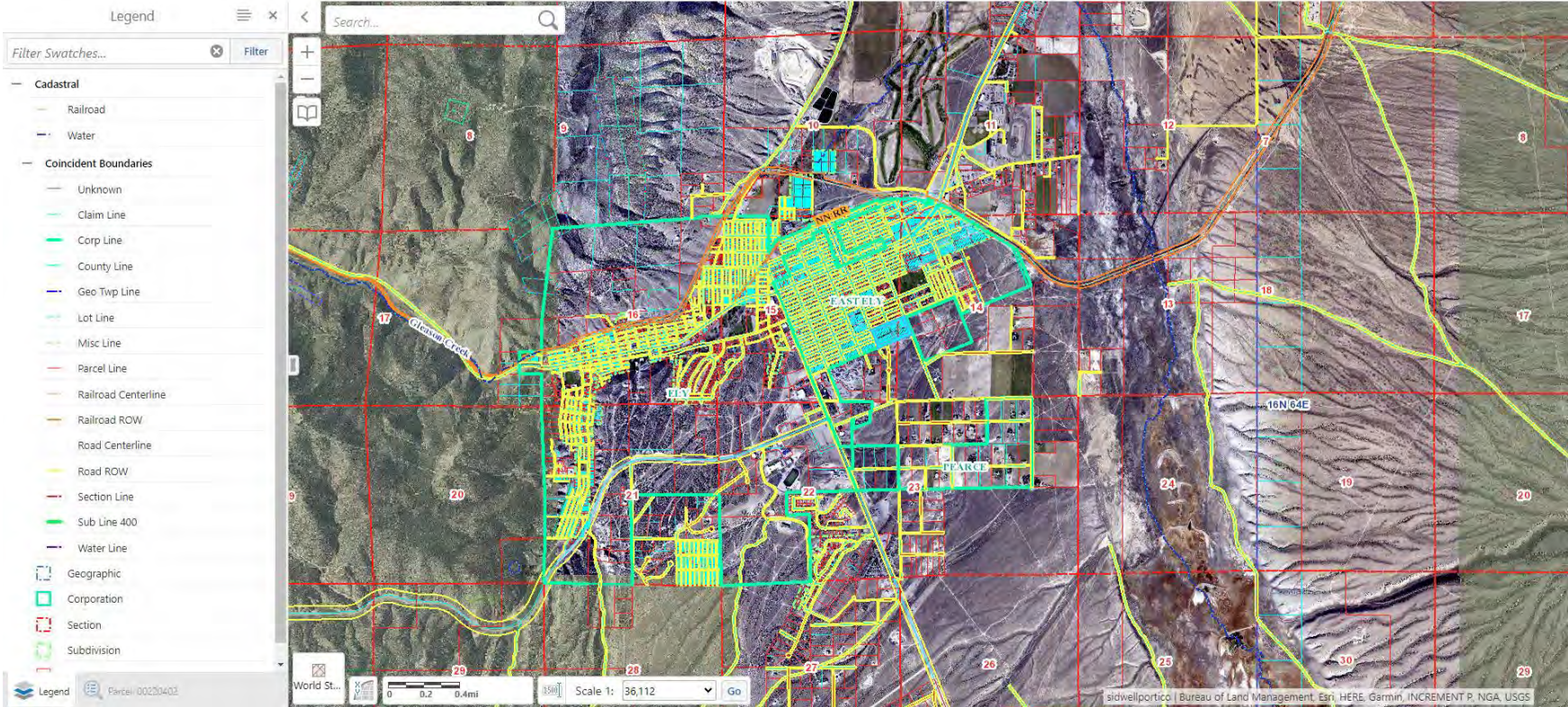
4. Advancing racial equity

White Pine County is an equal opportunity employer and provider. White Pine County as a whole is a very inclusive community in all regards. Sports, recreation and physical activity is something that people of all ethnic backgrounds can and do enjoy. Whether users are local or travelers, they can feel at ease knowing that the community and more specifically this facility considers them as equals.

5. Improving our workforce and work environment

Studies have shown that kids who are involved in sports are more likely to learn good ethics to bring into the workforce. This facility will provide opportunity to learn and teach a multitude of sports to youth who will soon join the workforce. This will result in young adults with preparedness for the future, higher GPA's, time management skills, more positivity, better health and wellness, teamwork, leadership and collaboration skills that they will be able to contribute to the workforce. This in turn will create a more collaborative work environment for all.

LOCATION MAP



COUNTY ASSESSOR AERIAL



CONCEPTUAL PLAN



LEGEND

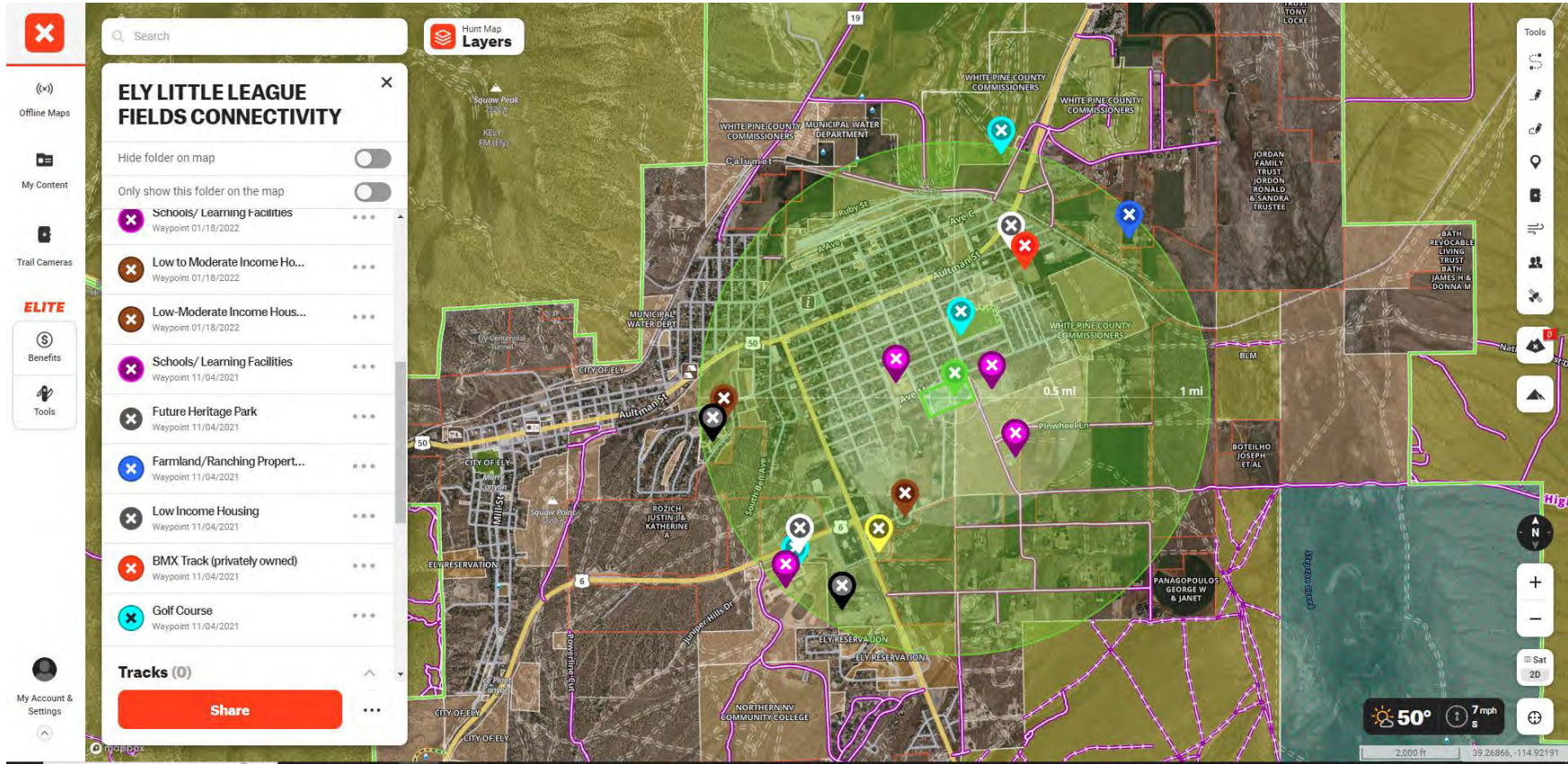
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- ⑦ Bases, typ.
- ⑧ Removable Pitching Mound, typ.
- ⑨ Fencing, typ.
- ⑩ Infield and Outfield Turf Grass, typ.
- ⑪ Dugouts, typ.
- ⑫ Athletic Lighting, typ.
- ⑬ Scoreboards, typ.
- ⑭ Batting Cage
- ⑮ Bullpens, typ.
- ⑯ Press Box
- ⑰ Restrooms
- ⑱ Restroom/Concessions/Press Box Building (2-Story)
- ⑲ Bleachers with Retractable Shade
- ⑳ Pavilion with Picnic Tables
- ㉑ Storage Area with Shed and Relocated Container
- ㉒ Playground
- ㉓ Fenced Dog Park
- ㉔ Multi-use Turf Grass Area
- ㉕ Terraced Lawn with Concrete Retaining Walls
- ㉖ Retaining Walls as Needed, typ.
- ㉗ Concrete Paving
- ㉘ Stairs
- ㉙ Asphalt Parking Lot with Curb and Gutter
- ㉚ Landscape Area with Trees and Shrubs
- ㉛ Concrete Mow Curb

CONCEPT PLAN

White Pine County Little League Fields



STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES – CONNECTIVITY



N. PHOTOS



Photo 1: Ely Little League Fields Renovation Field 2 from Press box, Looking Southwest



Photo 2: Ely Little League Fields Renovation Northwest Corner Retaining Wall, Field 1 Press box, StreetSide Parking, Stairs to Fields, looking West



Photo 3: Ely Little League Fields Renovation-Field 2 Press box from home plate looking North



Photo 4: Ely Little League Fields Renovation- Looking Northwest From Field 3 to Concession



Photo 5: Ely Little League Fields Renovation- Uneven hill from parking to field 3, looking southeast



Photo 6: Ely Little League Fields Renovation_ Concession, Restrooms, Field 2 Press box from field 2 looking North

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	12 acres of upgraded park/ outdoor recreational area
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 playing fields improved. • 1 t-ball field constructed. • 1 Concession/ Crow’s nest/restroom improved. • 1 new restroom building constructed. • 1 new press box building constructed. • 1 Playground constructed. • 1 Dog courtyard constructed
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/ Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. <i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •SNPLMA project sign •Facility sign
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable. <i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 upgraded softball fields • 1 upgraded Concession/ bathroom/ announcer building (one building) • 1 new restroom building • One new crow’s nest building

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



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Dear Mr. Wheable:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of White Pine County in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 4, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The County has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Ely Little League Fields Renovation –White Pine County proposes upgrade, replace or refurbish infrastructure at the +/-12-acre Little League Fields facility in Ely, NV, providing a safer and more accessible environment for all age groups with increased ADA accessibility. Upgrades include energy efficient utilities, redesigned ballfields, parking improvements, renovation of concession/bathroom/announcer stand and more.

Legal Description: MDM: White Pine County, NV: T16N, R63E, sec. 14 NWSW, sec. 15 NESE (within).

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Historical McGill Ballpark Restoration – Phase III –White Pine County proposes to complete the third and final phase of the McGill Ballpark Project to restore the 4.76-acre facility to historical accuracy. This project includes the restoration of a Little League Field, bleachers, announcer's booth, upgrades to the utility systems, installation of new playground and picnic area equipment, and construction of a new maintenance house and concession stand

Legal Description: T18N, R64E, S28, SENW (within); APN 004-034-01; 39.3986°N, -114.7815°W.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process and any coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office that may be needed.

Northern Nevada Railway East Ely Yard Improvements Phase IV – White Pine County proposes to design and construct a visitor center with the goal of interpreting the railroad and its natural surroundings; an auxiliary building to house and display historic vehicles which will be used for interpreting the railroad and taking visitors out on the railroad through adjoining public lands. The County also proposes to rehabilitate 18 contributing buildings and historic structures to provide safer and more accessible environment; update the complex's 1906 utilities including sewer, water and electrical for public safety, to meet basic habitation needs and energy efficiency; finish the walking trail system through the East Ely railyard; tie in the trail system to the White Pine Public Museum; pave Avenue A and pave additional parking areas.

Legal Description: 39.2597220000, -114.8694440000; 1100 Avenue A, Ely Nevada; NNRV East Ely Yard within T16N, R63E, sec.10: NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄SE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄; sec.11: SW¹/₄SW¹/₄; and sec.15: NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, NW¹/₄NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄NE¹/₄; Main rail yard within APN 010-530-25; Proposed new visitor center within APN 002-022-04; Avenue A (no APN) Street; ROW Nev-043230 East Ely yard to White Pine Public Museum Federal RR Right of Way within T16N, R63E, sec.15, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄NW¹/₄.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process and any coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office that may be needed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Melanie Peterson, Special Legislation Program Manager at 775-289-1896 or m1peters@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,

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by JARED BYBEE
Date: 2023.10.20
10:05:55 -07'00' **Acting For**
BYBEE
Robbie McAboy
District Manager

e-cc: Jared Bybee, Field Manager, Bristlecone Field Office
Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS



WHITE PINE COUNTY TOURISM AND RECREATION BOARD

Bristlecone Convention Center & Visitors Bureau

9/18/23

Bureau of Land Management
SNPLMA Division
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Las Vegas, NV 89301

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Kyle Horvath. I am the Director of Tourism for White Pine County, Nevada. I am writing you in support of a SNPLMA Round 20 project submitted by White Pine County to renovate and expand the community Little League Ball Fields.

Baseball has a rich legacy in White Pine County. Because of that youth sports are cherished and valued throughout the community. The Little League Field Complex is in a high visibility area in the community and is utilized by the local youth sports, adult leagues, and support our sports tourism opportunities by bringing regional tournaments and playoff games to the area. In a recent community survey, The Little League Fields were identified as a top community asset but run down and in disrepair. White Pine County Tourism has financially supported this complex in the past to bring it up to acceptable standards for play. We can provide short term aesthetic fixes but receiving funds for this proposal will fix a high visibility blighted area near schools and neighborhoods. It will improve the experience for our youth and adult sports by enhancing safety, lighting, and modern amenities. It will also increase our capacity and ability to attract more tournaments and regional playoff and championship games thus enhancing our tourism economy.

My board, lodging properties, and local businesses all appreciate the past support for essential SNPLMA projects. They truly have had a huge impact on our community. Youth sports and particularly baseball have long been a part of the White Pine County culture for almost a century, and we hope it will be far into the future. Thank you for your consideration to fully fund this very important project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Horvath', with a long, sweeping underline.

Kyle Horvath, Director

White Pine County School District

Our vision is to collaboratively grow leaders who will change the world!

September 25, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the White Pine County School District, I offer my support of White Pine County's efforts to obtain SNPLMA Round 20 funding for the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark East Ely Yard improvements, the Little League Field Complex, and the McGill Ballfield Complex. These projects have the capacity to enhance the White Pine area with needed infrastructure for tourism, recreation, and well-being for both adults and young people in the community.

The school district partnered with the county in a previous round of SNPLMA funding to develop land around White Pine High School. County officials have been excellent to work with in moving this extensive project forward and we look forward to the implementation of this project.

I have full faith that, if funded, any or all of these projects will have a similar positive impact on the citizens and visitors to this part of Nevada.

Sincerely,

Adam Young

Adam Young
Superintendent

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MEETINGS
1st and 3rd Wednesday
6:00 pm @ La Fiesta

September 25, 2024

Bureau of Land Management
SNPLMA Division
4701 North Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89130

To Whom It May Concern:

The Ely Lions Club would like to voice its support for the White Pine County project proposed for the SNPLMA Round 20 considerations. The proposed project to renovate and expand the community Little League ball fields will breathe life into one of the more historic Little League fields in Nevada. I have a close affinity with this project because my parents and grandparents worked as part of the volunteer crew that helped construct this field years ago. I had the pleasure of playing on the fields as a kid and coaching my children who played on the same fields. The Little League fields have hosted generations of ball players and a number of players have eventually made it to the Major Leagues. Decades ago, the Ely Lions Club sponsored a team called the "Lion Yankees" in the late 60's and 70s when civic organizations provided significant support for the program. The field is a local treasure and youth activities are incredibly important for our community. We need to provide as many opportunities for our children as possible to keep them active and healthy. As a coach, I have seen the transformative power organized sports can have on a child. Physical activity can help reduce stress and anxiety as well as create a sense of belonging. Personally, I believe that improvements to the Little League field would grow interest in the sport, improve community engagement and increase participation so that our field of dreams can help dreams come true.

The Ely Lions Club is in full support of this project and is willing to pledge its support to help make this happen.

Sincerely,



Paul Johnson, President
(775) 289-4851 x7107
(775) 293-0569 (cell)

October 2023

To Whom it may concern

We are writing you this letter in support of the SNPLMA grant for funding of our white pine Little League field renovation.

I myself have been apart of the little league program since I was a little kid, I remember playing tball on the same fields that are currently there still. I plan to continue to keep my own kids in the program as long as they can. Our fields are definitely out dated and need some updates, with bigger fields it opens up more opportunities for the kids but it also makes sure they are safe while playing. I hope we will get the opportunity to see some updates on the field for the kids to continue to play and continue to grow and learn safely.

Tre'Anna Garcia

I have been playing softball for a couple years and I think it would be good to make the softball fields and have more room to play. I hope it will grow as big as I imagine and give me more opportunities for softball as I continue to play each year.

Blakelee Garcia

I am glad we might get a new softball park so we have more room to play softball games so I can get better and better every year. We need more space to play and practice on.

Chelsie Garcia

As a new coach I have found it difficult to find a place to have practices and games for the girls. We are in need of better facilities to accommodate more people and more games. With the limited facilities we have now we have had late games on school night keeping the kids awake later, more fields will help with scheduling games. Updated fields will open up more opportunities, these opportunities could bring more people into the community for games, training, and camps that could be offered for our youth in athletics. This will help in development of our youth in current and future goals.

Anselmo (lee) Garcia

Thank you for the consideration

The Garcia Family

2 November 2023

Michelle Leiber PTNA Program Manager
BLM Southern Nevada District Office - SNPLMA Division
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, 89130

Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am pleased to be writing a letter in support of the SNPLMA Little League Upgrade Project being submitted to the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act Program by White Pine County. As a parent of a child who enjoys participating in Little League I strongly support this grant application and the focus on improving our local Little League fields. These facilities, to my knowledge, have not received upgrades since I played on those same fields over two decades ago. Baseball is quite popular in our community and the funds would be greatly appreciated, and make an already loved sport an even better experience for our youth.

Thank you,

Marchelle Rozich
Little League Parent
775-980-7744
marchellerozich@gmail.com

Tabatha Hamilton

From: Jamie Joggerst <jamiejoggerst@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 23, 2023 5:04 AM
To: Tabatha Hamilton
Subject: SNPLMA grant application

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a board member for Ruby Mountain Little League and have had kids playing baseball for over 6 years.

I am writing in regards to the SNPLMA grant application submitted by White Pine Little League (WPLL). I may not reside in your community, however, I am able to see the value of the proposal made by WPLL. The benefits of this proposed sports complex will impact more than just the White Pine community. Teams from all across Northern, Eastern and Central Nevada, as well as Utah and Idaho come together to play Little League games in Ely. These leagues travel the vast distances to each other to provide a wholesome youth baseball and softball experience solely run by volunteers. With the growth and success of WPLL, has come the opportunities to host these other leagues for jamborees and tournaments which also brings revenue into the community. Updated facilities would allow WPLL to continue its growth and success creating additional opportunities for the children as well as the community. Please take this into consideration as you make your selection for the grant.

Respectfully,
Jamie Joggerst
Spring Creek,NV

Tabatha Hamilton

From: Nevada District 3 Little League <llnvd3@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, September 22, 2023 8:08 PM
To: Tabatha Hamilton
Cc: Sami Blackham
Subject: SNPLMA grant application

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Kati Harmon, and I am the District Administrator for Nevada District 3 Little League (NVD3). Within NVD3, we have 14 leagues spread across the vast of rural Nevada from the western border of Fernley and Dayton to the northern border at the Oregon and Idaho state lines, to the eastern border of the Utah state line, and closing out with our southern border encompassing Lincoln County, Tonopah, and Hawthorne.

I am writing in regard to the SNPLMA grant application submitted by White Pine Little League (WPLL). I may not reside in your community; however, I am able to see the value of the proposal made by WPLL. The benefits of this proposed sports complex will impact more than just the White Pine community. Teams from across Northern, Eastern, and Central Nevada, as well as Utah and Idaho come together to play Little League games in Ely. These leagues travel vast distances to each other to provide a wholesome youth baseball and softball experience focused on fundamental physical and emotional growth and development. All Little Leagues are solely volunteer run and largely donor funded, typically operating on small budgets. This leads our leagues to be reliant upon their local communities, and often government entities, to provide the fields they play on. In exchange, the local leagues often provide maintenance on these fields and contribute to their upkeep and care throughout the years.

With the growth and success of WPLL, has come the opportunity to host these other leagues for jamborees and tournaments which also bring revenue into the community. Updated facilities would allow WPLL to continue its growth and success, creating additional opportunities for the children as well as the community. Having lights on multiple playing fields would allow for more practice and game time. As we see weather and daylight impacts during the baseball and softball season, the burden is heavy on the leagues to provide alternative options and without lights, this is difficult to do. Having updated fields with lighting would also provide the opportunity for White Pine Little League to host more prestigious events within Little League such as the Nevada Little League State Softball and Baseball Tournaments.

I ask that you please take this information into consideration as you make your selection for the grant. Thank you for your time. Feel free to reach out if I may provide additional information.

Respectfully,

Kati Harmon
District Administrator



Tabatha Hamilton

From: Jennifer Wilson <j23lm17@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 23, 2023 8:08 PM
To: Tabatha Hamilton

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Jenni Wilson and I've lived in Northern Nevada for 18 years and I've been a Little League volunteer for 16 of those 18 years. When I first moved to Nevada, I had the pleasure of visiting White Pine county within the first year of living in this great state. It was and continues to be my favorite county in the Silver State.

I am writing in regards to the SNPLMA grant application submitted by White Pine Little League (WPLL). I may not reside in your community, however, I am able to see the value of the proposal made by WPLL. The benefits of this proposed sports complex will impact more than just the White Pine community. Teams from all across Northern, Eastern and Central Nevada, as well as Utah and Idaho come together to play Little League games in Ely. These leagues travel the vast distances to each other to provide a wholesome youth baseball and softball experience solely run by volunteers. With the growth and success of WPLL, has come the opportunities to host these other leagues for jamborees and tournaments which also brings revenue into the community. Updated facilities would allow WPLL to continue its growth and success creating additional opportunities for the children as well as the community. Please take this into consideration as you make your selection for the grant.

Respectfully,
Jenni Wilson

Tabatha Hamilton

From: Kristy Sedlacek <kristysed3@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 24, 2023 2:25 PM
To: Tabatha Hamilton
Subject: White Pine Baseball fields.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in regards to the SNPLMA grant application submitted by White Pine Little League (WPLL). I have been a resident of this community, all my life. And now have 3 athlete children of my own. My dad helped to build the current little league fields all with volunteers 30+ years ago.

The benefits of this proposed sports complex will impact more than just the White Pine community. Teams from all across Northern, Eastern and Central Nevada, as well as Utah and Idaho come together to play Little League games in Ely. We travel the vast distances to each other to provide a wholesome youth baseball and softball experience solely run by volunteers. With the growth and success of WPLL, has come the opportunities to host these other leagues for jamborees and tournaments which also brings revenue into the community. Updated facilities would allow WPLL to continue its growth and success creating additional opportunities for the children as well as the community. Please take this into consideration as you make your selection for the grant.

Respectfully,
Kristy Sedlacek

Tabatha Hamilton

From: Lindsay Costello <lindsaymcostello@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 26, 2023 8:46 AM
To: Tabatha Hamilton
Subject: WPLL Fields

Dear Ms. Hamilton,

Our little league fields are in great need of repair and need to be updated. I have 3 kids who play baseball/softball and they don't have enough fields to practice on and the ones they do have are so worn down/ fields not flat so they trip while play in the outfield. The infield dirt is so rocky that they hurt themselves sliding to bases. There is only one field with lighting for evening games, to name several of the issues. I am in full support of the SNPLMA grant for White Pine.

Thank you,

Lindsay Costello
White Pine County Resident

**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updates as of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 11

Entity: Southern Nevada Water Authority

Project: Las Vegas Wash Restoration Activities

Section A – Background

“Clark County and the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) are the landowners of the proposed project area. Clark County manages the land on behalf of Reclamation. The size of the proposed project area is approximately seven (7)-acres between the two sites. No access issues are anticipated due to previously executed agreements between the landowners, and SNWA. Authorization for land access will be obtained. There are no claims, restrictions, or interests of other individuals or business in the project site. There are no abutting landowners.”

SNPLMA Comment: This Round 20 PTNA project is proposed by SNWA; not Clark County. PTNA business rules per the SNPLMA Implementation Agreement:

1. Eligible entity must own/legally control the land where a project is proposed for construction.
2. Eligible entities may not nominate projects on land owned by private entities unless the private entity has/will grant a permanent easement which will provide control of the land to the entity.
3. Projects may be nominated on Federal lands if controlled by the eligible entity through a land use authorization (e.g., ROW, R&PP lease, easement). Projects which will require a federal land use authorizations for all, or a portion of the project must have coordinated w/ the appropriate Federal agency and be assured by the agency that there are no issues which would prevent the easement or ROW authorization from being granted or a R&PP lease from being issued.

SNWA response: SNWA and Clark County are both members of the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee and Las Vegas Watershed Advisory Committee (LVVWAC). The two agencies have worked cooperatively in restoring and enhancing the Las Vegas Wash since 1998. SNWA, as the lead agencies of the LVWCC, has constructed 20 erosion control structures and restored over 600 acres along the Wash within the boundaries of the Clark County Wetlands Park. These include work funded by SNPLMA rounds 5, 6, and 7. In 2022, the members of the LVVWAC signed an Amended and Restated Agreement of the LVVWAC. This agreement lays out the cooperative framework for how agencies work along the Las Vegas Wash now that the construction phase is complete. The agreement continues the agreement that the SNWA provides oversight to Operations and Maintenance of the facilities along the Wash including the erosion control structures and restoration areas. The proposed location for the Round 20 nomination was originally developed as a mitigation measure for the construction of the Historic Lateral Weir in 2001. As such, the area is under the obligation of SNWA to maintain in terms of ensuring it meets the goals of the LVWCC and LVVWAC by providing good habitat for wildlife, improving flow

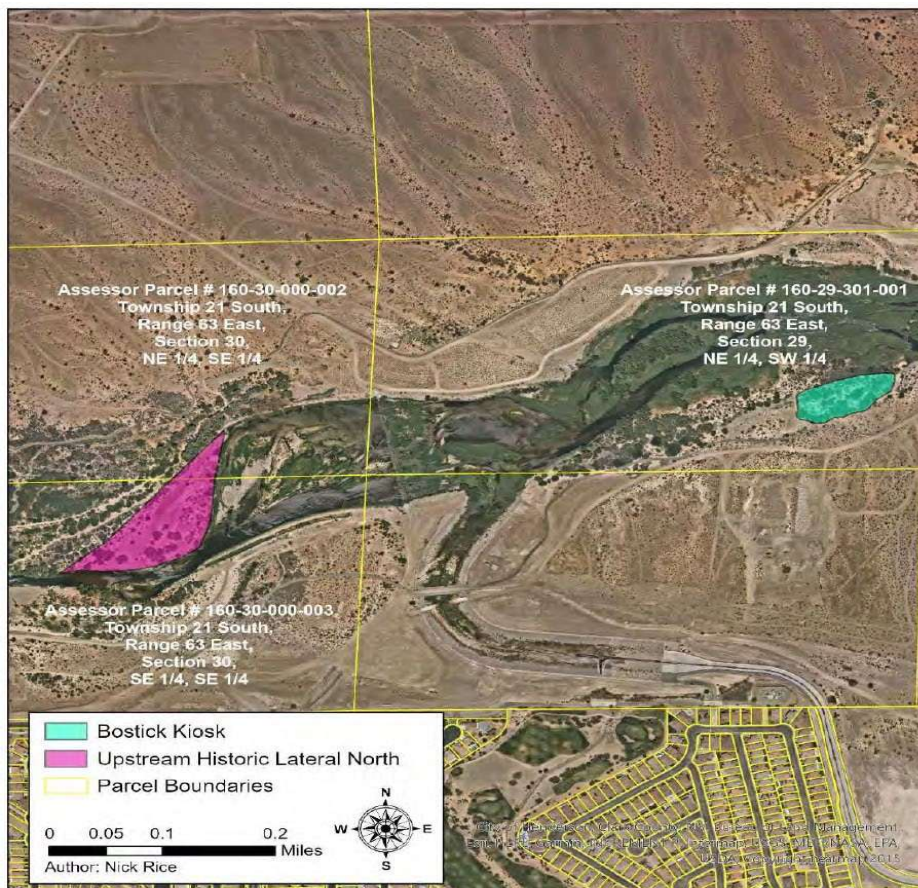
conveyance of the Wash, and having a positive impact on water quality.

SNPLMA proposed project location:

County-owned land:

- 160-30-000-002
- 160-29-301-001

A copy of “*Agreement Regarding Revegetation Areas Along the Las Vegas Wash*” (5/4/2010), between Clark County and SNWA is attached to the back of the nomination. This agreement states that the parties are signatories to a June 2002 Cooperative Agreement – this Agreement is for *revegetation maintenance activities* to be conducted by SNWA on behalf of the County on County owned or leased lands within the boundaries of the Wetlands Park.



BOR-owned land: 160-30-000-003

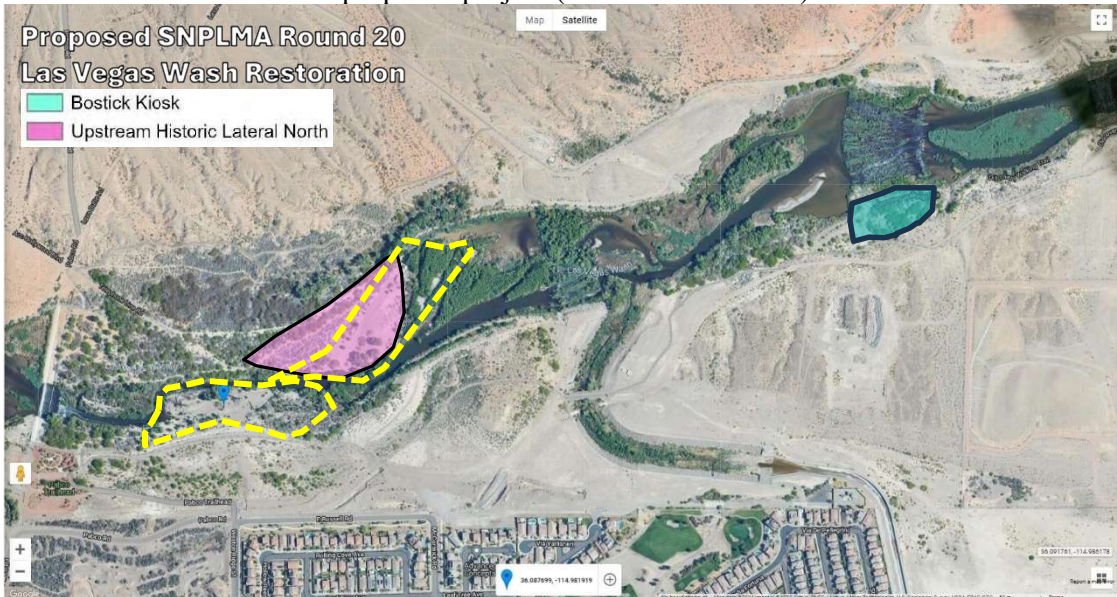
SNWA has been awarded \$900,500 in other federal funds for restoration activities within the same project area as noted below.

BOR issued federal financial assistance agreement (AA# R22AP0061) to SNWA pursuant P.L 111-11 (Secure Water Act) under CFDA# 15.507 – *WaterSMART (Sustain and Manage America’s Resources for Tomorrow - \$900,500* with a POP from 2/24/2023 to 9/30/2025. Budget breakdown provided below:

11. APPROVED BUDGET (Excludes Direct Assistance)	
I Financial Assistance from the Federal Awarding Agency Only	
II Total project costs including grant funds and all other financial participation	II
a. Salaries and Wages	\$ 218,120.00
b. Fringe Benefits	\$ 127,883.00
c. Total Personnel Costs	\$ 346,003.00
d. Equipment	\$ 0.00
e. Supplies	\$ 80,000.00
f. Travel	\$ 0.00
g. Construction	\$ 0.00
h. Other	\$ 20,000.00
i. Contractual	\$ 813,430.00
j. TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$ 1,259,433.00
k. INDIRECT COSTS	\$ 0.00
l. TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET	\$ 1,259,433.00
m. Federal Share	\$ 900,500.00
n. Non-Federal Share	\$ 358,933.00

BOR award to SNWA - Project Area (yellow hyphenated shape)

Las Vegas Wash (general location 36.087699, -114.981919) – as shown below there is overlap with the proposed SNPLMA project area “Upstream Historic Lateral North” this is the same area as the SNPLMA Round 20 proposed project (as annotated below)



SNWA will need to clearly describe the SNPLMA proposed project separately from the scope being funded through the BOR award. A copy of the BOR award to SNWA will be forwarded to the BLM GMO for review and further discussion and guidance.

SNWA Response: *After meeting with consultants regarding the BOR awarded \$900,500 grant for restoration along the Wash, it was determined that the funds would only be adequate for one of the two areas identified. The southern area was chosen to be restored using the BOR funds. It was at this time that SNWA included the northern area in its SNPLMA Round 20 application. SNWA will be submitting a change in the scope of work for the BOR grant to reduce the area of the grant to only include the southern polygon.*

SNPLMA Round 20 Project Budget

In February 2024, the SNWA provided an updated budget by including voluntary non-federal costs for personnel labor, fringe benefits, and supply costs. The budget summary enclosed in the nomination will need to be updated and SNWA will need to provide a signed contribution commitment letter for the non-federal cost share.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Southern Nevada Water Authority



Las Vegas Wash Restoration Activities

Amount Requested: \$1,200,000

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Serving as the crucial final link in the Las Vegas Valley (Valley) watershed, the Las Vegas Wash (Wash) channels more than 200 million gallons of highly treated effluent, urban runoff, and shallow groundwater to Lake Mead each day, and carries stormwater to the lake during rain events. The wetlands in the Wash help to filter impurities from these flows.

In the proposed project, the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) will revegetate and restore approximately seven (7)-acres of riparian corridors in the Clark County Wetlands Park (CCWP), a natural area through which the Wash flows. This project will improve habitat for wildlife, including two federally listed bird species, namely the endangered southwestern willow flycatcher and the threatened yellow-billed cuckoo. It will also positively impact water quality, helping protect Lake Mead, the primary source of drinking water for southern Nevada. Environmental enhancement and stabilization along the Wash has yielded important water quality benefits, including the reduction of total suspended solids (TSS) by approximately 60 percent, resulting in the channel's removal from the 303(d) list of impaired waters for the state. Additionally, the proposed project will connect the Bostick Kiosk to the CCWP trail system, adding to recreation options and additional outreach opportunities for community members.

This project is supported by various stakeholders, such as members of the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee (Coordination Committee) and Las Vegas Valley Watershed Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee).

Clark County and the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) are the landowners of the proposed project area. Clark County manages the land on behalf of Reclamation. The size of the proposed project area is approximately seven (7)-acres between the two sites. No access issues are anticipated due to previously executed agreements between the landowners, and SNWA.. Authorization for land access will be obtained. There are no claims, restrictions, or interests of other individuals or business in the project site. There are no abutting landowners.

This project will support and encourage public recreation, education, and interpretive activities, and increase recreational opportunities within Clark County for its underserved communities.

The Las Vegas Wash Long-Term Revegetation Management Plan calls for consistent revegetation efforts throughout the Wash to protect water quality gains, reestablish habitat for the variety of animal species who call the Wash home, and keep recreation areas aesthetically pleasing for community members enjoying the CCWP.

The proposed project is shovel-ready and will be implemented as outlined in Section F. Project Timeline. SNWA staff will complete a Work Plan and maintain consistent communication with Bureau of Land Management (BLM) staff regarding project status. SNWA staff will keep stakeholders apprised of progress through Coordination Committee meetings.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

SNWA has received SNPLMA funding for several projects along the Wash.

Round 4 – NAF05WA02, 4-11, WA02 - \$2.2 million for environmental restoration and erosion control.

Round 5 – L05AC13905, 5-3, WA01 - \$10,686,720 to support stabilization and environmental enhancement efforts in the Wash through the Las Vegas Wash Environmental Restoration Project II. This funding supported 30 acres of revegetation of habitat in the Wash, as well as the construction of the Powerline, Ducks Unlimited 1, and Ducks Unlimited 2 erosion control structures.

Round 6 – L08AC13816, 6-27, WA04 - \$36,515,728 to construct five drainage stabilization weirs in the Wash within CCWP: Three Kids Weir (formerly Demonstration Replacement Weir), Lower Narrows Weir, Upper Narrows Weir, Duck Creek Confluence Weir, and the Homestead Weir. These additional erosion control structures stabilize three-and-a half miles of the Wash channel, provide bank stabilization for 276 acres, encourage wetland vegetation growth, increase wildlife habitat, and provide education and recreational opportunities.

Round 8 – L09AC15356, 8-5, WA05 – \$1.1 million for the Silver Bowl Weir project. This weir manages Wash flows and stabilizes a severe erosion headcut. By correcting this headcut, the Silver Bowl Weir protects downstream water quality, riparian and wetland habitats, and recreational amenities.

Round 16 – L17AS00042, 16-1, WA09 - \$4 million contributed to the construction of the Sunrise Mountain Weir. After the weir was placed into operation, the temporary diversion channel was decommissioned and backfilled. All disturbed surfaces were hydroseeded with native species. The Sunrise Mountain Weir is a fundamental catalyst for parks, trails, and natural areas to flourish in the CCWP.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

SNWA acknowledges that Round 20 is a stand-alone project and, if funded, there is no guarantee for funding of future phases.

Construction contractors are solicited through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process and awarded to the lowest bidder. RFPs are written to comply with the scope of work and federal requirements as outlined in grant agreements. SNWA staff have many years of experience managing construction contracts for various projects on the property. If the project is awarded, construction milestones and inspection points will be built into the work plan.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.

- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

Nominated projects should meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community.

1. Sustainability:

The Wash is a vital component in the water resource system with respect to water quality in Lake Mead and the availability of water in the Valley, while providing a beautiful backdrop for no-cost recreational options. The proposed project's restoration activities will create a sustainable habitat that will provide food and shelter for sensitive wildlife along the Wash. Milkweed species will be planted within the native garden to provide critical habitat for the vulnerable monarch butterflies. The riparian and wetland habitats will provide suitable breeding habitats for the threatened yellow-billed cuckoo and the endangered southwestern willow flycatcher and Yuma Ridgway's rail.

2. Connectivity:

The Clark County Wetlands Park welcomes several hundred thousand guests each year. The park spans 2,900 acres, which includes a 210-acre nature preserve and four trailheads along the 12 miles of trails, providing recreational opportunities and wildlife habitat. The two proposed project areas will further the existing trails and connect and educate the public on native plant species in the garden while providing wildlife viewing within the rehabilitated habitats.

3. Community:

As the community has grown and new housing built, the trail system has provided no-cost recreation activities, such as walking, hiking, running, cycling, and birding for the folks living in the new neighborhoods. These projects will further connect the community by providing an educational aspect teaching the native species that the public can take to their own yards and expand these habitats. These habitats will also provide wildlife viewing allowing for more recreational activity in these new sustainable habitats.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The SNWA will complete restoration activities on approximately seven (7)-acres at two locations in the Wash; these locations are in the CCWP, on the east side of the Valley, in Clark County, Nevada. This project will connect people to the outdoors and provide no-cost outdoor recreation opportunities in the CCWP while creating additional habitat for the variety of plant and animal species that live in and migrate through the Wash.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (*Base Bid*)

- a. Connect the Bostick Kiosk to the Clark County Wetlands Park trail. One kiosk will be connected to the trail system in the Clark County Wetlands Park. Work will be completed by a single construction contractor, with SNWA staff managing the contract to ensure work is completed timely and within the scope of work.

- b. Restore Bostick Kiosk and Historic Lateral North to original elevations and revegetate with native riparian and wetland species. Approximately 2 acres at the Bostick Kiosk will be restored and revegetated. Approximately 5 acres at the Historical Lateral North will be restored and revegetated. Work will be completed by a single construction contractor, with SNWA staff managing the contract to ensure work is completed timely and within the scope of work.
2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
 - a. Create a native plant garden for the public to view native species that can be used in urban landscapes. The native plant garden will encompass approximately two (2) acres with an estimated 2,000 native plant species represented in the garden. Species in the garden may include desert milkweed (*Asclepias erosa*) and rush milkweed (*Asclepias subulata*).
 - b. Install one new interpretive panel at the native plant garden.
 3. Standard Deliverables:
 - a. Section 106 consultant per the National Historic Preservation Act
 - b. Scope of work for contracting
 - c. Financial and performance reporting SNPLMA Status Reporting
 - d. SNPLMA Annual Accomplishments and Performance Measures
 - e. SNPLMA close-out package

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: a) Bostick Kiosk and b) Historic Lateral North

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: Clark, Nevada:

- Township, Range, Section, quarter-quarter.
 - a) Township 21 South, Range 63 East, Section 29, NE1/4SW1/4
 - b) Township 21 South, Range 63 East, Section 30, SE1/4SE1/4
- Clark County Assessor Parcel Number(s):
 - a) 160-29-301-001
 - b) 160-30-000-003
- Current Land Use and Zoning:
 - a) Public Use and zoning: Public Facility
 - b) Open Lands and zoning: Public Facility

Latitude and Longitude: a) 36.090756 N, -114.968705 W b) 36.088970 N, -114.978885 W

Congressional District(s): Nevada 01 and 04

Clark County and Reclamation are the landowners of the proposed project area. No access issues are anticipated due to previously executed agreements between the landowners, and SNWA and the landowners. A copy of the Revegetation Maintenance Agreement between SNWA and Clark County, which addresses SNWA's ability to access land owned by Clark County in the Wash is

attached to this nomination package. Letters of support from the CCWP and Reclamation are attached to this nomination package.

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award.

Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

Year 1: SNPLMA Cooperative Agreement/Federal Environmental & Sec. 106 Compliance

- Request to initiate, develop project workplan; pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM.
- Respond to the Notice of Intent to Award by federal financial assistance application submittal.
- Coordinate with BLM on any required environmental review and Section 106 compliance.
- Request and receive SNPLMA NTP and federal award (cooperative agreement).

Year 2: Project Design and Preliminary Engineering

- Ensure completion of environmental compliance
- Finalization of project plans
- Develop scope of work and solicit bids
- Receive SNWA board approval of contract
- Execute contract
- Permitting

Year 3: Site Prep and Construction

- Site Prep
 - Invasive weed removal
 - Procurement of native seeds mixes and plants
 - Site monitoring
 - Pre-construction biological site surveys
- Receive Notice to Proceed for Construction
- Groundwork
 - Harvest tree poles and cuttings
 - Dig channels, trenches, and pools for plantings
 - Remove gravel from sites
- Planting
 - Install tree poles and cuttings
 - Install potted plants
 - Spread native seed mixtures

Year 4: Construction and Primary Deliverables

- Finalize construction
- Post-Planting Maintenance
 - Monitor vegetation
 - Manage weeds in restoration areas
- Post-Project Monitoring
 - Complete initial post-project monitoring assessment

Year 5: Project Closeout

- Reconcile project file, financial expenditures, and unliquidated obligations.
- Conduct final site inspection with SNPLMA PM.
- Prepare closeout request package and update SMART.
- Submit final financial report (SF-425) and performance narrative via Grant Solutions
- Submit closeout request package (minimum of 60 days prior to POP end date).

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

SNWA has successfully completed multiple restoration projects at the Wash and is ready for project implementation. If selected for funding, the SNWA is prepared to complete all pre-requisites to obtain the federal award by developing an acceptable project workplan in SMART, submitting a complete SF-424 federal financial assistance application package for acceptance by the SNWA Board and approval by the BLM Grants Management Officer. Upon receipt of the fully executed federal award, SNWA staff will immediately initiate the federal environmental requirements as needed and compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA to proceed with implementation of the approved project.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

SNWA has a federal grant in progress with the Bureau of Reclamation’s WaterSMART Environment Water Resource Projects for riparian restoration within the CCWP boundary along the Wash. A copy of the grant agreement is attached to this nomination package.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

SNWA will assume future operation and maintenance costs for the areas restored.

Clark County and Reclamation are the landowners of the proposed project area. No access issues are anticipated due to previously executed agreements between the landowners and SNWA. A copy of the Revegetation Maintenance Agreement between SNWA and Clark County, which addresses SNWA’s ability to access land owned by Clark County in the Wash is attached to this nomination package. Letters of support from the CCWP and Reclamation are attached to this nomination package.

SNWA acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the SNWA from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the SNWA’s ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$1,200,000. Budget categories with justification are included in the Budget Detail attachment included with this nomination package.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet which provides a summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ 120,000	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 1,080,000	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 1,200,000	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 1,200,000	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

The Southern Nevada Water Authority, as the lead agency for the Coordination Committee, has restored over 600-acres along the Wash within the CCWP since 1998. The restoration of the areas in the proposed project is like many past projects. The contractors available for the design and construction phases of the project are well known. The amount requested for this project was determined by using past similar project cost and elevating it to meet the current market whereas labor and supplies are increasing in cost compared to previous years. While the restoration cost per acre has increased, the benefit of restoration projects has also increased. With substantial restored areas adjacent to the proposed areas, the ecological function will increase more quickly than on previous projects. This benefit develops as mature established vegetation nearby will allow for natural recruitment on these restored areas soon after construction is completed, thereby reducing the efforts needed to add supplemental plants and treat non-native weeds.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

None.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*
 Answer: Yes. This project will improve the CCWP by connecting the Bostick Kiosk area to the park trail system and restoring two areas.
 - B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

 Answer: While the proposed project does not directly improve community prosperity or economic development, improvements to the CCWP through restoring areas along the Wash benefit the entire community through the water quality benefits and increased recreational opportunities.
 - C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

 Answer: Restoration projects, like the proposed project are incredibly important to the Wash. The Wash is an "urban" river that connects the Valley with Lake Mead, our community's primary source of drinking water. The Wash carries more than 200 million gallons of water per day, fed by reclaimed water, urban runoff, shallow groundwater, and stormwater. Wetlands at the Wash serve as "nature's kidneys," cleaning the water that runs through them by filtering out harmful contaminants. The Wash's wetlands also are home to a variety of wildlife, from great blue herons sweeping across the water to yellow-backed spiny lizards perched on boulders.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: As the population of Southern Nevada grows, increased volumes of water flow to Lake Mead, which can affect water quality. Since Lake Mead is the source of approximately 90 percent of Southern Nevada’s water, there are constant efforts to protect and ensure water quality. Maintaining the health of the Wash through revegetation and restoration projects, such as the proposed project, is a priority for SNWA.

The proposed project meets the community need to provide a place for people to connect with nature and experience activities such as wildlife and bird watching, in a quiet, peaceful setting, which has mental health benefits.

Although the public health emergency declared during the COVID-19 pandemic ended in May 2023, one of the lasting effects of the pandemic that continues is a decline in mental health, particularly in the number of adults struggling with symptoms of anxiety and depression. The [Kaiser Family Foundation *The Implications of COVID-19 for Mental Health and Substance Use* brief](#) states that 50 percent of young adults (ages 18–24) grappled with anxiety and depression symptoms, while 35 percent of women and 28 percent of men reported these symptoms in a February 2023 survey. Job loss and unemployment were particularly pronounced in Southern Nevada in the early months of the pandemic. Recent research from [King’s College London](#) demonstrated that observing birds is linked to improvements in mental health, in which subjects who saw or heard songbirds reported an improvement in mood. The [author of the study believes that birdwatching helps people feel better in many ways](#), including improving concentration by decreasing mental fatigue, reducing stress by lowering blood pressure, and lowering levels of stress-inducing hormones. Plus, just being outside and getting exercise is a mood booster.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: Although Clark County is the most populous county in the state of Nevada, accounting for nearly three-quarters of its residents, Clark County has been identified by the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition as having a significant shortage of parks and trails compared to other urban areas of its size. Although the proposed project does not directly benefit a specific disadvantaged or historically underserved community, it does indirectly benefit these communities due to the water quality benefits from restoration along the Wash and improved, no-cost recreational opportunities.

2. RESOURCES: The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Answer: The Wash presents opportunities for recreation and to support environmental resources such as wildlife and wildlife habitat. As the Wash winds through the

CCWP, visitors have extensive recreational opportunities, including hiking, participating in nature walks, bird watching, biking, or riding horses.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: The Wash also supports a variety of birds, including the endangered southwestern willow flycatcher and threatened yellow-billed cuckoo.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: SNWA is a leader in sustainable water use and conservation. SNWA staff monitor contractors to ensure compliance and conservation.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: The proposed project will create wetland and riparian habitat, which are rare in Southern Nevada. Threatened and sensitive species rely on these habitats.

3. CONNECTIVITY: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

Answer: The proposed project will enhance connectivity by connecting the Bostick Kiosk to the larger trail system in the Clark County Wetlands Park.

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Answer: The Las Vegas Wash Long-Term Revegetation Management Plan calls for restoration projects along the trails and the Wash.

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

Answer: The proposed project will connect the Bostick Kiosk to the larger trail system in the CCWP.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Answer: There are interpretive panels already installed at the Bostick Kiosk. An additional interpretive panel may be installed in the native plant garden.

- E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

Answer: SNWA engages volunteers in annual Green-Up projects at the Wash. Also, admission to the CCWP is free and removes the economical barrier that otherwise could prevent some visitors from enjoying this community resource.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

- A. *The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.*

Answer: See the Budget Detail attachment included with this nomination package.

- B. *Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.*

Answer: CCWP is located on the east side of the Valley, which is a large metropolitan area with an MSA of 2.3 million people. An additional 40 million people travel to Las Vegas for business or pleasure each year. Current annual attendance estimates at CCWP are over 460,000 guests.

- C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: Due to the climate in Southern Nevada and the type of project proposed, maintenance consists of monitoring for noxious weeds and potential maintenance after storm events. Maintenance varies due to weather.

- D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: As noted in the narrative, no non-SNPLMA funding is associated with the proposed project. SNWA will assume maintenance on the proposed project areas.

- E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: Not applicable to the proposed project.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

- A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. *EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk*

Projects in the Las Vegas Wash (Wash) and Clark County Wetlands Park (CCWP) follow guidance from the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) Lower Colorado

Region-Regional Office's Fire Management Plan. This plan was prepared by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Southern Nevada District. (A copy of this plan and any modifications is available upon request.)

2. ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***
SNWA follows all agreement requirements (e.g., Buy America) when drafting Requests for Proposals for grant-funded projects.
3. ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***
Not applicable to the proposed \$900,000 project.
4. ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***
The Las Vegas Valley Watershed Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) addresses water availability and quality issues within the Watershed. They represent a diverse group of stakeholders, meet regularly, and work to meet its mission to develop the Wash into a resource for the community by stabilizing erosion, protecting water quality, and supporting the development of the CCWP. This helps sustain the economic well-being of the area and protect the environment for present and future generations.
5. ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***
Although the proposed project does not directly benefit a specific disadvantaged or historically underserved community, it does indirectly benefit these communities due to the water quality benefits from restoration along the Wash and improved, no-cost recreational opportunities.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***
The restoration activities in the proposed project will benefit the CCWP, which provides wildlife habitat and recreational opportunities such as hiking, wildlife and bird viewing, and other forms of low-impact recreation.
2. ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***
There is no hunting, fishing, or recreational shooting within the CCWP. However, the Wash is managed for wildlife conservation and the proposed project will improve access for the public as well as created wildlife habitat.

3. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

4. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

Some land in the CCWP is owned by Reclamation and the proposed project will increase low-impact, no-cost recreational opportunities.

5. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

See response to EO 13855 on the first page of this document.

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition)).***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations. We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration’s goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*
Not applicable to the proposed project.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America’s lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*
The goals of SNWA’s restoration projects along the Wash and Clark County Wetlands Park align with the goals of the 30 by 30 plan. Like the 30 by 30 effort, these efforts seek to protect the area’s biodiversity and natural resources; seek to restore Threatened and Endangered Species; and its efforts are guided by science.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government’s trust responsibilities.*
Not applicable to the proposed project.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. ***Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic***
[Medical research](#) shows that COVID-19 spreads more easily indoors than outdoors. CDC guidance states that you are more likely to be exposed to COVID-19 when you attend crowded indoor events; the guidance recommends outdoor activities such as running, walking, biking, and hiking.

2. ***Providing economic relief***
Admission to the Clark County Wetlands Park is free for all visitors – making outdoor recreation available to everyone.

3. ***Tackling climate change***
By conserving nature and restoring ecosystems, we reduce vulnerability and increase resilience to climate change. Nature conservation and restoration is a major, cost-efficient ally in the world’s fight against climate change.

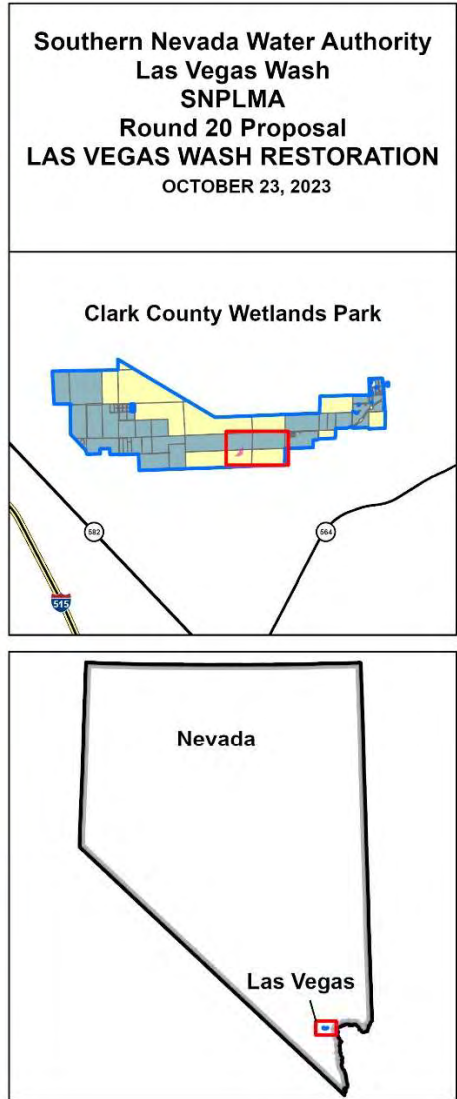
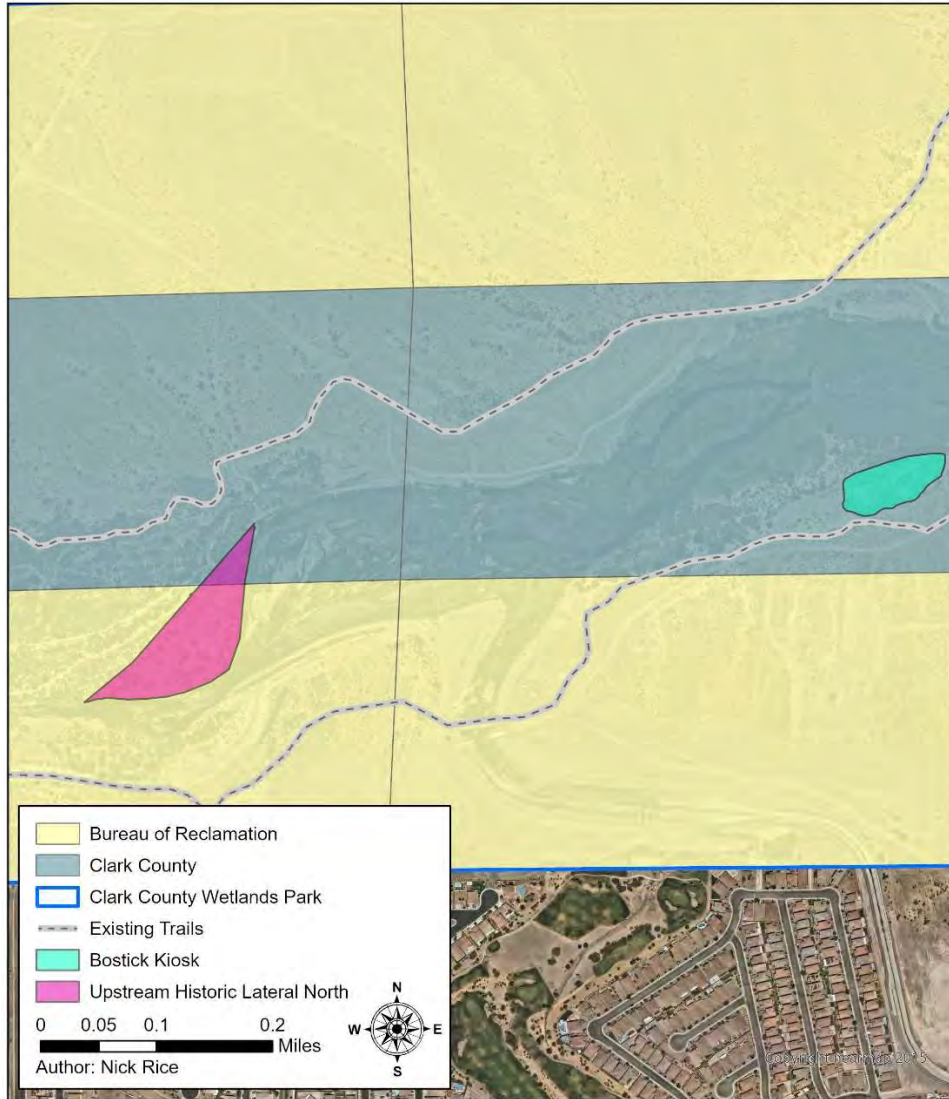
4. *Advancing racial equity*

Not applicable to the proposed project.

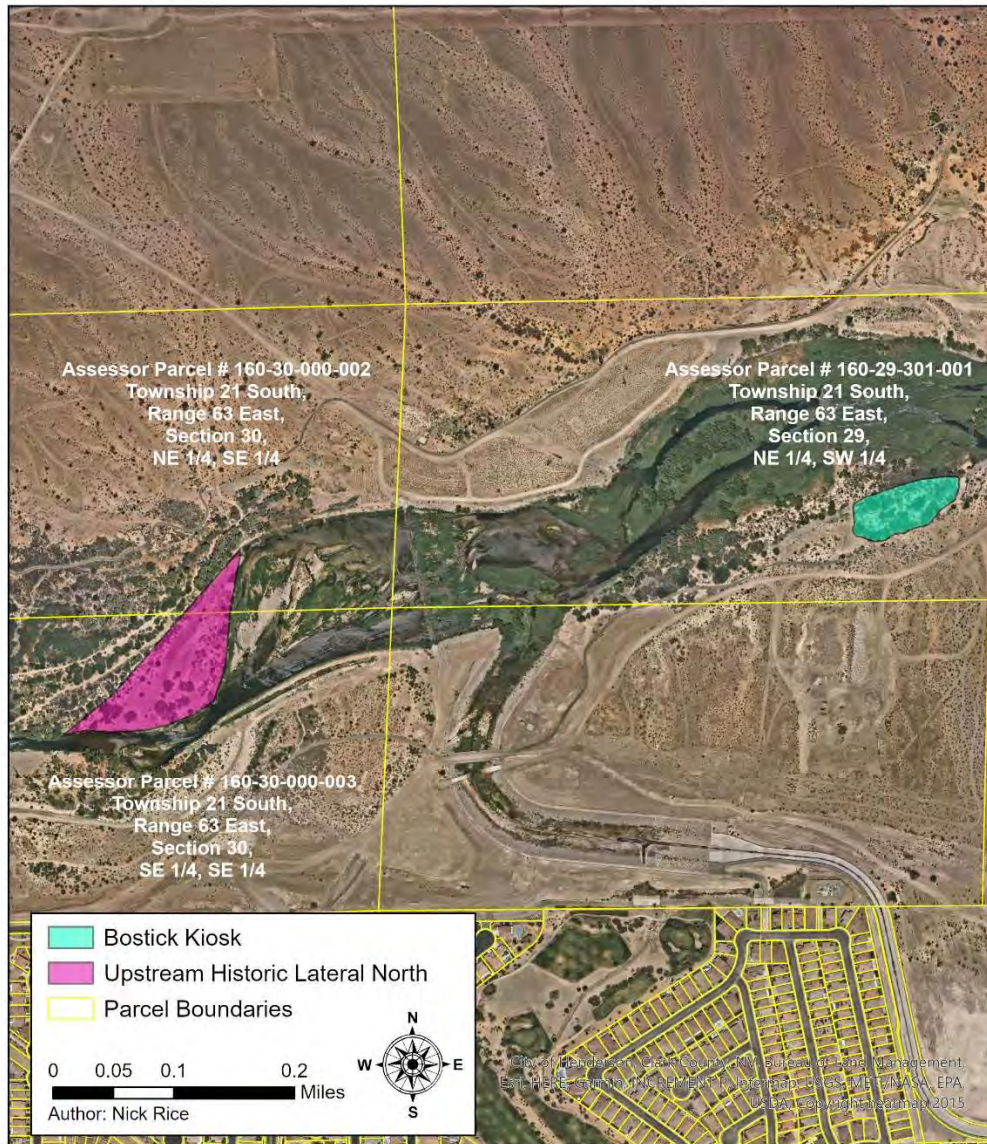
5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

Not applicable to the proposed project.

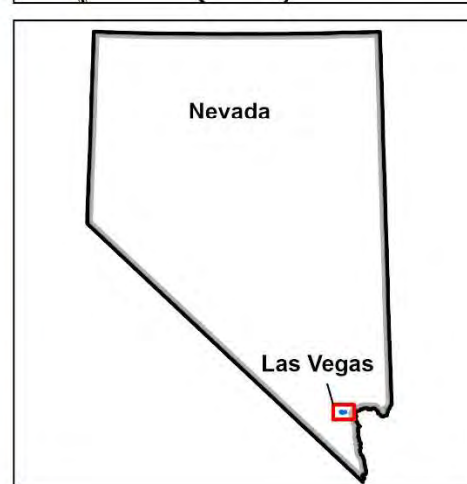
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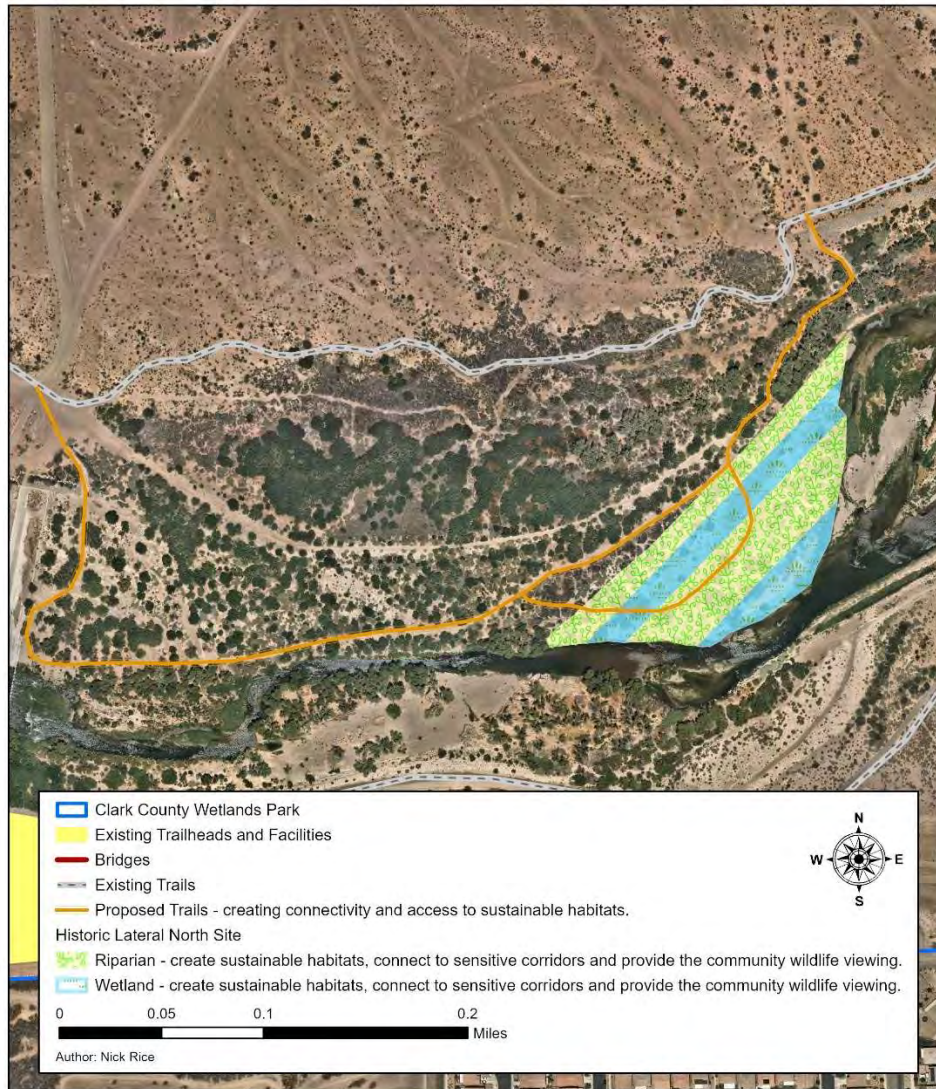
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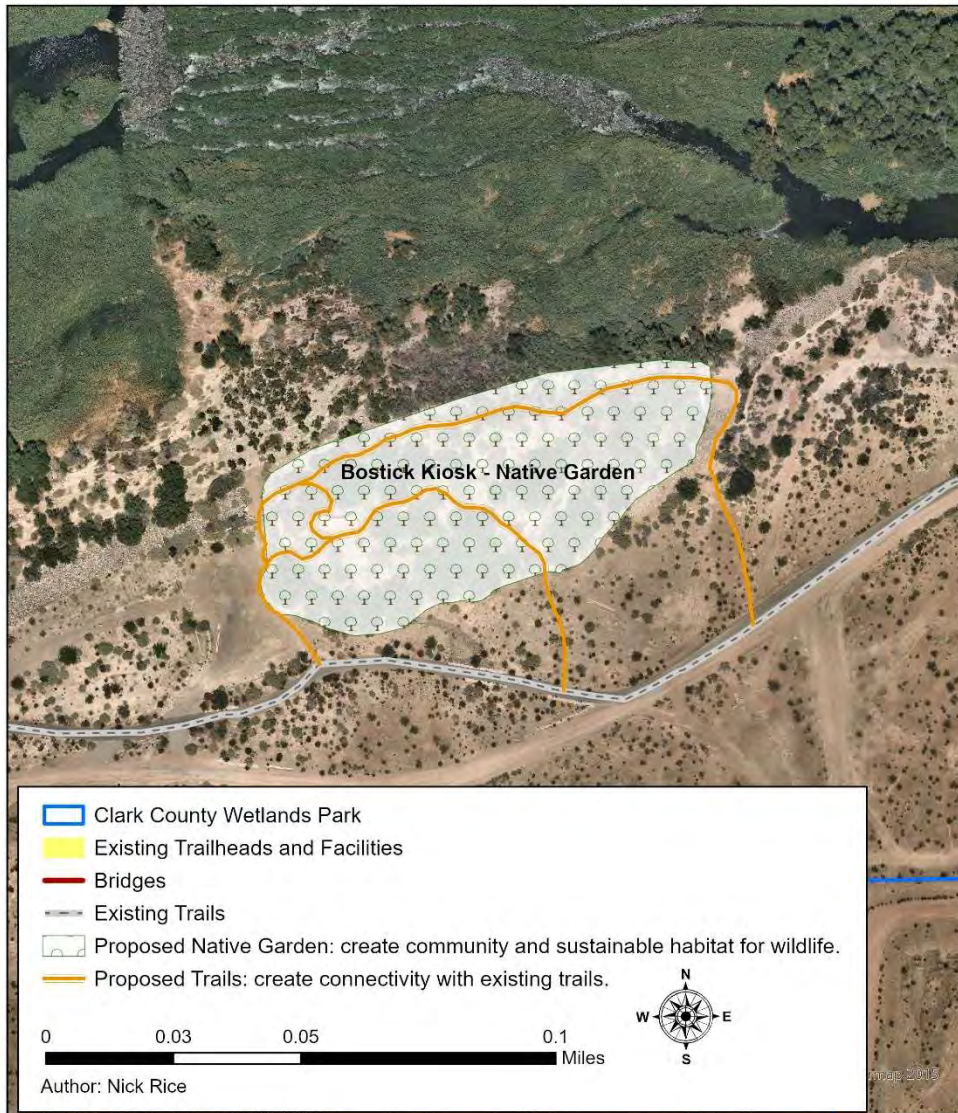
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STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES MAP – BOSTICK KIOSK “NATIVE GARDEN”



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N. PHOTOS



Photo 1: Historic Lateral North Site Looking West - Location of gravel to be removed for rehabilitation of habitat with riparian and wetland plant species.



Photo 2: Bostick Kiosk Connecting Trail Site Looking South - Location of the connecting trail from the Bostick Kiosk to the existing Clark County Wetlands Park trail.

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

PM for Habitat Enhancement	Definition of Performance Measure	Quantity
H2 - Miles of Riparian Stream or Shoreline Habitat Treated, Enhanced, or Restored	<p>*Report the number of miles of riparian stream and/or shoreline vegetation and/or wildlife habitat treated, enhanced, or restored. This can include retreatment and/or maintenance treatments only if the initial treatment was not funded through SNPLMA and the miles have not been accounted for in the performance measures for another SNPLMA project. Include acres treated by fire for resource benefits, but not other types of wildland fire. Do not report treatments targeting invasive vegetation, as those should be reported under the H9 performance measure. Do not report hazardous fuels reduction projects, as those should be reported under either the F1 or F2 performance measures. <i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i></p>	1 mile
H6 - Acres of Wetland / Riparian Habitat Treated, Enhanced, or Restored	<p>*Report the number of acres of wetland vegetation and/or wildlife habitat treated, enhanced, or restored. This can include retreatment and/or maintenance treatments only if the initial treatment was not funded through SNPLMA and the acres have not been accounted for in the performance measures for another SNPLMA project. Include acres treated by fire rehabilitation projects or by fire for resource benefits, but not other types of wildland fire. Do not report treatments targeting invasive vegetation, as these should be reported under the H9 performance measure. Do not report hazardous fuels reduction projects, as these should be reported under either the F1 or F2 performance measures. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	7 acres
H9 - Acres of Invasive Plant Species Treated or Restored	<p>*Report the number of acres of weed infestation treated with chemical, mechanical, physical, or biological control agents for the purpose of weed control. Include acres treated by fire when fire is used as a physical control agent for weed control rather than as a hazardous fuels treatment. Each acre treated is counted only once during the life of the project, no matter how many re-treatments occurred during the project. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	7 acres
H14 - Number of Threatened and Endangered Species Recovery Actions Implemented	<p>*Report the number of individual recovery actions performed for threatened or endangered species recovery as identified in recovery plans, conservation management plans, or land use planning documents. Include surveys, inventories, and monitoring as recovery actions. Note: One distinct action repeated 5 times over the course of the project would report as 1 action, not 5. The same recovery action conducted at distinct sites can be counted once for each site (this does not apply to individual plots within one single project site). The number of acres over which the actions were taken are reported under either H4 or H6. <i>*Report each action as one unit.</i></p>	<u>7 Actions/Units</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Upland/monarch habitat 2. Riparian rehabilitation 3. Wetlands rehabilitation 4. Monarch surveys 5. Yuma Ridgway's Rail surveys 6. Southwestern willow flycatcher surveys 7. Yellow-billed cuckoo surveys

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources		
H15- Number of Conservation Actions Implemented for Non-Listed Species	*Report the number of individual conservation actions for species not listed under the Endangered Species Act. Note: One distinct action repeated 5 times over the course of the project would report as 1 action, not 5. The same conservation action conducted at distinct sites can be counted once for each site (this does not apply to individual plots within one single project site). The number of acres over which the actions were taken are reported under either H4 or H6. *Report each action as one unit.	<u>7 Actions/Units</u> 1. Bat surveys 2. Reptile surveys 3. Amphibian surveys 4. Fish surveys 5. Macroinvertebrates surveys 6. Avian point counts 7. Vegetation monitoring
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources		
PM for Cultural / Paleontological Resources	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
C3 - Acres of Cultural / Paleontological Resources Surveyed, Inventoried or Monitored	*Report the number of acres of land surveyed, inventoried, or monitored for cultural and/or paleontological resources. Include acres surveyed using Class I study of existing information inventory, Class II probabilistic field survey, or Class III intensive field survey and resultant inventory as required by Section 14 of the Archaeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA) or Section 110 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). *Report to the nearest whole acre.	7 acres
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. *Report to the nearest whole acre.	Seven acres
R4- Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. *Report to the nearest whole mile.	One mile
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other PM	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/ Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. *Report each item produced as one unit.	1 panel

P. BLM AND OTHER AGENCY CONSULTATION LETTER



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Dear Ms. Schoolmeester:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank SNWA for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The SNWA has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Warm Springs Natural Area Wildlife and Bird Viewing Tower – This proposal is to enhance the wildlife viewing experience at the Warm Springs Natural Area by installing a wildlife and bird viewing tower along the trail system being constructed under SNPLMA Round 18 funding. The project proposal is on land owned by SNWA.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources; however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Las Vegas Wash Restoration – This proposal is to conduct restoration activities at two locations along the Las Vegas Wash; the Bostick Kiosk, and the Historic Lateral North. The project proposals are located on lands owned by Clark County and the Bureau of Reclamation.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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Subject: Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Agency
Consultation - Las Vegas Wash Bostick Kiosk and Historic Lateral Restoration

On behalf of the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) this is in response to the Southern Nevada Water Authority's (SNWA) SNPLMA Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) "Las Vegas Wash Bostick Kiosk and Historic Lateral Restoration" project nomination. On October 3, 2023, Reclamation participated in an agency consultation meeting where SNWA presented their proposed SNPLMA PTNA Round 20 projects to consult with federal agencies regarding impacts of proposed project on federal land and/or resources as well as any application approvals from the agency that would be required.

SNWA's SNPLMA PTNA Round 20 proposed Las Vegas Wash Restoration project is proposed to occur on Reclamation and Clark County-owned lands identified as the Clark County Wetlands Park (Wetlands Park). The proposed project is located within MDM: T.21 S., R.63 E., sec. 29, NESW, and sec. 30, SESE; also identified as assessor parcel number 161-23-301-002. Reclamation is supportive of the improvements proposed in SNWA's PTNA nomination.

Approximately half of the 2,900-acre Wetlands Park is on Reclamation administered public lands and managed by Clark County under Lease Agreement No. 9-07-30-L0484 entered into on November 2, 2000, for 50 years. Should this proposal be selected to receive SNPLMA funding, a request should be submitted to the Clark County Wetlands Park who will request the use authorization from Reclamation. No further National Historic Preservation Act compliance is required in the vicinity of the erosion control structures. Endangered Species Act compliance will require a Biological Opinion to cover three listed bird species. Applicant is encouraged to work with the Biologist at Reclamation to ensure compliance with this requirement.

The proposed project includes design and the removal of dead and overgrown vegetation at the Bostick Kiosk, revegetate the space with native species and construct trails to connect the Wetlands Park trail system, and conduct erosion control at the Historic Lateral North to remove gravel from the site, contour and revegetate the site for planting and water flow.

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This project will enhance the public's use of the Wetlands Park, as well as insure proper operation and flow of the wash. It embodies our partnership's shared vision of preserving natural resources, providing educational, recreational, and research opportunities for the public while creating new areas for school field trips, programs, and events. We support the proposed Park enhancements to expand opportunities for visitors to explore native wetland and riparian habitats and engage the community with this natural environment.

Please be prepared to provide additional supporting documents, such as lease agreements, that may be requested from the Bureau of Land Management. If additional information is needed, please contact Ms. Tambi Calvert, Realty Specialist, at (702) 293-8315 or tcalvert@usbr.gov for assistance.

Individuals who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Resource Management Office

cc: Ms. Keiba Crear, Environmental Monitoring & Management (via keiba.crear@snwa.com)
Ms. Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA PTNA/MSHCP Program Manager (via mleiber@blm.gov)

bc: RMO Admin

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Q. SUPPORT LETTERS



Clark County Parks & Recreation Department

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November 2, 2023

Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA Program Manager - PTNA, MSHCP and Capital Improvements
BLM Southern Nevada District Office - SNPLMA Division
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130

Subject: Letter of Support for Las Vegas Wash Restoration Activities - Southern Nevada Water Authority Project Nomination Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural areas (PTNA) Category

Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing on behalf of the Clark County Wetlands Park (Park) in support of Southern Nevada Water Authority's (SNWA) efforts to implement proposed Las Vegas Wash Restoration Activities.

Clark County is a proud member of the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee (LVWCC) and work closely with SNWA as the lead agency of the Las Vegas Wash Team to implement activities along the Las Vegas Wash within the Park. We support SNWA's endeavors to reduce erosion through the bank stabilization program, implement water quality and research studies and enhance wetland, riparian and habitats the Park. The proposed Las Vegas Wash Restoration Activities SNPLMA Round 20 nomination will further increase wildlife habitat and the ecological resource values of the Park. We support SNWA's submission for their Round 20 nomination as it will provide an overall benefit for the Park.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Bickmore,
Senior Program Administrator, Parks and Recreation

Enclosures:

cc: Jason Eckberg, Southern Nevada Water Authority

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**AGREEMENT REGARDING REVEGETATION AREAS
ALONG THE LAS VEGAS WASH**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 4th day of May, 200~~9~~¹⁰, by and between CLARK COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Nevada ("County"), acting by and through its Board of County Commissioners, and the SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY ("Authority"), a political subdivision of the State of Nevada, acting by and through its Board of Directors. Each of these entities is sometimes referred to individually as "Party" and collectively as "Parties."

RECITALS

A. WHEREAS, the Parties are actively involved in the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee, a committee comprised of 30 local, state, federal and public representatives, with the intent of stabilizing and enhancing the valuable environmental resources of the Las Vegas Wash ("Wash"); and

B. WHEREAS, the Parties were signatories to a June 20, 2002 Cooperative Agreement stating that one objective for the Parties was to cooperate in effectuating the long-term stabilization, enhancement, and management of the Wash; and

C. WHEREAS, the Parties actively participate in the implementation of the Las Vegas Wash Comprehensive Adaptive Management Plan ("LVWCAMP"), a planning document used to meet objectives listed in the June 20, 2002 Cooperative Agreement; and

D. WHEREAS, the Parties are signatories to the 2007 Agreement Regarding the Las Vegas Valley Watershed Advisory Committee ("LVVWAC"), which terminated the June 20, 2002 Cooperative Agreement and created the LVVWAC to continue implementation of the LVWCAMP, along with establishing a cohesive direction and integrated approach to addressing water quality issues in the Las Vegas Valley and Lake Mead; and

E. WHEREAS, the Authority has been designated as the lead agency to implement the LVWCAMP and has established a team to coordinate this effort; and

F. WHEREAS, the County owns land along and adjacent to the Wash and through its Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for developing the Clark County Wetlands Park ("Wetlands Park") along the Wash which includes providing suitable recreational opportunities for visitors; and

G. WHEREAS, the Authority has planted vegetation in areas within the Wetlands Park for grant obligations and permit compliance reasons and transfers the long-term maintenance responsibility for these areas to the County once requirements are achieved; and

H. WHEREAS, the Parties want to maintain the ecological integrity of the Wash by preventing revegetated areas from becoming degraded; and

I. WHEREAS, the Authority has an established revegetation maintenance program along the Wash and the County desires the Authority to conduct vegetation maintenance activities in

the Wetlands Park on the County's behalf which will result in considerable cost savings to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the Parties agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

1. DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this agreement, the following definitions shall apply.

- 1.1 "Grant obligation" means any obligation that requires an area to be revegetated in order to obtain grant funding. Grant obligation requirements are achieved after post-revegetation monitoring documents a stipulated level of site performance.
- 1.2 "Maintenance" or "maintaining" means any activity that improves the performance or desirable status of a revegetation area. Maintenance activities may include, but are not limited to; removing noxious weeds or other undesirable vegetation by chemical, mechanical, or manual means; removing trash or other undesirable debris; removing vegetation for access or view-shed reasons; re-planting native plants; and irrigating revegetated areas.
- 1.3 "Permit compliance" means any stipulation in a Federal or State permit that requires revegetation. Permit compliance requirements are achieved after post-revegetation monitoring documents a stipulated level of site performance. Federal permits from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (i.e., Clean Water Act Section 404 permits for filling jurisdictional waters of the U.S.) and State permits from the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (i.e., Clean Water Act Section 402 stormwater permits) are examples of permits for which revegetation is required.
- 1.4 "Revegetation," "revegetated," "revegetated area," or "revegetation area" means the act of planting native vegetation or any area that has been planted with native vegetation.
- 1.5 "Transfer," "transferred," or "transferred area" means the act of shifting revegetation maintenance duties for a revegetation area from the Authority to the County or an area where revegetation maintenance duties have been shifted.
- 1.6 "Wetlands Park" means the Clark County Wetlands Park, defined as the County owned and leased lands within the boundaries of the Wetlands Park as officially designated now, or as may be formally changed in the future, and currently as shown on the map attached as Exhibit A.
- 1.7 "Written" or "in writing" means either printed or written on paper or in hard-copy, or created, stored or transmitted electronically, such as via email, fax or any

other relatively permanent electronic medium by which information can be stored and made accessible to the public as may be appropriate.

2. TERM

This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by both Parties and shall continue in effect until the Parties terminate the agreement as set forth in Section 8. The rights and obligations of the Parties to this Agreement incurred prior to termination of this Agreement shall survive such termination.

3. SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED

3.1 This Agreement is for revegetation maintenance activities to be conducted by the Authority on behalf of the County on County owned or leased lands within the boundaries of the Wetlands Park (see Exhibit A).

3.2 The Authority shall perform maintenance activities including, but not limited to; removing noxious weeds or other undesirable vegetation by chemical, mechanical, or manual means; removing trash or other undesirable debris; removing vegetation for access or view-shed reasons; re-planting native plants; and irrigating.

3.3 The County shall allow the Authority or an authorized representative of the Authority to access County-owned and leased land without cost for the purposes of maintaining revegetated areas.

3.4 The Authority shall perform maintenance activities on behalf of the County for revegetated areas that have been transferred to the County by the Authority or for other areas within the Wetlands Park as agreed to by the Parties.

4. COORDINATION

4.1 A listing of current projects that the County agrees to be maintained under the terms of this Agreement is included in Exhibit B.

4.2 Exhibit C includes a list of future projects that the Authority expects to be maintained under the terms of this agreement and when these areas are ready to be transferred, the notification requirement of Section 4.3 shall be followed.

4.3 The Authority shall provide written notice to the County when grant obligations or permit compliance requirements have been achieved for a revegetation area. This written notice ("notice of transfer") shall inform the County that the revegetation area is for the County to maintain. The notice of transfer shall include information about the revegetation area as follows: site name, acreage of the site, map of the site, year site was revegetated, and the applicable maintenance cost as described in Section 5.1 of this Agreement.

- 4.4 Within 30 days of receiving a notice of transfer, the County shall make a determination to maintain or not to maintain the area under the terms of this agreement and the County shall provide written notice to the Authority with their determination and a statement that the County accepts the transferred area.
- 4.5 The Authority shall maintain records of all written notices and a spreadsheet of projects that are maintained under the terms of this Agreement, and the Authority shall make these records available to the County.
- 4.6 Meetings between the County and the Authority shall be scheduled regularly and not less than one time each year in June to discuss maintenance activities that are to be conducted on transferred areas.
- 4.7 The County shall provide written notice to the Authority in the event that the County wants to withdraw a revegetation area from the maintenance program.

5. PROJECT FUNDING

- 5.1 The Authority shall spend no more than \$3,000 per acre annually to maintain the County revegetation areas pursuant to this Agreement, and for each year a site is maintained the cost for the site shall decrease by \$500 per acre to a minimum of \$500 per acre annually. The \$3,000 per acre annual fee shall first be assessed one year after a site has been planted. (For example, if a site was planted in June 2008, a \$3,000 per acre fee would be assessed for the period of June 2009 through May 2010. From June 2010 through May 2011, a \$2,500 per acre fee would be assessed and so on). The County agrees to reimburse the Authority for the Authority's costs in performing services pursuant to this Agreement for which the Authority has not been able to obtain external grant funding to pay for services.
- 5.2 For transferred areas that have not been funded by external grants, the Authority shall either 1) invoice the County annually for services performed under this Agreement, or 2) invoice the County as soon as the Authority has performed \$200,000 of vegetation maintenance services. The County shall pay the Authority within 30 days of receipt of the invoice. The Authority shall include services performed for all revegetation areas in one invoice.

6. CHANGES AND DISPUTES

- 6.1 It is recognized that the activities, and costs of conducting the activities, required to accomplish the goals of this Agreement are an estimate based on the best available information and that changes are likely to occur. The Parties agree that representatives of the Parties may make changes, as appropriate or required, to accomplish Project objectives; provided, however, that such changes do not result in an increase in the financial obligation of either Party.
- 6.2 The Parties will attempt to resolve all claims, disputes, and other matters in question between the Parties arising out of or relating to this Agreement, or the breach thereof, through informal means in an amicable and productive manner.

Should that method prove unsuccessful, the department heads for each of the Parties shall meet and attempt to resolve the dispute. Nothing in this Section limits either Party from exercising its rights of termination under Section 8.

7. LIABILITY

Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as making either Party hereto the agent, employee, co-venturer, or representative in any capacity whatsoever of the other Party hereto. Neither Party assumes liability for claims or actions arising out of the performance of work under this Agreement by the other Party or its agents.

8. TERMINATION

Either Party may terminate its participation or obligation under this Agreement by giving 30-day written notice of termination to the other Party. Payment for vegetation maintenance services performed before the termination date shall be made within 30 days of the Agreement being terminated.

9. DATA AVAILABILITY

All reports, information, and data obtained or developed in connection with work performed under this Agreement shall be made available to each Party without charge before the termination of this Agreement.

10. UNCONTROLLABLE FORCES

Each Party will act with good faith in completing its responsibilities as described in this Agreement. To the extent that performance of an obligation under this Agreement is prevented or delayed by any cause which is beyond the reasonable control of either Party, such non-performance will be deemed justified and a revised schedule or redistribution of responsibilities will be established.

11. GOVERNING LAW

Nevada law shall govern the interpretation of this Agreement.

12. INTEGRATION

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the matters covered herein, and subsumes and incorporates all prior written and oral statements and understandings with respect to the matters covered herein.

13. EXECUTION AND EFFECT

This agreement may be signed in counterparts and the Agreement and each signature will be effective just as if all signatories had signed the same document. Originally signed counterparts of this agreement shall be transmitted to the Authority.

14. NOTICES AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES

Notices given pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement, or which are necessary to carry out its provisions, must be in writing and delivered to the person to whom the notices are to be given, or mailed, postage prepaid, addressed to that authorized representative. The Parties' authorized representatives and their addresses for this purpose are as follows:

To Clark County:

Elsie Sellars, Wetlands Park Coordinator
Clark County Parks and Recreation Department
2601 East Sunset Road
Las Vegas, Nevada 89120

To Southern Nevada Water Authority:

Seth A. Shanahan, Senior Biologist
Southern Nevada Water Authority
P.O. Box 99956
Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-9956

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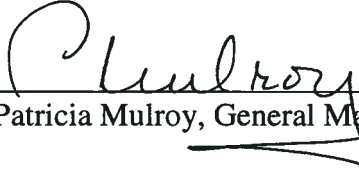
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the Parties has executed this Agreement as of the date and year first written above.


SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY

By: 
Patricia Mulroy, General Manager

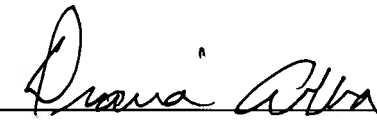
APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Brian Chally, Deputy Counsel

CLARK COUNTY

By: 
Rory Reid, Chairman

ATTEST:


Diana Alba, County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Carolyn Campbell, Deputy District Attorney

Exhibit A

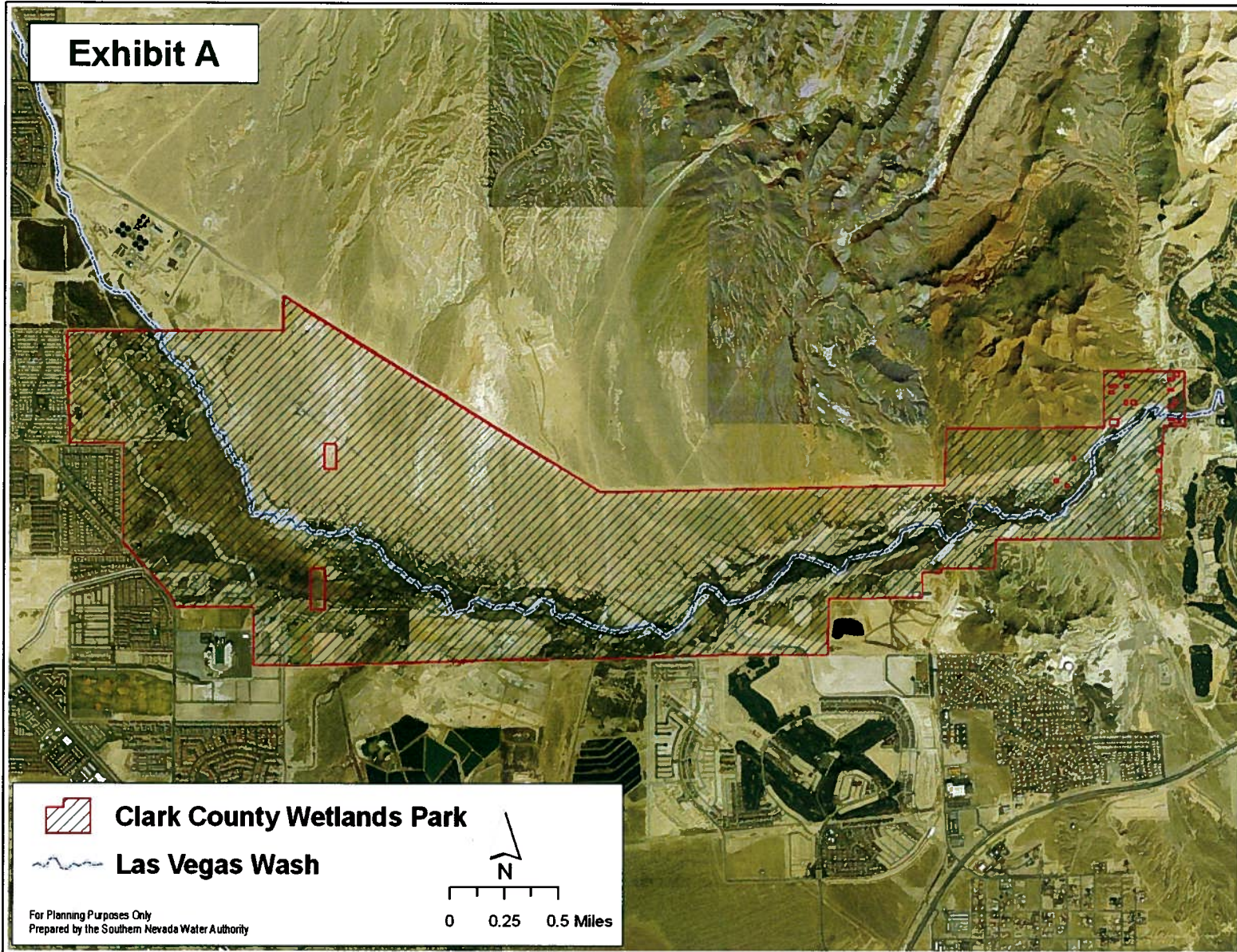


EXHIBIT B

CURRENT REVEGETATION AREAS TO BE MAINTAINED BY CLARK COUNTY

AS OF NOVEMBER 2008

Project Name	Revegetation Site Name	Year Planted	Current Acreage	Actual Maint. \$ (2007)	Cost per Acre (2007)	Years Established (2008)	Maint. Cost per acre (2008)	Est. Maint. \$ (2008)	Years Established (2009)	Maint. Cost per acre (2009)	Est. Maint. \$ (2009)	Years Established (2010)	Maint. Cost per acre (2010)	Est. Maint. \$ (2010)	Years Established (2011)	Maint. Cost per acre (2011)	Est. Maint. \$ (2011)	Years Established (2012)	Maint. Cost per acre (2012)	Est. Maint. \$ (2012)	Years Established (2013)	Maint. Cost per acre (2013)	Est. Maint. \$ (2013)	
Bostick Weir	Bostick	2004	6.86	\$ -	\$ -	4	1500	\$ 10,283.14	5	1000	\$ 6,855.42	6	500	\$ 3,427.71	7	500	\$ 3,427.71	8	500	\$ 3,427.71	9	500	\$ 3,427.71	
	Bostick Islands	2006	2.55	\$ -	\$ -	2	2500	\$ 6,385.87	3	2000	\$ 5,108.70	4	1500	\$ 3,831.52	5	1000	\$ 2,554.35	6	500	\$ 1,277.17	7	500	\$ 1,277.17	
	Bostick North	2004	0.88	\$ 273.00	\$ 309.32	4	1500	\$ 1,323.88	5	1000	\$ 882.58	6	500	\$ 441.29	7	500	\$ 441.29	8	500	\$ 441.29	9	500	\$ 441.29	
	Bostick South	2004	1.43	\$ 4,585.50	\$ 3,215.34	4	1500	\$ 2,139.20	5	1000	\$ 1,426.13	6	500	\$ 713.07	7	500	\$ 713.07	8	500	\$ 713.07	9	500	\$ 713.07	
	Downstream Bostick North	2004	0.48	\$ 183.00	\$ 385.12	4	1500	\$ 712.77	5	1000	\$ 475.18	6	500	\$ 237.59	7	500	\$ 237.59	8	500	\$ 237.59	9	500	\$ 237.59	
	Downstream Bostick South	2004	0.19	\$ -	\$ -	4	1500	\$ 286.44	5	1000	\$ 190.96	6	500	\$ 95.48	7	500	\$ 95.48	8	500	\$ 95.48	9	500	\$ 95.48	
	Downstream Bostick South Emergent	2004	0.66	\$ 488.00	\$ 738.83	4	1500	\$ 990.75	5	1000	\$ 660.50	6	500	\$ 330.25	7	500	\$ 330.25	8	500	\$ 330.25	9	500	\$ 330.25	
	Upstream Bostick North	2004	0.54	\$ 122.00	\$ 224.04	4	1500	\$ 816.81	5	1000	\$ 544.54	6	500	\$ 272.27	7	500	\$ 272.27	8	500	\$ 272.27	9	500	\$ 272.27	
	Upstream Bostick North Bank	2005	0.76	\$ -	\$ -	3	2000	\$ 1,517.96	4	1500	\$ 1,138.47	5	1000	\$ 758.98	6	500	\$ 379.49	7	500	\$ 379.49	8	500	\$ 379.49	
	Upstream Bostick North Emergent	2005	1.39	\$ -	\$ -	3	2000	\$ 2,784.95	4	1500	\$ 2,088.71	5	1000	\$ 1,392.48	6	500	\$ 696.24	7	500	\$ 696.24	8	500	\$ 696.24	
	Upstream Bostick South	2003	3.51	\$ 3,170.00	\$ 903.43	5	1000	\$ 3,508.86	6	500	\$ 1,754.43	7	500	\$ 1,754.43	8	500	\$ 1,754.43	9	500	\$ 1,754.43	10	500	\$ 1,754.43	
	Upstream Bostick South Bank	2005	1.84	\$ 692.88	\$ 375.69	3	2000	\$ 3,688.53	4	1500	\$ 2,766.40	5	1000	\$ 1,844.27	6	500	\$ 922.13	7	500	\$ 922.13	8	500	\$ 922.13	
	Calico Ridge Weir	Calico	2005	1.15	\$ -	\$ -	3	2000	\$ 2,290.74	4	1500	\$ 1,718.05	5	1000	\$ 1,145.37	6	500	\$ 572.68	7	500	\$ 572.68	8	500	\$ 572.68
		Downstream Calico North	2005	1.05	\$ 1,379.76	\$ 1,317.25	3	2000	\$ 2,094.91	4	1500	\$ 1,571.18	5	1000	\$ 1,047.45	6	500	\$ 523.73	7	500	\$ 523.73	8	500	\$ 523.73
Downstream Calico South		2005	6.03	\$ 9,041.28	\$ 1,498.25	3	2000	\$ 12,069.08	4	1500	\$ 9,051.81	5	1000	\$ 6,034.54	6	500	\$ 3,017.27	7	500	\$ 3,017.27	8	500	\$ 3,017.27	
Upstream Calico Emergent		2005	2.40	\$ -	\$ -	3	2000	\$ 4,806.03	4	1500	\$ 3,604.52	5	1000	\$ 2,403.02	6	500	\$ 1,201.51	7	500	\$ 1,201.51	8	500	\$ 1,201.51	
Upstream Calico North		2005	2.31	\$ 864.00	\$ 373.98	3	2000	\$ 4,620.58	4	1500	\$ 3,465.44	5	1000	\$ 2,310.29	6	500	\$ 1,155.15	7	500	\$ 1,155.15	8	500	\$ 1,155.15	
Upstream Calico South		2005	3.86	\$ 4,486.49	\$ 1,163.58	3	2000	\$ 7,711.53	4	1500	\$ 5,783.65	5	1000	\$ 3,855.76	6	500	\$ 1,927.88	7	500	\$ 1,927.88	8	500	\$ 1,927.88	
Cottonwood Cell	Cottonwood Cell-1	2002	0.90	\$ -	\$ -	6	500	\$ 450.37	7	500	\$ 450.37	8	500	\$ 450.37	9	500	\$ 450.37	10	500	\$ 450.37	11	500	\$ 450.37	
	Cottonwood Cell-2	2005	0.46	\$ -	\$ -	3	2000	\$ 927.24	4	1500	\$ 695.43	5	1000	\$ 463.62	6	500	\$ 231.81	7	500	\$ 231.81	8	500	\$ 231.81	
Demonstration Weir	Upstream Demo South	2003	3.33	\$ 724.00	\$ 217.11	5	1000	\$ 3,334.72	6	500	\$ 1,667.36	7	500	\$ 1,667.36	8	500	\$ 1,667.36	9	500	\$ 1,667.36	10	500	\$ 1,667.36	
Historic Lateral Weir	Upstream Historic Lateral North	2001	6.99	\$ -	\$ -	7	500	\$ 3,496.20	8	500	\$ 3,496.20	9	500	\$ 3,496.20	10	500	\$ 3,496.20	11	500	\$ 3,496.20	12	500	\$ 3,496.20	
	Upstream Historic Lateral South	2001	0.98	\$ 2,256.00	\$ 2,298.43	7	500	\$ 490.77	8	500	\$ 490.77	9	500	\$ 490.77	10	500	\$ 490.77	11	500	\$ 490.77	12	500	\$ 490.77	
	Upstream Historic Lateral South Bank	2001	2.66	\$ 6,934.00	\$ 2,605.17	7	500	\$ 1,330.81	8	500	\$ 1,330.81	9	500	\$ 1,330.81	10	500	\$ 1,330.81	11	500	\$ 1,330.81	12	500	\$ 1,330.81	
Monson and Visitor Center Weirs	Downstream Monson North	2002	3.04	\$ -	\$ -	6	500	\$ 1,521.70	7	500	\$ 1,521.70	8	500	\$ 1,521.70	9	500	\$ 1,521.70	10	500	\$ 1,521.70	11	500	\$ 1,521.70	
	Downstream Monson North-Wet1	2002	0.64	\$ -	\$ -	6	500	\$ 319.25	7	500	\$ 319.25	8	500	\$ 319.25	9	500	\$ 319.25	10	500	\$ 319.25	11	500	\$ 319.25	
	Downstream Monson North-Wet2	2002	0.31	\$ -	\$ -	6	500	\$ 153.92	7	500	\$ 153.92	8	500	\$ 153.92	9	500	\$ 153.92	10	500	\$ 153.92	11	500	\$ 153.92	
	Downstream Monson South	2002	3.63	\$ -	\$ -	6	500	\$ 1,813.72	7	500	\$ 1,813.72	8	500	\$ 1,813.72	9	500	\$ 1,813.72	10	500	\$ 1,813.72	11	500	\$ 1,813.72	
Pabco Road Weir	Downstream Pabco South	2001	3.39	\$ 3,972.00	\$ 1,170.79	7	500	\$ 1,696.29	8	500	\$ 1,696.29	9	500	\$ 1,696.29	10	500	\$ 1,696.29	11	500	\$ 1,696.29	12	500	\$ 1,696.29	
	Pabco North	2001	4.46	\$ -	\$ -	7	500	\$ 2,228.12	8	500	\$ 2,228.12	9	500	\$ 2,228.12	10	500	\$ 2,228.12	11	500	\$ 2,228.12	12	500	\$ 2,228.12	
	Pabco South	2001	1.11	\$ 1,146.00	\$ 1,036.35	7	500	\$ 552.90	8	500	\$ 552.90	9	500	\$ 552.90	10	500	\$ 552.90	11	500	\$ 552.90	12	500	\$ 552.90	
	Pabco South-Wet1	2001	0.20	\$ -	\$ -	7	500	\$ 98.83	8	500	\$ 98.83	9	500	\$ 98.83	10	500	\$ 98.83	11	500	\$ 98.83	12	500	\$ 98.83	
	Pabco South-Wet2	2001	0.01	\$ -	\$ -	7	500	\$ 7.28	8	500	\$ 7.28	9	500	\$ 7.28	10	500	\$ 7.28	11	500	\$ 7.28	12	500	\$ 7.28	
	Upstream Pabco North	2001	2.41	\$ 1,809.00	\$ 752.06	7	500	\$ 1,202.69	8	500	\$ 1,202.69	9	500	\$ 1,202.69	10	500	\$ 1,202.69	11	500	\$ 1,202.69	12	500	\$ 1,202.69	
	Upstream Pabco South	2001	0.84	\$ 333.00	\$ 394.84	7	500	\$ 421.69	8	500	\$ 421.69	9	500	\$ 421.69	10	500	\$ 421.69	11	500	\$ 421.69	12	500	\$ 421.69	
	Upstream Pabco South Lower Plateau	2002	3.97	\$ -	\$ -	6	500	\$ 1,987.27	7	500	\$ 1,987.27	8	500	\$ 1,987.27	9	500	\$ 1,987.27	10	500	\$ 1,987.27	11	500	\$ 1,987.27	
	Upstream Pabco South Upper Plateau	2002	2.08	\$ -	\$ -	6	500	\$ 1,038.32	7	500	\$ 1,038.32	8	500	\$ 1,038.32	9	500	\$ 1,038.32	10	500	\$ 1,038.32	11	500	\$ 1,038.32	
TOTALS			79.31	\$ 42,459.91	\$ 18,979.60			\$ 91,104.10			\$ 70,259.59			\$ 52,836.87			\$ 40,931.80			\$ 39,654.63			\$ 39,654.63	

EXHIBIT C

FUTURE REVEGETATION AREAS TO BE MAINTAINED BY CLARK COUNTY

AS OF NOVEMBER 2008

Project Name	Revegetation Site Name	Year Planted	Current Acreage	Actual Maint. \$ (2007)	Cost per Acre (2007)	Years		Years		Years		Years		Years		Years		Years		Years					
						Established (2008)	Maint. Cost per acre (2008)	Established (2009)	Maint. Cost per acre (2009)	Established (2010)	Maint. Cost per acre (2010)	Established (2011)	Maint. Cost per acre (2011)	Established (2012)	Maint. Cost per acre (2012)	Established (2013)	Maint. Cost per acre (2013)								
Powerline Crossing Weir	Downstream Powerline North Bank	2007	0.04	Planting	\$ -	1	3000	114.81	2	2500	95.67	3	2000	76.54	4	1500	57.40	5	1000	38.27	6	500	19.13		
	Downstream Powerline South Bank	2007	0.05	Planting	\$ -	1	3000	141.93	2	2500	118.28	3	2000	94.62	4	1500	70.97	5	1000	47.31	6	500	23.66		
	Powerline North Bank	2007	0.84	Planting	\$ -	1	3000	2534.01	2	2500	2111.68	3	2000	1689.34	4	1500	1267.01	5	1000	844.67	6	500	422.34		
	Powerline South Bank	2007	0.62	Planting	\$ -	1	3000	1861.64	2	2500	1551.37	3	2000	1241.10	4	1500	930.82	5	1000	620.55	6	500	310.27		
	Upstream Powerline North Emergent	2007	0.67	Planting	\$ -	1	3000	2009.63	2	2500	1674.70	3	2000	1339.76	4	1500	1004.82	5	1000	669.88	6	500	334.94		
	Upstream Powerline North Plateau	2007	4.01	Planting	\$ -	1	3000	12028.40	2	2500	10023.67	3	2000	8018.94	4	1500	6014.20	5	1000	4009.47	6	500	2004.73		
	Upstream Powerline North Wet	2007	0.12	Planting	\$ -	1	3000	350.96	2	2500	292.47	3	2000	233.98	4	1500	175.48	5	1000	116.99	6	500	58.49		
	Upstream Powerline South Bank	2007	0.23	Planting	\$ -	1	3000	695.46	2	2500	579.55	3	2000	463.64	4	1500	347.73	5	1000	231.82	6	500	115.91		
	Upstream Powerline South Plateau	2007	7.91	Planting	\$ -	1	3000	23727.44	2	2500	19772.87	3	2000	15818.29	4	1500	11863.72	5	1000	7909.15	6	500	3954.57		
Rainbow Gardens Weir	Upstream Rainbow Gardens South Bank	2005	0.14	\$ -	\$ -	3	2000	284.11	4	1500	213.08	5	1000	142.06	6	500	71.03	7	500	71.03	8	500	71.03		
	Upstream Rainbow Gardens South Emergent	2005	1.11	\$ -	\$ -	3	2000	2221.06	4	1500	1665.80	5	1000	1110.53	6	500	555.27	7	500	555.27	8	500	555.27		
	Upstream Rainbow Gardens South Plateau	2005	2.04	\$ 226.18	\$ 110.90	3	2000	4078.81	4	1500	3059.11	5	1000	2039.40	6	500	1019.70	7	500	1019.70	8	500	1019.70		
	Rainbow Islands	2005	2.94	\$ -	\$ -	3	2000	5884.99	4	1500	4413.75	5	1000	2942.50	6	500	1471.25	7	500	1471.25	8	500	1471.25		
Site 108	Site 108	2006	58.71	Planting	\$ -	2	2500	146769.52	3	2000	117415.61	4	1500	88061.71	5	1000	58707.81	6	500	29353.90	7	500	29353.90		
Site 111	Site 111	2007	15.37	Planting	\$ -	1	3000	46115.68	2	2500	38429.73	3	2000	30743.78	4	1500	23057.84	5	1000	15371.89	6	500	7685.95		
Historic Lateral Weir	Upstream Historic Lateral South Upper Plateau	2008	5.61					Planting		1	3000	16841.56	2	2500	14034.63	3	2000	11227.71	4	1500	8420.78	5	1000	5613.85	
Upper Diversion Weir	Upper Diversion	2008	10.33					Planting		1	3000	30990.02	2	2500	25825.02	3	2000	20660.01	4	1500	15495.01	5	1000	10330.01	
	Upper Diversion Island	2008	2.20					Planting		1	3000	6606.54	2	2500	5505.45	3	2000	4404.36	4	1500	3303.27	5	1000	2202.18	
	Upper Diversion Shelves	2008	0.83					Planting		1	3000	2490.00	2	2500	2075.00	3	2000	1660.00	4	1500	1245.00	5	1000	830.00	
	Upper Diversion Emergent	2008	1.34					Planting		1	3000	4020.00	2	2500	3350.00	3	2000	2680.00	4	1500	2010.00	5	1000	1340.00	
	Upstream Upper Diversion Emergent	2008	0.83					Planting		1	3000	2501.77	2	2500	2084.81	3	2000	1667.85	4	1500	1250.88	5	1000	833.92	
Ducks Unlimited #2 Weir	Weir in planning phase with SNWA Engineering	2009*	2.96							1	3000	8668.34	2	2500	7390.29	3	2000	5912.23	4	1500	4434.17				
Lower Narrows / Homestead	Weir in planning phase with SNWA Engineering	2009*	64.48							1	3000	193440.00	2	2500	161200.00	3	2000	128960.00	4	1500	96720.00				
Duck Creek Confluence	Weir in planning phase with SNWA Engineering	2010*	42.12									Planting		1	2000	84240.00	2	1500	63180.00	3	1000	42120.00			
Demonstration Replacement Weir	Weir in planning phase with SNWA Engineering	2010*	13.79									Planting		1	2000	27576.23	2	1500	20682.17	3	1000	13788.11			
Historic Lateral Extension Weir	Weir in planning phase with SNWA Engineering	2010*	10.11									Planting		1	2000	20210.63	2	1500	15157.97	3	1000	10105.31			
Sunnse Mountain Weir	Weir in planning phase with SNWA Engineering	2011*	11.01										Planting		1	3000	33035.66	2	2500	27529.71					
Archery Weir	Weir in planning phase with SNWA Engineering	2013*	12.24																						
Silver Bowl Weir	Weir in planning phase with SNWA Engineering	2013*	12.07																						
Tropicana Outfall Weir	Weir in planning phase with SNWA Engineering	2014*	11.90																						
D-14 Extension Weir	Weir in planning phase with SNWA Engineering	2014*	11.64																						
TOTALS			260.41	\$	226.18	\$	110.90		\$ 248,818.46		\$ 264,867.21		\$ 409,199.43		\$ 449,532.10		\$ 360,984.11		\$ 263,248.42						

**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions**

Nomination: Tab 12

Entity: White Pine County

Project: McGill Ballpark Restoration Phase III

Section A – Background

The nomination reads:

1. **“The McGill Ballpark is a 4.76-acre park located on Highway 93 in the Town of McGill. The park and all utilities are owned by the White Pine County Commissioners.”**
 - a. What is the difference in ownership by White Pine County versus White Pine County Commissioners? Is there a document that clarifies the County Board to hold ownership in real property as opposed to the County itself as a political subdivision of the state of Nevada?
2. **“...we are also proposing a few improvements to the parking lot which is currently owned by the White Pine County School District; however the County and the School District are discussing the County gaining ownership of the parking lot or an easement to complete and maintain the project...”**
 - a. White Pine County should already have a valid permanent/perpetual easement/lease agreement issued by the School District to the County for the parking lot since the county conducted work within this footprint for the ADA parking spaces constructed with SNPLMA Round 16 project (WP10) funding. If the easement/lease agreement is not adequate for the SNPLMA Round 20 proposal, then the County will need to obtain such agreement and record it in the county records in order to receive the SNPLMA Notice to Proceed.

Section D - PROJECT DELIVERABLES

County needs to clarify improvements proposed for the Major League Field. Provide current photos with description of the work proposed; and describe any aspects that were improved with previous approved SNPLMA project funds.

Section I – Project Budget (and Excel Budget Detail)

County is proposing to allocate 100% of the SNPLMA requested funds to contractual costs. There are no costs associated with the county’s involvement monitoring the project.

Section M – Maps “Conceptual Aerial Plan”

County needs to provide a clear PDF copy of the conceptual plan that is legible.



**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

White Pine County



McGill Ballpark Restoration Phase III

Amount Requested: \$5,206,471

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The McGill Ballpark is a 4.76-acre park located on Highway 93 in the Town of McGill. The park and all utilities are owned by the White Pine County Commissioners. In addition to ballpark improvements, we are also proposing a few improvements to the parking lot which is currently owned by the White Pine County School District; however the County and the School District are discussing the County gaining ownership of the parking lot or an easement to complete and maintain the project.

The park consists of a Major League Field, Little League Field, additional grass space, and an accompanying playground and picnic area. Amenities also include a restroom, an announcer's booth at each field, and a maintenance house. The facility was originally constructed by the Nevada Consolidated Copper company in the early 1900s and is one of the oldest ballparks in the State of Nevada. McGill Ballpark has a rich history of hosting statewide tournaments for adult and youth town leagues as well as Nevada State sanctioned high school leagues. Despite the County's best efforts to maintain the facility, over 100 years of use has resulted in a state of disrepair as all amenities have exceeded their useful life. The facility is a great open space but only the Major League Field is used for organized activities at this time as it was restored in Phase II of the Ballpark Restoration funded by SNPLMA Round 16.

Phase III of the McGill Ballpark Restoration will stabilize and preserve a historical recreational facility and reduce danger of injury by removing hazardous materials and replacing amenities that have exceeded their useful lifespan. This project will replace the Little League and Midfield bleachers and the Little League backstop, dugouts, and announcer's booth; upgrade the little league field; pave parking spaces; refurbish the historical parking lot lights; install new cost and energy efficient sprinkler and lighting systems; repair the perimeter fence; refurbish the old restroom building for storage use; install additional playground items; and construct a new concession booth and a new maintenance house. Completion of this project will provide enhanced recreational opportunities, better accessibility, eliminate serious safety concerns, and reinstate the facility to its former glory.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

The proposed project is Phase III of a three-phase restoration plan. Phase I was funded by SNPLMA Round 8 and Phase II was funded by SNMPLA Round 16.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

The County acknowledges that there is no guarantee or expectation that any future phases may be funded.

White Pine County administration will provide project oversight and monitoring to ensure our performance and all contractors and subcontractors performance is consistent with the SNPLMA business rules and cooperative agreement regulations. The Project Manager, Budget Officer, Authorized Officer, and White Pine County's Maintenance Superintendent will each contribute to the project oversight. These key personnel will hold monthly progress update meetings with the Engineer(s) and Architect(s) and Construction Management. The County will also require weekly updates from Construction Management through the

Engineer on the work completed and will require payroll, invoices, correspondence with vendors, photos of items received, and photos of work completed be included in these weekly updates. Additionally, a daily report of work completed will be conducted by an employee of the White Pine County Maintenance Department.

The Project Manager will track and report project performance during project implementation using spreadsheets to record the date each deliverable – and more specifically each task – was started and completed. This will be compared to the Construction Schedule determined at the pre-construction kick-off meeting, the Project Timeframe agreed upon between SNPLMA and White Pine County, and the Cost Tracking spreadsheet to ensure the project is in compliance with the scope including time, costs, and purpose.

Additionally, the Project Manager and Budget Officer will track and report on costs incurred during project implementation using spreadsheets and our accounting software to record each payment by Vendor, Services Rendered, Fiscal Year and Quarter, Invoice Date, and Date of Services. The Cost Tracking spreadsheet will also record Check Dates and numbers, Draw Request Dates, and Reimbursement Dates. Costs incurred will be cross referenced with the Progress Tracker to ensure payments are only made for work completed.

The County also intends to hire a Contract Officer's Representative to ensure that all parties that enter into agreements during the course of this project fulfill their duties as agreed upon.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The McGill Ballpark Restoration will meet the goals of the PTNA Strategic Plan by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values: connectivity, sustainability, and community.

1. Sustainability:

The project will sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by upgrading a high-maintenance facility and amenities to require low maintenance and conserve energy. The facilities will include material that is durable to support sustainable, environmentally friendly outdoor recreational opportunities into the long term. Lighting systems will be energy efficient and dark sky friendly. Additionally, irrigation will be configured to conserve energy and water.

2. Connectivity:

The McGill Ballpark has been an important facility within the County and State where people come to connect, engage, and celebrate with one another for 100 years. This project will provide updated bleachers, dugouts, and fencing, and Little League

announcer's booth as well as upgraded sprinkler and lighting systems providing a safe and adequate facility for people from all around to gather and participate in outdoor recreation. This project will improve quality of life as it will enhance recreational and tourism opportunities allowing locals to connect with nature and members of surrounding communities.

3. Community:

The historical restoration of this facility will allow for the residents of McGill to connect with one another and other communities within and beyond White Pine County. The updated park will also allow for members of the community to connect with nature and community traditions. Additionally, the park will encourage community members to take a more active role in their health by providing a safe public space for walking, running, various sports and other activities that increase movement and time spent in fresh air. The facility will also encourage generational family engagement as it will have amenities accessible to people of all ages and abilities.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

White Pine County will upgrade, replace, refurbish, and construct various infrastructure including bleachers, dugouts, a backstop, an announcer's booth, sprinkler and lighting systems, parking spaces and sidewalk, fencing, a maintenance house, storage building, concession stand and outdoor ice-skating rink at the McGill Ballpark located in McGill, Nevada to continue serving the community and visitors of White Pine County. Completion of the McGill Ballpark Restoration project will provide a safe, reliable, clean, cost-efficient, low-maintenance, and accessible public space for people of all ages to enjoy year-round outdoor recreational activities.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (*Base Bid*)

a. Parking improvements to include:

1. Removal of existing asphalt and concrete
2. Site grading
3. 1,600 sq. feet of ADA concrete sidewalk
4. 2,000 sq. feet of concrete valley gutter
5. 42,200 sq. feet of Type-II base
6. 38,600 sq. feet of Asphalt pavement
7. 2 adjusted sewer manhole covers
8. 6 drain inlets
9. 625 LF of underground drainpipe system
10. Graded dirt drainage swells along south boundary of park as necessary
11. Riprap drainage pipe outlet at south side swell to be determined by Engineer

b. Ballfield Sprinkler System upgrade to include:

1. Removal of existing sprinkler system from Major League and Little League fields
2. New Sprinkler System piping and heads
3. 4 hoses and isolation valves
4. Reinstallation of existing sod or installation of new sod

5. Sprinkler system controls
- c. 36 Sq. Ft. Sprinkler Maintenance House to include:
 1. Removal of existing building
 2. Dirt embankment excavation
 3. ~40 LF Concrete block retaining wall
 4. New electrical panel, lights, receptacles, wiring
 5. Connecting water lines
 6. Sprinkler System control wiring
 7. Backflow preventer
- d. Little League field improvements to include:
 1. 1 set of portable outfields fencing and foul poles
 2. 1 set of bases, home plate, pitcher's mound
 3. 1 Proper Pitch youth 6" portable mound
 4. 1 Little League Batting Cage
- e. Little League Dugout improvements to include:
 1. Removal of existing fence fabric
 2. Removal of existing roofing
 3. Removal of existing concrete floors
 4. Repairs to existing steel frame
 5. 2 200 sq. ft. Concrete floors
 6. Painting of existing steel frames to match Kennecott Copper Corporation green
 7. 24-Gauge metal roofing to match Major League field dugouts
 8. Installation of new fence fabric
 9. 2 Aluminum benches with backrest and rear shelves
 10. 2 Bat racks
 11. 2 Batting helmet racks
- f. Little League Backstop improvements to include:
 1. Removal of existing fence fabric
 2. Repairs to existing steel frame
 3. Painting of existing steel frame to match Kennecott Copper Corporation green
 4. Installation of new fence fabric for backstop and infield
 5. Backstop padding as needed
- g. Little League Bleachers improvements to include:
 1. Removal of existing wood bleacher boards
 2. Bleacher dirt bank and embankment retention
 3. Repairs to existing steel frame
 4. Painting of existing steel frame to match Kennecott Copper Corporation green
 5. New aluminum bleacher boards, stairs, and side guards to match original
- h. Little League Announcer's Booth upgrade to include:
 1. Removal of existing announcer's booth
 2. Construction of 100 sq. ft. announcer's booth
 3. Installation of electrical panel, lights, receptacles, and wiring
 4. After game infield lights
 5. Sound System
 6. 500 sq. ft. concrete sidewalk with base
- i. Major League Field improvements to include:
 1. 1 Major League batting cage

2. Dugout fencing and padding as needed
3. 2 foul poles with fencing
- j. Major League Field Midfield Bleachers improvements to include:
 1. Removal of existing wood bleacher boards
 2. Removal and Reinstallation of existing infield fence
 3. Dirt bank and embankment retention
 4. Repairs to existing steel frame
 5. Painting of existing steel frame to match Kennecott Copper Corporation green
 6. New aluminum bleachers, stairs, and side guardrails
- k. 600 sq. ft. Restroom Building Refurbished for Storage Use to include:
 1. Removal of utilities, heaters, panels, plumbing, etc.
 2. Removal of existing old electrical and conduits, etc.
 3. Removal of remaining falling ceiling
 4. Removal of existing broken glass from metal frame
 5. Adjustment and lubing of existing hinges and door swings
 6. Installation of doorknobs and locks system
 7. Grouting of existing pipe holes in concrete floor and brick walls
 8. Cleaning of existing interior walls
 9. Installation of new plywood ceiling
 10. Painting of existing interior walls and new ceiling
 11. Painting of steel doors/windows to match Kennecott Copper Corporation green
 12. Painting of exterior privacy vision panel Kennecott Copper Corporation green
 13. Painting of exterior window screens Kennecott Copper Corporation green
 14. Replacement of window glass with plexiglass
 15. Installation of roofing
 16. Installation of electrical panel, lights, receptacles, and wiring
- l. 260 sq. foot Concession Stand to include:
 1. Necessary site grading
 2. Construction and installation of 260 sq. ft. concession building
 3. 260 sq. ft. concrete foundation
 4. 200 sq. ft. concrete sidewalk with base
 5. Electrical service connection
 6. Potable water service
 7. Sanitary sewer service
 8. Concession inside equipment
- m. 144 sq. ft. Maintenance and Equipment Building to include:
 1. Necessary site grading
 2. 144 sq. ft. of Type-II base
 3. 144 sq. ft. steel tube metal maintenance building
- n. Ballpark Overhead Lights improvements to include:
 1. Removal of existing lights and wiring from 8 stadium light poles
 2. Removal of existing meter panel
 3. Clean up around existing meter panel
 4. Installation of new underground feed to 8 stadium lights
 5. Installation of 8 new stadium lights to existing light poles
 6. Installation of new wiring and wiring devices
 7. Power upgrade with local power cooperative

- o. Parking Lot Lights renovation to include:
 - 1. Removal of existing wire in fence
 - 2. Painting of existing light poles to match Kennecott Copper Corporation green
 - 3. Rewiring of buried conduit along fence
 - 4. Installation of new fixture heads to 3 existing light poles
- p. Perimeter Fence Repair and Upgrades to include:
 - 1. Removal of existing fence fabric on double entrance gates
 - 2. Removal of existing fence fabric on parking area fence
 - 3. Installation of new fence fabric for double entrance gates
 - 4. Installation of new field maintenance drive double gates
 - 5. Installation of new double gates near refurbished restroom
 - 6. Installation of new fence fabric on parking area fence
 - 7. Repairs to existing steel frame
- q. Dirt Bank Retention and Support improvements to include:
 - 1. Removal of existing power poles used for retention
 - 2. Removal and reinstallation of existing infield fence
 - 3. Removal of existing dirt bank sluff material at toe
 - 4. Grading and compaction of existing dirt bank slope
 - 5. Grading of entire upper end dirt walkway
 - 6. Installation of new dirt bank retention and compaction
 - 7. Type-II dirt walkway behind fence as needed
- r. Dirt Area between Bleachers and Backstop improvements to include:
 - 1. Removal of old dirt and debris
 - 2. Regrading as necessary
 - 3. Compaction of existing grade
 - 4. New Type-II base walking surface as needed
- s. Playground Area developments to include:
 - 1. Necessary site grading
 - 2. 2 144 sq. ft. shade structures
 - 3. 2 196 sq. ft. concrete slabs under shade structures
 - 4. 700 sq. ft. concrete apron
 - 5. 800 sq. ft. of sidewalk with base
 - 6. 2 BBQ grills
 - 7. 3 Trash receptacles
 - 8. 2 Coated metal picnic tables
 - 9. 1 Coated metal ADA picnic table
 - 10. 4 Park benches with back rest along walkway
 - 11. 1 Add-a-Bay swing for existing playground swing set
 - 12. 1 Tire swing for existing playground
 - 13. Regraded ice-skating rink berm

2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)

3. Standard Deliverables:

- a. Engineering design and technical reports
- b. Development of contracts including bidding and negotiating
- c. Construction management and oversight

- d. Budget tracking/accounting and execution
- e. Reporting
- f. Administrative duties
- g. Submitting and gaining commission approval of project documents
- h. Public scoping/planning
- i. Review of project documents and plans
- j. National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) consultation
- k. Required and necessary inspections

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 56 S Fourth Street McGill, Nevada 89318

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: White Pine County, Nevada
Township 18N, Range 64E, Section 28, SE NW.

Parcel Number(s): 004-034-01

Current Land Use and Zoning: Land Use Parks for Public Use,

Latitude and Longitude: 39.39866, -114.78133

Congressional District(s): NV-2

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. B

Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

Year 1: SNPLMA Cooperative Agreement/Federal Environmental & Sec. 106 Compliance

- Request to initiate funding, develop Work Plan, pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM.
- Notice of Intent to Award, Federal Financial Assistance, Grant Solutions
- Environmental Review, Section 106 Compliance
- Work Plan approval, Notice to Proceed, and Cooperative Agreement

Year 2: Project Design and Preliminary Architecture and Engineering

- Scope of Work for project design services, Request for Proposals
- County Commission to award contract, execute design contract, finalize concept drawings
- Bid for construction contractor, County Commission approval to award contract

Year 3: Pre-Construction Site Preparation

- Execute construction contract
- Pre-construction kick-off meeting, Notice to Proceed to contractor
- Permitting, site preparation, utility relocation and traffic controls (if necessary)

Year 4: Project Construction

- Replace water and lighting systems
- Restore Little League Field
- Construct maintenance house, concession stand, announcer's booth
- Install park and picnic area equipment and park signage
- Finalize punch list, payment of final invoices to contractor and engineer

Year 5: Project Closeout

- Reconcile project file, financial expenditures, and unliquidated obligations
- Final site inspection with SNPLMA PM
- Prepare closeout package and update SMART
- Final SF-425, performance narrative, closeout request

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if "Yes"): Yes -or- No

This project is Phase III of a three-phase project. The Second phase was just completed in 2022. The most recent Environmental Review was completed in 2021. During our consultation meeting with the BLM it was determined that a SHPO review will likely be necessary prior to breaking ground.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

Previous phases have received funding from the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection Brownfields program, the Rural Desert Southwest Brownfields Coalition, and the Nevada Governor's Office of Economic Development's Community Development Block Grant. Funding for this phase has not been sought or applied for elsewhere.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The proposed project is to renovate and restore a property currently maintained by the County meaning future operation and maintenance will not pose an issue. The cost of repair and maintenance will decrease as new, low-maintenance materials will replace old, hazardous materials that have exceeded their useful life. The upgraded utility systems will be cost and energy efficient which will cut costs for future maintenance as well.

White Pine County acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the County from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the County's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$5,206,471.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet which provides a summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 5,206,471	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 5,206,471	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 5,206,471	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

A preliminary cost estimate was developed by a team consisting of the White Pine County Maintenance Supervisor and engineers and surveyors familiar with the construction industry, the property, and all work completed in Phases I and II. The estimate considered which items could be restored to historical accuracy, materials and structures necessary to match historical accuracy and the work completed in previous phases, the cost of inflation for construction materials, an Engineer’s fee at a rate of 15% of the cost of construction, and a fee for a Historical Architect estimated at approximately 2% of the cost of construction. We anticipate the Engineer and Architect’s work to overlap and for their fees to change accordingly.

We also plan to hire a Contract Officer’s Representative (COR) to help ensure that all parties that enter into agreements are fulfilling their duties as agreed upon. We have estimated this to cost around \$150,000 based on what the County has paid for consultants on other recent federally funded projects.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

No funds have been contributed to this project, but the County has contributed administrative in-kind for preliminary cost estimates and planning for this project.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

Authorized Officer: Michael Wheable, County Manager

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Phone Number: 775-293-6504

Project Manager: Delaney Marich, Grant Specialist

Email: dmarich@whitepinecountynv.gov

Phone Number: 775-293-6593

Budget Officer: Kathy Workman, Finance Director/Comptroller

Email: kworkman@whitepinecountynv.gov

Phone Number: 775-293-6530

K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.

- A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: Yes, this project improves an existing park in McGill, NV. This park is the main field of use for the White Pine High School Baseball team. The park is vital to the community of McGill and White Pine County because of its history. The park is one of the oldest baseball facilities in the State of Nevada, historically used for statewide tournaments for both adult and youth leagues. However, due to the age of the facility the amenities are well past their useful life, improving the park and its amenities will increase safety and provide much needed access to both new and improved recreational opportunities in a very small and majority low-income community. Upgrades will improve the quality of life for the public by encouraging physical and mental wellness and increasing access to nature and both active and passive recreational activities.

- B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: Yes. The McGill Ballfield has served McGill and White Pine County for over a century. However, the facility is limited in its ability to serve its users and lacks amenities that would greatly improve the public's experience and opportunities thus limiting the quality of life for the community. Added amenities like batting cages and a concession stand will greatly improve the facility, increase usage and alleviate strain on other facilities like Marich Fields and the White Pine County Little League Fields, and bring more events such as tournaments to the facility thus increasing patrons to nearby restaurants and hotels. Cost and energy efficient upgrades to utilities will allow for cost and time savings ultimately improving maintenance throughout the County in places

where more attention is needed. The more facilities that can be better maintained and upgraded, the more economic development.

C. ***The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.***

Answer: Yes. McGill Ballfield is the oldest baseball facility in White Pine County and one of the oldest in the entire state. It is one of two parks in McGill and is the only park acceptable for sport use as the other park is on a steep incline. The current state of the park only allows for the Major League field and playground to be used safely. Residents of McGill must travel 15 minutes along Highway 93 to participate in most sports practices and games making many recreational activities inaccessible to low-income families without transportation. Baseball is one of the County's most popular league sports throughout all age groups, especially in McGill where elderly residents fondly recall when baseball was the only form of entertainment and proudly boast about McGill's 18 State Championships. The improvements to this facility will allow for a more cost efficient, safe, and convenient facility for the entire community especially the residents of McGill. Aspects such as the playground and outdoor ice-skating rink provide recreation and create a more family-oriented facility for year-round activities.

D. ***The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).***

Answer: Yes, this project is focused on the health and safety of the public. In fact, every aspect of this project has the wellbeing of the community and facility users in mind. Providing a safer facility with utilities and amenities that have not exceeded their useful life is the main goal for this project. There has been an endless concern from families utilizing the facility. The current facility is over a century old, it includes infrastructure from several decades ago and inadequate site grading that is inaccessible and dangerous for many users. This project will remove all hazardous materials and infrastructure, create safer and more accessible structures and walkways, and promote safe recreation for families. The McGill Ballpark Restoration will directly benefit the health of all users, especially the elderly and others who need ADA access.

E. ***The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.***

Answer: Yes, the community of McGill is very small, the entire population consists of only 847 people. This population is made up of 52.36% low-income households. The town of McGill is 12 miles away along Highway 93 from the nearest facility located in Ely. Highway 93 has little to no shoulder, has steady traffic as it connects to both Elko, Nevada and Salt Lake City, Utah, and is also a designated trucking route for Hazardous Materials. Highway 93 is not safe to travel without a reliable vehicle therefore, the nearest facilities in Ely are inaccessible to many residents of McGill. Additionally, many of the residents of McGill are elderly and with age comes restricted abilities. Though the grass of the ball field is graded and leveled, many of the walkways, bleachers, and other areas of the park are unstable and rocky terrain from the mountainside the town was built on. The McGill Ballpark Project would nearly abolish all barriers between McGill residents and safe recreational opportunities.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***

Answer: Yes, this project will further enhance the historical elements of one of the oldest baseball fields in the state of Nevada. All aspects of this project have the wellbeing of the community and facility users in mind by providing a safer facility with utilities and amenities that have not exceeded their useful life. This project will provide an updated little league type baseball field, provide useful batting cages needed for practice before and after games, and it will provide lighting that has not been in use for approximately 40-50 years, therefore paving the way to have night games throughout the spring, summer and fall. This project as a whole will promote recreation and can promote physical, social, and mental health. The upgrades to this facility will allow families to participate together in outdoor recreation. It will allow parents (as well as teachers at the nearby McGill Elementary School) to teach children how to play the game no matter their skill level, as well as the importance of working together as a team, thus enhancing the educational aspect of this goal.

B. ***The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.***

Answer: Yes, this project will conserve a current recreational facility as well as current recreational activities. It will enhance this resource by updating and providing upgraded recreational opportunities (batting cages/foul poles/expanded playground area) for those who use the facility. Children living in McGill (and nearby) will have access to a practice field, soccer field, and other daily recreational activities that they otherwise must travel 12 miles to use. This project conserves an area that includes approximately 4.8 acres of recreational facility/park. Overall this project will contribute significantly to the economic well-being of the community through energy and resource conservation and provide many economic benefits to the community derived from recreation.

C. ***The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.***

Answer: Yes, the County will be implementing the use of new construction materials and technology such as aluminum bleachers to replace wooden bleachers to ensure longer material lifespan. The County will also be replacing the current sprinkler and lighting systems with more cost-efficient systems configured to conserve energy and water. Additionally, the irrigation of the property will be designed to conserve water as well. A new concession stand building will be constructed in the same manner as the prefabricated restroom building during the previous phase of this project which was constructed from CMU block walls, concrete floors designed to be non-permeable to urine and odors, and non-destructive fixtures. A drainage system in the parking lot will prevent water from entering the ballfield and causing damage reducing the amount of maintenance required due to flooding issues. This will all attribute to cost savings.

D. ***The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.***

Answer: Yes, McGill is a great location for viewing the various surrounding mountain ranges and valleys that the area has to offer. Settled in the middle of a quaint small town of less than 900 residents, the facility bridges homes to spacious surrounding outdoor areas (such as the nearby Schell Creek Mountain Range). These amazing views, the green grass, and the fresh air that is experienced without the congestion of a City allows for users to appreciate such experiences that White Pine County is lucky enough to still have. As the sun goes down, views of the incredible sunsets and dark skies are prominent.

3. **CONNECTIVITY**: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. ***The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.***

Answer: Yes, this project will enhance a current park/open space that continues to be used by the communities within White Pine County. The upgrades will allow parents (as well as teachers at the neighboring McGill Elementary School) to participate with children while teaching them how to play the game at any skill level. The White Pine County School District will be able to continue using the park for their baseball and other programs. Teachers use the park when taking students out for much needed physical education and exercise. The importance of working together as a team enhances the educational aspect of this goal. These children will have better access to physical education programs and recreational programs rather than having to go without. Nearly every resident in McGill lives within a mile radius of this park and the increased recreational opportunities that this project will produce. The alternative is traveling 12 miles to the nearest little league facility in Ely, Nevada.

B. ***The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)***

Answer: Yes. The White Pine County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Document, includes goals of creating a youth recreation center, adding parks to beautify the area, and continuing to develop current facilities. This plan will help complete aspects of each of these goals. This facility will engage the public in recreational activities year-round. The baseball and t-ball fields along with the playground will increase recreation during the warmer months and the ice-skating rink will promote recreation during the winter months as well. While doing so, it will touch on the goals of beautifying the area with parks and developing current facilities.

C. ***The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.***

Answer: Yes. The McGill ballpark does have an established trail within its perimeter fence that allows for walking/exercise. This facility will be centered in an area that encompasses a wide range of not only diverse recreation but diverse communities. Within a 1-mile radius of that park, just a walking distance away, the facility is surrounded by an elementary school, a library, multiple county parks (including the McGill swimming pool), the Historical McGill Train Depot, BLM land, and nearly every residence in McGill (a HUD designated low-to moderate income area). An ideal area to encourage and teach

the community through outdoor activity including health and fitness. The White Pine County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Document outlines goals to build and expand trails which will interconnect all of these areas. Ultimately this project will be part of the effort to connect a wide range of communities such as farming/ranching property, low income apartments, to diverse recreational opportunities. Additionally, part of the goal for Round 18's Nevada Northern Railway Phase III project was to restore the historical tracks to the McGill Depot and allow for connectivity to the ballpark and future potential to host unique excursions that allow riders to participate in events held at the McGill ballpark and then catch a ride on the train back to Ely.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Answer: Yes. This park allows for the enjoyment of an outdoor recreational sport. Not only does the location provide for green spaces that include a large field of grass, the location of the McGill Ballpark is great for viewing the various surrounding mountain ranges that McGill has to offer and the fresh air that is experienced without the congestion of the city. As the sun goes down and the games are ending views of the incredible sunsets and dark skies occur. Use of this upgraded facility will enhance the public's awareness and respect for the environment and outdoors with treasured experiences and memories that will be made at the facility. Accessibility to upgraded facilities at the McGill ballpark allows for individual fitness and health by promoting physical activity, and integrating physical activity into daily routines. Public parks support a tradition of preserving public lands for the benefit and use of the public while delivering a safe environment.

E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

Answer: Yes. This project would promote the importance of health and fitness to school aged children. This renovation will create opportunities for the underserved (as all of McGill is considered) through events such as newly feasible tournaments, sport clinics/camps and more. Many people tend to stray away from new sports or sports that they have never done for that exact reason. They never have. If someone has never played sports such as baseball or softball before high school, it is not likely that they will ever start to play the sport as they grow older. Whether it is the fear of embarrassment or the lack of interest or the simple fact that they do not know how to participate, this project will help. The facility would not only provide opportunity for school aged kids to learn such sports but would engage all age groups by having safe, easy access, recreational opportunities near their homes. This is especially key for the families that live in McGill. This population is made up of 52.36% low-income households. The town of McGill is 12 miles away along Highway 93 from the nearest facility located in Ely. Highway 93 has little to no shoulder, has steady traffic as it connects to both Elko, Nevada and Salt Lake City, Utah, and is also a designated trucking route for Hazardous Materials. Highway 93 is not safe to travel without a reliable vehicle therefore, the nearest facilities in Ely are inaccessible to many residents of McGill. Additionally, many of the residents of McGill are elderly and with age comes restricted abilities. Increased ADA access and ease-of-use amenities will reengage and retain the elderly communities

that come to watch family play and enjoy themselves. An overall upgraded, leveled, and more easily maintainable facility will retain those that are middle aged and elderly utilizing the facility.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT**: Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

Answer: Yes. The project budget for this phase of the McGill Ballpark Restoration is \$5,206,471. Cost estimates were provided by the engineering firm that recently completed Phase II of the project. The firm and the engineers that provided the cost estimate are knowledgeable of the remaining work to be done on the facility, the necessary construction materials, the costs incurred for previous phases, the current rate of inflation, and the federal funding process. Although not preferred, as this is the third of three originally planned phases, this project could be phased out further if necessary.

B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

Answer: Yes. This facility will be centered in an area that encompasses a wide range of not only diverse recreation but diverse communities. This project will benefit Little League and High School baseball teams from all over Nevada who come to White Pine County and play league baseball games during the season. Also, travel teams play games during the remainder of the summer. The adult population of White Pine County is also full of avid baseball and softball fans that would benefit from an additional facility to host large tournaments. This project received over 33 letters of support from families, coaches and more who feel the need to upgrade the only current baseball/little league designated facility for 12 miles. Additional, support for the project has been expressed over social media by the local community and members of surrounding communities have expressed their love for the progress made in previous phases on social media and in their local newspapers.

C. ***The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.***

Answer: Yes. Amenities such as utility updates in various areas eliminate current maintenance issues with the use of new construction materials and technology. For example, aluminum bleachers to replace the wooden bleachers, and changes to the irrigation system. The new concession stand building will be constructed in the same manner as the prefabricated restroom building during the previous phase of this project which was constructed from CMU block walls, concrete floors designed to be non-permeable to urine and odors, and non-destructive fixtures. The newly installed drainage system in the parking lot will prevent water from entering the ballfield causing damage and reducing the need for maintenance which will attribute to cost savings. White Pine County does not see an increase in long term maintenance because the park is already being maintained. The upgrade of amenities that have exceeded their useful life will lower the amount of continuous maintenance necessary as well.

- D. ***Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).***

Answer: Though no funds have been contributed to this phase of the project, the McGill Revitalization Association continues to have fund raisers to put money towards the ballpark. The McGill Town Council has contributed toward preliminary planning and engineering costs for this project and the Town Council and White Pine County Administration have jointly contributed many working hours to the planning of this project.

- E. ***Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).***

Answer: The redesign of the McGill ballpark will include electrical system improvements and LED sports field lighting that will conserve energy with the initial investment of LED lighting significantly reducing the frequency of changing outdoor bulbs. The installation of a new modern sprinkler system which incorporates timed watering and modern sprinkler heads will conserve more water. This makes maintenance more sustainable due to the extreme drought White Pine County has experienced in past years. The previously constructed restroom building, and the proposed concession stand are more modern and easier to maintain than the standard stick-built buildings. Upgrade of amenities that have exceeded their useful life will lower the amount of continuous maintenance necessary as well.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

1. Executive Orders (EO):

1. ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***

This EO is not applicable.

2. ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***

Previous projects have shown that approximately 80%-100% of materials used in similar or nearby project have come from within the United States. The County plans to work with engineers and contractors to try to increase this number not only to ensure that the future is made in America, but to attempt to avoid extensive material lead times caused by shipping from overseas or across borders.

3. ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***

This EO is not applicable as this project is only estimated to cost 5,012,150.00.

4. ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***

This project extends the life of an existing park while adding an abundance of new outdoor recreational opportunities for both residents and visitors to White Pine County and more specifically the town of McGill. This facility promotes the quality of being fair and impartial towards all individuals regardless of skill level, income, residential status, race and more. The project is centered in an area just outside of City congestion allowing for recreation in an area with next to no pollution. This project is located in a disadvantaged community. This population is made up of 52.36% low-income households and is known to be surrounded by abandoned mine land from the Kennecott Copper Mine and smelter. Research shows a significant growth in physical and mental fitness and health throughout communities with increased parks and recreation. White Pine County needs this project to help promote health and fitness to all members of the community. This project is believed to bring more tourists in to the community through tournaments and other events at the facility. This project will also increase the quality of life for surrounding residents not to mention the entire County and residents of neighboring counties (such as the Duckwater Shoshone Reservation located in Nye County. Through all of this, the project aligns with this EO regarding strengthening the forests, communities and local economy.

5. ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***

This facility promotes the quality of being fair and impartial towards all individuals regardless of skill level, income, residential status, race and more. The project is centered in an area of 52.36% low-income households and is known to be surrounded by abandoned mine land from the Kennecott Copper Mine and smelter. Research shows a significant growth in physical and mental fitness and health throughout communities with increased parks and recreation. White Pine County needs this project to help promote health and fitness to members of the community. Because of this the project is pivotal in centering equity and environmental justice in White Pine County.

2. Secretarial Orders

1. ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

This SO seeks to conserve an existing park while expanding outdoor recreational opportunities for current and future generations while managing habitat. This project extends the life of an existing park while adding an abundance of new outdoor recreational opportunities for both residents and visitors of McGill.

2. ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

This SO seeks to expand recreational opportunities on public lands. This project will upgrade a large public park with recreational opportunities of different types allowing for different skill levels. Opportunities for activities include baseball, softball, t-ball, picnicking, a playground for children, walking and just generally enjoying the outdoors.

3. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

This EO is not applicable.

4. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

This EO is not applicable.

5. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

This SO encourages assisting Americans to experience the outdoors within their local communities. The McGill Ballpark does and will continue to provide abundant outdoor opportunities to resident's right in our community. In addition, High School and little league games, many of which bring visitors from large urban areas, will allow players and spectators to experience the outdoors at the facility while also being able to view surrounding mountain range, valley, amazing sunsets, and rare dark skies.

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

This EO is not applicable.

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

This EO is not applicable.

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

This EO is not applicable.

3. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.***

Upgrades such as LED lighting allows for a cost and energy efficient facility. A modern sprinkler system will allow for a more energy and cost-efficient system for watering grass. White Pine County acknowledges that SNPLMA funding requires that this location be used as a recreational facility in perpetuity, which will allow it to be conserved as a green space forever. Providing for more green space allows for removal of carbon dioxide from the air, storage of carbon in the trees and soil, and releasing oxygen into the atmosphere thus combatting climate change.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations. We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.***

This phase of the McGill Ballpark is supported by the Ely Shoshone Tribe (see support letter) and will create a venue for potential tribal events for all to enjoy. The facility is not

only used by local Tribal members regularly, but also Duckwater Tribal members. The Duckwater Shoshone Tribe is located outside of White Pine County. Their location is closer to White Pine County's City of Ely than any other City in Nye County thus forcing many to come to White Pine County for emergency medical services, jobs and recreation. This facility promotes the quality of being fair and impartial towards all individuals regardless of skill level, income, residential status, race and more.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.

With this project, proposed short term union jobs will be available during the construction process. Long term jobs will also be available for maintenance needs. These permanent parks maintenance positions are represented by the International Union of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3, AFL-CIO. Seasonal parks maintenance positions will also support local families short term.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.

The location for this project is upgrading current public recreational facility, therefore, conserving land for public use in perpetuity. With this facility upgrade, there will become connection to multiple county parks (including the McGill swimming pool), the Historical McGill Train Depot, and surrounding BLM land. Because of this there will be an increase in the use of all recreational spaces in the area as they become upgraded.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.

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ADA access and ease-of-use amenities will reengage and retain the elderly communities that come to watch family play and enjoy themselves. An overall upgraded, leveled, and better maintained facility will retain those that are middle aged utilizing the facility. Because of this the project is pivotal in centering equity and environmental justice in White Pine County.

4. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

This project provides spacious outdoor areas for solo and spaced out recreation to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, this project combats the after effects of COVID-19 such as depression due to isolation and other mental, physical and social illnesses onset by the pandemic by allowing social interaction and physical activity.

2. *Providing economic relief*

Research shows a significant growth in physical and mental fitness and health throughout communities with increased parks and recreation. White Pine County needs this project to help promote health and fitness to all members of the community. This project is believed to bring more tourists in to the community through tournaments and other events at the facility. This project will also increase the quality of life for surrounding residents not to mention the entire county and residents of neighboring counties.

3. *Tackling climate change*

Providing for more green space allows for removal of carbon dioxide from the air, storage of carbon in the trees and soil, and releasing oxygen into the atmosphere. The park encourages appreciation for our climate by installing a modern sprinkler system that will use up to thirty percent (30%) less water and energy efficient lighting that will reduce the carbon footprint of the park. Additionally, it encourages nearby residents and students to walk or ride a bike to a nearby park rather than driving a car (or bus) across town to find a safe park to recreate at thus reducing emissions.

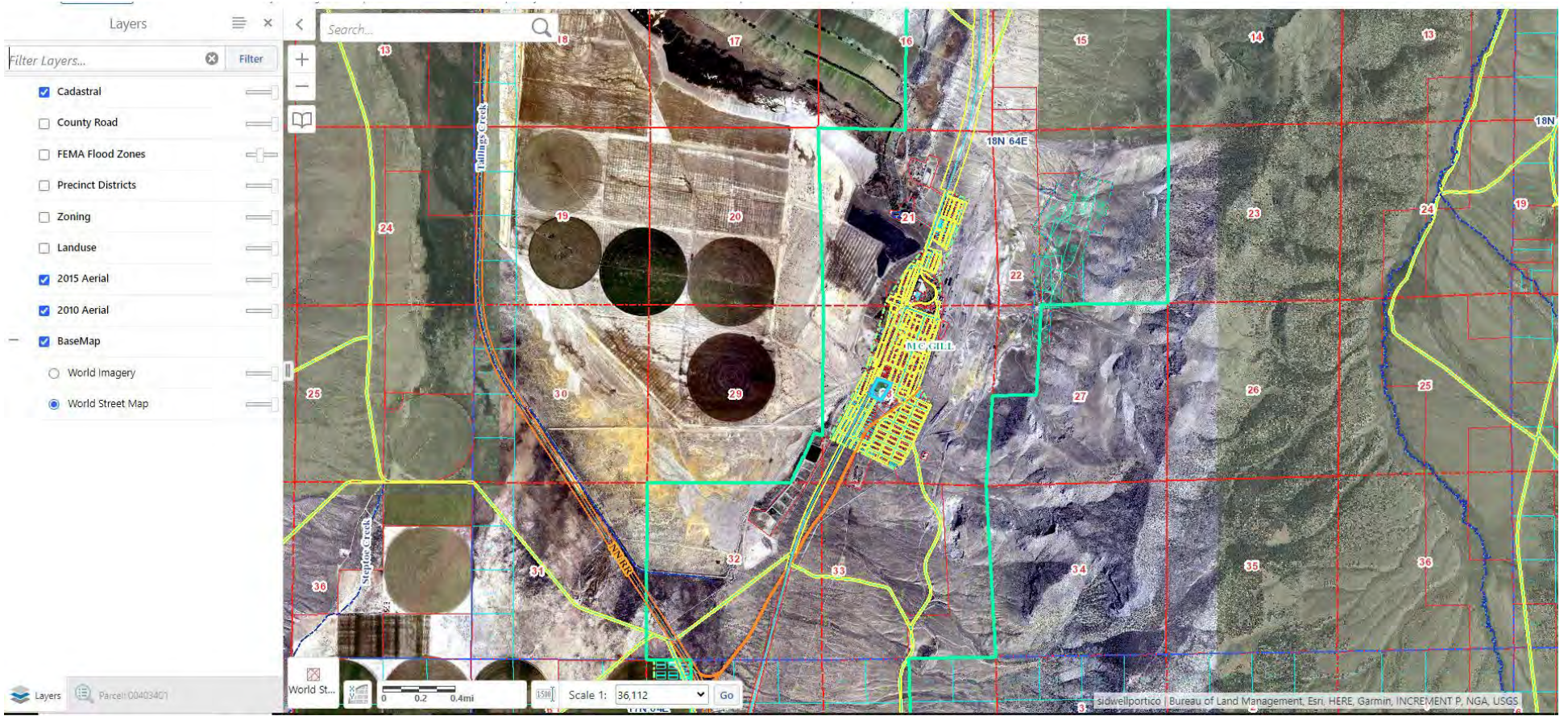
4. *Advancing racial equity*

White Pine County is an equal opportunity employer and provider. White Pine County as a whole is a very inclusive community in all regards. Sports, recreation and physical activity is something that people of all ethnic backgrounds can and do enjoy. Whether users are local or travelers, they can feel at ease knowing that the community and more specifically this facility considers them as equals.

5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

Studies have shown that kids who are involved in sports are more likely to learn good ethics to bring into the workforce. This facility will provide opportunity to learn and teach a multitude of sports to youth who will soon join the workforce. This will result in young adults with preparedness for the future, higher GPA's, time management skills, more positivity, better health and wellness, teamwork, leadership and collaboration skills that they will be able to contribute to the workforce. This in turn will create a more collaborative work environment for all.

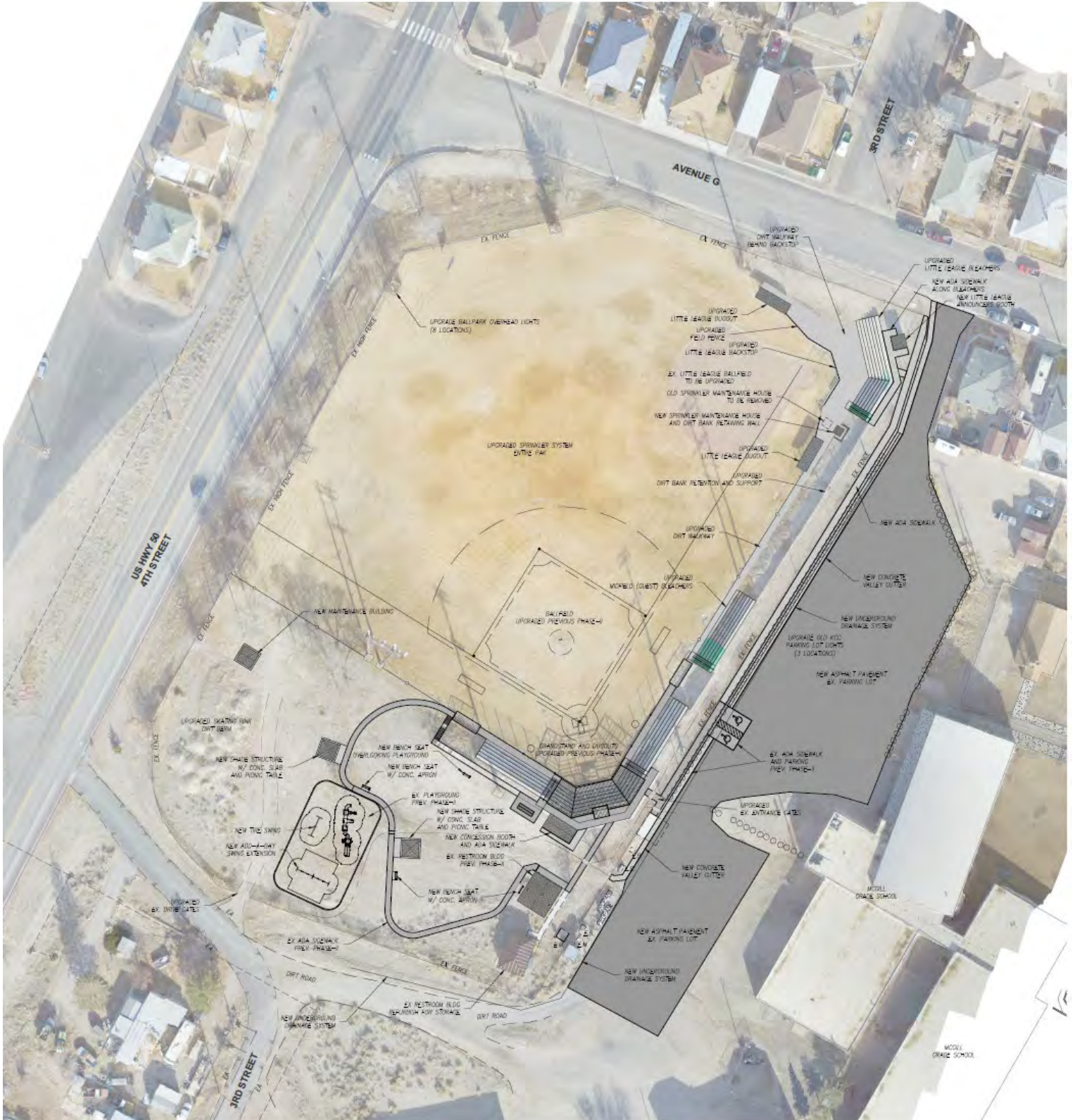
LOCATION MAP



COUNTY ASSESSOR PARCEL AERIAL



OVERALL SITE PLAN



PL 1.0	PRELIMINARY	OVERALL SITE PLAN McGILL BALLFIELD PHASE-III UPGRADES WHITE PINE COUNTY	REV. DATE DESCRIPTION BY APP'D	Basin Engineering <small>Consulting Engineers & Land Surveyors 10710 E. Auburn Street, Suite W 89903 Reno, NV 89502 Phone: (775) 289-9800 Fax: (775) 289-9802</small>
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STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES – CONNECTIVITY

Historical renovation of the McGill Ballpark Strategic Values Map

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- McGill Warm Spring (WP02) Waypoint 09/15/2023
- BLM Land Waypoint 09/15/2023
- Abandoned Mine Land Waypoint 09/15/2023
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- Elementary School Waypoint 09/15/2023
- McGill Circle Drive Park (WP...) Waypoint 09/15/2023
- McGill Ave. K Park (WP03) Waypoint 09/15/2023
- McGill Train Depot (WP16) Waypoint 09/15/2023
- McGill Ballpark Waypoint 09/14/2023

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N. PHOTOS



Photo 1: Ballfield Overhead Light Poles



Photo 2: Little League Field Bleachers and Announcer's Booth Looking North



Photo 3: Little League Field Dugout and Sprinkler/Maintenance Shed



Photo 4: Northeast Corner Looking Southwest from Announcer's Booth Across Little League Field



Photo 5: Original Restroom Building



Photo 6: Looking Southwest at Walkway and Playground
Installed with SNPLMA Round 16 project funding (WP10)

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

<p align="center">SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources</p>		
<p align="center">PM for Cultural / Paleontological Resources</p>	<p align="center">Definition of Performance Measures</p>	<p align="center">Quantity</p>
<p>C1 - Number of Cultural or Historic Sites or Structures Stabilized or Protected</p>	<p>*Report the number (one unit for each site or each structure) where work is completed to protect, stabilize, restore, excavate, and/or manage cultural features. For sites receiving multiple treatments, count each site only once, but if multiple structures are on a site, count each structure separately. For example, an archeological dig site would be counted as one although multiple excavations may take place on the site, whereas a site having remnants of three separate dwellings would be counted as three. Report installation of interpretive signs and structures (e.g., kiosk displays) under O6. Report administrative actions such as mineral withdrawals, closures, or special designations under H1. <i>*Report each site or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<p>1 historical ballpark</p>
<p align="center">SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment</p>		
<p align="center">PM for Recreation Management</p>	<p align="center">Definition of Performance Measures</p>	<p align="center">Quantity</p>
<p>R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved</p>	<p>*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	<p>5 acres of upgraded park/outdoor recreational area</p>
<p>R3- Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved</p>	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Playing Fields • 1 new Concession • 1 new Announcer's Booth • 1 Maintenance Shed • 1 Sprinkler House

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	<p>*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed.</p> <p><i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •SNPLMA project sign •Facility sign
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	<p>*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable.</p> <p><i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 ball fields • 1 upgraded press box • 1 new Concession building • 1 upgraded maintenance building • 1 new Sprinkler House

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



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Michael A. Wheable, Esq
County Manager
White Pine County
801 Clark St., Suite 5
Ely, NV 89301

Dear Mr. Wheable:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of White Pine County in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 4, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The County has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Ely Little League Fields Renovation –White Pine County proposes upgrade, replace or refurbish infrastructure at the +/-12-acre Little League Fields facility in Ely, NV, providing a safer and more accessible environment for all age groups with increased ADA accessibility. Upgrades include energy efficient utilities, redesigned ballfields, parking improvements, renovation of concession/bathroom/announcer stand and more.

Legal Description: MDM: White Pine County, NV: T16N, R63E, sec. 14 NWSW, sec. 15 NESE (within).

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Historical McGill Ballpark Restoration – Phase III –White Pine County proposes to complete the third and final phase of the McGill Ballpark Project to restore the 4.76-acre facility to historical accuracy. This project includes the restoration of a Little League Field, bleachers, announcer's booth, upgrades to the utility systems, installation of new playground and picnic area equipment, and construction of a new maintenance house and concession stand

Legal Description: T18N, R64E, S28, SENW (within); APN 004-034-01; 39.3986°N, -114.7815°W.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process and any coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office that may be needed.

Northern Nevada Railway East Ely Yard Improvements Phase IV – White Pine County proposes to design and construct a visitor center with the goal of interpreting the railroad and its natural surroundings; an auxiliary building to house and display historic vehicles which will be used for interpreting the railroad and taking visitors out on the railroad through adjoining public lands. The County also proposes to rehabilitate 18 contributing buildings and historic structures to provide safer and more accessible environment; update the complex's 1906 utilities including sewer, water and electrical for public safety, to meet basic habitation needs and energy efficiency; finish the walking trail system through the East Ely railyard; tie in the trail system to the White Pine Public Museum; pave Avenue A and pave additional parking areas.

Legal Description: 39.2597220000, -114.8694440000; 1100 Avenue A, Ely Nevada; NNRY East Ely Yard within T16N, R63E, sec.10: NE¼SE¼, SE¼SW¼, SW¼SE¼, SE¼SE¼; sec.11: SW¼SW¼; and sec.15: NE¼NW¼, NW¼NE¼, NE¼NE¼; Main rail yard within APN 010-530-25; Proposed new visitor center within APN 002-022-04; Avenue A (no APN) Street; ROW Nev-043230 East Ely yard to White Pine Public Museum Federal RR Right of Way within T16N, R63E, sec.15, NE¼NW¼, SW¼NW¼.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process and any coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office that may be needed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Melanie Peterson, Special Legislation Program Manager at 775-289-1896 or m1peters@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,

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Robbie McAboy
District Manager

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e-cc: Jared Bybee, Field Manager, Bristlecone Field Office
Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS

White Pine County School District

Our vision is to collaboratively grow leaders who will change the world!

September 25, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the White Pine County School District, I offer my support of White Pine County's efforts to obtain SNPLMA Round 20 funding for the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark East Ely Yard improvements, the Little League Field Complex, and the McGill Ballfield Complex. These projects have the capacity to enhance the White Pine area with needed infrastructure for tourism, recreation, and well-being for both adults and young people in the community.

The school district partnered with the county in a previous round of SNPLMA funding to develop land around White Pine High School. County officials have been excellent to work with in moving this extensive project forward and we look forward to the implementation of this project.

I have full faith that, if funded, any or all of these projects will have a similar positive impact on the citizens and visitors to this part of Nevada.

Sincerely,

Adam Young

Adam Young
Superintendent

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9/18/23

Bureau of Land Management
SNPLMA Division
4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr
Las Vegas, NV 89301

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Kyle Horvath. I am the Director of Tourism for White Pine County, Nevada. I am writing to you in support of a SNPLMA Round 20 project submitted by White Pine County to complete the final phase renovations of the historic McGill Ball Field, the first major league sized field in Nevada.

Baseball has a rich legacy in White Pine County. Mine leagues were the most popular social activities going in early White Pine County. Many major league ball players have played on that field. Because of that legacy, sport continues to be cherished and valued throughout the community. The McGill Ballfield Complex is on the main street and is a cornerstone both physically and culturally to the community of McGill. The field is currently used by the local youth sports, adult leagues, and support our sports tourism opportunities by bringing regional tournaments and playoff games to the area. The community has been working slowly to revitalize this regional asset. The Historic McGill Ball Field was identified as a priority because of its cultural significance and because of the level of disrepair. White Pine County Tourism has financially supported this complex in the past to bring it up to acceptable standards for play. We can provide short term aesthetic fixes but receiving funds for this proposal will fix a high visibility blighted area the downtown and neighborhoods. It will improve the experience for our youth and adult sports by enhancing safety, lighting, and modern amenities. It will also increase our capacity and ability to attract more tournaments and regional playoff and championship games thus enhancing our tourism economy. Because of the history of this ballfield and its ability to be a catalyst for community revitalization, tourism has taken special interest in partnering and supporting this project to completion. The impact of this project will be widespread throughout the community and our tourism partners. It will be a major facility used in future events to support tourism.

My board, lodging properties, and local businesses all appreciate the past support for essential SNPLMA projects. They truly have had a huge impact on our community. Youth sports and particularly baseball have long been a part of the White Pine County culture for over a century, and we hope it will be far into the future. Thank you for your consideration to fully fund this very important project.

Sincerely,

Kyle Horvath, Director

150 6th Street • Ely, Nevada 89301
775 289-3720 • 800 496-9350 • Fax 775 289-6757

I heard the McGill town council is requesting a grant to complete the restoration of the McGill Ballpark. I played on that field as a member of the Elko High School Baseball team (1973-75) and also as a member of the White Pine High Baseball team (1976). The emotions I always felt when arriving at this field were undescrivable. It always gave me the feeling of a "mini major league stadium," and brought about the best of Baseball skills for those playing there.

The construction, the stands, sunken dugouts, tall fence in left and canopy overhanging have always taken my breath away. I recollect playing against Dean Hall, Doug Vandenburg, Kirk Jones, Bart Farnsworth and many others on this field. Not only memories of players, but umpires like Assay Johnson and Jim Kabean, Coach Nelson and my brother, Ken Christean and the fans filling the stands.

I recently took a trip from Elko to the southern part of our state, and heard of White Pine High playing Baseball games on this field again, so I made it a point to stop by. I was grateful beyond words that I was able to stop by and reminisce of many years gone by and visualize such wonderful memories. Definately a stop for me if I'm ever in the area with my Grandchildren.

Everything appeared much as I had remembered. I walked through the opening of the fence surrounding the field, and as I stood at the top, looking down at the field, the emotions began kicking in, it was beautiful. The grandstands had been refurbished, and the field looked amazing. It's still in need of a bit more work and I would hope those making the decision to fund this restoration will unanomously support this project. With so much talk and destruction of history in this country, I truly believe we must preserve what we can, and I know not only myself, but many others feel the same.

Respectfully,

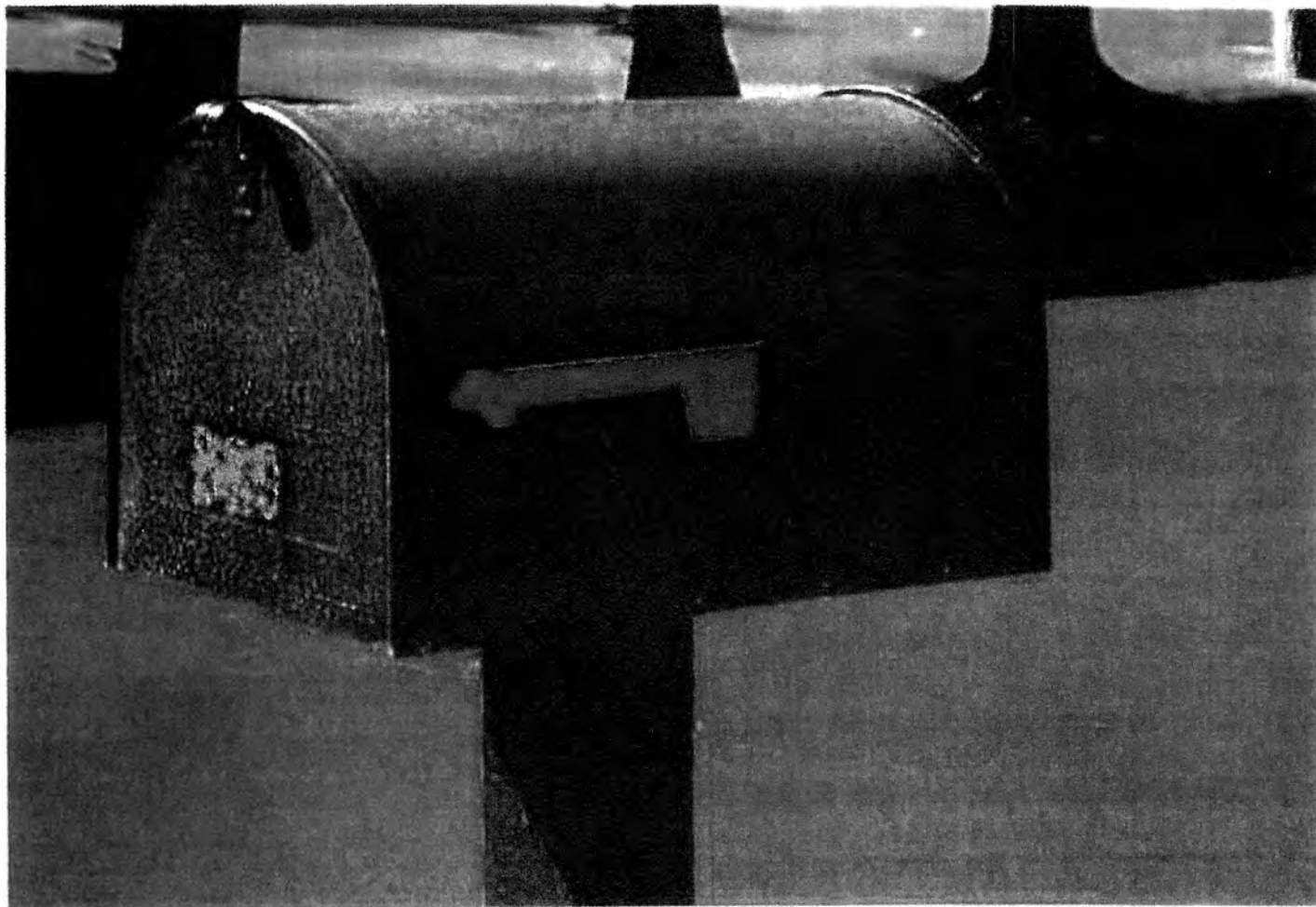
Gaylen Christean

(See attached new article authored by G. Christean)

https://elkodaily.com/opinion/letters/letter-an-appreciation-of-history/article_58f3c360-fc03-11ed-a43-f3f33103c7bd.html

Letter: An appreciation of history

May 26, 2023



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Editor:

I recently took a trip from Elko to the southern part of our state. I heard about White Pine High playing baseball games again on the old field in McGill. A field constructed years ago by Kennecott Copper Corporation and used by a semi-pro team they sponsored.

Before I began my trip I was determined to make a stop at this old, “refurbished,” ball-field. A field I and many others from the Elko area played on many years ago.

Once I made the turn at the junction to 93 West, my anticipation began growing. I started thinking back to my high school days, traveling in that damn school bus, and how we'd begin preparing to play White Pine in McGill. Once we passed Shellbourne, we knew it wouldn't be long before the smokestacks of Kennecott would be visible and we'd begin getting into our uniforms.

As I drove into McGill, passing the old swimming pool to the right, my anxiety heightened even more, I knew it would be just a matter of minutes. I made the left turn off 93, up the road about 200 yards and a right into the parking lot of this old field.

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Everything appeared much as I had remembered. I walked through the opening of the fence surrounding the field, and as I stood at the top, looking down at the field, the emotions began kicking in, it was beautiful. The grandstands had been refurbished, and the field looked amazing.

I took a walk down the steps and walked onto the field. I stood at home plate and looked back towards the grandstands, then walked to the mound and over to third (the two positions I had played in high school). Emotions were deep, and I could visualize many of the players, coaches and even the umpires from years gone by.

As I left, it began to “set in” how the people in McGill and Ely realized the importance and appreciation of history in their community and have preserved it, while the elected members of Elko government sadly work to destroy it.

Gaylen Christean

Elko



Held on the last Monday of May, Memorial Day honors the men and women who have died serving in the U.S military.

6-28-23

Date

This is a supporting form letter signed by 19 other individuals but not enclosed here with the nomination as it is a duplicate signed form.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am asking you to consider this letter in support of the attempt to secure funding for the continued revitalization of the McGill Ballpark.

The McGill Town Council has unanimously approved support of the McGill Ballpark, Phase III project. The renovation of the McGill Ball Park has continued to enhance the lives of McGill residents, White Pine County residents, as well as those that visit the area. The McGill ballpark is neighbor to US Highway 93 and offers a break in the monotony of travelers from their long journeys as they pass through McGill. Any further renovation will enhance the experience even more.

The Phase III project proposes the redesign of the "smaller" baseball diamond complete with batting cages, upgrade of the dugouts, and upgrade of the bleachers in the spectator area. The upgrades will allow for the younger members of our baseball/softball families to enhance their experience; the playing fields preserve a venue where local youth sports teams can practice and play their games, whatever the sport. The placement of a new concession stand will allow the chance for businesses in McGill and throughout White Pine County to offer concessions to the participants and visitors. The electrical system improvements to the lighting will make it easier to have community events at night in McGill.

The quality of materials proposed, and the design of the McGill ballpark will create less maintenance in the long run by providing such things as LED lighting that will last longer and conserve energy. The design creates ease to maneuver mowers and maintenance equipment with the proposed storage at the McGill ballpark for upkeep and maintenance. White Pine County and the McGill Town Council with their proven track record of excellent park management, will be work hand in hand as they have in the past regarding the maintenance of the McGill ballpark.

The McGill Ballpark, Phase III project will also allow for the completion of the playground area to include areas for more families to access for picnics, playground activities, and exercise. Currently, the sidewalk in the playground area serves as a walking area for senior citizens because it is more accessible when the fields are being used.

We look forward to the opportunities and possibilities an award of SNPLMA funding for the revitalization of the McGill ballpark will bring to our rural community.

Thank you for your consideration in recommending this project to move forward for funding.

Sincerely,



Print Name: Brenda McConaha



McGill Town Council <mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com>

Funding for the restoration of the McGill Ballpark

1 message

Don Tate <dontate1@gmail.com>

Mon, Jun 19, 2023 at 2:00 PM

To: "mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com" <mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com>

Good afternoon to the members of the McGill Town Council,

I became aware of the need for additional funding for the completion of the McGill park including lighting, new concession stand, and complete re-do of the Little League part of the park, as well as a few things that are needed to complete the larger part of the park. Please allow me to add my thoughts to this project and hope that a long-term decision will be made to support the completion of the project. Perhaps a few personal thoughts of mine as I have seen the need for this to be done.

I was born in McGill in 1942 and spent all of my youth growing up in McGill and playing baseball very actively on the "recently built" McGill baseball park. I started playing what was called the PeeWee league and then onto Little League and Pony League. I worked my way every summer playing baseball under some of the finest coaches at that time including Buck Tartan, Andy Kulius, Don Bushore, Bill Ireland (when he was able to do it), Dick Cooper and his brother Bert Cooper, and numerous other coaches that spent the summers working to help the youth have a great summer and learn various sports. Of course, playing baseball was supreme. I played baseball there as a WPHS student and then would go on to play college baseball each year and ended up playing baseball in southern California after I got out of college. I have valued my experience greatly because of the McGill baseball park allowing me to have wonderful summers playing a sport that I truly loved and often playing several hours everyday all summer.

I believe it would be in the interest of the youth of McGill to be allowed to have the same opportunities to play on a great baseball park again. I played baseball on what was called the Kinnear Park and those around where the LDS Chapel is now located. But the real ballpark is where I played the game. I watched the park being built when I was in elementary school and longed for my summer days to be there. I watched through the windows of the old school that is no longer there and has been replaced. It was a beautiful park and should be rebuilt not only for the McGill kids, but for White Pine and the entire community. It should be a legacy for the future... and you are well on the way to make it great again! Keep up the good work and support the community for sure!

My best wishes for each of you and your future!

Don Tate

Don Tate

cell (214) 566-2644



McGill Town Council <mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com>

McGill, ballpark

Susan McIntosh <suerebc@sbcglobal.net>
To: Mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com

Fri, Jun 16, 2023 at 1:03 PM

I grew up in McGill Nevada from 1955 until 1973. We moved to 18 Avenue G just across from the ballpark in 1959. The ballpark was right across the street, and I was able to watch the games little league, and big league from my bedroom picture window. As children we would often run over to the park and have softball games or just run track play on the swings and the merry go round, or make forts in the trees, separating the ball park portion to the playground area. The park was the central location for most events in our community. Some of my fondest memories are from events located in that park. I recall ping-pong rolls being dropped in the park with stamps, indicating how much money you would get for each ping pong ball. The most exciting were the \$.25 ones Labor Day was a big celebration in the town of McGill; the parade would begin by the bank and end at the ballpark. We had pie eating contest, wrestling matches, and all kinds of fun events for kids and adults.

I feel fortunate to have been raised in a community. We are family and friends could congregate and celebrate. Upgrading the park would be wonderful for our future generations.

Susan G. McIntosh

Reno, Nv

Sent from my iPhone



McGill Town Council <mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com>

Ball Park!

Vicki Bustos <vlb101@aol.com>
To: mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com

Fri, Jun 16, 2023 at 2:17 PM

McGill Town Council,

I was just visiting the McGill site on FaceBook and sharing with others the wonderful memories we all have of growing up in McGill.

I don't live there any more, but still have my mom and dad's house on 3rd. Street. My husband and I visit as often as we can and love coming back. The BALL PARK revelations are wonderful. It is as important to McGill as the Swimming Pool is. In my opinion if further renovations or construction projects could be completed that would enhance enjoyment of the facility for the community, I think they would be worthwhile.

I'm hoping that the children living in McGill now will have the same wonderful memories of the little town when they're grown. Please do what ever you can to make that happen.

Thank you for you consideration,

Vicki Sullivan Bustos



McGill Town Council <mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com>

McGill Ball Park

Electra Larsen <electrag@outlook.com>

Fri, Jun 16, 2023 at 2:20 PM

To: "mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com" <mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com>

Elaine you have my wholehearted support.

Electra Giannopulos Larsen



McGill Town Council <mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com>

Grant Request for completion of McGill NV Ballpark Restoration

Anthony Craig Betsill <chbets77@yahoo.com>
To: mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com

Fri, Jun 16, 2023 at 4:44 PM

To: White Pine County Commission

We both grew up in the wonderful town of McGill. The McGill Ballpark was the community center of the town. Back in the day, it was the best ballpark in the State! On our last visit, we drove up to the Ballpark and were pleasantly surprised and excited about the restoration work that has been done so far. It is a worthwhile endeavor that deserves completion. Not only will it benefit the town of McGill, but White Pine County too. Once completed, teams from all around the region would schedule to play there. Please support submission of the grant request to SNPLMA and complete this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Craig and Helene Larson Betsill

Sent from my iPhone



McGill Town Council <mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com>

McGill Ball Park

Adrienne Richardson <adrienne0@live.com>

Fri, Jun 16, 2023 at 9:07 PM

To: "mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com" <mcgilltowncouncil@gmail.com>

To the White Pine County Commissioners:

Please help the McGill ballpark improvements by submitting a request for funds to the SNPLMA.

This ballpark and the town of McGill are an historic landmark and deserving of your support.

Thank you for your consideration.

Adrienne Richardson

From Tony Petrik the Laughlin Head Coach:

For what it's worth, I hope that you continue to use that field in McGill for your home games forever.

What an awesome venue. As soon as we turned the corner you could feel baseball oozing from that little piece of earth.

It is quaint, cozy, and just speaks of the game. And from what little I heard yesterday, there is some pretty unique and cool history related to that field and baseball in Nevada.

In the 33 years I've been in Nevada that field in McGill is easily in my top 3 fields we have ever played on.

You've got a nice team this year. Best of luck with the rest of your season.

SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Update as of March 2024

Nomination: Tab 13

Entity: Carson City

Project: Mills Park Master Plan Implementation

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

Comment: Project deliverables must be measurable by identifying the estimated conceptual size, quantity, site configuration, and whether those elements are contingent upon final results of design, planning, cost estimates, public scoping or other studies, analyses, or reports. Then denote those deliverables that are contingent on the results of the final design. In February 2024, Carson City provided the following updated project deliverable clarification (shown in “*italicized red*” text). The SNPLMA Program Manager provided followup comments requiring additional information to support the proposed deliverable.

1. Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid)

- a. Develop design plans and specifications for, and construction of, the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project, approximately 52.9 acres in size. Elements will include:
 1. Restroom replacement (1) in new location at the west end of the park. (Note: two other restrooms, identified in Exhibit A, will be replaced using ARPA funds). *The new restroom will be a prefabricated unit with a minimum of 4 toilets each for men and women. [Comment: This deliverable is not measurable – what is the proposed estimated size of restroom—qualify it by stating actual size dependent on final design]*
 2. Parking expansion throughout entire property with necessary irrigation and landscaping modifications. *Parking expansion will include 400+ new parking spaces. [Comment: This deliverable is not measurable – please provide estimate square footage of total estimated expanded parking]*
 3. Vietnam Veteran’s Memorial expansion including ADA compliant walkways, kiosks and landscaping enhancement. *Existing memorial is approx. 370 SF; specific expansion details are dependent on final design. [Comment: This deliverable is not measurable—city needs to provide additional information to quantify this deliverable as best possible and quality it by stating expansion and enhancement elements of this deliverable are dependent on final design]*
 4. Wungnema House (existing structure, approx. 1,050 SF) improvements as identified in the 2021 Carson City Facilities

Assessment. **[Comment:** *This deliverable is not measurable—city should concisely summarize the proposed improvements to the Wugnema House which is a National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) eligible property based on the 2021 Carson City Facilities Assessment as well as the 2023 Architectural Inventory Report described in the nomination. Copies of both reports are to be forwarded to the SNPLMA Program Manager to be reviewed by the BLM SNPLMA Archeologist.*

5. Repurpose amphitheater for educational opportunities and interpretive talks with minor landscape enhancements. ***Specific site details are dependent on final design.*** **[Comment:** *This deliverable is not measurable—city will need to quantify the elements associated with this deliverable.]*
6. Maintenance road improvements with irrigation modifications, concrete curbs and type 2 road base or possibly decomposed granite. (Note: Maintenance Road improvements are proposed to allow for access to new park developments in the Master Plan such as the skatepark and playground.) ***Specific site details are dependent on final design.*** **[Comment:** *These deliverable needs additional details to make it more measurable—also suggest relabeling the road as a “Alternate Public Park Access/Maintenance” road.*
7. Vegetation buffer, perimeter landscaping and turf reduction as identified in the Master Plan. (Note: The buffer is in response to concerns from neighbors about possible noise and privacy issues from proposed improvements like the Splash Park, and it also provides an opportunity to reduce some turf and turf irrigation) ***This buffer is estimated to be +/- 40,000 SF.***
8. Skatepark expansion with connecting sidewalks, two shade structures, benches, trash receptacles and landscaping improvements. ***The existing skatepark is 12,400 SF, expansion is estimated to be a minimum of 10,000 SF.*** **[Comment:** *City will need to quantify this deliverable to make it more measurable by further quantifying the maximum expansion of the skatepark including the approximate number of park furnishings, etc.—and qualify it by stating the actual size/configuration/quantities are dependent on final design]*
9. Dog park (+/- 40,000 SF) with fencing, landscaping, three shade structures, benches, waste stations and sidewalk connectivity to the William Street multi-use path and the internal pathway system. **[Comment:** *Carson City is proposing a nearly 10-acre dog park with park amenities that need to be quantified in order to make this deliverable more measurable—and qualify it by stating the actual size/configuration/quantities are dependent on final design]*
10. Fitness loop sidewalk improvements and outdoor fitness equipment distributed at 2-3 separate locations within the south side of the park. **[Comment:** *City did not provide clarification response to this deliverable.*
City

will need to quantify this deliverable to make it more measurable—and qualify it by stating the actual size/configuration/quantities are dependent on final design]

11. Playground (5,000-7,000 SF, dependent with surrounding fencing, two shade structures, landscaping, benches, trash receptacles and sidewalk connectivity. **[Comment: City did not provide clarification response to this deliverable. City will need to quantify estimated quantities for park furnishings—and qualify it by stating the actual quantities are dependent on final design]**
 12. Splash Park and parking expansion with outdoor showers, two shade structures, concession stand, fencing, redesigned sidewalk system, landscaping and irrigation modifications. **[Comment: This deliverable is not measurable—city needs to quantify the elements of this deliverable. What is the approximate size of the estimated splash park, parking expansion (this is in addition to the several other project deliverables that include parking expansion such as 400+ parking expansion noted above). Estimate quantities will have measure progress—with the understanding that the actual quantity would be dependent no a final design.]**
 13. Foley’s Forest Lane internal connector (+/- 1,000') with TBD traffic calming elements, crosswalks, adjacent sidewalks, parallel parking stalls and adjacent landscaping improvements. **[Comment: “TBD” is not measurable—this acronym will need to be removed—and city will need to approximate size of this area—and qualify it by actuals would be contingent on final design.]**
 14. Basketball court with one shade structure, benches, trash receptacles, and landscaping, and new asphalt parking lot with drainage improvements to the southeast corner of the park promoting drainage to the drainage ditch and away from neighboring properties. **The parking lot will include +/- 30 parking spaces.** **[Comment: This deliverable is not measurable—please update appropriately.]**
 15. Promenade vendor and food truck area with utilities (+/- 18,000 SF),_ landscape planting and irrigation modifications.
 16. Security camera system installed and affixed in key locations to increase safety and site security. **Specifications dependent on final design.** **(SNPLMA funding will not include internet/network or utility connection services).** **[Comment: This deliverable is not measurable —how many security cameras are associated with the ‘Security Camera System’?]**
- b. Demolition of existing infrastructure, including:
1. Restroom at the west end of the park.
 2. Pavilion by Palo Verde Drive.
 3. Playground by Seely Loop.
 4. Maintenance sheds.

5. Volleyball courts.
6. Outdoor fitness course.

[Comment: This deliverable is not measurable—city will need to quantify each component by providing the estimated size of the structures proposed for demo and specifically pinpoint/depict such elements in an aerial to show the location of these items.]

2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)

- a. Art installations, including:
 1. 1-3 physical, three-dimensional works of art.
 2. 5-10 murals.
- b. Additional skate elements throughout the park which would include skate-friendly planters and benches.
- c. Decorative fencing (+/- 2,000') along entire William Street frontage to direct pedestrian traffic through multiple entry points with new sign kiosks.
- d. Signage, interpretive panels, dog waste stations, additional benches and trash receptacles.

[Comment: Like “Primary” deliverables “Anticipated” deliverables must be measurable. City will need to provide estimated sizes of the above anticipated deliverable elements, as appropriate.]

Section I – Project Budget (and Excel Budget Detail).

Comment: Carson City provided an updated budget detail allocating \$136,231 in labor costs and \$66,287 in fringe benefit costs to fund city staff for work associated with the proposed project such as noted below. City built into the budget a 3% annual cost-of-living increases:

- *Parks Project Manager* (tracking, monitoring, progress compliance reporting). This position will dedicate 23% of time during the life of the proposed project.
- *Trails Coordinator* will assist the Project Manager as needed, including monitoring progress on deliverables, compliance with SNPLMA approved workplan and reporting on financial and project deliverables to the BLM/SNPLMA Division. This position will dedicate 4% of time over the life of the project.
- *Open Space Manager* will be responsible for overseeing the finances associated with the grant to ensure project costs remain consistent with funding awards and allowable expenditures. This position will dedicate 2% of time over the life of the project.

City will need to “show” how it derived at the estimated contractual cost line items based on the master plan for contractual services for design & engineering, construction management, and construction costs. These costs cannot be co-mingled or shared by a percentage breakdown between funding sources. City will need to show the BLM how contract work is structured if there are multiple projects with multiple funding sources occurring within the same project area.

Section M – Maps “Conceptual Aerial Plan”

Comment: County provided copies of the Master Plan site drawings for the Strategic Values Map and Exhibit A – Funding Allocations map as updated in the nomination.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Carson City



Mills Park Master Plan Implementation

Amount Requested: \$14,917,800

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Mills Park is one of Carson City's oldest parks, purchased from the Mills Estate, a private party, in 1951. Today, Mills Park is Carson City's primary regional park, with approximately 52.9 acres, the Community Center and Aquatic Facility included, and it is wholly owned by Carson City. A title search has been recently completed, confirming that Carson City owns the property fee title, and there are no interests held by others. Abutting landowners to Mills Park include Carson City and private ownership to the west, private ownership to the north and south, Carson City School District and private ownership to the east.

An Arboretum Master Plan was completed in 2000, but no other master plan for this park previously existed. Much of the park is dated with many amenities like the western most pavilion and tennis courts aged beyond reasonable repair. One of the two playgrounds was removed in 2018 due to its age and lack of replacement components.

In early 2022, Carson City began working on a comprehensive Mills Park Master Plan, beginning with public and stakeholder surveys. The Community's main concerns were the unhoused population, lighting, restrooms, and a better police/security presence. The most popular improvements or additions were a splash park, new playground, skatepark expansion and more community-based events and activities. The Mills Park Masterplan was completed in 2023 and approved by the Carson City Board of Supervisors on March 16, 2023.

In 2021, Carson City received federal appropriations from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), directly appropriated from the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, totaling \$20,774,006 to support local economies recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. This funding was appropriated to Carson City on June 11, 2021, and the plan for spending the funding was approved by the Carson City Board of Supervisors on August 5, 2021. The plan allocated \$3,080,000 to improve outdoor spaces throughout Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space properties. Specifically, \$2,250,000 was allocated to replace restrooms throughout Carson City Park properties, including at Mills Park.

The Mills Park Master Plan identifies three restrooms throughout the park that are aging infrastructure and need replacement (Exhibit A). Two restrooms, located on the east side of Mills Park, will be replaced utilizing approximately \$1,566,720 of ARPA funding (Exhibit A). The remaining restroom, on the west side of the park, adjacent to the Aquatic Center is proposed to be replaced utilizing SNPLMA Round 20 funds (Exhibit A). Additionally, \$500,000 of ARPA funds will be dedicated to resurfacing existing tennis courts into Pickleball courts to create a Pickleball Complex (Exhibit A). Carson City can demonstrate a clear geographic and temporal separation of use of this funding source. The ARPA funds must be encumbered in a contract by December 31, 2024, and all funds must be fully spent by December 31, 2026. If Carson City is awarded the SNPLMA Round 20 proposed project for Mills Park, it is anticipated that construction would not begin until year 4 of the project which would be 2028. The construction of the prefabricated restrooms and the Pickleball Complex would be completed through separate project bids and contracts. Carson City has financial instruments to demonstrate clear separation between the use of ARPA and SNPLMA funds.

The purpose of the SNPLMA Round 20 proposed project is to implement the majority of the Mills Park Master Plan, and the goal of the Master Plan is “...to preserve the park’s natural aesthetic and design, while creating a cohesive user-friendly park that responds to the concerns and needs of the community” (Mills Park Master Plan pg. 2). Mills Park is ideally located in the heart of Carson City, proximate to several low-income neighborhoods, adjacent to Carson High School, and within two miles of all of ten of Carson City’s K-12 schools, four of which are ranked as either high-poverty or mid-poverty level. Mills Park is recognized as our most demographically diverse park, and with implementation of the Master Plan, it is well suited to provide outstanding recreational opportunities and facilities to host a variety of community-based events that are accessible and inclusive and that will appeal to Carson City’s diverse population and all neighborhoods.

The project will demolish some of the existing facilities at Mills Park, to include the restroom at the west end of the park, the pavilion by Palo Verde Drive, the playground by Seely Loop, two maintenance sheds, volleyball courts, and the outdoor fitness course. Further, the project will protect and preserve culturally significant sites, and construct or restore other facilities and amenities to reimagine Carson City’s primary regional park. Project components will enhance public opportunities for recreation, education, community-based events, and activities, some of which will be new and unique to Carson City, like the Splash Park. If an award is approved by the Secretary of the Interior, then implementation will include compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, a design and engineering phase with public comment as a component, and a demolition and construction phase. A work plan will be written to include a logical process for actions and measurement of milestones and accomplished deliverables. The project will be completed within the standard 5-year timeframe for Parks, Trails and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects and completion will be determined following SNPLMA final site inspections, file review, and close-out process. The Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department is the sole project proponent and will be responsible for completing all project milestones.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

The proposed Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project is part of a stand-alone project, with no relationship to prior phases or related SNPLMA projects.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

The Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project is stand-alone and not dependent on future project phases.

A third-party consultant will be selected to do the design, engineering, construction management, materials testing, and certified payroll management. Project management will be performed by a Carson City staff member, the Parks Project Manager, which is a full-time position within the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department and their role is to oversee and manage projects throughout the Department. This staff member will track and monitor progress on project deliverables and report on financial and project performance to the BLM/SNPLMA Division. Additionally, they will follow a SNPLMA approved workplan specific to the project to ensure compliance with deliverables and that the project remains on schedule. Further, the Department

Business Manager position within our department is responsible for overseeing the finances associated with the grant to ensure project costs remain consistent with funding awards and allowable expenditures. Lastly, construction elements requiring permits will be inspected by a qualified City inspector to ensure compliance with Carson City Municipal Code and Development Standards. Costs for City staff time will be covered by Carson City and will not be reimbursed through SNPLMA project funds.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

PTNA projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

This project will meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community as summarized below:

1. Sustainability:

This project will renovate Carson City's primary regional park, which is currently a high maintenance property with many outdated facilities, crumbling infrastructure, and insufficient parking. The renovated park will be designed and constructed for sustainability and resiliency with these concepts in mind:

- Reduced turf area to reduce watering requirements and lawn care.
- Low Impact Development (LID), where practical, to reduce water-related impacts.
- Additional parking to reduce conflicts associated with unauthorized parking and impacts from visitors circling through the park in search of parking.
- Improved traffic flow.
- High-quality, low maintenance restroom facilities with safety lighting.
- Preservation of an historic structure, the Wungnema House, and enhancements to the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial.
- Vegetation buffer to reduce noise and visual impacts to neighboring residential properties.
- Routine, scheduled, and periodic maintenance is supported and budgeted through the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department.

2. Connectivity:

Geographically, Mills Park is centrally located in the community, and it is within walking distance of many of Carson City's low-income neighborhoods. It is one of our oldest parks, established in 1951, and has served as a community hub as the City continued to grow over the years. Carson High School is located immediately across the street to the east, Pioneer Alternative High School is within ¼ mile, and the Boys and Girls Club is within ¾ mile. The Carson City Library lies across the street to the west of the park. Both

of Carson City's middle schools and all six of our elementary schools are within two miles of Mills Park.

Carson City's Unified Pathways Master Plan identifies a comprehensive system of non-motorized trails, pathways, and bike lanes throughout the community. This system currently connects Mills Park with many of Carson City's schools, neighborhoods, and our other Parks and Open Space properties. Also, in proximity (within 1 mile) to Mills Park, is the Carson City Historic District, which is home to the State Capitol Building, the Governor's Mansion, the Historical Society, Visitors Center, State Museum, historic residences and buildings.

Connectivity will be further enhanced by a current Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funded - Complete Streets Project to improve and enhance the East William Street corridor, which is a primary 5-lane street in front of Mills Park. This street is heavily trafficked, with few crosswalks to provide pedestrian access to Mills Park. Many of the design elements in the East William Street Improvement Project were specified to work in harmony with the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project, including enhancement of access to Mills Park with off-street pathways and a new crosswalk, as well as streetscape improvements. These elements will help to provide safe, non-motorized access to Mills Park. Likewise, the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation will work in conjunction with the new crosswalk by constructing a decorative and functional 4' fence to help direct pedestrian park users to enter the park through strategic locations to help reduce safety concerns and conflicts with traffic on East William Street. These projects will complement each other, but there is no overlap in funding allocation or scope.

3. Community:

Mills Park is easily accessible to everyone in our community because of its centralized location. It is within walking distance of some of our low-income neighborhoods, and it serves as a hub for community activities and events because of its proximity to several schools, the Boys and Girls Club, Multi-Purpose Athletic Facility, Aquatic Facility, Community Center and Library.

This project will construct or restore many structures and features that will enhance opportunities for recreation, education, events, and activities. Design features to address concerns about safety, security, parking and traffic will create a park that is attractive, easily accessible, inclusive, and feels safe, secure and comfortable.

Some of the proposed attractions include:

- Re-purposed amphitheater for educational and entertainment programs
- Basketball courts
- Skatepark expansion
- Off-leash dog park, with separate sections for large and small dogs
- Fitness loop with three exercise stations
- Playground that will be the largest in Carson City, with some accessible features

- Splash Park
- Concession Plaza

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

Carson City will renovate the 53-acre Mills Park in Carson City, Nevada, to implement improvements from the Mills Park Master Plan to preserve the park's natural aesthetic and design, while creating a cohesive user-friendly park that responds to the concerns and needs of the community.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid)

- a. Develop design plans and specifications for, and construction of, the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project, approximately 52.9 acres in size. Elements will include:
 1. Restroom replacement (1) in new location at the west end of the park. (*Note: two other restrooms, identified in Exhibit A, will be replaced using ARPA funds*)
 2. Parking expansion throughout entire property with necessary irrigation and landscaping modifications.
 3. Vietnam Veteran's Memorial expansion including ADA compliant walkways, kiosks and landscaping enhancement.
 4. Wungnema House improvements as identified in the 2021 Carson City Facilities Assessment.
 5. Repurpose amphitheater for educational opportunities and interpretive talks with minor landscape enhancements.
 6. Maintenance road improvements with irrigation modifications, concrete curbs and type 2 road base or possibly decomposed granite. (*Note: Maintenance road improvements are proposed to allow for access to new park developments in the Master Plan such as the skatepark and playground*)
 7. Vegetation buffer, perimeter landscaping and turf reduction as identified in the Master Plan. (*Note: The buffer is in response to concerns from neighbors about possible noise and privacy issues from proposed improvements like the Splash Park, and it also provides an opportunity to reduce some turf and turf irrigation*)
 8. Skatepark expansion with connecting sidewalks, two shade structures, benches, trash receptacles and landscaping improvements.
 9. Dog park with fencing, landscaping, three shade structures, benches, waste stations and sidewalk connectivity to the William Street multi-use path and the internal pathway system.
 10. Fitness loop sidewalk improvements and outdoor fitness equipment distributed at 2-3 separate locations within the south side of the park.
 11. Playground with surrounding fencing, two shade structures, landscaping, benches, trash receptacles and sidewalk connectivity.
 12. Splash Park and parking expansion with outdoor showers, two shade structures, concession stand, fencing, redesigned sidewalk system, landscaping and irrigation modifications.

13. Foley's Forest Lane internal connector with traffic calming elements, crosswalks, adjacent sidewalks, parallel parking stalls and adjacent landscaping improvements.
14. Basketball court with one shade structure, benches, trash receptacles, and landscaping, and new asphalt parking lot with drainage improvements to the southeast corner of the park promoting drainage to the drainage ditch and away from neighboring properties.
15. Promenade vendor and food truck area with utilities, landscape planting and irrigation modifications.
16. Security camera system installed and affixed in key locations to increase safety and site security. (*SNPLMA funding will not include internet/network or utility connection services*).

b. Demolition of existing infrastructure, including:

1. Restroom at the west end of the park.
2. Pavilion by Palo Verde Drive.
3. Playground by Seely Loop.
4. Maintenance sheds.
5. Volleyball courts.
6. Outdoor fitness course.

2. Anticipated Deliverables: (*Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval*)

a. Art installations, including:

1. 1-3 physical, three-dimensional works of art.
2. 5-10 murals.

- b. Additional skate elements throughout the park which would include skate-friendly planters and benches.
- c. Decorative fencing along entire William Street frontage to direct pedestrian traffic through multiple entry points with new sign kiosks.
- d. Signage, interpretive panels, dog waste stations, additional benches and trash receptacles.

3. Standard Deliverables:

- a. Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.
- b. SNPLMA Work Plan development, request to initiate, site inspections, file review, and close-out process.
- c. Best Management Practices (BMPs) for sediment control.
- d. Mobilization/Demobilization, Bonding, Insurance.
- e. Bid preparation and announcement.
- f. Contract preparation.
- g. Permit fees.
- h. Utility relocation. Utilities requiring relocation will adhere to Carson City Municipal Code and Development Standards.
- i. Materials testing, geotechnical soil surveys.

E. PROJECT LOCATION

- Project site address: 1111 E. William Street, Carson City, Nevada
- Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: [Carson City], Nevada: T15N, R20E, sec. 16, NWNW, and sec. 17, N2NE4.
- Parcel Number: 00218101
- Current Land Use and Zoning: Parks for Public Use; Zoned PR (Public Recreation)
- Latitude and Longitude: 39.169344, -119.755714
- Congressional District(s): NV District 2

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

Year 1: SNPLMA Cooperative Agreement/Section 106 Compliance

- Request to initiate, project workplan; pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM.
- Respond to the Notice of Intent to Award by federal financial assistance application submittal.
- Coordinate with BLM on Section 106 compliance.
- Request and receive federal award (cooperative agreement).
- Request and receive the SNPLMA Notice to Proceed.

Year 2: Project Design and Preliminary Architecture and Engineering

- Develop scope of work for park design contract services; solicit request for qualifications.
- Execute design contract, begin development of final construction documents.
- Construction bid process, Board of Supervisors approval to award construction contract.

Year 3: Pre-Construction Site Preparation

- Execute construction contract.
- Permitting, site preparation, utility installation/relocation.
- Submittal review.

Year 4: Project Construction – Primary Deliverables

- Pre-construction meeting.
- Tree protection plan implementation, develop SWPPP/BMPs.
- Implement construction per approved construction documents.
 - Construct one restroom, parking lot expansion, Vietnam Veteran's Memorial expansion, Wungnema House improvements, repurpose amphitheater, improve maintenance road, vegetation buffer, skatepark expansion, dog park, fitness loop, playground, splash park, Foley's Forest Lane, basketball court and event promenade.

- Finalize punch list items, payment of final construction contract invoices.

Year 5: Project Closeout

- Reconcile project file, financial expenditures and unliquidated obligations.
- Conduct final site inspection with SNPLMA PM.
- Prepare closeout request package and update SMART.
- Submit Final financial report (SF-425) and performance narrative via Grant Solutions.
- Submit closeout request package (minimum of 60 days prior to POP end date).

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

If funding is awarded and the “SNPLMA Notice to Proceed” with project implementation is issued, Carson City is ready to bid the design and engineering portion of the project and could bid the construction portion soon after acceptance of design and engineering plans.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

No other funding sources have been identified to fund the proposed Round 20 SNPLMA Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project. No matching funds will be allocated to this project.

However, in 2021, Carson City received approximately \$1,566,720 in federal appropriations from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to fund the installation of two prefabricated restrooms within Mills Park, as identified in the Master Plan.

The proposed Round 20 SNPLMA Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project will fund the remaining restroom installation associated with the Master Plan. Additionally, \$500,000 has been allocated from ARPA to fund the construction of pickleball courts to create a Pickleball Complex. Please reference Exhibit A that identifies the restrooms and pickleball courts and the associated funding source.

Carson City can demonstrate a clear geographic and temporal separation of use of the ARPA funds. The restrooms are located on opposite ends of the park, and the ARPA funds must be encumbered in a contract by 12/31/2024 and all funds must be spent by 12/31/2026.

If Carson City is awarded the SNPLMA Round 20 proposed project for Mills Park, it is anticipated that construction would not begin until year 4 of the project which would be 2028. No SNPLMA funds are being requested to support the construction of the pickleball complex, and the pickleball courts are not an identified deliverable in the Round 20 SNPLMA nomination.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

In total, Carson City manages about 1,000 acres of neighborhood and regional parks properties throughout Carson City. These properties provide clean and safe recreation opportunities for the public, in addition to protecting cultural history. The Parks, Recreation & Open Space

Department manages and maintains these parks properties, and we have budgeted funds for maintenance of this proposed Mills Park Master Plan Implementation project.

The Carson City Parks, Recreation and Open Space Department has full and part time staff to maintain all parks and open space facilities. Current maintenance schedules for Mills Park are as follows: weed control (herbicide spraying) is conducted one or two times per year; restrooms cleaned three times per week, periodic safety checks of the overall condition of facilities, mutt-mitt stations refilled once per week, trash cans emptied three times per week. Turf is mowed, trimmed and edged weekly; aerated and fertilized annually. Irrigation is monitored throughout the 7-month growing season along with inspection at start up in the spring. Pavilions, tables, trash receptacles, sport courts, the skatepark, playground and other facilities are inspected and monitored multiple times each month by staff during event setup/tear down and while performing routine landscape maintenance.

Carson City estimates annual maintenance costs for this proposed facility to be \$90,000/year. Traditionally, maintenance of Mills Park has been funded by the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department budget (general fund) and supplemented by Carson City Question 18/Quality of Life funds when needed.

City acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the City from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the City's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is **\$14,917,800**.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the "Project Budget Detail & Narrative" spreadsheet which provides a summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ 136,231
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ 66,287
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 14,917,800	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 14,917,800	\$ 202,517
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 14,917,800	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

The cost estimates associated with the Mills Park Master Plan were produced by qualified design consultants in February 2023, and were also reviewed by Public Works engineers. These values represent projected cost estimates for the anticipated time of construction.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds: \$202,517

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: Yes, Mills Park is recognized as Carson City's most demographically diverse park, attracting every neighborhood, every school, and every income level in Carson City. Geographically, Mills Park is centrally located in the community, and it is within walking distance of many of Carson City's low-income neighborhoods. It is one of our oldest parks, and the city essentially grew up around the park. Carson High School is located immediately across the street to the east, Pioneer Alternative High School is within ¼ mile, and the Boys and Girls Club is within ¾ mile. The Carson City Library lies across the street to the west of the park. Both of Carson City's middle schools and all six of our elementary schools are within two miles of Mills Park. Three of these schools are ranked as mid-high poverty level, and one as high-poverty level, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. Carson City's population is 25% Hispanic or Latino, and persons with disabilities under the age of 65 account for 9.6% of our population, which is higher than the 8.7% national average, according to [census.gov](https://www.census.gov).

This project will make significant improvements to Mills Park that include enhancements to safety, security and access. The new playground will be the largest and most inclusive playground in Carson City with separate structures for all appropriate age groups and it will incorporate several American with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible features, encouraging people with all abilities to recreate in Mills Park. The Splash Park may offer an affordable option for relief from summer heat, considering that globally, since 2010, we have experienced ten of the hottest years on record (climate.gov). Overall, the new design for Mills Park is intended to provide residents of all ages, abilities, and demographics with a facility that is attractive, easily accessible, and feels safe, secure and comfortable.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: Yes, because of its size and centralized location, Mills Park hosts many events throughout the year, including Farmers Market, Carnivals, Kids to Parks Day, National Night Out, Movies in the Park, BOOnanza (community trick or treat), Sheriffs Motor Officer Challenge, and other celebrations. However, as expressed during public engagement, some in the Carson City community have avoided Mills Park because of safety and security concerns, outdated/damaged restrooms and parking issues. The Mills Park Master Plan specifically addresses these concerns by replacing or updating restrooms, providing additional parking, creating a better traffic flow and providing an overall design that uses a multi-disciplinary approach to crime prevention. The intent is to create a facility that will feel comfortable and be attractive to all our residents and guests. Related to the replacement of restrooms, there are three restrooms identified for replacement in the Mills Park Master Plan, one restroom located near the Aquatic Center and future Splash Park will be replaced utilizing SNPLMA funds, while two restrooms located on the east side of the park will be replaced utilizing federal appropriations from ARPA.

Another desire expressed during public engagement was for more community-based events. One resident expressed the thoughts of many others stating, “make the park the hub of the community.” These desires influenced the Master Plan, particularly with inclusion of the Promenade which will enhance opportunities for event parking and logistics, as well as improve sustainability by keeping vehicles off existing turf. It is expected that after implementation of the Master Plan, more events will be attracted to Mills Park, with correspondingly higher attendance rates.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: Yes, Mills Park is Carson City's primary regional park with more than 50 acres and is home to the Community Center and Aquatic Center. Much of the park is dated, with many amenities like the western pavilion and tennis courts aged beyond reasonable repair and one playground was removed due to its age and lack of replacement parts. This project reimagines the entire complex and will create a new facility that the entire community can be proud of. It will be an important component

of daily life because of its visibility in the middle of town and it will host a variety of events throughout the year.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: Yes, the number one comment received through public outreach was related to park safety and crime, so creation of a safer park environment was one of the primary goals of the Mills Park Master Plan. Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) is a multi-disciplinary approach of crime prevention that uses urban and architectural design and the management of built and natural environments. CPTED strategies aim to reduce victimization, deter offender decisions that precede criminal acts, and build a sense of community among inhabitants so they can gain territorial control of areas, reduce crime, and minimize fear of crime. CPTED is pronounced ‘sep-ted’ and is implemented internationally though under names such as “Designing Out Crime” and “defensible space.” CPTED design elements were incorporated into the Mills Park Master Plan and this approach can help bring more members of the community back to Mills Park, creating a safer environment for our citizens and a less desirable one for criminals.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: Yes, the primary frontage road for Mills Park is East William Street, which is a five-lane, heavily trafficked street with few crosswalks along the frontage road. Illegal pedestrian crossing of the frontage street is a common occurrence, presenting safety concerns for drivers and pedestrians. Carson City is currently working on an ARPA-funded project to improve and enhance the East William Street corridor, to include elements that will help to provide safe, non-motorized access to Mills Park. These elements include off-street paved pathways (ADA accessible), and a crosswalk to Mills Park.

Inside Mills Park, the Master Plan includes creation of a new playground that will be the largest and most inclusive in Carson City, with separate structures for all appropriate age groups and will incorporate several accessible features. A four-foot-tall perimeter fence will enhance parent supervision and ensure safety for everyone. Entry and exit gates will access both the parking area and the aforementioned pathway system.

The Master Plan also includes a splash park with low-cost entry to cover operating expenses, offering an affordable option for relief from the heat during the hottest times of the summer. Soft tiles will be considered as surfacing, in lieu of concrete.

2. RESOURCES: The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Answer: Yes, the Mills Park Master Plan offers abundant opportunities for people of all abilities to enjoy this regional park by creating a cohesive user-friendly park that responds to the needs and concerns of the community. Specifically, the Master Plan proposes improvements to enhance recreation opportunities for the community by creating a splash park, basketball court, skatepark expansion, and fitness loop. The splash park and fitness loop would be unique additions to the Carson City community, and the addition of basketball court, skatepark improvements would enhance the existing recreation opportunities available at Mills Park.

This project will also create additional amenities for the community to enjoy and engage in, including a playground, dog park, amphitheater, promenade for community events and replacement of an aging restroom facility. These features will serve to bring the community together by providing safe gathering places and recreation options. Carson City currently only has two formal dog parks, located in southern Carson City, and the nearest playground is over ½ mile away and is slated to be decommissioned, so the Mills Park playground will be regionally important for children and families.

The project also serves to enhance existing historic and cultural resources present on the property, including improvements to the historic Wungnema House, as well as the Vietnam Veteran's memorial. The Wungnema House was built by Hopi stonemasons after World War II, and the stone masonry is unique to the Carson-Tahoe region from 1925 to 1955. Improving these facilities serves to create educational opportunities with the public to connect with these features of the past and learn more about them. Lastly, the project services to enhance the environment of Mills Park by reducing turf and utilizing strategic planting in the landscape design to reduce noise congestion and impacts to residential neighbors. Additionally, Mills Park is an arboretum, where over time, 120 trees will be planted and arranged in groves in functional locations to provide shade and a self-guided educational tour.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: Yes, the Mills Park Master Plan proposes improvements to enhance recreation opportunities in Carson City by creating a splash park, basketball court, skatepark, playground, fitness loop and replacement of an aging restroom facility. Many of these features, such as the splash park, dog park and fitness loop will be creating novel recreation opportunities for the community to enjoy that do not currently exist in Carson City.

Mills Park, because of its easy access and centralized location, can help to bridge community connection to the outdoors, especially with our youth. Reimagining the existing amphitheater will provide opportunities for enhanced education at this facility, by providing a location to host Park Ranger interpretive events like Kids to Parks Day, Junior Ranger Day and other educational programming. These events have been gaining in popularity since their inception in 2018 and is one of the City's most effective tools for enhancing education and stewardship by the public. This

amphitheater could also be used to support natural resource and volunteer programming within the park as well. Lastly, the Mills Park arboretum provides opportunities for a self-guided educational tour, as well as volunteer stewardship opportunities for the community to help plant trees during Carson City's annual Arbor Day celebration.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: Yes, the Mills Park Master Plan included a variety of design elements aimed at increasing sustainability throughout the park. Examples include construction of an event promenade to improve logistics and sustainability for large community events held at the park, such as carnivals and car shows. The promenade will be constructed with a hardened surface for easy access, as well as water and power readily available to reduce several post event maintenance burdens, such as turf rehabilitation and power supply setup and tear down.

In addition, the Master Plan also identifies inclusion of a vegetation buffer, which will be an approximately 20' to 40' area adjacent to neighboring parcels on the south and east property lines where concentrated planting techniques, inclusion of additional trees can help with noise reduction and visual impacts to neighboring residential properties. Approximately three-acres of the park have been identified for turf reduction, which will decrease maintenance needs and reduce water and chemical use throughout the park. Lastly, Low Impact Development (LID) elements will be utilized where practical to reduce water-related impacts.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: Yes. Prior to Mills Park becoming a community regional park, it was informally referred to as 'Foley's Forest' and was located on the edge of the city. Subsequently, it was the site of a golf course in the 1970s. Today, the park retains some of the best mature cottonwood galleries outside of the Carson River corridor within Carson City. This community forest provides an amazing place of respite from the summer heat, while also serving spectacular autumn leaf displays right in the middle of Carson City. Mills Park is also an arboretum, where over time, 120 trees will be planted and arranged in groves in functional locations to provide additional tree diversity and shade, as well as opportunities for a self-guided educational tour.

Mills Park has a series of walking paths, in addition to the Mills Park Railroad which was built using pieces of historic Carson and Colorado Railroad. The railroad is still popular today and allows the public to experience the beauty of Mills Park by train, in addition to by foot or bicycle. The Mills Park Master Plan Implementation project aims to improve community accessibility to recreational amenities within Mills Park for the benefit of residents and tourists of Carson City. This project will bring more

visitation to Mills Park and allow for a greater portion of the community to connect with and appreciate the beauty of Mills Park and its spectacular cottonwood forest.

3. **CONNECTIVITY**: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.

Answer: Yes, Carson City has a Unified Pathways Master Plan which includes non-motorized access to Mills Park as a component of the plan. The primary frontage road for Mills Park is East William Street, and Carson City is currently working on an ARPA-funded project to improve and enhance the East William Street corridor. Many of the design elements in the East William Street Improvement Project were specified to work in harmony with the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation, including enhancement of access to Mills Park with off-street pathways and a new crosswalk. Likewise, the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project will work in conjunction with the new crosswalk by constructing a decorative and functional 4' fence to help direct pedestrian park users to enter the park through strategic locations to help reduce safety concerns and conflicts with traffic on East William Street.

Additionally, the Master Plan identifies creation of Foley's Forest Lane, which is a much-needed access roadway within Mills Park, from Seely Loop to Oxoby Loop. Currently, these loops are separated within the park, and in order to access either side by vehicle you must exit the park and navigate surface streets. This access road will improve park connectivity and ease of use, reduce congestion during large events, increase Sherriff's Office and Park Ranger patrol ability - as well as emergency responder accessibility, increase maintenance staff efficiency and add 30 parking spaces for increased access to newly installed facilities.

B. The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)

Answer: Yes, the Mills Park Master Plan was approved by the Carson City Board of Supervisors in March 2023.

Planning and development of the plan began in early 2022 with public and stakeholder surveys. Considerable public engagement continued throughout 2022, including a public meeting at Carson City's Community Center. The community's main concerns were the unhoused population, lighting, restrooms, and better security/police presence. The most popular improvements were a splash park, new playground, skatepark expansion and more community-based events. Conceptual plans were developed to incorporate the community's concerns and desires. The conceptual plans were discussed by stakeholders and city staff from Public Works, Facilities, Parks & Recreation, Sheriff's Department and the Fire Department. The plan was finalized with a goal to preserve the park's natural aesthetic and design,

while creating a cohesive user-friendly park that responds to the concerns and needs of the community.

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

Answer: Yes, Mills Park is centrally located, and it is Carson City's primary regional park. One of the central goals of Carson City's Unified Pathways Master Plan (UPMP) is connectivity of non-automobile transportation routes, and since creation of the UPMP in 2006, Carson City has made significant strides toward connecting our entire community. To that end, off-street pathways or shared street bike lanes connect Mills Park with many of Carson City's 25 neighborhood parks and playgrounds, and much of our 7,000 acres of Open Space properties. Carson City works diligently to include parks in every neighborhood, regardless of income-level. And likewise, Carson City works diligently to provide non-automobile access to our parks and Open Space properties by everyone in the community.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Answer: Yes, some residents, especially youth in Carson City's central neighborhoods, may not experience the outdoors in ways that many of us take for granted. Mills Park, because of its easy access and centralized location, can help to bridge that connection to the outdoors. It is especially important that we connect our youth with the outdoors so that they develop an appreciation for nature and a conservation ethic.

The Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department has an active Ranger/Naturalist program for persons of all ages and abilities, and they regularly conduct events like Kids to Parks Day and our Junior Ranger Program at Mills Park. One of the components of this project will be to re-purpose an existing amphitheater. Once used as a Firefighter Memorial that has been relocated outside of Mills Park, this small amphitheater will provide an outstanding platform for Rangers or other staff or guest educators to conduct an array of creative or educational programs.

Additionally, Mills Park is an arboretum, where over time, 120 trees will be planted and arranged in groves in functional locations to provide shade and a self-guided educational tour.

E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

Answer: Yes, because of its centralized location, the Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department regularly utilizes Mills Park for a variety of programs like Kids to Parks Day, Junior Ranger Program, Pollinator Parade, and Movies in the Park. The re-purposing of an existing amphitheater as a platform for educational

programs, and modifications throughout the park to improve safety, security and access, will transform Mills Park into an even more desirable location for hosting outdoor educational and recreational events and programs for persons of all ages, demographics, and abilities. It is anticipated that our Adaptive Recreation Program and Summer Day Camp will incorporate some of the new facilities like the Splash Park and the Playground (with some adaptive features), into their programming.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

Answer: Yes. In 2022, Design Workshop was contracted for conceptual images and creation of the final master plan package. Through a public stakeholder process, feedback was gathered from the community regarding concerns and proposed improvements for the park. The concepts were presented at a public meeting, as well as online and the community was able to provide further review and comment. From the process, the conceptual master plan document was presented to the Parks Commission and Board of Supervisors for final approval, and the Mills Park Master Plan was adopted by Carson City in March 2023.

The consultant who helped author the Master Plan created a cost estimate for the project. Specifically, the Mills Park Master Plan provides an Opinion of the Range of Probable Costs (pg. 26), as well as a Construction Phase Cost Estimate (pg. 27). These estimates were provided by qualified design consultants with extensive experience in the region in February 2023; these estimates were also reviewed by Public Works engineers. The projected cost estimates are for the anticipated time of construction.

B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

Answer: Yes, Mills Park is a 52.9-acre regional park, located in the heart of Carson City. This park is one of the oldest and most beloved in the Carson City community. The Park is surrounded by residential and commercial development, and the frontage is dominated by Williams Street, which is one of the main routes through Carson City, receiving both local and regional traffic given its proximity to the downtown corridor and the I-580. In addition, Mills Park is the location for the Carson City Community Center, which includes a Theater and Aquatic Center which are main attractants for the community. Additionally, the Carson City Public Library is located across the street from Mills Park to the west and Carson High School is located across the street from Mills Park to the east.

During the Master Plan development process, a community survey was produced to gather feedback from the public on concerns and suggested amenities for Mills Park. Over 1,200 responses to the survey were received, which at the time was the highest

response rate ever received from the public for a Carson City project. This helps to illustrate how important and well used this park is by the community.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: Yes. The Mills Park Master Plan considered several design elements aimed at reducing maintenance needs at the park moving forward. For example, the Promenade was included in the design in order to remedy a current maintenance issue that occurs at the park following large events such as carnivals and fairs. Specifically, during these large events vendors park on the turf, resulting in significant damage and costly rehabilitation requirements following the event. By creating an access route through the turf with hookups for power and water, it allows the vendors to park at this location and prevents damage to the turf from driving and parking. Additionally, approximately 3-acres of the park have been identified for turf reduction, which will reduce the Department's water use and turf maintenance costs at this location. For the proposed splash park, pumps, plumbing and chemicals can be maintained by Carson City Aquatic Facility staff next door, reducing overall maintenance costs. Lastly, the proposed maintenance road will provide access by maintenance staff to new park features constructed through the Master Plan Implementation Project such as the skatepark and playground.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: No. No other funding sources have been identified to fund the proposed Round 20 SNPLMA Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project. No matching funds will be allocated to this project. However, in 2021, Carson City received approximately \$1,566,720 in federal appropriations from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to fund the installation of two prefabricated restrooms within Mills Park, as well as \$500,000 to fund the construction of pickleball courts as identified in the Master Plan. The proposed Round 20 SNPLMA Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project will fund the remaining restroom installation associated with the Master Plan. Please reference the map that identifies the restrooms and pickleball courts and the associated funding source. Carson City can demonstrate a clear geographic and temporal separation of use of this funding source. No SNPLMA funds are being requested to support the construction of the pickleball complex or the two restrooms on the east side of the park, and these features are not identified deliverables in the Round 20 SNPLMA nomination. Further, the ARPA funds must be encumbered in a contract by 12/31/2024, and all funds must be spent by 12/31/2026. If Carson City is awarded the SNPLMA Round 20 proposed project for Mills Park, it is anticipated that construction would not begin until year 4 of the project which would be 2028. The elements identified for funding through ARPA are not included with the Round 20 SNPLMA Mills Park Master Plan Project nomination and are not project deliverables.

- E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: Yes, this project will renovate Carson City’s primary regional park, which is currently a high maintenance property with many outdated facilities, crumbling infrastructure, and insufficient parking. Much of the park is dated, with many amenities like the western pavilion and tennis courts aged beyond reasonable repair, and one playground was removed due to its age and lack of replacement parts. This project reimagines the entire complex and will create a new facility that the entire community can be proud of. Additionally, the renovated park will be designed and constructed for sustainability and resiliency. Specifically, the project will replace aging restrooms with high-quality, low maintenance restroom facilities with safety lighting; preserve the historic Wungnema House and make enhancements to the Vietnam Veteran’s Memorial; reduce overall turf area to decrease watering requirements and lawn care; and create additional parking to reduce conflicts associated with unauthorized parking and improved traffic flow.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America’s Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***
NA
2. ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America’s Workers***
“Buy America” will be required as part of the construction contract.
3. ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***
NA
4. ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation’s Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***
The Mills Park Master Plan Implementation supports strengthening the community of Carson City and its local economy. The project will provide new and accessible recreational opportunities for all residents. Carson City’s goal is to create a safe and comfortable place for residents to gather, to play, and to celebrate. In addition, the Master Plan will create an improved venue for hosting events. Our Culture and Tourism Authority - Visit Carson City, has expressed enthusiasm for this project because they believe it will help them to better market Carson City to certain out of town organizations looking for a location to host their events.
5. ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation’s Commitment to Environmental Justice for***

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The Mills Park Master Plan supports environmental justice from the perspective of equitable access to clean and safe outdoor recreational opportunities. Mills Park is recognized as Carson City's most demographically diverse park, attracting every neighborhood, every school, and every income level in Carson City. Geographically, Mills Park is centrally located in the community, and it is within walking distance of many of Carson City's low-income neighborhoods. It is one of our oldest parks, and the city essentially grew up around the park.

This project will make significant improvements to Mills Park that include enhancements to safety, security and access. The new playground will be the largest and most inclusive playground in Carson City with separate structures for all appropriate age groups and it will incorporate several accessible features, encouraging people of all abilities to recreate in Mills Park. The Splash Park may offer an affordable option for relief from summer heat, considering that globally, since 2010, we have experienced ten of the hottest years on record (climate.gov). Overall, the new design for Mills Park is intended to provide residents of all ages, abilities, and demographics with a facility that is attractive, easily accessible, and feels safe, secure and comfortable.

B. Secretarial Orders**1. *SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

This project will directly increase opportunities for outdoor recreation by providing improved and enhanced access to outdoor recreational facilities that are accessible to people of all abilities. The repurposed amphitheater will be used to host many of our Ranger/Naturalist programs to directly educate and excite people about public lands, nature, and conservation. Additionally, Mills Park is itself an arboretum, where over time, 120 trees will be planted and arranged in groves in functional locations to provide shade, carbon sequestration, noise reduction and a self-guided tour.

2. *SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.*

NA

3. *SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.*

NA

4. *SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior*

NA

5. *SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.*

NA

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

NA

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

NA

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

Electric bikes are permitted within Mills Park, and their use is permitted throughout Carson City on trails and pathways wherever traditional bikes are allowed. The Mills Park Master Plan includes improvements that will work in harmony with existing and planned non-automobile transportation infrastructure like pathways and bike lanes that may be used to access the park. Within the park, roads will be designed to calm traffic and maintain good lines of sight so that people on bicycles of any kind will feel comfortable and be encouraged to ride to, and within, the park.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.*** *We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.*

NA

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

NA

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*

While this project is being designed and built, it will support jobs in the fields of engineering, architecture, arts, and the trades. Additionally, Mills Park is itself an arboretum, where over time, 120 trees will be planted and arranged in groves in functional locations to provide shade, carbon sequestration, noise reduction and a self-guided tour.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America’s lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*

This project supports the continued protection of the 53-acre Mills Park site, including an arboretum, in perpetuity.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government’s trust responsibilities.*

The Mills Park Master Plan supports equity and environmental justice from the perspective of providing easy access to clean and safe outdoor recreational opportunities for all of our residents. Mills Park is recognized as Carson City’s most demographically diverse park, attracting every neighborhood, every school, and every income level in Carson City. Geographically, Mills Park is centrally located in the community, and it is within walking distance of many of Carson City’s low-income neighborhoods. It is one of our oldest parks, and the city essentially grew up around the park.

Throughout the process of developing the Master Plan, stakeholders from every neighborhood were encouraged to be engaged in providing comments, suggestions, and ideas. The result is a Master Plan that addresses the community’s desires by making significant improvements to safety, security and access. Overall, the new design for Mills Park is intended to provide residents of all ages, abilities, and demographics with a facility that is attractive, easily accessible, and feels safe, secure and comfortable.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. ***Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic***

This project provides opportunities for safe, outdoor recreation for residents from all neighborhoods within Carson City. A goal of this project is enhanced access, and a more secure environment, which we anticipate will encourage a broader sector of our residents to spend more time outdoors.

2. ***Providing economic relief***

Design and construction of the Mills Park project will support local jobs in engineering, architecture, arts, and trades. Once completed, our Culture and Tourism Authority - Visit Carson City, anticipates that Mills Park will continue to support Carson City’s economy for the long term by attracting various out of town organizations looking for an event venue. This idea was also discussed during public engagement when several people expressed a desire for more community-based events. One resident reflected the thoughts of many others when they stated, “make the park the hub of the community.” These desires influenced the Master Plan, particularly with inclusion of the Promenade which

will enhance opportunities for event parking and logistics, as well as improve sustainability by keeping vehicles off existing turf.

3. *Tackling climate change*

Mills Park is itself an arboretum, where over time, 120 trees will be planted and arranged in groves in functional locations to provide shade and carbon sequestration. Additionally, turf reduction is identified throughout the park which will reduce water use and emissions from mowing and other maintenance activities. Lastly, Mills Park is centrally located within Carson City, and the design is intended to encourage the use of non-automobile transportation to the park. Design features complement Carson City's existing and planned pathway and bike lane system and provide for easy pedestrian and bicycle traffic within the park.

4. *Advancing racial equity*

Mills Park is recognized as Carson City's most demographically diverse park, attracting every neighborhood, every school, and every income level in Carson City. Geographically, Mills Park is centrally located in the community, and it is within walking distance of many of Carson City's low-income neighborhoods. It is one of our oldest parks, and the city essentially grew up around the park. Carson High School is located immediately across the street to the east, Pioneer Alternative High School is within ¼ mile, and the Boys and Girls Club is within ¾ mile. The Carson City Library lies across the street to the west of the park. Both of Carson City's middle schools and all six of our elementary schools are within two miles of Mills Park. Carson City's population is 25% Hispanic or Latino, according to census.gov.

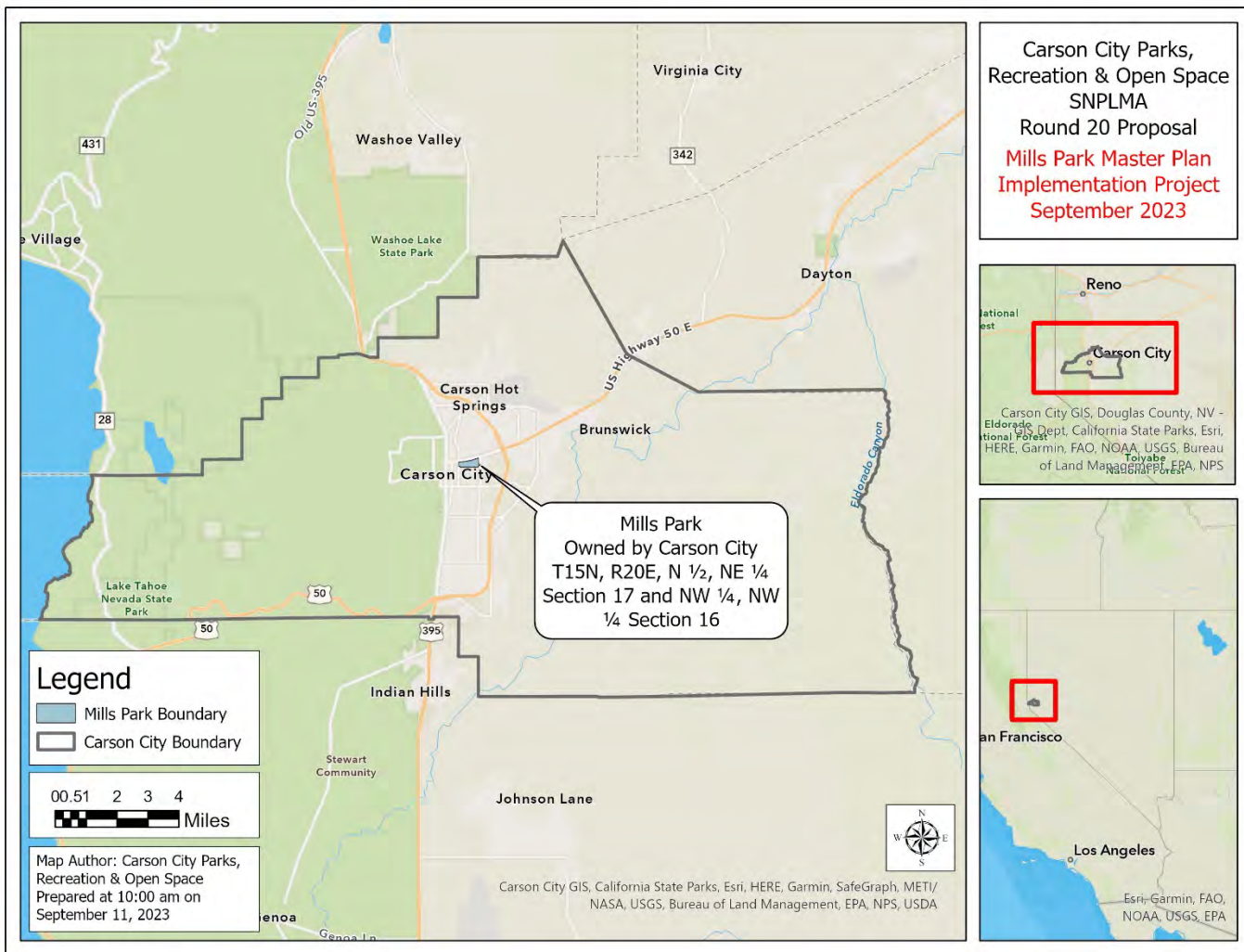
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5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

This project will support jobs in engineering, architecture, arts and trades while it is being designed and built. Additionally, because of its centralized location and proximity to several office building and retail shops, it is a popular location for workers to take a break, eat lunch, meet with friends, and take a walk. This project will address many of the safety and security concerns that were expressed during public engagement, making Mills Park an even better and more comfortable place for mid-day gathering.

M. MAPS

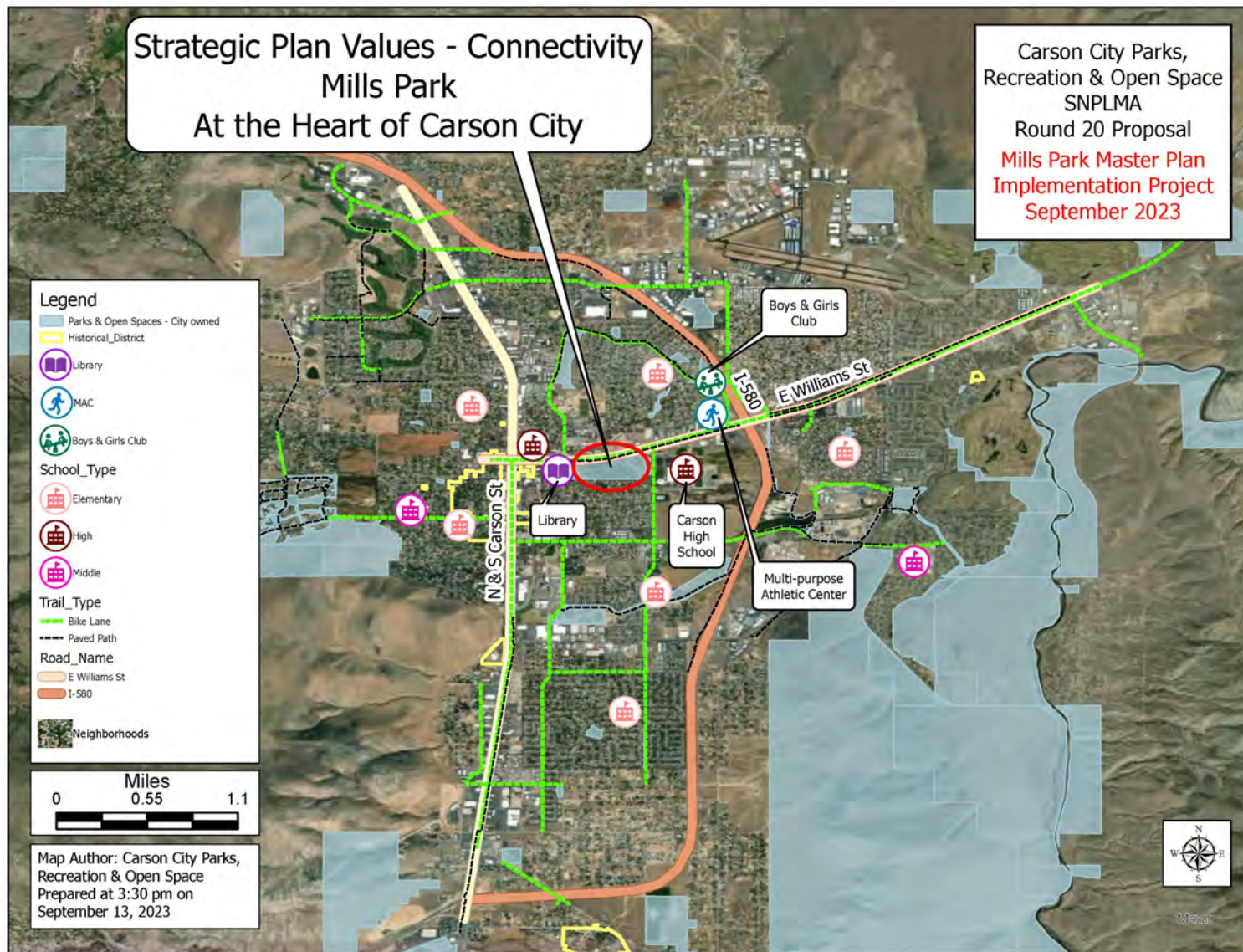
LOCATION MAP



COUNTY ASSESSOR PARCEL MAP



STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES CONNECTIVITY



STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES SUSTAINABILITY & COMMUNITY

MASTER PLAN

Strategic Plan Values

Community Elements

Sustainability Elements

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Round 20 Proposal
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September 2023



EXHIBIT A MILLS PARK FUNDING ALLOCATIONS MAP

Exhibit A. Mills Park Master Plan Funding Allocation Map

Legend

Funded by Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	Funded by American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	All other Master Plan park improvements and additions to be SNPLMA funded
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- PARK IMPROVEMENTS & ADDITIONS:**
- 1 REPLACE OR UPDATE RESTROOMS
 - 2 FENCING ALONG E. WILLIAM ST. AND AROUND SHOP
 - 3 E. WILLIAM ST. STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS
 - 4 INCREASE PARKING (TOTAL: 928 SPOTS)
 - 5 EXPAND SIZE OF VETERANS MEMORIAL
 - 6 WUNGNEMA HOUSE
 - 7 KEEP EXISTING PAVILIONS
 - 8 RELOCATE BOCCIE COURTS AND REDUCE HORSESHOE COURTS
 - 9 ADD ACCESS ROAD FROM OKOBY LOOP TO MARY TEJERIA PAVILION
 - 10 ENGINE HOUSE ARCHES
 - 11 RE-PURPOSE AMPHITHEATER
 - 12 ADD SHOP AND IMPROVE PLANTING
 - 13 VEGETATION BUFFER ALONG SOUTHERN AND EASTERN PARK EDGE
 - 14 PICKLEBALL COURTS LOCATED ADJACENT TO AQUATIC CENTER
 - 15 SKATE PARK AT CURRENT SKATE PARK LOCATION (DOUBLED IN SIZE)
 - 16 DOG PARK LOCATED NORTH OF THE AMPHITHEATER
 - 17 FITNESS LOOP WITH (3) EXERCISE STATIONS AROUND LOOPS
 - 18 PLAYGROUND LOCATED ADJACENT TO SEELY LOOP
 - 19 CONCESSION PLAZA WITH RESTROOM LOCATED RIGHT OF AQUATIC CENTER & ADD OUTDOOR SHOWERS
 - 20 SPLASH PARK LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE EXISTING AQUATIC CENTER
 - 21 2-WAY PUBLIC VEHICLE ACCESS ROAD WITH PARALLEL PARKING CONNECTING OKOBY LOOP TO SEELY LOOP
 - 22 BASKETBALL COURT



Note: 3 restrooms total, 1 funded by SNPLMA and 2 funded by ARPA

Pickleball courts funded by ARPA

West side restroom (1 of 3) funded by SNPLMA

East side restrooms (2 of 3) funded by ARPA

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N. PHOTOS

Photo 1 - aerial view of Mills Park looking west. Mills Park is centrally located within Carson City and adjacent to homes and apartments.



Photo 2 – aerial of Mills Park looking southwest. Existing parking is inadequate for large events.



Photo 3 – amphitheater will be repurposed for educational opportunities and interpretive talks.



Photo 4 – Historic Wungnema House. Improvements will be implemented per 2021 Carson City Facilities Assessment.



Photo 5 – Restroom at west end of Mills Park will be replaced.



Photo 6 – Outdoor Fitness Center will be demolished and replaced by a Fitness Loop with equipment located in 2 or 3 locations within the south side of Mills Park.

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources		
PM for Cultural / Paleontological Resources	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
C1 - Number of Cultural or Historic Sites or Structures Stabilized or Protected	<p>*Report the number (one unit for each site or each structure) where work is completed to protect, stabilize, restore, excavate, and/or manage cultural features. For sites receiving multiple treatments, count each site only once, but if multiple structures are on a site, count each structure separately. For example, an archeological dig site would be counted as one although multiple excavations may take place on the site, whereas a site having remnants of three separate dwellings would be counted as three. Report installation of interpretive signs and structures (e.g., kiosk displays) under O6. Report administrative actions such as mineral withdrawals, closures, or special designations under H1.</p> <p><i>*Report each site or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<u>1 historic structure preserved</u> (Wungnema House)
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	<u>53 acres</u> - Renovation of an existing park and associated recreational facilities.

<p>R3- Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved</p>	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<p><u>27 facilities/structures:</u> One restroom replaced; parking expansion throughout the park with landscaping and irrigation modifications; Vietnam Veteran’s Memorial expansion with ADA walkways, kiosk signage and landscaping; Wungnema House improvements; repurpose amphitheater for education; maintenance road improvements; residential neighborhood vegetation buffer; skatepark expansion (connecting sidewalks, picnic shelters (2), benches, trash receptacles and landscaping); one fenced dog park (with benches, waste stations and sidewalk connections); fitness loop sidewalk improvements and 2-3 outdoor fitness equipment installations; one fenced playground (connecting sidewalks, shade structures (2), benches, trash receptacles and landscaping improvements); one splash park and amenities (outdoor showers and concession stand, shade structure (2) fencing, sidewalk connections, irrigation and landscaping); one basketball court and parking lot (shade structure (1), benches, and trash receptacles); one event promenade area (utilities, irrigation and landscape planting); Vegetation buffer, perimeter landscaping and turf reduction as identified in the Master Plan.</p>
<p>R4- Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved</p>	<p>*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. <i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i></p>	<p><u>1 mile of recreational road constructed:</u> Foley’s Forest Lane internal connector road to improve access throughout Mills Park.</p>

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other PM	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	<p>*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed.</p> <p><i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i></p>	<p><u>17 interpretive/education signs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● One kiosk associated with the Vietnam Veteran’s Memorial ● 1-3 three-dimensional works of art ● 5-10 murals throughout the park ● 1-3 interpretive panels.
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	<p>*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable.</p> <p><i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i></p>	<p>5.6% Turf reduction throughout the entire park (approximately 3 acres) and replace with low maintenance or native landscaping to reduce water requirements and reduce gasoline usage for mowing.</p>

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



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Dear Ms. Boyer:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of Carson City (City) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 5, 2023. I would like to thank the City for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nomination as described below.

Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project – This proposal is to renovate the Mills Park consistent with the *Mills Park Master Plan* approved in March 2023, to preserve the park's natural aesthetic and design, while creating a cohesive user-friendly park that responds to the concerns and needs of the community. This 53-acre park site is City-owned since 1951, and located at 851 E. William Street, Carson City, Nevada, within M.D.M., T. 15 N., R. 20 E., sec. 16, NWNW and sec. 17 N2NE.

The proposed park renovation project is not adjacent to federal land, nor would it impact or encroach on federal resources. No cultural inventory has been completed specifically for the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project. The proposal does include further preservation of the Wungnema House within the project area, a known historic resource built by Hopi stonemasons shortly after World War II. This National Register eligible resource (Criterion C) was previously recorded in 1999 and 2011.

Per Appendix A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project may be exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act; additional project details

will be needed before a determination of effect can be made. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process and any coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office that may be needed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Terah Malsam, Realty Specialist at 775-885-6153 or tmalsam@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



Paul Fuselier
Acting Field Manager
Sierra Front Field Office

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Q. SUPPORT LETTERS



CARSON CITY, NEVADA CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPALITY AND STATE CAPITAL

November 3, 2023

Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA PTNA Program Manager
Bureau of Land Management
SNPLMA Division
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, Nevada 89130

Dear Ms. Leiber,

Please find enclosed a nomination packet for SNPLMA Round 20 for Parks, Trails and Natural Areas Development. Carson City is requesting \$14,917,800 for the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project.

Mills Park is one of Carson City's oldest parks, purchased in 1951. Today, Mills Park is Carson City's primary regional park, with approximately 52.9 acres, the Community Center and Aquatic Facility included, and is owned and maintained by the Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department. In 2023, Carson City worked to complete a comprehensive Mills Park Master Plan, with the goal to "...preserve the park's natural aesthetic and design, while creating a cohesive user-friendly park that responds to the concerns and needs of the community." Mills Park is ideally located in the heart of Carson City, proximate to several low-income neighborhoods, adjacent to Carson High School, and within two miles of all of ten of Carson City's K-12 schools, four of which are ranked as either high-poverty or mid-poverty level. Mills Park is recognized as our most demographically diverse park, and with implementation of the Master Plan, it is well suited to provide outstanding recreational opportunities and facilities to host a variety of community-based events that are accessible and inclusive and that will appeal to Carson City's diverse population and all neighborhoods.

Project components will enhance public opportunities for recreation, education, community-based events, and activities, some of which will be new and unique to Carson City, like a Splash Park. When completed, this centrally located project will provide crucial amenities to improve safety, security, and access for all of Carson City's residents. Additionally, because of proximity and non-motorized connectivity, this park will provide easily accessible recreational opportunities and facilities to low-income neighborhoods and schools within Carson City.

Enclosed find one hardcopy of the nomination including narratives, ranking criteria, maps, cost estimates, and letters of support. Please let us know of any other information that would clarify our project.

Sincerely yours,

Jennifer Budge, CPRP
Director



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November 3, 2023

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RE: Support for Carson City's Mills Park Master Plan Implementation, a SNPLMA R20 Nomination

Dear Ms. Leiber, Partners Working Group and Executive Committee:

I would like to offer my support for the Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department's (CCPROS) nomination to the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) for the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation.

Mills Park is Carson City's primary regional park, with approximately 52.9 acres, and includes important community amenities such as the Community Center and Aquatic Facility. The goal of the Mills Park Master Plan is to "...preserve the park's natural aesthetic and design, while creating a cohesive user-friendly park that responds to the concerns and needs of the community."

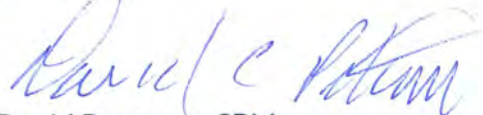
Because of its size and centralized location, Mills Park hosts many events throughout the year, including Farmers Market, Carnivals, Kids to Parks Day, National Night Out, Movies in the Park, BOOnanza (community trick or treat), Sheriff's Motor Officer Challenge, and other celebrations. However, as expressed during public engagement, some in the Carson City community have avoided Mills Park because of safety and security concerns, outdated/damaged restrooms, and parking issues. The Mills Park Master Plan specifically addresses these concerns by replacing or updating restrooms, providing additional parking, creating a better traffic flow, and providing an overall design that uses a multi-disciplinary approach to crime prevention. The intent is to create a facility that will feel comfortable and be attractive to all our residents and guests.

It has been said that Mills park should be the "Hub of Our Community", and I believe that is a likely outcome from this project, especially with inclusion of the Promenade which will enhance opportunities for event parking and logistics, as well as improve sustainability by keeping vehicles off existing turf. I am confident that after implementation of the Master Plan, more events will be attracted to Mills Park, with correspondingly higher attendance rates.

Visit Carson City works diligently to support economic development in Carson City by attracting events throughout the year. We need an improved venue capable of hosting certain events, and I believe this Mills Park Master Plan, when implemented, will fill an existing void.

We thank you for your consideration for this grant request. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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David Peterson, CPM
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October 30, 2023

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RE: Support for Carson City's Mills Park Master Plan Implementation, a SNPLMA R20 nomination

Dear Ms. Leiber, Partners Working Group and Executive Committee:

Our non-profit, Muscle Powered, Citizens for a Walkable and Bikeable Carson City, would like to offer our support for the Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department's (CCPROS) nomination to the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) for the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation.

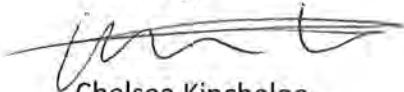
Mills Park is Carson City's primary regional park, with approximately 52.9 acres, and includes important community amenities such as the Community Center and Aquatic Facility. The goal of the Mills Park Master Plan is to "...preserve the park's natural aesthetic and design, while creating a cohesive user-friendly park that responds to the concerns and needs of the community." Mills Park is ideally located in the heart of Carson City, proximate to several low-income neighborhoods, adjacent to Carson High School, and within two miles of all of ten of Carson City's K-12 schools, four of which are ranked as either high-poverty or mid-poverty level. Mills Park is recognized as our most demographically diverse park, and with implementation of the Master Plan, it is well suited to provide outstanding recreational opportunities and facilities to host a variety of community-based events that are accessible and inclusive and that will appeal to Carson City's diverse population and all neighborhoods.

Because of its size and centralized location, Mills Park hosts many events throughout the year, including Farmers Market, Carnivals, Kids to Parks Day, National Night Out, Movies in the Park, BOOnanza (community trick or treat), Sheriffs Motor Officer Challenge, and other celebrations. Muscle powered would like to encourage non-motorized access to these events and all the

planned new facilities at Mills Park. The Mills Park Master Plan supports non-automobile access and connectivity by working in harmony with existing and planned pathway projects. Additionally, the creation of Foley's Forest Lane will address existing vehicle congestion issues and helping to make the park more pedestrian and bike friendly.

We thank you for your consideration of this nomination. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Chelsea Kincheloe
Muscle Powered President
ckincheloe@musclepowered.org

November 1, 2023

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RE: Support for Carson City's Mills Park Master Plan Implementation, a SNPLMA R20 nomination

Dear Ms. Leiber, Partners Working Group and Executive Committee:

Carson Animal Services Initiative (CASI) would like to offer our support for the Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department's nomination to the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) for the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation.

CASI is a non-profit organization that was founded in 2012 to help raise funds for a new animal shelter. CASI now focuses on pets in need, and we advocate for pet welfare throughout Carson City. Dog parks can be an important component of pet welfare, especially for residents who may live in apartments or otherwise have limited access to places for their dogs to play and get exercise outdoors. Mills Park is Carson City's primary regional park, with approximately 53 acres, and it includes important community amenities such as the Community Center and Aquatic Facility, but currently no dog park.

Mills Park is ideally located in the heart of Carson City, proximate to several low-income neighborhoods and several large apartment complexes. It is recognized as our most demographically diverse park, and with implementation of the Master Plan, it is well suited to provide outstanding recreational opportunities and facilities to host a variety of community-based events that are accessible and inclusive and that will appeal to Carson City's diverse population and all neighborhoods. CASI is excited that one of the Mills Park Master Plan additions is an *Off-Leash Dog Park* with separate fenced areas for large and small dogs with a walkway buffer area between, shade trees surrounding both, double gated entrances, and benches around the perimeter.

CASI also looks forward to some of the other planned amenities within the Mills Park Master Plan, such as the Promenade and Re-Purposed Amphitheater, which may provide opportunities for our organization to host educational and fund-raising events. We believe the Mills Park Master Plan, once completed, will be an important asset to our community.

We thank you for your consideration of this nomination. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Lisa Schuette, CASI Chair and Founder



November 2, 2023

Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA PTNA Program Manager
 BLM Southern Nevada District Office – SNPLMA Division
 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
 Las Vegas, Nevada 89130

Re: Support for Carson City's Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project, SNPLMA grant nomination

Dear Ms. Leiber, Partners Working Group and Executive Committee:

The Wheelhouse supports the Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department's (CCPROS) grant application to the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) for the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project.

The WheelHouse is Carson City's premier shop for the latest in street wear and skate apparel, skateboards, bikes, scooters, longboards and roller skates. Wheelhouse is based on the idea that nothing is impossible without planning, and the willingness to just try. Our goal is to bring out success in people. By giving them the support and motivation they need to just keep moving, we hope to build more richness into the community. The future is what we make it, and it's not going to change itself.

Mills Park is Carson City's primary regional park, with approximately 52.9 acres, and includes important community amenities such as the Virginia Orcutt Skate Park, which was Carson City's original skate park and was built more than 25 years ago. The Wheelhouse is located only 0.5 miles from Mills Park, which is a two-minute drive or a four-minute bike ride between locations. The skate park is an important recreational amenity in Mills Park and is utilized by our cliental often. It was the first skate park in the area and is now due for expansion and revitalization to keep up with the continuously growing sport. During the public engagement phase of the Mills Park Master Plan, the skate park was referenced by the public many times – noting the need for expansion of this facility. Specifically, 104 of 1,200 respondents referenced the skate park, which represents approximately 8.6% of responses. The proposed skate park expansion includes a 10,000 square foot expansion to the existing footprint on the north and west sides. The goal of the skatepark expansion will be to incorporate the existing features into a much larger skate park that has design features for every skill level from beginning to advanced. These improvements will compliment two annual skate competition events at the skate park that we partner with Carson City on, with 130 competitors registered each year.

When completed, this centrally located project will provide crucial amenities to improve safety, security, and access for all of Carson City's residents, and will revitalize an existing community fixture for the benefit of our residents and cliental.

Thank you for your consideration of this valuable project in Carson City for the benefit of our community.

Sincerely,

Matt Barrtak
 Manager/Owner

WheelHouse
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 Carson City, Nevada 89701



Carson City Railroad Association

On the Route of the V&T Railroad

November 2, 2023

Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA PTNA Program Manager
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Las Vegas, Nevada 89130

Re: Carson City Railroad Association Support for Carson City's Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project, SNPLMA grant nomination

Dear Ms. Leiber, Partners Working Group and Executive Committee:

The Carson City Railroad Association (CCRA) fully supports the Carson City Parks, Recreation & Open Space Department's (CCPROS) grant application to the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) for the Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project.

CCRA is a non-profit, educational organization that has been operating the *Carson & Mills Park Railroad* in Mills Park since 1981. Our two-foot narrow gauge train takes kids and families on a 1-¼ mile round trip through the park. CCRA operates the only two-foot gauge railroad in Nevada. CCRA supports the Mills Park Master Plan and the goals outlined in the plan including, "...preserve the park's natural aesthetic and design, while creating a cohesive user-friendly park that responds to the concerns and needs of the community." Mills Park is recognized as our most demographically diverse park, and with implementation of the Master Plan, it is well suited to provide outstanding recreational opportunities, like the railroad, and to host a variety of community-based events that are accessible and inclusive and that will appeal to Carson City's diverse population and all neighborhoods. The betterment of Mills Park results in the betterment of CCRA and the betterment of the community.

The Mills Park Master Plan Implementation Project will enhance public opportunities for recreation, education, community-based events, and activities, some of which will be new and unique to Carson City. While the Implementation Project does not directly benefit the railroad, other proposed amenities such as improved access, restroom replacements, a new basketball court, a fenced dog park, expansion of the skate park, maintenance road improvements, and a promenade designed for food trucks and vendors during large events will result in new visitors to the park and have a positive indirect impact on the railroad. When completed, this centrally located project will provide crucial amenities to improve safety, security, and access for all of Carson City's residents.



Carson City Railroad Association

On the Route of the V&T Railroad

I, and CCRA, fully support the CCPROS grant application, and we are excited that the Mills Park Master Plan is moving forward for the benefit all of Carson City's residents, and we look forward to increased ridership on the Carson and Mills Park Railroad!

Sincerely,

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Chris Martinovich, PE
CCRA Vice-President

**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updates as of February 2024**

Nomination: Tab 14

Entity: City of Henderson

Project: Morrell Park Renovation

Section A – Background

“...the 20-acre Morrell Park serves as a community hub for the Valley View neighborhood. The park property is divided into three Clark County Assessor parcels, with the City of Henderson owning 15.17 acres (10.52 acres, APN 179-172-02-002, and 4.65 acres, 179-173-04-001) and the School Board of Trustees (also referred as the Clark County School District (CCSD)) owning 20.92 acres (179-172-02-003).

Comment: Morrell Park proposed for renovation is ~15 acres (10.52 acres, 179-172-02-002; and 4.65 acres, 179-173-04-001). Parcel 179-172-02-003 is owned by State of Nevada.

- Eligible entities such as the City of Henderson may not nominate PTNA projects on land owned and controlled by the State of Nevada.
- Projects proposed on land within the eligible jurisdiction (City of Henderson) that is leased from the State of Nevada may be eligible providing the lease is a long-term instrument that provides adequate rights and control over the land on which the project would be constructed. Any such proposal must include a full explanation of the lease terms and conditions and will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis before the nomination is accepted.

Section C – Purpose Statement

Comment: The nomination “Purpose” statement requires a concise statement that identifies the who, what, where, and why of the proposed project. The purpose statement will be updated to identify City of Henderson location ownership of the proposed project site.

Section D – Project Deliverables

Primary Deliverables:

a) Demolish east side parking lot and reconstruct new lighted parking lot with 175 parking spaces).

Comment: City clarified Primary Deliverable - Item a) “*Demolish east side parking lot and reconstruct new lighted parking lot with 175 parking spaces (~1.5 acres).*”

f) Install 8-12 shade structures.

Comment: City clarified Primary Deliverable - Item f) “*Install 8-12 shade structures (minimum 12-ft. x12-ft.)*” City will need to provide an approximate maximum size of the shade structures. The SNPLMA Program Manager will work with the city for this update.

Anticipated Deliverables: inclusion will be based on the results of final planning, design, cost estimates, public scoping, or other studies, analyses, or reports:

Comment: This deliverable is incomplete and not measurable; and will be deleted from the final nomination.

Section E - Project location

“Parcel Number 17917303015 for Enhanced Crosswalks with RRFB, City of Henderson”

Comment: The city provided the correct APN 179-17-399-003 for the proposed crossing at Harris Street.

- City explained that the installation of one crosswalk along APN 179-17-399-003 (Harris Street) is Item 12 on the Conceptual Plan and Item M in the Primary Deliverables.
- City provided confirmed ownership of Harris Street via dedication deed for road and utility purposes.
- Enhancements to two existing crosswalks along Major Ave (APNs 179-17-399-007, 179-17-399-014 and 179-17-299-019) are Primary Deliverable – Item I, and Conceptual Plan Item 25. These parcels are owned by the city.

Section I – Project Budget (and Excel Budget Detail)

Tab 2 “Fringe Benefits” costs: City provided an updated budget detail to correct fringe cost calculation formulas. This resulted in an update to the amount requested for SNPLMA funding and non-federal cost share. The corrected SNPLMA request amount is \$18,583,513. Updated cost calculations have also been updated in the project nomination cover and narrative section, the SNPLMA Nomination Portal and the Round 20 financial tracker presented to the PWG in March 2024.

Tab 6 “Contractual” costs: The SNPLMA Program Manager will continue to work with the city to obtain more cost details on how the city derived at lump sum amounts for each line-item contractual cost identified in the budget detail.

Section H – Future O&M

Comment: City confirmed the annual O&M cost is \$325,600 annually. This will be updated in the nomination.

Section M – Maps “Conceptual Aerial Plan”

Comment: County has provided a legible PDF copy of the Master Plan conceptual site drawings and updated maps for the Strategic Values Map and Exhibit A (Funding Allocations) map. The nomination will be updated.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

City of Henderson



Morrell Park Renovation

Amount Requested: \$18,583,513

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Henderson (“City”) is proposing a comprehensive redesign of Morrell Park to improve its utilization by the surrounding neighborhood and wider community. This project aims to increase park activity and elevate it to City facility standard. Located in the Eastside Redevelopment Area near to Downtown Henderson, Morrell Park is one of the oldest parks in Henderson. The City believes the renovation will be a catalyst for positive change in the local community and will attract private investment to the surrounding neighborhood.

Situated south of Nevada State Route 564 (E. Lake Mead Parkway) and east of State Route 582 (S. Boulder Highway) at the corner of N. Major Avenue and Harris Street in Henderson, Clark County, Nevada, the 20-acre Morrell Park serves as a community hub for the Valley View neighborhood. It is located next to Robert Taylor Elementary School and various community-focused organizations. The Valley View Recreation Center, located in the heart of the park, offers diverse recreational and educational programs to the wider community. Among the park’s existing amenities are a baseball field complex, a skate park, a playground, basketball courts, and sand volleyball courts. The park also features open grass spaces, picnic spots, and barbecue grills. The park property is divided into three Clark County Assessor parcels, with the City of Henderson owning 15.17 acres (10.52 acres, APN 179-172-02-002, and 4.65 acres, 179-173-04-001) and the School Board of Trustees (also referred as the Clark County School District (CCSD)) owning 20.92 acres (179-172-02-003).

The City has a strategic goal to provide every resident within a 10-minute walk to a park. The neighborhood within which Morrell Park is located has been identified as an area deficient in parks and recreational facilities. The project will help address this absence by providing the community with an accessible outdoor space that will provide an enjoyable recreational experience while addressing environmental justice. Additionally, the Morrell Park Renovation advances several City plans, including the Henderson Strong Comprehensive Plan, Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Henderson Age-Friendly Action Plan, East Henderson Investment Strategy, Henderson Open Space and Trails Plan, Henderson Master Bicycle and Trail Plan, and the 10-minute walk-to-park campaign.

In 2019, the City’s Parks and Recreation Master Plan analyzed the conditions of all its recreational facilities with the intention to guide the future development and redevelopment of its parks, trails, recreational programs, and other community facilities. In collaboration with City Staff and a separate consultant team, the Parks and Recreation Department assembled a comprehensive existing facility inventory, conducted a needs assessment, and developed an action plan driven by community goals and objectives. The study revealed the City has significantly less parkland compared to Clark County and other communities in the region. Based on the observations compiled from the existing facilities inventory, the 2019 Master Plan recommended that site specific improvements were required to Morrell Park to enhance park visibility and natural surveillance, accessibility, and overall user experience.

The Morrell Park Renovation will also be designed in a way that addresses AB356, a Nevada legislature enacted in 2021 that seeks to prohibits the use of water to irrigate nonfunctional turf and to increase efficient water use by 2026. Existing fescue grass, which consumes 1-2 inches of

water per week, will be replaced with a Hybrid Bermuda grass, which is more adapted to desert climates and consumes 0.5 – 1.5 inches of water per week. Approximately 116,468 square feet of fescue grass will be removed from Morrell Park, resulting in an estimate of 6,405,740 gallons of water saved per year.

In summary, the Morrell Park project seeks to renovate and reinvigorate approximately 15 acres of City owned property. It aims to provide the public with an experience that connects them to nature and is mindful of the environment. This project aims to increase outdoor recreational participation for people of all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities, thereby enhancing the quality-of-life opportunities in an area with socio-economic challenges. By retaining as much of the existing mature tree coverage as possible, introducing climate appropriate landscaping and progressive stormwater management, the scheme aims to reconnect residents within a naturalized environment.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

Amongst other associated amenities the existing BMX skatepark at Morrell Park was funded through SNPLMA Round 6, Downs 5/Downtown Trail Connections, HN30.

The current proposed nomination for Morrell Park Renovation will not be completed in phases and is a stand-alone, viable project.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

The City acknowledges if in the future another phase were to develop, there is no guarantee or expectation of funding.

The City has the capacity and capability to properly manage project performance, conducted internally and with subrecipients, contractors, and subcontractors, consistent with the SNPLMA business rules and cooperative agreement regulations. The City will provide oversight and monitoring before, during, and after project implementation. For completed deliverables versus remaining deliverables, and how to measure and ensure the project is in compliance with scope (time, costs and purpose), the following tools will be used to quantifiably track and report project performance:

Pre-construction (Design)

- Consultant Selection
- Consultant Contract Approval
- Construction Documents
- Public Bid Process
- City Council Approval
- Contractor Notice to Proceed

Construction

- Project Schedule
- Budget Reconciliation

- Contract Administration Documents
- Bi-weekly Construction Meetings
- Punchlist
- Substantial Completion
- Close Out
- Warranty Period

If this project is approved for SNPLMA funding, the City will use this data as part of the performance narrative annual/semi-annual reporting requirements post award.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The proposed project will promote the goals of the PTNA identified in the Strategic Plan. This will be accomplished by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values: connectivity, sustainability, and community as described below.

1. Sustainability:

The City recognizes the severity of the drought conditions facing Southern Nevada and as a result, we continue to be stewards of the land and ensure our buildings and parks are constructed with sustainability in mind.

With ongoing drought conditions affecting water levels at Lake Mead, a newly implemented law, [AB 356](#), is aimed at increasing efficient water use throughout Southern Nevada. The useless grass removal law prohibits the use of water delivered by SNWA's member agencies to irrigate decorative grass in streetscapes, medians, parking lots, and other areas where it is used for aesthetics and not recreational purposes by the end of 2026.

To comply with AB356, the proposed Morrell Park Renovation will utilize drought-tolerant, low-water use, native plants, trees or other desert-friendly landscaping in accordance with the approved [Southern Nevada Water Authority \(SNWA\) Regional Plant List](#). Existing Fescue grass, which consumes 1-2 inches of water per week, will be replaced with a Hybrid Bermuda grass, which is more adapted to desert climates and consumes 0.5 – 1.5 inches of water per week. Approximately 116,468 square feet of Fescue grass will be removed from Morrell Park, resulting in an estimate of 6,405,740 gallons of water saved per year.

Additionally, Morrell Park will follow the City of Henderson's water conservation measures already in place including the conservation watering schedule designed to help maximize water

efficiency. This schedule is created by a centrally controlled irrigation system that monitors daily weather station data, utilizes computerized controllers, and applies the optimum amount of water needed to keep plants healthy.

The project will seek to preserve as many of the existing matured trees as possible within the efforts of the renovation process, as well as introducing additional shading structures to assist with urban heat island effect mitigation.

A LED lighting scheme will be deployed for energy efficiency while also improving natural surveillance and the comfort qualities of the park. In addition, a progressive stormwater management approach is integral to the project, along with its associated benefits for green infrastructure, while the comprehensive re-design of the park will also incorporate and facilitate routine long-term maintenance of its features to lessen potential future costs.

The Renovation project follows on from a community outreach exercise undertaken in late 2021 along with a Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA). The site assessment concluded that no indications of Recognized Environmental Conditions, Historical Recognized Environmental Conditions, or Controlled Recognized Environmental Conditions are present onsite. The collaborative approach also ensures the project responds to community engagement feedback by addressing safety concerns and by providing an enhanced recreational offer for all people to enjoy no matter their age, background, or physical ability. This involved and evolved approach will ensure the project is durable, relevant, and has shared support. The City is confident that through the delivery of the conceptual Master Plan, Morrell Park will continue to be the community hub and recreational destination for the wider community to enjoy for years to come.

2. Connectivity:

The Renovation project's enhancements will encompass desert-friendly, climate-appropriate landscaping with drought-tolerant plant varieties. Accordingly, green infrastructure improvements, aligned with progressive stormwater management, hold a central role in the proposed redevelopment of the park, resulting in improvements to the ecological connections and qualities of the landscape.

Walkability and recreational connectivity are also fundamental components of the project. Several trails, including the Boulder Highway, Lake Mead, and Burkholder trails, can be found within a half-mile radius of the park, an optimal distance for comfortable pedestrian travel. The scheme will build on these links by improving existing bicycle and pedestrian access to and through the park as well as onto the surrounding land uses, including the Robert Taylor Elementary School and numerous other community-focused organizations (see Connectivity and Community maps attached).

The increasing importance of outdoor and nature experiences for physical and mental well-being is well recognized and the renovation project aims to reconnect the community to the park by revitalizing its natural environment; by providing a new event and communal space via the active natural lawn and showmobile/stage location, and by offering enhanced passive and recreational opportunities for people of all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities.

3. Community:

According to 2021 US Census American Communities Survey (ACS) 5-year estimates, Census Tract (54.22 and 54.23) data highlight that although predominantly white (66.9%), there is a sizeable Hispanic community (36.5%), which significantly exceeds the wider Henderson average (18.6%). The area also has a higher proportion of children up to the age of 17 years, with 6.7% of the population under 5 and 21.2% aged 5 to 17 years, which again exceeds the Henderson averages of 4.8% and 16.7%, respectively. In addition, the percentage of the population 75 or older is 9.3%, which exceeds the 8% average for Henderson.

The rented housing sector also exceeds that of the wider Henderson mean, with 51.6% as compared to 35.4%. The census poverty data also compares unfavorably across all levels relative to the Henderson and Clark County averages. By way of example, 19.2% are below 100% of the poverty level, comparing unfavorably to 6.1% for Henderson and 13.6% for Clark County. Educational attainment levels also fall below Henderson and Clark County, with only 7.3% holding a bachelor's degree and 3.4% holding a graduate or professional degree. This compares to 21.8% and 13.1%, respectively for Henderson, and 17.1% and 8.7%, respectively, for Clark County. It is clear, therefore, that the area has age, housing, poverty, and educational challenges.

In addition, since January of 2021, Morrell Park has been the subject of 323 reported crimes. The conceptual Master Plan implements Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles based on natural access control, natural surveillance, territoriality, activity support, and maintenance. CPTED strategies aim to deter offender decisions that precede criminal acts and to build a sense of community among residents in the neighborhood through urban and architectural design.

By building on and supplementing the existing amenities, most notable of which is the existing Valley View Recreation Center, the contemporary offer of passive and active recreational opportunities proposed should not only enhance but significantly reset the relationship the local community has with the park. Community outreach has been undertaken, and the results of that exercise have been the foundation on which the conceptual Master Plan has evolved. The project has been conceived and designed to have a regenerative impact on the community's vitality and connectedness while encouraging and stimulating opportunities for growth.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The City of Henderson is proposing to renovate and reinvigorate the aging Morrell Park, originally built in the 1960s, with contemporary amenities to meet community outdoor recreational needs and bring it up to City standard. The 15-acre park project includes the demolition of the existing parking lot for improved reconstruction and accessibility, a communal active lawn area with an adjacent showmobile/stage location and food truck-pullout parking area, the installation of shaded and lighted park amenities, age-appropriate play areas, an interactive splash pad, a dog park, walking paths, and reconfigured ball fields. The park is located in the Eastside Redevelopment Area within the Valley View neighborhood in Henderson, Clark County, Nevada. The proposed renovation of Morrell Park will reinvigorate a once popular park with updated and new amenities to help reconnect residents with a natural environment and bring positive change to the surrounding low-income neighborhood.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables:
 - a. Demolish east side parking lot and reconstruct new lighted parking lot with 175 parking spaces)
 - b. Install one new restroom building with drinking fountains
 - c. Install one shaded playground with age 2-5 and 5-12 play equipment, approx. 7,000-10,000 SF
 - d. Install one lighted interactive splash pad, approx. 1,500-2,500 SF
 - e. Install 30,000 SF to 35,000 SF of turf (Hybrid Bermuda)
 - f. Install 8-12 shade structures
 - g. Install one half-acre dog park with tube steel fencing
 - h. Install 90,000 SF – 100,000 SF of hardscape for:
 1. 12' wide lighted trail/paths
 2. 15' wide lighted trail/paths
 3. Showmobile/stage
 4. Food truck pull-out and parking area
 - i. Install 4 (200' wide) lighted artificial turf ball fields
 - j. Install 8 sets of 4-row bleachers
 - k. Construct a 2,000 SF to 2,500 SF sports building with concession, public restrooms, and staff space. Staff space will consist of approx. 250 SF to 320 SF.
 - l. Enhance 2 existing crosswalks with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB)
 - m. Install 1 crosswalk along Harris Street
 - n. Install 16-22 trash receptacles
 - o. Install 16-22 recycle receptacles
 - p. Install 16-22 site benches
 - q. Install 6-10 picnic tables
 - r. Install 3-5 drinking fountains
 - s. Install conduit for security cameras (cameras to be provided by COH)
 - t. Conduit for Wi Fi
 - u. 1-3 bicycle parking areas with shade
 - v. Install 1 monument sign
 - w. Install landscaping and irrigation
 - x. Install Park lighting
 - y. Install 1 park rules sign

*Please note: All amenities proposed are project specific and will be permanent fixtures of the project. Some of the amenities where ranges are provided, are contingent upon the final results of the design, public scoping, and final cost estimates at the time the design is completed.

2. Anticipated Deliverables: inclusion will be based on the results of final planning, design, cost estimates, public scoping, or other studies, analyses, or reports:
3. Standard Deliverables:
 - a. Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) including

- any require cultural survey.
- b. Developing scopes of work for contracts
- c. Final design
- d. Submitting and obtaining management approval of project documents
- e. Construction documents
- f. Specialist's review of project documents
- g. Construction phase

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: Morrell Park, 500 Harris St, Henderson, NV 89015

Legal Description: MDM, Clark County, Nevada: T.22S., R.63E., Sec. 17

Parcel Number(s):

- 17917202002 (10.52 ac) Morrell Park, City of Henderson
- 17917304001 (4.65 ac) Morrell Park, City of Henderson
- 17917303015 Enhanced Crosswalks with RRFB, City of Henderson

Land Use: Public and Semipublic (PS); Zoning: Public Space Residential Development (PS-RD)

Latitude and Longitude: 36.0345650000 -114.9696520000

Congressional District(s): Nevada District 1

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

The City proposes the project will be completed within 5 years from the date of the awarded SNPLMA financial instrument (assistance agreement). A year-by-year breakdown is as follows:

Year 1: SNPLMA Cooperative Agreement/Federal Environmental & Sec. 106 Compliance

- Request to initiate, develop project workplan; pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM.
- Respond to the Notice of Intent to Award by federal financial assistance application submittal.
- Coordinate with BLM on any required environmental review and Section 106 compliance.
- Request and receive SNPLMA NTP.

Year 2: Project Design and Preliminary Architecture & Engineering

- Develop scope of work for park design contract services; solicit request for proposals.
- Execute design contract, start development of construction drawings.
- Construction bid process, City Council approval to award construction contract.

Year 3/4: Project Construction – Primary Deliverables

- Execute Construction Contract.
- Notice to Proceed
- Pre-construction kick-off meeting
- Permitting, site preparation, utility installation/relocation
- Notice to Proceed issued for project construction.

- Construct an approximately 15-acre park site.
- Install park amenities
- Punch list
- Finalize punch list items, payment of final construction contract invoices.

Year 5: Project Closeout

- Reconcile project file, financial expenditures, and unliquidated obligations.
- Conduct final site inspection with SNPLMA PM.
- Prepare closeout request package and update SMART.
- Submit final financial report (SF-425) and performance narrative via Grant Solutions
- Submit closeout request package.

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

The proposed project is shovel-ready and prepared to move forward with construction within the five-year timeframe. A Phase I ESA was completed in October 2022 to identify potential or existing environmental contamination liabilities, including potential soil and/or groundwater contamination, and threats to the environment and/or human health. Based on the conclusions of the Phase I ESA, no evidence of Recognized Environmental Conditions (REC) were found, and no known cultural/biological resources will be impacted by the project. Public outreach and a conceptual Master Plan have also been completed.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

Morrell Park has previously benefited from a SNPLMA award as part of Round 6. The Downs 5/Downtown Trail Connections (Project HN30, Priority 6-40) included the construction of the existing skate park, along with a restroom building and bleachers. The project was developed in the area of Morrell Park owned by the CCSO (APN 179-172-02-003), which lies outside of the scope of the proposed project.

For the current SNPLMA Rd20 nomination, the proposed Morrell Park Renovation has not applied or received funding from another source.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Operations and maintenance for this project will be performed by existing city staff using existing equipment. Estimated maintenance and operation costs are \$325,600 annually. Maintenance will include regular site maintenance inspections for dog park cleanup, trash cleanup, trail cleanup, ball fields netting, bleachers and turf care, athletic field maintenance, irrigation maintenance, tree maintenance, lighting maintenance, weed control, restroom cleanup, playground equipment inspections and maintenance, splash pad maintenance, park fencing, and any other upkeep associated with a park in an appropriate condition for the community to use.

The renovation project was presented to and accepted by the City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Board on August 2, 2023. The Mayor and members of the Henderson City Council reviewed and approved the proposal during the City Council meeting held on September 5, 2023, and committed to any future operation and maintenance costs when the project is completed.

The City acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the City from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the City's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is **\$18,583,513**.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the "Project Budget Detail & Narrative" spreadsheet that provides a summary and breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 936,206	\$ 135,211
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ 481,634	\$ 75,477
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ 20,000
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 17,165,674	\$ 161,000
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 18,583,513	\$ 391,689
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 18,583,513	\$ 391,689

Cost-Benefit Analysis:

The cost for the park renovation was developed in conjunction with the conceptual Master Plan. The consultant (Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.) who provided the cost estimate, is experienced with providing the information typical of park construction. The costs are reasonable with the type of work proposed and magnitude for the project.

The cost of improving Morrell Park will have a significant positive impact on the residents, it will help to increase physical activity. Public open spaces, including parks, provide opportunities for physical activity across a range of diverse population groups. Parks with more amenities have been shown to increase use and encourage physical activity. Yet compared with high socio-economic position neighborhoods, parks in low socio-economic position such as the Valley View neighborhood where Morrell Park is located, have been shown to have fewer amenities likely to encourage physical activity and tend to be of lower quality in terms of amenities and aesthetics.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

The City will provide an in-kind contribution of staff time (salary plus fringe benefit costs) in the amount of \$210,689. The time includes a Park Planner involved with the project from its design inception through to construction completion and for the Park Project Manager to provide oversight.

The City will also provide funding for security cameras that will be located throughout the park, the maintenance yard north of the ballfields, and for the non-public space within the sports building. There will be five cameras that will be installed during construction and the cost for the cameras is approximately \$20,000. The non-public space within the sports building will be approximately \$161,000 for staff space and will consist of approximately 250 SF to 320 SF, while \$17,000 will be required to cover the cost of the maintenance yard wall and gates. The total cost for in-kind and contributed funds is \$391,689. These contributed funds will be outlined in the assistance agreement as a non-federal funding resource and will be tracked and reported by the City consistent with the 2 CFR 200.

J. KEY CONTACTS

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category. Nominating entities are not to include either the total point value or the point values by criteria in their responses. Nominations will be reviewed and scored by the PTNA subgroup.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: The proposed Renovation project will improve the existing Morrell Park in the Valley View Neighborhood, originally built in the early 1960s and later expanded in the 1990s, it was

subsequently enhanced with SNPLMA Rd 6 funding. The park is situated in one of the City's oldest, most diverse, and economically underserved neighborhoods.

According to the 2021 US Census ACS 5-year estimates, the Census Tracts (54.22 and 54.23) within and immediately adjacent to Morrell Park highlight that although predominantly white (66.9%), there is a significant Hispanic community (36.5%), significantly exceeding the wider Henderson average (18.6%). The area also has a higher proportion of children up to the age of 17 years, with 6.7% of the population under 5 and 21.2% aged 5 to 17 years, which compares to the Henderson averages of 4.8% and 16.7%, respectively. In addition, the percentage of the population that is 75 or older is 9.3%, which exceeds the 8% average for Henderson.

The census poverty data compares unfavorably across all levels relative to the Henderson and Clark County averages. By way of example, 19.2% are below 100% of the poverty level, which compares unfavorably to Henderson (6.1%) and Clark County (13.6%). In addition, the rented housing sector significantly exceeds that of the wider Henderson mean, with 51.6% as compared to 35.4%. Furthermore, approximately 67% of the residents in the area are at a 150% of the poverty level with a median income of \$29,782 as compared to 86% and \$40,013 citywide.

Educational attainment levels within the Census Tracts also fall below the Henderson and Clark County averages, with only 7.3% holding a bachelor's degree and 3.4% holding a graduate or professional degree. This compares to 21.8% and 13.1%, respectively, for Henderson and 17.1% and 8.7%, respectively, for Clark County. It is clear, therefore, that the area has age, housing, poverty, and educational challenges.

Supported by the community outreach exercise undertaken by the City in late 2021, the proposed redevelopment of Morrell Park has been designed to respond to these socio-demographic challenges. The renovation project seeks to enhance the park's amenities by providing for a significantly improved recreational experience for people of all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities. As part of the comprehensive redesign, the project will also reclaim underutilized areas of the park and respond to the community's concerns relating to crime, safety, and property surveillance. The project will also improve parking, internal circulation, and site access to allow for more convenient and safer mobility by a variety of modes, including wheelchair accessibility, pedestrians, cyclists, motorists, and emergency responders.

Further efficiencies in terms of layout will be delivered by the comprehensive redesign of the existing lower-lying and enclosed baseball fields, improving their position and relationship within the park. This will significantly improve access and functionality and enable a broader offer of active and passive recreational spaces. The redesigns will also look to retain as much of the existing mature tree coverage as possible while enhancing landscape quality by focusing on climate-appropriate planting and drought-tolerant varieties.

The long-established Valley View Recreation Center will continue to serve as the park's community hub. The Valley View Recreation Center offers a range of educational and recreational programs for children aged 3 to 5. While there are tuition fees associated with the various programs offered, the City does extend financial support through its Early Childhood Education Scholarship Program to students who otherwise could not participate due to financial

burden or hardship. Eligible students must reside in either the Downtown or Eastside Redevelopment Areas, including the surrounding residential areas around Morrell Park.

In summary, the renovation is founded on improving the natural surveillance qualities within the park, while significantly enhancing the overall recreational offer. With a focus on making the park a more cohesive and inviting complex where visitors of all ages and backgrounds can safely enjoy more opportunities for passive and active recreation, the project has been designed to ensure that Morrell Park is sustained as the heart of the local community for generations to come.

B. The project improves community prosperity and economic development.

Answer: A healthy economy is the backbone of a strong economy and as such, the City is committed to creating an environment that is attractive to residents, business, and employees. The Morrell Park renovation has the potential to be a catalyst in revitalizing the Valley View Neighborhood and attracting investment in this underserved Henderson community.

Residents of the City place an extremely high value on education and accordingly, the City is committed to ensuring ongoing access to high-quality education, thereby creating a workforce for tomorrow and supporting continued economic development. The Valley View Recreation Center offers a variety of low- and no-cost programs ranging from parenting to health care, as well as indoor enrichment programs and recreational amenities (including educational and health programs for families and seniors). A preschool program for up to 260 children is also provided for in the Center and it operates both during and outside of the CCSD calendar.

Consequently, the renovation of Morrell Park has been designed to complement the existing recreational and education programs and facilities found within the Valley View Recreation Center. Most notable of which is the creation of a new community focal point (i.e., the active grassland, stage/ showmobile location and food truck pull out area) that will enable the City to host and coordinate events with the local community, including the adjacent Robert Taylor Elementary School and the various non-profit community organizations present in the area.

By way of illustrating the challenges the local community experiences, 67% of its inhabitants are at 150% of the poverty level with a median income of only \$29,782, compared to 86% and \$40,013 City-wide. Renter occupied housing at 51.6% also exceeds the City-wide average of 35.4%, thereby indicating a more transient neighborhood. Moreover, in the last three years, Henderson Police Department recorded 323 crimes within Morrell Park, with 1,075 crimes occurring within the ¼-mile radius around the park.

Despite this, Morrell Park and the Recreation Center are an important community hub and gathering place for residents and local community organizations, including the nearby Presbyterian Churches, HopeLink of Southern Nevada, Acelero Learning and Robert Taylor Elementary School. The renovation of Morrell Park provides opportunities for community reengagement and reactivation through increased visibility and natural surveillance, and enhanced passive and active recreational amenities.

These qualities were echoed by the community outreach exercise undertaken by the City in late 2021, where half of the respondents indicated they used the park on a regular basis, with the play spaces, Recreation Center, and grassed and shaded spaces being most valued. Subsequent to this community outreach exercise, the project team coordinated with City staff to explore which elements of the park should be retained, preserved, and enhanced and to undertake a review of the overall functionality of the park in order to deliver on the aspirations of the community, all while retaining as much of the mature treescape as possible. The Morrell Park Renovation Master Plan is a direct result of these community outreach and consultation exercises.

While the Valley View Recreation Center and park complex is open to everyone, the residential community to the east and south will feel the most direct and positive impact. These residential communities comprise affordable housing for adults with qualifying disabilities, senior households age 55 and above, and multi-family residences, including 1-, 2-, and 3-bedroom apartments and townhomes. The active and passive recreational opportunities, including an interactive and illuminated splash pad, an active grassed area with a stage set up and food truck pull out area, and dog parks will provide significant resources to these communities.

The redesign of Morrell Park also follows on from an involved consultation and master planning exercise that was funded as part of the City's Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Community-Wide Assessment Grant Project. The City and EPA anticipate that the redevelopment of Morrell Park will bring positive changes to nearby neighborhoods and attract private investment to surrounding brownfield sites. Notably, the 28-acre vacant site zoned for mixed use development that exists to the immediate northwest of the Park. The proposed redevelopment of Morrell Park will not only enhance it as a community asset, but it will also supplement the wider revitalization agenda to transform the Boulder Highway into an attractive, thriving, and functional corridor.

C. The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.

Answer: Morrell Park has a long-established presence in the City and has been a valued resource for generations. As part of the Phase I ESA undertaken by Stantec on behalf of the City and the EPA, historical records dating back to 1926 were reviewed to evaluate the property's past use. While it was not possible to definitively establish the exact date the park was constructed, aerial photographs did show that it had been present since the early 1960s.

The Valley View Recreation Center is also the City's first full-service recreation center, having served Henderson for 20 years. The center offers a variety of low- and no-cost programs ranging from parenting to health care, as well as indoor enrichment programs and recreational amenities (including educational and health programs for families and seniors).

The Recreation Center occupies the central portion of the park and features a range of facilities, including a fitness facility, a game room, classrooms, racquetball courts, and a multi-use event room. A preschool program for 260 children also operates within the building during the school year and runs concurrently with the Clark County School District calendar. Morrell Park is therefore woven into the fabric of the daily life of the surrounding community, and its enduring

presence, as well as its proximity to the historic downtown area, underscore its significance to the City and region.

The reconfiguration of the existing baseball fields will not only enhance intervisibility and natural surveillance throughout the Park; it will also, in conjunction with the reconfigured car park, free up space to provide for significantly enhanced passive and active recreational opportunities. Alongside a reimagined public gathering space by way of an illuminated active natural lawn, the project also includes a showmobile and stage area and an illuminated food truck zone.

The proposed project will have a significant regional impact as it will accomplish the goals and strategies of several plans, including the Henderson Strong Comprehensive Plan, Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Reimagine Boulder Highway, East Henderson Investment Strategy, Henderson Age-Friendly Action Plan, Henderson Open Space and Trails Plan, and Henderson Master Bicycle and Trail Plan. The comprehensive redevelopment proposal will transform the park into a unique and contemporary resource for current and future generations to enjoy for many years to come.

D. The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).

Answer: Communities that promote healthy living are designed to be safe, walkable, and bikeable, with clean air and easy access to natural areas as well as health care and social services, fresh food, parks, and recreation. The City continually strives to improve the physical design of its community and transportation network to promote and embed physical activity for all its residents, as evidenced by its 10-minute walk-to-park campaign.

In the last three years, the Henderson Police Department recorded 1,398 crimes in and around Morrell Park, with 323 of those crimes occurring within its boundaries. A total of 121 of those crimes were Part 1 offenses, with 13 of these occurring within Morrell Park, and 221 recorded as 'All Other Offenses', with 197 of these occurring within the Park. In addition, 192 were drug-related offenses, with 53 of these occurring within the Park.

Consequently, and in conjunction with the responses and safety concerns of the local community received during the community outreach exercises, the renovation project sets out to address the ongoing prohibited activities taking place within the Park. Using urban and architectural design to help foster a sense of community among residents in the neighborhood the concept Master Plan actively implements CPTED measures.

A comprehensive lighting scheme is to be introduced while the redesigns actively seek to open-up and fully integrate the more enclosed and secluded areas of the park, particularly around the existing baseball fields adjacent to the Robert Taylor Elementary School and the lower lying seating area adjacent to the Park's eastern car park. Such interventions will improve natural surveillance throughout the park, while the City will introduce a new security system to enhance surveillance around the clock. Further security and access improvements will be realized via the provision of emergency responder accesses to and through the park.

The scheme will also emphasize the park's locational prominence to several multi-use trails that are present within a 10-minute walk or half-mile radius of the park, including the Burkholder and Major Trails. The project will set out to actively engage public health concerns by providing the local community with improved opportunities to exercise while proactively encouraging walking and cycling. The increase in and improvements of pedestrian and cycling opportunities are particularly pertinent given the proximity of the park to the Robert Taylor Elementary School. The park via the remodeled baseball field complex and RRFBs will encourage more parents and schoolchildren to sustainably travel to school.

In summary, informed by previous community outreach and master planning exercises, the Morrell Park Renovation project aims to improve on those aspects that are not optimally functioning while at the same time, improving safety and helping to foster an increased sense of community ownership. Fundamentally, the project sets out to enhance both passive and active recreational opportunities for all people to enjoy no matter their age, background, or physical ability.

E. The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.

Answer: Presently, the park provides recreational amenities for surrounding neighborhoods that are identified as a “low service area” pursuant to the 2019 City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan. It is established Park and Recreation Department Goal for the City to ensure all citizens are within a 10-minute walk of a park, with the residential communities to the east and south set to feel the most direct and positive impact from the project. The residential communities comprise affordable housing for adults with qualifying disabilities, senior households age 55 and older, and multi-family residences.

The improved pedestrian and bicycle connections through and to the park will help connect this vital resource to these communities, while the active and passive recreational offer and new community focused amenities, including an active natural lawn, showmobile/stage and food truck pull out locations, will reinvigorate the relationship the park has with the wider community.

The Morrell Park project also builds upon the City’s previous planning efforts and seeks to address the public’s concerns received during the community outreach by providing improved access for emergency responders and designing spaces to CPTED standards. Notably, wide pathways designed to accommodate wheelchairs, pedestrians, bicycles, and authorized emergency responders are planned across and around the park, including an additional point of emergency access from and around the grass field adjacent to Harris Street. Trees will be thinned around the remodeled baseball fields, and additional lighting added to the dimly lit areas to enhance site visibility and comfort. The City will furnish five security cameras for 24-hour surveillance. These interventions are designed to make the park a more inviting space for the community to actively engage and participate in.

The project will also significantly enhance the amenities within an established and long-standing outdoor space and given the presence and active role the Recreation Center plays in the community; the City will continue to work with local community organizations and the CCSD to

get underserved children outdoors. The proposed project will significantly increase equity by ensuring a more welcoming outdoor space for all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities to enjoy.

2. **RESOURCES**: The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Answer: This project will enhance the **community** by providing enhanced **open spaces** and opportunities for citizens to get outdoors and participate in recreational activities. The park will significantly enhance passive and active recreational opportunities for all people to enjoy no matter their age, background, or physical ability, and will include a shaded dog park, multi-use trails, and an interactive illuminated splash pad, shaded play area, and picnic areas. These enhanced amenities will be set within a park that will be illuminated throughout, opened up and made to feel a more welcoming space within which to relax, recreate and enjoy.

The **cultural** and **historical** connection of Morrell Park to the City is evident by its long-standing presence in the City as well as its proximity to the historic downtown. The Valley View Recreation Center is the City's first full-service recreation center, which has served Henderson for 20 years. It offers a preschool program for 260 children during the school year that runs concurrently with the CCSD calendar. The city will build on this **educational** resource courtesy of the proposed active lawn area and showmobile and stage location. In conjunction with the complementary food truck pull out and parking area it will introduce a new community focal point that will enable the City to hold community events and continue its long-established relationship with the Robert Taylor Elementary School and the non-profit community organizations in the locality.

The existing **environmental** and **open space** qualities of the park will be maintained and enhanced by the retention of as much of the existing tree coverage as possible while comprehensively redesigning and implementing a new landscaping scheme that focuses on climate-appropriate and drought tolerant plantings. The existing and extensive passive lawn and grass fields will also be rationalized and enhanced to include an active, multi-use drought tolerant turf area for **community** gatherings and events.

Once the Morrell Park Renovation project is constructed, this project will offer residents and visitors with access to a regional grade open space where educational and environmental programs can continue to grow and flourish.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: The Morrell Park project represents a culmination of all the community engagement responses the City received from residents and participants during its outreach in 2021. Public participation topics focused on park planning, access, amenities, and programs. To identify what

park amenities and programs the community wanted, participants were given the option to vote on what features they liked most and were allowed to vote on as many park elements as they wanted. From this, responses were tallied and concept plans established and resulted in the proposed splash pad, dog park, showmobile/stage and food truck pull out locations, play spaces and a much enhanced offer for passive and recreational activities for all people to enjoy no matter their age, background, or physical ability.

Given the proximity of the park to the Boulder Highway transport corridor as well as surrounding trails, including the Burkholder and Major Trails, Morrell Park is a key link along a multi-modal transport corridor. The renovation project looks to build on the existing sustainable transport links by actively improving bicycle and pedestrian opportunities to and through the park and onto the surrounding land uses, most notable of which is Robert Taylor Elementary School. Traffic-calming measures are also proposed to further encourage the local community to walk or cycle. By making the park a more attractive, walkable resource, the project is a key step in making the neighborhood a more livable place.

The project also seeks to retain as much of the existing mature tree canopy as possible to ensure the renovations combat heat island effects. The detailed designs will also incorporate sustainable practices for landscape and irrigation. Turf for the lawn area will be Hybrid Bermuda which is a warm season turf and ensures the renovation project will comply with AB356. In addition, the comprehensive landscape enhancements will focus on climate-appropriate and drought-tolerant planting. Consequently, the project will not only actively reduce water consumption but also help redefine the community's aesthetic and appreciation for desert landscaping, thereby helping to move the City away from its water-hungry greenescapes. It will, in effect, act as community outreach and demonstrate how we can collectively adapt and address our water use challenges.

C. The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.

Answer: Responsible growth is a key component for the City in achieving its aim of having a strong and vibrant economy and a livable community. Transforming and actively reducing the city's existing consumptive water practices is fundamental to supporting and maintaining the quality of life for those who live, learn, work, and play in Henderson. The City must therefore be a leader for change and adopt new behaviors and design approaches. Consequently, as well as significantly improving recreational opportunities for all people to enjoy no matter their age, background, or physical ability, the Morrell Park Renovation project also embraces and adopts sustainable design approaches within its proposals.

The project will seek to retain as much of the existing mature tree canopy as possible, thereby not only retaining established trees and the existing aesthetic quality of the park but also ensure the redesigned park maintains its good shading qualities and continued mitigation against heat island effects. A comprehensive LED motion-sensitive lighting scheme will also be deployed for energy efficiency and to improve natural surveillance and the comfort qualities within the park.

In addition, to comply with AB356, the proposed Morrell Park Renovation will focus on a landscape design that utilizes drought-tolerant plants listed in the SNWA Regional Plant List,

which require low water usage and are appropriate for the desert climate. Drip irrigation will be used in landscape planters and controlled by smart controllers while the active lawn area irrigation will be designed to reduce overspray. Hybrid Bermuda grass, which is more adapted to desert climates and consumes 0.5 – 1.5 inches of water per week, will be used instead of the existing high consumptive water Fescue grass, which requires 1-2 inches of water a week. Approximately 116,468 square feet of fescue grass will be removed from Morrell Park, resulting in an estimate of 6,405,740 gallons of water saved per year.

The Morrell Park Renovation will follow the City of Henderson’s water conservation measures already in place including the conservation watering schedule designed to help maximize water efficiency. This schedule is created by a centrally controlled irrigation system that monitors daily weather station data, utilizes computerized controllers, and applies the optimum amount of water needed to keep plants healthy.

Further to the significant reduction in high water using plant material and utilization of climate-tolerant and drought-resistant planting, plant material selection will also be tailored to those that sequester more carbon. In addition, a progressive stormwater management approach is also integral to the project, along with its associated benefits for green infrastructure corridor improvements. Consequently, the Morrell Park renovation will not only reduce consumptive water use and improve the landscape qualities of the park, but it will also help inform the local community of a new landscaping aesthetic and evolve the City’s appreciation for desert appropriate landscaping.

The proposed project achieves the values of the SNPLMA program strategic plan, which is to improve the outdoor environment for the community, link people to nature and recreational opportunities, and to embed sustainability within the park design and construction.

D. The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.

Answer: Communities that promote healthy living are designed to be safe, walkable, and bikeable, with clean air and easy access to parks and natural areas. The City strives to improve the physical design of its community and transportation network and promote physical activity for all residents. Therefore, as well as creating an active space by significantly enhancing the active and passive recreational opportunities for all people to enjoy, no matter their age, background, or physical ability, the Morrell Park renovation also sets out to reconnect the park to the wider natural environment.

Located within a relatively dense urban location and surrounded by the built environment, the mature tree scape within Morrell Park frames the long-range views of the surrounding mountain chains. It is also connected to the City’s wider network of trails via the Major and Burkholder Trails, with the latter providing direct connections to the River Mountains Loop and Lake Mead Pkwy Trails. However, notwithstanding this proximity to the wider trail network, the 2019 City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan scored Morrell Park low for its trail connections.

Consequently, the introduction of enhanced crosswalks and illuminated multi-user routes will not only improve the path network within Morrell Park it will also have the subsequent benefit of enhancing the attractiveness of the wider trail network. This will in turn have the knock-on effect of providing improved access for residents to the surrounding outdoor recreational opportunities and natural environment, particularly in view of the accessibility to the River Mountains Loop Trail courtesy of the adjacent Burkholder Trail.

The project also seeks to retain as much of the existing mature tree canopy as possible, while, as part of its comprehensive redesigns, landscape enhancements will focus on climate-appropriate and drought-tolerant planting. The project will therefore not only provide an enhanced contextual parkland environment for residents to actively participate in and enjoy. It will also proactively reduce water consumption and help to redefine the community's aesthetic and appreciation for desert-appropriate landscaping. It will, in effect, act as community outreach and demonstrate how we can collectively adapt and address our water use challenges.

3. **CONNECTIVITY**: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.

Answer: This project will enhance physical connectivity to existing trails and parks in the vicinity of Morrell Park. These include, but are not limited to:

Parks and Trails within ½ mile (walking distance):

- Major Trail
- Burkholder Trail
- Heritage Park Trail
- Boulder Highway Trail

Parks and Trails within 3 miles (biking distance):

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| • River Mountains Loop Trail | • Boulder Creek Park |
| • Lake Mead Parkway Trail | • Cadence Central Park |
| • Heritage Park | • Equestrian Park |
| • Heritage Trail | • River Mountain Park |
| • Downtown Park | • Roadrunner Park |
| • Cinnamon Ridge Park | • Saguaro Park |
| • Van Wagenen Trail | • Wells Park |
| • Water Street Plaza | • Weston Hills Park |
| • Downtown Park | • I-215 East Beltway Trail |
| • Harry Reid UPRR Trail | • Amargosa Trail |
| • Pumpkin Park | • Mission Hills Park |
| • Acacia Park | • McCulloch Vista Park |

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Answer: This project is part of the following local and regional plans:

- Henderson Strong Comprehensive Plan (2022)
- Henderson Open Space & Trails Plan (2005)
- Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2019)
- Henderson Master Bicycle and Trail Plan (2014)
- Henderson Age-Friendly Acton Plan (2018)
- Reimagine Boulder Highway (2020)
- East Henderson Investment Strategy (2020)

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

Answer: Several multi-use trails (that accommodate both pedestrians and cyclists) are located within a 10-minute walk, half-mile radius of the Park. To the north, Burkholder Trail runs in an east-west direction along Burkholder Boulevard and provides connections to Leak Mead Parkway Trail, Cinnamon Ridge Park, and Heritage Park. To the east of Morrell Park is Major Trail, which runs in a north-south direction along Major Avenue. Starting from Burkholder Trail, Major Trail continues southwest connecting to Boulder Highway Trail, which follows the Boulder Highway alignment. There are also two transit stops within a quarter-mile radius, one is located directly across from the park on Major Avenue, with the second located off Burkholder to the north. Both stops are served by Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) route 217 (Warm Springs/Lake Mead Pkwy).

The Morrell Park Renovation seeks to build on the existing sustainable transport links by improving bicycle and pedestrian access within and to the park from surrounding land uses, including the adjacent elementary school. The RRFB traffic calming measures proposed will help to make the neighborhood a more connected, livable place and the park a more attractive destination along this multi-modal transport corridor. These improvements will also have the subsequent benefit of enhancing the attractiveness of the wider trail network and its connections to the natural areas, particularly in view of the proximity of the River Mountains Loop Trail by way of the Burkholder Trail.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Answer: Presently, the City partners with various nonprofit organizations to offer educational and recreational activities at the Valley View Recreational Center. These organizations support the Morrell Park Renovation project and have expressed their backing through various letters of support. The Morrell Park Renovation will enhance this offer through its significant increase in passive and recreational opportunities for all to enjoy, no matter their age, background, or physical ability. The active natural lawn area, stage/mobile stage set-up, and food truck pull-out areas will act as a new focal point for community events and activities. The project will make

apparent the importance of being able to be outside and connect to others, as well as actively participating in recreational activities.

Moreover, as part of its comprehensive redesign, landscape enhancements will focus on climate-appropriate and drought-tolerant planting. The project will not only provide an enhanced contextual parkland environment for residents to participate in and enjoy, but it will also proactively reduce water consumption while helping to redefine the community's aesthetic and foster an appreciation for desert-appropriate landscaping. It will, in effect, act as community outreach and demonstrate how we can collectively adapt and address our water use challenges.

E. The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.

Answer: The project has already completed a Phase I ESA and conceptual Master Plan, highlighting the commitment the City has to the project. The master planning process also included public outreach. The City of Henderson's Parks and Recreation Department coordinated efforts with the City of Henderson's Community Development and Services Department to host a community event where information and comments were collected on the park site itself, whilst an online survey was also launched to collect data. The recognized need from these public outreach exercises was to reinvigorate the public spaces and recreational offer to encourage the local community to reclaim Morrell Park.

The proposed play areas will therefore be a great way for youth and children to interact within a naturalized open space, while an updated trail system will inspire older people and people with disabilities to reconnect with nature. Accessibility is an important aspect of the project, and ensuring everyone is comfortable is crucial.

Moreover, while the Valley View Recreation Center and park complex are open to everyone, the residential communities to the east and south will feel the most direct and positive impact. These residential communities comprise affordable housing for adults with qualifying disabilities, senior households age 55 and above, and multi-family residences, including 1-, 2-, and 3-bedroom apartments and townhomes. The active and passive recreational opportunities; including an interactive and illuminated splash pad, dog park and an active lawn area with a showmobile/ stage set up and food truck pull out/ parking area are set to provide significant resources to these communities.

The proposed project achieves the values of the SNPLMA program strategic plan, which is to improve the outdoor environment for the community, link people to nature and recreational opportunities, and provide an element of sustainability within the park design and construction.

4. COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT: Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.

Answer: The projected deliverables and associated costs for the project were developed by a consultant during the master planning phase. The consultant is experienced with developing cost estimates for projects such as this. The project, when complete, will provide a park with significantly enhanced recreational opportunities and an inviting environment to enjoy the outdoors for all residents of the Valley View neighborhood.

The proposed budget of \$19,772,438 is reasonable for a project of this magnitude and in today's industry. The proposed project is a stand-alone project.

B. *Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.*

Answer: The 2019 City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Master Plan highlighted that the population density around Morrell Park is approximately 6-10 people per acre and as such, it serves a larger concentration of residents when compared to outlying areas of Henderson. Within ½-mile or a 10-minute walk, there is an estimated population of 8,746 residents and within a 3-mile radius, there is an estimated population of 94,024 residents.

In addition, the sites to the southwest are zoned MC (Corridor/Community Mixed-Use), which allow for a broad range of commercial, employment, and residential uses, whilst the immediately adjacent sites to the park are zoned RH-24 (High-Density Multifamily Residential 24) and RM-16 (Medium-Density Residential). These zoning designations allow for a higher density land use pattern and a signature park at this location will not only provide recreational amenities but also open space relief.

The Morrell Park Renovation will greatly benefit residents via the reinvigoration of public spaces, enhanced natural surveillance and visibility, and increased passive and active recreational opportunities for people of all ages, backgrounds, and physical abilities to enjoy. The result will be a more inviting outdoor recreational resource for the community to reengage with and reclaim. The return on investment for the requested SNPLMA funding is significant, as this project will serve an economically challenged area within the City.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: The City continues to explore strategies to minimize the costs of construction, operations, and maintenance. Examples of such elements that are integral to the Morrell Park project include drought-tolerant, desert-adaptive landscaping, drip irrigation, and energy-efficient LED lighting with auto dimming features and motion sensors to conserve energy. The proposed trails also include the necessary elements to ensure safe and usable routes while using materials and components intended to minimize operations and maintenance expenses. The redesigned scheme also looks to retain as much of the existing tree coverage as possible, while overall, the significantly reduced turf area will be designed as a functional space using drought-tolerant Hybrid Bermuda grass with an irrigation system to lessen the overspray from irrigation heads. In addition, the proposed splash pad will be compliant with City standards, using nozzle fixtures that conserve water.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: The project has already completed the Phase I ESA and Master Plan, which included public outreach, leveraging funding resources from the EPA Community-wide Brownfields Assessment Grant. The proposed SNPLMA request is for \$18,583,513, however the City will also provide an in-kind total contribution of \$391,689. This figure includes \$210,6889 for staff time (salary plus fringe benefit costs), which includes a Park Planner involved with the project from its design inception through to construction completion, as well as for the Park Project Manager to provide oversight.

The City will also provide the funding for security cameras that will be located throughout the park, the maintenance yard north of the ballfields, and for the non-public space within the sports building. There will be five cameras that will be furnished and installed during construction, and the cost for the cameras is approximately \$20,000. The non-public space within the sports building will be approximately \$161,000 for staff space and will consist of approximately 250 SF to 320 SF, while \$17,000 will be required to cover the cost of the maintenance yard wall.

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: The Morrell Park Renovation will incorporate sustainable landscape principles, such as water smart methods. All new landscaping will utilize drought-tolerant, low-water use, and desert-friendly landscaping in accordance with current city codes and the [Southern Nevada Water Authority \(SNWA\) Regional Plant List](#). The use of drought-tolerant plant material, such as Hybrid Bermuda grass, will be used and will result in approximately 116,468 square feet of fescue grass being removed, resulting in an estimate of 6,405,740 gallons of water saved per year. The splash pad will not only provide excellent play value, but it will be designed to have low-flow nozzles for efficiency. The existing irrigation system will also be replaced with a modern and more efficient system, reducing operations and maintenance costs.

LED lighting will be used throughout the park for more efficient use and to improve natural surveillance and comfort levels. Path lighting along the trails/paths will use dimming capabilities to further promote sustainable practices, reducing energy costs and prolonging the life of the fixtures. The installation of security cameras will add a level of monitoring and security to also improve the operation and management of the park, while also reducing maintenance costs. The project also anticipates incorporating smart city technologies such public wi-fi. This will add two elements; firstly it enables the use of security cameras to address issues such as vandalism or other activities where additional law enforcement or recreation programming personnel can be assigned to enhance the quality of life for residents or increase community safety; and, secondly it would provide adjacent schools the ability to incorporate the technology as part of outside of school activities or allow youth to access resources through the internet to assist with their education if they do not have access in their home.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

- ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America’s Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***
 Yes, this project supports EO No 13855. Protecting sites to reduce the risk of fire is important to the City of Henderson. The landscape design will be a thoughtful design that provides an aesthetic value for the public and will be mindful of the densities of plantings. The project will be maintained in accordance with City standards which will reduce fire risk.
- ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America’s Workers***
 Yes, the project supports EO No. 14004 because the City will contract with American workers and the park will be staffed by American workers.
- ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***
 EO No. 14063 does not apply to this project.
- ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation’s Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***
 Yes, this project supports EO No. 14072. This project will strengthen the community by expanding, revitalizing, and activating an underutilized green space in the Eastside Redevelopment Area. Morrell Park Renovation will serve as a catalyst project for the Valley View Neighborhood attracting new investment opportunities.
- ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation’s Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***
 Yes, this project supports EO No. 14096. The project will help address environmental justice for an area that Census tract data indicates has age, older housing stock, poverty, and educational attainment challenges. The proposed project will provide for a state-of-the-art park that will ensure an enjoyable recreational and educational experiences for all people, residents and visitors to enjoy no matter their age, background, or physical ability.

B. Secretarial Orders

- ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***
 Yes, this project supports SO No. 3347 because the purpose of the park is to reimagine and enhance Morrell Park while educating the public on stewardship of the land. There will be opportunities for field trips for school children and community led events. The park also provides additional outdoor recreation for walking, hiking, and biking.

- ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***
No SO No 3356 does not apply to this project.
- ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***
No SO No 3362 does not apply to this project.
- ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***
Yes, this project supports SO No. 3366 because the increased opportunities for active and passive recreational opportunities on offer for all people to enjoy, no matter their age, background, or physical ability.
- ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***
No, SO No. 3370 does not apply because this project is not located in a National Wildlife Refuge.
- ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***
Yes, this project supports SO. No. 3372 because the city will take measures to reduce the risk of human-caused wildfires through active land management. The City of Henderson Parks and Recreation staff will monitor and maintain the area.
- ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***
SO No. 3373 does not apply to this project.
- ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***
Yes, this project supports SO No. 3376 of increasing recreational opportunities through the use of electric bikes. Electric bikes are permitted on the Major Trail, which connects to Boulder Highway and the Burkholder Trail and Lake Mead Parkway Trail.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while***

reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.

Yes, the project seeks to retain as much of the mature tree coverage as possible and introducing a new landscaping scheme that focuses on climate-appropriate and drought tolerant plantings. In addition, renewable energy sources and approaches will be adopted, including the consideration of solar panel covered parking, as well as energy-efficient LED lighting with auto dimming features and motion sensors to conserve energy.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

Yes, this project will strengthen government-to-government relationships with Tribal Nations. A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) found no known cultural resources at the site, ensuring federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*

Yes, the Morrell Park Renovation project will create jobs through the associated construction. The jobs are in line with the Administration's goal of creating family-supporting jobs and union jobs that have a focus on conservation.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*

Yes, the Morrell Park Renovation project will assist with the goal of conserving 30% of our lands by the year 2030. This project will protect and significantly enhance approximately 15 acres of parkland for future generations of Nevadans to enjoy.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.*

Yes, Morrell Park centers on equity and environmental justice by significantly enhancing an existing outdoor space so that anyone can enjoy it, no matter their age, background, or physical ability. The city of Henderson has become more racially and economically diverse within the past ten years. This park will serve an area where more than 33 percent of the population is nonwhite, with 27.9 percent of the population being 17 years of age or younger and 9.3 percent being 75 years of age or older.

Additionally, the city enjoys partnerships with local entities and nonprofit organizations. These partnerships are demonstrated by the attached letters of support, including from the Redevelopment Advisory Commission, Get Outdoors Nevada, HopeLink of Southern Nevada, Acelero Learning, and the adjacent Presbyterian congregations, as well as three from the adjacent residential communities, two of which are supported housing complexes managed by Accessible Living. The redevelopment and revitalization of this project will make Morrell Park more accessible to people of all ages and backgrounds while teaching them the importance of protecting our natural areas.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

Yes, the City of Henderson is committed to ending the COVID-19 pandemic and just recently won an award from the American Planning Association for the proactive handling of the epidemic. During construction, staff will follow all CDC, state, and local guidelines. This will also serve as an outdoor space where people can safely socially distance.

2. *Providing economic relief*

Yes, this project will help provide economic relief by creating construction job opportunities for Southern Nevadans.

3. *Tackling climate change*

Yes, the Morrell Park project will further protect and enhance our natural areas, reduce urban sprawl, reduce the urban heat island effect, and use renewable energy sources. Preserving natural areas from intense development is an important factor in reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The project will use LED and dimming technologies for lighting, native plant materials to eliminate irrigation needs, and disturb the least amount of the site as possible to reduce carbon footprints, whilst retaining as much of the mature treescape as possible and supplementing this with additional planting will help with carbon sequestration.

4. *Advancing racial equity*

Yes, the Morrell Park will advance racial equity by providing all residents and visitors, no matter their racial background or socioeconomic status, a place where they can enjoy outdoor activities and recreation. Improvements to Morrell Park

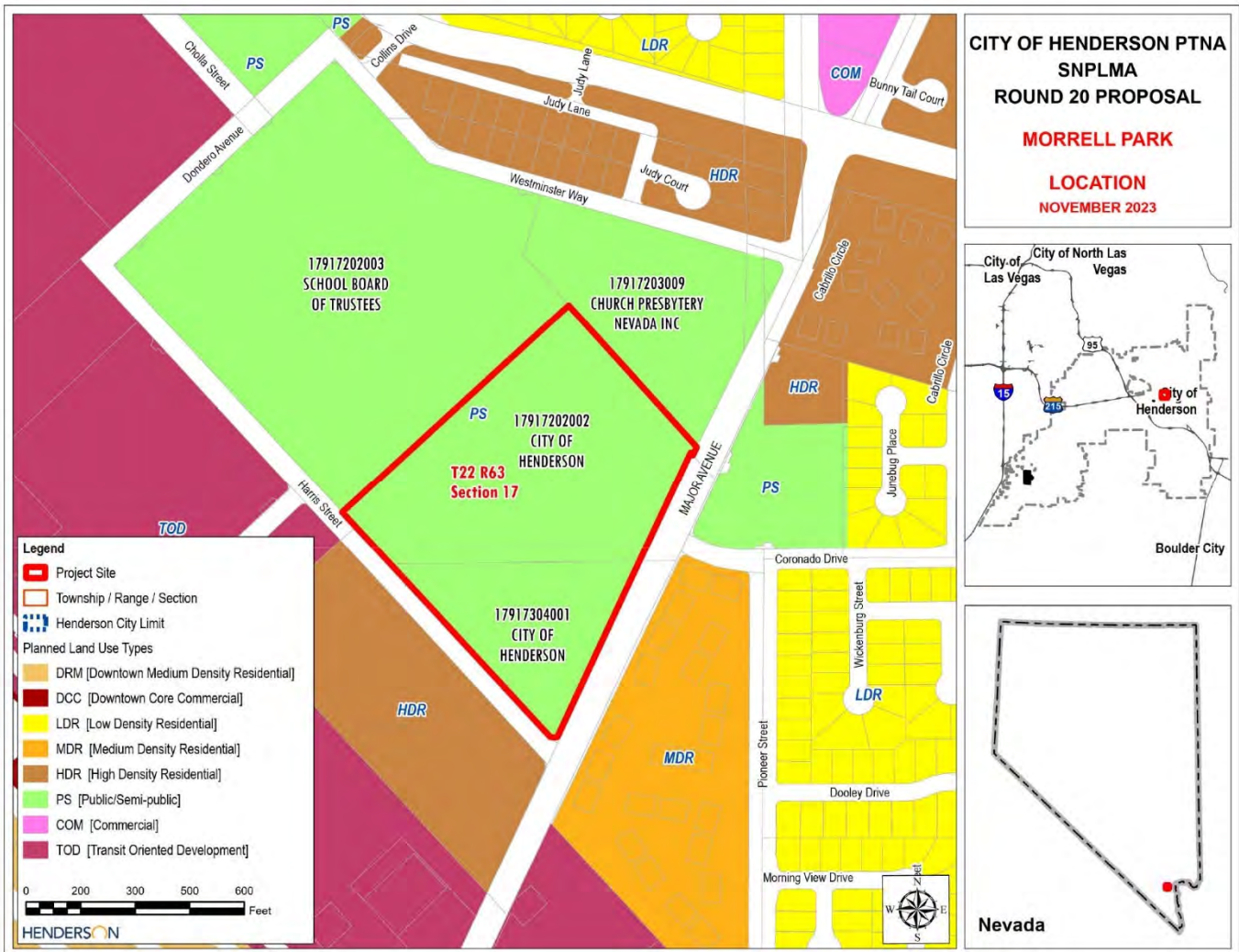
will assist at revitalizing a racial and ethnically diverse neighborhood.

5. Improving our workforce and work environment

Yes, the Morrell Park will be an opportunity for the workforce to have a natural area to enjoy. Surrounding organizations of the project site will be able to enjoy a better work environment. Getting outdoors improves quality of life which, in turn, improves our workforce and work environment.

M. MAPS

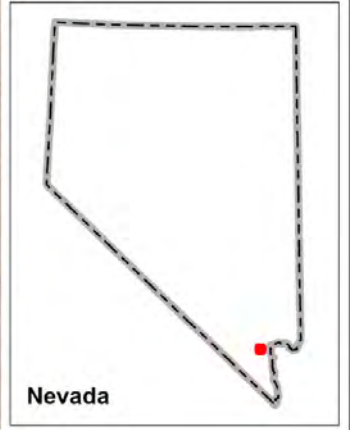
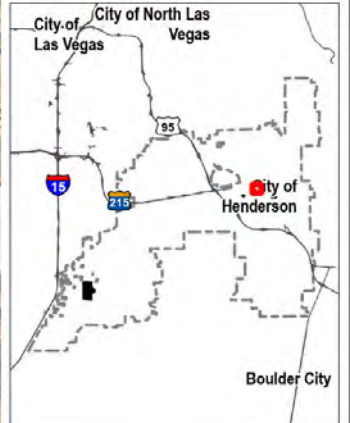
LOCATION MAP



COUNTY ASSESSOR PARCEL AERIAL



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MORRELL PARK
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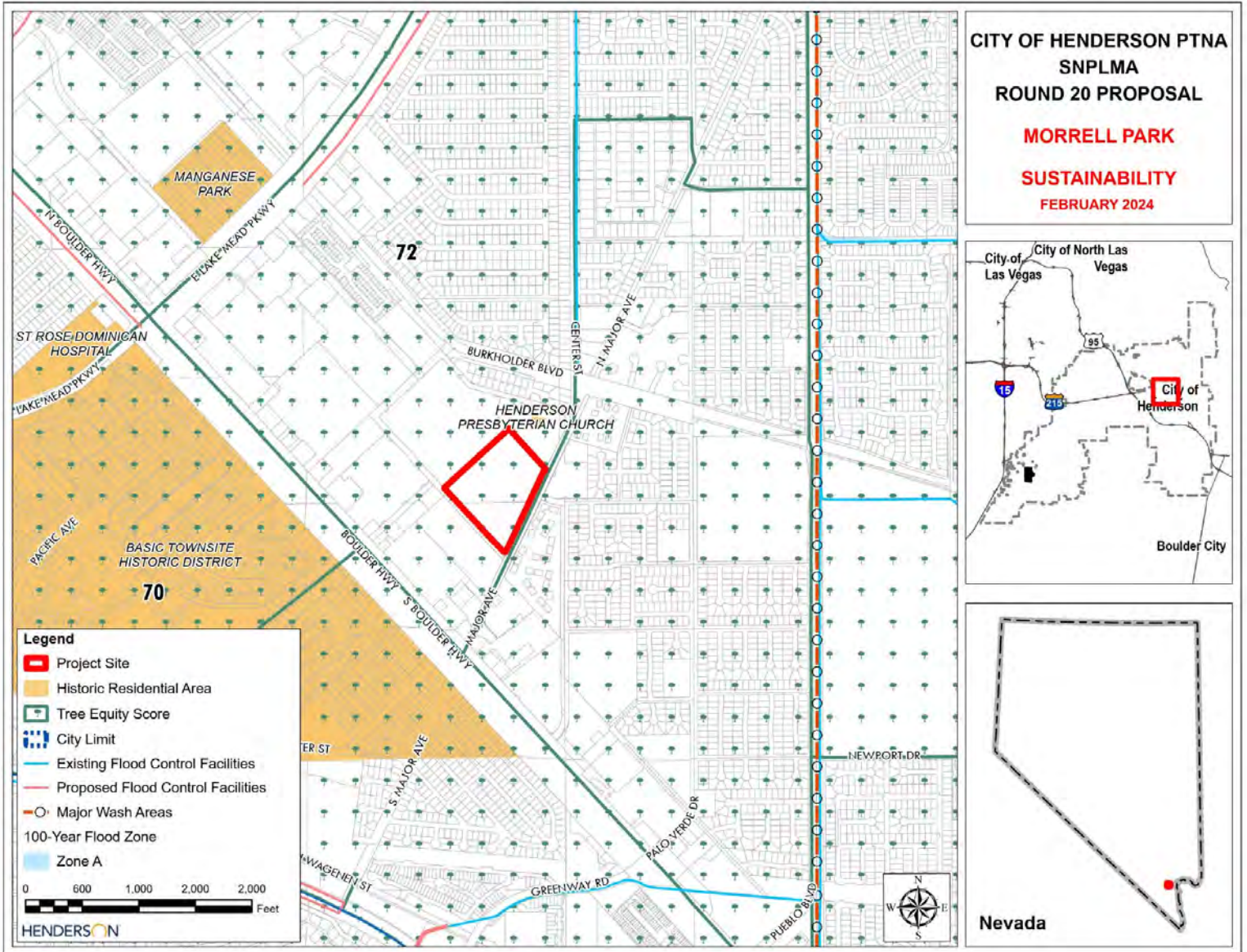
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- 1 Demo existing parking lot and reconstruct (lighted) to improve efficiency, circulation, capacity and ingress/egress- 175 spaces provided
- 2 New Restroom Building with Trash Receptacles, Lighting & Drinking Fountains
- 3 Shaded Playground with Seating & Lighting
- 4 Plaza Drop Off
- 5 Lighted Interactive Splash Pad
- 6 Lighted Active Natural Lawn Area. Existing Trees to be Saved where Possible.
- 7 New Single Lighted Picnic Station with Table and Trash Receptacle (Typ.)
- 8 Lighted 1/2 Acre Decorative Fenced Dog Park with Shade Shelter, Turf Run (Natural or Artificial) & DG Perimeter Areas
- 9 Lighted Food Truck Pull Out & Parking
- 10 Temporary Showmobile/Stage Location with Reinforced Concrete Pad
- 11 Not Used
- 12 Crosswalk
- 13 Not Used
- 14 Not Used
- 15 Not Used
- 16 Not Used
- 17 Not Used
- 18 New Lighted 15' Wide Main Pedestrian/City vehicle shared path
- 19 New Lighted 12' Wide Pedestrian/City vehicle shared path
- 20 New Lighted 8-10' Concrete Park Path
- 21 200' Artificial Turf Ball Fields with Bleachers, Central Plaza, Lighting & Netting
- 22 Sports Building w/ Staff Space, Public Restrooms & Concessions
- 23 Gated Recreation Storage Yard w/ Decorative Solid Black Wall
- 24 Not Used
- 25 Enhanced Crosswalk with RRFB
- 26 New Entry Signage & Landscape

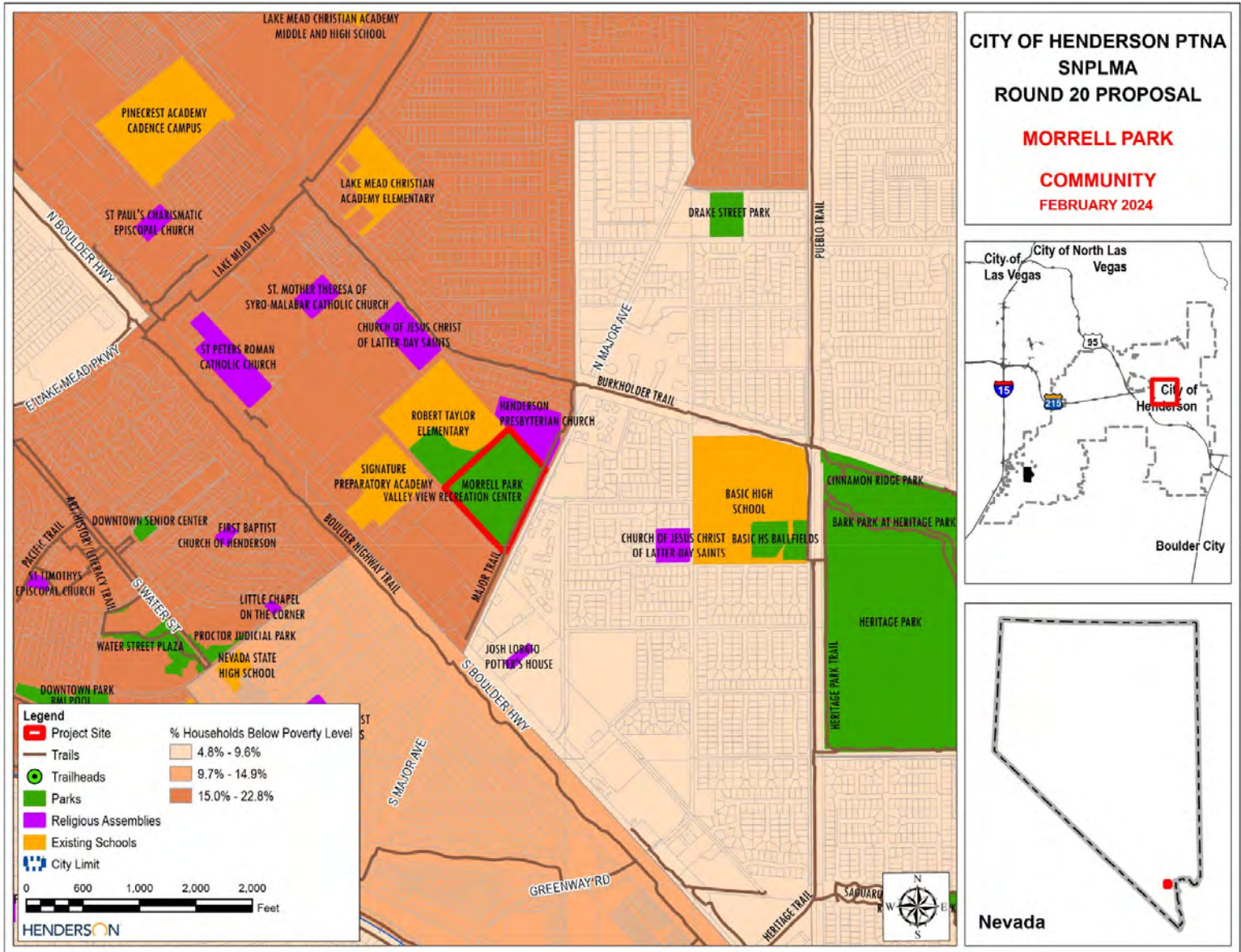
Park improvements to preserve existing trees where possible. Sustainable design strategies such as solar covered parking, progressive stormwater management and xeriscaping shall be implemented where possible. Park amenities to include bike parking, seating, wayfinding and interpretive signage, public art, drinking fountains and trash/recycling stations.

Not to Scale

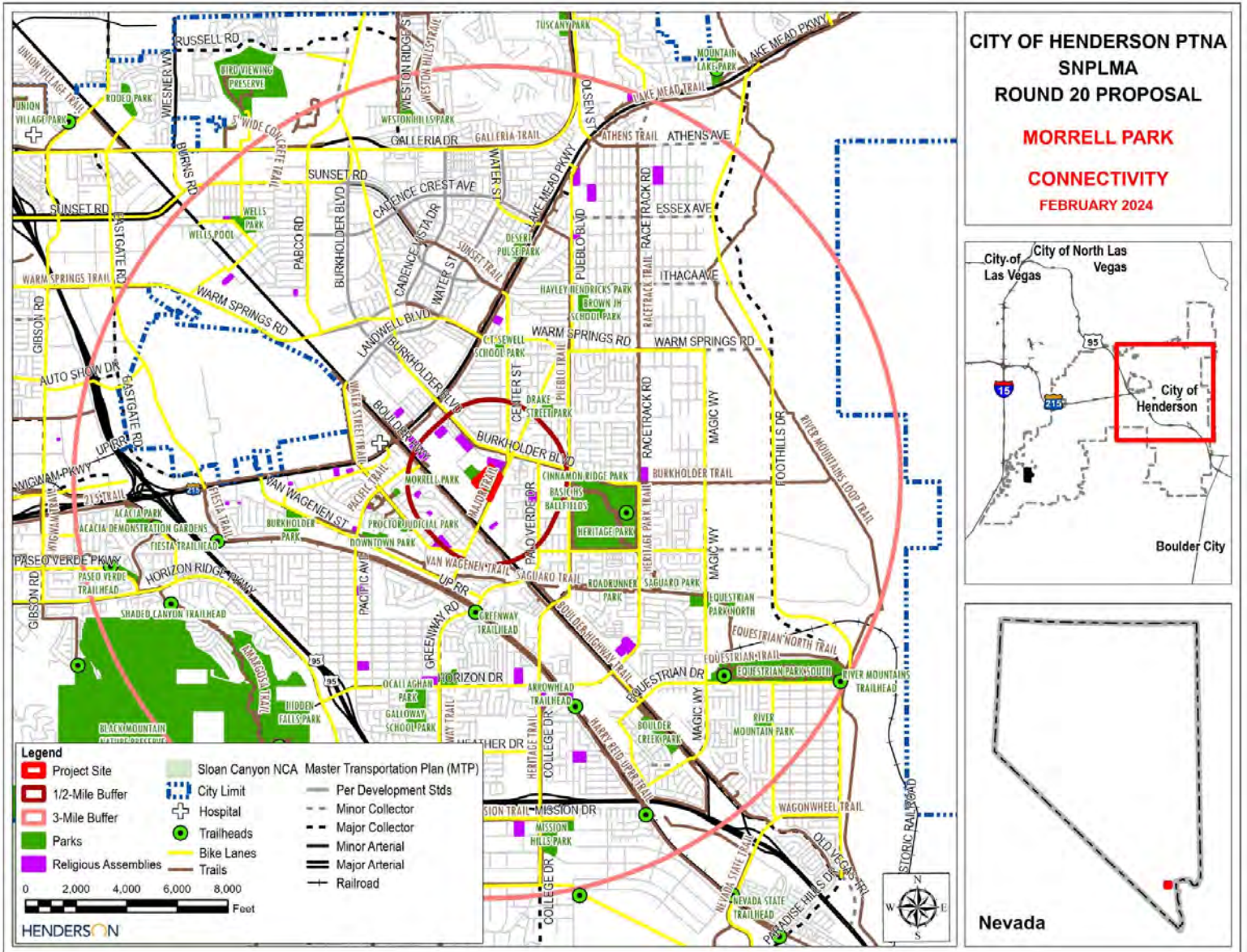
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N. PHOTOS

Photo 1: Project site view of Morrell Park at the intersection between N Major & Harris St. Taken looking north towards the south-eastern boundary of Morrell Park, it shows an uninviting and nondescript entrance with a poorly defined boundary and limited pedestrian crossings.



Photo 2: Project site view taken to the immediate north-west of the Valley View Recreation Center from the adjacent passive grassed area. It illustrates a mature tree-framed view of the artfully decorated rear elevation to the Recreation Center.



Photo 3: Project site view looking south-west from the accessible parking spaces. It shows mature tree planting with extensive areas of passive grassland and homeless presence. The footway is also showing wear and tear and in need of updating.



Photo 4: Project site view of the baseball fields with treescape framed views of Frenchman Mountain. Taken from the northernmost car parking spaces looking north-west across the baseball fields, it demonstrates how a renovated Morrell Park with its mature tree coverage will provide opportunities to reconnect with the surrounding natural environment from within what is a relatively tightly knit and urban part of the City.



Photo 5: Project site view of the baseball fields seating area. Taken at the southeast corner of the baseball fields complex and looking north-east across the baseball fields, with distant views of the surrounding mountains, it highlights limited natural surveillance.



Photo 6: Project site view of Morrell Park's constrained boundary with the Robert Taylor Elementary School. Taken at the north-western corner of the existing baseball field complex and looking south-west it shows how the baseball field's retaining wall encloses this key route to school providing poor natural surveillance.

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	15.17 acres
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	One 15.17-acre park to include the following amenities: a. Reconstruct new lighted parking lot with 175 parking spaces. b. Install one new restroom building with drinking fountains. c. Install one shaded playground with age 2-5 and 5-12 play equipment (~7,000-10,000SF). d. Install one lighted interactive splash pad (~1,500-2,500SF). e. Install 30,000SF to 35,000SF of turf (Hybrid Bermuda). f. Install 8-12 shade structures. g. Install one half-acre dog park with tube steel fencing. h. Showmobile/stage. i. Food truck pull-out and parking area. j. Install 4 (200' wide) lighted artificial turf ball fields. k. Install 8 sets of 4-row bleachers. l. Construct a 2,000SF to 2,500SF sports building with concession, public restrooms, and staff space consisting of ~250 SF to 320SF. m. Install 16-22 trash receptacles. n. Install 16-22 recycle receptacles. o. Install 8-12 shade structures. p. Install 16-22 site benches. q. Install 6-10 picnic tables. r. Install 3-5 drinking fountains. s. Conduit for Wi Fi t. 1-3 bicycle parking areas with shade u. Install landscaping and irrigation.

		v. Install Park lighting.
R4- Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. <i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i>	a. Install 1.14 – 1.58 miles of hardscape for 12’ wide lighted trail/paths and 15’ wide lighted trail/paths. b. Enhance 2 existing crosswalks with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) c. Install one crosswalk.
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. <i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 park rules sign • 1 park monument sign
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable. <i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i>	6,405,740 gallons of water reduction per year

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



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Dear Ms. Wojtech:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the City of Henderson (City) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the City for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Downtown Park Renovation – This proposal is to renovate and modernize the Downtown Park, a park located on City-owned land.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources, however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Bermuda Larson Park – This proposal is to design and construct a new park site located on BLM managed lands. The City is currently in the process of obtaining a Recreation and Public Purposes lease from the BLM (Application number N-100544). The R&PP lease application is currently on track for BLM approval in the final quarter of next year. The City's proposal is consistent with the R&PP lease application. The R&PP lease, if issued, will include a plan of development and maintenance plan reviewed and approved by the BLM. Should the proposal be modified, BLM recommends a review by the BLM's Division of Lands.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

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Morrell Park Renovation – This proposal is to renovate the historic Morrell Park facilities located on City-owned land and School Board of Trustees/ Clark County School District-owned property. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing on behalf of Acelero Learning to express our support of the City of Henderson's Morrell Park project.

Acelero Learning has been transforming early learning since 2001 and has a proven track record of producing breakthrough child outcomes for children, regardless of income, through our unique outcomes-focused approach to providing Head Start services. We believe that all children can succeed and achieve, and we work to empower families to advocate for their children and themselves.

By making the complex a safer, more accessible environment for people of all ages, backgrounds and physical abilities to enjoy, Acelero Learning recognizes the inherent value the Morrell Park project will bring to our community. The encouragement to get people outdoors to actively participate in recreational activities and come together as a community will empower our families and young children. We recognize the value of passive and active play in the development of our young people and feel the project will support our mission to eliminate gaps between their inherent potential and achievement in school and life.

As adjacent neighbors to Morrell Park, we at Acelero Learning fully support the project, and with this space being run by the City of Henderson, we are excited about the educational opportunities for our Center.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-809-6425 or by email at mmaxwell@acelero.net

Sincerely,

Michael Maxwell, Ed.D.
Delegate Vice President
Acelero Learning Head Start



Accessible Space, Inc.

September 1, 2023

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Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing to you today on behalf of Coronado Drive Apartments to express our support for the City of Henderson's Morrell Park project.

Coronado Drive Apartments is designed for senior households age 55 and better and offers 60 accessible, affordable one- and two-bedroom apartments. It is managed by Accessible Space, Inc. (ASI) who are a nationwide nonprofit housing service provider. ASI's mission is to provide accessible, affordable, and supportive living environments aligned with the values of independence and well-being. With this mission, we recognize the significant value the proposed redesign of Morrell Park will hold for our residents.

The improvements envisioned for the park, including well-lit pathways and enhanced RRFB crosswalks, will undoubtedly foster better connections and accessibility, directly benefiting our residents. The emphasis on creating a safer and more inviting environment within the park also resonates deeply with our vision for our community. We anticipate that our residents will greatly appreciate the expanded active and passive recreational opportunities, as well as the dedicated spaces for relaxation and enjoying the outdoor spaces within the park. These enhancements will contribute to their overall well-being and quality of life.

With this recreational facility being run by the City of Henderson, Coronado Drive Apartments looks forward to the many community events that will take place in the park, and we wish to confirm our full support of the proposed project.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 651-645-7271 x242 or by email at dherrera-markwald@accessiblespace.org

Sincerely,

Danielle Herrera-Markwald
 Coronado Drive Apartments – Accessible Space, Inc.



August 29, 2023

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**Subject: Morrell Park – City of Henderson Project Nomination
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Dear Ms. Leiber,

Get Outdoors Nevada's (GON) mission and vision is to connect Nevadans and visitors from all backgrounds and ages to the state's diverse outdoor places. We pursue a three-fold approach of education, service, and community engagement. Many of our efforts and programs focus on the needs and lives of families and school children, especially those who are at-risk and often have limited opportunity to experience the great outdoors. We work to protect and educate people on all of Nevada's outdoor and recreational areas.

GON programs include outdoor classroom experiences and recreational field trips for low-income, at-risk youth who would not otherwise have these important experiences. City of Henderson is always there to support these programs. The additional amenities that would be provided with the construction of this project will be beneficial to the community and will help GON continue its mission by providing more open space for the community to explore and enjoy.

GON strongly supports the City of Henderson's efforts to expand upon and improve the existing Morrell Park complex.

Please contact me at 702-997-3350 or rbergren@getoutdoorsnevada.org if you have any questions or would like additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rachel Bergren'.

Rachel Bergren
Executive Director



August 29, 2023
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**Subject: Morrell Park – City of Henderson Project Nomination
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Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing on behalf of HopeLink of Southern Nevada to express our support of the City of Henderson's Morrell Park project.

For over three decades, HopeLink of Southern Nevada has been dedicated to the prevention of homelessness, strengthening and empowering families, and fostering hope. Our organization is driven by the belief that every individual, regardless of their circumstances, deserves the opportunity to lead a life of self-sufficiency and dignity.

As close neighbors to Morrell Park, we at HopeLink are excited by the prospects presented by the project. We recognize the immense value of the physical activity and exercise opportunities that will be provided, as well as the green spaces and public amenities to be created.

We are confident that our community will greatly benefit from the enhanced features and opportunities that the Morrell Park project seeks to offer. The project's emphasis on physical well-being, communal spaces, and connectivity mirrors our own values and aspirations. We believe that the project has the potential to foster a stronger sense of cohesion and belonging within our community.

In summary, HopeLink of Southern Nevada stands wholeheartedly in support of the proposed Morrell Park redevelopment. We believe in its capacity to elevate our community's vitality, strengthen its bonds, and create a more cohesive and interconnected environment for all residents.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-566-0576 ext 314 or by email at aaron@link2hope.org

Sincerely,

Aaron Sheets

Aaron Sheets
Chief Operating Officer
HopeLink of Southern Nevada



Henderson Presbyterian Church

September 10, 2023

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Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing on behalf of the Henderson Presbyterian Church to express our support of the City of Henderson's Morrell Park project.

Having a long-standing presence in the area, we can see the immense value the project will have to our members, residents, and the wider community. Guided by our mission to offer support and encouragement to our members to use their abilities, talents, and gifts in the service of God, our church, and the wider community, we see clear parallels between those values and what the Morrell Park project will bring to the area.

We value the enhanced and varied recreational activities and opportunities for people of all age ranges and backgrounds, and we warmly welcome how communal spaces are integral to the redesigns. Indeed, the church, as an active supporter of the community and host of numerous regular activities for people of all ages, including our dedicated involvement with the Scouts, welcomes how the project has been designed to make Morrell Park a safer, inclusive, and more attractive place within which to engage, play, and congregate.

The Henderson Presbyterian Church is therefore happy to confirm its support of the Morrell Park project, and with the space being run by the City of Henderson, we are excited about future congregational opportunities for the church.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-565-9684 or by email at hpcpastor2022@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Rev. Mariano Ordonez
 Pastor - HPC

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 Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category**

Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing to you today on behalf of Major Avenue Apartments, which are managed by Accessible Space, Inc. (ASI), to convey our support for the City of Henderson's Morrell Park project.


ASI, is a nationwide nonprofit housing service provider for persons with physical disabilities, as well as seniors and veterans, and our Major Avenue Apartments complex is located directly opposite Morrell Park. At the core of ASI's mission is the commitment to offer accessible, affordable, and supportive living environments that are designed for independence and well-being. With this shared mission, we recognize the significant value the proposed redevelopment of Morrell Park holds for our residents.

The improvements envisioned for the park, including well-lit pathways and enhanced RRFB crosswalks, will undoubtedly foster better connections and accessibility, directly benefiting our residents. The emphasis on creating a safer and more inviting environment within the park resonates deeply with our vision for our community. Furthermore, we anticipate that our residents will greatly appreciate the expanded active and passive recreational opportunities, as well as the dedicated spaces for relaxation and enjoying the outdoor spaces within the park. These enhancements will contribute to their overall well-being and quality of life.

With this space being run by the City of Henderson, Major Avenue Apartments also looks forward to and engaging in the many community events that will take place in the park, and we stand in full support of the proposed project.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 651-645-7271 x242 or by email at dherrera-markwald@accessiblespace.org

Sincerely,


 Danielle Herrera-Markwald
 Major Avenue Apartments - Accessible Space, Inc.

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Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing to you today on behalf of Morrell Park Apartments to express our support for the City of Henderson's Morrell Park project.

As a closely knit community of 1-, 2-, and 3-bedroom apartments and townhomes that live right across the street from Morrell Park, we are keenly aware of the tremendous value the proposed project will bring to both our residents and the community at large.

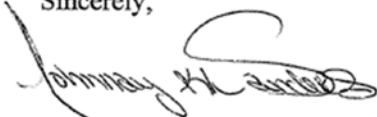
The proposed redesign holds immense promise for our community, and we are particularly excited about the envisioned opportunities for our residents to enjoy their outdoor spaces. The prospect of multiple multi-use sports courts, a vibrant splash pad, dedicated dog parks, and engaging children's play spaces is particularly welcomed and resonates with our commitment to enhance the quality of life for our residents.

We also welcome the approach to cultivating a safer and more inviting environment within the park premises, as well as the proposed improvements to the pedestrian connections within and around the park. We feel these will provide tangible benefits for our residents and will help foster a sense of unity and inclusiveness in the wider community.

With this space being run by the City of Henderson, Morrell Park Apartments also looks forward to the many community events that will take place in the park, and we stand in full support of the proposed project.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-565-8080 or by email at johnnayk.l.sanders@gmail.com

Sincerely,



Ms. Johnnay Sanders
Morrell Park Apartments



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Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing on behalf of the Presbyterian Church of the Living God to express our support of the City of Henderson's Morrell Park project.

The church has had a presence in the area since 2018 and our vision is to provide love to all and care for the lost and involve everyone to help grow the kingdom of God by the giving of their time, talent, and treasure. Guided by this mission we can see clear parallels between those values and what the Morrell Park project will bring to our community.

We value the enhanced and varied recreational activities and opportunities for people of all age ranges, and we warmly welcome how communal spaces are integral to the redevelopment. The church, as an active supporter of the community, welcomes how the project has been designed to make Morrell Park a safer, inclusive, and more attractive place within which to engage, play, and congregate.

The Presbyterian Church of the Living God is therefore happy to confirm its support of the Morrell Park project, and with the space being run by the City of Henderson, we are excited about congregational opportunities for the church.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 702-800-9781 or by email at pclivinggod@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Rev. Mariano Ordonez
 Pastor - PCLG

A member church of the Presbyterian Church (USA)



September 5, 2023

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Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category**

Dear Ms. Leiber,

On behalf of the Redevelopment Advisory Commission (RAC), we are pleased to extend our full support for the City of Henderson's Morrell Park project. The RAC was created by the city's Redevelopment Agency in 1995 to encourage reinvestment and revitalization of the city's maturing neighborhoods. It comprises of seven esteemed members from the wider community who provide community input and recommendations to the Redevelopment Agency on a host of programs and projects.

Constructed in 1975 and located in the Valley View neighborhood in the East Side Redevelopment Area, Morrell Park is in one of the oldest parts of Henderson. Residents in the area are among the most diverse in the city and generally experience poorer health outcomes, higher unemployment and poverty rates, and lower income and educational attainment compared to citywide averages. The RAC therefore wholeheartedly supports the significant investment in this part of our city.

The RAC particularly welcomes how the redesign proposal addresses existing safety and visibility issues. Presently, there are large parts of the park that are not easily seen, which has resulted in the park becoming increasingly underutilized by the wider community and a gathering space for individuals experiencing homelessness. The proposed redevelopment of the park will also bring new equipment and contemporary amenities that will bring the park up to par with other facilities in the city. The RAC is therefore excited to see the number of active and passive recreational opportunities on offer for people of all ages and backgrounds in the redevelopment proposal.

The RAC is in full support of the Morrell Park project, and we eagerly anticipate the positive impact the project will have on the Valley View neighborhood. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (702) 435-7234 or by email at LJSpina@RAFIArchitecture.com.

Sincerely,



Laura Jane Spina

Voluntary Non-Federal In-Kind/Cash Contribution Commitment Letter



November 2, 2023

Michelle Leiber
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 Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Program
 Bureau of Land Management
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Subject: City of Henderson Project Nominations
 Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA)
 Round 20 - Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) Category
 In-kind or Cash Contribution Commitment

Dear Ms. Leiber,

The City of Henderson is pleased to share our commitment for staff in-kind time, furnished equipment, and cash contribution for the projects being submitted for SNPLMA Round 20 PTNA nominations. The contributions for each project are as follows:

1. **Downtown Park Renovation** – **Contribution of \$236,753.00**
 Contribution includes cost for three security cameras and staff in-kind time that includes salary and fringe benefit costs for a Park Planner and Park Project Manager for the duration of the project for design and construction.
2. **Bermuda Larson Park** – **Contribution of \$252,753.00**
 Contribution includes cost for seven security cameras and staff in-kind time that includes salary and fringe benefit costs for a Park Planner and Park Project Manager for the duration of the project for design and construction.
3. **Morrell Park Renovation** – **Contribution of \$405,753.00**
 Contribution includes cost for five security cameras and staff in-kind time includes salary and fringe benefit costs for a Park Planner and Park Project Manager for the duration of the project for design and construction, and a cash contribution for construction of areas not considered public. The funds will be covered by the Parks and Recreation Department's Residential Construction Tax.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by email at Shari.Ferguson@cityofhenderson.com or by phone at (702) 267-4000.

Sincerely,

Shari Ferguson
 Director of Parks and Recreation, City of Henderson

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**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updates as of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 15

Entity: Clark County

Project: Mountain’s Edge Regional Park Phase II

Section D – Project Deliverables

1. Primary Deliverables:

a. Soccer Complex

- **2) Soccer fields to be fenced in pairs w/ 8-ft wrought iron or aluminum fences and gates.**
Comment: Per the County’s project Master Plan dated 8/3/2022 it reads “*Eight (8) field soccer complex (225-ft. x 360-ft. FIFA) with warm up areas, vendor truck area, and restroom*”. County also clarified “up to 4 fences per soccer field, to be determined with design.” This deliverable will be updated.

- **4) Up to 10-foot-wide walkways with up to 12-foot-wide gates for each field.**
Comment: Clark County provided a copy of the project master plan dated August 2022 that provides a conceptual depiction of the walkways. The master plan has been incorporated into the project nomination.

- **6) LED sports lighting for fields and warm-up areas.**
Comment: Approximate number of sports lightings? To be determined with design.

- **15) Up to 12-foot-wide paved walkways that connect to the parking lots, soccer fields, warm up areas, and soccer plaza.**
Comment: Clark County provided a copy of the project master plan dated August 2022 that provides a conceptual depiction of the walkways. The master plan has been incorporated into the project nomination.

b. Pickleball Complex:

- **1) Up to 21 pickleball courts...(May include 1-4 championship courts for rentals and championship play, to be determined with final layout/design).**
Comment: County needs to clarify in the nomination narrative that any revenue (program income) for use of the park will go back into the project for operations and maintenance costs.

2. Anticipated Deliverables: Enhanced park entrance off Mountain’s Edge Parkway.

- Comment: This is deliverable is not measurable and the description needs clarification. Per the County’s project Master Plan dated 8/3/2022 it reads “*Gateway feature (monument, signage, art)*”. This deliverable will be updated.

Section K – Ranking Criteria

1. Demand For And Access To: ... (see attached map entitled “CCSD-Option D”).

Comment: Please provide the map that this section is referring.

Section I – Project Budget (and Excel Budget Detail)

Total SNPLMA overall amount requested updated to \$43,618,352:

1. **Tab 1 “Personnel” costs** – Clark County Real Property Management (RPM) charges a flat rate of \$150,000 for projects that cost \$3 million or more, as established in 2002 and approved by the Board of County Commissioners. This RPM fee is to cover labor costs for a Design & Construction Administrator, and a Construction Project Management Supervisor. The County has also updated the budget with a voluntary non-federal cost share of \$27,560 (2 hours per week over 5 years at \$53.00 per hour for a Senior Management Analyst. This amount has been updated in the nomination.
2. **Tab 2 “Fringe Benefits” costs** – no costs allocated for fringe.
County will need to clarify whether the project includes any fringe benefit costs.
3. **Tab 6 “Contractual” costs** - County updated the SNPLMA contractual costs by decreasing the amount by \$150,000 in professional services for a construction management fee, and \$105,000 in contractual Fixtures, Furniture and Equipment (FF&E) for “Park Programming and Sports Equipment” costs for sports equipment including roller rink goals, nets, miscellaneous sports equipment. The SNPLMA contractual costs updated to \$43,468,352 in total.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Clark County



Mountain's Edge Regional Park – Phase II

Amount Requested: \$43,618,352

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Mountain's Edge is a master-planned community that measures approximately 2,500 acres on the southwest portion of Las Vegas, with peaceful residential areas for those who want a quieter, more relaxed lifestyle away from the Las Vegas Strip. Close to Red Rock National Conservation Area, nature lovers are drawn to the southwest part of the valley, and in 2014, Mountain's Edge was fourth on the list of the fastest selling communities. Clark County's population growth, particularly in Mountain's Edge, has increased the need for regional recreational opportunities.

According to its Master Plan, Clark County has a goal to build 2.5 acres of park land per 1,000 residents in urban areas. While housing unit growth and a population increase is the driving force for park development, funding has been limited; Mountain's Edge is one of the lowest serviced areas in the County. The attached map (Comprehensive Planning Mountain's Edge Park 2.5 Mile Radius Buffer) shows that the 2.5-mile radius of Mountain's Edge Regional Park is heavily residential, and the number of residents has increased 75% from 2006 to 2022. Additionally, the Master Plan indicates while the Mountain's Edge community will continue to build neighborhood parks, regional parks have a much larger service area (5 miles or greater). The existing level of service for both the southwest portion of the Valley and the area surrounding this project clearly shows the need for development of this park.

Mountain's Edge Regional Park (Clark County R&PP Lease N-66442) is only one of seven regional parks in Clark County, yet with a total of over +/- 255 acres of open space, only +/-19 acres of the park are developed. The park site is surrounded with residential properties to the north, west and east, BLM administered public land to the south. Mountain's Edge Regional Park Master Plan was developed in August 2022, with seven phases planned for the site. Currently, Mountain's Edge Regional Park has limited amenities for a park of its size with only soccer fields, a basketball court, baseball fields, outdoor fitness equipment, a walking path, a playground, and picnic areas. The Mountain's Edge Park Phase II proposal will develop +/- 55 acres of the park, adding a Soccer Complex, Pickleball Complex, Community Botanical Garden, as well as realignment of the existing walking loop trail (funded by SNPLMA in Round 11, Priority 6 CC61) to create better connectivity to these amenities.

To implement the proposed project, Clark County will contract architectural and design professionals to develop a design and construction timeline, from the initial planning phase to project completion. Clark County will work in conjunction with the consultants and will monitor the following key milestones:

- Development of a Scope of Work for Design.
- Solicit request for design consultant.
- Award design contract/agreement and issue Notice to Proceed.
- Obtain 30% and 60% design documents.
- Obtain input from the public, stakeholders and SNPLMA.
- Finalize 100% design documents.
- Solicit request for construction consultant.
- Award construction contract and issue Notice to Proceed.
- Construct the project holding weekly & bi-weekly progress meetings.

- Finalize 100% construction.
- Close out the project.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

The Mountain's Edge Trail received funding during SNPLMA Round 11, BLM Priority 11-6. Since then, Mountain's Edge Regional Park Master Plan was updated in August 2022. The revised plan outlines the development of the park in seven anticipated phases in the future. The construction of Phase II is primarily due to the high demand for soccer fields and pickleball courts in Clark County. It is possible that Clark County will seek SNPLMA funding for the construction of these upcoming phases.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

This project is a stand-alone project designed to be self-contained and implemented independently without additional SNPLMA funding in the future. The County will provide oversight and monitoring of the project using the following performance measures:

- Clark County Real Property Management Design & Construction (RPM D&C) has introduced construction management software for the management of projects called Procore. Procore is shared with design consultants and contractors to track project stakeholders, budget, commitments, documents, meeting minutes, tasks, drawings, photos, schedules, Request for Information (RFIs), construction submittals, punch list items, and daily logs.
- RPM D&C completes weekly or bi-weekly meetings during the design and construction phases to track progress and resolve issues. These meetings are documented and transcribed in meeting minutes.
- Monthly reporting in the RPM D&C Project Book database. The Project Manager inputs milestone dates that are key impacts to the project schedule.
- Clark County utilizes SAP software to track budget, encumbrances, and invoices.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

Nominated projects should meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community. The proposed Mountains Edge Park Phase II project meets all three SNPLMA core values of Community, Connectivity and Sustainability:

1. Sustainability:

All amenities being proposed with this project can be designed and managed with sustainability in mind in various ways; for example, the use of energy-efficient LED lighting for pathways and security to reduce energy consumption and operating costs, and by installing smart irrigation systems that adjust watering schedules based on Southern Nevada Water Authority's watering schedules. The Community Botanical Garden will educate the public about sustainable gardening practices and the importance of plant selection and their conservation.

2. Community:

The Mountain's Edge Regional Park Phase II project would help bring the community together with organized sports like pickleball and soccer. Both sports provide opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to come together, compete, and collaborate as part of a team. Local leagues, tournaments and matches can become community events that draw spectators and participants, which can create a sense of belonging and provide opportunities for the community to come together. The botanical garden being proposed with this project can provide opportunities for park users to connect with others who share similar interests in plant identification and plant care, where they can foster a sense of ownership and begin to feel more personally invested in the community.

3. Connectivity:

This project may involve the redirection of the existing multi-use trail, with the goal of enhancing pedestrian access to both the existing park facilities and the proposed new Pickleball Complex, Soccer Complex, and Community Botanical Garden. The Community Botanical Garden being proposed can create a sense of connectivity by being a place for children and adults to explore nature while coming together to work side by side with their neighbors.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

Clark County will design and construct a new 55-acre phase of the Mountain's Edge Regional Park located south of the Las Vegas Valley, over 8 miles east of the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Areas, in Clark County, Nevada. The park is situated on BLM-administered public land leased to the County under the authority of the Recreation and Public Purpose Act. The project will include a soccer complex, pickleball complex, community botanical garden, and realignment of the Mountain's Edge Loop Trail to provide improved connectivity to existing pathways and facilities in the park.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. **Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid) (To be determined with final design)**

a. Soccer Complex:

1. Four full size, synthetic turf, soccer fields, with minimum 10-foot run-off aprons on each side.

2. Soccer fields to be fenced in pairs with 8-foot wrought iron or aluminum fences and gates.
 3. Two regulation soccer goals with wheels for each field (16 total).
 4. Up to 10-foot-wide walkways with up to 12-foot-wide gates for each field.
 5. Netting or taller fences behind goals adjacent to parking lots, plazas, or roadways.
 6. LED sports lighting for fields and warm-up areas.
 7. LED lit pathway and security lighting throughout the complex and under shade structures.
 8. Centralized Soccer Plaza with group gathering areas, seating for group and team gatherings and shaded landscape areas for spectators and guests, covered pavilions, vendor area with power pedestals or in-ground boxes, connecting walkways throughout, a themed playground area focused on climbing structures and apparatus.
 9. ADA accessible restroom with a minimum of 5-6 toilet/urinal fixtures on men's side and 8-9 toilets on the women's side; 2 sinks and a changing table on each side, chilled bottle filler drinking fountain; and a lockable secure sports storage room as part of the restrooms.
 10. 3-4 separate lit players warm-up areas adjacent to the Soccer Plaza and between the soccer fields with concrete walls for individual practice, kicking and rebounding.
 11. One parking lot with LED lights and ADA parking stalls north of the soccer fields. A dedicated pick-up and drop-off loop for soccer parking lot.
 12. Park rules signs, field destination signs and way-finding signs. Each light pole should include field identification (painted numbers, colors, or signs).
 13. Enhanced landscaping with appropriate shade trees, shrub materials and associated irrigation to make the facility comfortable for users.
 14. Shaded landscape areas for spectators within the complex.
 15. Up to 12-foot-wide paved walkways that connect to the parking lots, soccer fields, warm up areas and soccer plaza.
 16. Designated area for food trucks on the north area parking lot.
- b. Pickleball Complex:
1. Up to 21 pickleball courts with LED push button lights and posts, netting, center net straps and tiedowns, and sport court surfacing. (May include 1-4 championship courts for rentals and championship play, to be determined with final layout/design).
 2. Fencing for courts with chain-link or vinyl coated chain-link up to 8-feet high with wind screen attached where necessary.
 3. Centralized plaza that includes group gathering areas, seating and shaded landscape areas for spectators and guests, covered pavilions, vendor area with power pedestals or in-ground boxes, connecting walkways and landscaping throughout.
 4. ADA accessible restroom with a changing table on each side, chilled bottle filler drinking fountain, and a lockable secure sports storage room (size to be determined) as part of the restrooms.

5. Parking lot with LED lights and ADA parking stalls, with a dedicated pick-up and drop-off loop in the parking lot.
- c. Community Botanical Garden:
 1. A Botanical Garden (1.5-1.75 acres) with focus on water conservation and native vegetation.
 2. Paved primary loop trail (7-8 foot-wide) and network of interconnecting trails of varied surfaces, with shaded seating areas.
 3. Up to 10 educational, interpretive, and historical signage for plant identification and plant care.
- ci. Existing Walking Loop Trail and Access Roadways:
 1. Realignment of Mountain's Edge Loop Trail for better connectivity to the new amenities.
 2. Offsite improvements of additional parking lot entries from adjacent public Rights-of-way for the Soccer Complex off Durango Drive.
 3. Section of the internal park drive with central median to be extended from new round about, per the Master Plan, connecting to the existing Desert Diamonds parking area to the east and south to the northern soccer parking lot.
2. **Anticipated Deliverables:** (*Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval*)
 - a. Enhanced Park entrance off Mountain's Edge Parkway.
3. **Standard Deliverables:**
 - a. Design, engineering, surveying, construction drawings, technical reports, cultural review, field inspections, drainage, utilities, soil or other analysis, grading, permits, site improvements, costs to repair irrigation system or landscaping damaged during new amenity construction, public input meetings, staff and management reviews, professional service fees, contract administration, and other necessary expenses.
 - b. Financial and Performance Reporting (e.g., SF-425, Performance Narrative)
 - c. SNPLMA Status Reporting (Quarterly and Annually)
 - d. SNPLMA Annual Accomplishments and Performance Measures
 - e. SNPLMA Close-out Package Construction Contract

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 8101 Mountains Edge Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada 89178

Legal Description: MDM: Clark County, Nevada:

T.22S., R60E, sec. 28, SW4SW4, NW4SW4, NE4SW4

Parcel Number(s): 176-28-301-003

Current Land Use and Zoning:

Latitude and Longitude: 36.01485534913651, -115.2436004796112

Congressional District(s): NV-3

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1: Receive Cooperative Agreement, NEPA, Section 106 Consultation, Award design contract, obtain 30% and 60% of the design.
- Year 2: Obtain input from the public/SNPLMA, Finalize 100% design documents. Award construction contract.
- Year 3: Construct the project while holding weekly & bi-weekly meetings with the contractor.
- Year 4: Continue construction of the project.
- Year 5: Complete the construction including punch list items and close-out the project.

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if "Yes"): Yes -or- No

A Negative Cultural Resource Investigation was completed by archeologists from the Harry Reid Center for Environmental Studies in November 2001.

Clark County has set up a design and construction process to implement multiple park and trail projects funded by SNPLMA. This process will allow the County to quickly respond to the Special Account Funds Notice and submit the paperwork necessary to obtain the Financial Assistance Agreement from the BLM. We would also be able to immediately start the project once the Financial Assistance Agreement is executed and easily begin the project within one year of receipt of the Special Account Funds Notice and complete the project within 6 years.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

Clark County has not been able to secure funding from another source for this project.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Standard maintenance costs for the project as well as other County facilities include site inspections, litter cleanup, repair, or replacement of all project components, when necessary, and graffiti mitigation. County staff prepared the cost estimates for O&M for the project and related amenities. These costs are based on industry trends and the County's historical data.

Clark County addresses operation and maintenance costs for all projects on an annual basis.

Once completed, O&M costs for this project will be incorporated into the annual budget for all park and recreational facilities. Maintenance of the facility will be accomplished by the Clark County Department of Real Property Management. Estimated O&M costs for this project will be approximately \$10,061 per acre annually.

County acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the County from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the County's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

Clark County is requesting **\$43,618,352** in SNPLMA appropriation to complete the project.

Summarized below are the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the "Project Budget Detail & Narrative" spreadsheet that provides the budget summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 150,000	\$ 27,560
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 43,468,352	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 43,618,352	\$ 27,560
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 43,618,352	\$ 27,560

Cost-Benefit Analysis

Cost estimates were primarily developed analyzing the scope of the project using current labor/material costs and standard industry costs, comparison of recent projects with similar characteristics and timeframe considerations by subject matter experts within the Clark County Department of Real Property Management.

If the project is approved, a revised cost-benefit analysis may need be completed that will take into account the initial cost estimate and cost escalations and if more funded is anticipated, presented to SNPLMA.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

Clark County will provide a minimum of \$27,560 of in-kind expenditures in the form of staff time from salaried employees. This amount is based on 520 hours of time at an average salary/benefits rate of \$53.00. The County's written commitment for the voluntary non-federal cost share is enclosed at the back of this nomination.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. ***The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).***

Answer: This project constructs new park development in an existing regional park, with a Pickleball Complex, Soccer Complex and a Community Botanical Garden being proposed. These amenities place a strong focus on providing equitable access to recreation by addressing various factors such as income levels, population, race, and background. There are 4 elementary schools and 1 middle school close to the park site and a new school will be built adjacent to Mountain's Edge Regional Park (see attached map entitled 'CCSD-Option D').

Pickleball is a sport known for its remarkable accessibility to people of all ages, especially seniors who may be on a fixed income. Additionally, the facility will be designed with ADA-compliant and safety features such as LED lighting.

The U.S. Botanic Garden organization states that “in the context of a community garden, participants have opportunity to place a high value on equity, diversity and inclusion, and how to work together in a way that truly reflects these values.” The Community Botanical Garden being proposed with this project has the potential to engage people of all income levels, races, and backgrounds.

The Soccer Complex will provide a recreational experience for adults and kids of all income levels and backgrounds. Soccer is accessible because players don’t need expensive equipment to play.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: This project improves community prosperity and economic development because communities that offer a variety of recreational opportunities, especially pickleball and soccer, may attract new residents looking for places to live that offer a high quality of life for their families. As Mountain’s Edge continues to expand, the potential for economic growth through housing demand, increased local consumer spending, and greater tax revenue will also increase.

There may also be potential for economic growth through sponsorships and partnerships; local businesses and organizations may sponsor pickleball and soccer events. Sponsorships not only support the sports, but also create marketing and opportunities for businesses, increasing their visibility and contributing to local economic development.

Clark County Parks & Recreation facilities generate limited revenue; however any revenue that could potentially be generated by tournaments is tracked through the Clark County Parks & Recreation Sports Division, which utilizes a point-of-sale (POS) system.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: The project is unique and significant because it’s greatly needed in an underserved area. Pickleball is a sport that has exploded in popularity in recent years, and as of 2022, has 8.9 million players. The Las Vegas Review Journal reported municipalities in Clark County are racing to keep up with the demand for public courts, therefore the project is significant in adding more pickleball court to meet the demand.

Soccer is a significant component of this project because it’s one of the most accessible sports due to its minimal equipment requirements. Soccer is a positive outlet for young people and provides a common ground for community to come together. Matches and tournaments can serve as social events that help build a sense of community pride and unity.

A botanical garden in Mountain’s Edge would be a distinctive addition, as there is currently no such facility in the area. It would provide valuable educational resources for the community, helping to teach about plant diversity, ecosystems, and the importance of environmental conservation to both residents and visitors.

D. ***The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).***

Answer: The Mountain's Edge Regional Park Phase II project can improve public health and safety concerns in several ways; for example, participation in pickleball promotes physical activity, which is important for maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Studies have shown that regular exercise reduces the risk of cardiovascular disease, obesity, and other health problems. The sport is popular among seniors because it is a low-impact sport and easy on the body. Pickleball enthusiasts also love the sport because it boosts mood and mental health, and players also stay socially engaged.

Soccer increases aerobic activity and cardiovascular health and builds strength, flexibility, and endurance. The sport also helps kids build life skills such as hard work, decision making, problem solving and communication, helping to raise their self-esteem.

Community botanical gardens improve health and safety because they offer environments that allow visitors to destress and connect with nature. Reduced stress levels contribute to improved mental health, helping address public health concerns related to anxiety and depression.

E. ***The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.***

Answer: The Mountain's Edge Regional Park project can help meet the needs of communities that have limited access to recreational opportunities. For example, Soccer is the world's most popular sport and has the power to unify people and break down cultural, religious, and economic boundaries (World Vision). It's also a relatively affordable sport because it requires minimal equipment; therefore, it makes it accessible to those with limited financial resources.

Pickleball is known for its accessibility to people of all ages and abilities. It's an easy to play, low-impact sport and appeals to all age groups, making it an inclusive recreational option for underserved communities. The sport also requires minimal equipment, making it an affordable option for individuals and families with low-income.

The Community Botanical Garden will raise environmental awareness and emphasize the significance of conservation, which will be offered to the public free of charge.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***

Answer: Soccer and pickleball provide opportunities for residents to come together and form a sense of community. Events in either of these two sports can celebrate cultural diversity and provide opportunities for cultural exchange. Soccer is

particularly a good sport for youth because the sport offers character development, teamwork, and leadership skills. Soccer and pickleball courts also optimize open space for recreational use, making efficient use of land resources.

This project can contribute to environmental education in terms of the Community Botanical Garden, that will provide educational programs on plant diversity, ecosystems, and environmental conservation.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: The Community Botanical Garden with this proposal will feature conservation efforts that will promote environmental stewardship and awareness. The garden can demonstrate sustainable gardening practices to inspire eco-friendly behaviors in kids and adults.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: Clark County will utilize sustainable design materials for energy and water conservation. LED lighting will be installed throughout the project at the Soccer Complex, Pickleball Complex and Community Botanical Garden, as well as the parking lot and pathways, saving energy and reducing operational costs.

Additionally, soccer fields will have enhanced native, drought-resistant landscaping with efficient irrigation that adjust water usage based on guidelines set by the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA). The pickleball courts will be built with durable materials to minimize the need for frequent repairs and replacements. Educational signage made with solid materials that can withstand Las Vegas' heat will be installed throughout the Community Botanical Garden to inform visitors about sustainable landscaping and conservation practices.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: The Community Botanical Garden being proposed with this project will enhance the quality of the recreation experience by providing a space for seating areas for reflection and contemplation by the visitor. Educational, interpretive, and historical signage for plant identification and plant care will be installed that will help increase individuals' appreciation for the natural environment.

As the book *Your Brain on Nature* indicates: "Since both exercise and nature improve your health, when you add them together you have double the benefits." Outdoor pickleball courts and soccer fields placed within a natural setting provide a recreational experience for players and spectators to have a direct connection to the outdoors while improving health and mood.

3. CONNECTIVITY: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities

and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

Answer: The project has been designed to prioritize pedestrian accessibility within the park, and features pathways connecting the parking area to the Pickleball Complex, Soccer Complex and Community Botanical Garden, and with existing pathways and facilities within the park, such as the baseball complex and Desert Diamonds Plaza. This is all in accordance with the recently revised Mountain's Edge Regional Park master plan.

The project will also connect to the Regional Trail System via an existing path along Mountain's Edge Parkway and the existing equestrian trail along Buffalo Drive and is one mile from the Las Vegas Perimeter Open Space Corridor and associated trail system.

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Answer: Yes, the Clark County Comprehensive Parks Planning Program collaborates with the Parks and Recreation Department and Real Property Management to oversee the planning, design, and construction of Clark County parks. This program supports the planning and creation of parks and recreational facilities that are secure and serve their intended functions.

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

Answer: As previously mentioned, the master plan for Mountain's Edge Park was revised in August 2022 and remains an integral part of Clark County's broader regional plan for parks and trails.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Answer: The Soccer Complex being proposed with this project can teach kids several life skills as they connect with the outdoors such as teamwork, perseverance, and communication. The Community Botanical Garden will feature educational, interpretive, and historical signage describing plant identification and plant care.

E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

Answer: Clark County is dedicated to advancing inclusivity by involving underserved communities through its programmatic and outreach initiatives. The Community Botanical Garden being proposed will provide the opportunity for staff to forge partnerships with local schools and non-profit organizations serving disadvantaged populations to jointly promote and support garden programs.

Soccer is the world's most popular sport and has the power to unify people and break down cultural, religious, and economic boundaries. It is a relatively low-cost sport, that requires minimal equipment, making it accessible to a wide range of individuals, regardless of economic status.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

Answer: As demonstrated in SNPLMA Rounds 18 & 19, construction materials have fluctuated. In the year 2023, the construction industry has indicated that the expenses associated with construction will be subjected to fluctuations. The projected expenses and cost assessments were established by referencing recent park projects of a similar nature. These costs were calculated by Clark County Real Property in conjunction with third-party estimators.

B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

Answer: According to its Master Plan, Clark County has a goal to build 2.5 acres of park land per 1,000 residents in urban areas. While housing unit growth and a population increase is the driving force for park development, park development funding has been limited and Mountains Edge Regional Park is one of the lowest serviced areas in Clark County. Given the shortage of parks and the continuously rising residential areas within the service area of Mountain's Edge, the significance of this investment is substantial.

C. ***The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.***

Answer: The Pickleball Complex, Soccer Complex and Community Botanical Garden will incorporate sustainable design and construction methods that will reduce long-term maintenance expenses. The project's design and engineering will prioritize construction techniques and materials that improve the amenities' longevity, minimize maintenance, and prolong the lifespan of the enhancements.

D. ***Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).***

Answer: Clark County has committed to provide \$27,560.00 of in-kind expenditures in the form of staff time from Clark County departments associated with the project (see attached commitment letter).

E. ***Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).***

Answer: Clark County acknowledges the importance of incorporating modern technology to enhance efficiency, sustainability, and cost-effectiveness with the development of this project, by constructing it using LED lighting throughout the project and water-efficient irrigation systems.

I. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***

In September 2022 Clark County completed the All-In Clark County Nevada Climate Vulnerability Assessment, a study of climate hazards including extreme heat, drought, wildfires and flooding. The Mountain's Edge Regional Park-Phase II project will promote the reduction of wildfire risks by being actively maintained by Clark County Department of Real Property Management.

2. ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***

Clark County supports EO No. 14005. On March 22, 2023, Clark County, Nevada announced that it has been selected to participate in the second phase of Results for America's Good Jobs & Equity Project (GJE) backed by the Families and Workers Fund, which will help 12 U.S. jurisdictions implement innovative job quality strategies that promote economic mobility and strengthen local economies.

3. ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***

N/A

4. ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***

This project will provide an opportunity for environmental education and awareness by offering recreational opportunities. The Mountain's Edge Regional Park-Phase II project will also draw tourism contributing to the local economy.

5. ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***

In February 2021, Clark County adopted its first Sustainability and Climate Action Plan. All-In Clark County is an initiative to create a sustainable community for the well-being and prosperity of all.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

The Mountain's Edge Regional Park-Phase II project will provide multiple opportunities for conservation stewardship, including the botanical demonstration garden being proposed with this project.

2. ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

N/A

3. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

N/A

4. *SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior*

This project will increase recreational opportunities by providing both soccer and pickleball complexes.

5. *SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.*

N/A

6. *SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.*

The Mountain's Edge Park Phase II project will reduce wildfire risks by being actively managed and maintained by the Clark County Department of Real Property Management.

7. *SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition)).*

N/A

8. *SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.*

N/A

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

- 1. *Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.***

As part of Clark County's Transform Clark County Master Plan, Clark County actively participates in discussions for public lands to ensure that management plans continue to allow existing and future renewable energy resource development and industry expansion. Key resources associated with federal lands in Clark County include energy production and transmission.

- 2. *Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations. We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.***

On April 20, 2021, Clark County Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution as a government entity to support federal, state, and local agencies be engaged in efforts to support and expand the protection of land and waters to honor tribal jurisdictions and the rights of indigenous tribes through consultation with tribal governments.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration’s goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*

Clark County endorses the nationwide initiative to promote the development of jobs that support families and unions. On April 20, 2021, the County Commissioners approved a resolution in favor of safeguarding both public and private lands, recognizing their pivotal role in driving the outdoor recreation sector in the State and County. This sector, in turn, contributes \$12.6 billion to annual consumer spending, sustains 87,000 employment opportunities, and generates over \$1 billion in tax revenue to the state.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America’s lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*

On April, 2021, Clark County Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution in support of the protection of Nevada’s and United States’ lands and waters by 2030, and Clark County has already achieved that goal.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government’s trust responsibilities.*

On April 20, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners passed a resolution urging federal, state and local agencies provide fair treatment and meaningful involvement of people of all races, cultures, incomes and natural origins by soliciting, accounting for and responding to the voices, needs and priorities of communities of color, indigenous communities and economically disadvantaged communities.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

Clark County follows all mandates and protocols administered by the Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) and Governor’s office. Clark County, the SNHD and community partners have supported the “Back to Life” outreach campaign to increase Covid-19 vaccination rates within the African American community. The multi-media campaign has included community events, grassroots outreach, and social media efforts.

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Clark County offers a variety of initiatives with its Social Services Department, designed to provide economic support. These include rental assistance for qualified underprivileged individuals within the Clark County community, as well as transportation services for disabled, elderly, and low-income families and no access to public transportation.

3. *Tackling climate change*

The Mountain’s Edge Regional Park Phase II project will follow Clark County’s ‘All-In Sustainability and Climate Action Plan,’ which focuses on taking action to address climate change and create a more sustainable future for Clark County.

4. *Advancing racial equity*

Clark County is committed to fostering diversity among the members of volunteer boards and commissions, ensuring representation from a wide range of backgrounds, various races, ethnicities, income levels, and occupations to accurately mirror the County’s diverse population.

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The Mountain’s Edge Regional Park project will contribute to employment opportunities through jobs in park design and construction, as well as the hiring of County personnel responsible for the upkeep of the park. As a government entity, Clark County partners with nonprofit organizations such as Workforce Connections and the Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) of Southern Nevada, which is now recognized as the largest county in the nation to achieve certification as an ACT Work Ready Community.

II. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

E. Executive Orders (EO):

1. *EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America’s Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk*

In September 2022 Clark County completed the All-In Clark County Nevada Climate Vulnerability Assessment, a study of climate hazards including extreme heat, drought, wildfires and flooding. The Mountain’s Edge Regional Park-Phase II project will promote the reduction of wildfire risks by being actively maintained by Clark County Department of Real Property Management.

2. ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***

Clark County supports EO No. 14005. On March 22, 2023, Clark County, Nevada announced that it has been selected to participate in the second phase of Results for America's Good Jobs & Equity Project (GJE) backed by the Families and Workers Fund, which will help 12 U.S. jurisdictions implement innovative job quality strategies that promote economic mobility and strengthen local economies.

3. ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***

N/A

4. ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***

This project will provide an opportunity for environmental education and awareness by offering recreational opportunities. The Mountain's Edge Regional Park-Phase II project will also draw tourism contributing to the local economy.

5. ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***

In February 2021, Clark County adopted its first Sustainability and Climate Action Plan. All-In Clark County is an initiative to create a sustainable community for the well-being and prosperity of all.

F. Secretarial Orders

9. ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

The Mountain's Edge Regional Park-Phase II project will provide multiple opportunities for conservation stewardship, including the botanical demonstration garden being proposed with this project.

10. ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

N/A

11. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

N/A

12. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

This project will increase recreational opportunities by providing both soccer and pickleball complexes.

13. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

N/A

14. SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.

The Mountain's Edge Park Phase II project will reduce wildfire risks by being actively managed and maintained by the Clark County Department of Real Property Management.

15. SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition)).

N/A

16. SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.

N/A

G. Department of the Interior Priorities:

6. **Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.** *We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.*

As part of Clark County's Transform Clark County Master Plan, Clark County actively participates in discussions for public lands to ensure that management plans continue to allow existing and future renewable energy resource development and industry expansion. Key resources associated with federal lands in Clark County include energy production and transmission.

7. **Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

On April 20, 2021, Clark County Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution as a government entity to support federal, state, and local agencies be engaged in efforts to support and expand the protection of land and waters to honor tribal jurisdictions and the rights of indigenous tribes through consultation with tribal governments.

8. **Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation,*

increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.

Clark County endorses the nationwide initiative to promote the development of jobs that support families and unions. On April 20, 2021, the County Commissioners approved a resolution in favor of safeguarding both public and private lands, recognizing their pivotal role in driving the outdoor recreation sector in the State and County. This sector, in turn, contributes \$12.6 billion to annual consumer spending, sustains 87,000 employment opportunities, and generates over \$1 billion in tax revenue to the state.

9. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.***
We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America’s lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.

On April, 2021, Clark County Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution in support of the protection of Nevada’s and United States’ lands and waters by 2030, and Clark County has already achieved that goal.

10. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government’s trust responsibilities.*

On April 20, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners passed a resolution urging federal, state and local agencies provide fair treatment and meaningful involvement of people of all races, cultures, incomes and natural origins by soliciting, accounting for and responding to the voices, needs and priorities of communities of color, indigenous communities and economically disadvantaged communities.

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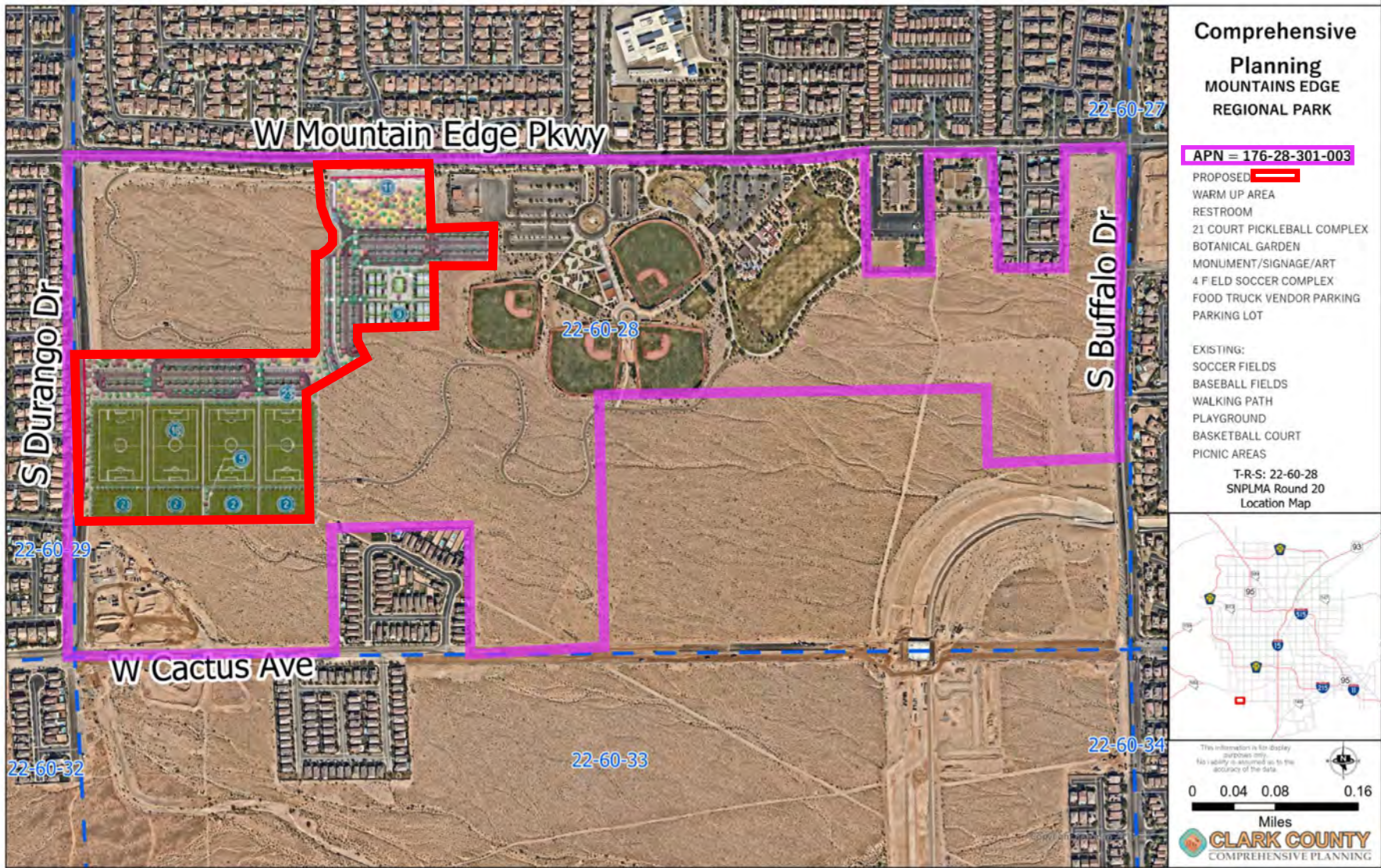
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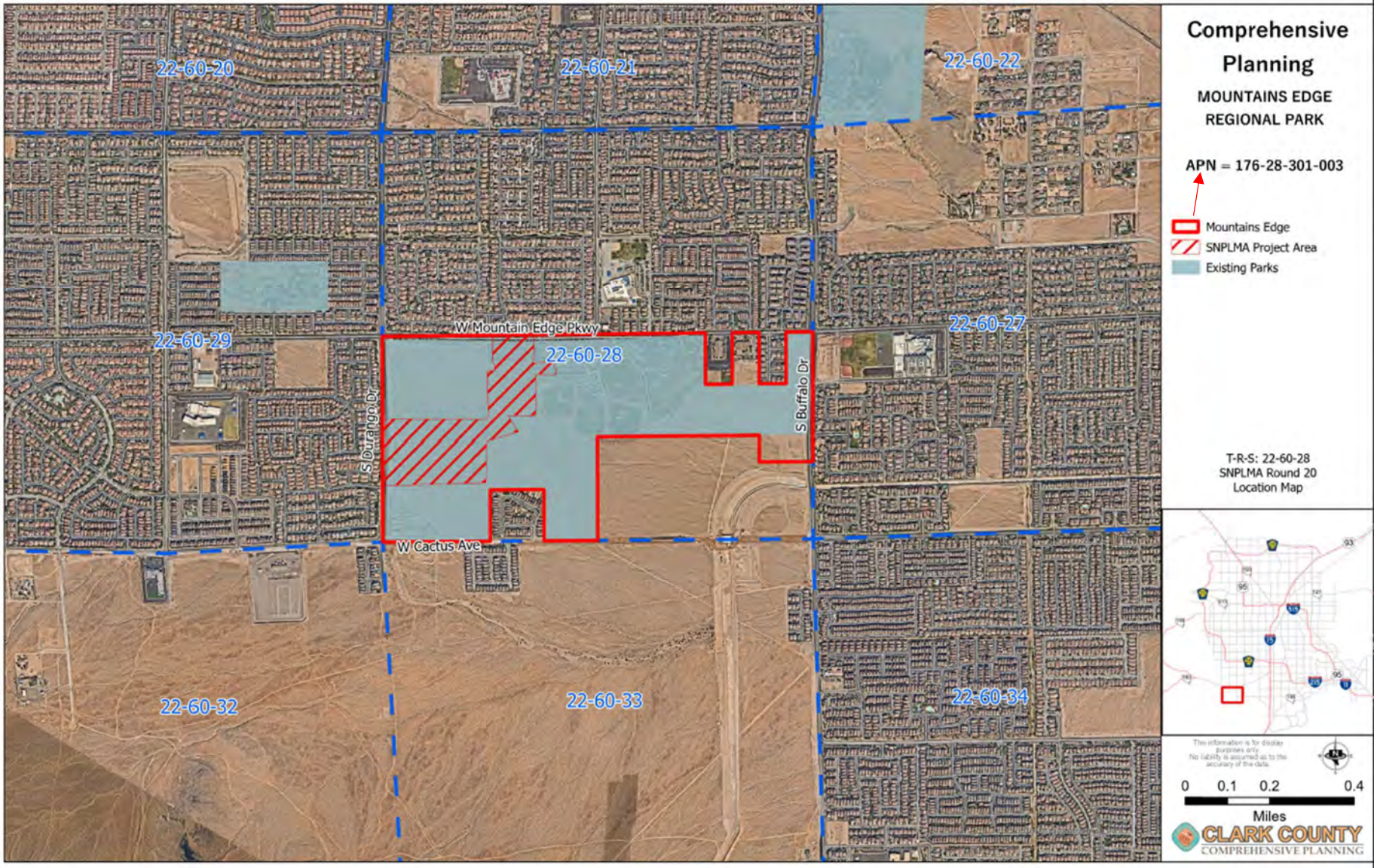
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M. MAPS

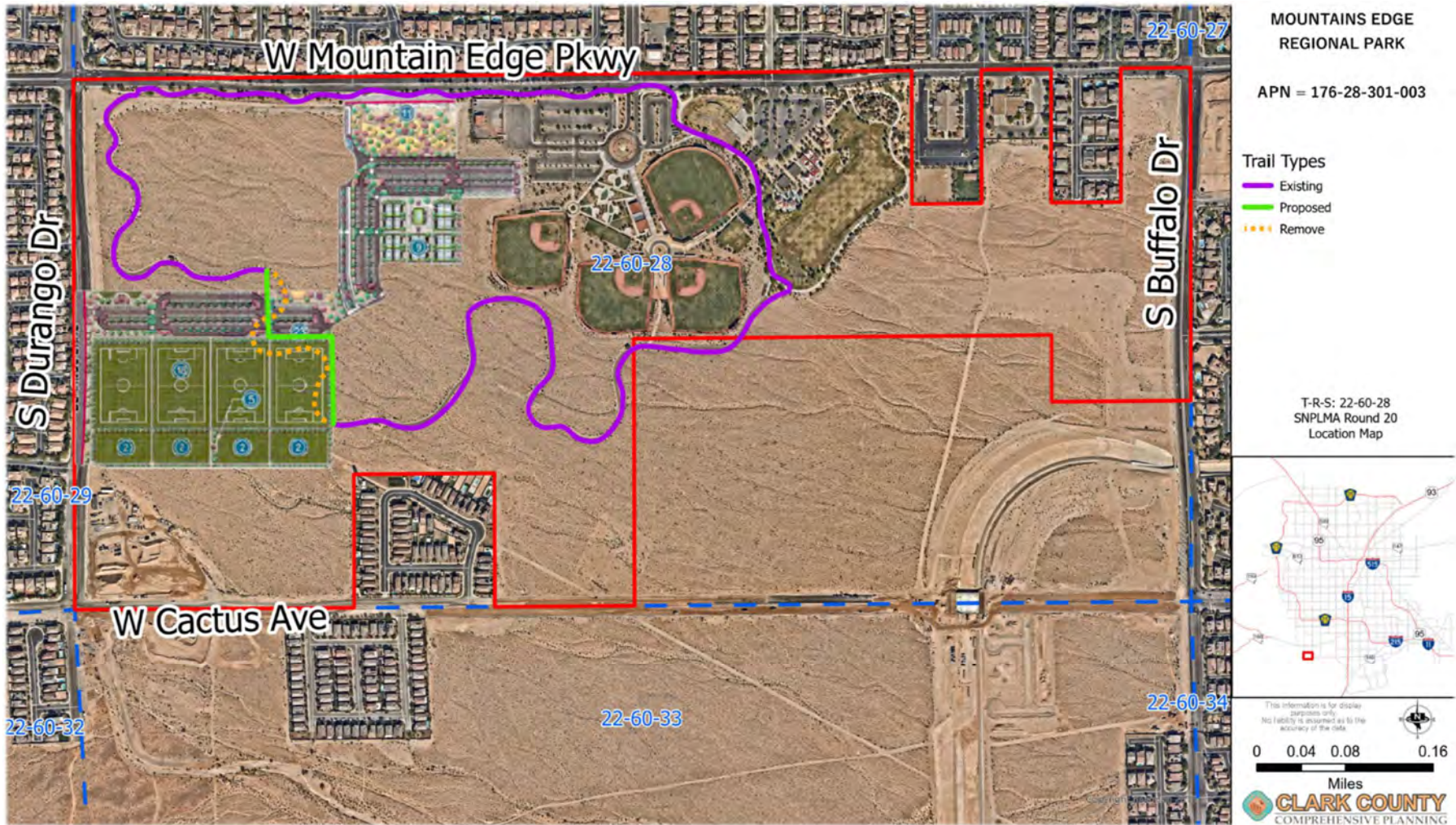
LOCATION MAP



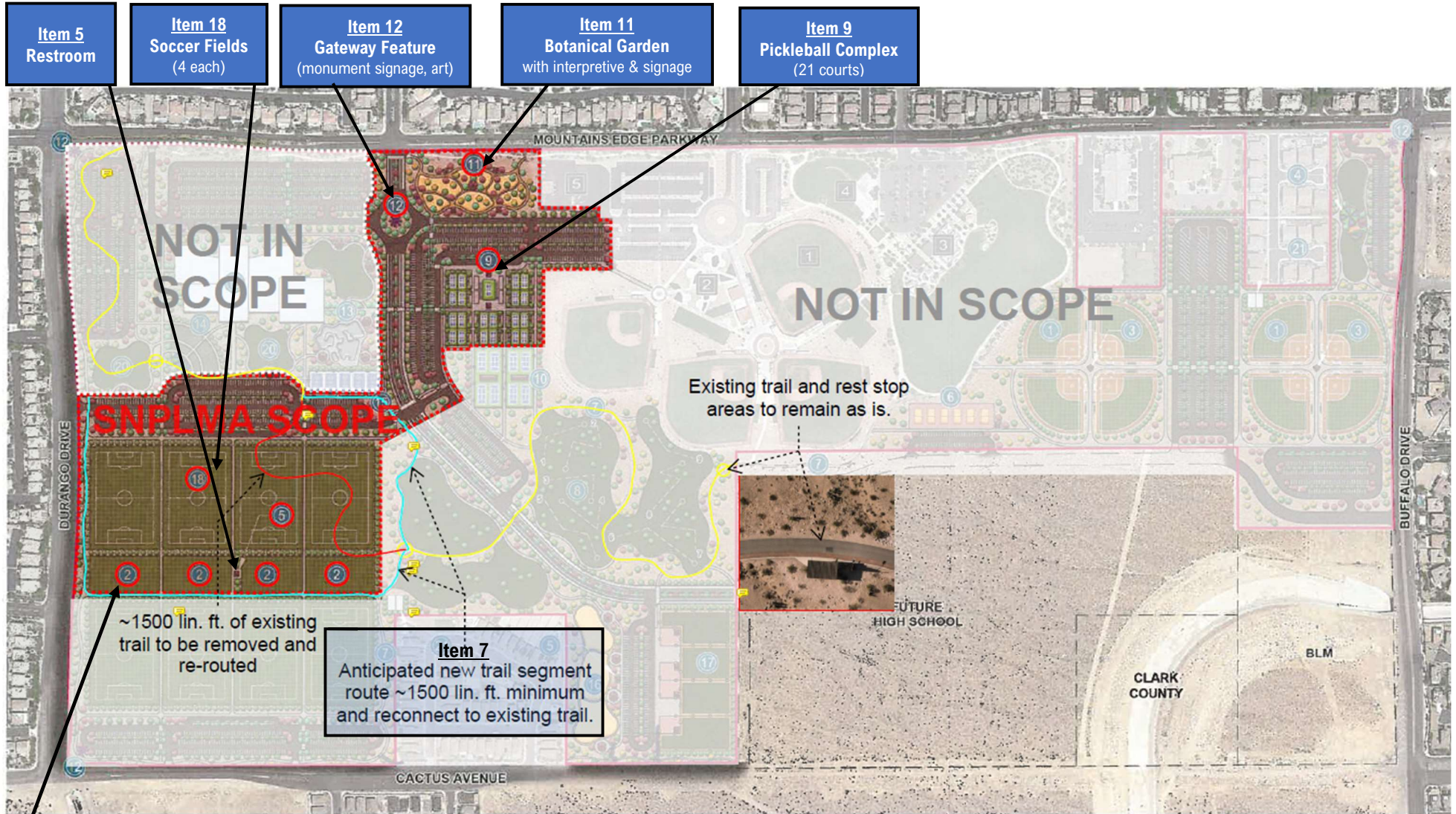
COUNTY ASSESSOR PARCEL MAP



REALIGNMENT OF EXITING TRAIL



SNPLMA PTNA Round 20 Mountain's Edge Regional Park Phase II Master Plan – August 3, 2022



Item 5
Restroom

Item 18
Soccer Fields
(4 each)

Item 12
Gateway Feature
(monument signage, art)

Item 11
Botanical Garden
with interpretive & signage

Item 9
Pickleball Complex
(21 courts)

NOT IN SCOPE

NOT IN SCOPE

SNPLMA SCOPE

Existing trail and rest stop areas to remain as is.

~1500 lin. ft. of existing trail to be removed and re-routed

Item 7
Anticipated new trail segment route ~1500 lin. ft. minimum and reconnect to existing trail.

FUTURE HIGH SCHOOL

CLARK COUNTY

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Item 2
Warm-up Areas
(4 each)

Property Line - Approximately 207 total acres

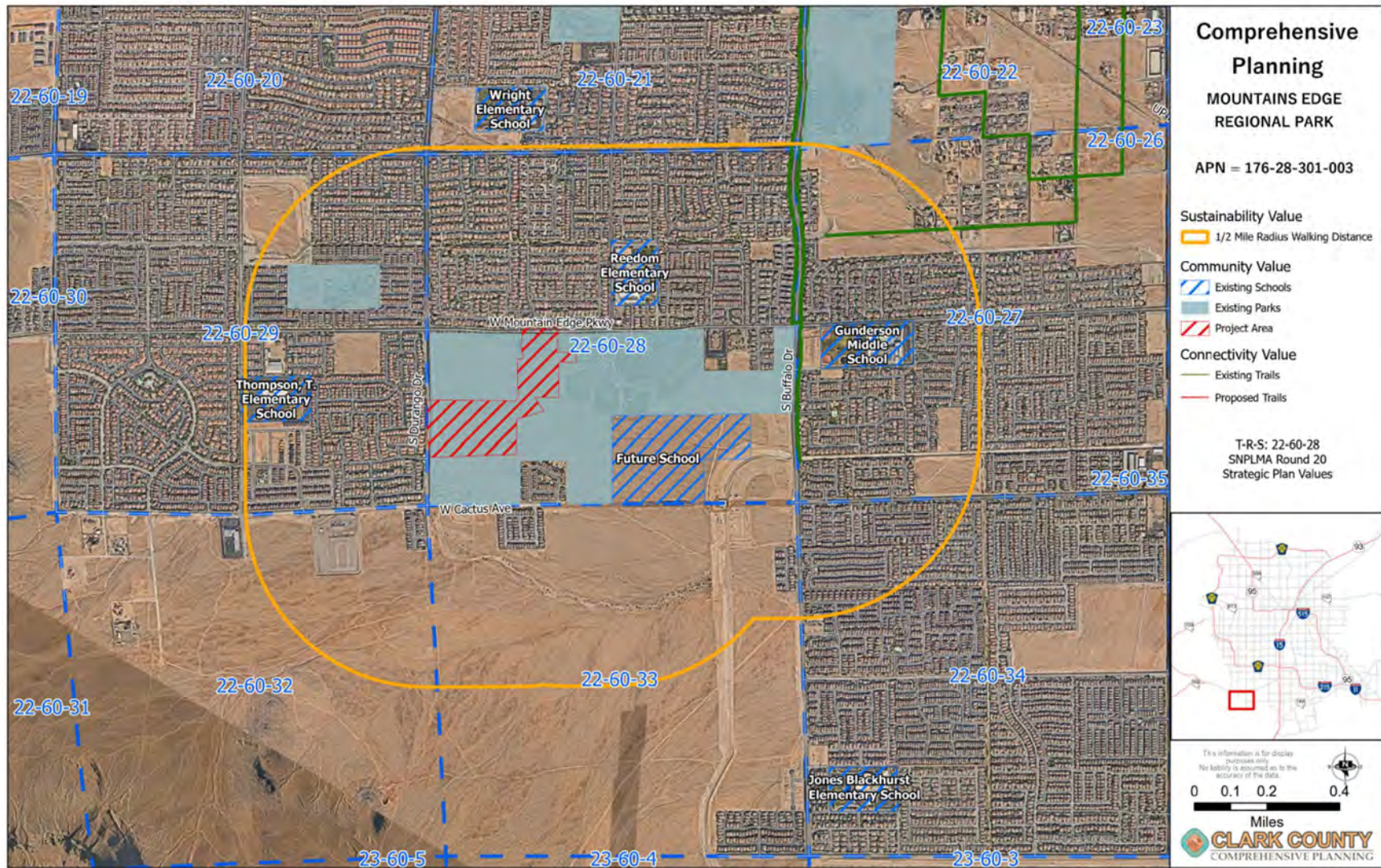


MOUNTAINS EDGE REGIONAL PARK

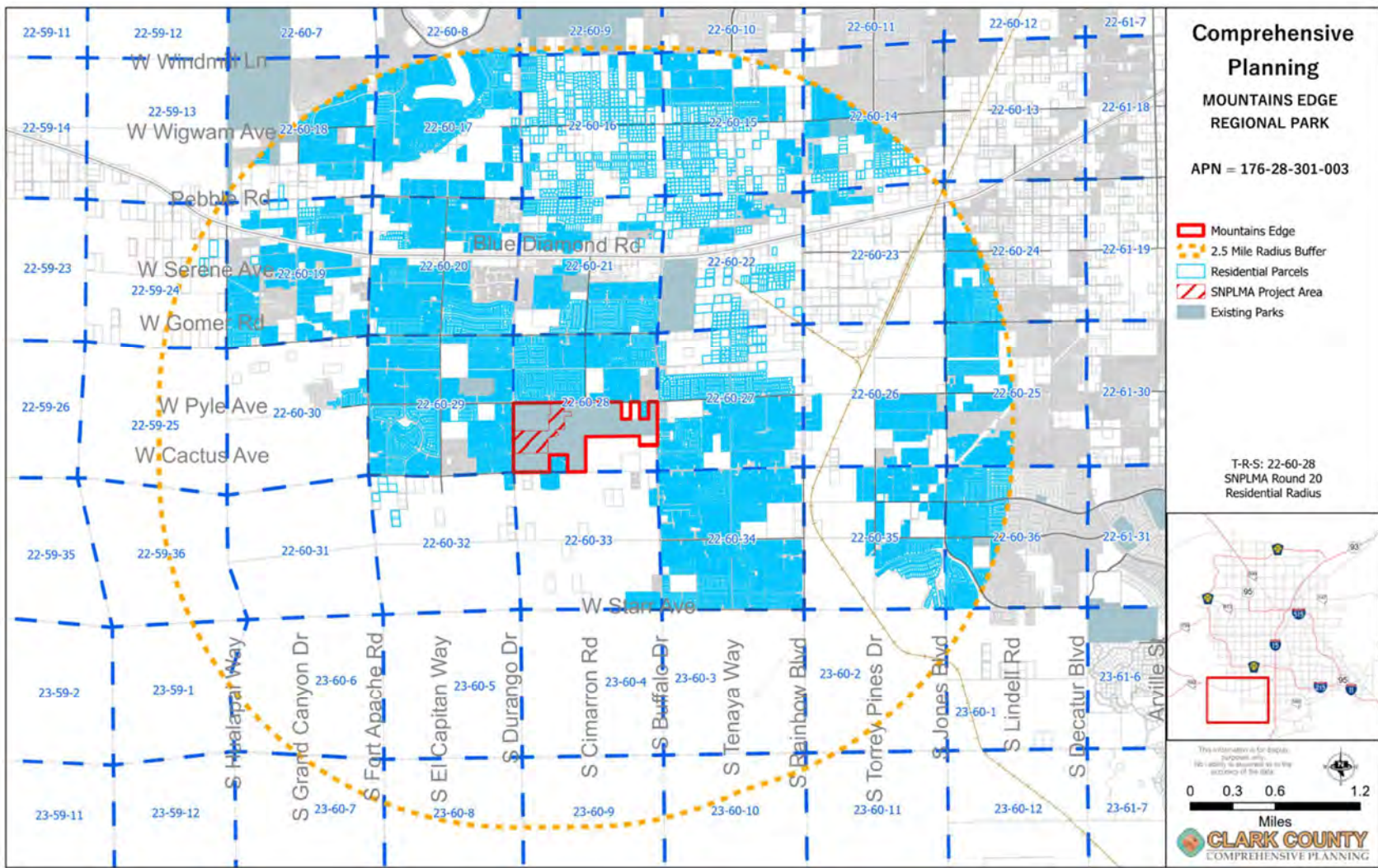
MASTER PLAN
AUGUST 3, 2022

SCALE: N.T.S. NORTH

STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES MAP



RESIDENTIAL RADIUS MAP



N. PHOTOS

Mountain's Edge Regional Park (Existing Amenities)



Photo 1 – Baseball Fields



Photo 2 – Mountain's Edge Regional Park (existing amenities) by Tony Santo



Photo 3 – Basketball Courts



Photo 4 – Walking Path



Photo 5 – Playground area

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	55+/-acres of park development
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 4-full size Soccer Field Complex ● up to 21 court Pickleball Complex ● 1 Community Botanical Garden ● 1 ADA Accessible Restroom ● Parking Lots ● Patron Plaza
R4 - Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. <i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 12-ft wide Paved Walkways that connect the Soccer Complex ● Realignment of Mountain's Edge Loop Trail for better connectivity to the new amenities ● extension of internal park drive ● paved primary loop trail and interconnecting trails of varied surfaces. ● Offsite improvements of additional parking lot entries from adjacent public rights-of-way.
R6 – PTNA Rights of Way or Easements	*Report the acres of rights of way or easements acquired for a PTNA project. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. <i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i>	Up to 10 educational, interpretive, and historical signage for plant identification and plant care
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable. <i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i>	1 Community Botanical Garden 1 ADA Accessible Restroom
O12 – Number of Management Plans/Handbooks/Manuals/Guides for Activity on Public Lands Completed	*Report the number of new or revised ecosystem restoration, hazardous fuels reduction, recreation, cultural, resource management, or other activity plans when the decision document for the plan is signed. Revisions include modification of a significant portion of the decisions in the activity plan. Do not report minor amendments or changes in these plans. <i>*Report each plan as one unit.</i>	

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
 Southern Nevada District Office
 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
 Las Vegas, Nevada 89130
<http://www.blm.gov/nevada>



In Reply Refer To:
 2710 (NVS00000)

Ms. Tamara Williams
 Senior Management Analyst
 Clark County
 Department of Comprehensive Planning
 500 S. Grand Central Parkway
 Las Vegas, Nevada 89155
tgw@ClarkCountyNV.gov

Dear Ms. Williams:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of Clark County (County) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The County has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Echo Trail Park-Phase II – This proposal is to design and construct phase II of the Echo Trail Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the County.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources; however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Mountains Edge Regional Park-Phase II – This proposal is to design and construct phase II of the Mountain's Edge Regional Park. The project proposal is located on BLM-administered land leased to the County through the Recreation and Public Purpose (R&PP) Act, serialized N-66442. An amended Plan of Development with a complete design plan and updated management plan will need to be submitted to the BLM Las Vegas Field Office and approved prior to initiating any changes or new construction. Any changes to the lease will require coordination with the BLM to determine any additional consultation consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act.

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INTERIOR REGIONS 8 & 10 • LOWER COLORADO BASIN & CALIFORNIA-GREAT BASIN
 ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, OREGON*
 * PARTIAL

Wetlands Park Enhancements-Duck Creek Interpretive Garden Areas – This proposal is to construct new features to enhance the 2,900-acre Clark County Wetlands Park including adding the dragonfly wetlands interpretive area, nature art garden, event area, and walkway connections. The proposal also includes adding pedestrian bridges, area for bird and pond viewing, interpretive and wayfinding signs, and parking. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the County.

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If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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M. Ryan Chatterton
Acting District Manager

e-cc: Martin Giles, Planning Manager, Clark County
Bruce Sillitoe, Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office
Catrina Williams, Field Manager, Red Rock/Sloan Field Office
Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS

September 20, 2023

Tony Spurlin
Excel Pickleball, LLC.
3395 S. Jones Blvd
Las Vegas, NV 89146

RE: Clark County, NV's SNPLMA Application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park

To Whom It May Concern;

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Tony Spurlin, Owner
Excel Pickleball



September 20, 2023

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September 23, 2023

Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager
BLM Southern Nevada District Office-SNPLMA Devison
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas. NV 89130

Re: Mountain's Edge Regional Park expansion project

Dear Ms. Leiber,

I am writing to express our enthusiastic support on behalf of the USA Pickleball for the SNPLMA round twenty funding application to fund the expansion of Mountain's Edge Regional Park in the southwest Las Vegas Valley. We are truly excited about the proposed project, which will bring a significant enhancement to our community and provide an invaluable asset for the residents of Clark County.

The mission of USA Pickleball is to promote the development and growth of pickleball in the United States and its territories. The submitted proposal is in line with our mission and goals; therefor we gladly support Clark County's efforts for the expansion.

The proposed park complex will undoubtedly boost the local economy by attracting pickleball enthusiasts and visitors from across the region. The development of this park will not only contribute to the well-being of our residents but also create opportunities for economic growth and prosperity.

The proposed expansion, as described in the application, to design and construct a new 55-acre phase of Mountain's Edge Regional Park is an initiative that aligns seamlessly with USA Pickleball Associations mission and values. This visionary endeavor is not just about creating more open space; it's about fostering a sense of belonging, promoting physical well-being, and encouraging community engagement.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued efforts to improve the quality of life for the residents of Clark County.

Sincerely,

John "Scott" Whitehead
District Ambassador Southern Nevada
Ambassador Coordinator Mountain Region
USA Pickleball
pickleballlasvegas@outlook.com
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Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA Program Manager - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas, and Multi-Species Habitat
Conservation Plan
BLM Southern Nevada District Office - SNPLMA Division
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130

RE: Clark County, NV's SNPLMA Application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park

Michelle Lieber;

On behalf of Nevada Youth Soccer Association (NYSA), I would like to express our full support for the Clark County Mountain's Edge Regional Park expansion proposal submitted for round twenty of the SNPLMA process. We are truly excited about the proposed project, which will bring a significant enhancement to our community and provide an invaluable asset for the residents of Clark County.

Our organization's mission is to foster a vibrant and inclusive youth soccer community by actively cultivating partnerships with local organizations and expanding access to public facilities. NYSA envisions a future where every young aspiring soccer player, regardless of their background or means, has the opportunity to develop their skills and passion for the sport. Through strategic collaborations and outreach, NYSA strives to create a network of support that not only promotes physical activity and skill development but also instills values of teamwork, discipline, and camaraderie among the youth of Las Vegas. By harnessing the power of community partnerships and accessible facilities, NYSA aims to make soccer a unifying force that enriches the lives of young individuals and strengthens communities across the valley. The submitted proposal is in line with our mission and goals; therefore, we gladly support Clark County's efforts and proposal for the expansion.

The proposal includes four full-size, synthetic turf soccer fields with minimum 10-foot run-off aprons on each side. There will also be a Centralized Soccer Plaza that includes group gathering areas, seating for group and team gatherings, shaded landscape areas for spectators and guests, covered pavilions, a vendor area with power pedestals or in-ground boxes, and more. The proposal includes 12-foot-wide paved walkways that connect to the parking lots, soccer fields, warm-up areas, and a soccer plaza. These amenities are essential to our organization because it provides the opportunity for year-round training and games which is a paramount resource for

members of our organization to have access to. Children in the southwest will have an opportunity to practice with their family and friends which will add increased value for children to stay and play on a team.

In conclusion, we wholeheartedly endorse the funding application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park expansion. This project represents an investment in our community's future, one that will benefit not only our current residents but also generations to come. We kindly request that you consider our strong support when evaluating this application and help us make this visionary project a reality. If you have any questions regarding NYSA's support of this project, please don't hesitate to give us a call at 702-870-3024 or email at registrar@nevadayouthsoccer.org.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued efforts to improve the quality of life for the residents of Clark County.

Sincerely,
Melanie Stafford
Executive Director
Nevada Youth Soccer Association



Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA Program Manager - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas, and Multi-Species Habitat
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Our organization's mission is to provide the youth within our state and local communities with the opportunity to play soccer on fields that are both safe and conveniently located. Youth soccer is among the fastest growing and most accessible sports, serving a very diverse spectrum of children in our community. The submitted proposal is in line with our mission and goals and we gladly support Clark County's efforts and proposal for the expansion.

The proposal includes four full-size, synthetic turf soccer fields with aprons on each side. The fact that turf soccer fields are proposed is something that we find to be of the utmost importance to the youth soccer community. Turf fields provide space for our participants to not only play scheduled matches but can also be used for training and practices. At this time, the availability of these all-weather turf fields is very limited in our community. The turf fields will provide much-needed space for training on the side of town where the park will be located, enhancing the opportunity for more children to participate in youth soccer. The addition of these fields will translate into more children having the chance to avail themselves of the benefits and experience of youth soccer. As we are all aware, participation in youth sports keeps our children active while also teaching valuable life lessons about commitment, rules, and self-discipline. These amenities are essential to our organization.

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Mountain's Edge Regional Park has long been a treasured asset in our community, and its expansion will undoubtedly have a lasting and positive impact. It will provide residents with more opportunities for physical activity, social interaction, and a connection to nature. Additionally, it will serve as a catalyst for economic growth and vitality, attracting visitors and revenue to our county. To this latter point, the addition of four new all-weather soccer fields will greatly enhance our ability to host regional and national events that bring tourism to our community along with the economic and fiscal benefits associated therewith.

In conclusion, the Nevada Youth Soccer Association wholeheartedly endorses the funding application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park expansion. We believe that this project will have a lasting and positive impact on both youth soccer and our community as a whole, and we are committed to actively participating in its promotion and utilization. We kindly request that you consider our strong support when evaluating this application and help us make this visionary project a reality.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued efforts to improve the quality of life for the residents of Clark County. If you have any questions regarding the Nevada Youth Soccer Association's support of this project, please don't hesitate to contact me at 702-862-7957 or email me at guy@hobbson.com.

Sincerely,

Guy Hobbs, President
Nevada Youth Soccer Association
7860 West Sahara, #150
Las Vegas, NV 89117



AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION



Michelle Leiber
 SNPLMA Program Manager - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas, and Multi-Species Habitat
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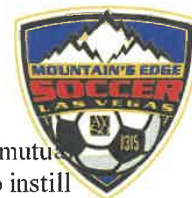
On behalf of American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO,) I would like to express our full support for the Clark County Mountain's Edge Regional Park expansion proposal submitted for round twenty of the SNPLMA process.

Our organization's mission is to develop and deliver quality youth soccer programs which promote a fun, family environment based on our Six Philosophies.

- **Everyone Plays:** Our program goal is for kids to play to play soccer so we mandate that each child play 50% of each game (no child can sit out more than one quarter until every child has sat out at least once) It's no fun to spend the game on the bench.....and that's no way to learn soccer!
- **Balanced Teams:** Each year we form teams as balanced as possible because it's more fun and a better learning experience when teams of similar ability play. It allows for each player to gain the experience of a wide variety of teammates of different skill levels
- **Open Registration:** Our program is open to all children who want to register and play soccer. Interest and enthusiasm are the only criteria for playing. There are no elimination try-outs and nobody gets cut.
- **Positive Coaching:** Encouragement of player effort provides for greater enjoyment for the players and leads to better-skilled and better-motivated players. A coach can be one of the most influential people in a child's life, so AYSO requires they create a positive experience for every boy and girl
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- **Good Sportsmanship:** We strive to create a positive environment based on mutual respect rather than a win-at-all-costs attitude, and our program is designed to instill good sportsmanship in every facet of AYSO.
 - **Player Development:** We believe that all players should be able to develop their soccer skills and knowledge to the best of their abilities, both individually and as members of a team, in order to maximize their enjoyment of the game.
- The submitted proposal is in line with our mission and goals; therefore we gladly support Clark County's efforts and proposal for the expansion.

The four additional soccer fields will play a significant role in the sports community besides our organization. Children in the southwest will have an opportunity to practice with their family and friends which will add increased value for children to stay and play on a team.

In conclusion, we wholeheartedly endorse the funding application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park expansion. We believe that this project will have a lasting and positive impact on our community, and we are committed to actively participating in its promotion and utilization. We kindly request that you consider our strong support when evaluating this application and help us make this visionary project a reality.

If you have any questions regarding AYSO's support of this project, please don't hesitate to email us at commissioner@ayso1315.org. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Nikki Aliotti

AYSO Board Member

AYSO 1315 Mountain's Edge & Enterprise



Ryan Ingold
Nevada Alliance Soccer League (NASL)
10120 W. Flamingo St. 4522
Las Vegas, NV 89147

RE: Clark County, NV's SNPLMA Application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park

To Whom It May Concern.

I am writing to express our enthusiastic support on behalf of the Nevada Alliance Soccer League for the SNPLMA round twenty funding application to fund the expansion of Mountain's Edge Regional Park in the southwest Las Vegas Valley. We are truly excited about the proposed project, which will bring a significant enhancement to our community and provide an invaluable asset for the residents of Clark County. Our organization's mission is to provide a fun athletic atmosphere to the Youth in Southern Nevada through the sport of soccer. It is NASL's strong belief that all young players should be given the opportunity to develop basic soccer fundamentals both as an individual and as a team member. The creation of new, high-quality facilities is imperative to the successful development of our community youth and the submitted proposal is in line with our mission and goals; therefore, we gladly support Clark County's efforts and proposal for the expansion.

As a non-profit, coed recreational and developmental youth soccer league, the four additional soccer fields will play a significant role not only for NASL, but for the youth sports community in general. NASL is dedicated to facilitating the growth of youth soccer at a grass roots level by providing a fun and challenging environment with emphasis on teamwork. This newly designed facility will provide an opportunity for children and families to come together in a positive and impactful way that promotes community involvement and overall physical well-being. With the extensive growth in the Las Vegas valley and the desperate need for more open field space (grass or turf), this endeavor will be critical to the growth of our local youth programs.

In conclusion, we wholeheartedly endorse the funding application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park expansion. We believe that this project will have a lasting and positive impact on our community, and we are committed to actively participating in its promotion and utilization. As one of the longest standing youth sporting programs in southern Nevada, we kindly request that you consider our strong support when evaluating this application and help us make this visionary project a reality. If you have any questions regarding Nevada Alliance Soccer League's support of this project, please do not hesitate to give us a call at 702.204.0804 or email us at info@lvasl.org. Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued efforts to improve the quality of life for the residents of Clark County.

Sincerely,
Ryan Ingold
President/Executive Director
Nevada Alliance Soccer League



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Jessica Giles
 AYSO 1315 Mountain's Edge and Enterprise

RE: Clark County, NV's SNPLMA Application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park

Ms. Michelle Leiber,

I am writing to express our enthusiastic support on behalf of the AYSO 1315 Mountain's Edge and Enterprise for the SNPLMA round twenty funding application to fund the expansion of Mountain's Edge Regional Park in the southwest Las Vegas Valley. We are truly excited about the proposed project, which will bring a significant enhancement to our community and provide an invaluable asset for the residents of Clark County.

AYSO's mission statement is to provide world class youth soccer programs that enrich children's lives. The proposal to expand the Mountain's Edge Regional Park will benefit not only our organization with more soccer fields but also the children and families in the surrounding area. One of the reasons that I am so passionate about this expansion is that it will allow families to come together and to get to know one another. My family and I moved to this area last year and we were so grateful for the AYSO organization because it allowed us to get to know neighbors and to bond over a common goal: our children.

The various amenities including four full-sized turf soccer fields, a centralized soccer plaza, paved walkways and parking is vital to our organization. Over the last few years, we have seen the number of children interested in participating in soccer nearly double. We utilize the current field at Mountain's Edge almost every weeknight with coaches constantly asking for more space and/or time there. Having more fields in the area would allow us to provide more opportunities.

Mountain's Edge Regional Park is an asset to our community, and its expansion will have a lasting and positive impact. It will provide the people here with many opportunities including a space for physical activity, social interaction, and even a sense of community.

Thank you again for your consideration in this project. This project represents an investment in our community's future, one that will benefit current and future residents. Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your efforts to improve the area here in Mountain's Edge.

Sincerely,

Jessica Giles
 U6 Division Coordinator
 AYSO 1315



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Kendall Keeler
 AYSO 1315 Mountains Edge & Enterprise
 7047 Bering Strait Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89179

RE: Clark County, NV's SNPLMA Application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park

To whom it may concern;

I am writing to express our enthusiastic support on behalf of the American Youth Soccer Organization, Region 1315 for the SNPLMA round twenty funding application to fund the expansion of Mountain's Edge Regional Park in the southwest Las Vegas Valley.

We are truly excited about the proposed project, which will bring a significant enhancement to our community and provide an invaluable asset for the children and residents of Clark County.

Our organization has been growing immensely since COVID and thanks to the allocation of the fields at Mountain's Edge Regional Park we have been able to expand from serving 150 children, ages 4 to 14, to 400 in under 3 years and it has made a huge impact in our community.

A little background on AYSO, we are a national soccer organization whose mission is to develop quality youth soccer programs which promote a fun, family environment and enrich children's lives. We are a 100% volunteer run organization - from our coaches and referees to our board members (no one receives compensation or discounted play for volunteering). We have over 110 volunteers this season, which goes to show that people are loving the AYSO program and philosophies and want to join in the fun with their children. The absolute best part of our program are the kids! To see them outside, instead of in front of screens, making new friends, exercising and challenging themselves brings joy to our community and its members.

With all of that said, we would like to expand our program to enrich even more lives but we need your help. We are out of room at Mountain's Edge Regional Park and the quality of fields (due to the negligence/abuse of the community members) is making it hard for us to accomplish this. The submitted proposal is in line with our mission and goals; therefore we gladly support Clark County's efforts and proposal for the expansion.



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The proposal includes four full-size, synthetic turf soccer fields with minimum 10-foot run-off aprons on each side. There will also be a Centralized Soccer Plaza that includes group gathering areas, seating for group and team gatherings, shaded landscape areas for spectators and guests, covered pavilions, a vendor area with power pedestals or in-ground boxes, and more. It also includes 12-foot-wide paved walkways that connect to the parking lots, soccer fields, warm-up areas, and a soccer plaza. These amenities will allow us to expand our influence to 100-300 more children within two seasons. We know that providing a low cost, quality program that brings families and the community together is a win for all involved.

The four additional soccer fields will play a significant role in the sports community besides our organization. Children in the southwest will have an opportunity to practice with their family and friends which will add increased value for children to stay and play on a team.

In conclusion, AYSO 1315 wholeheartedly endorses the federal funding application for the expansion of Mountain's Edge Regional Park in SNPLMA round twenty. This project represents an investment in our children's future, one that will benefit not only our current residents but also generations to come. We kindly request your support in making this vision a reality and improving the lives of Clark County residents.

If you have any questions regarding AYSO 1315's support of this project, please don't hesitate to give me a call at 775-250-1343 or email me at commissioner@ayso1315.org.

Thank you for your time.

Kendall Keeler
Regional Commissioner
AYSO Region 1315



September 21, 2023

Michelle Leiber

SNPLMA Program Manager - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas, and Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan
BLM Southern Nevada District Office - SNPLMA Division
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130

Ms. Leiber,

Southern Nevada Pickleball (SNP) would like to communicate its support for the SNPLMA Round 20 application by Clark County and an update to the Mountains Edge Regional Park Master Plan.

Our association is a 501(c)(3) Nevada corporation. We represent approximately 2600 core players over the age of 18, 700 casual players and approximately 200 youth. We have seen a local 84% growth rate of players in one year.

SNP has been involved in programs to grow the sport for all demographics. Our programs are limited by the number of available venues. We can certainly do more. As we introduce people to the sport, they want to get out and play. In a recent survey of our players, we asked how they want to spend their pickleball time. We saw an overwhelming response of people seeking access to low-cost hassle-free recreational play in addition to organized programs. However, players wait every day during prime time for an open court. Many have implemented queuing systems to share existing resources and maximize utilization.

Simply put, our community needs more courts, especially in the southwest and northeast part of the Valley. The Mountain Edge project is an excellent way to address the needs of residents in a rapidly growing area, who currently travel elsewhere to play pickleball. Most of my communications from players center around that lack of places to play. In January, we concluded a change.org petition for more courts signed by 1299 players in support of a project at Wayne Bunker Family Park. This provides an idea of the interest and need. We just need to fill it.

As always, SNP is available for consultation and questions. We have resources and can share best practices in the development and design of pickleball venues.

I am adding a link to our website that provides a picture of who we are <https://southernnevadapickleball.org/>

Please do not hesitate to contact me.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brien Vokits".

Brien Vokits, SNP President
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Las Vegas, Nevada

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Robert Erikson
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 8310 Carlingford Ct
 Las Vegas, NV 89113

RE: Clark County, NV's SNPLMA Application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park

To Whom It May Concern;

I am writing to express enthusiastic support on behalf of AYSO Region 1315 for the SNPLMA round twenty funding application to fund the expansion of Mountain's Edge Regional Park in the southwest Las Vegas Valley. We are truly excited about the proposed project, which will bring a significant enhancement to our community and provide an invaluable asset for the residents of Clark County.

Our organization's mission is to enrich children's lives by providing world class youth soccer programs through community-based volunteer efforts. The submitted proposal is in line with our mission and goals; therefore we gladly support Clark County's efforts and proposal for the expansion.

The proposal includes four full-size, synthetic turf soccer fields with minimum 10-foot run-off aprons on each side.

There will also be a Centralized Soccer Plaza that includes group gathering areas, seating for group and team gatherings, shaded landscape areas for spectators and guests, covered pavilions, a vendor area with power pedestals or in-ground boxes, and more.

The proposal includes 12-foot-wide paved walkways that connect to the parking lots, soccer fields, warm-up areas, and a soccer plaza.

These amenities are essential to our organization because with more and better facilities that are currently available, we'll be able to expand the capacity of our organization and bring a positive impact to more and more children's lives.

The four additional soccer fields will play a significant role in the sports community besides our organization. Children in the southwest will have an opportunity to practice with their family and friends which will add increased value for children to stay and play on a team.

The proposed expansion, as described in the application, to design and construct a new 55-acre phase of Mountain's Edge Regional Park is an initiative that aligns seamlessly with our organization's mission and values. This visionary endeavor is not just about creating more open space; it's about fostering a sense of belonging, promoting physical well-being, and encouraging community engagement.

The integration of strong pedestrian connections to the existing park amenities highlights the importance of maintaining a cohesive and unified park environment. While we understand that this may



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require some adjustments to existing multi-use trails, we believe that the benefits of a well-connected and accessible park far outweigh the challenges involved.

Mountain's Edge Regional Park has long been a treasured asset in our community, and its expansion will undoubtedly have a lasting and positive impact. It will provide residents with more opportunities for physical activity, social interaction, and a connection to nature. Additionally, it will serve as a catalyst for economic growth and vitality, attracting visitors and revenue to our county.

In conclusion, we wholeheartedly endorse the federal funding application for the expansion of Mountain's Edge Regional Park in SNPLMA round twenty. This project represents an investment in our community's future, one that will benefit not only our current residents but also generations to come. We kindly request your support in making this vision a reality and improving the lives of Clark County residents.

If you have any questions regarding AYSO Region 1315's support of this project, please don't hesitate to give me a call at 702-496-9056 or email me at roberekson@gmail.com.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued efforts to improve the quality of life for the residents of Clark County.

Sincerely,

Robert Erikson
Board Member
American Youth Soccer Organization, Region 1315



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RE: Clark County, NV's SNPLMA Application for Mountain's Edge Regional Park

On behalf of AYSO and parents of children in the southwest region of Las Vegas, I would like to express our sincere enthusiasm and complete support for the Clark County Mountain's Edge Regional Park expansion proposal submitted for round twenty of the SNPLMA process.

We are truly excited about the proposed project, and know it will be a significant enhancement to our community and provide an invaluable asset for all. Residents of the southwest region watched anxiously for the fields at James Regional Park to open, only to find that we are not allowed to play on them.

AYSO's mission is to provide a positive, fun, and fair soccer experience for all players. AYSO's six main tenets - Open Registration, Positive Coaching, Good Sportsmanship, Balanced Teams, Everyone Plays, and Player Development - set us apart from other sports organizations. The addition of the four new fields and supporting infrastructure at Mountain's Edge Regional Park would bolster our efforts to grow in this area and help make soccer (and soccer fields) available to every kid!

Thank you for taking the time to hear our voices and for your continued efforts to enhance our little corner of Las Vegas,

Stacey Patrick

u10girlsdc@ayso1315.org

AYSO 1315 Mountain's Edge & Enterprise

Voluntary Non-Federal In-Kind/Cash Contribution Commitment Letter



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Sami Real, Director



October 25, 2023

Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA Program Manager – PTNA and MSHCP
BLM Southern Nevada District Office – SNPLMA Division
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Las Vegas, NV 89130

**CONTRIBUTING FUNDS FOR MOUNTAIN'S EDGE REGIONAL PARK-PHASE II
PROJECT**

Dear Ms. Leiber:

Clark County is committing \$15,000.00 in in-kind contributions in the form of staff time for the Mountain's Edge Regional Park-Phase II project.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Tamara Williams, Senior Management Analyst, at (702) 455-3121 or tgw@clarkcountynv.gov.

Sincerely,

Sami Real
Director of Comprehensive Planning

cc: Tamara Williams

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**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 16

Entity: Lincoln County

Project: Multi-Sport Complex

Section D – Project Deliverables

Project deliverables must be measurable:

1. Primary Deliverables:

a. Selective demolition and removal of existing facilities

o Comment: what structures and existing facilities require demolition and removal? Lincoln County needs to clarify “existing facilities” proposed to be demolished.

b. Site Preparation; earthwork and grading

o Comment: How would this be measured?

c. Utility water connections and improvements

o Comment: Is this only onsite?

d. Utility sewer connections and improvements

o Comment: Is this only onsite?

e. Utility power connections and improvements

o Comment: Is this only onsite?

f. Drainage system improvements

o How would this be measured?

g. Parking and access improvement; curb gutter, Hot Mix Asphalt with base

o Size of parking area?

h. Concrete sidewalks and flatwork; ~145,000 square feet

o No comment.

i. Restroom and Events/Activities building; ~7,000-SF

o No comment.

j. Restroom and Maintenance/Storage Building (central facility-utility); ~2,250-SF

o No comment.

k. Maintenance and equipment storage building ~1800-SF

o Need to clarify purpose of the maintenance/equipment storage building.

l. Maintenance and equipment storage building (field specific storage); ~ 384-SF

m. Maintenance and equipment storage building (field specific storage); ~768 square-SF

n. Large Shade Structures; (quantity 1 to 3), 1800 square feet each

o No comment.

o. Small Shade Structures; (quantity 1 to 2), 600 square feet each

o No comment.

p. Grandstands and bleachers each facility

o Approximate size/capacity of each?

q. 8 lane track and associated facilities

o What are associate facilities?

r. Football/Soccer Field, goal posts, goals, and associated facilities

o What are associate facilities?

s. Baseball field, batting cages, bullpen, and associated facilities

o What are associate facilities?

t. Softball field, batting cages, bullpen, and associated facilities

o What are associate facilities?

u. Lighting; all fields, parking lot, access, area pathways

o Parking lot approximate size?

v. Fencing; security and privacy

o How much fencing? Will the public have access to the outdoor facilities?

w. Landscaping

x. Site Furnishings (benches, tables, trash receptacles, signage, ornamentation/monument sign)

o Quantity of furnishings?

Section I – Project Budget (and Excel Budget Detail)

Lincoln County proposes to allocate 100% of the requested SNPLMA funds to contract costs. There is no funding allocated for city labor. The County needs to show the cost of its substantial involvement in monitoring and reporting project compliance.

Tab 6 – “Contractual” costs – does not show how the County calculated the costs for the associated contract work. "Cost" is not a unit of measure. County needs to provide an updated budget detail narrative.

Section N - Photos

While photos are not required photos are to be submitted individually in JPEG format along with a description of the photo captions.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Lincoln County



Multi-Sport Complex

Amount Requested: \$27,339,462

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Lincoln County will design and construct a new multi-sport complex, (Project) on approximately 20 acres of County-owned land on the east side of the Town of Panaca. It will provide a balance of active and passive recreation and will include a baseball field, softball field, football and soccer fields with a standard track and field layout, interconnected shared use trails throughout the complex, restrooms, activity room, storage and maintenance facilities, accessible parking, and accessible spectator areas.

The approximate 20-acre Project site is owned by Lincoln County and granted through Recreation and Public Purposes, (R&PP), patent numbers 27-72-0012 and 27-98-0002. It is located within the W1/2NE1/4 of Section 9 in Township 2 South and Range 68 East, and portions of APNs 002-240-01 and 002-240-10. The Project will be accessed via Burnin' Red Road. The Project site is bordered by a residential area on the west, the Panaca Cemetery on the north, and Lincoln County owns lands to the east and south. Along the eastern boundary of the Project site is an elevated flood control drainage dike and conveyance canal right-of-way issued to the County under serial number NVCC 0020773.

The Project is consistent with prior planning documents. The Lincoln County Master Plan, 2015, Land Use Designation for the Project site is "Parks and Recreation" and is intended for both active and passive recreation. The zoning designation is PA, Public Facility. The Lincoln County Open Space and Community Lands Plan, 2011, Parks and Recreation Policies reference the desired components of this Project, including multiple sport fields in one location, shared use trails, and accessibility, both motorized and non-motorized, to the surrounding areas. In addition, the 2016 NDOT Lincoln County Bicycle Plan describes non-motorized connectivity to the Project site via Main Street, Edwards Street and Ernst Street.

Currently, the 20-acre site contains a baseball and softball field, along with a masonry block restroom building, storage area and related bleachers, dugouts and fencing that serve the community and surrounding areas. Much of the Project area is vacant and currently not utilized. Utility water and electrical lighting, (lighting was purchased used), are aging beyond a useable lifespan. The masonry restroom building, located south of the existing baseball field, was constructed in the mid 1970's and does not meet accessibility requirements.

The new Project includes the demolition of the existing facilities, relocation and upgrade of utilities to a more efficient design, design and construction of more accessible and inclusive amenities, as well as supporting facilities for multiple recreational activities and events. The existing elevated drainage dike on the east side of the project site would also be incorporated directly into the project design, as this would provide an added feature to spectator areas and the shared use trails.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

This project is not part of prior approved phases and at this time we are not anticipating future phases.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

Lincoln County acknowledges that there are no guarantee of future funding and that this project is a stand-alone project.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

This project will meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community:

1. Sustainability:

Project design will provide a wide array of user amenities and reflect that of a unique and sustainable parks and recreation facility. Sustainability will be promoted through the following:

- Grading and Drainage design elements that efficiently addresses water-related impacts as well as incorporate existing topographical features, such as the elevated drainage dike. Not only will Project design incorporate the drainage dike for added user experience, it will reinforce and armor this critical structure, thereby providing added integrity and longevity.
- Parking and Accessibility design that efficiently and effectively addresses traffic flow, safety, spectator accessibility and user demand.
- Utility Electrical and Water service/irrigation design that includes higher efficiency fixtures, reduced usage and operating costs, and in turn, fosters energy and water conservation.
- Privacy and security fencing, which will buffer the private residential area and also maintain Project integrity in certain areas.
- Landscape and Hardscape design that balances effective and efficient low maintenance amenities with climate friendly, adaptable and compatible plant species.
- Project design that integrates a “maintenance aspect” into each component. Key Project features will be designed to balance usability and functionality with cost of maintenance.

2. Connectivity:

The Project provides a recreation nexus between the Lincoln County Fairgrounds, the Panaca Pioneer Park, (both of which are previous SNPLMA awarded projects), the Panaca Shared Use Path via Main Street and along State Route 319, and Cathedral Gorge State Park. Much

like the Lincoln County Fairgrounds, the Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex will be a region-wide facility, linking a variety of users and user groups.

3. Community:

The entire “community” of Lincoln County and its youth sporting activity programs, including local schools, (Lincoln County High School, Meadow Valley Middle School, and other surrounding elementary schools), need additional recreational facilities with which to actively participate in sports. Limited field availability, along with issues such as a sanctioned track facility have been a challenge in terms of severely limiting opportunity for youth participation. Another critical feature and needed outdoor park amenity in the proposal is centrally located and accessible public restrooms. Currently, the softball field has no accessible restrooms during sporting events such as the regular high school season, requiring port-a-potties to be installed and then removed at the end of the season. Another critical aspect of the Project is that of an indoor recreation events room situated in the primary building. This would allow for indoor cold season recreation opportunity for a variety of users.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

Lincoln County will design and construct a new multi-sport complex on 20 acres on the east side of the Town of Panaca, Nevada. Construction will include fully accessible baseball, softball, football and soccer fields, a standard track and field layout, spectator areas, parking, interconnected shared use trails, an indoor activity room, and supporting facilities throughout the complex. This project will provide the community and its youth activity programs including local and regional schools a wide variety of recreational opportunities in a centralized and accessible location for all to enjoy.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (*Base Bid*)
 - a. Selective demolition and removal of existing facilities
 - b. Site Preparation; earthwork and grading
 - c. Utility water connections and improvements
 - d. Utility sewer connections and improvements
 - e. Utility power connections and improvements
 - f. Drainage system improvements
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 - h. Concrete sidewalks and flatwork; approximately 145,000 square feet
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 - s. Baseball field, batting cages, bullpen, and associated facilities
 - t. Softball field, batting cages, bullpen, and associated facilities
 - u. Lighting; all fields, parking lot, access, area pathways
 - v. Fencing; security and privacy
 - w. Landscaping
 - x. Site Furnishings (benches, tables, trash receptacles, signage, ornamentation/monument sign)
2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
- a. There are no Anticipate Deliverables.
3. Standard Deliverables:
- a. Architectural design, engineering, surveying, construction drawings, technical reports,(geotechnical, drainage) , field inspections, permitting, public input meetings, staff reviews, professional service fees, contract administration.
 - b. Financial and Performance Reporting
 - c. SNPLMA Status Reporting, (Quarterly, Annual)
 - d. SNPLMA Annual Accomplishments and Performance Measures
 - e. SNPLMA Close Out Package Construction Contract

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 250 Burnin' Red Road, Panaca, NV

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: Lincoln County, Nevada:
Portion of W1/2NE1/4 of Section 9, T2S, R68E.

Parcel Number(s): 002-240-01 and 002-240-10

Current Land Use and Zoning: Parks and Recreation; and Public Facility or Agency

Latitude and Longitude: 37.793859, -114.379299

Congressional District(s): NV-4

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

Year 1: SNPLMA Cooperative Agreement/Federal Environmental & Sec. 106 Compliance

- Request to initiate, develop project workplan; pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM.

- Respond to the Notice of Intent to Award by federal financial assistance application submittal.
- Coordinate with BLM for any required environmental review.
- Request and receive SNPLMA NTP and federal award (cooperative agreement).

Year 2: Project Design and Preliminary Architecture & Engineering

- Initiate contract with Engineer of Record for design/planning/engineering.
- Execute bidding process, approval of contract and Notice to Proceed for construction by Board of County Commissioners.
- Execute Construction Contract

Year 3: Pre-Construction Site Preparation, Project Construction

- Pre-Construction meeting
- Demolition, Site Preparation, Utility Work, Drainage System Improvements.
- Begin Construction of Primary Deliverables

Year 4: Project Construction

- Construction continues with Primary Deliverables

Year 5: Project Closeout

- Reconcile project file, financial expenditures, and unliquidated obligations.
- Conduct final site inspection with SNPLMA PM.
- Prepare closeout request package and update SMART.
- Submit final financial report (SF-425) and performance narrative via Grant Solutions.
- Submit closeout request package (minimum of 60 days prior to POP end date).

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

Even though we have worked with our Engineering Firm to have a good concept and plan to start with, we would need to finalize the planning/design and engineering of the project before we could begin construction.

Other funding sources have been looked for and we have not found anything that would provide the funding for this specific project.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Operations and Maintenance for the Project will be performed by Lincoln County and the Lincoln County School District under an interlocal agreement. Standard O&M practices will be regular site inspection, litter and waste removal, janitorial services, repair, and replacement of

necessary facility components, weed and pest control, utility expenses and security. O&M is estimated to be approximately \$26,000 annually.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$27,339,462.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet which provides a summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 27,289,462	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 27,289,462	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ 50,000	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 27,339,462	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

The Lincoln County Multi-Sports Complex encompasses approximately 20 acres. Within this area we will be providing – (1) football field, (1) softball field, (1) baseball field and an 8-lane track, approximately 6,000 feet of shared use trail, accessible public restrooms, in indoor events facility, storage and maintenance facilities as well as parking and accessible spectator areas for the above-listed fields. Direct costs equate to approximately \$1,366,973.10 per acre. Indirect and ongoing costs are estimated at \$26,000 per year, with an estimated life expectancy of 50 years for most fixed assets.

Fixed and tangible assets will possess varying degrees of depreciation and level of replacement. One measurable level of benefit to the public could be simply an approximate number of participants or those utilizing the facilities over a year’s time and multiplied by a factor of 20, 30, 40, or 50 years. This is only one data set however. There are also the intangible benefits that level of measurement oftentimes cannot be calculated. An example would be that of a casual hiker, who by camping at nearby Cathedral Gorge State Park, takes the opportunity to walk a few miles on the shared use trail and experience a quiet sunset vista from our part of Nevada. State of mind and the satisfaction of this recreational opportunity has very high value.

Given the facilities and amenities that will be built, the broad variety of recreational opportunity it will provide to the public, and the overall benefit to our communities, this Project represents a highly justified expenditure that will positively impact and enrich generations of users.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds: No contributed funds applied to this project.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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Budget Officer: Denice Brown, Grants
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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.

- A. ***The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).***

Answer: The Project will provide equitable access to all individuals. The access to recreational opportunity includes: 1) Field sports; baseball, football, soccer, softball, cross country, track and field events, 2) Passive activities, such as walking, jogging or bicycling. This wide variety of field availability and opportunity allows for participation at all ages and all backgrounds. The Project will also be designed to provide some indoor recreation opportunity during inclement weather conditions, which is especially important for some of our aging community.

- B. ***The project improves community prosperity and economic development.***

Answer: The Project would provide additional opportunity for community involvement through the form of recreation; thus leading to a growing level of participation and prosperity. The availability of multiple sanctioned facilities and accessible trails will also be a key component for driving increased use, local and non-local visitation and the realization of economical gain. One example would be the ability to host a track and field event to multiple high schools from around the region. This event would bring in hundreds of youth, supporting families and visitors who would undoubtedly contribute to the local economy.

C. ***The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.***

Answer: The Project is significant in the fact that it would provide a wide variety of recreational opportunity to large geographical area. Multiple field-sport opportunities in one convenient location is currently not available in Lincoln County. The recreational opportunity will also be available to a broad range of users. The Project is unique in that it provides an easy-to-access and usable recreational setting for both residents and visitors alike. It is also unique in that it is situated adjacent to the Lincoln County Fairgrounds. Facilities of this type, and located in close proximity, provide a “compounding” opportunity for a variety of recreation and enjoyment.

D. ***The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).***

Answer: The Project will help improve public health and safety by simply providing additional outdoor recreation for all ages. Field sports, such as soccer or baseball teach youth the importance of being a team member. Other inclusive sports, such as softball, can connect older players to younger players and provide a strong sense of community. Passive recreation, such as walking the track area or hiking the shared use trails provides the opportunity to get outdoors and experience those activities.

E. ***The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.***

Answer: According to recent Census data, 13.9% of the County population lives in poverty. This challenge, coupled with field availability has been a major obstacle in getting broad involvement in recreational activities in the County. The Project will help address lack of facilities while providing a centralized and accessible location for some of the growing youth programs, such as flag football and youth softball. It will also foster opportunities for individuals wishing to passively recreate by means of walking, jogging or biking.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***

Answer: The Project will enhance the community by providing a variety of recreational opportunities and experiences and offer broad use from all individuals in all backgrounds. Recreational and physical education will be fostered by local and regional schools, as well as distant visiting schools, as they will have the ability to participate in multiple activities in varying times of the year. Currently, much of the 20-acre Project site is undeveloped and vacant. Development of the Project will enhance the surrounding community, reduce nuisance dust and noxious and invasive weeds in the area. The Project will also foster a sense of belonging to a broad population of users, whom otherwise may not have the opportunity to participate in, or be a part of, these beneficial activities.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: Conservation of resources will be a cornerstone of the Project design. Utility provisions, site amenities, landscape and hardscape features, as well as the overall improvement of the current Project site, will reflect that of conservation-minded approach. Signage and education will also be incorporated into the Project.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: Project design will incorporate efficient function to all components. Utility power supply will be designed for high efficiency fixtures. Utility water supply and improvements will capitalize on water efficiency, and responsible use. Project amenities will be designed as to limit excess waste, and utilize co-location if possible. An example of this would be the centralization of restroom facilities, co-located with the indoor activity room and ticket area. Landscape and hardscape features will be designed to capitalize on economies of scale and limit water usage, limit wasteful power usage and maintenance costs.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: Project design will include landscape features that enhance the natural surroundings of the area and allow a user connection to the outdoors. Facility design will allow users to experience a separation between the developed field facilities and the interspersed open areas between them. The portion of the shared use trail located on the elevated drainage dike will allow users a complete 360-degree vista of our surrounding areas.

3. CONNECTIVITY: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

Answer: The Project location provides a recreation nexus between the Lincoln County Fairgrounds, the Panaca Pioneer Park, (both of which are previous SNPLMA awarded projects), the Panaca Shared Use Path via Main Street, and Cathedral Gorge State Park.

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Answer: The Project, although not specifically listed in any planning documents, is consistent with the following: The Lincoln County Master Plan, 2015, Land Use Designation for the Project site is "Parks and Recreation" and is intended for both active and passive recreation. The Lincoln County Open Space and Community Lands Plan, 2011, Parks and Recreation Policies reference the desired components of this Project, including multiple sport fields in one location, shared use trails, and accessibility, both motorized and non-motorized, to the surrounding areas. In addition, the 2016 NDOT

Lincoln County Bicycle Plan describes non-motorized connectivity to the Project site via Main Street, Edwards Street and Ernst Street.

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

Answer: Although not formally listed within current planning documents, the Project is situated centrally within other recreation areas and/or facilities in Lincoln County. These include the Lincoln County Fairgrounds, the Panaca Pioneer Park, The Panaca Shared Use Trail along Main Street and State Route 319, as well as Cathedral Gorge State Park, along US 93. The Project would be an integral part of a comprehensive system of parks, trails and natural areas because it will provide a variety of opportunities in one location. These opportunities would mesh nicely with the host of other opportunities, (fairgrounds, state parks, shared use path, BLM public land), in the area and surrounding region.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Answer: The Project will provide a wide variety of recreational opportunity for individuals of all ages and abilities. Providing an opportunity to participate is one of the first steps of connecting people to the outdoors. As this project is developed, the level of participation will then grow. As participation grows, as will the level of education and interpretation of the benefits of connecting to the outdoors. The more that individuals experience, the greater awareness and appreciation they will have for the outdoors.

E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

Answer: The broad range of recreational opportunities provided by the Project will foster a culture of inclusion and participation for individuals from all backgrounds. Accessibility to the opportunities and ease of use will be key components to recruiting, retaining and continually re-engaging individuals. This is especially true as dynamics in population and demographics are continually evolving and changing. The location and design of the Project will focus on these important aspects of inclusion.

4. COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT: Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. *The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.*

Answer: The Project truly represents that of a “once-in-a-generation” opportunity for Lincoln County. The multiple recreational sport fields, (soccer, football, track and field, baseball, softball), coupled with the variety of shared use trails and accessible amenities, (restrooms, activity room, shade structures), equates to an inviting destination for active and passive participants of all backgrounds.

The proposed Project is stand alone and the proposed budget of \$27,339,462 is justified for a project of this magnitude and type.

B. *Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.*

Answer: The Project will serve the community in a variety of ways. Within a mile radius there are approximately 1100 residents and students who would have the opportunity to regularly utilize the complex. Additionally, the Project would regularly serve a more expansive population in surrounding communities within Lincoln County to include approximately 3900 residents. Visiting tourists such as those visiting Cathedral Gorge State Park, and organized sports teams and supporting individuals participating in activities, estimated at 20,000 annually, would also be able to enjoy and utilize the complex.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: Location and Design are two critical considerations with regard to the Project and meeting the Project Objective. Maximizing the number of recreational opportunities for participants, spectators or visitors alike in one location is a large factor. The value in economies of scale and co-location of necessary services provides a backdrop with which to minimize ongoing maintenance and replacement costs. Much of the needed infrastructure, such as power, water and sewer, are close at hand and readily available. The Project will be maintained by Lincoln County and the Lincoln County School District. Both entities possess several other properties in close proximity to the Project site, providing logistical ease with which to provide maintenance and ongoing stewardship.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: There are no non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contributions that will be used on this project.

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: Project design will incorporate efficient function to all components. Current utilities with aging, outdated and inefficient equipment will be replaced. Utility power supply will be designed to maximize amenity enjoyment with incorporation of modern components such as high efficiency fixtures. Utility water supply and associated components will increase water efficiency and decrease wasteful use. Project amenities will be designed as to limit excess waste and utilize co-location if possible. Landscape and hardscape features will be designed to capitalize on economies of scale and limit water usage, limit wasteful power usage and maintenance costs.

I. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands***

to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk

Yes, the project will promote green areas that will minimize the risk of spreading of wildfires on Public Lands.

2. *EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers*

Yes, the County will contract with American workers who will construct the project.

3. *EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)*

N/A

4. *EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies*

Yes, this project will meet this EO by providing support to the communities and local Economies. The project will encourage visitation from residents and visitors, who in turn will use local businesses. When patronage to local businesses is increased our communities reap the benefit.

5. *EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All*

Yes, the project will provide a place, in the outdoors, that will allow every person who visits the project to have clean air to breathe, clean water to drink, and an environment that is healthy, sustainable, climate-resilient, and free from harmful pollution and chemical exposure.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. *SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.*

Yes, this project supports SO 3347 because the purpose of the Multi-Sport Complex will be to provide opportunities for school children and the public to participate in outdoor recreation.

2. *SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.*

No, this project does not support hunting, fishing, recreational shooting, wildlife conservation, nor will it be in coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.

3. *SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.*

Yes, this project will provide open space for local and migrating wildlife to use.

4. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

Yes, even though this project is not located on Public Lands it will allow access to Public Lands which are in close proximity.

5. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

No, there are no Urban National Wildlife Refuges in Lincoln County.

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

Yes, the project will promote green areas that will minimize the risk of spreading of wildfires on Public Lands

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

No, this project does not directly attach to any public lands

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

Yes, the Multi-Sport Complex would be available for use with Electric bikes.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.***

No, renewable energy is not available for this project.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations. We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.***

No, there are no Tribal nations within Lincoln County

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs. This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation,***

increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.

Yes, this project will provide the opportunity for growth within Lincoln County and this in turn could provide additional family-supporting jobs.

4. *Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*

We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.

No, Lincoln County already consists of 98% federally managed lands, we do not have the ability nor inclination to increase those numbers.

5. *Centering equity and environmental justice. The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.*

Yes, as an extremely Rural area Lincoln County supports environmental justice by creating additional outdoor space for our communities to enjoy.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

Yes, as an outdoor recreational facility this project would help to minimize COVID-19.

2. *Providing economic relief*

Yes, this project will provide an opportunity for new jobs within the communities.

3. *Tackling climate change*

No, this project would not be tackling climate change.

4. *Advancing racial equity*

Yes, it is and has always been Lincoln Counties goal to include any one of race or color to enjoy our facilities.

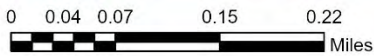
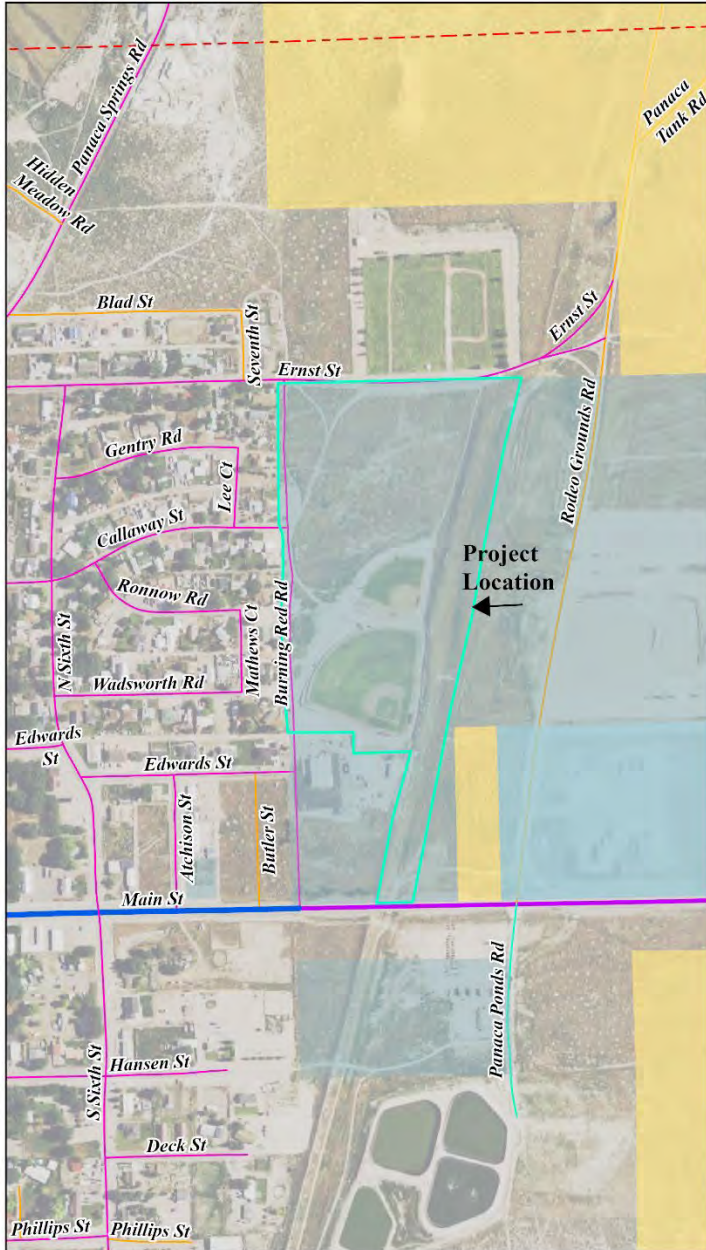
5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

Yes, the Multi-Sports Complex would provide an area for the workforce to enjoy.

We can help improve our workforce by giving them outdoor recreation opportunities.

LOCATION MAP

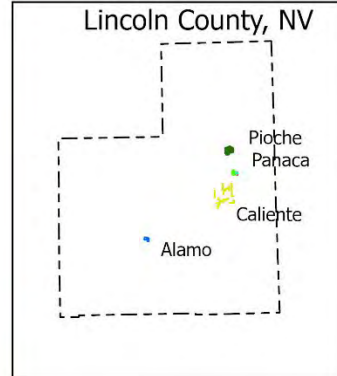
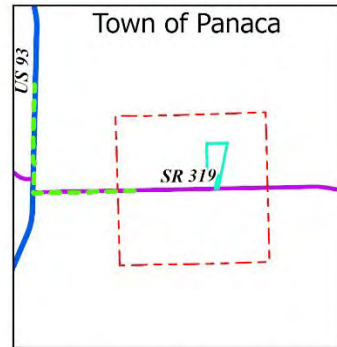
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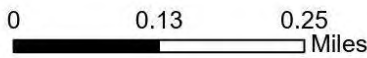
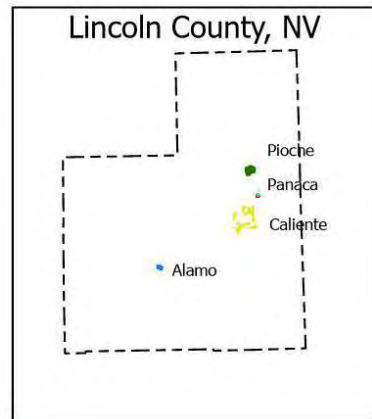
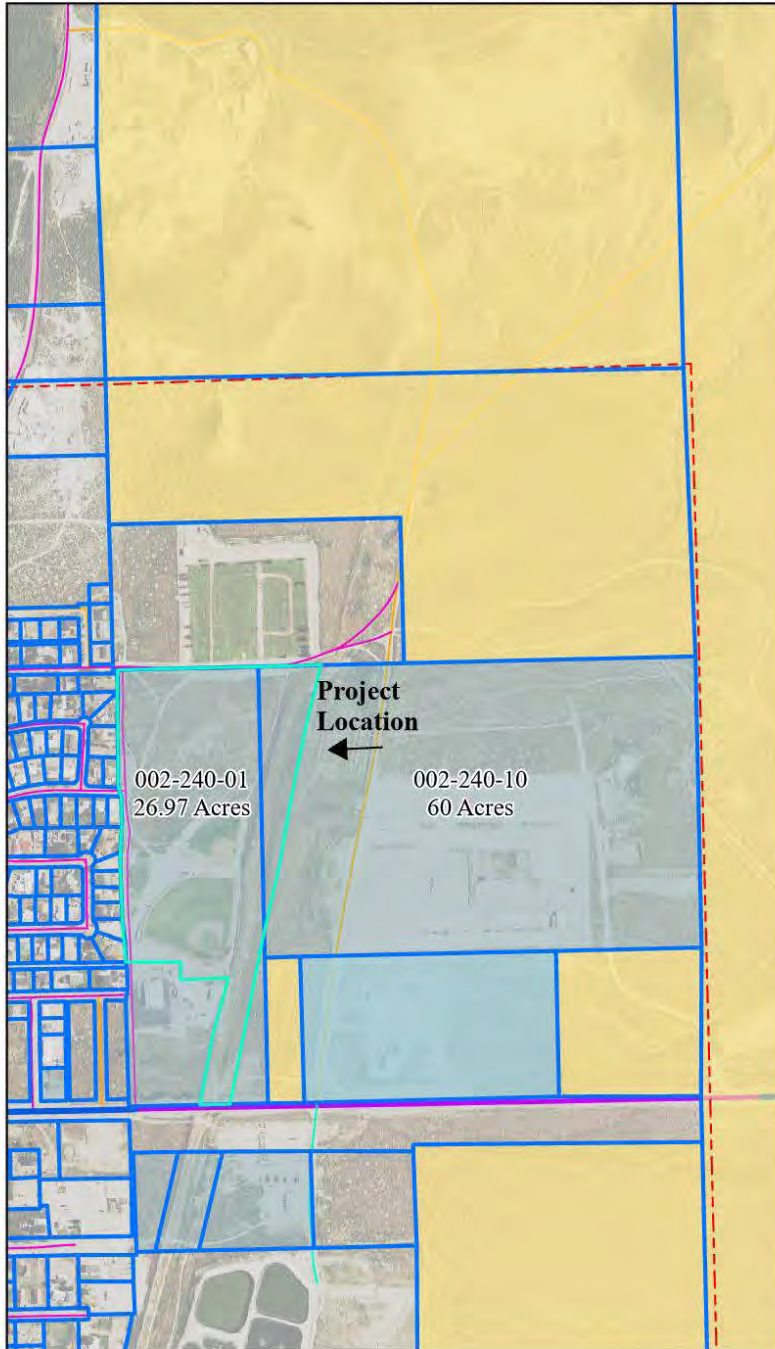
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	LC Multi-Sport Complex
	LC Town Boundary
	Alamo
	Caliente
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	Pioche
	County, City & Town Owned Property
	State Owned Property
	BLM Owned Property
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	Minor Arterial (Oiled)
	Local (Oiled)
	Improved Gravel (Non-Oiled)
	Improved Native (Non-Oiled)
	Unimproved Native (Non-Oiled)
	Double Track Jeep Trail (Non-Oiled)

COUNTY ASSESSOR PARCEL AERIAL

Parcel Numbers & Acreage



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CONCEPTUAL PLAN



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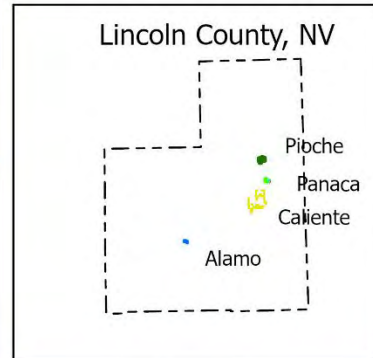
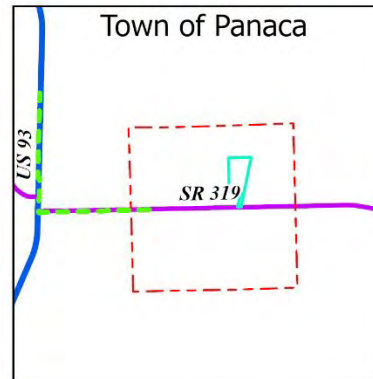
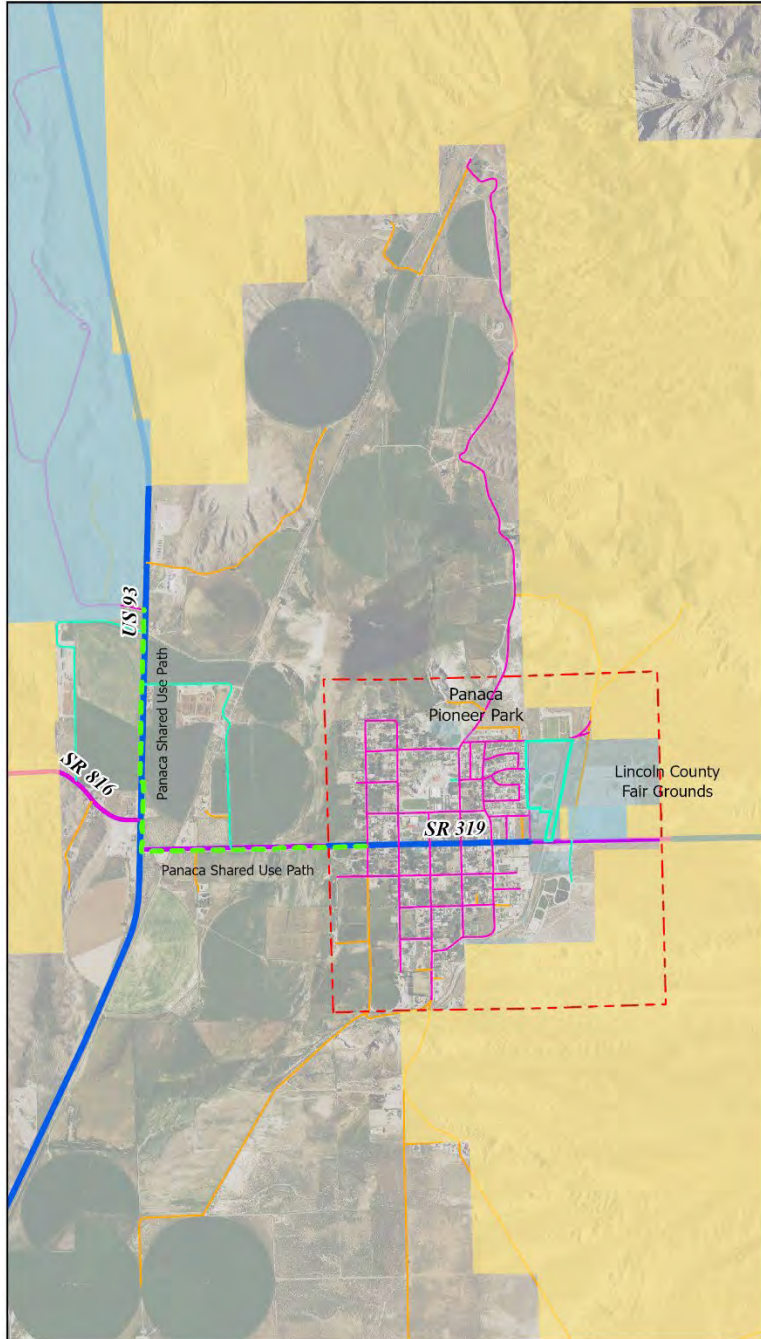
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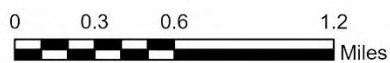
Community & Connectivity



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Zone_	Local (Oiled)
Alamo	Improved Gravel (Non-Oiled)
Caliente	Improved Native (Non-Oiled)
Panaca	Unimproved Native (Non-Oiled)
Pioche	Double Track Jeep Trail (Non-Oiled)
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N. PHOTOS

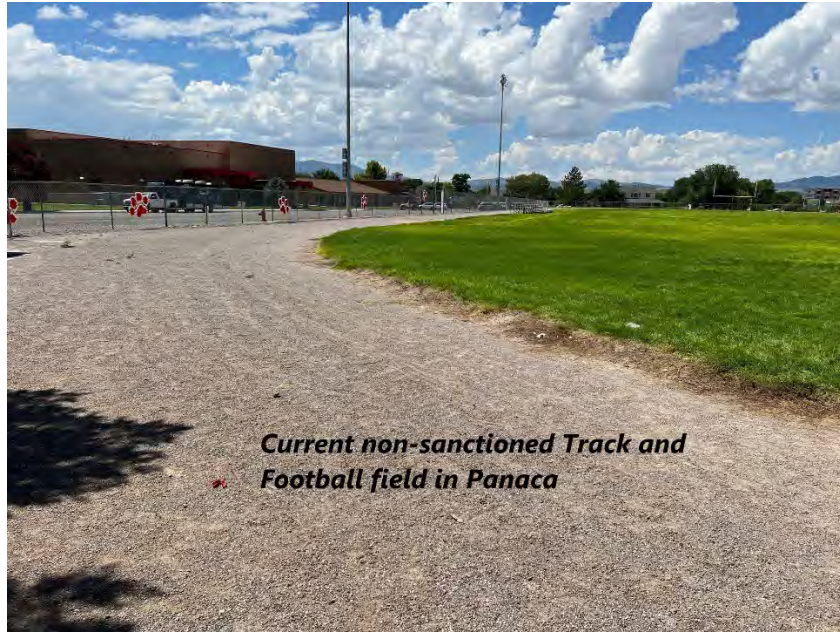


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O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	<u>1 new multi-sports complex encompassing:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1 football field ○ 1 softball field ○ 1 baseball field ○ 1 track with 8 lanes
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheatres, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1 shade structure 600-SF ● 1 shade structure 1800-SF ● 1 building storage, utilities & restrooms 6400-SF ● 1 building Restrooms & Storage 2250-SF ● 1 storage building 384-SF ● 1 storage building 768-SF ● 1 storage building 1800-SF ● 6 bleachers ● 1 grandstand w/announcers booth (15 row @ 120') ● 1 visitors seating 10 row @ 90' ● 1 parking lot (~100,000-SF or 2 acres)
R4 - Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. <i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1 Trail (~5400-LF). This trail is a continuous trail that encompasses the whole project. ● Restoration of Burnin Red Road after construction (~1400 ft)
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications, Signs, Kiosks, Displays, etc. Produced	*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. <i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1 Scoreboard ● 2 Monument Signs ● 1 Sign (Rules, Stop, ADA, Direction, etc)

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Ely District Office
702 N. Industrial Way
Ely, Nevada 89301-9408



2710 (NVL0000)

Chairman Varlin Higbee
Lincoln County Board of Commissioners
PO Box 90
Pioche, NV 89043

Dear Mr. Higbee:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of Lincoln County in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 4, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The County has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex – This proposal is to design and construct a new multi-sports complex on 27 acres of County owned land on the east side of the Town of Panaca. The proposal is for the construction and installation of multiple sports fields for baseball, softball, football, and soccer including a track and field, interconnected shared-use trails, restrooms, storage/maintenance facilities, parking, and accessible spectator areas.

Legal Description: Town of Panaca, Lincoln County, Nevada: T.2S., R.68E., sec. 9, W2NE.

Section 106: Per Exemption A.2. of the State Protocol Agreement, this project may be exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

There are no issues with the proposed project as the project lays within Lincoln County owned land.

Pioche Main Street Linear Park – The Project Objective to construct a linear park multi-use trail and connect the uptown Pioche area with the Pioche Park and related areas. The linear park would parallel an approximate .5- mile segment along the west side of Pioche Main Street and State Route 322. The project is centrally located within the Town of Pioche and will include a historical and cultural mining theme, concrete shared use trail, drainage features, and trailheads at both ends.

Legal Description: Town of Pioche, in Lincoln County, Nevada; Township 1 North, Range 67 East, Section 22, North Half of the Southeast Quarter and Northeast Quarter, MDM.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process and any coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office that may be needed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Melanie Peterson, Special Legislation Program Manager at 775-289-1896 or m1peters@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,

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by JARED BYBEE
BYBEE Date: 2023.10.20
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Robbie McAboy
District Manager

e-cc: Kenneth Kendrick, Field Manager, Caliente Field Office
Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS



August 24, 2023

Michelle Leiber- SNPLMA Program Manager, Parks, Trails and Natural Areas,
 Multispecies Habitat Conservation Program, and Capital Improvements
 BLM Southern Nevada District
 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
 Las Vegas, NV 89130

Subject: Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex- Lincoln County Project Nomination; SNPLMA
 Round 20 Nomination; PTNA Category

Dear Ms. Leiber,

On behalf of Lincoln County School District, I am pleased to provide our full support and commitment to making the Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex a lasting legacy. The proposed complex would provide a broad range of recreational and educational benefits to our school committee.

The school district has partnered with Lincoln County to ensure the continued and ongoing maintenance will be accomplished at a high standard. These necessary facility upgrades will not only be more efficient and assist greatly with operational costs, but they will ensure full compliance with accessibility and usability for those using the facilities.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions. My number is 775-728-8000 and email pteel@lcsdnev.com

Pam Teel
 Superintendent
 Lincoln County School District



30 August 2023

Michelle Leiber- SNPLMA Program Manager, Parks, Trails and Natural Areas,
Multispecies Habitat Conservation Program, and Capital Improvements
BLM Southern Nevada District
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89130

Subject: Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex- Lincoln County Project Nomination; SNPLMA
Round 20 Nomination; PTNA Category

Dear Ms. Leiber,

The Panaca Town Board would like to express its full support of the Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex nomination as it will provide many positive benefits to our community and county.

The Town of Panaca has some great recreational opportunities and this Complex would help connect our existing facilities to one another. The Cathedral Gorge State Park-to-Panaca Shared Use Path, a 1.75-mile paved SUP, connects the state park to the edge of town. We are also proud to have the Panaca Pioneer Park along with the fabulous Lincoln County Fairgrounds. -Both of which are successful SNPLMA projects! The proposed Multi-Sport Complex would provide user connectivity between the above mentioned projects and support a host of hiking and biking opportunities for a variety of users. The shared use trails and accessible paths are highly utilized and enjoyed by our community.

Our community youth sports programs will also benefit immensely. Safe and accessible field locations for youth T-ball, baseball, softball, flag football, soccer and other community events are much needed. This complex would greatly assist in providing those opportunities to our youth.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Chair
Panaca Town Board

Lincoln County High School
School Phone: 775-728-4481



P.O. Box 268
1111 Edwards St.
Panaca, NV 89042

August 23, 2023

Michelle Leiber- SNPLMA Program Manager, Parks, Trails and Natural Areas,
Multispecies Habitat Conservation Program, and Capital Improvements
BLM Southern Nevada District
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89130

Subject: Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex- Lincoln County Project Nomination; SNPLMA Round 20
Nomination; PTNA Category

Dear Ms. Leiber,

Lady Lynx Softball fully supports the nomination of the Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex. This is a "once-in-a-generation" project that will provide numerous recreational benefits and positively impact the lives of thousands; both young and old.

The LCHS Softball field requires several renovations and amenities. Currently, there are no functional restrooms at the Softball Field. "Porta-Potties" are brought onsite at the beginning of each season and taken out at the end of each season. This has been a major concern for the school district as well as many of those coming to support the student-athletes participating in softball. This centrally located and accessible restroom building in the proposed complex would efficiently serve those attending events as well as members of the public walking the variety of shared-use trails. Other issues include a lack of spectator parking, compliant bleachers, and limited ADA accessibility through the area.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please feel free to reach out if you have questions. My email is klytle@lcsdnv.com and my phone number is 775 962-1684

Yours very sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kylea Lytle".

Kylea Lytle
LCHS Softball

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Lacie Pearson, and I have been head coach for Track and Field at Lincoln County High School for over 10 years. One of the most difficult challenges we face in our Track program is in having to train on a dirt track, and that fact gives us a definite disadvantage with our competitors. We cannot practice with accuracy our correct steps in 1) the Hurdle events [we practice on grass which can never properly mimic the correct step pattern], 2) the Relay events [we don't have relay passing zones or lanes for our relay teams to properly practice their passes], 3) the Sprint events [we have to practice with starting blocks on the grass], and 4) our High Jump event [practice has to be done on grass, which cannot ever give accuracy for the correct steps when we perform the real event at meets]. In fact, our athletes have sustained injuries practicing the high jump on grass due to that last jump-off step having so much force behind it. Their foot sometimes slips on the take-off into the air and injuries happen to ankles and knees, even though the athlete is wearing the heel spike apparatus designed for high jumping to prevent slips. But we have had some remarkable jumpers, so we keep dogging practice out on the grass and hope for the best. Speaking of injuries, our dirt track lays between some of our school facilities, so when it gets mud bogged from rain or melting snow and the students are taking a short cut between classes, they make deep footstep impressions in the mud. It dries, and the track needs to be worked to get those impressions out or the track students turn their ankles in the ruts. I've had two of my best athletes receive injuries from this very problem. Despite all of these problems that come from working out on dirt and grass, our high school won the Track and Field State Championship in 2017, and came within 1 point of winning it again in 2023.

For the past 5 years or so, I have wanted to present for students of all ages (and maybe even adults too) a summer series of 4 track meets during the month of July. I was able to enjoy this kind of track meet series put on by the Las Vegas Track Club in Vegas when I was a youngster, and it was a blast! I want to give the youngsters here the same opportunity. My motivation in wanting to do this is to build interest in the school running program, possibly use the series as a fundraiser for our program by providing a concession stand, and especially give the younger students a chance to shine at a track meet to build their confidence and self esteem. The terrible thing stopping me from going forward with this idea is that our dirt track has a main water line underneath it that begins to leak when the seasonal watering begins. And it can't be repaired. Hence, our track becomes a mud bog on one entire curve and removes 4 of the possible 6 lanes for the meets. I can't put on a community track meet with only 2 lanes, so the idea remains in limbo, waiting for a better facility in order to bring it into fruition.

Please consider granting the much needed funds to provide a modern track facility for our remarkable Track and Field student athletes, and thank you so very much.

Sincerely,

Lacie Pearson
Head Track Coach @ Lincoln County High School



LINCOLN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

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PANACA, NV 89042
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MRS. SHARON DIRKS
PRINCIPAL

September 1, 2023

Michelle Leiber- SNPLMA Program Manager, Parks, Trails and Natural Areas,
Multispecies Habitat Conservation Program, and Capital Improvements
BLM Southern Nevada District
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89130

Subject: Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex- Lincoln County Project Nomination; SNPLMA
Round 20 Nomination; PTNA Category

Dear Ms. Leiber,

The Lincoln County High School Baseball Program fully supports the Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex Nomination. I hope this project moves forward as it is sorely needed.

Our current baseball field, although functional, lacks multiple user and spectator friendly amenities. Some of these include fully accessible restrooms, accessible seating areas, safe bleachers, adequate spectator parking, and accessible ADA spectator compliance. We also need adequate equipment storage space. The benefits of the proposed complex include addressing all of these deficiencies and much more.

These improvements would greatly enhance our ability to provide a quality baseball experience to our program as well as visiting programs. It will also serve a variety of other users including the middle school program, little league/pee wee programs, and league teams, as it creates opportunities for recreation and enjoyment.

The Lincoln County High School Baseball Program would sincerely appreciate earning the SNPLMA Round 20 Nomination. If you have any specific questions, or if I can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me at 775-962-2146. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Howard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Jesse Howard
LCHS Head Baseball Coach

**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 17

Entity: Churchill County

Project: Oser Regional Park Reconstruction

SECTION A – BACKGROUND

- 1. Churchill County is developing a plan to rebuild Oser Regional Park which consists of 32 acres owned by Churchill County... [situated within APN 006-191-01]**

SNPLMA Comment: County confirmed ownership of the subject project location within APN 006-191-01 (~78 acres) – is owned by Churchill County; yet the assessor records identify ownership as “Churchill County Fairgrounds”. County will also need to clarify easements held by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) and potential land use authorizations that the County may need to obtain from BOR; including the easement issued by the county to Southwest Gas:

Recording Date	Doc#	Document Type	Sold by	Sold to
9/23/2021	490679	Easement/ROW Deed	Churchill County	Southwest Gas

The nomination must clearly describe ownership (including surface and mineral estate rights) on all areas where the project is proposed for new construction and/or improvements, and work with the SNPLMA Program Manager to update the nomination accordingly.

- 2. “Throughout the construction phase, the project/construction manager [an assigned County employee] will coordinate with the county’s on-site representative [an employee of the engineering/design consulting firm] who will observe the progress and quality of the work. The on-site representative has the authority to accept or reject work in accordance with the contract documents...The on-site representative will also verify quantities of work completed upon receipt of applications for progress payments. Once the quantities have been verified, the application for progress payment will be processed for payment.”**

SNPLMA Comment: Non-federal entity recipients (e.g., Churchill County) of federal awards are required to monitor and evaluate project financials and performance of subawards, subrecipients, contractors, etc., including itself as the award recipient, and prepare project performance narrative reports.

Below is an aerial depiction of the configuration of this Round 20 Oser Regional Park

Reconstruction project in comparison with a portion of the County’s Round 20 3C Complex Expansion project. *How will the County ensure project scope, time, and funds for implementing their Round 20 proposed projects are not comingled? Please clarify.*



Churchill County Response: Should Churchill County be awarded both projects as part of Round 20, separate accounting cost codes will be set up to track costs associated with each project. The County will assign a construction/project manager for each project to ensure that comingling of funds is eliminated.

Section C – Purpose Statement

SNPLMA Comment: The nomination must contain a specific statement of the purpose of the project that includes a description of the action to be taken. The following is a suggested revised Purpose Statement: *“Churchill County will design and reconstruct approximately 31 acres of the Oser Regional Park located in Fallon, Nevada, to create a diversity of recreational and outdoor space. Construction will include sports fields, tennis and pickleball courts, spectator areas, LED lighted parking, children play areas and park amenities that will enhance recreational opportunities to support physical activity, mental health, and human development.”*

Section D – Project Deliverables

SNPLMA Comment overall:

Project deliverables in narrative in comparison to the MS-Excel project budget detail do not clearly cross- reference. Primary deliverables required to complete the project and “Purpose” must be measurable (e.g., quantity, size, distance), and specify which deliverables are contingent on the results of design, planning, cost estimates, public scoping or other studies, reports, or analyses.

Churchill County will need to work with the SNPLMA Program Manager to update the nomination accordingly and as noted below:

1. Primary Deliverables comments:

- **b) Design and construct spectator areas for safe community viewing.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: Provide an estimate of the number of spectator areas—would this include bleachers?
 - Churchill County will update this deliverable.
- **c) Design and construct asphalt parking area with parking lot LED lighting.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: size/capacity of parking area?
 - Churchill County Response: The parking area is approx. 159,600sf with 376 spacing spaces, including ADA parking and loading.
- **d) Install 2 natural play equipment with safety surfacing**
 - SNPLMA Comment: what is this? How would progress be measured?
 - Churchill County Response: When soliciting for bids for this work, the county will require line items for each major component of the work so that progress can be measured through percent complete.
- **e) Design and install 3 interpretive and historical elements in the park.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: Change “elements” to “signage”; clarify “in the 31-acre park.”.
 - Churchill County Response: Understood.
- **f) Design and construct decomposed granite (DG) based walking paths around and through the park to provide appropriate accessibility.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: what is the approximate width and length of walking paths? Primary deliverables must be measurable.
 - Churchill County Response: Walking paths will vary in width and length. It is the county’s intention to maximize that walking path area so that it can be a prominent feature of the reconstruction and can be utilized by people not specifically at the park for a sporting event.
- **g) Design and construct 3 restrooms, concessions, and equipment storage per field.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: is this a single building/structure? What is the approximate size?
 - Churchill County Response: These will be separate buildings placed throughout the complex to maximize proximity and availability. Size will be determined during the design phase, (ie, one main restroom complex or multiple throughout the park, one concession or two.). The equipment storage building will be a 2-story building with gathering space on the second floor and equipment storage on the first floor. It will be approximately 10,000sf (5,000sf x 2) and located south of the pickleball courts.
- **h) Install 25 trash receptacles.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: Will these trash receptacles be affixed to the ground? The Budget Detail identifies separate cost line items as “Misc. (trash receptacles, etc.)”. Miscellaneous and etc. are not an acceptable cost description and requires clarification.
 - Churchill County Response: 25 trash receptacles is an estimate based on the size of the project. The final design will determine the exact quantity as well as location and mounting preference. The budget line item will be revised to reflect a more accurate description prior to final submission.
- **i) Install 25 recyclable receptacles.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: Will these recyclable receptacles be affixed to the ground? The Budget Detail does not identify estimated costs for this deliverable.
 - Churchill County Response: 25 recycling receptacles is an estimate based on the size of the project. The final design will determine the exact quantity as well as location

and mounting preference. The budget line item will be revised to reflect a more accurate description prior to final submission.

- **j) Install 1 covered public picnic BBQ area w/picnic tables and benches to be affixed to the ground.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: Where are these items within the Excel budget detail? Will these items be affixed to the ground? Size of covered area and number of tables and benches?
 - Churchill County Response: The budget line item will be revised to reflect a more accurate description prior to final submission. BBQ area is 60' x 85'. The number of picnic tables and benches will be determined at the design phase.
- **k) Install 10 dog waste receptacles.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: Where are these items within the Excel budget detail? Will these waste receptacles be affixed to the ground?
 - Churchill County Response: 10 dog waste receptacles is an estimate based on the size of the project. The final design will determine the exact quantity as well as location and mounting preference. The budget line item will be revised to reflect a more accurate description prior to final submission.
- **l) Install multiple bicycle racks that will hold 10 bikes each around the park.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: Quantify “multiple” and clarify if bike racks will be affixed to the ground, where are these items within the Excel budget detail?
 - Churchill County Response: The number of bicycle racks is unknown until the final design is complete. The final design will determine the exact quantity as well as location and mounting preference. The cost of the bicycle racks is included the miscellaneous bid item. It is the intent of the county to design the project within the confines of the budget.
- **n) Install multiple security cameras and systems. Quantity and locations of cameras TBD throughout final design plan with consultation of camera manufacturer.**
 - SNPLMA Comment: Quantify approximate number of security cameras. SNPLMA can pay for wiring and installation, not service connection.
 - Churchill County Response: The number of security cameras is unknown until the final design is complete. The final design will determine the exact quantity as well as location and mounting preference. It is understood that the SNPLMA program will only pay for the wiring and installation.

Excel Budget Detail Narrative

The project scope and estimated costs in the nomination and the excel budget detail should clearly align. Items (primary deliverables) required to complete the project and “Purpose” must be measurable (e.g., quantity, size, distance), and cross-reference between the nomination and excel Budget Detail to show how the project budget is derived and that costs are reasonable.

Tab 4 “Equipment” proposed \$70,000 for tractor and attachment for field turf maintenance.

- SNPLMA Comment: Is this equipment for constructing the project or maintenance purposes? O&M costs are not allowable.
- Churchill County Response: The \$70,000 cost is for the tractor, brush and aerator attachments for the future maintenance of the synthetic turf. This is not to be confused with

future operation and maintenance costs. This is a one-time purchase as part of the synthetic turf.

Tab 6 “Contractual” costs---refer to comments provided above under project deliverables.

Tab 9 “Indirect Costs” of \$73,684.16 in total for Comptroller and Audit Fees.

- County needs to provide further explanation how these costs were derived.3
- Churchill County Response: Below are the calculations for the Comptroller and Audit Fees. The spreadsheet has been recalculated based on current project values and is represented below. The revised cost for indirect costs for this project is \$68,467.27 and will be reflected in the nomination packet prior to final submission.

Churchill County, Nevada In Direct Cost Allocation SNPLMA Fiscal Year 2025 Estimated Cost									
Description	Annual Cost								
Audit Fees	\$ 9,660.00								
Comptroller's office cost	\$ 17,023.12								
Total In Direct Costs	\$ 26,683.12								
									Total 5-year Budget Per Project
		% of Total Cost	2025	5% Increase 2026	5% Increase 2026	5% Increase 2027	5% Increase 2028		
R3 Recreational Complex Expansion	\$ 32,355,772	40.97%	\$ 10,931.40	\$ 11,477.97	\$ 12,051.87	\$ 12,654.47	\$ 13,287.19	\$ 60,402.91	
Oser Regional Park Reconstruction	\$ 36,675,573	46.44%	\$ 12,390.85	\$ 13,010.39	\$ 13,660.91	\$ 14,343.96	\$ 15,061.16	\$ 68,467.27	
N. Maine Softball Complex	\$ 9,947,810	12.60%	\$ 3,360.87	\$ 3,528.91	\$ 3,705.36			\$ 10,595.14	
	\$ 78,979,155	100%	\$ 23,322.25	\$ 27,849.24	\$ 29,241.70	\$ 30,703.78	\$ 28,348.35	\$ 139,465.32	

Churchill County, Nevada Audit Fee In Direct Cost Allocation SNPLMA Fiscal Year 2025 Estimated Cost									
Churchill County Audit Fees	15% increase estimated								
Estimated Audit Fees	<u>96,600.00</u>								
% of Audit Time on Single Audit Work	15% Hinton Burdick								
Cost of Single Audit	\$ 14,490.00								
Total Federal Grant Awards	\$ 15,000,000.00 Estimated								
SNPLMA Federal Awards	\$ 10,000,000.00 Estimated								
% Allocated to SNPLMA	66.67%								
Audit Cost Associated with SNPL	\$ 9,660.00								

Churchill County, Nevada Comptroller's Office Staff In Direct Cost Allocation SNPLMA Fiscal Year 2025 Estimated Cost 5% increase from 2024					
Employee Number	Total Gross Pay	Total Benefits	Total Labor Rate	% of time	% of cost
Comptroller	\$ 144,407.38	\$ 59,760.28	\$ 204,167.66	1.00%	\$ 2,041.68
Accountant II	\$ 65,148.72	\$ 37,657.17	\$ 102,805.89	1.00%	\$ 1,028.06
Accounting Specialist (Average Cost)	\$ 59,947.15	\$ 33,075.44	\$ 93,022.59	15.00%	\$ 13,953.39
Totals per year	\$ 269,503.25	\$ 130,492.89	\$ 399,996.14		\$ 17,023.12

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Churchill County



Oser Regional Park Reconstruction

Amount Requested: \$36,675,573

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Churchill County is developing a plan to rebuild Oser Regional Park which consists of 32 acres owned by Churchill County. The park serves citizens of Churchill County and the City of Fallon by providing recreational and local event activities including youth soccer, baseball, lacrosse, aquatics, tennis, and social gathering and picnicking. As the site currently sits there are currently only sports fields and dugouts. Currently there is no major standing buildings.

The reconstruction of the Oser Regional Park will draw the community together and will provide opportunities for under-served communities to gain access to an environment that will provide many educational, athletic, and recreational opportunities. The upgrades will include ball fields, picnic areas, playgrounds, and splash parks that will be utilized for diverse recreational and educational events for all races, and backgrounds, and different income levels.

The parcel (APN 006-191-01) associated with this project is zone C-2 which is the county designation for the General Heavy Commercial District. Per the use Table located in CC 16.08.250, these proposed facilities are permitted in this zone with a special use permit. This parcel is abutting the 3C Recreational Complex. APN 006-191-01, although the same parcel as the 3C Recreation Complex the Oser Regional Park will serve as its own project offering separate recreational activities.

The current Churchill County 2020 Master Plan, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on April 21, 2021, has a chapter dedicated to Recreation. This chapter has outlined Goals and Policies as they related to Parks and Recreational Facilities which include:

- Goal R1 – Continue implementation/construction of improvements to regional park facilities and fairgrounds.
 - Policy R1.1 – Prepare a master plan for the fairgrounds and regional parks to include:
 1. Safe pedestrian and traffic routes to access different recreational facilities.
 2. Parking and restroom facilities.
 - Policy R1.2 – Provide lighting to increase use of existing fields.
- Goal R6 – Develop additional infrastructure such as:
 1. Lights, scoreboards, continued utility upgrades through technology advancements, utilities, and playgrounds.

The implementation process will include a design planning phase aimed at addressing the project's purpose. The county will hold public hearings and education sessions at the Board of County Commissioner meetings to ensure transparency and attainable goals and completion dates. Education sessions will be open discussions where the public can ask questions and gain knowledge on the proposed project. Following the design planning phase, the county will enter the bid and construction process. The county will determine accomplishments using their economic impact calculator and assessing league and tournament events.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

The Oser Regional Park abuts the 3C Recreation Complex. Although these two projects share the same parcel site, Oser Regional Park is its own separate project and will serve as a location for separate recreational activities making it a phase 1 of a stand-alone project.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

The County acknowledges that this is a stand-alone project and will not require additional phases.

Churchill County will provide oversight and monitoring by assigning a current employee of the Public Works, Planning & Zoning Department to act as a construction/project manager for the project. This person will be responsible for the overall coordination of the project from the design phase through completion of construction. Once the project is complete and has been accepted by the SNPLMA program, a turnover meeting will be held with Facilities & Grounds to transfer the project from construction to operations and maintenance.

Throughout the construction phase, the project/construction manager will coordinate with the county's on-site representative. The on-site representative is an employee of the engineering/design consulting firm and will observe the progress and quality of the work. The on-site representative has the authority to accept or reject work in accordance with the contract documents.

As a part of the contract documents, the county will include a schedule of values which will outline the quantities and unit prices of the scope of work. The quantities of the project will be tracked on a spreadsheet and compared to applications for progress payment when received by the contractor. Each project will be broken down into account codes and subcodes so that all progress and payments will be tracked in the county accounting system.

The on-site representative will also verify quantities of work completed upon receipt of applications for progress payments. Once the quantities have been verified, the application for progress payment will be processed for payment.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

Nominated projects should meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community. Every nomination must explain how the three values are promoted by the project.

1. Sustainability:

The Oser Regional Park landscape design will be thoughtful and intentional such that the natural elements will be sustained in the high desert climate. Examples of this design include replacing sod with turf lawn to improve ease of maintenance and remove the use of excess water and pesticides. Proper pedestrian access will be achieved via natural walking paths and improved parking lots throughout the complex which will better limit erosion of landscapes. In addition, the county will create a green belt buffer with adjacent properties to maintain current cottonwoods and plant additional native forage to encourage wildlife.

2. Connectivity:

This project will support connectivity by serving as a gateway transition from urban Fallon to Churchill County. The Oser Regional Park will engage the local community, tribal communities, and travelers by providing a space for recreational sports, challenge courses, walking areas and picnic shaded areas. The project will attract and connect a wide and diverse array of the public simply by the sheer scope of activities the area offers.

3. Community:

The Oser Regional Park will have a direct impact on 9,500 residents within the City of Fallon and a significant impact on the remaining 17,000 residents within Churchill County. The property is located adjacent to the city limits and within a mile and a half of all city residents. It is within 3 miles of 85% of all county residents. The county is predominantly Caucasian, but has a 15.5% Hispanic, 5.5% Native, 2.9% Asian and 2.9% African American population. In addition, the population has a high level of transiency as it is home to Naval Air Station, Fallon Top Gun and Elite Navy Seal training grounds. The Oser Regional Park will provide the community with a safe and eco-friendly entity where unique and restored natural areas can be enjoyed. The complex will open the doors to educational and recreational opportunities for people of all ages in and around the community.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

Churchill County will reconstruct Oser Regional Park located in Fallon, Nevada, to create a diversity of recreational and outdoor space. The park will enhance the quality of life by creating a space that will support physical activity, mental health, and human development. Prioritizing the creation of healthy outlets within the community will reduce the cost of health care, social services, and police/justice.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (*Base Bid*)

- a. Design and construct 31 acres of park facilities that include eight playable sports fields.
- b. Design and construct spectator areas for safe community viewing.
- c. Design and construct asphalt parking area with parking lot LED lighting.
- d. Install 2 natural play equipment with safety surfacing.

- e. Design and install 3 interpretive and historical elements in the park.
 - f. Design and construct decomposed granite (DG) based walking paths around and through the park to provide appropriate accessibility.
 - g. Design and construct 3 restrooms, concessions, and equipment storage per field.
 - h. Install 25 trash receptacles.
 - i. Install 25 recyclable receptacles.
 - j. Install 1 covered public picnic barbeque area that will include picnic tables and benches. All equipment will be affixed to the ground.
 - k. Install 10 dog waste receptacles.
 - l. Install multiple bicycle racks to hold up to 10 bikes throughout the park.
 - m. Install 2 shade structures (20' by 20').
 - n. Install multiple security cameras and system. Quantity and locations of cameras to be determined throughout final design plan with consultation of camera manufacture.
 - o. Design and construct children's play structures and park areas within the 31-acre quadrant.
 - p. Design and construct 2 tennis courts.
 - q. Design and construct 6 pickleball courts.
2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
- a. Install 3 public art sculptures, sizes vary based on artist (8' to 15' tall and 6' to 15' wide), exact artwork size and configuration is contingent on design.
3. Standard Deliverables:
- a. Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).
 - b. Public scoping with affected stakeholders.
 - c. Developing scopes of work for contractors.
 - d. Preliminary Design of the trail and amenities.
 - e. Surveys as necessary for construction.
 - f. Submitting and obtaining management approval of project documents.
 - g. Environmental Clearances.
 - h. Construction phase.

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: Oser Regional Park; 325 Sheckler Road Fallon, NV 89406

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: Churchill Count, Nevada:

- M.D.M., T.18N., R.28E., sec. 1, SWNE
- Parcel Number(s): 006-191-01 (within)

Current Land Use and Zoning:

- 006-191-01 zoned C-2, General Heavy Commercial
- Land Use 990 (Mixed Use with Special Purpose as Primary Use)

Latitude and Longitude: 39.45838, -118.78962

Congressional District(s): Congressional District: NV District 2

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1: Complete project workplan, pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM; response to NOI via federal financial assistance application submittal; Sec. 106 compliance/CRINA, obtain SNPLMA NTP; Design and Bid Process
- Year 2: Design and Engineering Construction Documents
- Year 3: Breaking Ground / Construction
- Year 4: Construction/Close Out and Dedication
- Year 5: Project Evaluation and Implementation of Programs

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

The final planning and design will occur in the first year. Once that is complete, the project will be shovel-ready.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or non-federal funding:

No.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Operations and maintenance for this project will be performed by county staff using existing equipment, with the exception of a tractor and appurtenance for turf field maintenance. The cost for the equipment is included in the budget for the project. Estimated maintenance and operation costs are \$125,000.00 annually. Maintenance would include regular trash cleanup, facilities maintenance, and as-needed surface maintenance. This project was approved by the Churchill County Commissioners in March 2023.

County acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the County from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the County’s ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is **\$36,675,573.**

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet which provides a summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 230,432	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ 132,727	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ 6,000	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ 70,000	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 36,162,729	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 36,601,888	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ 73,684	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 36,675,573	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

A cost-benefit example typically involves measurable financial metrics such as revenue earned, or costs saved as a result of a decision to pursue a project. Projects associated with the SNPLMA grant preclude municipalities from gaining revenue from projects as the intent is to provide recreational facilities at little to no cost to the public. There are however indirect and intangible benefits to this project such as increased community participation in recreational events, increased traffic to local business through recreational events and amenities as well as increased community morale because of expanded recreational facilities. The project budget takes into consideration the potential for cost escalation, particularly as it relates to construction labor and material costs. The projected budget for the project has included a 4% escalation for labor and material costs in Year 2, Year 3, and Year 4, which will be the construction period. The budget has also considered the annual cost escalation for county employees at a rate of 2.5% annually. This escalation cost has been accounted for in each line-item estimated cost.

Churchill County has been working closely with Lumos & Associates to determine budget pricing for the project. As the design and engineering of the project is a part of the proposed grant application, budget pricing, based on the conceptual design was determined using current market pricing in both the public and private sector. Lumos & Associates’ decades of experience in this type of work has served in determining the most accurate budget pricing.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

This is an existing facility and would not be sold to a developer.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - b. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*
The Oser Regional Park will improve the existing park and will provide regional recreational opportunities for Northern Nevada, Churchill County and the City of Fallon. The ball fields, picnic areas, playgrounds, and splash parks will be utilized for diverse recreational and educational events for all races, and backgrounds, and different income levels. The asphalt parking and lighting will provide easy and safe access for individuals.
 - c. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*
Churchill County is home to multiple recreational opportunities including Sand Mountain, Lovelock Caves, Grimes Point and the new Numunaa Nobe National Conservation Area. The project will have a significant impact on economic development by bringing in neighboring populations from Washoe and Lyon Counties along with numerous Nevada Tribal communities. In addition, Oser Regional Park will provide a space for regional tournament opportunities in multiple sports. Both will increase the economic environment by increasing fuel, store, restaurant, and hotel sales.
 - d. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*
The Oser Regional Park project will be a unique project to the area as other similar venues in Northern Nevada have either become less playable or closed in recent years. This new facility would become a destination for Northern Nevadans looking for outdoor, athletic, and social gathering activities.

e. The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).

The Oser Regional Park project addresses and improves public health and safety concerns in multiple aspects. This facility will promote fitness and well-being by providing a space for tennis, soccer, softball, baseball, and lacrosse. Providing a space for physical activity is known to reduce severity of illness which will in turn lower healthcare costs. The facility will also help reduce crime and social dysfunction which will minimize police and justice involvement.

f. The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.

The Oser Regional Park project will provide Churchill County residents and other communities throughout the state with an area to gather, provide sports tournaments and other recreational uses. Within the park seven events could occur at one time. These events include lacrosse, softball, baseball, tennis, pickleball, soccer, scheduled company/family events and community leisure. Churchill County residents will have connectivity to recreational opportunities without the need of long travel or transportation.

2. RESOURCES: The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.

The Oser Regional Park will provide the community with a place for softball, soccer, baseball, lacrosse, aquatics, tennis practice and tournaments. The improvement of the park will continue to provide the community with an improved space for social gatherings, picnicking and recreational use.

B. The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.

The Oser Regional Park will provide many recreation opportunities such as biking, walking and sports tournaments. Enhancing this facility and providing the proper maintenance will conservation stewardship by increasing resilience to weather and improving wildlife habitat conditions.

C. The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.

The Oser Regional Park Reconstruction project will utilize a sustainable design that will allow for the conservation of energy and water. The asphalt parking lots will allow for easier accessibility and reduce maintenance, water usage, and emissions by removing the use of motorized equipment for upkeep on gravel parking and walking paths. In addition, low voltage LED lighting systems will be installed in order to provide appropriate visibility throughout the facility and will reduce the amount of energy being used, in turn reducing the carbon footprint.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

The design and construction of the Oser Regional Park will enhance the value and beauty of the natural environment by creating walking and biking pathways and providing 3 interpretive and historical elements along trails. These historic elements will not only educate individuals but will show the appreciation of the natural environment on which the Oser Regional Park sits. In addition, the facility is within thirty miles of eleven existing trails, parks and federal lands and will serve as a gateway location for these recreational opportunities.

3. CONNECTIVITY: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

The project will provide connections to existing trails, parks, and federal lands. Please see the map attached to see the connectivity of these areas. These include, but are not limited to:

- Lovelock Cave
- Humboldt Sink
- Numunaa Nobe National Conservation Area
- Grimes Point Petroglyphs
- Hidden Caves-Sand Mountain
- Lake Lahontan
- Top Gun Raceway
- Rattlesnake Raceway
- Indian Lakes
- Stillwater Wildlife Refuge-Clan Alpine, Desatoya, and Cain Mountain Wilderness

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

This project is part of the local and regional plans Churchill County Master Plan:

- Churchill Parks and Recreation Board
- Rafter 3C Operations Committee
- Churchill County Junior Livestock Show Board
- Churchill County Commission
- City Of Fallon
- Fallon Tourism Board
- Fallon Chamber of Commerce

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

The Oser Regional Park is located on the South end of Fallon Nevada at the junction of U.S. Route 95 and U.S. Nevada Route 117. This creates a central location from

Lovelock Cave to the North, Lake Lahontan to the West, Clan Alpine Wilderness to the East and Sand Mountain to the South. The Oser Regional Park will serve as a base camp for these locations with ongoing events on the property that will attract a diverse population of users.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

The Oser Regional Park will serve as a base camp for other locations and activities that will be integrated into the facility itself. The park monuments will be named after some of the regional landmarks to serve as a way to bridge visitors to our community with the recreational opportunities in our county.

E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

The Oser Regional Park will encourage typically under engaged communities with activities for people from all backgrounds to enjoy. The proposed and current events area is a great way for youth and children to interact with the area. The well paved trails will inspire seniors and people with disabilities to reconnect with nature. The park will also be a short walk away from the Life Lenter and a fourth of a mile from the low-income areas of Fallon.

Accessibility is an important aspect of the project and ensuring everyone's comfort is crucial. Everyone, regardless of their socioeconomic status, deserves an opportunity to connect with nature and their communities.

4. COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT: Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. *The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.*

The project, when complete, will provide a park with recreational opportunities and an inviting environment to enjoy the outdoors for the county residents. The proposed budget of \$36,675,573 is reasonable for a project of this magnitude and its impacts.

B. *Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.*

Within a half mile there is a population of 9,237. Within 65 miles, there is a population of 600,000. Due to the park's close proximity to large populations, many people in and outside of the community will benefit from this public space.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Churchill County continues to explore strategies to minimize costs of construction, operations, and maintenance. The strategies are incorporated in the design of this project and the project will use materials and components intended to minimize operations and maintenance expenses. Materials for the amenities would be of

material that is able to withstand the environment of the Desert West. The park will be constructed in such a manner as to reduce maintenance costs on current property.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Currently, Churchill County will manage these parks and cover all costs for operations. We will continue to provide financial support with approximately \$125,000 expended in 2023 alone excluding the staff time in planning and design of the proposed project build out.

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

The Oser Regional Park project will utilize the latest technological advancements to reduce operational costs. This will include energy, emissions, environmental preservation, and water efficiency. The materials used for the project will be good quality, effective, but economical. The county will ensure that all amenities provided are ADA compliant, comfortable, safe, and functional. The county standards include amenities to reduce operations and maintenance costs.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

- ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***

The Oser Regional Park project will support EO No. 13855 by taking precautionary measures to reduce wildfire risks.

- ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***

The Oser Regional Park project will support EO No. 14005 as County staff and those who will be contracted for construction work are American workers.

- ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***

This goal does not apply to this project.

- ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***

The Oser Regional Park project will support EO No. 14072 by strengthening the Nation's communities and local economies by enhancing the current value and natural environment of the property. Oser Regional Park will draw in neighboring counties and travelers who will have an impact on the economic environment via increasing fuel, store, restaurant, and hotel sales.

- ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation’s Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***

Churchill County will provide all cultures, races, and ethnicities in the community with protection from environmental and health hazards by providing proper land management and care. The Oser Regional Park will utilize a sustainable design that will support EO No. 14096 and will reduce the amount of energy being used, in turn reducing the carbon footprint.

B. Secretarial Orders

- ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

The Oser Regional Park project will support SO No. 3347 by providing a space for the community and travelers to engage in recreational supports and a wide array of family activities and community gatherings.

- ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

While the Oser Regional Park project does not support hunting, fishing, or recreational shooting, the project supports SO No. 3356 by providing water conservation and protecting native plant species on walking paths and trails.

- ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

This goal does not apply to this project.

- ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

The Oser Regional Park project supports SO No. 3366 by providing recreational and local event activities including youth soccer, baseball, lacrosse, aquatics, tennis, and social gathering and picnicking.

- ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

The Oser Regional Park project supports SO No. 3370 as it will provide play and picnic areas where the community and regional travelers can engage in activities in the natural environment. The county will provide the proper maintenance which will increase conservation stewardship by enhancing resilience to weather and improving wildlife habitat conditions.

- ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

The Oser Regional Park project supports SO No. 3372 as Churchill County will take the proper measures and precautions to reduce the risk of human-caused fires by providing proper land management and protection.

- ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

This goal does not apply to this project.

- ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***
The Oser Regional Park supports SO No. 3376 by providing biking paths and racks for community members and travelers to use.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.***

The Oser Regional Park project will utilize a sustainable design that will allow for the conservation of energy and water. Churchill County will consider all measures during the design phase and consider usage of renewable sources.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.***

This goal does not apply to this project.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.***

The Oser Regional Park project will support this goal by creating jobs for the construction and maintenance of the complex. These jobs will support the initiative of conservation and environmental stewardship.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.***

The Oser Regional Park project supports the goal of conserving at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. One of the ways this project supports that goal is by including measures to preserve water by using turf rather than grass in its design.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.***

Churchill County supports centering equity and environmental justice and believes the Oser Regional Park will provide a space for all community members of all backgrounds and physical abilities a place to participate in all levels of recreational activities and sports.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. ***Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic***

Churchill County is committed to protecting the community and travelers against COVID-19. The Oser Regional Park will provide an appropriate outdoor space where members can socially distance if need be.

2. ***Providing economic relief***

The Oser Regional Park will create job opportunities for the construction and maintenance of the project.

3. ***Tackling climate change***

The Oser Regional Park will support tackling climate change by proper land management and care, and the use of motorized equipment for upkeep on gravel parking and walking paths to reduce emissions.

4. ***Advancing racial equity***

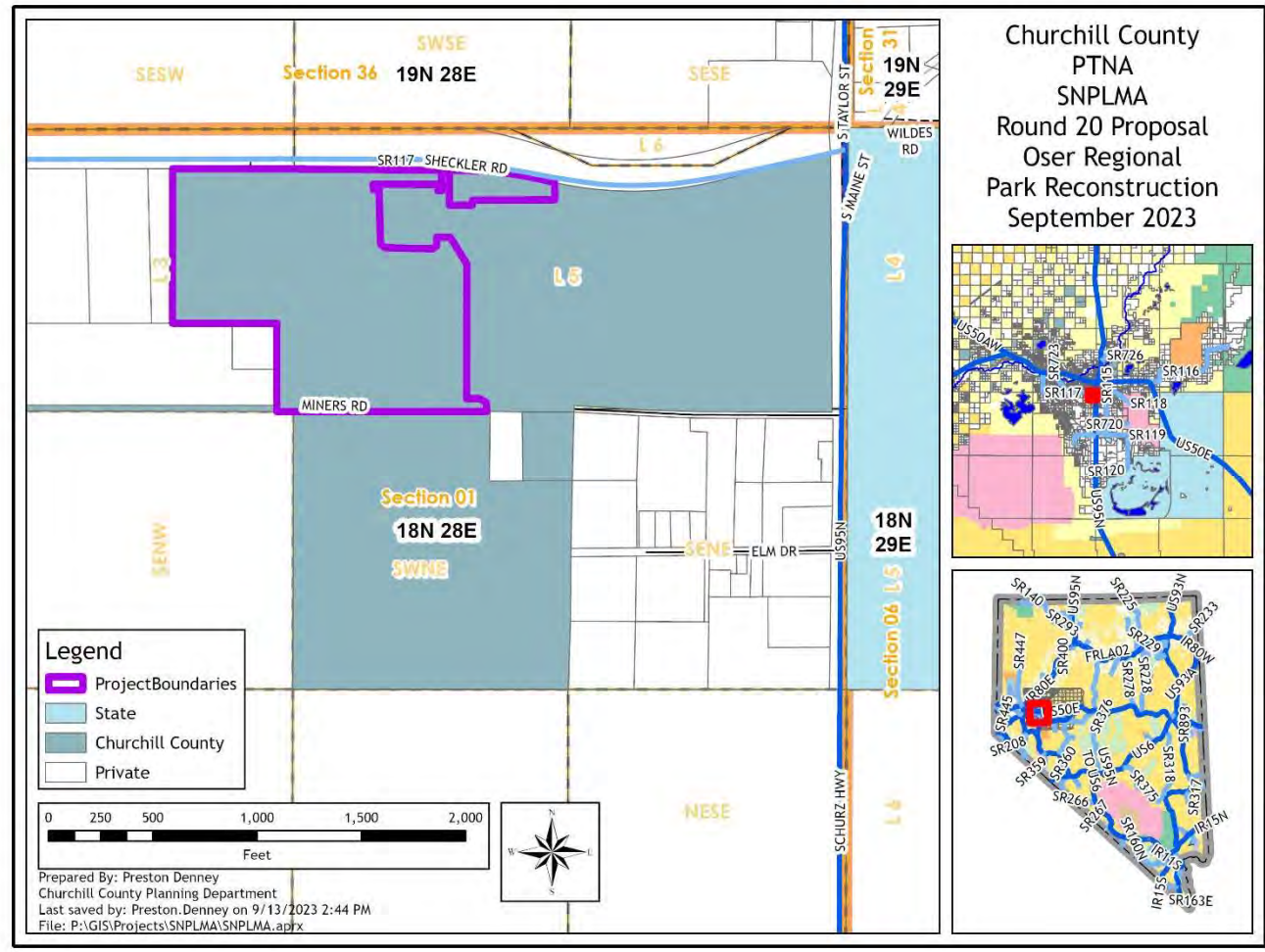
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5. ***Improving our workforce and work environment***

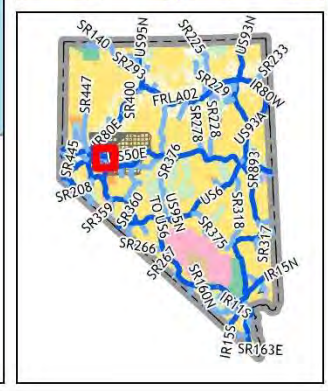
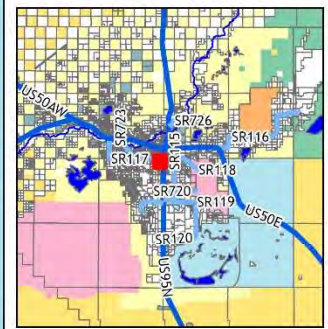
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M. MAPS

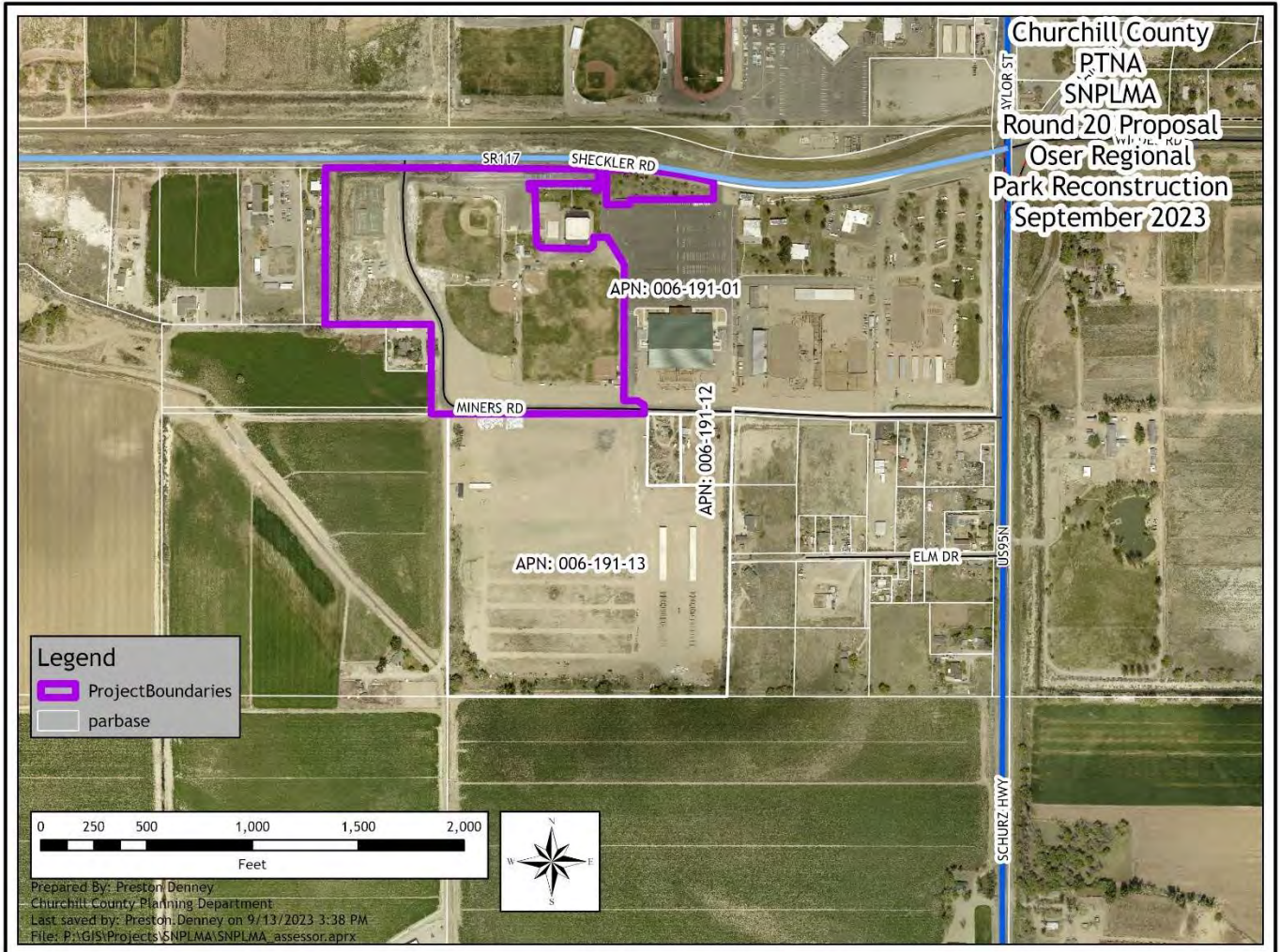
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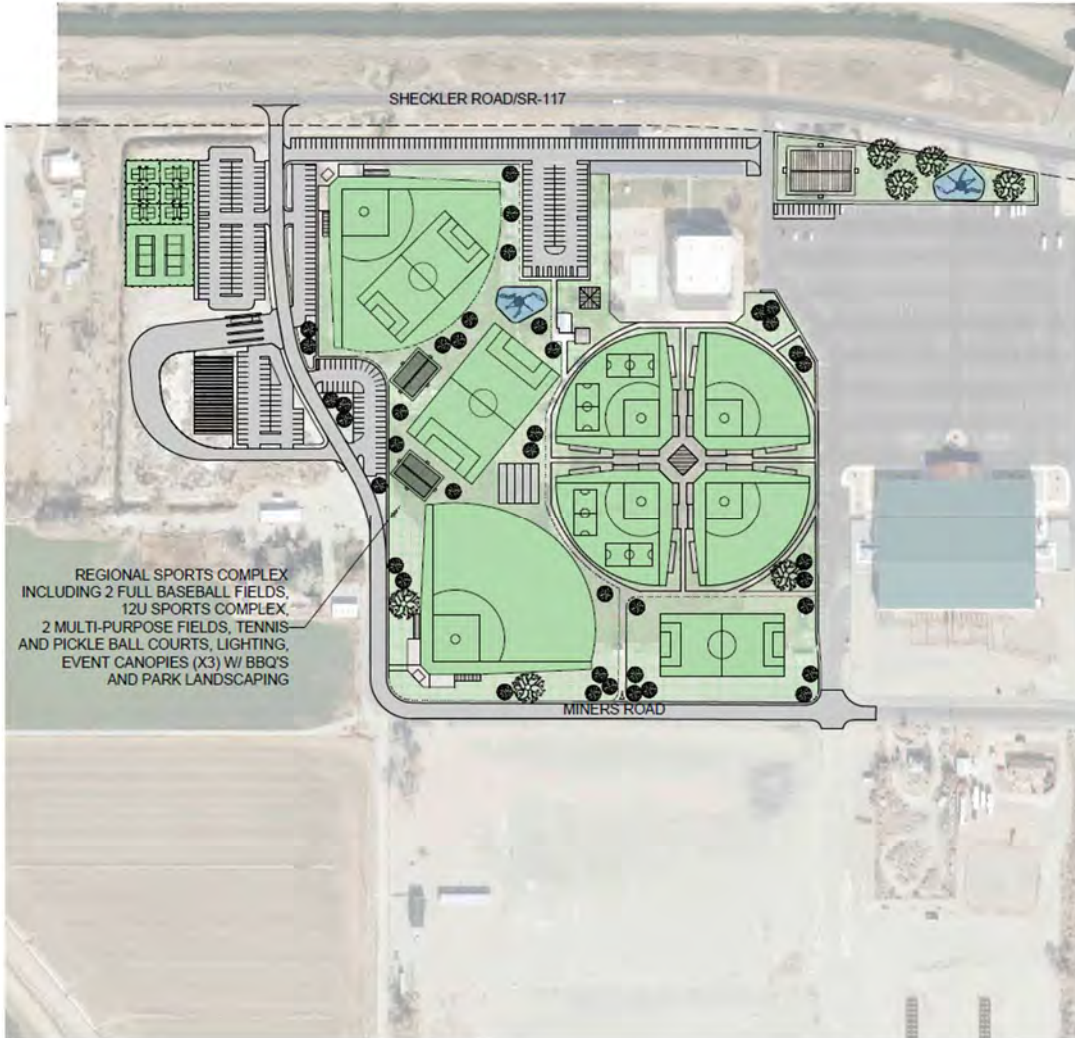
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N. PHOTOS





Small baseball field (East View)



Small baseball field (East View)



Score booth (East View)



Soccer Field (NW View)



Football field (South View)

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources		
Performance Measures for Habitat Enhancement	Definition of Performance Measure	Quantity
H9 - Acres of Invasive Plant Species Treated or Restored	<p>*Report the number of acres of weed infestation treated with chemical, mechanical, physical, or biological control agents for the purpose of weed control. Include acres treated by fire when fire is used as a physical control agent for weed control rather than as a hazardous fuels treatment. Each acre treated is counted only once during the life of the project, no matter how many re-treatments occurred during the project.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	84 acres
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
Performance Measures for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	84 acres
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6.</p> <p><i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<p><u>Primary Deliverables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 playable sports fields. • 3 restrooms, concessions, and equipment storage per field. • 2 tennis courts. • 6 pickleball courts. • 1 covered picnic BBQ area with picnic tables and benches. • 2 (20'x 20') shade structures <p><u>Anticipated Deliverables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 Public art sculptures

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	<p>*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed.</p> <p><i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 interpretive education signs
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	<p>*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable.</p> <p><i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asphalt parking lot • LED lighting • Landscape design

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



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Dear Mr. Spross:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of Churchill County (County) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 5, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

3C Complex Project – This proposal is to develop a plan to revamp the 3C Complex in Fallon, Nevada, to provide sufficient space for construction and installation of large-scale recreational uses and park amenities. The project is proposed on County-owned land identified as APN 006-191-13 (south of Miners Road) and a portion of APN 006-191-01 (north of Miners Road), within M.D.M., T.18N., R.28E., sec. 1, Lot 5 SWNE.

The subsurface mineral estate is federally reserved via Patent No. 5579 issued 1/8/1906. BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3601.71 outline that surface estate owners may only extract, sever, or remove federally-reserved mineral materials from within the boundaries of their surface estate after obtaining a contract or permit from the BLM. Exceptions to this regulation occur when the surface estate owner: (1) uses a minimal amount for their own personal use; (2) has statutory authority to use the mineral materials; or (3) has other express authority to use the mineral materials. Prior to any ground disturbance, the County should coordinate with the BLM to determine if any use authorizations (e.g., Free-Use Permit) would be required. There may also be federal interests or easements held by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) along Miners Road and US-95. The County should coordinate with the Reclamation Lahontan Basin

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Area Office to verify whether ensure no impacts or potential encroachments would result from the proposed project. The project also includes paving a secondary access road for improved ingress/egress from the proposed Miners Road RV Park along Elm Drive, east to the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) highway right-of-way (US-95). The County should coordinate with NDOT on this component of the proposed project. There are no other federal resources adjacent to the proposed project.

Per Appendix A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Softball Complex Upgrade Project – This proposal is to reconstruct three existing softball fields on 6-acres of County-owned land (APN 001-051-37), and an existing baseball field and open space park land on 7 acres (APNs 001-011-03 and 001-051-26) owned by the City of Fallon. The project will provide additional updated ballpark amenities and improve the ballpark complex connectivity in Fallon, Nevada. The proposed project is situated within M.D.M., T. 19 N., R. 29 E., sec. 30, Lot 3 and NESW.

The subsurface mineral estate of City-owned land parcel 001-011-03 is federally reserved via Patent No. 3653 issued 9/24/1896. BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3601.71 outline that surface estate owners may only extract, sever, or remove federally reserved mineral materials from within the boundaries of their surface estate after obtaining a contract or permit from the BLM. Exceptions to this regulation occur when the surface estate owner: (1) uses a minimal amount for their own personal use; (2) has statutory authority to use the mineral materials; or (3) has other express authority to use the mineral materials. Prior to any ground disturbance, the County should coordinate with the BLM to determine if any use authorizations (e.g., Free-Use Permit) would be required. There are no other federal resources adjacent to the proposed project.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office.

Oser Regional Park Reconstruction Project – This proposal is to design, construct, and upgrade 32-acres of park facilities to include sports fields, walking paths, picnic areas, and restrooms situated on the westerly portion of County-owned parcel APN 006-191-01 in Fallon, Nevada, within M.D.M., T. 18 N., R. 28 E., sec. 1, Lot 5.

A portion of the westerly subsurface mineral estate is federally reserved via Patent No. 5579 issued 1/8/1906. BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3601.71 outline that surface estate owners may only extract, sever, or remove federally-reserved mineral materials from within the boundaries of their surface estate after obtaining a contract or permit from the BLM. Exceptions to this regulation occur when the surface estate owner: (1) uses a minimal amount for their own personal use; (2) has statutory authority to use the mineral materials; or (3) has other express authority to use the mineral materials. Prior to any ground disturbance, the County should coordinate with the BLM to determine if any use authorizations (e.g., Free-Use Permit) would be

required. There may also be federal interests or easements held by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) along Miners Road. The County should coordinate with the Reclamation Lahontan Basin Area Office to ensure no impacts or potential encroachments would result from the proposed project. There are no other federal resources adjacent to the proposed project.

Per Appendix A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Terah Malsam, Realty Specialist at 775-885-6153 or tmalsam@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



Kimberly D. Dow
District Manager
Carson City District Office

e-cc: Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division, mleiber@blm.gov

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS

Ken Tedford
MAYOR



Kelly Frost
Councilwoman

Karla K. Kent
Councilwoman

Paul W. Harmon
Councilman

August 22, 2023

US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA) Round 20

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Fallon supports Churchill County in the progression of the 3C Event Complex Park Project.

SNPLMA, also known as “Southern Nevada Land Management Act,” is a funding opportunity for implementation of economic development, important projects, and allows for additional employment opportunities. SNPLMA has strong values in sustainability, connectivity and community. Within these strong values SNPLMA provides the opportunity of funding in order to increase outdoor environments for community enjoyment in addition to protecting and maintaining ecosystems.

The 3C Event Complex is becoming nothing short of a staple point for Northern Nevada having already held numerous events and activities. To further its goal of becoming a staple point for Northern Nevada, the 3C Event Complex Park Project focuses on enhancing and creating both indoor and outdoor facilities for community enjoyment. Specifically, the project will allow for a larger venue with the plans to provide additional equestrian and livestock opportunities in addition to providing accessible campgrounds for the community and regional travelers. The plans of the 3C Event Complex Park Project will include additional RV hookups/public showers/restrooms, walking and biking trails, children’s play areas, stalls, livestock pens, and both covered and uncovered arenas.

Churchill County is a community made up of 26,500 residents which includes both city and county residents. Although Churchill County may be considered a small community in terms of population, the city and county pride themselves on punching above their weight and putting on large scale events to attract tourists and visitors through the state of Nevada and beyond. If the past is indicative of the future, the 3C Event Complex Park will greatly enhance the quality of life for city and county residents and provide a state-of-the-art facility to attract tourists and visitors alike.

In addition to attracting tourists and visitors, the 3C Event Complex Park will provide a space for educational and sporting events and allow for community connectivity and economic growth for generations to come.

On behalf of the City of Fallon, I am pleased to provide my support for Churchill County and the progression of the 3C Event Complex Park Project.

Regards,



Ken Tedford
Mayor



IN REPLY REFER TO:

United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
Lahontan Basin Area Office
705 North Plaza Street, Room 320
Carson City, NV 89701-4015

Oct 31, 2023



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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County
155 North Taylor Street, Ste. 194
Fallon, Nevada 89406-2754
jim.barbee@churchillcountynv.gov

Subject: Churchill County Rafter 3C Complex and Oser Regional Park, Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act Reconstruction Projects

Dear Mr. Barbee:

Thank you for notifying the Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) regarding the above referenced projects and their vicinity to Reclamation easements. Reclamation fully supports these Churchill County (County) projects. Reclamation staff will work with the County to ensure any needed approvals are completed in a timely manner. Reclamation will work with County staff so that construction in the vicinity of or directly in easements does not impact Federal facilities.

Please contact Mrs. Rena Ballew, Resources Manager, by telephone at (775) 884-8342 or by email at rballew@usbr.gov. If you are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

Sincerely,

LAURIE NICHOLAS Digitally signed by LAURIE NICHOLAS
Date: 2023.10.31 08:55:48 -0700

for Jack Worsley
Area Manager

cc: Mr. Chris Spross
Director, Public Works, Planning and Zoning
Churchill County
chris.spross@churchillcountynv.gov

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August 22, 2023

US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
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The City of Fallon strongly supports Churchill County in their grant application because we have no doubt that the Softball Complex project will enrich the quality of lives for both city and county residents while also providing a complex that will entice residents of other counties and states to travel to Fallon which will result in a boost to our local economy.

Regards,

Ken Tedford, Mayor
City of Fallon



August 22, 2023

U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
Round 20

To Whom It May Concern:

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CC Communications fully supports Churchill County in their grant application and view this project as vital to economic development in the County. CC Communications has deployed Fiber to the Home to over 95% of locations in Churchill County, and the continued success of our company is dependent upon attracting and retaining a skilled workforce. Out of town applicants consistently raise the issue of the lack of high-quality parks and recreation facilities. The designs provided by Churchill County would greatly enhance the quality of life in the County and provide an impactful selling point when businesses seek to attract and retain talent in a rural community.

Sincerely,

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Mark Feest, CEO



Truckee-Carson Irrigation District

Newlands Project

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August 23, 2023

U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
 c/o Jim Barbee
 County Manager, Churchill County
 155 N. Taylor Street #153
 Fallon, Nevada 89406

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
 Round 20

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The Truckee-Carson Irrigation district is pleased to commit its support to Churchill County in the Southern Nevada Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Grant application for the Softball Complex project. SNPLMA provides recreation opportunities for the community and its visitors and enhances resources on public lands by providing funding for parks, trails, and natural areas in order to increase outdoor recreation while also protecting and maintaining ecosystems.

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Further, we support Churchill County in their grant application because the recreational enhancements will make Churchill County a safer place to live and recreate. All too often we see youth being drawn to recreate in our area's canals and ditches which is a significant safety hazard. It is expected that the additional recreational opportunities will reduce the attraction of the canals and ditches.

Sincerely,

TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT



Benjamin D. Shawcroft
General Manager



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U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
Round 20

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We at CEDA support Churchill County in their grant application because companies are drawn to communities where there is a vibrant network and infrastructure in place to help small businesses succeed. An increase in outdoor recreation infrastructure means increased support and opportunity for small businesses in Churchill County.

Sincerely,
Sara L. Beebe
CEDA Director

290 W. Williams Ave.
Fallon, NV 89406
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RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
Round 20

To Whom It May Concern:

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We in the Fallon Chamber of Commerce supports Churchill County in their grant application not only for the community involvement additionally to the financial impact it will have for our community businesses.

Sincerely,

Lucy L. Carnahan
Executive Director
Fallon Chamber of Commerce





U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

September 5, 2023

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
Round 20

To Whom It May Concern:

Churchill County Youth Softball Association is pleased to commit its support to Churchill County in the Southern Nevada Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Grant application for the Softball Complex project. SNPLMA provides recreation opportunities for the community and its visitors and enhances resources on public lands by providing funding for parks, trails, and natural areas in order to increase outdoor recreation while also protecting and maintaining ecosystems.

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CCYSA supports Churchill County in their grant application because we have noticed a significant year over year decline in participation. When interviewing parents that have elected to participate in programs outside of Fallon, such as Reno or Carson City, we have identified three common factors: 1. No indoor practice facilities to support year-round training 2. Limited number of fields to support tournament play 3. Limited entertainment for younger spectators. As a league we have also faced

challenges having to manage our non-profit organization without a designated space to hold meetings and drafts. We have been alternating between pizza parlors and coffee shops with no privacy and limited work space. Our facilities lack storage space which has prevented us from upgrading equipment and stocking the proper amount to support practices and games occurring simultaneously. We feel this grant would allow Fallon's softball organization to compete on the same level as Carson City and Washoe County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Johnson", written over a horizontal line.

Matt Johnson

President CCYSA

CCYSA

Po Box 2255 * Fallon, NV 89407

SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024

Nomination: Tab 18

Entity: Lincoln County

Project: Pioche Main Street Linear Park

Section D – Project Deliverables

Project deliverables must be measurable.

1. Primary Deliverables:

- **c) Design and construct necessary utility relocations and/or tie-ins as needed.**
 - Would this deliverable apply to relocation assistance under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646; 49 CFR Part 24, Final Rules Effective February 3, 2005)? Provide a description of the anticipated utility relocations and explain whether or not the Uniform Act would apply.
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 - Clarify locations of vehicle surface “tie-ins” –what are the estimated length and width. Would this occur on Count-owned land?
- **e) Design and construct associated safety structures along certain segments of the linear park alignment, (retaining walls, handrail).**
 - What is the approximate length of the segment for retaining walls and handrails?
- **f) Design and construct (2) trailhead areas, one at each end of the linear park alignment.**
 - What is the approximate size of each trailhead area? Will it include parking?
- **g) Trailheads will consist of certain amenities, such as historical / cultural themed display structures, tables, benches, shade structures, and landscape features.**
 - How many display structures, tables, benches, and shade structures are estimated within each trailhead area?
- **i) Design and construct (1) flagpole display at the Uptown Trailhead**
 - Is this flagpole within the linear park footprint?
- **j) Design and install electrical lighting and fixtures as needed for each trailhead and along the park alignment.**
 - What is the anticipated number of lighting fixtures—are these light poles?

Section I – Project Budget (and Excel Budget Detail)

County needs to show the cost of their substantial involvement in monitoring and reporting project compliance of the work conducted by the county itself as well as subrecipients, subawards, etc.

Tab 6 – “Contractual” costs – does not show how the County calculated the costs for the associated contract work.

Section N - Photos

While photos are not required--they are very helpful and supportive of the nomination. Photos are to be submitted individually in JPEG format along with a separate document that provides a list of the photo caption.

Clarification on site ownership required and APNs: 001-093-08 (owner Nevada Dept. of Transport), 001-039-01 (owner Lincoln County -- location of courthouse). Who owns Main Street?

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Lincoln County



Pioche Main Street Linear Park

Amount Requested: \$2,686,000

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Lincoln County will design and construct the Pioche Main Street Linear Park and multi-use trail, (Project) along an approximate half-mile segment of Pioche Main Street and State Route 322. The Project is centrally located within the Town of Pioche and will include a historical and cultural mining theme, accessible concrete shared use trail, interpretive signage, drainage features, and trailheads at both ends.

The approximate half-mile Project would be owned by Lincoln County. The Uptown Trailhead and linear park alignment will be located within the Nevada Department of Transportation, (NDOT) Right-of-Way, and (ROW) for State Route 322. Occupancy within the NDOT ROW for the Project will be granted by NDOT and through a Permanent Encroachment Permit or Right-of-Way, conveyed to Lincoln County. The Pioche Park Trailhead on the northern end of the Project will be situated on County-owned lands and be located along a portion of Pioche Street. This portion of State Route 322 is also Pioche Main Street. It is located within the N1/2SE1/4 and NE1/4 of Section 22 in Township 1 North and Range 67 East, and portions of APNs 001-093-08, 001-039-01 and 001-039-01. The Project will be accessed via Pioche Main Street and State Route 322.

The Project is consistent with prior planning documents. The Lincoln County Master Plan, 2015, Land Use Designation for the Project, falls within Commercial and Residential uses. The zoning designation along the Project route varies between Commercial and Residential. The Lincoln County Open Space and Community Lands Plan, 2011, Trails and Passive Recreation Policies site the incorporation of municipal trails with existing roadway corridors, maximize connectivity between commercial centers, cultural centers, recreation facilities or other civic facilities. The 2016 NDOT Lincoln County Bicycle Plan includes the Project alignment, along with connectivity via upper Main Street, Lacour Street, 4th Street and Pioche Street. The Project is also included as part the Pioche Trail System Master Plan. This plan also shows SNPLMA Round 18 Slaughterhouse Trail.

The Project would be located along the west side of Pioche Main Street and State Route 322 for approximately one-half mile. The southern or “Uptown Trailhead,” would be situated at the intersection of State Route 321 and 322, and the linear park would connect to the northern or “Pioche Park Trailhead,” which would be situated near the Pioche Town Park and Lincoln County Courthouse. Currently, the site location of the Project contains very few improvements.

The new Project includes the construction of approximately one-half mile of accessible concrete shared use trail, curb, gutter, drainage facilities, and associated tie-in paving to match existing asphalt road surface. The historically and culturally themed linear park will showcase Pioche’s rich history and park alignment will include (2) trailheads, shade structures, interpretive signage, benches, picnic tables, lighting and associated landscape features.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

This project is not part of prior approved phases and at this time we are not anticipating future phases.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases: Lincoln County acknowledges that there are no guarantee of future funding and that this project is a stand-alone project.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

Nominated projects should meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community. Every nomination must explain how the three values are promoted by the project.

1. Sustainability:

The Project is situated alongside an existing State Highway and Pioche Street alignment for approximately one-half mile. As such, configuration will reflect that of a resilient trails and passive recreational design through the following measures:

- Because of the Projects location, emphasis on personal safety design criteria for pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers.
- Accessibility design that allows full “ease of use” of each aspect of the park, enhancing the recreational experience in an outdoor setting.
- Utility relocation to compliment design features, including: drainage, lighting, fire safety, and maintenance.
- Landscape and Hardscape design that compliments the theme of the linear park.
- Maintenance considerations will be detailed within scoping, then integrated into site-specific portions of the park. Concrete curb, gutter and sidewalk, streets alignment, intersections, drainage features and the associated park amenities will need to be carefully planned as they intermix throughout the linear park; each requiring separate consideration for long-term sustainability.

2. Connectivity:

The Project provides a trails and passive recreation connection between the commercial and historically significant “Uptown” portion of the Town of Pioche and the Pioche Town Hall, Lincoln County Courthouse, and the Pioche Town Park; that of which was subject to (2) previous SNPLMA awards. It will directly access historic and cultural points of interest, including the historic Thompson Opera House, the historic Pioche Fire House, the GEM Theatre, and the uptown portion of Pioche.

3. Community:

The Project will enhance the Town of Pioche as well as present a unique and iconic linear

park experience to residents as well as visitors from all over. The Project will showcase the rich history of the area and promote the conservation of that resource. It will provide direct access from the “Uptown Trailhead” to historical buildings in the “Uptown” Pioche area, including the Thompson Opera House, the Pioche Fire House, the GEM Theatre and other commercial businesses. It will also enhance the setting at the Pioche Town Hall as well as the Lincoln County Courthouse. The Pioche Park Trailhead will also directly access the Pioche Town Park. The outdoor linear park will allow users to experience an “Old West” recreational atmosphere, while gaining and appreciation for the rich cultural history of the area.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

Lincoln County will design and construct a linear park multi-use trail in the Town of Pioche, Nevada. The trail will connect the uptown Pioche area with the town hall, park, historical and cultural points of interest and other community areas. The linear park would be constructed within a one-half mile segment west side of Pioche Main Street and State Route 322. The project will include a historical and cultural mining theme, trailheads, shade structures, interpretive signage, benches, picnic tables, lighting and associated landscape features.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid)
 - a. Design and construct an approximate 1-half mile of concrete linear park and shared use trail, to include travel surface, (width varies, 4 feet to 6 feet in width) decorative or themed raised bed planter boxes, curb, gutter and related features.
 - b. Design and construct associated drainage features, (curb inlets, drop boxes, drainage pipe, storm drain drop boxes), along the linear park alignment.
 - c. Design and construct necessary utility relocations and/or tie-ins as needed.
 - d. Design and construct asphalt vehicle travel surface “tie-ins” associated with existing paving and street alignment.
 - e. Design and construct associated safety structures along certain segments of the linear park alignment, (retaining walls, handrail).
 - f. Design and construct (2) trailhead areas, one at each end of the linear park alignment.
 - g. Trailheads will consist of certain amenities, such as historical / cultural themed display structures, tables, benches, shade structures, and landscape features.
 - h. Design and construct (3) interpretive panel displays, (1 within each trailhead and 1 along the linear park at the Pioche Town Hall).
 - i. Design and construct (1) flagpole display at the Uptown Trailhead
 - j. Design and install electrical lighting and fixtures as needed for each trailhead and along the park alignment.
2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
 - a. None
3. Standard Deliverables:
 - a. Architectural design, engineering, surveying, construction drawings, technical reports (geotechnical, drainage), field inspections, permitting, public input meetings, staff reviews, professional service fees, contract administration.

- b. Financial and Performance Reporting
- c. SNPLMA Status Reporting, (Quarterly, Annual)
- d. SNPLMA Annual Accomplishments and Performance Measures
- e. SNPLMA Close Out Package Construction Contract

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 647 Main Street, (Uptown Trailhead) Pioche, NV 89043

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: Lincoln County, Nevada:
Portion of N1/2SE1/4 and NE1/4 of Section 22, T1N, R67E.

Parcel Number(s): 001-093-08, 001-039-01, and 001-039-01 (LC Courthouse Parcel)

Land Use and Zoning: Commercial; and Residential Mixed Use

Latitude and Longitude: 37.930100 -114.451496

Congressional District(s): NV 4

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

Year 1: SNPLMA Cooperative Agreement/Federal Environmental & Sec. 106 Compliance

- Request to initiate, develop project workplan; pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM.
- Respond to the Notice of Intent to Award by federal financial assistance application submittal.
- Coordinate with BLM for any required environmental review.
- Request and receive SNPLMA NTP and federal award (cooperative agreement).

Year 2: Project Design and Preliminary Architecture & Engineering

- Initiate contract with Engineer of Record for design/planning/engineering.
- Work with NDOT to achieve Permanent Encroachment Permit.

Year 3: Pre-Construction Site Preparation, Project Construction

- Execute bidding process, approval of contract and Notice to Proceed for construction by Board of County Commissioners.
- Execute Construction Contract
- Pre-Construction meeting
- Demolition, Site Preparation, Utility Work, Drainage System Improvements.
- Begin Construction of Primary Deliverables

Year 4: Project Construction

- Construction continues with Primary Deliverables

Year 5: Project Closeout

- Reconcile project file, financial expenditures, and unliquidated obligations.

- Conduct final site inspection with SNPLMA PM.
- Prepare closeout request package and update SMART.
- Submit final financial report (SF-425) and performance narrative via Grant Solutions.
- Submit closeout request package (minimum of 60 days prior to POP end date).

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

Lincoln County has worked with our Engineering Firm to provide a conceptual and cost detail, but all other aspects would need to be accomplished before we could move forward with construction.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Operations and Maintenance for the Project will be performed by Lincoln County, the Pioche Town Board and in conjunction with the Pioche Chamber of Commerce. Standard O&M practices will be regular site inspection, litter and waste removal, repair and replacement of necessary facility components, utility expenses and security. O&M is estimated to be approximately \$2,600 annually.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$2,686,000.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet which provides a summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 2,661,000	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 2,661,000	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ 25,000	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 2,686,000	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

The Pioche Main Street Linear Park footprint is approximately 10,560 square feet. The Project provides for one-half mile of linear park alignment, (2) trailheads, including interpretive signage, and other associated amenities. Direct costs equate to approximately \$254 per square foot. The estimated life expectancy is 50 years for most fixed assets.

The Project includes a host of tangible assets that will enhance the community and provide long-term recreational opportunity. The intangible values associated with the Project are numerous and immeasurable as several thousand users per year have the opportunity to experience it.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds: No contributed funds applied to this project.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

Authorized Officer: Varlin Higbee, Chair

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Phone Number: 775-962-2004

Project Manager: Denice Brown

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Budget Officer: Denice Brown

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.

A. The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).

Answer: The Project will provide equitable access to all individuals. It also provides opportunity allows for participation at all ages and all backgrounds. The setting, along with the passive trail experience, will foster increased use.

B. The project improves community prosperity and economic development.

Answer: The Project is centrally located within the heart of the Town of Pioche. The “Uptown Trailhead” is located within a “stone’s throw” of the commercial center of Town.

The community and County will greatly benefit, not only from the improvement in terms of the project, but the associated activity related to visitor use and economic activity.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: The Town of Pioche is known for being one of the “roughest” historical mining towns in the west. The cultural and historical aspects (interpretive and design) of the Project will provide a truly unique recreational experience.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: The Project will help improve public health and safety by providing a passive recreational opportunity. The Project design will allow for easy, usable, accessible and equitable access to users of all backgrounds.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: According to recent Census data, 13.9% of the County population lives in poverty. This represents an obstacle in getting broad involvement in recreational activities in the County. The Project will help provide additional recreational amenities and opportunities for the public.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Answer: The Project combines historical, cultural, educational and environmental aspects into a recreational resource and opportunity. Development of the Project will enhance the Town of Pioche and Lincoln County by providing the opportunity in a setting that truly improves passive recreation and highlights the rich history of the area.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

Answer: The Project provides a passive recreation opportunity and promotes conservation education through interpretation. (3) Interpretive panels are planned for the Project and each will provide resource education for users.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.*

Answer: Utility power supply will be designed for high efficiency fixtures. Project amenities and layout will be designed for safety, efficiency and effectiveness.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: Project design will contour with the current alignment of Main Street and SR 322. Users will have the ability to experience a cultural and historic passive trail layout while

taking in the surrounding town. The rural setting, coupled with the cultural and historic aspects of the Project will increase user appreciation of the surrounding environment.

3. **CONNECTIVITY**: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.

Answer: The Project is centrally located within the Town of Pioche. It directly connects the commercial “Uptown” areas with the Pioche Town Park, (2) previous SNPLMA awards), and Lincoln County Courthouse. The Pioche Trail System Master Plan includes other alignments associated with the Project.

B. The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)

Answer: Although the Project is not specifically listed within current planning documents, it does showcase consistency with adopted language. The Lincoln County Master Plan, 2015, Land Use Designation for the Project, falls within Commercial and Residential uses. The zoning designation along the Project route varies between Commercial and Residential. The Lincoln County Open Space and Community Lands Plan, 2011, Trails and Passive Recreation Policies site the incorporation of municipal trails with existing roadway corridors, maximize connectivity between commercial centers, cultural centers, recreation facilities or other civic facilities. The 2016 NDOT Lincoln County Bicycle Plan includes the Project alignment, along with connectivity via upper Main Street, Lacour Street, 4th Street and Pioche Street. The Project is also included as part the Pioche Trail System Master Plan. This plan also shows SNPLMA Round 18 Slaughterhouse Trail.

C. The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.

Answer: The Project is the backbone to the Pioche Trail System Master Plan and will be a true community treasure.

D. The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.

Answer: The Project will provide a culturally and historically themed, passive trail recreational opportunity for individuals of all ages and abilities. The unique setting, coupled with the trail experience offers users a connection to the outdoors that will be remembered.

E. The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.

Answer: The Project will provide a cultural and historical aspect that will aide in fostering inclusion and participation for individuals from all backgrounds. Accessibility and “ease-of-use” will be key components to recruiting, retaining and continually re-engaging individuals. This passive trail experience will provide the opportunity.

COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT: Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.

Answer: The Project cost of \$2,686,000 will provide a linear park for the Town of Pioche and Lincoln County that will be recognized as a community treasure. The direct cost equates to approximately \$254 per square foot and is estimated to have a useful life of 50 years. This will span generations and become an iconic feature in the historic Town of Pioche. The cost is justified.

B. Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.

Answer: The Project will benefit the public in many ways. Within a 1-mile radius, there are approximately 1000 residents. Additionally, the Project would regularly serve the surrounding areas and more broad user groups within Lincoln County to include approximately 3800-4000 residents. Visitors to the area, such as those frequenting the Town of Pioche, Spring Valley State Park, Echo Canyon State Park, or Cathedral Gorge State Park, could be estimated at 120,000 annually, will be able to experience the Project.

C. The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.

Answer: The Project will be designed to maximize usability through accessible design and layout. Materials used will be chosen through careful consideration. Design will address personal safety and minimize costly maintenance, to the extent critical components of the scope are not left out. The Project will be maintained by Lincoln County and the Pioche Town Board in conjunction with the Pioche Chamber of Commerce.

D. Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).

Answer: There are no non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contributions that will be used on this project.

E. Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).

Answer: Utility power supply will incorporate modern components such as high efficiency fixtures and potential solar configuration. Landscape and hardscape amenities and features will be designed to accommodate user enjoyment and capitalize on maintenance expenditures.

I. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***

N/A

2. ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***
Yes, the County will contract with American workers who will construct the project.
3. ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***
N/A
4. ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***
Yes, Lincoln County will be providing support to the communities and local economies by encouraging visitation from outside the town of Pioche, who will in turn use local businesses. With an increase in business our local economies will benefit.
5. ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***
Yes, this project promotes outdoor recreation in the form of hiking, biking, walking, etc. By being physically active we will be encouraging the use of clean air to breathe, clean water to drink, and an environment that is healthy, sustainable, climate-resilient, and free from harmful pollution and chemical exposure.

B. Secretarial Orders

- ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***
Yes, the Linear Trail will encourage everyone who wishes to the opportunity to participate in outdoor recreation.
- ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***
N/A
- ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***
No, even though Pioche currently has Big Game within town and is a migration corridor, this project does not improve habitat.
- ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***
Yes, Lincoln County consists of 98% Public Lands. Even though this project is not directly on Public Lands it is in close proximity and will encourage the use of those lands.

- ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***
No, there are no Urban National Wildlife Refuges in Lincoln County
- ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***
N/A
- ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition)).***
No, this project does not directly attach to any public lands
- ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***
No, the Pioche Linear Trail will be for non-motorized activity only.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.***
No, renewable energy is not available for this project.
2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations. We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.***
No, there are no Tribal nations within Lincoln County
3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs. This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.***
Yes, this project will provide the opportunity for growth within Lincoln County and this in turn could provide additional family-supporting jobs.
4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030. We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This***

relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.

No, Lincoln County already consists of 98% federally managed lands, we do not have the ability nor inclination to increase those numbers.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.*

Yes, as an extremely Rural area Lincoln County supports environmental justice by creating additional outdoor space for our communities to enjoy.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. ***Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic***

Yes, as an outdoor recreational facility this project would help to minimize COVID-19.

2. ***Providing economic relief***

Yes, this project will provide an opportunity for new jobs within the communities. With additional tourism to Pioche

3. ***Tackling climate change***

No, this project would not be tackling climate change.

4. ***Advancing racial equity***

Yes, it is and has always been Lincoln Counties goal to include any one of race or color to enjoy our facilities.

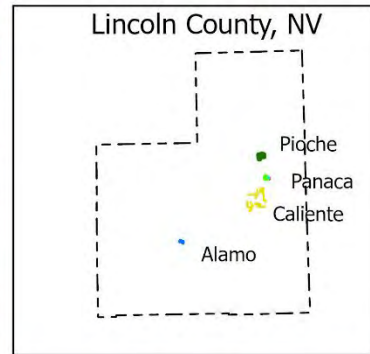
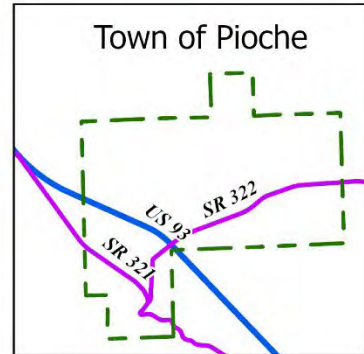
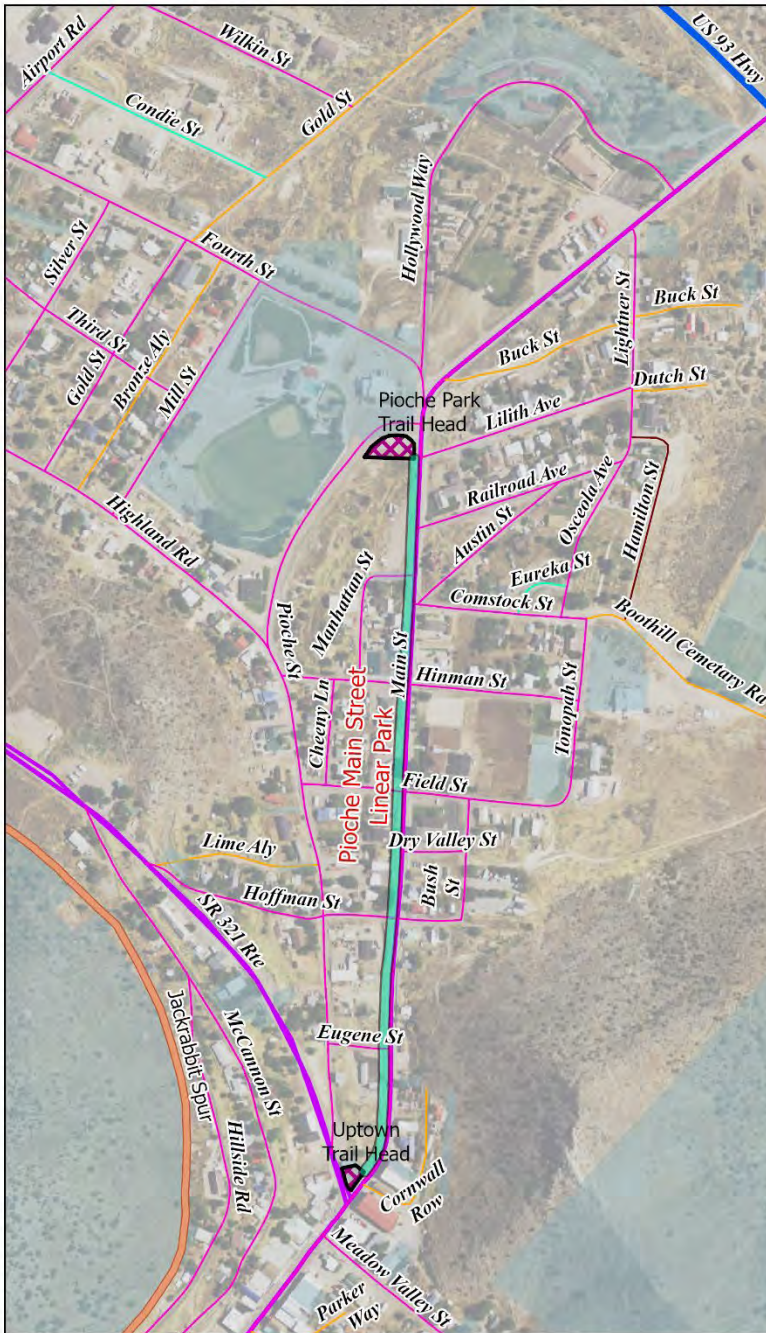
5. ***Improving our workforce and work environment***

Yes, the Pioche Linear Trail would provide a place for the those in the workforce to enjoy a walk. We can help improve our workforce by giving them outdoor recreation opportunities.

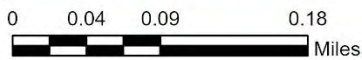
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September, 2023



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	Pioche Main Linear Park Trail Heads		Minor Arterial (Oiled)
	LC Town Boundary		Local (Oiled)
	Alamo		Improved Gravel (Non-Oiled)
	Caliente		Improved Native (Non-Oiled)
	Panaca		Unimproved Native (Non-Oiled)
	Pioche		Double Track Jeep Trail (Non-Oiled)
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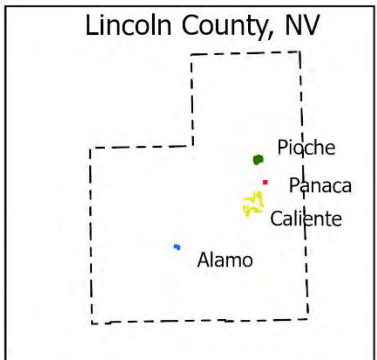
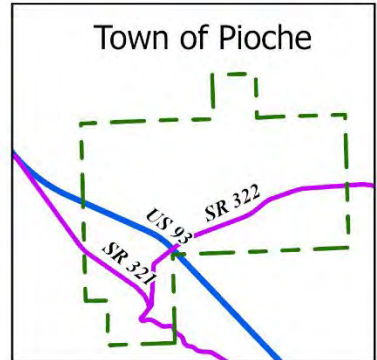
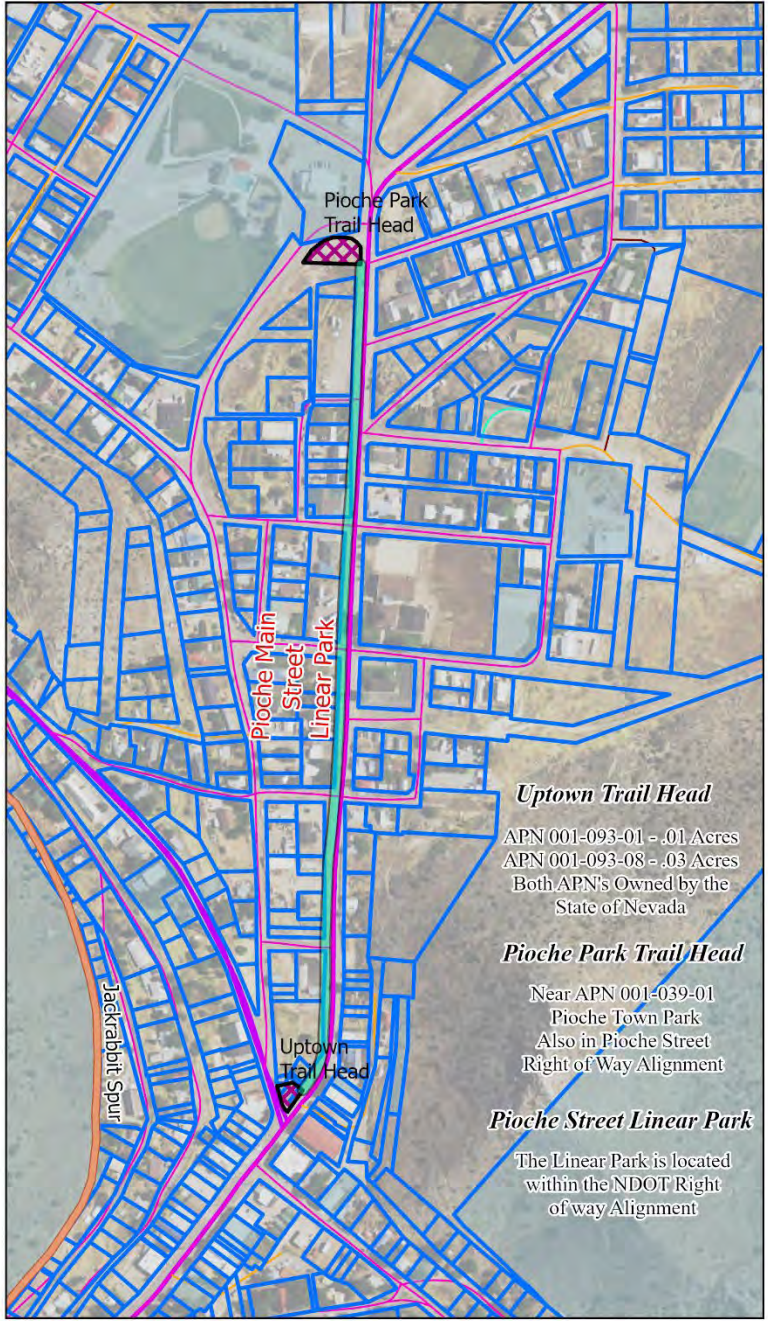
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Parcel & Acreage



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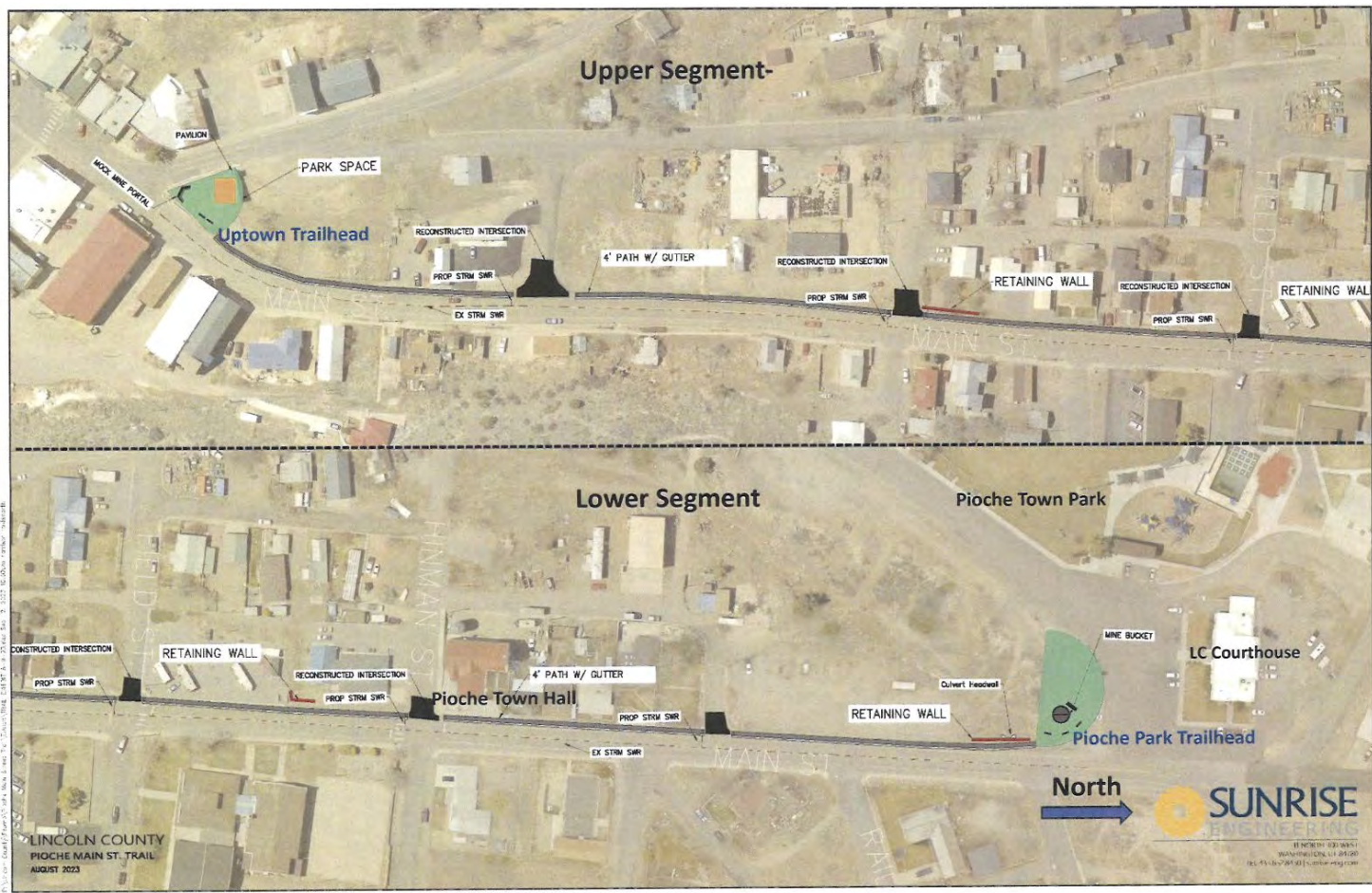
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	Burke Tunnel Spur		Local (Oiled)
	Jackrabbit Spur		Improved Gravel (Non-Oiled)
	Slaughterhouse Trail		Improved Native (Non-Oiled)
	Slaughterhouse Trail/Road		Unimproved Native (Non-Oiled)
	Lincoln County Parcels		Double Track Jeep Trail (Non-Oiled)
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CONCEPTUAL PLAN (DRAFT) Pioche Main Street Linear Park

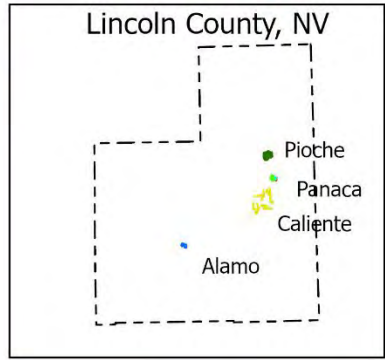
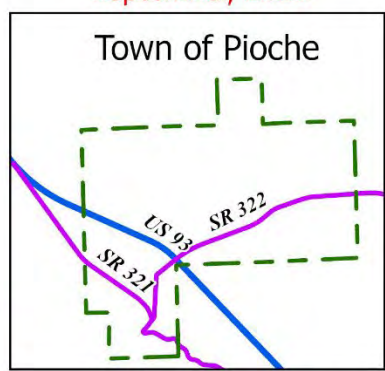
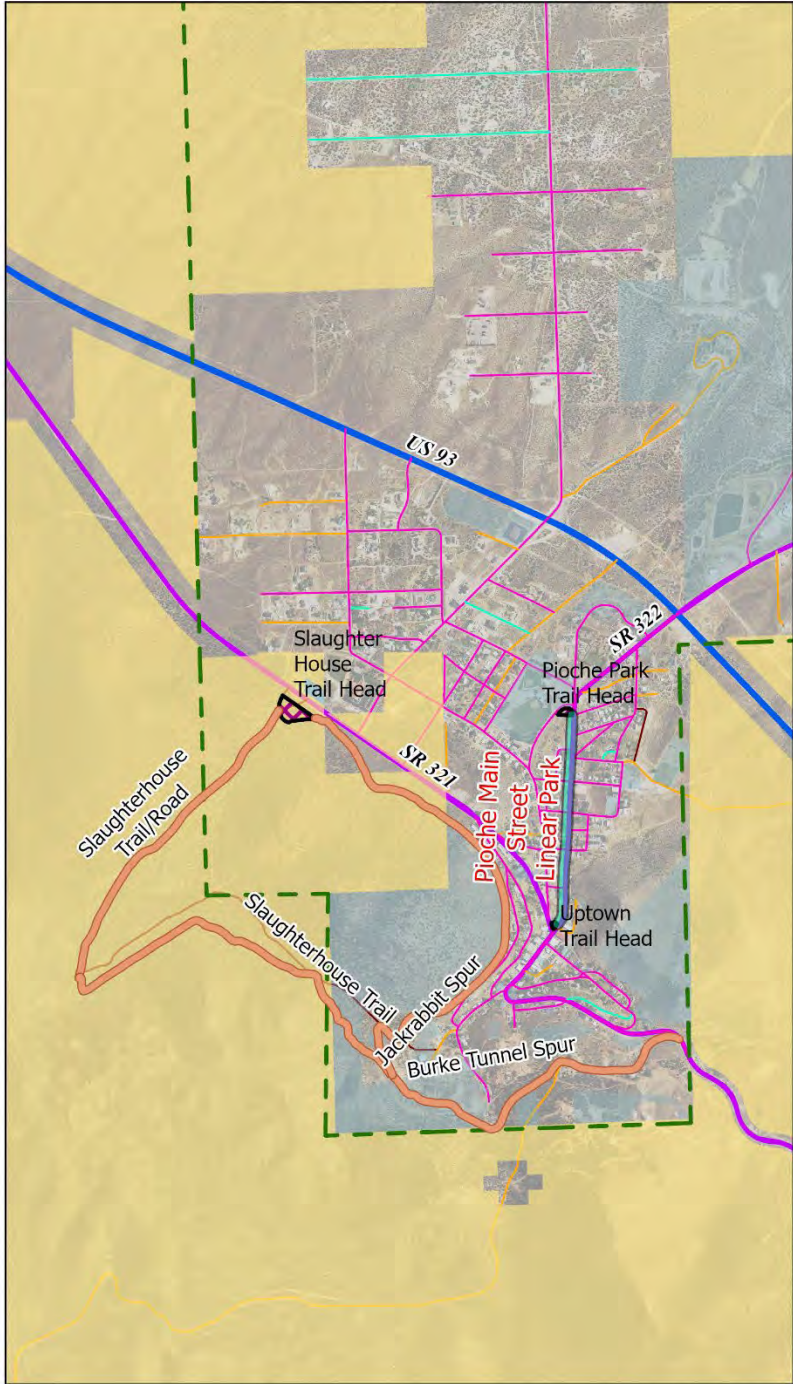


STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

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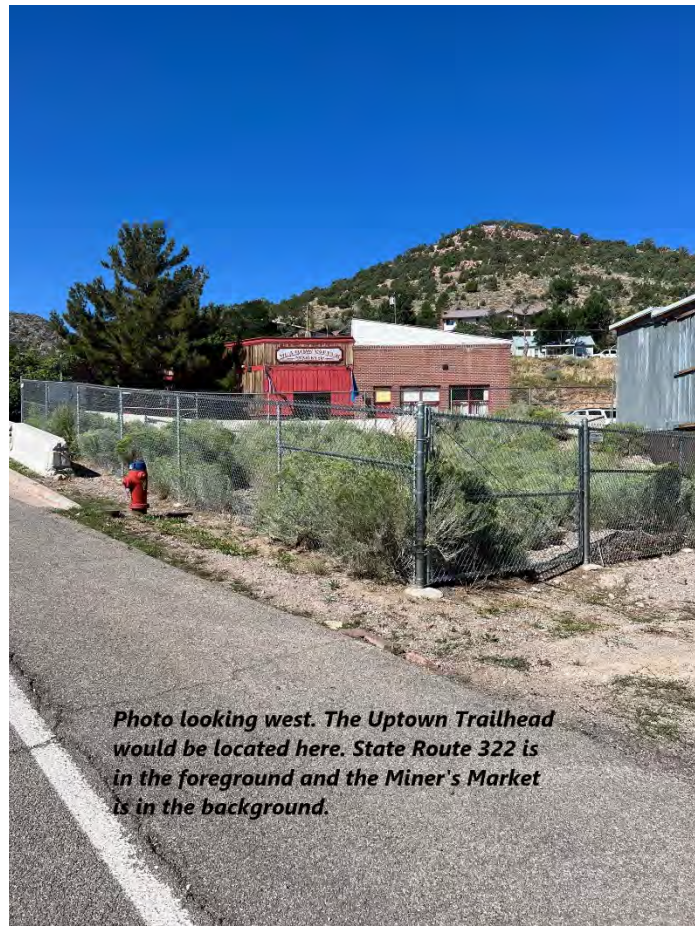
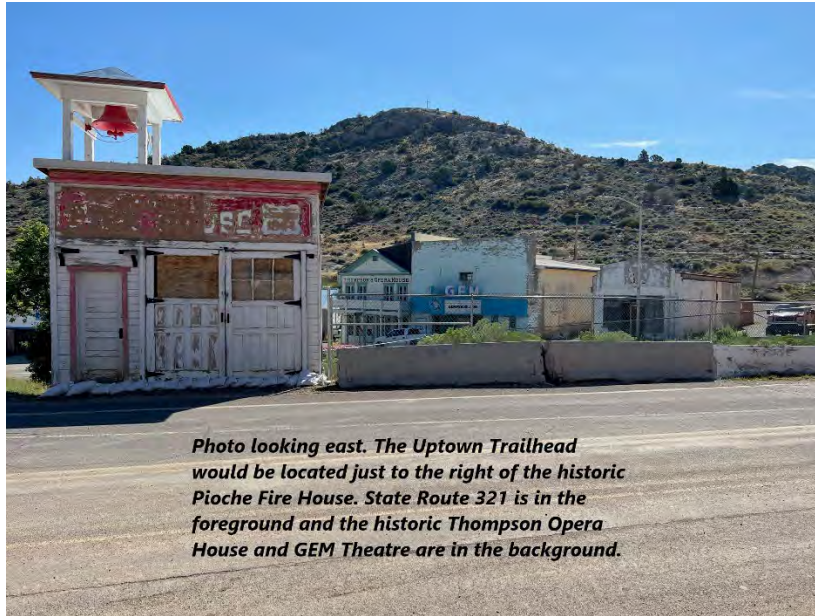


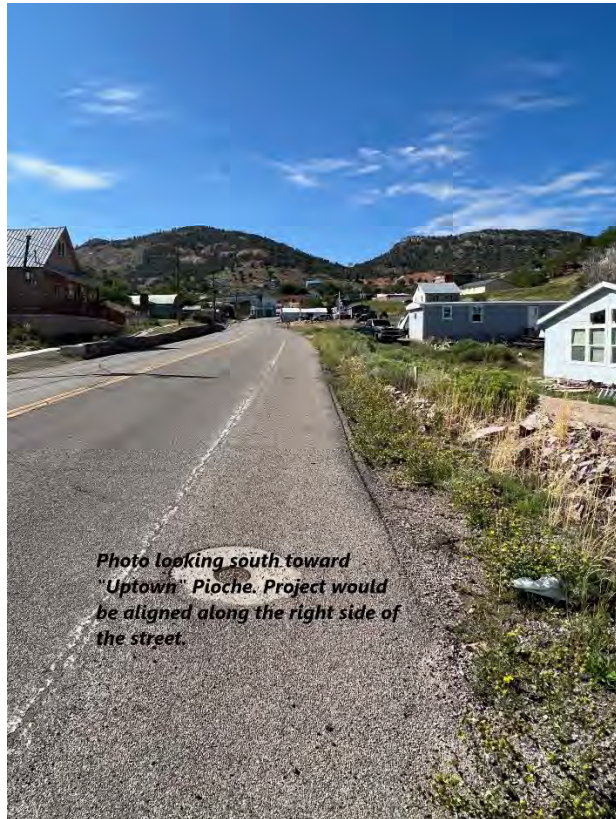
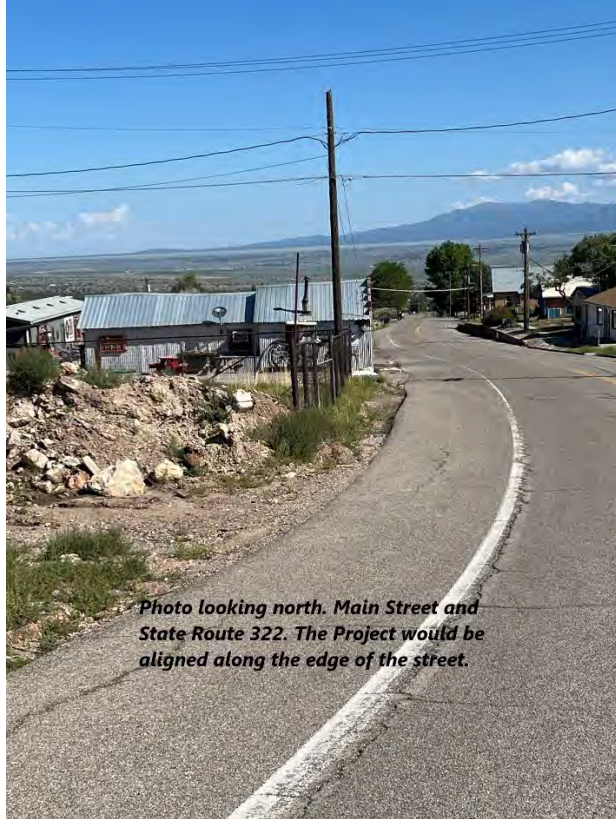
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N. PHOTOS







Pioche Town Hall. This location will contain an interpretive panel and other trail amenities.

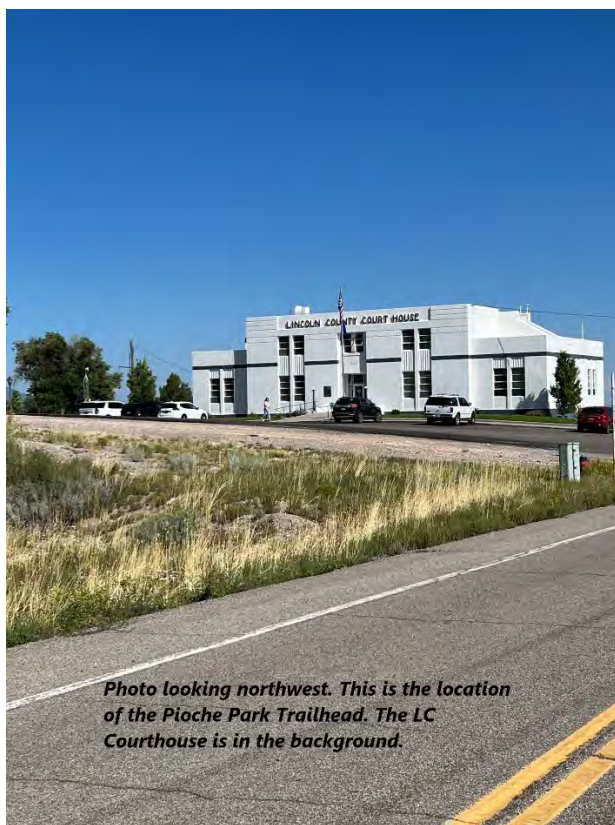


Photo looking northwest. This is the location of the Pioche Park Trailhead. The LC Courthouse is in the background.

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R3- Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6.</p> <p><i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 – Retaining Wall 200 SF • 1 – Storm Drainage .5 mile • 3-5 Flower Boxes • 200 ft of Handrail • 3-5 Park Benches • 2 – 20' Pavilions • Misc Park Features – Bucket, Mine Entrance, Flagpole, items to be determined.
R4- Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	<p>*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i></p>	.5 miles of concrete Trail that includes curb, gutter, and trail.
R6 – PTNA Rights of Way or Easements	<p>*Report the acres of rights of way or easements acquired for a PTNA project. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	.5 miles of Permanent Right of Way along State Route 322
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 – Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	<p>*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed.</p> <p><i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i></p>	<p><u>3 Interpretive Signs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • located at the beginning, • one in the middle and • one at the end of the Trail.

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Ely District Office
702 N. Industrial Way
Ely, Nevada 89301-9408



2710 (NVL0000)

Chairman Varlin Higbee
Lincoln County Board of Commissioners
PO Box 90
Pioche, NV 89043

Dear Mr. Higbee:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of Lincoln County in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 4, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The County has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Lincoln County Multi-Sport Complex – This proposal is to design and construct a new multi-sports complex on 27 acres of County owned land on the east side of the Town of Panaca. The proposal is for the construction and installation of multiple sports fields for baseball, softball, football, and soccer including a track and field, interconnected shared-use trails, restrooms, storage/maintenance facilities, parking, and accessible spectator areas.

Legal Description: Town of Panaca, Lincoln County, Nevada: T.2S., R.68E., sec. 9, W2NE.

Section 106: Per Exemption A.2. of the State Protocol Agreement, this project may be exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

There are no issues with the proposed project as the project lays within Lincoln County owned land.

Pioche Main Street Linear Park –The Project Objective to construct a linear park multi-use trail and connect the uptown Pioche area with the Pioche Park and related areas. The linear park would parallel an approximate .5- mile segment along the west side of Pioche Main Street and State Route 322. The project is centrally located within the Town of Pioche and will include a historical and cultural mining theme, concrete shared use trail, drainage features, and trailheads at both ends.

Legal Description: Town of Pioche, in Lincoln County, Nevada; Township 1 North, Range 67 East, Section 22, North Half of the Southeast Quarter and Northeast Quarter, MDM.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process and any coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office that may be needed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Melanie Peterson, Special Legislation Program Manager at 775-289-1896 or mlpeters@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,

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Robbie McAboy
District Manager

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Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS**Town of Pioche, Nevada****Pioche Town Board**

P.O. Box 23, Pioche, Nevada 89043 | Telephone (775) 962-8081

October 23, 2023

Michelle Leiber- SNPLMA Program Manager, Parks, Trails and Natural Areas,
Multispecies Habitat Conservation Program, and Capital Improvements
BLM Southern Nevada District
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89130

Subject: Pioche Main Street Linear Park- Lincoln County Project Nomination; SNPLMA Round 20 Nomination; PTNA Category

Dear Ms. Leiber,

The Pioche Town Board fully supports the Pioche Main Street Linear Park Project. There has been a concerted effort to steadily revitalize the Pioche Uptown area. Our local businesses have contributed immensely to this effort, as have other property owners wishing to create a better community.

The Project would provide direct connectivity to many historical places of interest, including the Thompson Opera House, the GEM Theatre, the Historic Pioche Fire House, the Pioche Town Hall and the Lincoln County Courthouse. The historically themed linear park would truly add a unique characteristic to our town.

This project would also become a very practical and usable feature of our town. We appreciate your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



John Christian, Chair

Pioche, Nevada Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 127, Pioche, Nevada 89043

October 25, 2023

Michelle Leiber- SNPLMA Program Manager, Parks, Trails and Natural Areas,
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BLM Southern Nevada District
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Dear Ms. Leiber,

The Pioche Chamber of Commerce is in full support of the Pioche Main Street Linear Park.

As you may be aware, the project would be located on NDOT property and Right-of-way and Lincoln County would acquire a permanent encroachment permit for construction and maintenance. The location of the uptown trailhead would be an ideal focal point for our community, visitors and our uptown businesses. Currently, this small area has been neglected for several years and it has become unsightly and a cause for concern.

We encourage our local business to be active in the communities they reside within. NDOT should be in full support of this effort as well. We all want to be good partners and support these types of projects as they will certainly enhance our local communities and economies.

Please consider the Pioche Main Street Linear Park.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors, Pioche Chamber of Commerce

SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024

Nomination: Tab 19

Entity: City of North Las Vegas

Project: Seastrand Park Renovation

Section A – Background

This section is incomplete as it does not provide a description about the project site to clarify:

- Site ownership (surface and subsurface), size (in acres), access, existing site facilities, structures, and other uses (e.g., rights-of-way, easements, tenants), type of land use authorization held or to be obtained by entity for use of the site.
- Any claims, restrictions, or interests of other individuals or business in the property (project site) and provide status; and describe abutting landowners.
- Project implementation process and how to determine and measure project purpose with accomplished deliverables to support project completion.

Section C – Purpose Statement

SNPLMA Comment: The nomination must contain a specific statement of the purpose of the project that describes the action to be taken by describing “who, what, where, and why” of the project. Purpose statement must also include complete sentences. Below is a slightly edited Purpose Statement as a start in clarifying and editing the purpose statement such as:

The City of North Las Vegas will add essential and modernized amenities to the 22-acre James K. Seastrand Park located at Camino Eldorado Drive/Centennial Parkway in the northern part of North Las Vegas, Nevada. Park amenities will include a splash pad, playground, upgraded fitness circuit, pickleball court and scoreboards, and enhanced security lighting. The proposed amenities will address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while revitalizing open space and recreational opportunities to address the needs of the community.

Section D – Project Deliverables

Primary Deliverables: some Primary Deliverables (itemized below) are not descriptive enough or measurable—clarification is needed such as the estimated size/capacity of the proposed playground, splash pad, restroom, fitness courts and lighting.

Anticipated Deliverables: Need to clarify “four canopy benches” –is this affixed to the ground? What is the estimated size of the picnic structures, and monument signage?

Section L – Orders and Priorities

Received 12/20/2023 and incorporated into the nomination.

Section M – Maps

Received 12/20/2023 and incorporated into the nomination additional maps: a location map, site-specific aerial (County Assessor parcel(s) map). Still missing SNPLMA strategic plan values map(s) depicting how the project promotes sustainability, connectivity and/or community.

Section O – Performance Measures

Received 12/20/2023 and incorporated into the nomination.

Excel Budget Detail Narrative

Budget detail does not reflect substantial involvement by the city over the project 5-year period of performance. City (recipient) needs to show its involvement in monitoring, evaluating and reporting project compliance and accomplishments during the project period of performance.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

City of North Las Vegas



Seastrand Park Renovation

Amount Requested: \$13,403,053

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of North Las Vegas requests funding to design and renovate James K. Seastrand Park (Seastrand), an over 22-acre park in the northern part of North Las Vegas that borders Camino Eldorado and Centennial Parkway. The Park was designed as a children's athletic facility and is equipped with the following features:

- Two lighted little league baseball diamonds
- Three lighted soccer fields,
- Basketball and Lighted tennis courts
- Exercise station
- Walking /jogging path
- Other feature such as playground, picnic tables and shelters

The Park serves the neighboring communities and beyond because of its size and ability to host team sports. Parkgoers from disadvantaged and affluent communities throughout North Las Vegas and the Valley rely and patronize Seastrand Park specifically for the baseball and soccer fields. This Park provides opportunities to serve the largely disadvantaged community by providing unique amenities not available at many of the other City's parks. The abutting landowners are private land ownership to the north, south, and west. Residents and visitors can access the park using western, eastern, and southern, entry points on city or state roadways.

The City of North Las Vegas constructed the park in 2000 when the neighboring communities were few. That is not the case today. The adjacent areas in this section of North Las Vegas are expanding at a substantial rate with residential and commercial developments. The City must take action to evolve with the community and offer modernized and inclusive amenities to support the diversity in our City.

The project will add a new 5-12 year old playground that will support the existing 2-5 playground and the expanding community, a splash pad which offers a cool and fun space for kids find respite from the summer heat. The addition of a restroom is essential to support activity on the east side of the park. Adding two pickleball courts will increase activity options and bring a new popular sport to this community. The addition of canopy seating and picnic structures provide more opportunities for groups to gather while protecting parkgoers from direct sun. Upgrading the Park's fitness circuit will encourage outdoor workouts. Installing electronic scoreboards elevates the game-time experience for teams and will encourage more leagues to use the baseball diamonds and soccer fields. Likewise, they can display important information. Installing wrought iron fencing is a low-maintenance project element that is durable and contributes to patron security and park esthetics. Adding solar-powered security cameras and LED lighting are also safety and security measures intended to deter crime and dissuade property damage. The Park will also have with interpretive signage along the walking path, used to captivate parkgoers and enhance their experience of the park. Complementing the park with monument signage is a low maintenance enhancement that creates a visual focal point and improves park branding.

The Park's overhaul will focus on improving safety and security, incorporating new recreational activities, creating better access, and boosting the Park's presence. In recent years, the community has experienced increased crime and unwanted activity, particularly at the park. These incidents have discouraged residents from visiting the park with frequency once experienced.

The renovations and enhancements will align with the City's current Park and Recreational Facility Master Plan, developed in 2004. Independent of this project's scope, the City is developing a new master plan. The City will start its citywide strategic planning at the beginning of 2024. Once the strategic plan is complete, the Parks and Recreation Master Plan will commence, likely in late 2024, with an anticipated completion date in 2025. This plan will consider the evolution of communities throughout North Las Vegas. The planning process will engage the public, City staff, and elected officials in creating a vision for the park to best serve the diverse recreational needs of the community as part of the City's entire park system.

The goal is to renew a sense of community pride by elevating park conditions and introducing new forms of recreational activities. These improvements will bring this park up to the standards of parks in more affluent neighborhoods in the valley.

CNLV's city parks offer our residents green spaces where residents and visitors can enjoy outdoor spaces, engage in recreational activities, and focus on health and wellness.

The project implementation will include crucial steps to ensure adherence to federal terms and conditions and successful scope completion. Implementation activities include the following:

1. Finalize project scope and set deliverables
2. Develop a timeline and prepare for risks through the SMART workplan
3. Project planning
4. Monitor adherence to the cooperative agreement terms
5. Execute plan
6. Monitor performance
7. Report programmatic and financial updates
8. Adjust the plan or take corrective action when necessary

Significant milestones for the Park Improvements consist of the following over the project performance period of five years. Some milestones require collaborating with other federal and local agencies or entities to meet milestones.

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Receive Cooperative Agreement Compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA Compliance with Section 107 of NEPA	Receive Notice to Proceed Project planning Issue design and engineering contract Design phase	Complete design phase Obtain permitting Issue construction contract Procure contracts	Construction Phase Final Construction and Build-out	Final Construction and Build-out Project Final Acceptance Project Closeout

The City has the organizational capacity and capability to support this project. The City's Grants Development and Administration Department (GDA) and Finance Department will provide fiscal oversight which will include financial management and reporting. GDA currently administers more than 100 active grant awards and subawards for the city totaling more than \$150 million. The City uses accounting, financial management, and grant administration systems to track financial and performance progress. Parks and Recreation will be responsible for the execution and delivery of the project's scope. This team is led by a Director and Deputy Director who bring extensive specialized experience in parks and nature projects and have had direct involvement on many SNPLMA projects. The City's internal controls are central to ensuring adherence to cooperative agreement and federal regulations.

In addition, the City's Parks, Trails and Open Space Task Force was reestablished in 2023. The task force consists of key members of various departments associated with the project. The group will meet regularly to discuss project performance.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

N/A

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

The City acknowledges there is no guarantee or expectation of funding for future phases and that the proposed additions are stand-alone projects that the City can scale.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The proposed project will promote PTNA's goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community as described below.

1. Sustainability:

The Park improvements will expand the City's shade canopy. This is essential to reduce the heat island. Solar-powered energy will be used to power the security cameras and the project will use LED lights with cutoffs. This will help us to reduce light pollution, conserving the Dark Sky. The park's trees and plants will aid in decreasing air pollution and increase carbon sequestration.

The splash pad design will incorporate direct to sewer drainage so that all water collected will be returned to Lake Mead and the help Nevada receive direct flow credits. The splash pad design will minimize its water usage with selection of products and using push

activators on timers. This is one of the measures in the City's comprehensive approach to conserve water usage from Lake Mead.

Working out at a neighborhood park is not only a great way to connect with neighbors but helps the environment too. The fitness equipment in the fitness circuit does not require electric which saves on carbon emissions.

The new amenities will incorporate durable and environmentally conscious options that reduce long-term costs and contribute to park sustainability while countering climate change effects.

2. Connectivity:

The City of North Las Vegas is working to connect our community to special outdoor places in North Las Vegas and throughout southern Nevada, creating a community that enjoys, values, and protects these recreational and cultural resources.

Neighborhood parks play an invaluable role in connecting residents. They contribute to park equity and provide vegetation buffers for development. Parks promote person-to-person connection as well as person-to-park connection. Ecological connectivity improves connectivity as high connectivity facilitates the movement of environmental processes.

Project elements like the splash pad, pickleball court fosters social connections and community engagement. Users of the exercise circuit can come together to exercise, share fitness tips, and motivate each other.

The Las Vegas Wash Regional Trail is a popular recreational trail in the Las Vegas Valley. It is a multi-jurisdictional collaboration between North Las Vegas, Las Vegas, and Clark County. The Las Vegas Wash Trail stretches nearly 15 miles through three jurisdictions and is mainly an off-street urban trail that connects residents to Craig Ranch Regional Park and the Clark County Wetlands Park. The Park is a popular destination for trail users.

Seastrand Park is ¼ mile away to the Aliante Trail system. This trail system will connect to the future 215 Beltway Trail and Las Vegas Wash Trail.

3. Community:

Neighborhood parks play an invaluable role in connecting residents by creating a space for community members to congregare safely and enjoy nature; kids can play under their parents' watchful eye and community members can improve their health, all within a relaxing environment. They contribute to park equity and provide vegetation buffers for development. Parks promote person-to-person connection as well as person-to-park connection. Ecological connectivity improves connectivity as high connectivity facilitates the movement of environmental processes.

For the community to reap the benefits of parks and recreation areas fully, these places must have attractive designs, accessible amenities, and play areas for everyone.

In urban areas, community parks may be one of the only options for residents to enjoy nature and be active. The addition of a splash pad and pickleball court bring new, active, recreational activities to the community. Accessorizing the park with StoryWalks is a creative and fun way to enjoy spending time connecting with nature and others. They encourage movement and can boost literacy in children. In addition to the variety of amenities, community playgrounds, and parks are beneficial in many other ways:

- Contribute to community identity
- Appeal to all ages
- Contribute to the health and wellness of a community
- Create valuable green space

Building connections to and among the City's parks and trails system creates spaces where families can strengthen their ties to one another and weave together the fabric of our community.

The addition of these amenities serves to increase park visits in numbers, demographics, and populations. The proposed new amenities will provide equitable access and remove barriers for park users. The features will also improve public health, promote social skills, and strengthen physical and cognitive development. Protecting our human, natural, and park resources is paramount and strengthens community spirit and pride.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The City of North Las Vegas requests funding to add essential and modernized amenities to Seastrand Park. The amenities and features include adding a splash pad, a playground, upgraded fitness circuit, decorative iron fencing, and a restroom. Two pickleball courts, solar-powered cameras, LED lighting, and scoreboards are also included in the project. Picnic structure, canopy seating, and interpretive and monument signage complete the plans. The proposed expanded amenities will elevate conditions in the established neighborhoods of North Las Vegas and renew a sense of pride in the community by incorporating updated recreational opportunities. The proposed amenities will address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while supporting the needs of our residents.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. **Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid)**
 - a. One playground with one ADA, two belted, and two infant swings
 - b. One splash pad
 - c. Restroom on east side of park
 - d. Four to eight solar-powered security cameras and enhance security lighting
 - e. Two to three electronic scoreboards for soccer and baseball fields
 - f. Two pickleball courts
 - g. Decorative protective iron fencing- 4,500 to 5,100 L.F.
 - h. Upgrade fitness courts

2. **Anticipated Deliverables:** *(Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)*
 - a. Add two to four canopy benches
 - b. One to two picnic structures
 - c. Monument signage

3. **Standard Deliverables:**
 - a. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
 - b. Section 107 NEPA
 - c. Public scoping with affected stakeholders
 - d. Project Planning
 - e. Engineering design and construction
 - f. Bidding and negotiating
 - g. Permitting
 - h. Construction
 - i. Close-out

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 6330 Camino Eldorado Blvd, North Las Vegas, NV 89084

Legal Description:

- Subdivision Name: James K Seastrand Community Park
- T-R-S: 19-61-21

Parcel Number(s): 12421810001

Current Land Use and Zoning:

- Incorporated Clark County (INCORP)
- Open Land/Development Agreement (O-L DA)

Latitude and Longitude: 36.276623286926394, -115.16219500672506

Congressional District(s): District NV-04

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME- UPDATING

Project will be completed within 5 years from the execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1: Receipt of financial instrument
 - City Council approval of project funding – 2 months after receipt of financial instrument
 - Project Planning - Months 3 -12 will include the consultant selection, completed concept plans, public input, and city approvals.
- Year 2: Design

- Construction documents and specification creation and completion – months 1-12
- Year 3: Design and Construction
 - City approvals, contractor bidding, and awarding construction – months 1-4
 - Pre-Construction/mobilization – months 5-6
- Construction – months 7-12 Year 4: Construction and Final Construction
 - Construction – months 1-8
 - Complete Construction – 9-10
 - Substantial completion to project completion – months 11-12
- Year 5: Project Close-out
 - Close-out project – months 3-6

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

The North Las Vegas City Council authorized staff to nominate this project for Round 20 funding, and the City has qualified personnel on staff to begin implementing this project within one year of the Special Account Funds Notice.

Have you applied, received, or is there an opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

The City does not have any anticipated funds for this project.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The City of North Las Vegas will continue to fund the park's long-term operation and maintenance (O&M). The maintenance costs include routine park maintenance such as mowing and landscaping, trash removal, graffiti removal, sweeping, and minor repairs. The City's Parks Services division estimates the cost of O&M for all parks and trains annually.

Planning new projects and estimating costs associated with the latest projects, including construction, operation, and maintenance, is performed by professional staff and subject matter experts from the City's Land Development, Parks and Recreation Department, and the Public Works Department. These three departments comprise the City's Park Planning Taskforce, a collaborative process for long-range park planning. New projects are incorporated into the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The CIP is the proposed plan for significant public facility improvements that will be implemented over the next five years. The CIP includes operation and maintenance budget impacts for five fiscal years. The CIP is updated annually and adopted by the City Council.

The City acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the City from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and

appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the City's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

Complete the project budget using the MS-Excel "Project Budget (Non-Federal Entities)" template and upload as a separate document to the "Submissions" tab in the Nomination Portal. Do not embed the budget in this document.

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$13,403,053

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 13,367,721.00	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 13,395,221.00	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ 7,832.00	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 13,403,053.00	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

The City considered multiple factors including reduced maintenance costs and non-monetary benefits in the projects analysis process. Members of the adjacent neighborhoods and greater North Las Vegas community are the primary stakeholders of Seastrand Park. The Park has supported community members for two decades providing a prime location for youth organized sport teams games. The surrounding areas have and continue to expand with new residential and commercial properties. Seastrand Park lacks the essential and contemporary amenities needed to evolve with the area.

The social, environmental, and health and wellness benefits outweigh the financial costs. The proposed projects will be a significant driver in promoting social interactions, encouraging passive and active physical activities for members of the community of all ages and abilities. Such activities can curtail stress, improve cognitive function, and potentially reduce healthcare costs and improve quality of life.

Access to well-equipped green spaces is vital identity of this community. The environment also benefits from a thriving green space with services such as air purification, noise reduction, and temperature regulation.

The City partnered with an engineering firm to develop the park concepts and provided the cost projections. The projections consider inflation; however, market conditions at the time of construction will determine actual pricing.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

There are no contributed funds for the proposed project.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

The Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category. Nominating entities are not to include either the total point value or the point values by criteria in their responses. Nominations will be reviewed and scored by the PTNA subgroup.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

The Southern Nevada Strong Plan identified "Support existing public amenities (parks) as a key challenge to the region. Insufficient park access: The region has one of the lowest parks-per-capita ratios in the country. Compared to other Intermountain West metropolitan areas, the region had the highest rate of diabetes and people reporting fair or poor health. Residents were less likely to exercise than were residents of other Intermountain West communities.

Apartment complexes and high-density housing comprise most of the service neighborhood, leaving minimal outdoor space for our residents. These factors make parks vital to the City's communities.

Primary deliverables like the splash pad, pickleball courts, and a playground expansion to include ADA, infant and belted swings ensure that parks and recreational areas are accessible to all residents, regardless of age, ability, and socioeconomic status. This helps to break down barriers and provides equal opportunities for everyone to enjoy these resources.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

We have always known that local parks and recreation add significant value and benefits to their communities regarding Health and Wellness, Equity, and Conservation. Beyond that, local park and recreation agencies and their dedicated staff are also engines of economic activity in their communities. Research shows that employers are more likely to locate near high-quality park and recreation amenities.

Parks provide intrinsic environmental, aesthetic, and recreational benefits to our cities. They are also a source of positive economic benefits. They enhance property values, increase municipal revenue, bring homebuyers and workers, and attract retirees.

The Park's neighboring communities are sure to benefit from the enhancements and new amenities. Seastrand serves as a gathering place for community events and recreational activities that foster a sense of community, strengthening social bonds. A blossoming Seastrand Park is more appealing to businesses that will benefit from increased foot traffic as well as foster entrepreneurship. Entrepreneurs could thrive by using the park as a platform to start outdoor fitness classes or food trucks business.

Improved parks can attract more visitors, which in turn can boost local businesses. Property values around well-maintained parks also tend to be higher, benefiting homeowners and the local tax base. Seastrand has been servicing its neighboring community since 2000 and continues to expand by developing residential areas and commerce establishments

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

The proposed new amenities will renew the park's interest with inviting and aesthetically pleasing spaces. Adding a water play area is particularly necessary during summer when excessive heat is prevalent. Access to green spaces offers substantial health benefits and promotes public health for our residents. An enhanced leagues experience is a certainty with the electronic scoreboard.

Furthermore, increased park usage discourages homelessness and other unwanted activity. The City is taking incremental steps to achieve an equitable balance of park

amenities in our parks. Implementing the proposed changes are actions that help us do such.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s)*

Access and frequency to indoor and or outdoor recreation facilities correlate with greater physical activity. Greenspace exposure corresponds with improved physical and mental health. The benefits of physical activity include controlling weight; reducing the risk of cardiovascular disease; reducing the risk of Type 2 diabetes; reducing the risk of some cancers; strengthening bones and muscles; and improving mental health and mood. It is estimated that 65% of American adults are overweight or obese. Time spent in nature positively impacts mental health by increasing cognitive performance and well-being.

Encouraging our residents to adopt a healthy lifestyle is an essential goal of the City of North Las Vegas. In addition to providing parks and trails, the City partners with Southern Nevada Health District and other local jurisdictions to promote the Neon to Nature program. Neon to Nature is an online tool and app that encourages users to Escape, Explore, and Enjoy the Valley's outdoor opportunities. The program helps locate walking and bicycling opportunities throughout southern Nevada. Walking is inexpensive and one way to meet the recommended minimum daily exercise.

The project improves public health and safety concerns. Security cameras and lighting are essential for several reasons. They provide adequate lighting for better visibility, deter unwanted activity, and provide parkgoers with a sense of safety and peace of mind. Belted and ADA swings focus on safety and support by providing extra stability and support for users. Incorporating a splash pad not only offers a cool and fun space that provides relief from extreme temperatures but it fosters creativity, boost immune health, and promote cardiovascular fitness. Wrought iron fencing allows parents to maintain visibility while providing a protective barrier. The fencing contains children within a safe space and prevent them from wandering into potential danger zones. Moreover, it also safeguards parkgoers from possible incidents such as when vehicles breach the sidewalk due to accidents

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

In Census Tract 36.60, Clark County, Nevada,

- **1.5%** (+/-9.9%) of the population had an **income below the poverty level**, in the past 12 months,
- **86.5%** (+/-8.4 %) of households have a **broadband subscription**,
- **89.7%** (+/- 7.4%) of people over 25 are a **high school graduate or higher**,
- **34.2%** (+/- 7.3 %) of households speak **English less than very well**,
- **36.3%** (+/- 6.8 %) of the population is **under 18**,

<https://censusreporter.org/profiles/15000US320030036601-bg-1-tract-3660-clark-nv/>

North Las Vegas is a culturally diverse city home to a young population with large families. Adding the proposed amenities is vital to the quality of life for all residents in the City of North Las Vegas and the surrounding areas.

North Las Vegas is the most ethnically and racially diverse city in Clark County, with the highest Hispanic, African American, and Other Race percentages. The 2010 U.S. Census reported North Las Vegas' racial makeup consists of 47.4% Caucasian, 19.9% African American, 6.3% Asian, 20.6% all other said races, 5.8% multiple races, and 38.8% of any race identifying as Hispanic. North Las Vegas residents also have the youngest median age of 30.4 years.

The average household size in North Las Vegas is 3.2 persons per household, which is higher than the Clark County average of 2.7 persons per household. North Las Vegas has the highest percentage of households with children in Clark County at 48%, compared to Clark County at 35%, Las Vegas at 36% and Henderson at 31%.

2. **RESOURCES**: The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***

CNLV's City parks connect our residents to the natural landscape, recreational activities, and on-site community gatherings. Incorporating the proposed amenities will enhance the area resident's community, open space, and recreational activities. Many of the City's parks have been serving communities for generations. The Park will attract more visitors with greater frequency as the City continues developing these spaces.

Seastrand's Park renovations will protect and enhance the recreation experience by creating an environment that encourages interaction, understanding, and appreciation of the natural surroundings. Additional picnic structures foster more opportunities for social connection. A marked walking path with Storywalks and interpretive signage is one way of helping visitors gain a deeper understanding of the natural environment, creating a more enriching experience.

B. ***The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.***

The proposed additions and enhancements will encourage individuals and families with children of all ages to utilize the park more frequently, with increased access to new and improved amenities, programming, and events. While allowing for these upgrades and enhancements, the project also highlights resource conservation regarding water and electrical efficiency through water-smart landscaping ideals, smart irrigation controllers, and LED lighting fixtures.

This project is intended to encourage park attendees to, in turn, adopt these principles in their own homes – whether through xeriscape installation or the conservation of electrical energy since the landscaping within the park will be

designed with water and energy conservation at the forefront, thereby lessening both during normal park usage. Park improvements contribute to the positive image of a community and encourage volunteerism.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water, and materials.*

The City's park design concepts incorporate eco-friendly elements and sustainable materials. These elements help conserve local ecosystems and educate visitors about the importance of environmental stewardship. The water play area is designed for water recirculation that is reclaimed and returned to Lake Mead. Moreover, plans are in place to convert the park turf from Fescue turf to Bermuda turf, which is drought-resistant and requires significantly less water. Incorporating sustainable design principles into the City's goals is critical to ensuring long-term environmental health and resilience.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

The City's parks play an essential role in creating an enriching experience that fosters an appreciation of the natural environment. The Neon to Nature is an online tool and app that encourages park users to Escape, Explore, and Enjoy the Valley's outdoor opportunities. Schools and community groups engage with the natural environment of the City's parks. Implementing the proposed amenities will entice community engagement in the green spaces.

Seastrand's Park renovations will protect and enhance the recreational experience. Expanding the playground to include ADA, belted, and infant swings is an inclusive approach to ensure everyone can experience the natural environment. The proposed improvements take into consideration the protection natural resources. Improved Park lighting and security cameras enhanced resident safety. When people feel safe, they are more likely to explore and engage with the natural environment.

3. CONNECTIVITY: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

The City of North Las Vegas encourages residents to transition from urban landscapes to beautiful natural landscapes. Residents can use the City's trail networks to explore and create an individualized adventure. Residents can access Seastrand Park from a ¼ mile away from the nearest trail access point.

The expansive Las Vegas Wash Trail stretches nearly 15 miles through three

jurisdictions and is mainly an off-street urban trail that connects residents to the City's regional park and the Clark County Wetlands Park. Parks provide a stopping place with rolling terrain, community gardens, athletic fields, sports courts, and themed playgrounds.

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

James K. Seastrand Park was established in 2000. The Park aligns with the park's master plan at its establishment time. The City recognizes inequities in community parks and is addressing this imbalance.

Operation Sparkle is a park renovation initiative intended to make specific and targeted changes to improve park conditions in mature communities. Such improvements include but are not limited to replacing and planting more trees, improving security lighting, and adding splash pads, playgrounds, and dog parks. Completing the City's Parks and Recreation master plan will provide long-term vision for park development and maintenance. The comprehensive plan, expected to begin in 2024 will outline the City's goals and strategies for individual communities and the City at large.

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

The ideal park system for the City of North Las Vegas comprises a hierarchy of park types, including neighborhood, community, regional, and special-use parks. Each park type offers different levels of recreation facilities, site amenities, and open space opportunities. Separately, each park type may serve only one primary function and specific geographic area, but collectively, they serve the needs of the City.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Opportunities are boundless for park visitors to interact with nature and enjoy the outdoor experience at the City's parks and nature trails. Some parks feature themed play areas that create a unique interaction experience, while Seastrand features a ball diamonds and spacious fields for leagued sports.

Parkgoers can indulge in passive activities such as walking or leisurely bike riding. The City's parks are intended to capture its diverse community audience. The initiatives of Operation Sparkle will revive interest and engagement in our parks, an experience that will help residents connect with nature and other people.

The vastness of Seastrand Park stimulates popular outdoor activities like scavenger and Easter egg hunts. Roller-skaters often take advantage of the tennis courts as the court surface lends to even skating conditions.

E. The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.

The proposed improvements and added amenities promote retaining park-goers by providing a more comprehensive, family-oriented, or individualized experience. The new additions to the park will focus on bringing access to amenities that one might find in modern urban parks and addressing public health concerns. With these improvements, all of which will be available to the community free of charge, the City will be able to reach the economically disadvantaged surrounding community who have little or no access to water play, exercise equipment, playgrounds, and safe gathering places.

4. COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT: Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.

The projected design and construction budget of \$13,403,053 is in keeping with similar projects in the region and will be accomplished in phases. The cost estimate was prepared by a professional staff planner with extensive years of park planning and budgetary experience.

B. Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.

The City's community parks have been the center of recreation programming for the surrounding community, which has a large minority population and is underserved in recreational opportunities and facilities. Residents use Seastrand Park extensively, as many of the surrounding homes are not equipped with spacious properties for recreational activities.

While Seastrand Park located in census tract 36.6 has a population of 5,082 it is widely used by patrons in the greater North Las Vegas and Valley areas. The open fields and lighted ball diamonds attract demand. On any given day, the basketball courts draw hoop enthusiasts, while on weeknights and weekends, you may find large gatherings for organized team sports such as soccer and baseball. When fully completed, this proposed project will add critical amenities that will allow the neighborhood parks to continue establishing themselves as this center for the community to gather, focusing on health, wellness, and outdoor activities for all ages. Additionally, the project will address safety, access, and public health concerns.

C. The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.

The City of North Las Vegas prioritizes park designs that minimize future maintenance and replacement costs and will utilize durable and sustainable

techniques and products. An example of this priority is the project specs calling for LED lighting, which is more efficient and less frequently needed replacement. Additionally, the City will be installing Bermuda grass, which is more water-efficient. Also, the City of North Las Vegas preventative maintenance calls for periodic coating of the safety playground surfacing and regular sealing of the asphalt areas, thereby extending useful life by 3-6 years.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

There are no additional funding sources identified for this project at this time.

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

The City Park Improvements will reduce operation and maintenance costs by using durable and sustainable materials, including pouring rubberized surfacing on the playground. Installing concrete site furnishings reduces maintenance as they have a longer lifespan than metal site furnishings. Using solar-powered energy assists in reducing energy costs while providing sustainable solutions like the reduction of conduit metal to address challenges. Furthermore, the City plans to convert all remaining parks from Fescue turf to Bermuda turf, which offers significant water efficiency.

I. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

- ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***
N/A
- ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***
The City strives to use American-made products throughout its park system. Benches, picnic tables, and grills are all made in America, as is most of the playground equipment. The shade fabrics are all American-made, while the landscaping rock and Bermuda turf is mined/grown locally.
- ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***
N/A
- ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***
Seastrand Park is critical to the health, prosperity, and resilience of its neighboring expanding communities. The Park's green space, unique amenities, and biodiversity provides clean air, water, and sustain plant life. These elements play a chief role in combating the effects of climate change. Climate-smart stewardship is central to the City. The Park's improvements advance community partnerships, economic development and social well-being.
- ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***
The City endeavors to provide equal access to a healthy recreational environment regardless of background or socio-economic status to all residents. Seastrand Park renovations help to preserve acres of green open space and meets an unfulfilled need for regional parks and natural areas in the City of North Las Vegas. The City considers the collective impact of environmental exposures on communities and work to prevent environmental hazards. Furthermore, the project fosters active participation and engagement with residents.

B. Secretarial Orders

- ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***
Pickleball courts, splash pad, fitness courts, and an additional playground are park enhancements and additions that will encourage residents of all ages to utilize the park more frequently. Features such as smart irrigation, and lighting fixtures highlight

resource conservation. This project is intended to encourage park attendees to, in turn, adopt these principles in their own homes – whether through xeriscape installation or the conservation of electrical energy since the landscaping within the park will be designed with water and energy conservation at the forefront, thereby lessening both during normal park usage.

- ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition)).***

N/A

- ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

N/A

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while***

reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.

N/A

- 2. Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

N/A

- 3. Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*

N/A

- 4. Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*

The City's design standards have established construction and park maintenance standards that focus on conservation, sustainability and durability. As it relates to the conservation of water, the City utilizes Bermuda turf-grass for the active areas of parks, which is hardier than other types of turf and utilizes substantially less water throughout the year.

Additionally, the City has embarked on a long-term project with the Southern Nevada Water Authority, reducing turf areas throughout the park system by identifying areas of turf that are not being used for active play and replacing these areas with drought-resistant plant materials.

- 5. Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.*

The City of North Las Vegas recognizes that historical inequities in our community exists and is making targeted efforts to promote inclusiveness and create equitable access to recreational and natural environments. Neighborhood parks like Seastrand

play an invaluable role in connecting residents of all backgrounds and abilities. The Park contributes to park equity and provides vegetation buffers for development. Seastrand has serviced its rapidly expanding community since 2000. The enhancements will bring access to amenities that one might find in a modern urban park while addressing public health concerns. Park improvements such as increased safety and security measures, modernized amenities, and new recreational opportunities are measures that are essential to ensure neighborhoods in the City thrive.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

N/A

2. *Providing economic relief*

N/A

3. *Tackling climate change*

Park improvements such as solar-powered security cameras and lighting highlight resource conservation. Additionally, the installation of Bermuda grass is more water efficient and reduces the burden on Lake Mead, while the splash pad design will minimize water usage by incorporating direct to sewer drainage which reclaims collected water. Trees and new shade structures will offer shade and cooler temperatures, reducing the heat island. The City's park design standards address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while supporting the needs of our residents.

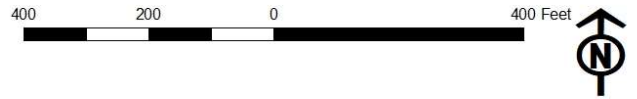
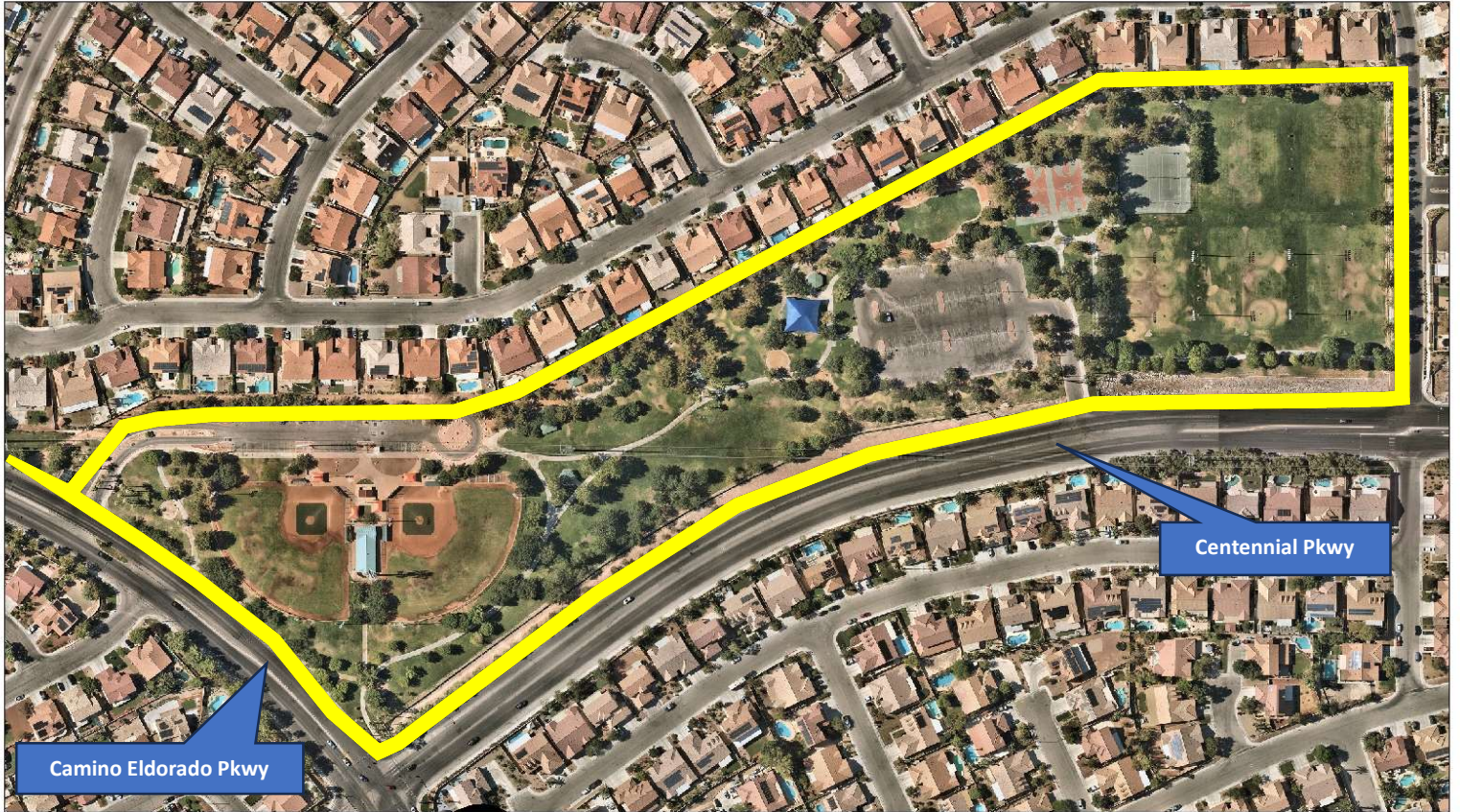
4. *Advancing racial equity*

North Las Vegas is an ethnically and racially diverse city within Clark County, with high percentages of Hispanic or Latino and Black or African American residents. The 2020 U.S. Census reported North Las Vegas' racial makeup consists of 24.5% White; 21.4% Black or African American; 6.4% Asian; 5.2% two or more races; and 40.7% Hispanic or Latino. The City's Minority-Majority population is distributed throughout the community. Creating additional recreational amenities in existing and developing areas of the City is key to ensuring historically underserved communities have better access to a wide range of recreational activities.

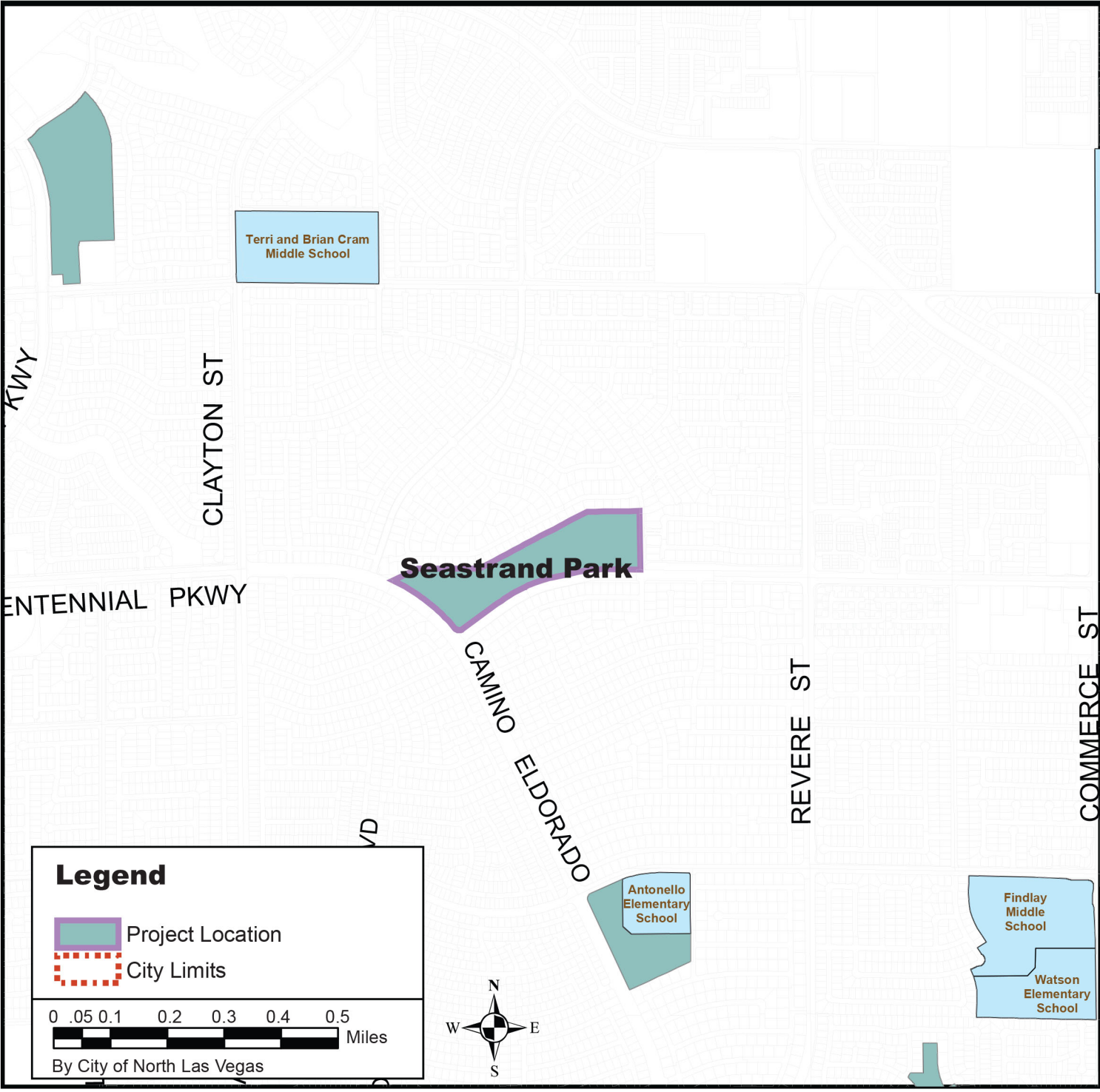
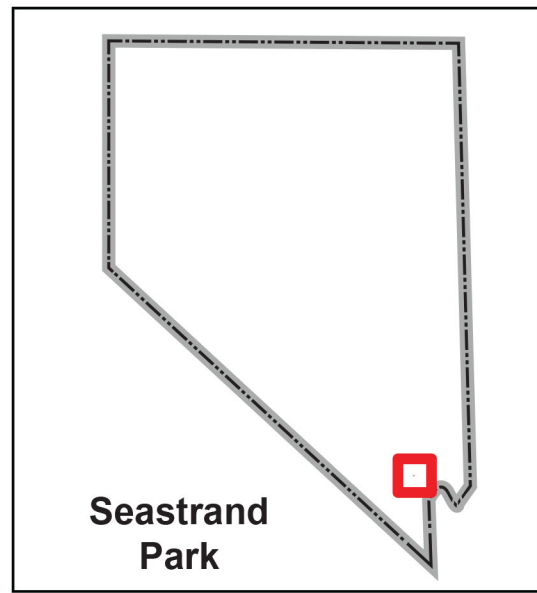
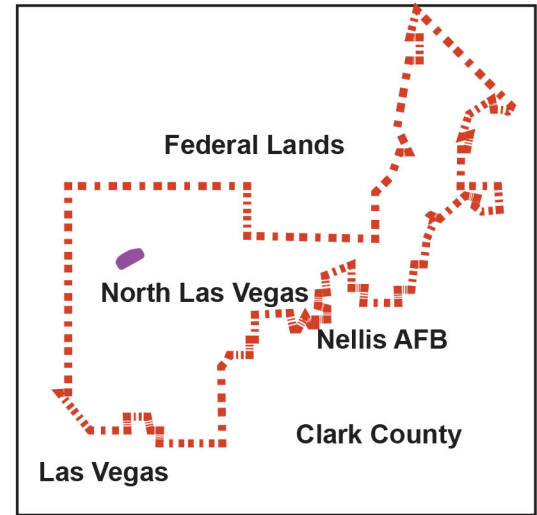
5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

N/A

Seastrand Park Aerial
(APN 124-21-810-001)



City of North Las Vegas
PTNA
SNPLMA
Round 20 Proposal
Seastrand Park
REGIONAL PARK
SEPTEMBER 2023



Legend

- Project Location
- City Limits

0 .05 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 Miles

By City of North Las Vegas

SEASTRAND PARK CONCEPT PLAN



Not to Scale
October 26, 2023

Legend		Other Amenities:
	Large Monument Sign	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benches with Shade • Drinking Fountains • Security Lighting and Cameras • LED Lighting Upgrades • Trash Receptacles
	Picnic Ramada	
	Playground	
	Public Art	
	Restroom	
	Splash Pad	
	Fitness Circuit	
	Decorative Fencing	
	Swings	
	Pickleball Courts	
	Scoreboards	<p style="text-align: center;">Seastrand Park Renovations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SNPLMA Round 20</p>
	Sports Court Upgrades	
	Soccer Fencing	

**SNPLMA ROUND 20 NOMINATION
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Seastrand Park Renovation**

Performance Measures

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
Performance Measures for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	* Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	22-acre park improvements
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	* Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	1 new playground w/ 1 ADA, 2 belted, and 2 infant swings 1 splash pad 1 restroom 4-8 solar-powered cameras and enhanced security lighting 2-3 electronic scoreboards 2 pickleball courts 4,500-5,100 l.f. protective iron fencing 5 fitness circuits 2-4 canopy benches 1-2 picnic structures 1 Monument signage

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Southern Nevada District Office
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<http://www.blm.gov/nevada>

In Reply Refer To:
2710 (NVS00000)

Veronica Freeman
Grant Officer
City of North Las Vegas
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freemanv@cityofnorthlasvegas.com

Dear Ms. Freeman:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the City of North Las Vegas (City) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the City for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Craig Ranch Regional Park Improvements – This proposal is to add new and updated park amenities to the Craig Ranch Regional Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources; however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Seastrand Park Renovation – This proposal is to add essential and modernized amenities to the James K. Seastrand Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Valley View Park Renovation – This proposal is to design and construct park improvements at Valley View Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

INTERIOR REGIONS 8 & 10 • LOWER COLORADO BASIN & CALIFORNIA-GREAT BASIN

ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, OREGON*

* PARTIAL

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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M. Ryan Chatterton
Acting District Manager

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Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS

STEVEN HORSFORD
4TH DISTRICT, NEVADA



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

October 23, 2023

Bureau of Land Management
SNPLMA Division
United States Department of Interior
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89130

Dear Review Committee of the Bureau of Land Management SNPLMA:

I am writing to express my support for the City of North Las Vegas' application for Round 20 funding from the Bureau of Land Management SNPLMA. The City of North Las Vegas is committed to enhancing public health and providing the community with access to high-quality parks. The proposed projects at three of the city's parks aim to modernize and provide essential amenities that will improve these parks and meet the growing needs of our neighborhoods and the larger community.

These initiatives will help the city advance their goal of achieving park equity, fostering community connections, and promoting a sense of pride in the community by highlighting the transformative value of parks.

The park project highlights include:

- Craig Ranch Regional Park- New fitness court, security lighting, ADA and infant swings, event transformers
- James K. Seastrand Park- New playground, splash pad, restroom, and security cameras and lighting
- Valley View Park- Playground expansion, splash pad, dog parks, and walking route.

The city recognizes the significant impact that parks have on the well-being of its residents, and they are committed to improving the quality of life by connecting them with nature and each other. Funding for these projects is crucial to ensuring equitable access to park amenities.

I kindly request your full and fair consideration of the City of North Las Vegas' funding request. If you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to contact my District Director, Divya Narala at Divya.Narala@mail.hous.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Steven Horsford".

Congressman Steven Horsford
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October 16, 2023

United States Department of Interior
Bureau of Land Management
SNPLMA Division
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
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Dear Bureau of Land Management SNPLMA Review Committee:

As Mayor of the City of North Las Vegas, it is with respect and gratitude that I express my support for the Round 20 project nominations. The proposed deliverables will assist the City to accelerate our efforts to advance park equity, connect the community with each other and nature, and improve public health. Such measures renew community pride and demonstrate the transformative value of parks.

The City is a minority-majority city with the majority being disadvantaged communities. We recognize park equity challenges and are taking action to strive for a future where our community members have fair and just access to high-quality parks. The parks proposed output are measures toward achieving our goal.

James K. Seastrand is a 22-acre park located in the northern part of North Las Vegas. Established in 2000, the Park was designed as a children's athletic facility serving the adjacent neighborhoods and the greater community. This is evident by the large groups that gather on weekends for organized sports such as soccer and baseball. The focus of the project will add modernized and essential amenities and will address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns.

With the funding, the City will deliver the following amenities and enhancements:

- Install a Second Playground
- Install Splash Pad
- Construct a Dog Park

- Build a Restroom
- Install Security Cameras and Lighting
- Install Electronic Scoreboard
- Convert One Tennis Court to a Pickleball court
- Install an additional picnic structure and covered seating

The proposed park improvements will integrate essential and modernized amenities that will enhance the area resident's community, green space, and recreational activities. The improvements will also embody SNPLMA's core values of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community.

As the third-largest City and one of the fastest-growing cities in Nevada, we are boldly planning for the future. The City will experience unprecedented growth in population, residential communities, and commercial and industrial development. This growth requires the City to take progressive actions to support the expanding community and build a healthy, strong, and resilient city.

I look forward to working with our City Council, City Management, and the Parks and Recreation team to make health and wellness, park equity, and environmental stewardship a reality in North Las Vegas.

Sincerely,



Pamela Goynes-Brown
Mayor



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William Harty
Finance Director
City of North Las Vegas
2250 Las Vegas Blvd. North, Suite 900
North Las Vegas, NV 89030

Dear Mr. Harty:

SUBJECT: City of North Las Vegas Indirect Cost Rate Proposal

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD or the Department) received City of North Las Vegas Indirect Cost Rate Proposal for its fiscal years 2020 and 2021 via e-mail on September 16, 2021.

In accordance with Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 200 (2 CFR 200), the Department is not required to review the indirect cost rate proposal for City of North Las Vegas. Appendix VII to 2 CFR 200, Section D.1.b. states, “A governmental department or agency unit that receives more than \$35 million in direct Federal funding must submit its indirect cost rate proposal to its cognizant agency for indirect costs. Other governmental department or agency must develop an indirect cost proposal in accordance with the requirements of this Part and maintain the proposal and related supporting documentation for audit. These governmental departments or agencies are not required to submit their proposals unless they are specifically requested to do so by the cognizant agency for indirect costs.” Since your organization receives less than \$35 million in direct Federal awards per year, the Department is not requiring your organization to submit an indirect cost rate proposal for formal review and approval. Instead, please continue to develop and maintain the proposal along with related supporting documentation on file. The Federal awards should be charged based on the calculated indirect cost rate.

If City of North Las Vegas has any questions, please contact Saleszni Jeet, Senior Financial Analyst, at 415-489-6578, or by email at Saleszni.L.Jeet@hud.gov.

Sincerely,

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Angelo Tom
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Aleisha Beckum
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City of North Las Vegas Indirect Cost Rate Calculation

DEPARTMENTS	INDIRECT COST RATE (Total Program Cost Base)
General Government	41.07%
Judicial	56.12%
Public Safety	18.65%
Public Works	52.44%
Culture & Recreation	68.08%
Community Support	158.02%
28.48%	\$42,686,454
TOTAL AGENCY ICRP	\$149,857,948

Calculated by eCivis, Use approved by HUD 09.23.2021

Nicolie Lettini

From: Mackey, Steven P. EOP/OMB <Steven.P.Mackey@omb.eop.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2023 9:02 AM
To: Nicolie Lettini
Subject: Indirect Rates for States and Local Governments

Hi Nicolie,

Please see the following clarification from OMB on Appendix VII.

Appendix VII to Part 200 - States and Local Government and Indian Tribe Indirect Cost Proposals 1. Submission of Indirect Cost Rate Proposals stipulates in Section D.1. (Submission and Documentation of Proposals; Submission of Indirect Cost Rate Proposals) that “a governmental department or agency unit that receives more than \$35 million in direct Federal funding must submit its indirect cost rate proposal to its cognizant agency for indirect costs. *Other governmental department or agency must develop an indirect cost proposal in accordance with the requirements of this Part and maintain the proposal and related supporting documentation for audit.* These governmental departments or agencies are not required to submit their proposals unless they are specifically requested to do so by the cognizant agency for indirect costs.”

If a governmental department or agency (such as a State or local Department of Health, Department of Transportation, Department of Housing, etc.) receiving \$35 million or less in direct Federal funding develops an indirect cost proposal in accordance with the requirements of Part 200 because the department/agency falls under the \$35 million threshold, and, therefore, does not have a negotiated rate, this established rate must be accepted by any Federal agency to which the governmental department or agency applies for funding. The cognizant agency for indirect costs, however, may request to review the proposal from the small governmental recipient if it chooses. The Federal agency may also choose to negotiate a rate with the department/agency; however, provided that the recipient developed its rate in accordance with Part 200 and maintains the proposal and related supporting documentation for audit, the Federal agency must not compel the department/agency to accept the 10% *de minimis* rate or some other rate established by the Federal agency.

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**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updated as of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 20

Entity: Churchill County

Project: North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades

SECTION A - BACKGROUND:

This section reads “Churchill County is developing a plan to fully reconstruct two contiguous softball parks.... The properties consist of 15 acres owned by Churchill County and the City of Fallon. The county and the city will enter into an agreement for future care and implementation of programs upon completion of the reconstruction, Churchill County will provide an agreement prior to executing. There are 3 parcels associated with this project of which two parcels are owned by the City of Fallon (5.56 acres, APN 001-011-03, and 1.36 acres, APN 001-011-03 Fallon).”

Below are the designated county APNs and ownership status of the proposed project site as confirmed by Churchill County:

- Churchill County Parcel – 5.06 acres, APN 001-051-37
- City of Fallon Parcel – 5.56 acres, APN 001-011-03
- City of Fallon Parcel – 1.36 acres, APN 001-051-26

Churchill County and the City of Fallon will need to enter into a long-term agreement for operations and maintenance of the SNPLMA proposed funded facilities. The SNPLMA Program Manager will work with the county and the DOI Solicitor to ensure durability of the agreement as part of the supporting documentation for the SNPLMA Notice to Proceed. Copies of the vesting deeds for each parcel will need to be provided to the SNPLMA Program Manager.

The County will also need to clearly describe ownership of the mineral estate, and clarify other uses (e.g., rights- of-way, easements, tenants), type of land use authorization held or to be obtained by entity, and any claims, restrictions, or interests of other individuals or business in the property (project site) and provide status; and describe abutting landowners as noted below:

a. APN 001-011-03 (5.56 acres) – owned by City of Fallon

County is proposing to construct a pedestrian overpass (for public safety) across US 95 to allow connectivity to adult and youth fields approx. (12ft wide -70ft long). The Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) owns the rights to the road. Churchill County will include NDOT during the design process to ensure adherence to NDOT specifications for the overpass design and construction. County will need to obtain a letter from NDOT to confirm general concurrence of the proposed project. Abutting landowners are private to the west and north, City of Fallon streets to the south and NDOT to the east.

b. APN 001-051-37 (5.06 acres) – owned by Churchill County

Year	Document #	Document Type	Sale Date
2010	412448	AGREEMENT/OPTION/MISCL	3/2/2010
2010	412451	BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT DEED	3/2/2010
2007	389363	EASEMENT/RIGHT-OF-WAY DEED	2/8/2007

Churchill County received this property from the Oats Family per deed was recorded on July 15, 1969, Document #120167. There is a 10' wide telephone easement on the south property line. The telephone company is owned by Churchill County (CC Communications). A copy of the deed will need to be forwarded to the SNPLMA Program Manager. Abutting landowners are private to the north and south, City of Fallon streets to the east and NDOT to the west.

c. **APN 001-051-26 (~1.36 acres) – owned by City of Fallon**

Year	Document #	Document Type	Sale Date	Sold By	Sold To
1996	301382	WATER RIGHT AGREEMENT	10/24/1996		
1995	287524	QUITCLAIM DEED	1/20/1995		
1989	243778		3/10/1989	BROS OATS	DANIEL L & JUANITA MUNOZ

This parcel was dedicated to the City of Fallon from The Munoz Family 1992 Trust as recorded on January 20, 1995, Document #287524. A copy of the deed will need to be forwarded to the SNPLMA Program Manager. Abutting landowners are private to the west and south and City of Fallon streets to the east and north.



2. **Throughout the construction phase, the project/construction manager [an assigned County employee] will coordinate with the county’s on-site representative [an employee of the engineering/design consulting firm] who will observe the progress and quality of the work. The on-site representative has the authority to accept or reject work in accordance with the contract documents...The on-site representative will also verify quantities of work completed upon receipt of applications for progress payments. Once the quantities have been verified, the application for progress payment will be processed for payment.**

SNPLMA Comment: Non-federal entity recipients (e.g., Churchill County) of federal awards are required to monitor, evaluate, and report project financials and performance of subawards,

subrecipients, contractors, etc., including itself as the award recipient. The on-site representative is a third-party consultant (contractor), not a county employee. Clarify county's involvement as required under federal awards.

Churchill County will have a project/construction manager who will be a Churchill County employee. The project/construction manager has the ultimate authority on the project and will monitor and evaluate project financials and performance of subawards, subrecipients, contractors, etc., including itself as the award recipient, and prepare project performance narrative reports.

SECTION I PROJECT BUDGET

Cost-Benefit Analysis: “The project budget takes into consideration the potential for cost escalation, particularly as it relates to construction labor and material costs. The projected budget for the project has included a 4% escalation for labor and material costs in Year 2, Year 3, and Year 4, which will be the construction period. The budget has also considered the annual cost escalation for county employees at a rate of 2.5% annually. This escalation cost has been accounted for in each line-item estimated cost.”

Comment: County added 4% escalation cost for labor & material in the following years.

- *Year 2: Design and Engineering Construction Documents*
- *Year 3: Breaking Ground / Construction*
- *Year 4: Construction/Close Out and Dedication*

Clarify purpose for adding a 4% escalation for Year 2 for preparing documents (design and engineering).

Churchill County Response: Design/Engineering consultants are subject to annual increases for labor and equipment in order to keep pace with inflation. Although the design process is the first phase in the project process, it is still likely 18 months from the time of the nomination submittal, and it is unrealistic to dismiss any wage increases during this time.

EXCEL BUDGET DETAIL NARRATIVE

The project scope and estimated costs in the nomination and the excel budget detail should clearly align. Primary deliverables required to complete the project and “Purpose” must be measurable (e.g., quantity, size, distance), and cross-reference between the nomination and excel Budget Detail to show how the project budget is derived and that costs are reasonable.

Tab 4 “Equipment” proposed \$70,000 for tractor and attachment for field turf maintenance.

- SNPLMA Comment: Is this equipment for constructing the project or maintenance purposes? O&M costs are not allowable.
- Churchill County Response: The \$70,000 cost is for the tractor, brush and aerator attachments for the future maintenance of the synthetic turf. This is not to be confused with future operation and maintenance costs. This is a one-time purchase as part of the synthetic turf.

Tab 9 “Indirect Costs” of \$20,260 in total for Comptroller and Audit Fees.

- SNPLMA Comment: County needs to provide further explanation how these costs were derived.
- Churchill County Response: Below are the calculations for the Comptroller and Audit Fees. The spreadsheet has been recalculated based on current project values and is represented below. The revised cost for indirect costs for this project is \$10,595.14 and will be reflected in the nomination packet prior to final submission.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Churchill County



North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades

Amount Requested: \$9,947,810

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Churchill County is developing a plan to fully reconstruct two contiguous softball parks. The parks are currently used by the girls' Churchill County Youth Softball programs, adult softball leagues, and as practice areas for youth programs offered during the off season. Additionally, the locations contain areas for recreational use, picnicking, and social gatherings. The properties consist of 15 acres owned by Churchill County and the City of Fallon. The county and the city will enter into an agreement for future care and implementation of programs upon completion of the reconstruction, Churchill County will provide an agreement prior to executing. There are 3 parcels associated with this project of which two parcels are owned by the City of Fallon (5.56 acres, APN 001-011-03, and 1.36 acres, APN 001-011-03 Fallon).

The western most City-owned parcel (APN 001-011-03) consists of the Softball Complex, a baseball/softball field, automated batting cages, playground, splash pad and community gazebo with BBQ pits and associated parking lots as well as the Maine Street Pedestrian Crossing, is zoned C-1/M-1 which are the city designation for the Limited Commercial District/Industrial District. This parcel is an existing baseball field that will be refurbished with the additional amenities.

The second parcel (APN 001-051-37) consists of the Youth Softball Fields, that includes three baseball/softball fields, batting cages, playgrounds, splash pad and community gazebo with BBQ pits and associated parking lot is zoned C-1/M-1 which are the city designation for the Limited Commercial District/Industrial District. This parcel consists of existing youth baseball fields that will be refurbished with the additional amenities.

The third parcel (APN 001-051-26) consists of the parking lot for the Youth Softball Fields, is zoned RC which is the city designation for Transition Use Residence District. The county will submit a request to the City of Fallon City Council to rezone this parcel to C-1/M-1 for the construction of the parking lot.

Reconstruction of the parks will offer citizens a location for recreational use, physical activity, community and youth development, and help in areas such as economic and social enrichment. Implementation of these parks will also assist in the reduction to social services programs and law enforcement by creating a better sense of community. This project will be constructed on property that is owned by the City of Fallon and Churchill County. This application includes a letter of support from the City of Fallon which outlines the benefits that this project will provide to the neighboring community. The current Churchill County 2020 Master Plan, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on April 21, 2021, has a chapter dedicated to Recreation. This chapter has outlined Goals and Policies as they relate to Parks and Recreational Facilities which include:

Goal R1 – Continue implementation/construction of improvements to regional park facilities and fairgrounds.

- Policy R1.1 – Prepare a master plan for the fairgrounds and regional parks to include:
 1. Necessary for expansion of the facilities to accommodate increased use and demand for more recreational resources.

2. Safe pedestrian and traffic routes to access different recreational facilities.
3. Parking and restroom facilities.

- Policy R1.2 – Provide lighting to increase use of existing fields.

Goal R6 – Develop additional infrastructure such as:

1. Lights, scoreboards, continued utility upgrades through technology advancements, utilities and playgrounds.
2. Aquatic – splash pads

The implementation process will include a design planning phase aimed at addressing the project's purpose. The county will hold public hearings, education sessions, and meet with non-profits to ensure transparency and attainable goals and completion dates. Following the design planning phase, the county will enter the bid and construction process. The county will determine accomplishments using their economic impact calculator and assessing league and tournament events.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

The Churchill County North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project has not received prior funding and will be in phase 1 of a stand-alone project.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

Churchill County acknowledges that this is a stand-alone project and will not require future phases.

Churchill County will assign a current employee of the Public Works, Planning & Zoning Department to act as a construction/project manager for the project. This person will be responsible for the overall coordination of the project from the design phase through completion of construction. Once the project is complete and has been accepted by the SNPLMA program, a turnover meeting will be held with Facilities & Grounds to transfer the project from construction to operations and maintenance.

Throughout the construction phase, the project/construction manager will coordinate with the county's on-site representative. The on-site representative is an employee of the engineering/design consulting firm and will observe the progress and quality of the work. The on-site representative has the authority to accept or reject work in accordance with the contract documents.

As a part of the contract documents, the county will include a schedule of values which will outline the quantities and unit prices of the scope of work. The quantities of the project will be tracked on a spreadsheet and compared to applications for progress payment when received by the contractor. Each project will be broken down into account codes and subcodes so that all progress and payments will be tracked in the county accounting system.

The on-site representative will also verify quantities of work completed upon receipt of applications for progress payments. Once the quantities have been verified, the application for progress payment will be processed for payment.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The project will meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community.

1. Sustainability:

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades landscape design will be thoughtful and intentional such that the natural elements will be sustained in the high desert climate. Examples of this include replacing sod with turf lawn to not only improve ease of maintenance but will remove the use of excess water and pesticides. Proper forethought of human behavior can curtail additive pollution, breakdown of natural landscapes, abuse of facilities, and neglect of care. Proper pedestrian access will be achieved via natural walking paths throughout the complex and improved parking lots. Both proper pedestrian access and designated areas for public spectators can better limit erosion of landscapes. In addition, including improved storage sheds will allow for ease of storage and quick access to the equipment needed to maintain the facilities and landscape which will again relieve burdens of care for the complex and aids in better sustainability.

2. Connectivity:

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will support connectivity by connecting members of the community and attracting tourists and visitors from surrounding areas. At its most basic level, the Churchill County youth softball teams, adult softball leagues, and various youth programs will have an improved, safe, and higher quality space to play at. The complex serves as a gateway transition from urban Fallon Nevada to Churchill County and the development of a sky walk will allow the adult and youth fields to safely connect. Furthermore, the complex will become a hot spot that connects children of all ages, families, athletes, nature, and art enthusiasts. Lastly, historical elements, art sculptures, children's play structures and park areas, batting cages, bullpens, splash pads, covered picnicking areas, concessions, and a dozen spectator areas for the softball fields can only produce connections between individuals of varying accessibility levels, ages, and interests.

3. Community:

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will have a direct impact on 9,500 residents within the city of Fallon and a significant impact on the remaining 17,000 residents within the county. The property is located adjacent to the city limits, within a mile and a half

of all city residents, and within 3 miles of 85% of all county residents. The county is predominantly white but has a 15.5% Hispanic, 5.5 Native, 2.9% Asian and 2.9% Black population. The population is also very transient as Churchill County is home to Naval Air Station, Fallon Top Gun, and Elite Navy Seal training grounds. Although this project is focused on conserving the natural historical location that is memorable to many in the community, the project will also allow and draw residents to many safe and accessible areas of activity. For example, community members will be able to enjoy the lifetime sport of softball, advance their athletic abilities and motor skills at the batting cages and bull pens, enjoy the use of the bike and walking pathways that will create a space for those with an appreciation for walking or biking. As a whole, the North Maine Softball Complex will be a center for gatherings and community involvement.

The number of regional travelers will increase the social economic impact through hosting softball tournaments and programs, and the facilities will build stronger communities as well as enhance the quality of life through recreation and outdoor access to open spaces. Prioritizing the creation of healthy outlets within the community will reduce the cost of health care, social services, and police/justice.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

Churchill County will reconstruct three softball fields on 6-acres of County-owned land, and an existing baseball field and open space park land on 7 acres owned by the City of Fallon to provide greater diversity of recreational and outdoor space for the community.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (*Base Bid*)
 - a. Design and construct 15 acres of softball facilities that include a total of 6 playable fields.
 - b. Design and construct 12 spectator areas for safe community viewing per field for a total of 12.
 - c. Design and construct three asphalt parking areas with LED lighting. The three-parking areas will consist of (31,879SF, 78,587SF, 40,674SF).
 - d. Install 4 Children play equipment with safety surfacing.
 - e. Design and install 3 interpretive and historical elements in the park.
 - f. Design and construct pedestrian overpass (for public safety) across US 95 to allow connectivity to adult and youth fields approx. (12ft wide -70ft long).
 - g. Design and construct 4 restrooms, concessions, and equipment storage for city and county maintenance equipment that totals 6,400 sf.
 - h. Install 25 recyclable receptacles.
 - i. Install 2 covered public picnic barbeque areas with picnic tables and benches that will be affixed to the ground.
 - j. Install 10 dog waste receptacles.
 - k. Install multiple bicycle racks to hold up to 10 bikes throughout the facility.
 - l. Install 7 shade structures)20' by 20').

- m. Install multiple security cameras and systems. Quantity and locations of cameras to be determined throughout final design plan with consultation of camera manufacturer.
 - n. Design and construct children's play structures and park areas.
 - o. Design and construct 2 batting cages.
 - p. Design and construct 6 bullpens.
 - q. Design and construct 2 splash pads.
 - r. Installation of utilities (LF of water, sewer and power). All installation of utilities will occur on site and will not have an impact other existing utility easement right-of-way.
2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
- a. Install 3 public art sculptures, sizes vary based on artist (8' to 15' tall and 6' to 15'wide, exact artwork size and configuration is contingent on design.
3. Standard Deliverables:
- a. Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).
 - b. Public scoping with affected stakeholders.
 - c. Developing scopes of work for contractors.
 - d. Preliminary Design of the trail and amenities.
 - e. Surveys as necessary for construction.
 - f. Submitting and obtaining management approval of project documents.
 - g. Environmental Clearances.
 - h. Construction phase.

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 376 N Maine St. (adult softball field), Vacant no address Parcel number 001-051-26 City of Fallon owned, 447 N Maine St. County owned youth softball fields.

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: Churchill County, Nevada:
T19N, R29E, sec. 30, NW1/4SW1/4, NE1/4SW1/4

Parcel Numbers and Current Land Use and Zoning:

- 001-011-03 (owned by City of Fallon) - zoned C-1 and M-1, Land Use 900 (Parks for Public Use),
- 001-051-37 (owned by Churchill County) - zoned C-1 and M-1, Land Use 900
- 001-051-26 (owned by City of Fallon) - zoned RC, Land Use 900 (Parks for Public Use).

Latitude and Longitude: Youth Fields: 39.48003, -118.77659 Adult Fields 39.48085,118.77820

Congressional District(s): Congressional District: NV 2

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1: Complete project workplan, pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM; response to NOI via federal financial assistance application submittal; Sec. 106 compliance/CRINA, obtain SNPLMA NTP; Design and Bid Process
- Year 2: Design and Engineering Documents
- Year 3: Breaking Ground / Construction
- Year 4: Construction/Close Out and Dedication
- Year 5: Project Evaluation and Implementation of Programs

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

The final planning and design will occur in the first year. Once that is complete, the project will be shovel ready.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

No.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Operations and maintenance for this project will be performed by Churchill County and City of Fallon staff using existing equipment, except for a tractor and appurtenances for field turf maintenance. The cost of this equipment is included in the budget for the project. The estimated maintenance and operation costs are \$100,000 - \$120,000 annually. Maintenance of the North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project includes regular trash cleanup, facility maintenance, and as-needed surface maintenance. This project was approved by the Churchill County Commissioners in March 2023.

County acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the County from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the County’s ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$9,947,810.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet which provides a summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 111,412	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ 65,003	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ 3,000	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ 70,000	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 9,678,135	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 9,927,550	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ 20,260	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 9,947,810	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

The project budget takes into consideration the potential for cost escalation, particularly as it relates to construction labor and material costs. The projected budget for the project has included a 4% escalation for labor and material costs in Year 2 and Year 3, which will be the construction period. The budget has also considered the annual cost escalation for county employees at a rate of 2.5% annually. This escalation has also been accounted for in the project budget as part of the project line-item costs.

Churchill County has been working closely with Lumos & Associates to determine budget pricing for the project. As the design and engineering of the project is a part of the proposed grant application, budget pricing, based on the conceptual design was determined using current market pricing in both the public and private sector. Lumos & Associates' decades of experience in this type of work has served in determining the most accurate budget pricing.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

Churchill County has committed \$1.5 million in future loss of revenue for this project as the County will not sell the property.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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Project Manager: Chris Spross, Director of Public Works, Planning & Zoning

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Budget Officer: Sherry Wideman, Comptroller

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. ***The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).***
 The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project improves an existing park and will provide regional recreational opportunities for Northern Nevada, Churchill County and the City of Fallon. The softball fields, picnic areas, playgrounds, and splash parks will be utilized for diverse recreational and educational events. Both properties have served the community for many years, hold historical value, and have created long-lasting memories for families of Churchill County and the City of Fallon.
 - B. ***The project improves community prosperity and economic development.***
 Churchill County is home to multiple recreational opportunities that the North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will also support including Sand Mountain, Lovelock Caves, Grimes Point and the new Numunaa Nobe National Conservation Area. The project will have a significant impact on economic development based on the population of Washoe and Lyon Counties along with numerous Nevada Tribal communities. In addition, this facility will also offer tournaments that will increase the economic environment by increasing fuel, store, restaurant, and hotel sales.
 - C. ***The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.***
 The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project is a unique project as other similar venues in Reno have either become less playable or have closed in recent years. This new facility would become a destination for Northern Nevada residents looking for softball activities which is a lifetime sport. This new facility will encourage softball travelers to bring their entire family as it will support all ages with its multiple play areas for small children and fields for youth and adults.
 - D. ***The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).***
 The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project addresses and improves public health and safety concerns in multiple aspects. This facility will promote fitness and well-being by providing the space for recreational activity. This will reduce both incident and severity of illness which will in turn lower healthcare costs. The facility will also help reduce crime and social dysfunction which will minimize police and justice involvement. Providing recreational activities helps support a healthy lifestyle that supports good physical and mental health. The addition of the connecting overpass from the youth and adult softball fields will reduce the public safety concern of heavy foot traffic crossing a busy road. The overpass will allow a safe way of crossing and reduce the need for traffic control.

- E. ***The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.***

The improvement of the North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will provide Churchill County residents and other communities throughout the state an area to gather and provide a space for sports tournaments and other recreational uses. Churchill County residents will have connectivity to recreational opportunities without the need of long travel or transportation.

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

- A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades, as it stands, has provided the community with a place for softball practice and tournaments and an area for families to gather and spend time outdoors. The improvement of the North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades will enhance and provide the community with an updated and improved space for recreational use.

- B. ***The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades will provide many recreation opportunities such as biking, walking, and sports tournaments and practice. Enhancing this facility and providing the proper maintenance will enhance conservation stewardship by increasing resilience to weather and improving wildlife habitat conditions.

- C. ***The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will utilize a sustainable design that will allow for the conservation of energy and water. The asphalt parking lots will allow for easier accessibility and reduce maintenance, water usage, and emissions by removing the use of motorized equipment for upkeep on gravel parking and walking paths. In addition, low voltage LED lighting systems will be installed in order to provide appropriate visibility throughout the facility and will reduce the amount of energy being used in turn reducing the carbon footprint.

- D. ***The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.***

The design and construction of the North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades will enhance the value and beauty of the softball park by providing an improved space for sports tournaments and practice, walking and biking areas, children's play structures and family picnic and barbecue areas. This will increase the appreciation of the outdoors by providing a space for the community to use and gather.

3. **CONNECTIVITY:** Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. ***The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.***

The project will provide connection to existing trails, parks, and federal lands. Please find the map attached to view connectivity to these locations. These include, but are not limited to:

- Lovelock Cave
- Humboldt Sink
- Numunnaa Nobe National Conservation Area
- Grimes Point Petroglyphs
- Hidden Caves-Sand Mountain
- Lake Lahontan
- Top Gun Raceway
- Rattlesnake Raceway
- Indian Lakes
- Stillwater Wildlife Refuge
- Clan Alpine, Desatoya, and Cain Mountain Wilderness

B. ***The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)***

This project is part of the local and regional plans:

- Churchill County Master Plan
- Churchill Parks and Recreation Board
- Rafter 3C Operations Committee
- Churchill County Youth Softball Association
- Churchill County Commission
- City Of Fallon
- City Of Fallon Adult Softball Association
- Fallon Tourism Board
- Fallon Chamber of Commerce

C. ***The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project is located on the North end of Fallon, centrally located from Lovelock Cave to the North, Lake Lahontan to the West, Clan Alpine Wilderness to the East, and Sand Mountain to the South. Regional visitors will have the opportunity to learn and visit these sites during tournaments as the park will have monuments depicting them and their locations allowing visitors to learn about other natural areas.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

The park will be equipped with educational monuments of cultural locations within the area to help bring awareness and drive locals and visitors to the locations. The county's plan is to name fields and buildings at the parks after local historical and cultural areas.

E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will encourage underserved communities through activities for people from all backgrounds and ages to enjoy. The proposed and current area is a great way for youth and children to interact with the area. The well paved trails and outdoor seating areas will inspire the senior community and those with disabilities to reconnect with nature. The complex will also be a short walk away from the Life Center and a quarter of a mile from the low-income areas of Fallon. Accessibility is an important aspect of the project and ensuring everyone is comfortable is crucial. Everyone, regardless of their socioeconomic status, deserves an opportunity to connect with nature and their communities.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. *The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.*

The project, when complete, will provide a park with recreational opportunities and an inviting environment to enjoy the outdoors for the county residents. The proposed budget of \$9,947,810 is reasonable for a project of this magnitude and its impacts.

B. *Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.*

Within a half mile there is a population of 9,237 and within 65 miles, there is a population of 600,000. Due to the park's large proximity to large populations, many people in and around the community will benefit from this investment.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Churchill County continues to explore strategies to minimize costs of construction, operations, and maintenance. The strategies are incorporated in the design of this project. The project will use materials and components intended to minimize operations and maintenance expenses. The use of the existing natural landscape, identifying amenities to reduce maintenance labor. Materials for the amenities would be of material that is able to withstand the environment of the Desert West. The

project on a site of approximately 15 acres, will be constructed in such a way to reduce maintenance costs on current property.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Currently, Churchill County and the City of Fallon will manage these parks and cover all costs for operations. The local softball associations will assist with running the leagues, field setup and assist with improvements. We will continue to provide financial support with approximately \$250,000 expended in 2023 alone excluding the staff time in planning and design of the proposed project build out.

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will utilize the latest technological advancements to reduce operational costs. This will include energy, emissions, environmental preservation, and water efficiency. The materials used for the project will be good quality, effective but economical. The county will ensure that all amenities provided are ADA compliant, comfortable, safe, and functional. The county standards include amenities to reduce operations and maintenance costs.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

- ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will support EO No. 13855 by taking precautionary measures to reduce wildfire risks.

- ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will support EO No. 14005 as Churchill County staff and those who will be contracted for construction work are American workers.

- ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***

This goal does not apply to this project.

- ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will support EO No. 14072 by strengthening the Nation's communities and local economies by enhancing the current value and natural environment of the property. The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will include a baseball/softball field, automated batting

cages, playground, splash pad and community gazebo with BBQ pits for the community and travelers to enjoy.

- ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***

Churchill County will provide all cultures, races, and ethnicities in the community with protection from environmental and health hazards by providing proper land management and care. The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades will utilize a sustainable design that will support EO No. 14096 and will reduce the amount of energy being used, in turn reducing the carbon footprint.

B. Secretarial Orders

- ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will support SO No. 3347 by providing a space for the community and travelers to engage in recreational supports and a wide array of family activities and community gatherings.

- ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***

While the North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project does not support hunting, fishing, or recreational shooting, the project supports SO No. 3356 by providing water conservation and protecting native plant species on walking paths and trails.

- ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

This goal does not apply to this project.

- ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project supports SO No. 3366 by providing recreational and local event activities including youth soccer, baseball, lacrosse, aquatics, tennis, and social gathering and picnicking.

- ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project supports SO No. 3370 as it will provide baseball/softball fields, a playground, and picnic area where the community and regional travelers can engage in activities in the natural environment. The county will provide the proper maintenance which will increase conservation stewardship by enhancing resilience to weather and improving wildlife habitat conditions.

- ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project supports SO No. 3372 as Churchill County will take the proper measures and precautions to reduce the risk of human-caused fires by providing proper land management and protection.

- ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***

This goal does not apply to this project.

- ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project supports SO No. 3376 by providing biking paths and racks for community members and travelers to use.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will utilize a sustainable design that will allow for the conservation of energy and water. Churchill County will consider all measures during the design phase and consider usage of renewable sources.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.***

This goal does not apply to this project.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will support this goal by creating jobs for the construction and maintenance of the complex. These jobs will support the initiative of conservation and environmental stewardship.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.***

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project supports the goal of conserving at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. One of the ways this project supports that goal is by including measures to preserve water by using turf rather than grass in its design.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.***

Churchill County supports centering equity and environmental justice and believes the North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades project will provide a space for all community members of all backgrounds and physical abilities a place to participate in all levels of recreational activities and sports.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

Churchill County is committed to protecting the community and travelers against COVID-19. The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades will provide an appropriate outdoor space where members can socially distance if need be.

2. *Providing economic relief*

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades will create job opportunities for the construction and maintenance of the project.

3. *Tackling climate change*

The North Maine Softball Complex Upgrades will support tackling climate change by enforcing proper land management and care, and the use of motorized equipment for upkeep on gravel parking and walking paths to reduce emissions.

4. *Advancing racial equity*

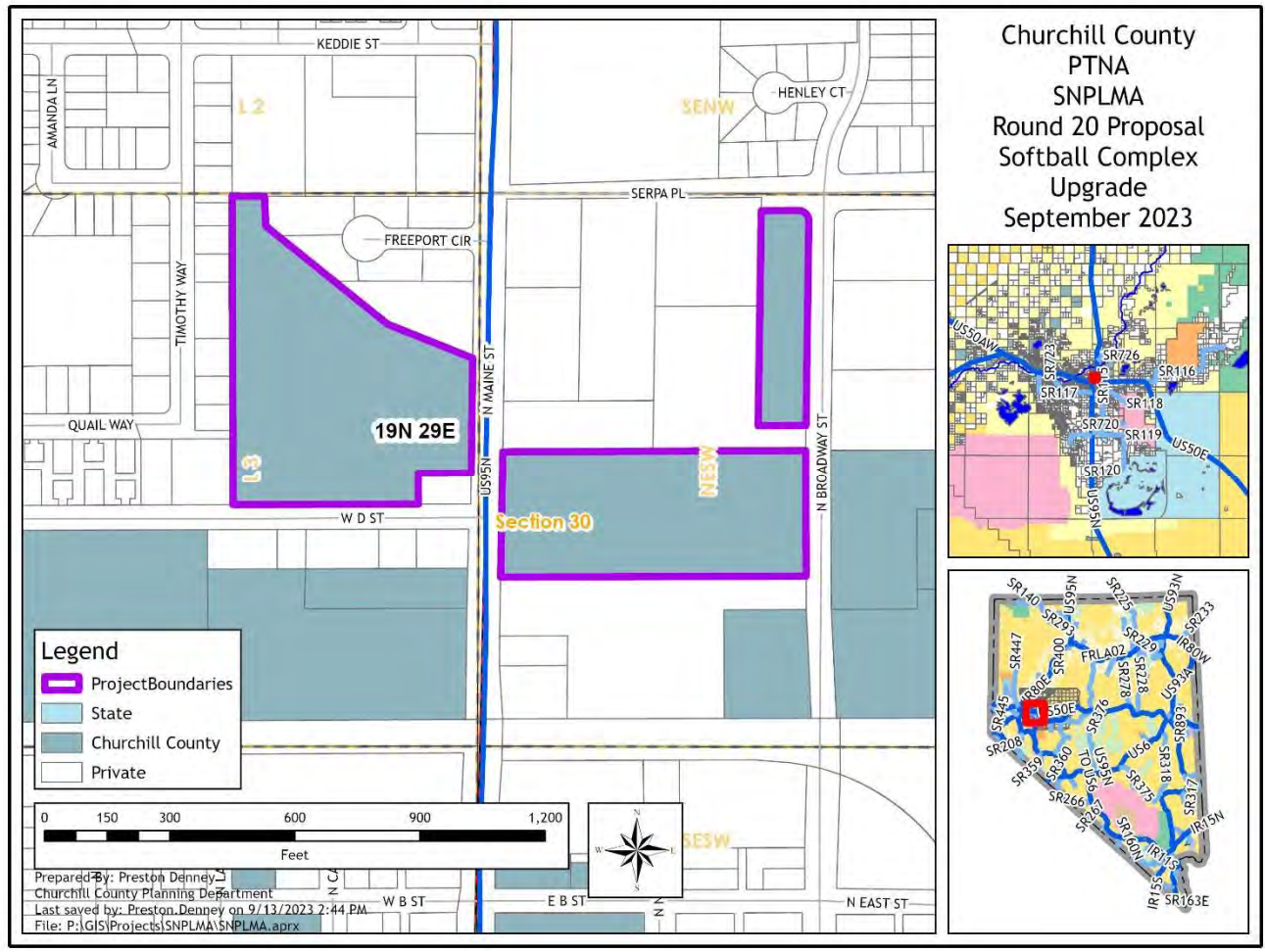
The Softball Park will advance racial equity by providing a space for diverse recreational and educational events for members of all races and backgrounds, and different income levels.

5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

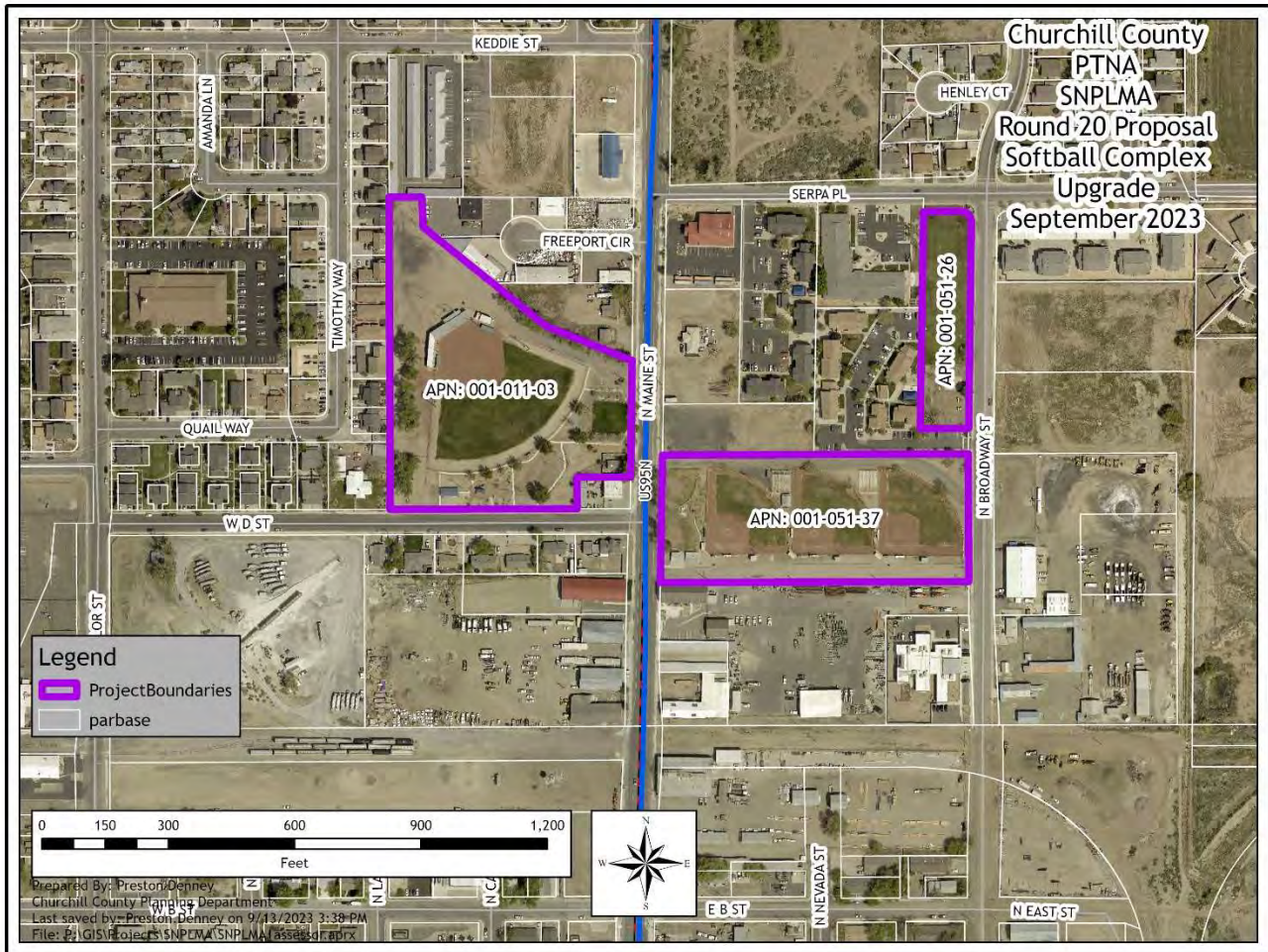
The Softball Park will improve our workforce and work environment by creating new jobs centered around improving the quality of life by providing a space for recreational activities.

M. Maps

LOCATION MAP



COUNTY ASSESSOR PARCEL AERIAL



CONCEPTUAL DRAWING



CHURCHILL COUNTY SOFTBALL COMPLEX UPGRADE



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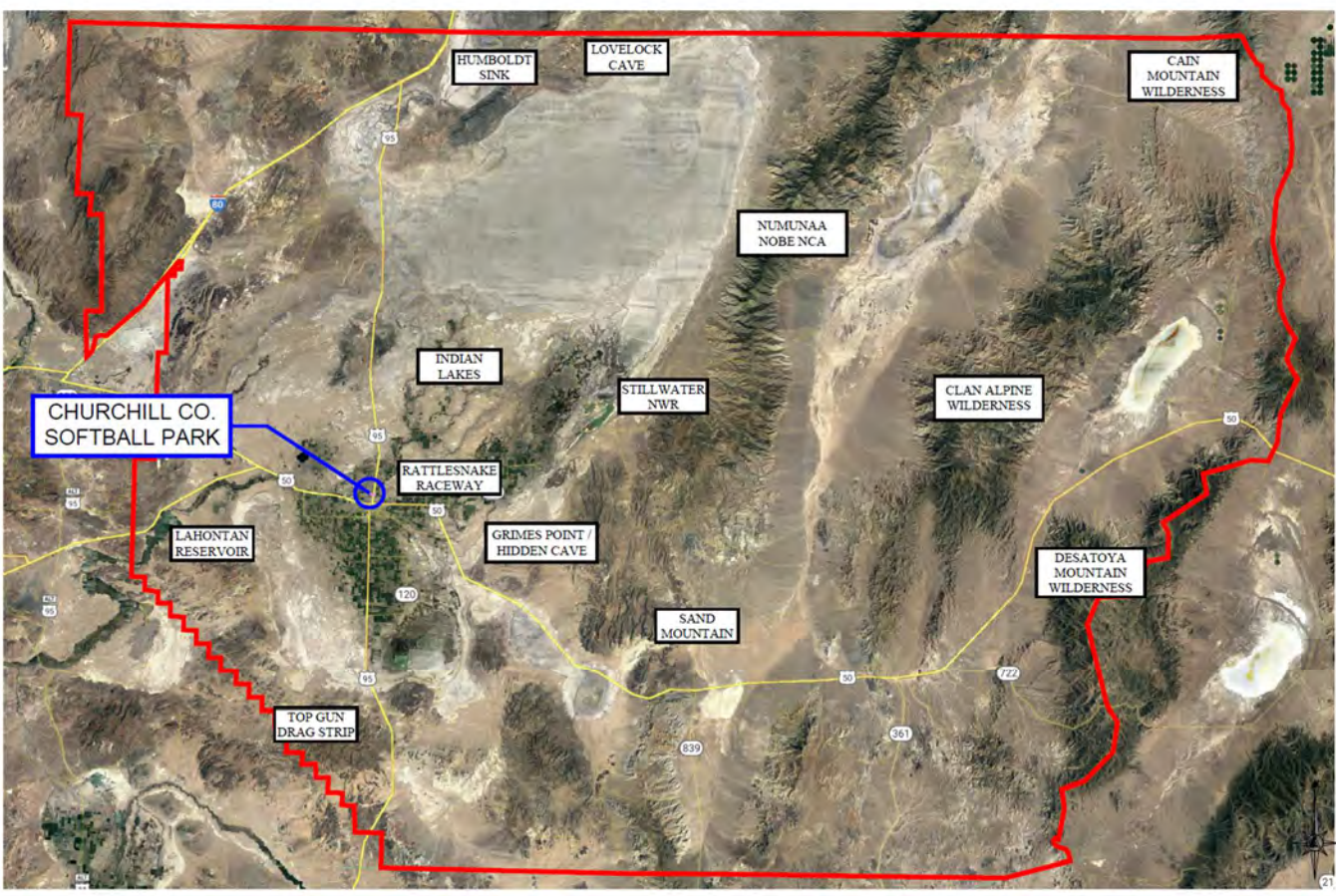
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 PARK, TRAILS AND NATURAL AREAS - ROUND 20

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STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES MAP – CONNECTIVITY



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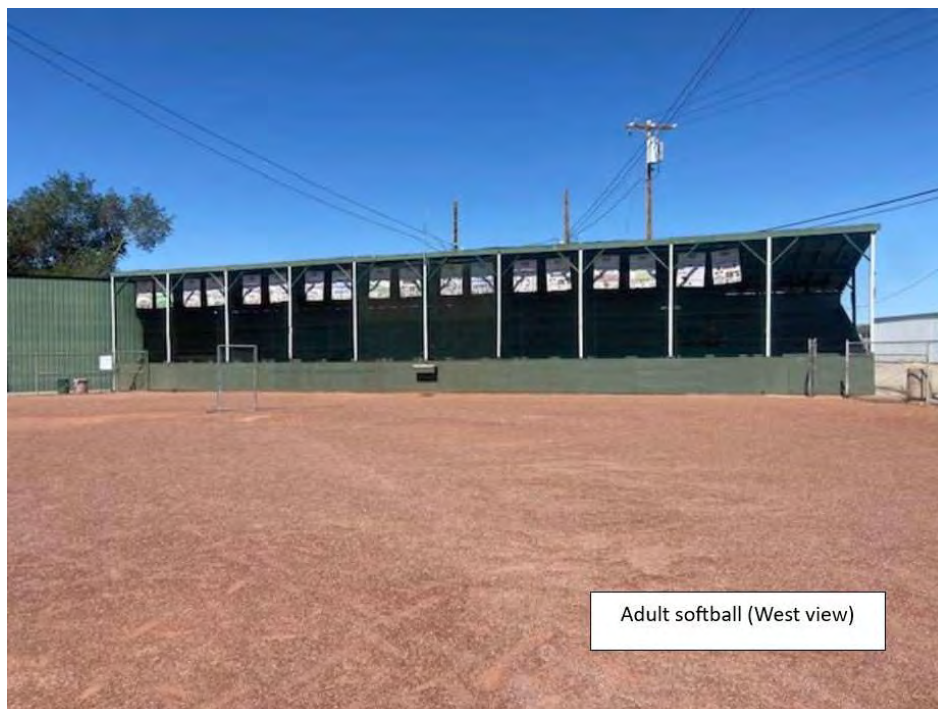
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N. PHOTOS



Adult Softball (North View)



Adult softball (West view)



Adult softball bleachers



Youth softball fields (West View)



O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources		
Performance Measures for Habitat Enhancement	Definition of Performance Measure	Quantity
H9 - Acres of Invasive Plant Species Treated or Restored	<p>*Report the number of acres of weed infestation treated with chemical, mechanical, physical, or biological control agents for the purpose of weed control. Include acres treated by fire when fire is used as a physical control agent for weed control rather than as a hazardous fuels treatment. Each acre treated is counted only once during the life of the project, no matter how many re-treatments occurred during the project.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	15 acres
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
Performance Measures for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	15 acres
R3- Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6.</p> <p><i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	<p><u>Primary Deliverables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 4 Concession, restroom, storage (combined) total 6,400SF ● 6 Ball Fields ● 6 bullpens ● 2 Batting cages ● 12 spectator viewing areas. ● 4 Children play areas. ● 2 Splash pads ● 7 Shade structures 20'x20' ● 2 Community BBQ pits ● 1 Pedestrian overpass anticipated 12ft wide by 70ft long. <p><u>Anticipated Deliverables</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3 Art sculpture

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	<p>*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed.</p> <p><i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i></p>	10 educational interpretive signs throughout the park
O8 – Buildings or Facilities that Support Green Sustainable Design and Construction	<p>*Report the percent reduction in the carbon footprint accomplished through green design, water conservation, energy independence, etc. Report the Leed certification level (silver, gold, platinum), if applicable.</p> <p><i>*Report each building or facility as one unit</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ball fields ● Parking lighting ● Security lighting ● Field houses

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



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Mr. Chris Spross
Director – Public Works, Planning & Zoning
Churchill County
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chris.spross@churchillcountynv.gov

Dear Mr. Spross:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of Churchill County (County) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 5, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

3C Complex Project – This proposal is to develop a plan to revamp the 3C Complex in Fallon, Nevada, to provide sufficient space for construction and installation of large-scale recreational uses and park amenities. The project is proposed on County-owned land identified as APN 006-191-13 (south of Miners Road) and a portion of APN 006-191-01 (north of Miners Road), within M.D.M., T.18N., R.28E., sec. 1, Lot 5 SWNE.

The subsurface mineral estate is federally reserved via Patent No. 5579 issued 1/8/1906. BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3601.71 outline that surface estate owners may only extract, sever, or remove federally-reserved mineral materials from within the boundaries of their surface estate after obtaining a contract or permit from the BLM. Exceptions to this regulation occur when the surface estate owner: (1) uses a minimal amount for their own personal use; (2) has statutory authority to use the mineral materials; or (3) has other express authority to use the mineral materials. Prior to any ground disturbance, the County should coordinate with the BLM to determine if any use authorizations (e.g., Free-Use Permit) would be required. There may also be federal interests or easements held by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) along Miners Road and US-95. The County should coordinate with the Reclamation Lahontan Basin

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Area Office to verify whether ensure no impacts or potential encroachments would result from the proposed project. The project also includes paving a secondary access road for improved ingress/egress from the proposed Miners Road RV Park along Elm Drive, east to the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) highway right-of-way (US-95). The County should coordinate with NDOT on this component of the proposed project. There are no other federal resources adjacent to the proposed project.

Per Appendix A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Softball Complex Upgrade Project – This proposal is to reconstruct three existing softball fields on 6-acres of County-owned land (APN 001-051-37), and an existing baseball field and open space park land on 7 acres (APNs 001-011-03 and 001-051-26) owned by the City of Fallon. The project will provide additional updated ballpark amenities and improve the ballpark complex connectivity in Fallon, Nevada. The proposed project is situated within M.D.M., T. 19 N., R. 29 E., sec. 30, Lot 3 and NESW.

The subsurface mineral estate of City-owned land parcel 001-011-03 is federally reserved via Patent No. 3653 issued 9/24/1896. BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3601.71 outline that surface estate owners may only extract, sever, or remove federally reserved mineral materials from within the boundaries of their surface estate after obtaining a contract or permit from the BLM. Exceptions to this regulation occur when the surface estate owner: (1) uses a minimal amount for their own personal use; (2) has statutory authority to use the mineral materials; or (3) has other express authority to use the mineral materials. Prior to any ground disturbance, the County should coordinate with the BLM to determine if any use authorizations (e.g., Free-Use Permit) would be required. There are no other federal resources adjacent to the proposed project.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office.

Oser Regional Park Reconstruction Project – This proposal is to design, construct, and upgrade 32-acres of park facilities to include sports fields, walking paths, picnic areas, and restrooms situated on the westerly portion of County-owned parcel APN 006-191-01 in Fallon, Nevada, within M.D.M., T. 18 N., R. 28 E., sec. 1, Lot 5.

A portion of the westerly subsurface mineral estate is federally reserved via Patent No. 5579 issued 1/8/1906. BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3601.71 outline that surface estate owners may only extract, sever, or remove federally-reserved mineral materials from within the boundaries of their surface estate after obtaining a contract or permit from the BLM. Exceptions to this regulation occur when the surface estate owner: (1) uses a minimal amount for their own personal use; (2) has statutory authority to use the mineral materials; or (3) has other express authority to use the mineral materials. Prior to any ground disturbance, the County should coordinate with the BLM to determine if any use authorizations (e.g., Free-Use Permit) would be

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If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Terah Malsam, Realty Specialist at 775-885-6153 or tmalsam@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



Kimberly D. Dow
District Manager
Carson City District Office

e-cc: Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division, mleiber@blm.gov

Q. SUPPORT LETTERS

Ken Tedford
MAYOR



August 22, 2023

Kelly Frost
Councilwoman

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Councilman

US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA) Round 20

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Fallon is pleased to commit its support to Churchill County in the Southern Nevada Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Grant application for the Softball Complex project. SNPLMA provides recreation opportunities for the community and its visitors and enhances resources on public lands by providing funding for parks, trails, and natural areas in order to increase outdoor recreation while also protecting and maintaining ecosystems.

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The City of Fallon strongly supports Churchill County in their grant application because we have no doubt that the Softball Complex project will enrich the quality of lives for both city and county residents while also providing a complex that will entice residents of other counties and states to travel to Fallon which will result in a boost to our local economy.

Regards,

Ken Tedford, Mayor
City of Fallon



August 22, 2023

U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
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CC Communications fully supports Churchill County in their grant application and view this project as vital to economic development in the County. CC Communications has deployed Fiber to the Home to over 95% of locations in Churchill County, and the continued success of our company is dependent upon attracting and retaining a skilled workforce. Out of town applicants consistently raise the issue of the lack of high-quality parks and recreation facilities. The designs provided by Churchill County would greatly enhance the quality of life in the County and provide an impactful selling point when businesses seek to attract and retain talent in a rural community.

Sincerely,

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Mark Feest, CEO



Truckee-Carson Irrigation District

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To Whom It May Concern:

The Truckee-Carson Irrigation district is pleased to commit its support to Churchill County in the Southern Nevada Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Grant application for the Softball Complex project. SNPLMA provides recreation opportunities for the community and its visitors and enhances resources on public lands by providing funding for parks, trails, and natural areas in order to increase outdoor recreation while also protecting and maintaining ecosystems.

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Further, we support Churchill County in their grant application because the recreational enhancements will make Churchill County a safer place to live and recreate. All too often we see youth being drawn to recreate in our area's canals and ditches which is a significant safety hazard. It is expected that the additional recreational opportunities will reduce the attraction of the canals and ditches.

Sincerely,

TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT



Benjamin D. Shawcroft
General Manager



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County Manager, Churchill County

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The Churchill Entrepreneur Development Association is pleased to commit its support to Churchill County in the Southern Nevada Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Grant application for the Softball Complex project. SNPLMA provides recreation opportunities for the community and its visitors and enhances resources on public lands by providing funding for parks, trails, and natural areas in order to increase outdoor recreation while also protecting and maintaining ecosystems.

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We at CEDA support Churchill County in their grant application because companies are drawn to communities where there is a vibrant network and infrastructure in place to help small businesses succeed. An increase in outdoor recreation infrastructure means increased support and opportunity for small businesses in Churchill County.

Sara L. Beebe
Sincerely,
Sara L. Beebe
CEDA Director

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Round 20

To Whom It May Concern:

The Fallon Chamber of Commerce is pleased to commit its support to Churchill County in the Southern Nevada Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Grant application for the Softball Complex project. SNPLMA provides recreation opportunities for the community and its visitors and enhances resources on public lands by providing funding for parks, trails, and natural areas to increase outdoor recreation while also protecting and maintaining ecosystems.

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We in the Fallon Chamber of Commerce supports Churchill County in their grant application not only for the community involvement additionally to the financial impact it will have for our community businesses.

Sincerely,

Lucy L. Carnahan
Executive Director
Fallon Chamber of Commerce





U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee
County Manager, Churchill County

September 5, 2023

RE: Letter of Support for Southern Nevada Land Management Act Grant (SNPLMA)
Round 20

To Whom It May Concern:

Churchill County Youth Softball Association is pleased to commit its support to Churchill County in the Southern Nevada Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Grant application for the Softball Complex project. SNPLMA provides recreation opportunities for the community and its visitors and enhances resources on public lands by providing funding for parks, trails, and natural areas in order to increase outdoor recreation while also protecting and maintaining ecosystems.

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CCYSA supports Churchill County in their grant application because we have noticed a significant year over year decline in participation. When interviewing parents that have elected to participate in programs outside of Fallon, such as Reno or Carson City, we have identified three common factors: 1. No indoor practice facilities to support year-round training 2. Limited number of fields to support tournament play 3. Limited entertainment for younger spectators. As a league we have also faced

challenges having to manage our non-profit organization without a designated space to hold meetings and drafts. We have been alternating between pizza parlors and coffee shops with no privacy and limited work space. Our facilities lack storage space which has prevented us from upgrading equipment and stocking the proper amount to support practices and games occurring simultaneously. We feel this grant would allow Fallon's softball organization to compete on the same level as Carson City and Washoe County.

Sincerely,

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Matt Johnson

President CCYSA

CCYSA

Po Box 2255 * Fallon, NV 89407

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U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Jim Barbee, County Manager, Churchill County

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Round 20.

To Whom It May Concern:

Fallon Pop Warner Youth Football and Cheer is pleased to commit its support to Churchill County in the Southern Nevada Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Grant application for the Softball Complex project. SNPLMA provides recreation opportunities for the community and its visitors and enhances resources on public lands by providing funding for parks, trails, and natural areas in order to increase outdoor recreation while also protecting and maintaining ecosystems.

The Softball Complex project focuses on creating outdoor facilities for community enjoyment and will include multiple recreational public use by designing and constructing multiple youth and adult softball fields, splash pads, spectator viewing areas, walking and biking trails, covered barbeque picnicking areas, and children's play areas. This project will allow for additional programs such as softball tournaments, educational events, athletic programs and give Churchill County an accessible location for recreational use. The Softball Complex is a diverse facility allowing activities for all ages while also advancing softball fields to a more sustainable and ecofriendly area. The Softball Complex project will have a direct impact on 9,500 residents within the city of Fallon and a significant impact on the remaining 17,000 residents within the county.

We Fallon Pop Warner Youth Football and Cheer support Churchill County in their grant application because: Churchill County has our strongest possible endorsement and have been a staunch supporter of Fallon Pop Warner since our inception. We have been serving the youth of the City of Fallon and Churchill County since 1989. Our teams include football and cheerleading and we serve on average 200 plus youths a year, ages five through fifteen. One of the unique aspects of Fallon Pop Warner is we do not turn youth or families away due to the inability to pay. We take everyone! Most years 35-50% of our youth need to be sponsored to some degree. We have a love for the game, are passionate about student-athlete development and advancement, while striving for inclusiveness across the Pop Warner Little Scholars national community. We know the value of sports for our youth and strive to be engaged. By creating an environment where everyone is included and successful, our athletes develop strong moral character, experience emotional and behavioral development, which creates strong students, and strong students insure strong adults who are successful members of the community and society.

Sincerely,

Donald A. Kidd Sr., Fallon Pop Warner President

**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
As of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 21

Entity: City of North Las Vegas

Project: Valley View Park Renovation

Section A – Background

This section is incomplete as it does not provide a description about the project site to clarify:

- Site ownership (surface and subsurface), size (in acres), access, existing site facilities, structures, and other uses (e.g., rights-of-way, easements, tenants), type of land use authorization held or to be obtained by entity for use of the site.
- Any claims, restrictions, or interests of other individuals or business in the property (project site) and provide status; and describe abutting landowners.
- Project implementation process and how to determine and measure project purpose with accomplished deliverables to support project completion.

Section C – Purpose Statement

“The City of North Las Vegas requests funding to add essential and modernized amenities to Valley View Park. Amenities include protective barrier iron fencing, a splash pad, dog parks, a playground expansion, an exercise court, an upgraded walking path, covered picnic structures, and solar-powered cameras and lighting. These planned park improvements are necessary for this under-resourced community to have crucial recreational resources close to home. Likewise, completing the project will elevate conditions in this established neighborhood of North Las Vegas and renew a sense of community pride. Elements of the project will address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while supporting the needs of our residents.”

Comment: The nomination must contain a specific statement of the purpose of the project that describes the action to be taken by describing “who, what, where, and why” of the project. Purpose statement must also include complete sentences. Below is a suggested edited Purpose Statement:

The City of North Las Vegas will add essential and modernized amenities to the 5-acre Valley View Park located in a designate Opportunity Zone in North Las Vegas, Nevada. Park amenities will include a splash pad, playground expansion, basketball an exercise courts, upgraded walking path, dog parks, covered picnic areas, park solar-powered lighting and protective barrier iron fencing. The proposed amenities will address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while revitalizing open space and recreational opportunities to address the needs of the community.

Section D – Project Deliverables

Primary Deliverables (itemized below) must be measurable; clarification is needed such as identifying estimated size/capacity and quantities:

1. **Primary Deliverables:** Clarify the proposed playground expansion, splash pad, exercise court, dog parks and multi-purpose sports courts. Are the multi-purposes sports courts the two basketball courts and exercise court described in the background section?
2. **Anticipated Deliverables:** City identifies covered picnic structures as part of the project purpose statement and signage throughout the ranking criteria section which afforded points to the project scoring. City will need to work with the SNPLMA Program Manager to clarify and update project signage and picnic structures from anticipate deliverables to primary deliverables as appropriate.

Section L – Orders and Priorities

City’s “Orders and Priorities” received in December 2023 have been incorporated into the nomination.

Section M – Maps

Comment: Insufficient maps. Nominations are to include a location map, site-specific aerial (County Assessor parcel(s) map), and SNPLMA strategic plan values map(s) depicting how the project promotes sustainability, connectivity and/or community.

In February 2023, the city provided additional maps and photos for consistency with the project nomination package requirements as incorporated into the nomination.

Section O – Performance Measures

City’s “Performance Measures” received in December 2023 have been incorporated into the nomination.

Excel Budget Detail Narrative

Budget detail does not reflect substantial involvement by the city over the project 5-year period of performance. City (recipient) will need to provide an updated budget detail to show its involvement in monitoring, evaluating and reporting project compliance and accomplishments during the project period of performance.

Furthermore, city needs to clarify any non-federal resources associated with park site renovations occurring or planned to occur through other programs such a “Operation Spark” and possibly identify this as a project cost share.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

City of North Las Vegas



Valley View Park Renovation

Amount Requested: \$7,471,227

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of North Las Vegas requests funding to design and renovate the 5-acre Valley View Park located in one of the 8,764 designated Opportunity Zones. Certified by the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, this designation may incentivize private and public investment in economically distressed areas with preferential tax treatment. The Park, located in the heart of the City at 2000 Bennett St., is approximately at Lake Mead Boulevard and Englestad/D Street, situated to the immediate west of the I-15. Constructed in 1965, the Park features:

- Playground w/ sidewalk games
- A Sheltered picnic area and additional picnic areas
- Two Basketball Courts

The project will add a splash pad, a vital amenity offering a cool, fun space for kids to cope with the summer heat. Installing dog parks is also a key amenity for this community, providing a dedicated controlled environment for dogs and dog walkers. A fitness court and walking path grant members of the community exercise resources that may be otherwise inaccessible to them. The multi-purpose courts allow the community to play multiple sports on the same court. Moreover, the project will expand the playground to include safety and accessibility features such as belted and ADA swings, ensuring children of all abilities can play. Also included are two additional picnic structures providing more group gathering space. Including wrought iron fencing as a protective barrier is a low-maintenance and durable method of providing park safety for park patrons. Adding solar-powered security cameras and lighting safety features will deter crime and dissuade property damage. Complementing the Park with monument signage is a low-maintenance enhancement that creates a visual focal point and improves park branding.

The redesign focuses on connecting the surrounding community with the natural environment while highlighting the unique cultural and historical elements found in North Las Vegas. This community has been historically under-resourced. In this census tract, 53% of the residents are in a non-working age group, 75% identify as a minority, 18% live in poverty, and nearly 20% are disabled. Additionally, the high incidence of crime in the area has discouraged residents from using the Park.

The Park enhancements will align with the City's current Park and Recreational Facility Master Plan, developed in 2004. Independent of this project's scope, the City is developing a new master plan. The City will start its citywide strategic planning at the beginning of 2024. Once the strategic plan is complete, the Parks and Recreation Master Plan will commence, likely in late 2024, with an anticipated completion date in 2025. This plan will consider the evolution of communities throughout North Las Vegas. The planning process will engage the public, City staff, and elected officials in creating a vision for the Park to best serve the diverse recreational needs of the community as part of the City's entire park system. The goal is to renew a sense of community pride by elevating park conditions and increasing recreational activities.

The project implementation will include crucial steps to ensure adherence to federal terms and conditions and successful scope completion. Implementation activities include the following:

1. Finalize project scope and set deliverables
2. Develop a timeline and prepare for risks through the SMART workplan
3. Project planning
4. Monitor adherence to the cooperative agreement terms
5. Execute plan
6. Monitor performance,
7. Report programmatic and financial updates
8. Adjust the plan or take corrective action when necessary

Significant milestones for the Park Improvements consist of the following over the project performance period of five years. Some milestones require collaborating with other federal and local agencies or entities to meet milestones.

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Receive Cooperative Agreement Compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA Compliance with Section 107 of NEPA	Receive Notice to Proceed Project Planning Issue Contract for Design, Engineering, or Construction	Obtain Permitting Issue construction contract Procure contracts	Construction Phase Final Construction and Build-out	Final Construction and Build-out Project Final Acceptance Project Closeout

The City has the organizational capacity and capability to support this project. The City's Grants Development and Administration Department (GDA) and Finance Department will provide fiscal oversight, including financial management and reporting. GDA currently administers over 100 active grant awards and subawards for the City, totaling more than \$150 million. The City uses accounting and financial management, project management, and grant administration systems to track financial and performance progress. Parks and Recreation will be responsible for the execution and delivery of the project's scope. The Director and Deputy Director lead the team and bring extensive specialized expertise in parks and nature projects, having direct involvement in many SNPLMA projects. The City's internal controls ensure adherence to the cooperative agreement and federal regulations.

In addition, the City's reestablished the Parks, Trails, and Open Space Task Force. The task force consists of key members of various departments associated with the project. The group will meet regularly to discuss project performance.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

NL11-Priority 5-30 funded the renovating and updating basketball courts and playground structures.

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:

The City acknowledges there is no guarantee or expectation of funding for future phases and that the proposed additions are stand-alone projects that the City can scale.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The proposed project will promote PTNA's goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community as described below.

1. Sustainability:

The Park improvements will expand the City's shade canopy. This is essential to counter the heat island effect. This location regularly records temperatures at least two degrees hotter than other areas of the valley. The lighting will be solar powered and will utilize black lights to reduce the light pollution. The parks trees and plants will aid in decreasing air pollution and encourage native flora to grow.

Water reclamation is a primary benefit of the splash pad design. Water is released into a drain and recirculated, reducing water waste. The splash pad design is one of the measures in the City's comprehensive approach to conserving water usage from Lake Mead.

Working out at a neighborhood park is a great way to connect with neighbors and help the environment. The fitness equipment in the fitness circuit does not require electricity, which saves on carbon emissions. The proposed amenities will incorporate durable and environmentally conscious options that reduce long-term costs, contribute to park sustainability, and counter climate change effects.

2. Connectivity:

The City of North Las Vegas is working to connect our community to unique outdoor places in North Las Vegas and throughout southern Nevada, creating a community that enjoys, values, and protects these recreational and cultural resources. The communities that surround the Park are historically excluded and underinvested.

The Park's proximity to the Zion Methodist Church Community Garden is significant because the Park's improvements will further encourage community access to STEM training and educational programming at Zion's Community Garden. Valley View Park is a couple blocks away from the city-funded community garden. Residents have many opportunities, including learning about gardening, solar-efficient energy sources, and growing their produce. The connection to this garden is important to members of the adjacent neighborhoods as it provides access to fresh produce for this impoverished area.

3. Community:

Neighborhood parks play an invaluable role in connecting residents by creating a space for community members to congregate safely and enjoy nature; kids can play under their parent's watchful eye, and community members can improve their health, all within a

relaxing environment. They provide vegetation buffers for development. Parks promote person-to-person connection as well as person-to-park connection. For the community to reap the benefits of parks and recreation areas fully, these places must have attractive designs, accessible amenities, and play areas for everyone.

In urban areas, community parks may be one of the only options for residents to enjoy nature and be active. A walking path provides a passive recreational opportunity, while the fitness court promotes a dynamic activity. The splash pad will appeal to children of varying ages, and dog parks offer a safe place where dogs can exercise and dog walkers can socialize with fellow dog walkers and owners. In addition to the variety of amenities, parks are beneficial in other ways:

- Contribute to community identity
- Appeal to all ages
- Contribute to the health and wellness of a community
- Create valuable green space

Building connections to and among the City's parks and trails system creates spaces where families can strengthen their ties to one another and weave together the fabric of our community.

The addition of these amenities serves to increase park visits in numbers, demographics, and populations by providing access to amenities of high-quality parks. The proposed new amenities will provide equitable access and remove barriers for park users. The features can also improve public health, promote social skills, and strengthen physical and cognitive development. Protecting our human, natural, and park resources is paramount and strengthens community spirit and pride.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The City of North Las Vegas requests funding to add essential and modernized amenities to Valley View Park. Amenities include protective barrier iron fencing, a splash pad, dog parks, a playground expansion, an exercise court, an upgraded walking path, covered picnic structures, and solar-powered cameras and lighting. These planned park improvements are necessary for this under-resourced community to have crucial recreational resources close to home. Likewise, completing the project will elevate conditions in this established neighborhood of North Las Vegas and renew a sense of community pride. Elements of the project will address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while supporting the needs of our residents.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (*Base Bid*)
 - a. Install 3,200 to 4,000 of protective iron fencing
 - b. One splash pad
 - c. Install a playground expansion with one to two ADA swings
 - d. Two dog parks (large and small dogs)
 - e. One exercise court

- f. One to two multi-purpose sports courts
 - g. .25 to .50 miles upgraded walking path
 - h. Two to five solar powered security cameras/lighting
2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
- a. Replace monument park signage
 - b. Add historical and environmental interpretive signage
 - c. Add two covered picnic structures
3. Standard Deliverables:
- a. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
 - b. Section 107 NEPA
 - c. Public scoping with affected stakeholders
 - d. Project Planning
 - e. Engineering design and construction
 - f. Bidding and negotiating
 - g. Permitting
 - h. Construction
 - i. Close-out

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 2000 Bennett Street, North Las Vegas, NV 89030

Legal Description:

- Valley View EST Unit #2, Lot:9
- T-R-S:20-61-22
- Parcel Number(s): 13923299035
- Current Land Use and Zoning: Incorporated Clark County (INCORP) – Single Family Low Density (R-1)
- Classification: Redevelopment Area / Downtown Core (R-A DC)

Latitude and Longitude: 36.19916604844, -115.11191527474328

Congressional District(s): District NV-04

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME- UPDATING

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award.
Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

Year 1: Receipt of financial instrument and Project Planning

- City Council approval of project funding – 2 months after receipt of financial instrument
- Project Planning - Months 3 -12 will include the consultant selection, completed Master Plan and city approvals.

Year 2: Design

- Construction documents and specification creation and completion – months 1-8
- City approvals, contractor bidding, and awarding construction – months 9-12

Year 3: Construction

- Pre-construction/mobilization – months 1-2
- Construction – months 2-12

Year 4: Final Construction Project Close-out

- Complete construction months – 1-2
- Substantial completion to project completion – months 2-3

Year 5: Project Close-out

- Close-out project – months 3-6

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

The North Las Vegas City Council authorized staff to nominate this project for Round 20 funding, and the City has qualified personnel on staff to begin implementing this project within one year of the Special Account Funds Notice.

Have you applied, received, or is there an opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

The City does not have any anticipated funds for this project.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The City of North Las Vegas will continue to fund the Park's long-term operation and maintenance (O&M). The maintenance costs include routine park maintenance such as mowing and landscaping, trash removal, graffiti removal, sweeping, and minor repairs. The City's Parks Services division estimates the cost of O&M for all parks and trains annually. Planning new projects and estimating costs associated with the latest projects, including construction, operation, and maintenance, is performed by professional staff and subject matter experts from the City's Land Development Department, Parks and Recreation Department, and Public Works Department. These three departments comprise the City's Park Planning Taskforce, a collaborative process for long-range park planning. New projects are incorporated into the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The CIP is the proposed plan for significant public facility improvements that the city will implement over the next five years. The CIP includes operation and maintenance budget impacts for five fiscal years. The CIP is updated annually and adopted by the City Council.

The City acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the City from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party, nor can such agreements abdicate the City's ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$7,471,227.

Summarized below are the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the "Project Budget Detail & Narrative" spreadsheet that provides the budget summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 25,000	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ 2,500	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 7,435,895	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 7,463,395	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ 7,832	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 7,471,227	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

The City considered multiple factors including reduced maintenance costs and non-monetary benefits in the projects analysis process. Members of the adjacent neighborhoods and schools are the primary stakeholders of Valley View Park. The Park has supported community members for over four decades but needs essential and contemporary amenities available in high-quality parks and higher-income areas.

The benefits of social, environmental, and health and wellness outweigh the financial costs. The proposed projects will significantly promote social interactions and encourage passive and active physical activities for community members of all ages and abilities. Such actions curtail stress, improve cognitive function, reduce healthcare costs, and improve quality of life.

Access to well-equipped green spaces is vital to this under-resourced community where paying gym memberships may be considered an unreasonable expense. The immediate environment also benefits from ecosystem services such as air purification, noise reduction, and temperature regulation.

A professional planner developed the park concepts and provided the cost projections considering the above factors. The projections consider inflation; however, market conditions at the time of construction will determine actual pricing.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

The Park with support programming in conjunction and partnership with Zion Church's Community Garden, STEM, Urban, Agriculture and Technology Center

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project.

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.

- A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

The Southern Nevada Strong Plan identified "Support existing public amenities (parks) as a key challenge to the region. Insufficient park access: The region has one of the lowest parks-per-capita ratios in the country. Compared to other Intermountain West metropolitan areas, the region had the highest rate of diabetes and people reporting fair or poor health. Residents were less likely to exercise than were residents of other Intermountain West communities.

There are 16 food deserts in Clark County. Convenience and fast-food outlets are more accessible than grocery stores in several regional locations. The plan supports initiatives

that address access to healthcare, healthy food, parks, and community services by prioritizing access to parks, open spaces, recreational facilities, and opportunities for physical exercise.

The Southern Nevada region is characterized by regional inequalities, with community risk heavily concentrated in some neighborhoods. In addition, the area has higher than average crime and substance abuse rates, which can negatively affect neighborhoods.

Valley View Park is located in the City of North Las Vegas, where individuals live below the poverty level. Most of North Las Vegas is a qualifying disadvantaged community, as the CEJST indicates. Apartment complexes and high-density housing comprise most of the service neighborhood, leaving minimal outdoor space for our residents. These factors make parks vital to the City's communities that have been historically under-resourced in healthy food options and park amenities. The selected amenities are deserving for the local communities, providing essential enhancements and greater access to recreational opportunities. This project will take action to address park equity by incorporating amenities that are available in higher-income neighborhoods.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

We have always known that local parks and Recreation add significant value and benefits to their communities regarding Health and Wellness, Equity, and Conservation. Beyond that, local park and recreation agencies and their dedicated staff are also engines of economic activity in their communities.

Parks provide intrinsic environmental, aesthetic, and recreational benefits to North Las Vegas. They are also a source of positive economic benefits. Improved and well-maintained parks can and do attract more visitors, which in turn can boost local businesses. This project can enhance property values in the adjacent neighborhoods, which has the propensity to entice homebuyers. Modernizing Valley View Park with essential and aesthetically pleasing amenities such as decorative fencing, splash pad, and dog parks can attract those looking to invest in this designated Opportunity Zone.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

The proposed new amenities will renew the Park's interest with inviting and aesthetically pleasing spaces. Valley View Park has serviced the surrounding neighborhoods over four decades. The project renovations and enhancements are crucial for this area, with about 18% of people living below the poverty. Almost 20% of the population is disabled and or without health insurance. For many residents, the Park is the only public green space accessible within a 10-minute walk. Adding water play areas is particularly necessary during summer when excessive heat is prevalent. Access to green spaces offers substantial health benefits and promotes public health for our residents, especially those in low-income and disadvantaged neighborhoods.

Furthermore, increased park usage discourages homelessness and other unwanted activity. The City is taking incremental steps to achieve an equitable balance of park amenities in our parks. Implementing the proposed changes are actions that help us do such.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s)*

Regular physical activity is one of the most important things a person can do for their health. The benefits of physical activity include controlling weight, reducing the risk of cardiovascular disease, reducing the risk of Type 2 diabetes, reducing the risk of some cancers, strengthening bones and muscles, and improving mental health and mood. It is estimated that 65% of American adults are overweight or obese.

Encouraging our residents to adopt a healthy lifestyle is an essential goal of the City of North Las Vegas. In addition to providing parks and trails, the City partners with Southern Nevada Health District and other local jurisdictions to promote the Neon to Nature program. Neon to Nature is an online tool and app that encourages users to Escape, Explore, and Enjoy the Valley's outdoor opportunities. The program helps locate walking and bicycling opportunities throughout southern Nevada. Walking is inexpensive and one way to meet the recommended minimum daily exercise. The City will elevate health equity through parks and recreation.

The upgraded walking path will be visually pleasing and encourage walkers to set walking goals with distance markings. Wrought iron fencing allows parents to maintain visibility while providing a protective barrier. The fencing contains children within a safe space and prevent them from wandering into potential danger zones. Moreover, it also safeguards parkgoers from possible incidents such as when vehicles breach the sidewalk due to accidents. Security cameras and lighting are essential for several reasons. They provide adequate lighting for better visibility, deter unwanted activity, and provide parkgoers with a sense of safety and peace of mind.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

In the United States, people of color and low-income communities need more opportunities to experience first-rate parks and Recreation because the resources do not exist near them or are not inclusive. Adding these amenities strengthens the City's culture and practice to center park equity.

North Las Vegas is the most ethnically and racially diverse City in Clark County, with the highest Hispanic, African American, and Other Race percentages. The 2010 U.S. Census reported North Las Vegas' racial makeup consists of 47.4% Caucasian, 19.9% African American, 6.3% Asian, 20.6% all other said races, 5.8% multiple races, and 38.8% of any race identifying as Hispanic. North Las Vegas residents also have the youngest median age at 30.4 years. Our culturally diverse City is home to young populations with large families.

Valley View Park is located in Census Tract 37, Clark County, Nevada. The average household size in North Las Vegas is 3.2 persons per household, which is higher than the Clark County average of 2.7 persons per household. North Las Vegas has the highest percentage of households with children in Clark County at 48%, compared to Clark County at 35%, Las Vegas at 36% and Henderson at 31%. Adding enhanced and inclusive amenities such as a playground, splash pad, and dog parks is vital to the quality of life for residents in Census Tract 37.

Additional Census Tract 37 stats include:

- 18.1% (+/-9.9%) of the population had an income below the poverty level in the past 12 months,
- 67.5% (+/- 11.8%) of population enrolled in K-12 grade as compared to 75.2% (+/-1.1%) in Clark County
- 19.2%(+/-5.2%) of the population is disabled as compared to 13.9% (+/-0.4%) in Clark County
- 42.9% (+/- 7.3 %) of households speak English less than very well
- 17.8% (+/- 5.1 %) of the population is 65 and over

<https://censusreporter.org/profiles/14000US32003003700-census-tract-37-clark-nv/>

2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. *The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.*

Most adults agree that it is essential for children and young adults to learn about the environment and understand how their contributions promote good environmental stewardship. The City believes we can be a leading provider of programs and spaces where the members of our community can learn and connect with nature.

CNLV's City parks connect our residents to the natural landscape, recreational activities, and on-site community gatherings. The interpretive signage will unite historical and cultural elements. StoryWalks will periodically rotate topics on the environment, culture, and community history. Residents can access additional resources that provide educational information using a displayed QR code. Incorporating interpretive signage will enhance residents' perception of Valley View Park and draw attention to its history and environmental impacts. Community members and visitors will better appreciate the Park through the story the signage portrays.

B. *The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.*

The proposed additions and enhancements will encourage individuals and families with children of all ages to utilize the Park more frequently, with increased access to amenities that support the residents. While allowing for these upgrades and enhancements, the project also highlights resource conservation regarding water and electrical efficiency through water-smart landscaping ideals, smart irrigation controllers, and LED lighting fixtures. This project intends to encourage park attendees to, in turn, adopt these principles in their own homes – whether through xeriscape installation or the conservation of electrical energy since the landscaping within the Park will be designed with water and energy conservation at the forefront, thereby lessening both during normal park usage. Park improvements contribute to the positive image of a community and encourage volunteerism.

C. *The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water, and materials.*

The City's park design concepts incorporate eco-friendly elements and sustainable materials. These elements help conserve local ecosystems and educate visitors about the importance of environmental stewardship. The StoryWalks will use stories on topics such as sustainability, conservation, and recycling to inform patrons. Stories change throughout the year, peaking readers' interest while expanding their knowledge. The project elements also consider water conservation and sustainable materials. Playground structures are selected based on durable construction materials to prolong their usable lifecycle. The water play area is designed for water recirculation that is reclaimed and returned to Lake Mead. Moreover, plans are in place to convert the park turf from Fescue turf to Bermuda turf, which is drought-resistant and requires significantly less water. Incorporating sustainable design principles into the City's goals is critical to ensuring long-term environmental health and resilience.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

The City's parks play an essential role in creating an enriching experience that fosters an appreciation of the natural environment. The Neon to Nature is an online tool and app that encourages park users to Escape, Explore, and Enjoy the Valley's outdoor opportunities. Schools and community groups engage with the natural environment of the City's parks. Implementing the proposed amenities will entice community engagement in the green spaces. Valley View's Park renovations will protect and enhance the recreation experience by creating an environment that encourages interaction, understanding, and appreciation of the natural surroundings. Marked walking path with StoryWalks and interpretive signage is one way of helping visitors gain a deeper understanding of the natural environment, creating a more enriching experience.

3. CONNECTIVITY: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

The City of North Las Vegas encourages residents to transition from urban to beautiful natural landscapes. Residents can use one of many of the City's trail networks to explore and create an individualized adventure. The expansive Las Vegas Wash Trail stretches nearly 15 miles through three jurisdictions and is mainly an off-street urban trail that connects residents to the City's regional Park and the Clark County Wetlands Park. Parks provide a stopping place with rolling terrain, community gardens, athletic fields, sports courts, and themed playgrounds. Valley View Park is approximately half a mile from the 5th Street trail, easily accessible by a short bike ride or extended walk.

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Valley View Park was established in 1965 and has been an integral part of its neighboring community. The Park aligned with the Park's master plan at its establishment time. The City recognizes inequities in community parks and is addressing this imbalance. Operation Sparkle is the City's park renovation initiative intended to make specific and targeted changes to improve park conditions in mature communities. Such improvements include but are not limited to replacing and planting more trees, improving security lighting, and adding a splash pad, playground, and dog parks. Completing the City's Parks and Recreation master plan will provide long-term vision for park development and maintenance. The comprehensive plan, expected to begin after the City's Strategic Plan is complete in 2024 will outline the City's goals and strategies for individual communities and the City at large.

C. *The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.*

The ideal park system for the City of North Las Vegas comprises a hierarchy of park types, including neighborhood, community, regional, and special-use parks. Each park type offers different levels of recreation facilities, site amenities, and open space opportunities. Separately, each park type may serve only one primary function and specific geographic area, but collectively, they serve the needs of the City.

D. *The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.*

Opportunities are boundless for park visitors to interact with nature and enjoy the outdoor experience at the City's parks and nature trails. Some parks feature themed play areas that create a unique interaction experience, while others feature ball diamonds and spacious fields for group sports. Parkgoers can indulge in passive activities such as walking or dog walking. The City's parks are intended to capture its diverse community audience. The project's new amenities and the initiatives of Operation Sparkle will revive interest and engagement in Valley View Park, an experience that will help residents connect with nature and other people.

E. *The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.*

The proposed improvements and amenities promote retaining parkgoers by providing a more comprehensive, family-oriented, or individualized experience. The new additions to the Park will focus on bringing access to amenities that one might find in modern urban parks and addressing public health concerns. With these improvements, all of which will be available to the community free of charge, the City will be able to reach the economically disadvantaged surrounding community with little or no access to water play, exercise equipment, playgrounds, and safe gathering places.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

The projected design and construction budget of \$7,471,227 is in keeping with similar projects in the region and will be accomplished in phases. The cost estimate was prepared by a professional staff with years of park project planning and budgetary experience.

B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

The City's community parks have been the center of recreation programming for the surrounding community, which has a large minority population and is underserved in recreational opportunities and facilities. Residents use the Park as many of the surrounding homes do not have spacious properties for recreational activities. Furthermore, the park offers larger gathering spaces for family and community events, such as birthday and church events. Valley View Park is an integral neighborhood park as the next closest neighborhood parks is almost two miles away and separated by two major arterial roads and the I-15 freeway. There are several primary schools within walking distance to the park and over three thousand residents that can access the park within a 10-minute walk.

When fully completed, this proposed project will add critical amenities that will allow the neighborhood parks to continue to establish themselves as a greenspace haven for the community to congregate, focusing on health, wellness, and outdoor activities for all ages. Additionally, the project will address safety, access, and public health concerns.

C. ***The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.***

The City of North Las Vegas prioritizes park designs that minimize future maintenance and replacement costs and will utilize durable and sustainable techniques and products. An example of this priority is the project specs calling for LED lighting, which is more efficient and less frequently needing replacement. Additionally, the city will be installing new or converting existing grass to Bermuda grass, which is more water efficient. Also, the City of North Las Vegas preventative maintenance calls for periodic coating of the safety playground surfacing and regular sealing of the asphalt areas, thereby extending useful life by 3-6 years.

D. ***Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).***

There are no additional funding sources identified for this project at this time.

E. ***Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).***

City Park Improvements will reduce operation and maintenance costs by using durable and sustainable materials, including pouring rubberized surfacing on the

playground. Such measures increase its lifeline while providing a safe and level playing surface. Installing concrete site furnishings reduces maintenance as they have a longer lifespan than metal site furnishings. Using solar-powered energy assists in reducing energy costs while providing sustainable solutions like the reduction of conduit metal to address challenges. Furthermore, City plans to convert all remaining parks from Fescue turf to Bermuda turf, which offers significant water efficiency.

I. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

- ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***
N/A
- ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***
The City strives to use American-made products throughout its park system. Benches, picnic tables, and grills are all made in America, as is most of the playground equipment. The shade fabrics are all American-made, while the landscaping rock and Bermuda turf is mined/grown locally.
- ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***
N/A
- ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***
Valley View Park is critical to the health, prosperity, and resilience of its neighboring community. The Park's green space, amenities, and biodiversity provides clean air, water, and sustain plant life. These elements play a chief role in combating the effects of climate change. Climate-smart stewardship is central to the City. The Park's improvements advance community partnerships, economic development and social well-being.
- ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***
The City endeavors to provide equal access to a healthy recreational environment regardless of background or socio-economic status to all residents. Valley View Park renovations help to preserve acres of green open space, add absent amenities, and meet unfulfilled needs for parks and natural areas in the City of North Las Vegas. The City considers the collective impact of environmental exposures on communities and work to prevent environmental hazards. Furthermore, the project fosters active participation and engagement with residents.

B. Secretarial Orders

- ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***
Dog parks, a splash pad, and multi-purpose fitness courts are park enhancements and additions that will encourage residents of all ages to utilize the park more frequently. Features such as smart irrigation, and lighting fixtures highlight resource

conservation. The City will incorporate StoryWalks as a way to provide educational information on the environment, culture, and community history. The project is intended to encourage park attendees to, in turn, adopt these principles in their own homes – whether through xeriscape installation or the conservation of electrical energy since the landscaping within the park will be designed with water and energy conservation at the forefront, thereby lessening both during normal park usage. Park improvements contribute to the positive image of a community and encourage volunteerism.

- ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***
N/A
- ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***
N/A
- ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***
N/A
- ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***
N/A
- ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***
N/A
- ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition).***
N/A
- ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***
N/A

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters.*** *We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.*
N/A
2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*
N/A
3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*
N/A
4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*
The City's design standards have established construction and park maintenance standards that focus on conservation, sustainability and durability. As it relates to the conservation of water, the City utilizes Bermuda turf-grass for the active areas of parks, which is hardier than other types of turf and utilizes substantially less water throughout the year.

Additionally, the City has embarked on a long-term project with the Southern Nevada Water Authority, reducing turf areas throughout the park system by identifying areas of turf that are not being used for active play and replacing these areas with drought-resistant plant materials.
5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.*

The City of North Las Vegas recognizes that historical inequities in our community exists and is making targeted efforts to promote inclusiveness and create equitable access to recreational and natural environments. Neighborhood parks like Valley View play an invaluable role in connecting residents of all backgrounds and abilities. The Park amenities strengthens the City's culture and practice to center park equity. Valley View has serviced its adjacent neighborhoods since 1965. The enhancements will bring access to amenities available in other City's parks while addressing public health concerns. Park improvements such as increased safety and security measures, modernized amenities, and new recreational opportunities are measures that are essential to ensure neighborhoods in the City thrive.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

N/A

2. *Providing economic relief*

N/A

3. *Tackling climate change*

Park improvements such as solar-powered security cameras and lighting highlight resource conservation. Additionally, the installation of Bermuda grass is more water efficient and reduces the burden on Lake Mead, while the splash pad design will minimize water usage by incorporating direct to sewer drainage which reclaims collected water. Trees and new shade structures will offer shade and cooler temperatures, reducing the heat island. The City's park design standards address sustainability, public health, and safety concerns while supporting the needs of our residents. All Park assets that support sustainability and prevent climate change funded through this opportunity are detailed in the deliverables section of this application.

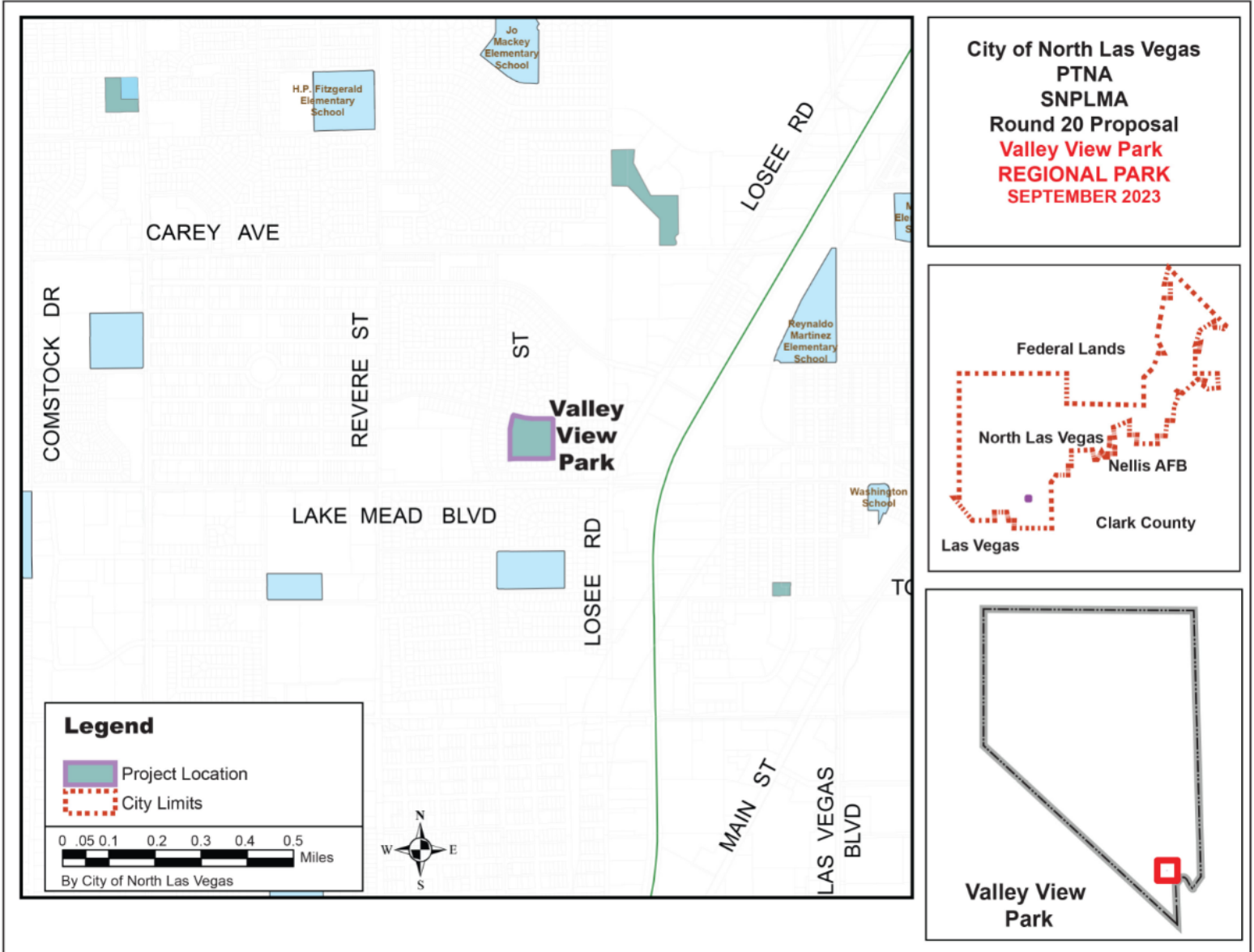
4. *Advancing racial equity*

North Las Vegas is an ethnically and racially diverse city within Clark County, with high percentages of Hispanic or Latino and Black or African American residents. The 2020 U.S. Census reported North Las Vegas' racial makeup consists of 24.5% White; 21.4% Black or African American; 6.4% Asian; 5.2% two or more races; and 40.7% Hispanic or Latino. The City's Minority-Majority population is distributed throughout the community. Creating additional recreational amenities in existing and developing areas of the City is key to ensuring historically underserved communities have better access to a wide range of recreational activities.

5. *Improving our workforce and work environment.* N/A

M. MAPS

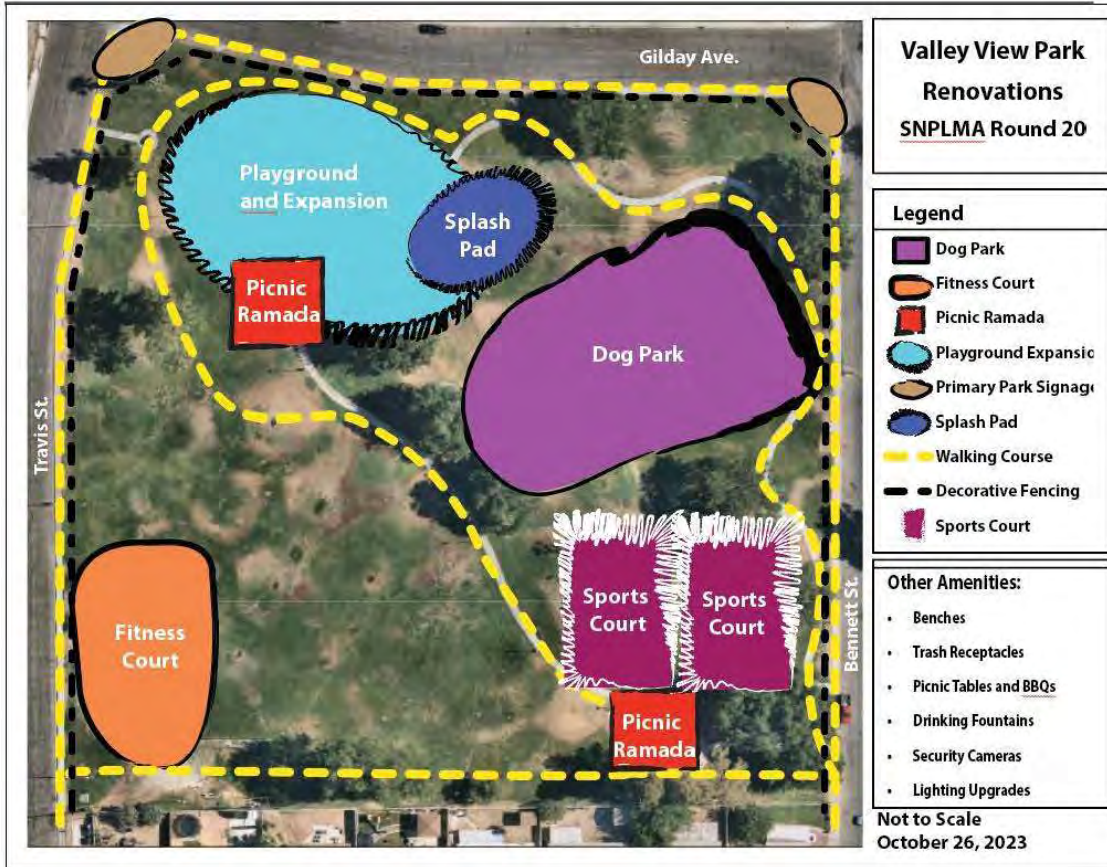
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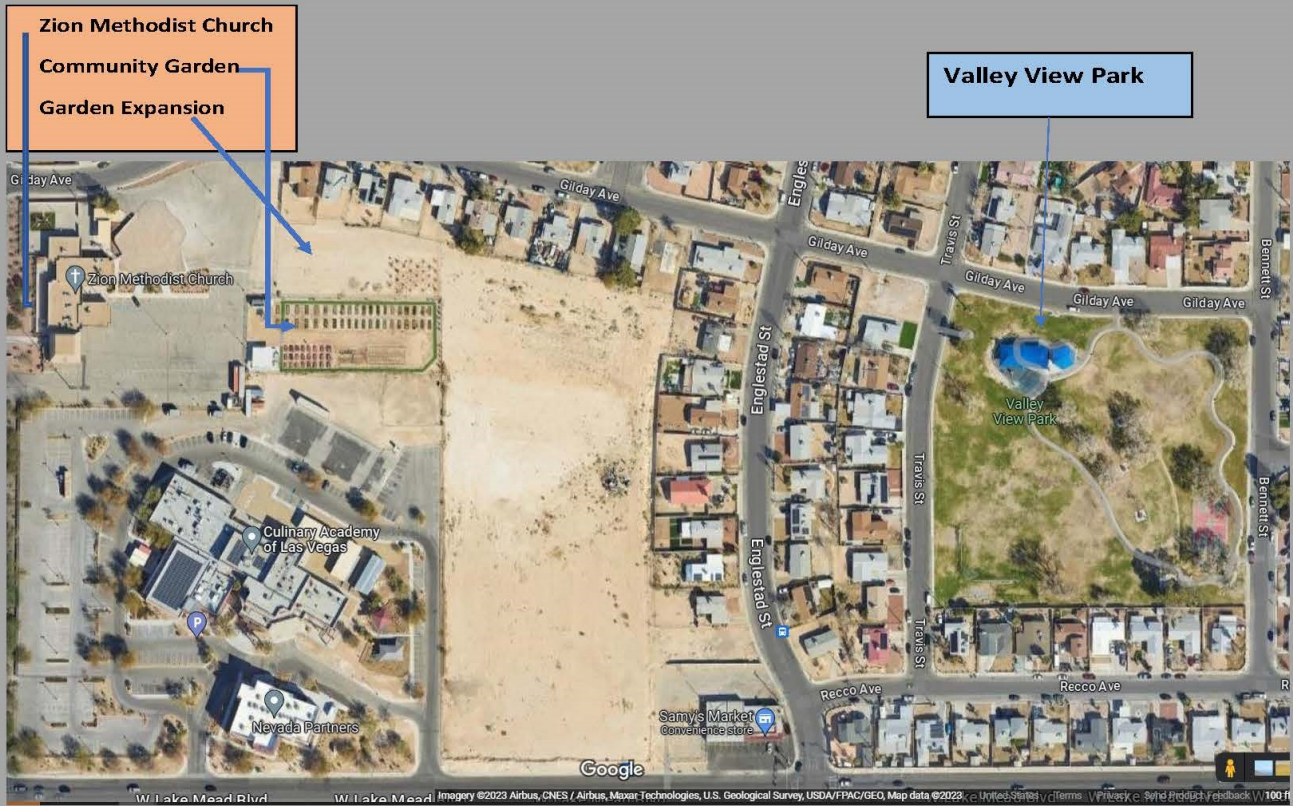
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Aerial of Valley View Park's proximity to the Zion Methodist Church Community Garden



Aerial – Valley View Park



2000 Bennett Street, North Las Vegas, NV 89030



Photo 1 – Northwest corner of Valley View Park



Photo 2 - Southwest corner of Valley View Park (baseball field)



Photo 3 – View from north to south across park



Photo 4 – View from northeast to southeast (basketball court)

SNPLMA ROUND 20 NOMINATION
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Valley View Park Renovation

Performance Measures

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
Performance Measures for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	5-acre park improvements
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	1 playground w/ 1-2 ADA swings 1 splash pad 2 dog parks 1 exercise court 2-5 solar-powered cameras and enhanced security lighting 1-2 multi-purpose sports courts .25 to .50 mi walking path 3,200-4,000 l.f. protective iron fencing 2 picnic structures 1 Monument signage

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/ Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. <i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i>	1-3 historical signage 1-3 interpretive signage

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
 Southern Nevada District Office
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In Reply Refer To:
 2710 (NVS00000)

Veronica Freeman
 Grant Officer
 City of North Las Vegas
 2250 Las Vegas Boulevard North
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freemanv@cityofnorthlasvegas.com

Dear Ms. Freeman:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the City of North Las Vegas (City) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the City for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The City has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Craig Ranch Regional Park Improvements – This proposal is to add new and updated park amenities to the Craig Ranch Regional Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources; however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Seastrand Park Renovation – This proposal is to add essential and modernized amenities to the James K. Seastrand Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

Valley View Park Renovation – This proposal is to design and construct park improvements at Valley View Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the City. This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources.

INTERIOR REGIONS 8 & 10 • LOWER COLORADO BASIN & CALIFORNIA-GREAT BASIN
 ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, OREGON*
 * PARTIAL

Per Exemption A.2 of the State Protocol Agreement, this project is exempt from the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Should the project be approved by the Secretary, a Cultural Resource Inventory Needs Assessment form will be required to document the BLM's determination of effect.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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Q. SUPPORT LETTERS

STEVEN HORSFORD
4TH DISTRICT, NEVADA



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

October 23, 2023

Bureau of Land Management
SNPLMA Division
United States Department of Interior
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89130

Dear Review Committee of the Bureau of Land Management SNPLMA:

I am writing to express my support for the City of North Las Vegas' application for Round 20 funding from the Bureau of Land Management SNPLMA. The City of North Las Vegas is committed to enhancing public health and providing the community with access to high-quality parks. The proposed projects at three of the city's parks aim to modernize and provide essential amenities that will improve these parks and meet the growing needs of our neighborhoods and the larger community.

These initiatives will help the city advance their goal of achieving park equity, fostering community connections, and promoting a sense of pride in the community by highlighting the transformative value of parks.

The park project highlights include:

- Craig Ranch Regional Park- New fitness court, security lighting, ADA and infant swings, event transformers
- James K. Seastrand Park- New playground, splash pad, restroom, and security cameras and lighting
- Valley View Park- Playground expansion, splash pad, dog parks, and walking route.

The city recognizes the significant impact that parks have on the well-being of its residents, and they are committed to improving the quality of life by connecting them with nature and each other. Funding for these projects is crucial to ensuring equitable access to park amenities.

I kindly request your full and fair consideration of the City of North Las Vegas' funding request. If you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to contact my District Director, Divya Narala at Divya.Narala@mail.hous.gov.

Sincerely,

Congressman Steven Horsford
4th District, Nevada

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October 16, 2023

United States Department of Interior
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Dear Bureau of Land Management SNPLMA Review Committee:

As Mayor of the City of North Las Vegas, it is with respect and gratitude that I express my support for the Round 20 project nominations. The proposed deliverables will assist the City in fast-tracking our efforts to advance park equity, connect the community with each other and nature, and improve public health. Such measures renew community pride and demonstrate the transformative value of parks.

The City is a minority-majority city with the majority being disadvantaged communities. We recognize park equity challenges and are taking action to strive for a future where our community members have fair and just access to high-quality parks. The parks proposed output are measures toward achieving our goal.

Valley View Park, a 5-acre park located in a HUD designated Opportunity Zone is located in the heart of the City and has served the community for over four decades. The focus of the project will connect the surrounding area with the natural environment, create an inviting community gathering space, and incorporate inclusive amenities.

With the funding, the City will deliver the following essential amenities and enhancements:

- Expand Playground
- Install Splash Pad
- Install Dog Park
- Install Fitness Court
- Construct Walking Path
- Mount interpretive signage

The proposed park improvements will integrate essential amenities and enhancements that address accessibility, inclusivity, and public health and safety concerns. The improvements will also embody SNPLMA's core values of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community.

As the third-largest City and one of the fastest-growing cities in Nevada, we are boldly planning for the future. The City will experience unprecedented growth in population, residential communities, and commercial and industrial development. This growth requires the City to take progressive actions to support the expanding community and build a healthy, strong, and resilient city.

I look forward to working with our City Council, City Management, and the Parks and Recreation team to make health and wellness, park equity, and environmental stewardship a reality in North Las Vegas.

Sincerely,



Pamela Goynes-Brown
Mayor



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October 26, 2023

RE: Support for the Valley View Park Renovation Project

Dear Bureau of Land Management SNPLMA Review Committee:

On behalf of Energy Tree, I am delighted to express my support for the Valley View Park Renovation Project. Energy Tree partnered with Zion United Methodist Church to develop an urban community garden a few blocks from Valley View Park. The proximity to the park establishes a network of resources that connect the community to nature and each other.

The neighborhoods adjacent to Valley View Park and Zion United Methodist Church are historically underinvested and lack access to quality recreational green spaces and fresh produce options. The proposed project plans complement Zion's Urban Garden and enhance the community member's experience of their neighborhood.

Project highlights include:

- Playground expansion to include ADA / belted swings
- Splash Pad - a fun and cool way for children to cope with summer heat
- Install Dog Park - dedicated space for dogs to engage in physical activity and dog owners to connect with their neighbors
- Install Fitness Court - provide free access to gym equipment close to home
- Interpretive Signage - educate park visitors about the community history

The project plans serve to build a healthy, strong, and resilient community. I look forward to the project's fruition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amber Bosket".

Amber Bosket
Director of Operations, Energy Tree



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William Harty
Finance Director
City of North Las Vegas
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Dear Mr. Harty:

SUBJECT: City of North Las Vegas Indirect Cost Rate Proposal

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD or the Department) received City of North Las Vegas Indirect Cost Rate Proposal for its fiscal years 2020 and 2021 via e-mail on September 16, 2021.

In accordance with Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 200 (2 CFR 200), the Department is not required to review the indirect cost rate proposal for City of North Las Vegas. Appendix VII to 2 CFR 200, Section D.1.b. states, “A governmental department or agency unit that receives more than \$35 million in direct Federal funding must submit its indirect cost rate proposal to its cognizant agency for indirect costs. Other governmental department or agency must develop an indirect cost proposal in accordance with the requirements of this Part and maintain the proposal and related supporting documentation for audit. These governmental departments or agencies are not required to submit their proposals unless they are specifically requested to do so by the cognizant agency for indirect costs.” Since your organization receives less than \$35 million in direct Federal awards per year, the Department is not requiring your organization to submit an indirect cost rate proposal for formal review and approval. Instead, please continue to develop and maintain the proposal along with related supporting documentation on file. The Federal awards should be charged based on the calculated indirect cost rate.

If City of North Las Vegas has any questions, please contact Saleszni Jeet, Senior Financial Analyst, at 415-489-6578, or by email at Saleszni.L.Jeet@hud.gov.

Sincerely,

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City of North Las Vegas Indirect Cost Rate Calculation

DEPARTMENTS	INDIRECT COST RATE (Total Program Cost Base)
General Government	41.07%
Judicial	56.12%
Public Safety	18.65%
Public Works	52.44%
Culture & Recreation	68.08%
Community Support	158.02%
28.48%	\$42,686,454
TOTAL AGENCY ICRP	\$149,857,948

Calculated by eCivis, Use approved by HUD 09.23.2021

Nicolie Lettini

From: Mackey, Steven P. EOP/OMB <Steven.P.Mackey@omb.eop.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2023 9:02 AM
To: Nicolie Lettini
Subject: Indirect Rates for States and Local Governments

Hi Nicolie,

Please see the following clarification from OMB on Appendix VII.

Appendix VII to Part 200 - States and Local Government and Indian Tribe Indirect Cost Proposals 1. Submission of Indirect Cost Rate Proposals stipulates in Section D.1. (Submission and Documentation of Proposals; Submission of Indirect Cost Rate Proposals) that “a governmental department or agency unit that receives more than \$35 million in direct Federal funding must submit its indirect cost rate proposal to its cognizant agency for indirect costs. *Other governmental department or agency must develop an indirect cost proposal in accordance with the requirements of this Part and maintain the proposal and related supporting documentation for audit.* These governmental departments or agencies are not required to submit their proposals unless they are specifically requested to do so by the cognizant agency for indirect costs.”

If a governmental department or agency (such as a State or local Department of Health, Department of Transportation, Department of Housing, etc.) receiving \$35 million or less in direct Federal funding develops an indirect cost proposal in accordance with the requirements of Part 200 because the department/agency falls under the \$35 million threshold, and, therefore, does not have a negotiated rate, this established rate must be accepted by any Federal agency to which the governmental department or agency applies for funding. The cognizant agency for indirect costs, however, may request to review the proposal from the small governmental recipient if it chooses. The Federal agency may also choose to negotiate a rate with the department/agency; however, provided that the recipient developed its rate in accordance with Part 200 and maintains the proposal and related supporting documentation for audit, the Federal agency must not compel the department/agency to accept the 10% *de minimis* rate or some other rate established by the Federal agency.

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**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Updates as of March 2024**

Nomination: Tab 22

Entity: Southern Nevada Water Authority

Project: Warm Springs Natural Area Wildlife and Bird Viewing Tower

Section C – Purpose Statement

“The SNWA will design and construct a wildlife and bird viewing tower at the WSNA in the Moapa Valley, seven (7) miles northwest of Moapa in Clark County, Nevada. This project will connect people to the outdoors and support demand for no-cost outdoor recreational amenities by providing guests the opportunity to view the natural landscape from a new physical perspective above the mesquite canopy as there is currently no elevated structure on the trail system.”

Comments: The purpose statement was updated by removing acronyms. SNWA concurs.

Section D – Project Deliverables

Project deliverables must be measurable.

1. Primary deliverable:

a. **Construct a wildlife and bird viewing tower. Contracted work on this portion of the project includes setting a foundation or piers, actual construction of tower, and inspections prior to opening the tower to guests.**

- Clarify the approximate size/capacity of the bird viewing tower.
- **SNWA response:** *The approximate height of the bird viewing tower is 14 feet above grade. The platform which people will stand will be approximately 10 feet above the ground with additional 3.5-4 feet of railing. The deck will be approximately 100 square feet for a capacity of approximately 15 people.*

2. Anticipated deliverable:

a. **Outreach materials.**

- What type of outreach materials (e.g., pamphlets, web base)
- **SNWA response:** *Outreach materials for the proposed project include a full-color WSNA brochure and a full-color WSNA flyer. SNWA currently has brochures and flyers for the property. Once the project is complete and reprinting is necessary, additional information regarding the bird tower and webcam will be included. This will require minimal staff time and is accounted for in the cost share funds in the budget.*

b. **Develop, design, and install signage for installation on and near the tower.**

- Is this one sign (e.g., kiosk)?
- **SNWA response:** *One (1) sign will be installed on/near the tower. Existing sign styles and materials will be replicated, so this will require minimal staff time. This is accounted for in the cost share funds.*

c. **Fund a webcam on or near the tower to give internet visitors a live view of the river, floodplain, and natural area.**

- SNPLMA can fund the equipment—not the web service. Please clarify this deliverable and its estimated cost.

- **SNWA response:** *SNWA will purchase a webcam for approximately \$2,500 and host the service on its website at a cost of approximately \$1000 annually. These funds will come from SNWA's Operating budget and are accounted for in the cost share funds.*

Section I – Budget Detail (and Excel Budget Detail)

SNWA's budget is too vague. Budget detail does not reflect substantial involvement by SNWA over the project 5-year period of performance. SNWA (recipient) needs to show its involvement in monitoring, evaluating, and reporting project compliance and accomplishments during the project period of performance.

SNWA needs to show how it came up with the cost estimates of each contract line item—what are the costs associated with each contract.

SNWA response:

SNWA based on scaling and engineer estimates from a similar bird viewing tower built by the City of Henderson at the Henderson Bird viewing preserve. This tower was built in 2010 so costs are very out of date but the engineer at City of Henderson gave us their opinion on what they would expect costs to be today.

A total of \$80,894 in non-federal cost share has been added to the project budget. This includes costs for SNWA staff labor and fringe benefits and supply components for project outreach such as color brochures, flyers, a sign and webcam including webcam service for the bird tower.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Southern Nevada Water Authority



**Warm Springs Natural Area
Wildlife and Bird Viewing Tower**

Amount Requested: \$1,000,000

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In 1991, seven local water and wastewater agencies formed the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) to address water issues on a regional basis. Annually, the SNWA meets the water demands of 2.2 million Nevadans and more than 40 million visitors.

In 2007, the SNWA acquired 1,218 acres of the Warm Springs Natural Area (WSNA) with funding approved in Round 6 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA). The SNWA later acquired an additional 32 acres increasing the property to 1,250 acres in total. The property is regionally significant as it contains important archeological sites, historical farm and ranch areas, and more than 20 perennial springs that form the headwaters of Muddy River. The site includes numerous landscapes including Mojave Desert, riparian forest, mesquite woodlands and alkali meadows through which 3.8 miles of the Muddy River meanders. These resources provide ideal habitat for protected and sensitive species, including the endangered Moapa dace (nearly 80 percent of the remaining Moapa dace habitat is found on the property) and the endangered southwestern willow flycatcher. WSNA also supports native and migratory birds, important wildlife populations and diverse plant communities. Given its role in the regional watershed and the sensitive resources supported by the area, protection and acquisition of this property was long identified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and others as a key priority. As a condition for the acquired lands under the SNPLMA Parks, Trails and Natural Areas (PTNA) category, WSNA was developed to include a limited public use component.

In 2011, the SNWA was awarded \$250,000 in SNPLMA Round 11 funding for the first phase of improvements including a conceptual design for a trail system and interpretive elements; design documents for construction of key features; and construction of half-mile of the designed trail with interpretive features such as kiosks and a bird and wildlife viewing platform. All Phase I work was done in coordination with the USFWS. In 2016, the SNWA was awarded \$875,000 in SNPLMA Round 15, which contributed to the construction of 3,700 feet of additional trails, a handicap-accessible unisex restroom, a drinking fountain and water bottle filling station, a boardwalk, 16 benches, three picnic tables, an amphitheater, a spring viewing platform, 1,100 feet of split-rail fencing, an overlook with covered seating, 21 informational signs (interpretation of the marsh, home ranch, springhead, and cultural resources and way-finding signs), and restoration of six acres of saltgrass meadow, which includes an irrigation system.

In October 2021, an additional \$800,000 in SNPLMA Round 18 has been approved to fund the extension of WSNA's trail system by 1.3 miles. This extension will directly connect the WSNA to the entrance of the Moapa Valley National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge). This interface will provide visitor connectivity between the two sites and expand outdoor recreation opportunities. The SNWA will also conduct a traffic study and install appropriate traffic appurtenances to provide safe pedestrian crossing of Warm Springs Road. The connection between the WSNA and the Refuge will allow for interpretative messaging about the shared management goal of both sites to protect sensitive environmental resources.

In March 2023, \$1.4 million was approved to the SNWA through SNPLMA Round 19 to purchase a ±10-acre private land parcel (Clark County APN 030-09-801-004) that encompasses three natural springs adjacent to WSNA. The 10-acre parcel contains a cool water pond, natural

springs and important bird habitat including mature cottonwoods that could support nesting of endangered yellow-billed cuckoos and woodlands that support vermilion flycatchers. Restoration activities on this land include vegetation plantings, palm removal, and improving bird habitat. The Round 19 funding will also be used to develop a community garden within the WSNA, acquire the site with the facilities/improvements, if appropriate, for hosting educational and community outreach and events, and add interpretative kiosks, panels, and signage about the historical farming history of the area. Existing structures will be evaluated for condition, and, if in suitable condition, will be left in place and converted to space for community outreach and educational facilities such as classrooms, workspaces, storage areas, and gardening areas.

SNWA is the landowner of the WSNA. There are no claims, restrictions, or interests of other individuals or business in the project site. There are no abutting landowners. This project is surrounded by WSNA land, so no issues regarding access are anticipated. Nearest landowners include the USFWS MVNWR (over 1000 feet away), the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints recreation camp (over 2200 feet away), and several unoccupied private parcels about 2500 feet away. The tower will be built on an area along the birding trail where no other structures currently exist and will provide visitors a view of the confluence of the Muddy River and the Refuge Stream.

This project will support and encourage public recreation, education, and interpretive activities, complement the rural character of the area, and increase recreational opportunities within Clark County for its underserved rural communities. The SNWA has developed a WSNA Stewardship Plan that preserves the important ecological integrity of the WSNA's natural resources and ensures consistency with SNWA's commitments in the SNPLMA Round 6 Nomination for acquisition of the property.

The proposed project is shovel-ready and will be implemented as outlined in Section F. Project Timeline. SNWA staff will complete a Work Plan and maintain consistent communication with BLM staff regarding project status.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

- Round 6 – FAA060138, 6-5, WA03 – SNWA acquired 1,218 acres now known as the WSNA. A condition for this acquisition was the SNWA's obligation to include a limited public use component on the property. (Project Cost: \$69,734,664.93)
- Round 11 – L11AC20149, 11-2, WA07 – development of conceptual design documents for a trail system and interpretive elements; engineering design documents for construction of key features; and construction of a half-mile portion of the designed trail with interpretive features such as an interpretative kiosk and a bird/wildlife viewing platform. (Project Cost: \$250K)
- Round 15 – L16AC00074, 15-3, WA08 – construction of 3,700-LF of additional trails, accessible unisex restroom, a drinking fountain and water bottle filling station, boardwalk, 16 benches, three picnic tables, an amphitheater, a spring viewing platform,

1,100-ft. of split-rail fencing, an overlook with covered seating, 21 informational signs (interpretation of the marsh, home ranch, springhead, and cultural resources and way-finding signs), and restoration of 6 acres of saltgrass meadow, which includes an irrigation system. (Project Cost: \$875K)

- Round 18 – L23AC00012, 18-12, WA10 – funding approved October 2021, to extend the Natural Area’s trailhead to directly connect to the entrance of the Refuge. In addition, a traffic study will be conducted, and appropriate traffic appurtenances will be installed to provide for safe pedestrian crossing of Warm Springs Road. Two other trails within the Natural Area will be lengthened for longer hiking and wildlife viewing opportunities. (Project Cost: \$875K)
- Round 19 – In progress – funding approved March 2023, to acquire a 10-acre parcel of land that encompasses three natural springs adjacent to the WSNA. (Project Cost \$1.4M)

2. **Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases:**

SNWA acknowledges that Round 20 is a stand-alone project and, if funded, there is no guarantee for funding of future phases. Construction contractors are solicited through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process and awarded to the lowest bidder. RFPs are written to comply with the scope of work and federal requirements as outlined in grant agreements. SNWA staff at WSNA has many years of experience managing construction contracts for various projects on the property and will include oversight and monitoring points in the Work Plan, if awarded.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

The project will promote the three SNPLMA core values (connectivity, sustainability, and community) as described below:

1. Sustainability:

The purpose of the WSNA is to conserve, preserve, and restore the natural and cultural resources of the site. The proposed project will expand that purpose by providing additional recreation opportunities for guests to experience wildlife and bird observation in rural Nevada by designing and constructing one wildlife and bird observation tower at WSNA.

2. Connectivity:

WSNA offers visitors a chance to experience a natural oasis in the desert and connect with nature. The Moapa Valley is a designated Audubon Important Bird Area, and is immediately adjacent to the WSNA, which is managed for about 30 sensitive species. Nesting bird species

such as the threatened, yellow-billed cuckoo and the endangered Southwestern willow flycatcher benefit from nesting habitat patches in the WSNA. The proposed project, thanks to its elevation and location, will allow guests to observe birds and other wildlife without disturbing them. The historic interpretations found on the site serve to connect visitors with the site's cultural heritage, which includes prehistoric peoples, Native Americans, outlaws, ranchers, and early settlers.

3. Community:

WSNA and the properties surrounding it have a rich history that begins with the archaeological record of Southern Paiute people and their ancestors - to ownership by millionaire Howard Hughes, who encouraged showgirls from the Las Vegas Strip to sun themselves and relax under palm-thatched cabanas. Many native Nevadans tell stories of swimming in the natural spring pools found on site. WSNA is a piece of the fabric that forms the Southern Nevada community. Today, the SNWA maintains the property for the enjoyment of the local community and the conservation of the site's natural resources.

The Moapa Valley is home to about 7,000 people located in several communities: Moapa, Moapa River Indian Reservation, Glendale, Logandale, and Overton. The proposed project will enhance community by providing additional recreation opportunities in rural Clark County, which is underserved with regards to parks and nature viewing opportunities.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The Southern Nevada Water Authority will design and construct a wildlife and bird viewing tower at the Warm Springs Natural Area located 7 miles northwest of the Town of Moapa in Clark County, Nevada. This project will connect people to the outdoors and support demand for no-cost outdoor recreational amenities by providing the opportunity to view the natural landscape from a new physical perspective above the mesquite canopy as there is currently no elevated structure on the trail system.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid)
 - a. Design a wildlife and bird viewing tower. Contracted work on this portion of the project may include preliminary design, a meeting with design contractor, and final design. The structure may also be prefabricated and not require a full design contract. Permitting will take place during the design phase.
 - b. Construct a wildlife and bird viewing tower. Contracted work on this portion of the project includes setting a foundation or piers, actual construction of tower, and inspections prior to opening the tower to guests.
2. Anticipated Deliverables: (Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval)
 - a. Removal of non-native species at the tower location
 - b. Develop outreach materials.
 - c. Develop, design, and install signage for installation on and near the tower.
 - d. Fund a webcam on or near the tower to give internet visitors a live view of the river, floodplain, and natural area.

3. Standard Deliverables:

- a. Section 106 consultant per the National Historic Preservation Act
- b. Scope of work for contracting
- c. Financial and performance reporting
- d. SNPLMA Status Reporting
- e. SNPLMA Annual Accomplishments and Performance Measures
- f. SNPLMA close-out package

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 4240 Warm Springs Road, Moapa, NV, 891025

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: [Clark], Nevada: T14S, R65E, sec. 15, SW¼SW¼.

Parcel Number(s): APN: 030-15-301-001

Current Land Use and Zoning: Public Use (PU)

Latitude and Longitude: 36.700833, -114.679722

Congressional District(s): Nevada 04

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within five (5) years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

Year 1: SNPLMA Cooperative Agreement/Federal Environmental & Sec. 106 Compliance

- Request to initiate, develop project workplan; pre-work site visit with SNPLMA PM.
- Respond to the Notice of Intent to Award by federal financial assistance application submittal.
- Coordinate with BLM on any required environmental review and Section 106 compliance.
- Request and receive SNPLMA NTP and federal award (cooperative agreement).

Year 2: Project Design and Preliminary Engineering

- Develop scope of work and RFP for tower design and solicit bids.
- Design contract approval at SNWA board meeting.
- Execute design contract and develop construction drawings.
- Develop construction RFP and solicit bids.
- Complete design contractor invoices.
- Construction contract approval at SNWA board meeting.

Year 3: Site Prep and Construction

- Execute construction contract.

- Request Notice to Proceed.
- Permitting and site prep.
- Begin construction.

Year 4: Construction and Primary Deliverables

- Receive Notice to Proceed for construction.
- Construct tower along trail at WSNA.
- Finalize construction.
- Complete construction contractor invoices.
- Open tower to WSNA guests.

Year 5: Project Closeout

- Reconcile project file, financial expenditures, and unliquidated obligations.
- Conduct final site inspection with SNPLMA PM.
- Prepare closeout request package and update SMART.
- Submit final financial report (SF-425) and performance narrative via Grant Solutions
- Submit closeout request package (minimum of 60 days prior to POP end date).

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if “Yes”): Yes -or- No

SNWA is ready for project implementation. If selected for the funding, SNWA is prepared to complete all pre-requisites to obtain the federal award by developing an acceptable project workplan in SMART, submitting a complete SF-424 federal financial assistance application package for acceptance by the SNWA Board and approval by the BLM Grants Management Officer. Upon receipt of the fully executed federal award, SNWA staff will immediately initiate the federal environmental requirements as needed and compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA to proceed with implementation of the approved project.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

SNWA previously applied for a Nevada Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Grant from the Nevada Division of Outdoor Recreation for funding for a wildlife and bird viewing tower at WSNA. This grant was federal passthrough money from the U.S. Economic Development Administration’s Travel, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation program as part of the American Rescue Plan. The grant was not awarded. SNWA has not received any federal or nonfederal funding for a wildlife and bird viewing tower at WSNA.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

SNWA is financially committed to the day-to-day operation and maintenance of the site today and for many years to come. SNWA manages the property as a natural area for the benefit of native species, one of the key purposes being to protect the endangered Moapa dace and its

habitat. To date, SNWA has fully funded staffing, operations and maintenance, restoration and stewardship planning for WSNA since closing on the property on September 13, 2007. SNWA has developed a Stewardship Plan that preserves the important ecological integrity of WSNA’s natural resources and ensures consistency with SNWA’s commitments in the SNPLMA Round 6 Nomination for acquisition of the property. Management commitments found in the plan include restoration and/or enhancement of riparian and upland habitat; spring pool restoration and/or enhancement; bank and channel stabilization activities; invasive fish and invertebrate management; invasive plant management; trail monitoring and maintenance and construction and/or enhancement of wetlands; and public use and outreach. SNWA maintains all facilities and interpretative elements as allowed and approved by its Board of Directors. If structures are in suitable condition and retained, SNWA will maintain these facilities as well.

The estimated annual WSNA budget for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 is \$480,900. Factor the annual costs over the years that SNWA has owned the site, and the SNWA’s financial commitment to the project is clear.

SNWA acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the SNWA from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the SNWA’s ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is \$1,000,000.

Below is a summary of the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet which provides a summary and justification narrative breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ -	\$ -
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 thru 8)	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -

Cost-Benefit Analysis

Long-lasting infrastructure such as this project will serve visitors and the community for many years and will help mark the area as a regionally important birding destination. The amount requested for this project was determined by using past similar project costs from an SWNA member agency and elevating it to meet the current market where labor and supplies are increasing in cost compared to previous years.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds: None.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*
 Answer: Yes. The proposed project will improve the existing WSNA through enhanced recreational access for wildlife observation and birdwatching as there is currently no elevated structure on the trails.
 - B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*
 Answer: While the proposed project does not directly improve community prosperity or economic development, improvements to WSNA that increase visitation may also increase the economic prosperity of Moapa and nearby Glendale, Overton, and Logandale as visitors to WSNA will more than likely stop for gas, food, drinks, etc.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: WSNA is regionally significant as it contains important archeological sites, historical farm and ranch areas, and more than 20 perennial springs that form the headwaters of the Muddy River. The site includes numerous landscapes including the Mojave Desert, riparian forests, mesquite woodlands, and alkali meadows through which 3.8 miles of the Muddy River meanders. These resources provide ideal habitat for several protected and sensitive species, including the endangered Moapa dace (nearly 80 percent of the remaining Moapa dace habitat is found on the property) and the endangered southwestern willow flycatcher. WSNA also supports native and migratory birds, important wildlife populations and diverse plant communities. Given its role in the regional watershed and the number of sensitive resources supported by the area, protection and acquisition of this property was long identified by the USFWS and others as a key priority. The proposed project would allow for additional recreation opportunities to view the variety of wildlife and birds that call WSNA home or migrate through the area.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: The proposed project meets the community need to provide a place for people to connect with nature in a quiet, peaceful setting, which has mental health benefits.

Although the public health emergency declared during the COVID-19 pandemic ended in May 2023, one of the lasting effects of the pandemic that continues is a decline in mental health, particularly in the number of adults struggling with symptoms of anxiety and depression. The [Kaiser Family Foundation *The Implications of COVID-19 for Mental Health and Substance Use* brief](#) states that 50 percent of young adults (ages 18–24) grappled with anxiety and depression symptoms, while 35 percent of women and 28 percent of men reported these symptoms in a February 2023 survey. Job loss and unemployment were particularly pronounced in Southern Nevada in the early months of the pandemic. Recent research from [King's College London](#) demonstrated that observing birds is linked to improvements in mental health, in which subjects who saw or heard songbirds reported an improvement in mood. The [author of the study believes that birdwatching helps people feel better in many ways](#), including improving concentration by decreasing mental fatigue, reducing stress by lowering blood pressure, and lowering levels of stress-inducing hormones. Plus, just being outside and getting exercise is a mood booster. Wildlife observation and birdwatching can help people feel more connected to nature and become environmental stewards, which is critical in this region as climate change contributes to the aridification of the desert Southwest.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: Although Clark County is the most populous county in the state of Nevada, accounting for nearly three-quarters of its residents, Clark County has been identified by the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition as having a significant shortage

of parks and trails compared to other urban areas of its size. The proposed project enhances recreation at WSNA in rural Clark County.

2. **RESOURCES**: The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.

A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***

Answer: WSNA is regionally significant as it contains important archeological sites, historical farm and ranch areas, and more than 20 perennial springs that form the headwaters of the Muddy River. The site includes numerous landscapes including Mojave Desert, riparian forest, mesquite woodlands and alkali meadows through which 3.8 miles of the Muddy River meanders. These resources provide ideal habitat for several protected and sensitive species, including the endangered Moapa dace (nearly 80 percent of the remaining Moapa dace habitat is found on the property) and the endangered southwestern willow flycatcher. WSNA also supports native and migratory birds, important wildlife populations and diverse plant communities. Given its role in the regional watershed and the number of sensitive resources supported by the area, protection and acquisition of this property was long identified by the USFWS and others as a key priority. In addition, the WSNA was acquired and developed as a natural area to create opportunities for low impact, controlled public access and outdoor recreation. The proposed project would allow for additional recreation opportunities to view the variety of wildlife and birds that call WSNA home or migrate through the area.

B. ***The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.***

Answer: WSNA was acquired and developed as a natural area to (1) create opportunities for low impact, controlled public access and outdoor recreation and (2) preserve and protect the threatened and endangered species found on the site. As previously stated, the proposed project will provide improved recreational access for wildlife observation and birdwatching as there is currently no elevated structure on the trails.

C. ***The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.***

Answer: SNWA is a leader in sustainable water use and conservation. Restoration of formerly landscaped areas, fields, and pastures with native vegetation saves water, increases wildlife habitat, and acts as an example for sustainable changes in land use.

D. ***The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.***

Answer: In 2007, the Department of the Interior approved SNPLMA funding for the acquisition of WSNA based on SNWA's commitment that the site:

- Would be maintained as a natural area; and
- Would allow and provide for low-impact public use.

The proposed project would enhance the visitor experience by giving visitors a unique overhead view of one of the few perennial rivers in Southern Nevada, as well as give visitors an opportunity to view birds using the river and nearby riparian areas, wetlands, and woodland habitats.

3. **CONNECTIVITY**: Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. ***The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.***

Answer: The wildlife and bird viewing tower will serve as a destination on a trail system connecting WSNA with Moapa Valley National Wildlife Refuge and perhaps a destination on a possible future regional trail system.

B. ***The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)***

Answer: WNSA is managed under a Stewardship Plan, which was created with input from many stakeholders and neighbors, including USFWS, the Moapa Valley Water District, the Moapa Band of Paiutes, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Clark County, Moapa Town Advisory Board, and others.

C. ***The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.***

Answer: The proposed actions to improve WSNA further the intent of the Round 6 SNPLMA Warm Springs Ranch Acquisition, the purposes of the April 20, 2006, Muddy River Memorandum of Agreement, the Muddy River Recovery Implementation Program, and the Clark County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan.

D. ***The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.***

Answer: The proposed project will give visitors a view of a desert river and surrounding woodlands where they can experience a quiet natural scene.

E. ***The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.***

Answer: WSNA seeks to engage volunteerism and has coordinated projects with many organizations, including Grant Bowler Elementary School, Ute Perkins Elementary School, Moapa Valley High School FFA, Virgin Valley High School FFA, Red Rock Audubon Society, and many scouts have conducted their service projects such as building trails and bridges, planting native vegetation, collecting, and distributing firewood and restoring historical sites. Moreover, admission to WSNA is free and removes the economical barrier that otherwise could prevent some visitors from enjoying this community resource. Once complete, the proposed project could serve as a destination for birding groups, including the Birding and Minorities group SNWA

brings together, which pairs active adults with underrepresented students to experience birding. Democracy Prep High School students have participated in SNWA's Minorities and Birding program. The State of Nevada Department of Education provides a [list of Title I Eligible Schools](#), with data including the percentage of students from low-income households at the school (https://doe.nv.gov/Title_I/). The percentage of students from low-income households at Democracy Prep is 100 percent.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

Answer: See the Budget Detail attachment included with this nomination package.

B. ***Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.***

Answer: Rural Clark County is underserved when it comes to parks and nature viewing opportunities. The proposed project will be an additional amenity in the area that encourages longer visits by trail users and birders.

C. ***The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.***

Answer: The proposed project will be designed to be low maintenance, long-lasting, and sustainable. It will be installed in a place that has easy road access for maintenance.

D. ***Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).***

Answer: As noted in the narrative, although there is no non-SNPLMA funding associated with this acquisition or educational enhancements, SNWA is financially committed to the day-to-day operation and maintenance of the site today and for many years to come.

SNWA manages the property as a natural area for the benefit of native species, one of the key purposes being to protect the endangered Moapa dace and its habitat. To date, SNWA has fully funded staffing, operations and maintenance, restoration and stewardship planning for the WSNA since closing on the property on September 13, 2007.

Operation of the trail system entails overseeing trail access (i.e., which portions of the trail are open or closed due to weather constraints, wildlife use and/or restoration activities), monitoring trail conditions to ensure that public use patterns are sustainable and are not impairing the integrity of WSNA.

Maintenance of the trails includes keeping overhanging brush and vegetation clear of the trail way, keeping trails clean of debris, keeping interface between resin coated trails and pullouts or non-resin trails tidy, and disposal of materials cleaned from trail ways. Operation, monitoring, and maintenance costs of the trails is included in the SNWA's annual budgeting process. Moreover, SNWA has several part-time staff and three full-time employees, including a caretaker that lives on the property, dedicated to the location.

SNWA maintains all trails, facilities and interpretative elements as allowed and approved by its Board of Directors. The estimated annual costs for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 are \$480,900. Factor the annual costs over the thirteen years that SNWA has owned the site, and SNWA's financial commitment to the project is clear.

- E. ***Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).***

Answer: Not applicable to the proposed project.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk***

Although the Warm Springs Natural Area (WSNA) is owned by the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA), it neighbors the Moapa Valley National Wildlife Refuge, which is part of the National Wildlife Refuge System, a network of federal lands managed by the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). Much of WSNA is densely vegetated which provides a certain degree of risk for wildfire. Steps to reduce wildfire risk to property and habitat are implemented as part of a fuels reduction program and outlined in The Warm Springs Natural Area Fire and Fuels Management Plan (a copy will be provided upon request). These steps include but are not limited to:

Pre-suppression - taking preventative action to reduce the likelihood or extent of accidental or natural wildfires. Pre-suppression activities include surveying and prioritizing areas that would benefit from fuel reduction, fire breaks, and vegetative manipulation. A survey of fuels around priority wildlife areas, structures, and neighboring properties occurs on a regular basis.

Weed Management - contributes to the reduction of fine fuels. Fuel loads may be reduced using a variety of methods including mechanical, chemical, and biological treatments. Because fuel biomass will continually accrue from one growing season to the next, fuels reduction is an ongoing program requiring vigilant monitoring.

Fire Breaks - can provide an effective safeguard against fire advance from the Natural Area to nearby private and federally owned land. The SNWA does regular fire break maintenance to preserve the effectiveness of this fire reduction method. Fire break lines are monitored regularly and treated as appropriate.

2. ***EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers***
SNWA will attempt to use building materials made in America so long as they meet safety, reliability, longevity, and cost requirements.
3. ***EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)***
Not applicable to the proposed \$1 million project.
4. ***EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies***
Provided it meets engineering and safety requirements, SNWA will attempt to use lumber produced in American forests.
5. ***EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All***
Not applicable to the proposed project.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. ***SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.***
The proposed project, and WSNA, align with the Secretary of the Interior's Order to advance conservation and stewardship and increase outdoor recreation opportunities for all Americans. As noted throughout this proposal, WSNA was acquired for the purpose of and developed as a natural area to connect people to the outdoors and allow for hiking, bird and wildlife viewing, and other forms of low-impact recreation. The proposed project adds an additional recreational enhancement to the property.
2. ***SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.***
WSNA's primary mission is to conserve wildlife and the proposed project will improve public access to wildlife viewing opportunities.
3. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***
Not applicable to the proposed project.

4. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

5. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

Although WSNA is not federally owned, it does neighbor the Moapa Valley National Wildlife Refuge, which is part of the National Wildlife Refuge System and managed by the USFWS. WSNA and the Wildlife Refuge share a commitment for environmental stewardship as both entities endeavor to restore habitat along the Muddy River, enhance conditions for native species, and provide public access that connects the community with nature. On October 7, 2021, the Secretary of the Interior approved the SNWA's Round 18 funding request to, among other things, construct a direct connection between the Natural Area and the neighboring Wildlife Refuge.

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

Please see response for EO 13855 above.

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition)).***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations. We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration’s goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.

Not applicable to the proposed project.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America’s lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.

The goals of WSNA align with the goals of the 30 by 30 plan. Like the 30 by 30 effort, WSNA seeks to protect the area’s biodiversity and natural resources; seeks to restore Threatened and Endangered Species; and its efforts are guided by science.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government’s trust responsibilities.

SNWA has a long history of engaging with diverse stakeholder groups relative to the conservation, restoration, and limited development of WSNA. From the beginning, a core team of representatives from the USFWS, the Nevada Department of Wildlife, The Nature Conservancy, and SNWA developed the initial shared vision for WSNA, with an emphasis on the recovery and conservation of the Muddy River’s aquatic ecosystem. Other organizations who have served as vital partners and contributors to the overall conservation effort include Moapa Band of Paiute Indians; Moapa Valley Water District; Moapa Valley Town Advisory Board; U.S. Geological Survey; U.S. Bureau of Land Management; Clark County; and property neighbors.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. ***Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic***

[Medical research](#) shows that COVID-19 spreads more easily indoors than outdoors. In fact, CDC guidance states that you are more likely to be exposed to COVID-19 when you attend crowded indoor events. The guidance recommends outdoor activities such as: running, walking, biking, and hiking.

2. ***Providing economic relief***

Admission to WSNA is free for all visitors – making outdoor recreation available to everyone.

3. ***Tackling climate change***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

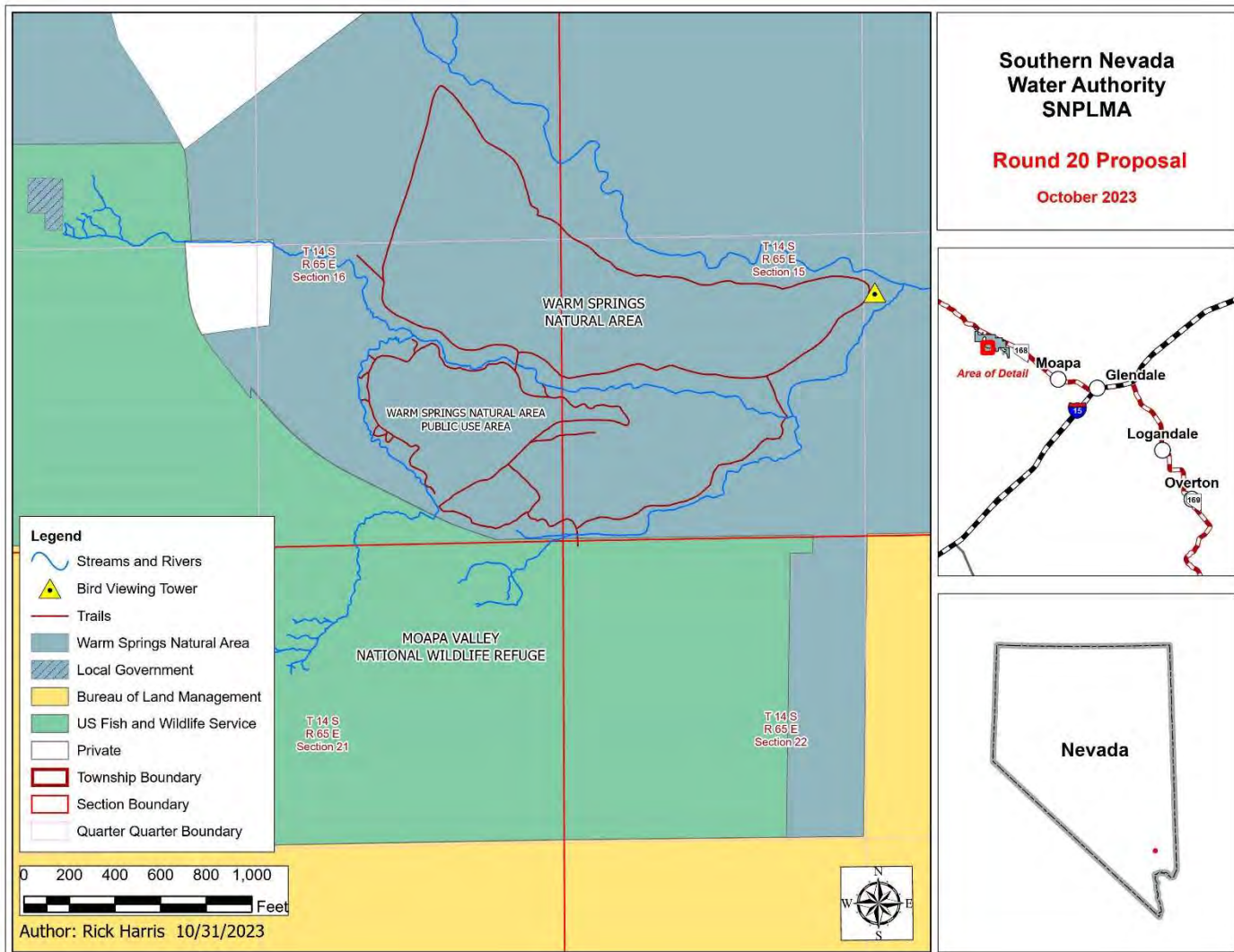
4. ***Advancing racial equity***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

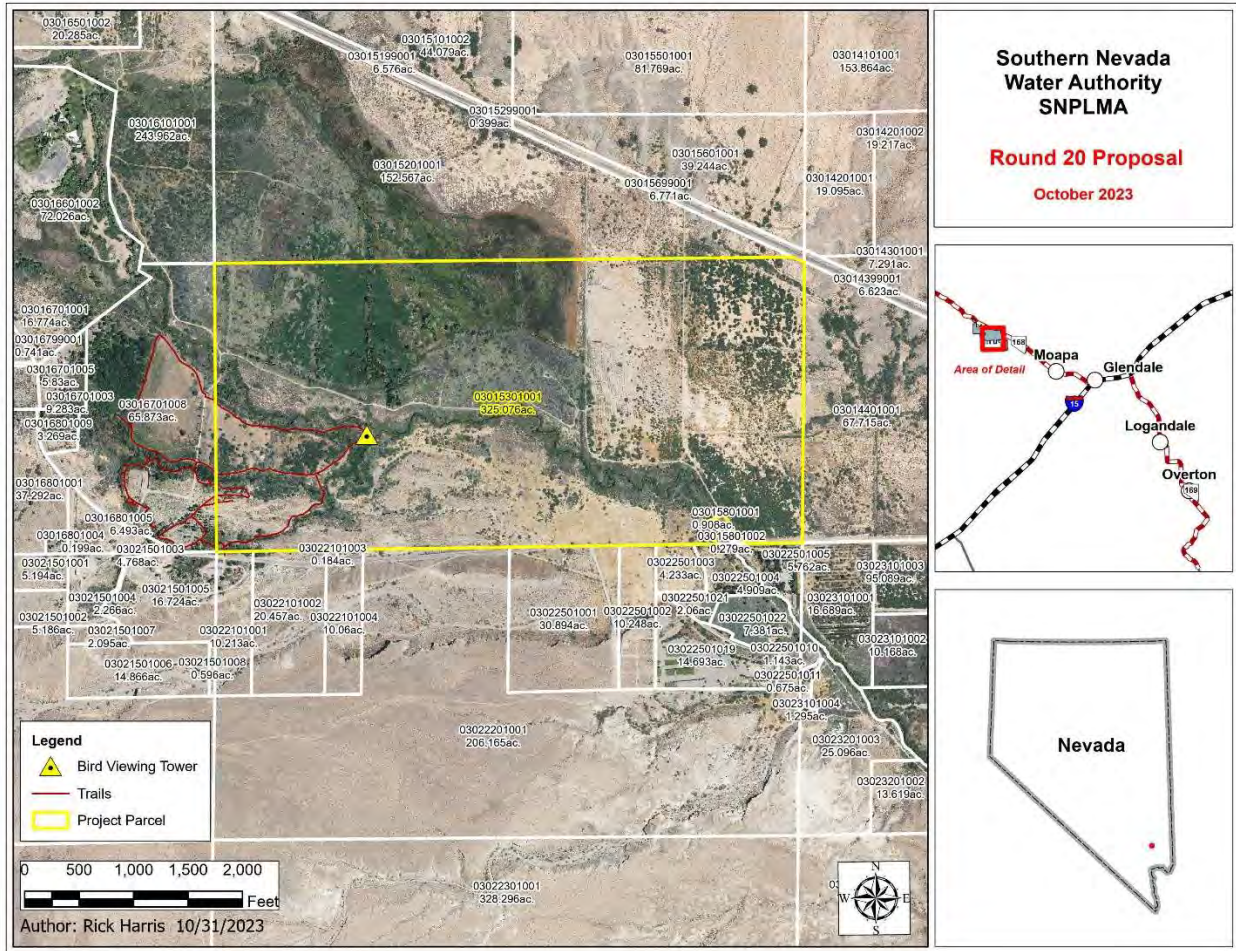
5. ***Improving our workforce and work environment***

Not applicable to the proposed project.

LOCATION MAP



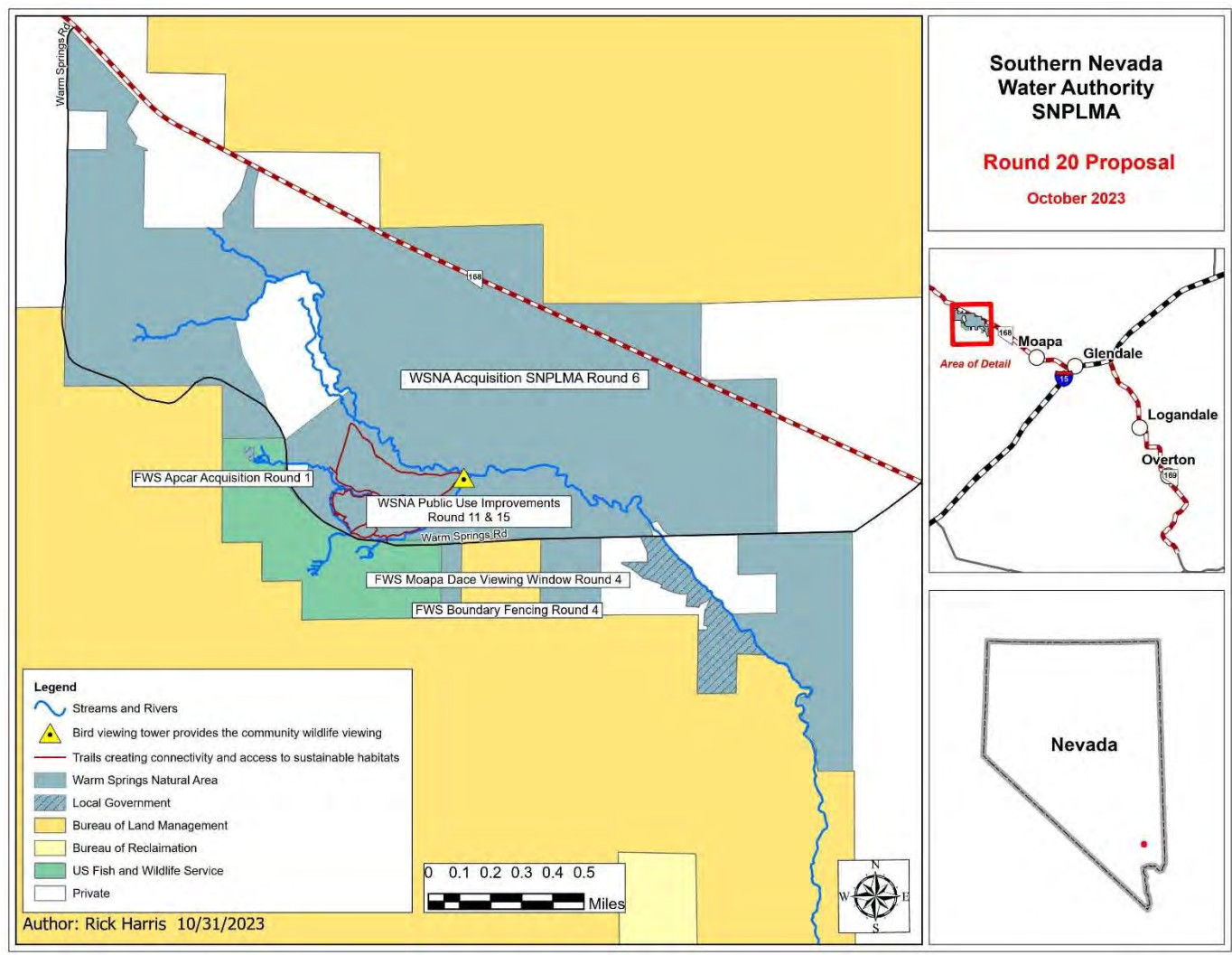
COUNTY ASSESSOR PARCEL MAP



PARCEL MAP ZOOMED



STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES MAP



N. PHOTOS

Photo 1 - WSNA Tower Site Looking North: Birding tower location site looking north. Moapa Peak is visible in the background. Trees visible are on the far side of the Muddy River and the Refuge Stream is behind the vegetation on the right. The exact location of the tower may change due to ground and other conditions.



Photo 2 - WSNA Tower Site Looking West: Birding tower location site looking west. Trees in the background are around a small unnamed cold-water seep. The Muddy River is behind the vegetation on the right. The exact location of the tower may change due to ground and other conditions.



Photo 3 - WSNA Tower Site Looking SW: Birding tower location site looking southwest. Trees in the background are around a small unnamed cold-water seep. The exact location of the tower may change due to ground and other conditions.



Photo 4 - Henderson Observation Tower: Example bird viewing tower at Henderson Bird Viewing Preserve. The proposed project tower at WSNA may be of a different design due to site conditions or other factors.

O. PERFORMANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources		
PM for Habitat Enhancement	Definition of Performance Measure	Quantity
H9 - Acres of Invasive Plant Species Treated or Restored	<p>*Report the number of acres of weed infestation treated with chemical, mechanical, physical, or biological control agents for the purpose of weed control. Include acres treated by fire when fire is used as a physical control agent for weed control rather than as a hazardous fuels treatment. Each acre treated is counted only once during the life of the project, no matter how many re-treatments occurred during the project.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	N/A (Some weeds will be cleared, but not close to an acre.)
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	<p>*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6.</p> <p><i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i></p>	One wildlife and bird observation tower will be constructed.

P. BLM CONSULTATION LETTER



United States Department of the Interior



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Dear Ms. Schoolmeester:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank SNWA for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The SNWA has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Warm Springs Natural Area Wildlife and Bird Viewing Tower – This proposal is to enhance the wildlife viewing experience at the Warm Springs Natural Area by installing a wildlife and bird viewing tower along the trail system being constructed under SNPLMA Round 18 funding. The project proposal is on land owned by SNWA.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources; however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Las Vegas Wash Restoration – This proposal is to conduct restoration activities at two locations along the Las Vegas Wash; the Bostick Kiosk, and the Historic Lateral North. The project proposals are located on lands owned by Clark County and the Bureau of Reclamation.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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Acting District Manager

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Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager, SNPLMA Division

**SNPLMA Round 20
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Nomination Addendum – Comments and Questions
Update as of February 2024**

Nomination: Tab 23

Entity: Clark County

Project: Wetlands Park Enhancements

Section I – Project Budget (and Excel Budget Detail)

Tab 1 “Personnel” costs –

1. County clarified the SNPLMA requested lump sum of \$150,000 for *Real Property Management (RPM) Fee* in city labor costs... was established in 2002, when the Board of County Commissioners approved the rate based on the cost of completing each capital project; fee remains unchanged since 2002. The RPM proposed cost is for staff labor that will be working on the project such as an Administrative Specialist, Senior Office Specialist, Senior Financial Office Services, RPM Manager of Design & Construction, Construction Project Supervisor, and a Design & Construction Administrator.
2. County increased the voluntary non-federal cost share over the project 5-year period of performance. Staff voluntary labor increased from \$15,000 (242 labor hours) to \$27,560 (520 labor hours) associated with “Personnel” costs (Senior Management Analyst) for project reporting, attend design and construction meetings on a weekly/bi-weekly basis, site visits, approval of invoices, ASAP draw downs, and project closeout preparation.
3. No update on any fringe benefit costs.

Tab 6 “Contractual” costs –

1. County’s proposal for contractual costs included lump sum line items costs without showing or describing how the estimates were derived.
 - a. In July 2023, County obtained a 3rd party “Order of Magnitude Estimate” for improvements at Wetlands Park. The 3rd party estimate is based on ~8.5 acres of improvements within the 2,900-acre Wetlands Park which includes the Dragonfly Wetland Interpretive Area including walking trails, pedestrian bridges, and parking area; and the Duck Creek Event Area and Nature Garden which includes the native garden area, trails, and parking.
 - b. Per the SNPLMA Program Manager cursory review of the estimate there appears to be miscalculations of the “margins and adjustments” for contractual construction costs associated with insurance and bonds, overhead and profit, estimating contingency, and a 12-month escalation allowance totaling \$273,431 in overage. There also appears to be an overage of \$1.5 million in contractual construction costs based on the county’s budget detail estimate in comparison with the 3rd party estimate.

K. Ranking Criteria

The nomination references the project “generating revenue” through tourism and recreation-related activities but does not clarify use of such revenue. The SNPLMA Program Manager will work with the nominating entity to clarify such revenue will go back into the project for operations and maintenance costs as clarified by the County during the Round 20 PTNA Subgroup and PWG meetings.

Other Suggested Updates:

- Clark County should continue working with the SNPLMA Program Manager to clarify contractual cost estimate calculations and verify no unallowable contingency costs.
- Cooperative agreement projects require substantial involvement by the recipient. *Is the updated budget for the recipient’s estimated costs to manage, monitor and perform substantial involvement proportionate for overall project implementation and completion?*
- County will need to provide an updated signed contributed funds commitment letter.

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Round 20**

Clark County



Wetlands Park Enhancements

Amount Requested: \$19,311,943

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Clark County is proposing to develop and build enhancements on +/-8.5 acres within the 2,900-acre Wetlands Park, to include the Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area, Duck Creek Event Area, Nature Art Garden, and a pathway connecting the Wetlands Nature Center to the proposed interpretive area. Additionally, the proposal includes pedestrian bridges, a designated area for bird and pond viewing, interpretive and wayfinding signs, as well as parking facilities equipped with automatic gates and enhanced security features.

Clark County Wetlands Park, which was established in 1991 and was once considered a hidden gem in the Las Vegas Valley, continues to be a treasured resource as its popularity has grown significantly over the years. The park has a diversity of wildlife, with over 300 bird species and approximately 70 species of mammals and reptiles, including beavers, coyotes, bobcats and snakes, which makes it a popular destination for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

The population growth experienced in Clark County has increased the demand for recreational opportunities for residents as well as visitors to the Las Vegas Valley. The main goals of the project are to increase recreational opportunities for park visitors while supporting ecosystem restoration and environmental conservation efforts and establishing more outdoor learning spaces for educational purposes.

The existing site facilities at Wetlands Park include the Wetlands Park Nature Center, trails and five trailheads and the Wetlands Park Education/Nature Connection Center. Clark County Parks and Recreation began working on the master plan for Wetlands Park in December 1993 and was approved in July 1995.

This proposal includes the Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area, Duck Creek Event Area, Nature Art Garden and Tropicana Wash Channel Extension. The Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area will consist of a wetland walkway with concrete connection, pedestrian bridges and bird and pond viewing area. The Duck Creek Event Area and Nature Art Garden will consist of 2-acres irrigated native pollinator and wildlife habitat plants and a Nature trail that will meander through the native planted area connecting the event area to the existing paved Duck Creek trails and trailhead. The Tropicana Wash Channel Extension is a box culvert channel for the Tropicana Wash that will outfall above the existing Duck Creek Trail area.

To execute the proposed project, Clark County will contract architectural and design professionals to develop a design and construction timeline, from the initial planning phase to project completion. As an integral component of this timeline, the County will monitor the following key milestones:

- Develop Scope of Work for Design.
- Solicit request for design consultant.
- Award design contract/agreement and issue Notice to Proceed.
- Obtain 30% and 60% design documents.
- Obtain input from the public, stakeholders and SNPLMA.
- Finalize 100% design documents.
- Solicit request for construction consultant.

- Award construction contract and issue Notice to Proceed.
- Construct the project holding weekly & bi-weekly progress meetings.
- Finalize 100% construction.
- Close out the project.

1. Describe relationship to prior approved phases or related SNPLMA projects and anticipated future phases:

The proposed Wetlands Park Enhancements project is an additional phase of the buildout of the park. Clark County has completed 21 SNPLMA acquisitions and projects and Wetlands and has been awarded over \$60 million:

- CC01/Rnd 1-Wetlands Park Land Acquisition and clean-up of Sunrise Trailhead
- CC02/Rnd 2-Wetlands Park Acquisitions – Phase 2
- CC05/Rnd 3-Wetlands Park Nature Preserve – Phase 2
- CC10/Rnd 4-Wetlands Park Perimeter Trails
- CC13/Rnd 4-Wetlands Park Int Plan Implement + SAR
- CC14/Rnd 4- Wetlands Park Land Acquisition (Phase 3)
- CC16/Rnd 4-Wetlands Park Primary Trails
- CC18/Rnd 4-Duck Creek Habitat Restoration
- CC21/Rnd 4-Wetlands Park Bridge
- CC22/Rnd 4-Sunrise Trailhead-Phase 2
- CC25/Rnd 5-Wetlands Park Interpretive/Education Facilities
- CC27/Rnd 5-Wetlands Park Habitat Enhancements
- CC31/Rnd 5-Wetlands Park-Pablo Tailhead
- CC33/Rnd 5-Wetlands Park-Wells Trailhead
- CC34/Rnd 5-Wetlands Park Interpretive Facilities
- CC42/Rnd 6-Wetlands Park Land Acquisitions Phase 4
- CC48/Rnd 6-Wetlands Park Duck Creek Trailhead
- CC52/Rnd 7-Wetlands Park Nature Preserve Trail Enhancements
- CC54/Rnd 8-Wetlands Park Interpretive Facilities Phase 2
- CC55/Rnd 9-Wetlands Park Trails Program Phase 2
- CC65Rnd 15-Wetlands Park Education/Nature Connection Center

2. Acknowledgement of stand-alone project and no guarantee of funding for future phases: This is a stand-alone project and Clark County understands there is no guarantee of funding for future phases. This project is a stand-alone project designed to be self-contained and implemented independently without additional SNPLMA funding in the future. The County will provide oversight and monitoring of the project using the following performance measures:

- Clark County Real Property Management Design & Construction (RPM D&C) has introduced construction management software for the management of projects called Procore. Procore is shared with design consultants and contractors to track project stakeholders, commitments, documents, meeting minutes, tasks, drawings, photos, schedules, Request for Information (RFIs), construction submittals, punch list items, and daily logs.

- RPM D&C completes weekly or bi-weekly meetings during the design and construction phases to track progress and resolve issues. These meetings are documented and transcribed in meeting minutes.
- Monthly reporting in the RPM D&C Project Book database. The Project Manager inputs milestone dates that are key impacts to the project schedule.
- Clark County utilizes SAP software to track budgets, encumbrances, and invoices.

B. SNPLMA STRATEGIC PLAN VALUES

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) projects have two goals identified in the Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural and cultural resources.
- Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all publics in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.

Nominated projects should meet these goals by focusing on the three SNPLMA core values, connectivity, sustainability, and community.

1. Sustainability: The Wetlands Park Enhancement project fulfills the sustainable component of SNPLMA by utilizing sustainable design and construction practices, such as concrete and other durable materials, permeable surfaces that reduces runoff and allows for groundwater recharge, addition of native plant material to reduce the heat island effect, as well as LED lighting to be installed throughout the project areas. Additionally, the County partners with local research centers, environmental and government agencies such as the Southern Nevada Water Authority, that can contribute their expertise to ensure wetland's sustainability.
2. Connectivity: The connectivity component of this project will cohesively connect the trails and wetlands in the Nature Preserve, Nature Center, Dragonfly Wetlands, Duck Creek Trailhead and Wetlands Loop Trail with regional and local trails outside of the park facilitating continuous and uninterrupted outdoor experiences for trail enthusiasts.
3. Community: With around 500,000 visitors each year to Wetlands Park, this project will provide numerous positive aspects for the Las Vegas community and will be an asset for recreation, education, and overall well-being. The Event Area, Nature Art Garden and Interpretive Area being proposed will create new areas to explore for school field trips and educational programs, increase overall capacity for Wetlands Park interpretive events while expanding the variety of opportunities for the community to gather for special events, art, and educational purposes.

C. PURPOSE STATEMENT

Clark County will construct new features on over 8 acres to enhance the 2900-acre Clark County Wetlands Park, adding a Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area, Nature Art Garden,

Duck Creek Event Area, Wetland Walkway connecting the existing Nature Center, Duck Creek Trailhead and Wetlands Loop Trail, and Tropicana Wash Channel extension. The project will include pedestrian bridges, a designated area for bird and pond viewing, interpretive and wayfinding signs and parking facilities at Wetlands Park, located on the eastern edge of the Las Vegas valley in Clark County, Nevada.

D. PROJECT DELIVERABLES

1. Primary Deliverables: (Base Bid)

**denotes deliverables exact specifications to be determined with design.*

a. Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area:

1. Design and install a wetland interpretive area, wetland walkway with concrete connection approximately 800 feet long, 5 feet wide low boardwalk trail leading from the Wetlands Nature Center to the bird and pond viewing area proposed with this project.
2. Two (2) 10'x10' wide viewing decks with concrete pillars or similar durable material within the length of the trail/walkway.
3. Two (2) pedestrian bridges to be constructed over the East Ditch and wetland pond, creating access from the Nature Center and the Wetlands Loop Trail to the Gathering Place viewing area.
4. Gathering Place in between wetland ponds ABC will be designed with a viewing area with 100 square foot, decomposed granite stabilized in connected honeycomb cell panel or similar with a solid surface border.
5. One (1) concrete bird blind with two (2) spotting scopes that will allow for peeks into the pond in the bird and pond viewing area.
6. Concrete connection installed across Dike A, connecting the wetland walkway to one of the two proposed pedestrian bridges that leads into the viewing area in Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area.
7. Three (3) interpretive signs with topics related to nature, wetlands, sensitive bird species, wildlife and art into the signage.
8. Three (3) wayfinding signs.
9. Five (5) trash/recycling receptacles.
10. Native plantings to enhance existing vegetation, replacing invasives such as tall white top, tamarisk, tree tobacco, and reed in a fire prone area to increase habitat quality and lower risk of fire risk.
11. Irrigated native vegetation/landscaping along perimeter of parking lot and interpretive area, up to 30 15-gallon trees up to 60 1-gallon shrubs.
12. Parking area composed of small gravels approximately 2-acres with solar lighting, automatic gate and security cameras. *
13. Security fence around the perimeter of the parking area. *
14. Decomposed granite foot path and bollards to direct visitors to Wetlands Park Lane where they can access the Nature Center, Wetlands Loop Trail, Dragonfly Wetlands and Duck Creek Event Area.

b. The Duck Creek Event Area:

1. Event area, approximately 4-acres in size, will include 1-acre open event space consisting of decomposed granite stabilized in connected honeycomb

cell panel or similar with a solid surface border. Event space will accommodate food trucks, stage, portable restrooms, overflow parking, and handwashing stations for special events.

2. Four (4) nature-themed bicycle racks.
3. Six (6) animal-proof trash receptacles for Event Area.
4. Approximately 300 linear feet of decorative boulders placed throughout the project.
5. Parking for overflow parking for Event Area, 3 acres.
6. Nature Art Garden (detailed below).
7. (10) trash cans.
8. Security fencing, cameras, solar lights, and gates. *

c. Nature Art Garden:

1. Approximately two (2) acres of irrigated native pollinator and wildlife habitat plants: 100-15-gallon trees, 200-1-gallon shrubs, irrigation and herbivore fencing for each plant. *
2. One (1) approximately 500 foot long by 10' wide nature trail through the native planted area connecting to the Event Area being proposed with this project and a connection to the existing Duck Creek trails and Trailhead, and ultimately to Wetlands Loop Trail, Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area and Nature Center.
3. Three (3) nature art pieces.
4. Two (2) interpretive signs engaging the visitor with the environment.
5. Four (4) educational signs describing the art within the area.
6. Three (3) wayfinding signs.

- d. Tropicana Wash Channel Extension – to connect the existing outflow to Duck Creek Channel creating a new stream and wetland through the trails. Flows will attract wetland and riparian plants, birds, and other wildlife. With the introduction of the channel into this area will allow for opportunities to interpret water quality and the value of wetlands.

2. **Anticipated Deliverables:** (*Additive Alternates with SNPLMA PM prior approval*)
None.

3. **Standard Deliverables:**

- a. Design, engineering, surveying, construction drawings, technical reports, cultural review, field inspections, drainage, utilities, soil or other analysis, grading, permits, site improvements, costs to repair irrigation system or landscaping damaged during new amenity construction, public input meetings, staff and management reviews, professional service fees, contract administration, and other necessary expenses.
- b. Financial and Performance Reporting (e.g., SF-425, Performance Narrative)
- c. SNPLMA Status Reporting (Quarterly and Annually)
- d. SNPLMA Annual Accomplishments and Performance Measures
- e. SNPLMA Close-out Package Construction Contract

E. PROJECT LOCATION

Project site address: 7050 Wetlands Park Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada 89122

Legal Description: Mount Diablo Meridian: Clark County, Nevada:

- T.21S., R.62E, Sec 26, E2NW4, E2SW4, SE4

Parcel Number(s) 161-26-101-008, 161-26-302-002, 161-26-396-002, 161-26-701-001

Current Land Use and Zoning: Public Use, Public Facility (P-F)

Latitude and Longitude:

- 36.09606041302028° / -115.02317870823993°,
- 36.09093722474748° / -115.02163474943991,
- 36.09155273620319°/-115.0216671749633°,
- 36.09118665204995°/-115.02115120151693,
- 36.0911247306818°/-115.01603119610381

Congressional District(s): NV-1

F. PROJECT TIMEFRAME

Project will be completed within 5 years from execution date of the SNPLMA federal award. Below is a schedule by each year of the federal award that generally outlines major milestones and nomination deliverables planned for project implementation and completion:

- Year 1: Receive Cooperative Agreement, NEPA, Section 106 Consultation, Award design contract, obtain 30% and 60% of the design.
- Year 2: Obtain input from the public/SNPLMA, Finalize 100% design documents. Award construction contract.
- Year 3: Construct the project while holding weekly & bi-weekly meetings with the contractor.
- Year 4: Continue construction of the project.
- Year 5: Complete the construction including punch list items and close-out the project.

G. LEVEL OF PROJECT READINESS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Is this a shovel-ready project (explain if "Yes"): Yes -or- No

Answer: The planning and designing of this project will include public input prior to the start of construction.

Have you applied, received, or is there the opportunity to obtain funding from another source for this project? Please list the additional funding opportunities received or applied for and indicate whether it is federal or nonfederal funding:

Answer: Clark County has not had an opportunity to obtain funding for another source for this project.

H. FUTURE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Standard maintenance costs for the project as well as other County facilities include site inspections, litter cleanup, repair and/or replacement of all project components, when necessary, graffiti mitigation, etc. County staff prepared the cost estimates for O&M for the project and related amenities. These costs are based on industry trends and the County’s historical data.

Clark County addresses operation and maintenance costs for all projects on an annual basis. Once completed, operation and maintenance costs for this project will be incorporated into the annual budget for all park and recreational facilities. Maintenance of the facility will be provided by the Clark County Department of Real Property Management. Estimated O&M costs for this project is approximately \$10,061 per acre annually. Additionally, Wetlands Park has a well-established volunteer program and network of supporters that help with stewardship projects throughout the park. Projects include litter cleanup, planting, invasive species removal, trail maintenance.

The County acknowledges that it must own and maintain in perpetuity (99+years) any facilities, trails, or other features which are constructed using SNPLMA funds. This requirement does not prohibit the County from entering into agreements with third parties to perform necessary and appropriate maintenance of SNPLMA funded PTNA projects. Such agreements, however, cannot sell, give, or otherwise transfer ownership of the SNPLMA-funded PTNA project or project elements to a third party nor can such agreements abdicate the County’s ultimate responsibility for such maintenance.

I. PROJECT BUDGET

The SNPLMA amount requested for this project is **\$19,311,943**.

Summarized below are the estimated project costs. Enclosed at the end of this nomination is the “Project Budget Detail & Narrative” spreadsheet that provides the budget summary and detail breakdown of the estimated project costs by the SF-424A budget cost categories, as applicable.

Budget Cost Categories (SF424A)	SNPLMA Funds	Cost Share Funds
1) Personnel	\$ 150,000	\$ 27,560
2) Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
3) Travel	\$ -	\$ -
4) Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
5) Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
6) Contractual	\$ 19,161,943	\$ -
7) Construction	\$ -	\$ -
8) Other (e.g., training)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Direct Costs (sum of 1 through 8)	\$ 19,311,943	\$ 27,560
9) Indirect Charges	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL BUDGET (Direct & Indirect Costs)	\$ 19,311,943	\$ 27,560

Cost-Benefit Analysis

Clark County is requesting SNPLMA funds to complete the project. Cost estimates were primarily developed analyzing the scope of the project using current labor/material costs and standard industry costs, comparison of recent projects with similar characteristics and timeframe considerations by subject matter experts within the Clark County Department of Real Property Management. The County has prepared and submitted a Budget Detail Narrative (MS-Excel) of the breakdown of the estimated project costs. The County's written commitment for the voluntary non-federal cost share is enclosed at the back of this nomination.

If the project is approved, a revised cost-benefit analysis may need be completed that will take into account the initial cost estimate and cost escalations and if more funded is anticipated, presented to SNPLMA.

Partnership and/or Contributed Funds:

Clark County will provide a minimum of \$27,560 of in-kind expenditures in the form of staff labor from salaried employees. The amount is based on ~520 hours (over a 5-year period) at an average salary/benefits rate of \$53.00. The county anticipates staff attending at least four meetings a month, available for site visits and time to complete administrative support.

J. KEY CONTACTS

Key personnel that will be assisting with the management and oversight of the project:

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K. RANKING CRITERIA

Ranking Criteria are used to evaluate the nomination against the goals for the PTNA category.

1. **DEMAND FOR AND ACCESS TO:** Constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area to meet the demands for access to recreation opportunities.
 - A. *The project constructs a new or improves an existing park, trail, or natural area that provides equitable access to recreation within communities (e.g., income levels, population, race, background).*

Answer: This project will design and construct approximately 8-acres of new amenities that will promote inclusivity and accessibility to fulfill the needs of the

County's diverse community members. The project is located at Wetlands Park, which is easily accessible to a broad cross-section of our community, including individuals from diverse backgrounds and income levels. The attached map (Comprehensive Planning Wetlands Park-2.5 Mile Radius Buffer) of residents within a 2.5-mile radius of the park, shows the project will be situated within a reasonable distance from residential areas and public transportation.

B. *The project improves community prosperity and economic development.*

Answer: Public parks and the investments in them have been shown to increase economic activities and community prosperity in areas in which they are located. This is generally done by the increase in property values to the surrounding community thus allowing for the tax revenue to increase which then can be reinvested back into the communities. The Duck Creek Event Area being proposed with this project will be available for rental by groups and businesses for community-based functions, further having positive economic impact to the area. Any revenue generated is tracked through the Clark County Parks & Recreation Sports Division, which utilizes a point-of-sale (POS) system, and reports can be provided if requested.

C. *The project is unique and/or significant to the region it is or will be established in.*

Answer: There is no other outdoor recreational or educational facility like Wetlands Park in Southern Nevada. The park was created with funds from a 1990 state bond issue, and has since become a regionally significant wildlife preserve, environmental education classroom and premier outdoor recreation facility. The proposed Duck Creek Event Area and Nature Art Garden will be designed to create a designated space not currently available within Wetlands Park, for Park sanctioned runs, walks, bicycling tours, and other events in close proximity to the existing Wetlands Loop Trail and Nature Center, the central hub of Wetlands Park.

D. *The project addresses, remedies or improves public health and safety concern(s).*

Answer: This project would help address several public health concerns in the community for both physical and mental health. As with any active recreation or outdoor park facility, one of the primary goals is to get more people out and physically active. Physical activity has been shown to address several different health metrics, such as high blood pressure, cardiovascular disease, bone density and obesity.

According to the National Library of Medicine, healthcare professionals and policymakers are increasingly advocating for the use of nature-based health interventions (NBIs) to help manage mental health. Time spent in wetland settings has been associated with elevating mood, reducing stress and anxiety, and promoting relaxation and emotional wellbeing.

E. *The project meets the needs of communities that have faced barriers that have limited their access or connectivity to recreational opportunities.*

Answer: Clark County understands that financial barriers can limit access to recreational opportunities for the historically underserved in the Las Vegas community. This project will provide multiple recreation and educational

- opportunities at no cost, such as Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area, the Nature Art Garden and Clark County Parks and Recreation sanctioned events at the Duck Creek Event Area, making the new proposed amenities accessible to everyone, regardless of income level.
2. **RESOURCES:** The project contributes to creating a conservation stewardship legacy while addressing the quality of the human experience.
 - A. ***The project enhances community, cultural, educational, environmental, historical, open space, and recreational resources.***
Answer: The Nature Art Garden and Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area proposed with this project will bring the community together in a new way at the park to immerse visitors in art, nature, and native plant habitats through educational and interpretive panels, highlighting the artistic elements, and historical, environmental, and wetland features of Wetlands Park. The Interpretive and Event Areas proposed with this project adds viewing decks that will allow users to access a bird and pond viewing area as well as a much-needed connection from Duck Creek Trailhead to the Nature Center.
 - B. ***The project advances recreation opportunities while enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.***
Answer: According to the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), the benefits of conservation and environmental stewardship offers the public access to safe, affordable, and healthy ways to experience and appreciate nature. At Wetlands Park, volunteers of all ages participate in outdoor environmental stewardship projects and programs that encourage visitors to actively participate in the preservation of the park. These include Wetlands: Hands On (W.H.O) program, which involves over 5,000 community volunteers since it began in 2013. Projects include litter cleanup, planting, painting, removing plants, trail maintenance and other park beautification efforts. Additionally, dozens of southern Nevada organizations, clubs, businesses, and agencies have participated in W.H.O. over the years. The addition of the new features being proposed with this project such as the Nature Art Garden, will provide more volunteer opportunities enhancing conservation stewardship within communities.
 - C. ***The project utilizes a sustainable design, particularly with regard to the conservation of energy, water and materials.***
Answer: The Wetlands Park Nature Center was awarded LEED Gold in April 2015, reflecting excellence in sustainable design. Duck Creek Event Area, Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive area and Nature Art Garden will utilize durable and sustainable design and construction techniques and products to minimize future maintenance costs. The viewing decks being proposed with this project will be constructed with composite material, which is durable and able to stand up to harsh weather conditions over time and LED lighting will be installed throughout the project areas.

D. *The project protects and enhances the quality of the recreation experience by fostering an interaction with an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment.*

Answer: Programming at Wetlands Park reflects staff's commitment to connecting people to nature. This project would provide more activities that are dedicated to protecting and enhancing the quality of the recreation experience by fostering meaningful interactions that promote an increased understanding and appreciation of the natural environment. Trails created through this project will invite visitors to explore wetland, riparian other native habitats in the park. New amenities will help engage participants of guided field trips and programs into the heart of the Dragonfly Wetlands for a more immersive experience.

3. **CONNECTIVITY:** Promotes connectivity that links people to recreational opportunities and unites important places across the landscape.

A. *The project enhances physical connectivity or access to or within a regional/local park, trail, or natural area, and/or federal lands.*

Answer: As part of its Master Plan, Wetlands Park was designed to provide physical connectivity and access within the park to the broader network of regional parks, trails, and federal lands in Clark County.

This project includes the development and expansion of a comprehensive trail network within Wetlands Park, that will provide connectivity between the proposed Duck Creek Event Area to the existing Duck Creek Trails and Trailhead, and ultimately to the Wetlands Loop Trail, Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area, and existing Nature Center.

Additionally, trails at Wetlands Park will connect with existing regional and local parks and trails, such as the City of Henderson's Bird Viewing Preserve Visitor Center, the Las Vegas Wash, trails within the Cadence community and Mountain Lake Park, facilitating continuous and uninterrupted outdoor experiences for trail enthusiasts. Signage and wayfinding signs will be installed throughout the project that will provide visitors with directions and information about connections to nearby attractions and connections to regional and federal lands.

B. *The park, trail, or natural area is part of an approved regional or local plan. (If no formal regional/local approved plan the nomination does describe the planning process.)*

Answer: In December 1993, Clark County Parks and Recreation began work on a Master Plan for Clark County Wetlands Park. The Master Plan identifies the preservation and enhancement of wetlands as a priority and serves as the comprehensive guiding document for development of the park.

During the master planning process, the County examined current conditions in the Las Vegas Wash, solicited comments from the public, worked with various affected stakeholders and created a vision to guide future decisions in the development of the

park. The Wetlands Park Master Plan was completed in July 1995. The Wetlands Park Enhancements project supports the Wetlands Park Master Plan.

C. ***The project is integral in creating a comprehensive system of parks, trails, and natural areas.***

Answer: The Wetlands Park Long Range Comprehensive Interpretive Plan, completed in 2003, was central to the creation of a comprehensive system of parks, trails and natural areas that collectively enrich the recreational and ecological landscape in Clark County. This project is a component in continuing the network of interconnected green spaces, promoting outdoor recreational opportunities, and enhancing the overall quality of life for our community.

D. ***The project serves as an educational/interpretive bridge to connect people to the outdoors.***

Answer: Staff at Clark County Wetlands Park are committed to serving as an educational/interpretive bridge that connects people to the outdoors. With a 210-acre Nature Preserve and four Trailheads, Wetlands Park provides recreation opportunities and wildlife habitat as well as an outdoor classroom for scientific studies and educational programs for all ages. The park, home to hundreds of species of animals, wildlife and trees is a place to learn for people of all ages. This project will include interpretive signs with topics related to nature, wetlands, sensitive bird species, wildlife, and art.

E. ***The project promotes recruiting, retaining, and re-engaging people and conservationists, with an emphasis on engaging disadvantaged, or underserved communities that traditionally have low participation in recreation activities.***

Answer: Clark County has committed to promoting inclusivity and engaging disadvantaged or underserved communities that historically have had limited participation in recreation activities and conservation efforts. Wetlands Park staff has formed partnerships with local schools and community organizations that serve disadvantaged populations, and these partnerships provide a way for engagement and programming to underserved groups.

Additionally, Wetlands: Hands On! (WHO), a community group of volunteers, meets monthly at different locations throughout the park to work on improvement projects such as invasive plant removal, trash pick-up, trail clean-up, and native plant restoration. The WHO program gives participants of all ages and economic status the opportunity to learn about the Wetlands, explore new areas of the park, and contribute to the restoration and improvement of the environment.

4. **COST AND VALUE OF INVESTMENT:** Evaluates, describes, and considers costs and benefits of the project.

A. ***The projected deliverables, budget, associated costs, and phasing considerations of the proposal are stated and justified.***

Answer: The expected timeline for project completion is outlined earlier in this nomination, including a summary cost analysis. The County also submitted with the

nomination package the Budget Detail Narrative (MS-Excel) breakdown of the project proposed cost estimates. The deliverables and cost estimates were determined using professional estimating techniques by county staff and third-party consultants who are subject matter experts.

B. *Public demand/use vs. investment required (e.g., service area/radius, communities benefited) is reasonable and is clearly identified.*

Answer: The communities to be benefited by the project have been identified and include a broad cross-section of our local population as well as tourists. Visitors of Wetlands Park come from various income levels, racial and ethnic backgrounds, and age groups, ensuring that the park's benefits are accessible to everyone. Additionally, Wetlands Park has a long history of support, including representatives from federal, state, and local agencies, as well as non-profit organizations that worked together to develop the Wetlands Park Interpretive Plan. Over \$60 million has been dedicated for Wetlands Park land acquisitions and development, and over \$25 million from voter-approved state bonds have been dedicated to the park.

C. *The design or approach of the project minimizes future maintenance and/or replacement costs to the extent possible for the type of project.*

Answer: This project will utilize durable and sustainable design and construction techniques and products to minimize future maintenance costs. The pillars for the boardwalk will be made of durable material compatible with wet, muddy soils and high groundwater levels. The boardwalk surface will be made of durable composite material. The Event Area space will be constructed with decomposed granite. The Duck Creek overflow parking area will be composed of small gravels in connected honeycomb cell panel to allow for infiltration of precipitation to reduce runoff, reduce heat island effect and dust, and blend into the natural environment.

D. *Has identified committed non-SNPLMA sources of funding or in-kind contribution in the development and/or implementation of the project (e.g., financial, volunteerism).*

Answer: Clark County has committed to provide \$15,000.00 of in-kind expenditures in the form of staff time from various departments associated with the project (see the attached commitment letter).

E. *Modernizes existing infrastructure to reduce the Operation and Maintenance costs by incorporating technology and engineering efficiency and sustainability (e.g., solar lighting).*

Answer: Wetlands Park will modernize its existing infrastructure by utilizing energy-efficient LED lighting throughout the project to reduce energy consumption while minimizing ongoing maintenance.

L. ORDERS AND PRIORITIES

A. Executive Orders (EO):

1. ***EO No. 13855: Promoting Active Management of America's Forests, Range Lands***

to Improve Conditions and Reduce Wildfire Risk

In September 2022 Clark County completed the All-In Clark County Nevada Climate Vulnerability Assessment, a study of climate hazards including extreme heat, drought, wildfires and flooding. The Wetlands Park Enhancements project will promote the reduction of wildfire risks by being actively maintained by Clark County Department of Real Property Management.

2. *EO No. 14005: Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers*

On March 22, 2023, Clark County, Nevada announced that it has been chosen to participate in the second phase of Results for America's Good Jobs & Equity Project (GJE) supported by the Families and Workers Fund. This initiative will assist 12 U.S. jurisdictions in deploying inventive job quality initiatives aimed at enhancing economic mobility and fortifying local economies.

3. *EO No. 14063: Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects (applicable to projects estimated at \$35 million or more)*

N/A

4. *EO No. 14072: Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies*

Wetlands Park is an attraction for tourists, hikers, birdwatchers and nature enthusiasts. These activities can boost the local economy by generating revenue through tourism and recreation-related activities through guided tours.

5. *EO No. 14096: Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All*

The Wetlands Park Enhancements project will play a significant role in promoting environmental justice by providing equitable access to natural spaces, improving public health and inspiring the community to become advocates for environmental protection and conservation.

B. Secretarial Orders

1. *SO No. 3347: Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation.*

Clark County Parks provide multiple opportunities for conservation stewardship, including the Wetlands: Hands On (W.H.O) program involving more than 5,000 community volunteers since it began in 2013.

2. *SO No. 3356: Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories.*

The Clark County Wetlands Park Master Plan was designed to protect and enhance wetlands for wildlife habitat, environmental education and recreation. On April 20, 2021, the Clark County Board of County Commissioners adopted the 'Resolution of the County of Clark in Support of Protection of 30 Percent of Nevada's and the United States' Lands, which states Federal, state and local agencies engaged in efforts to support and expand the protection of land and waters are urged to honor tribal

jurisdictions and the rights of indigenous tribes through consultation with tribal governments.

3. ***SO No. 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big-Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors.***

N/A

4. ***SO No. 3366: Increasing Recreational Opportunities on Lands and Waters Managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior***

This project will increase recreational opportunities with a Dragonfly Interpretive Area, which will include a trail leading from the Wetlands Nature Center to the bird and pond viewing area. The project also includes bird and pond viewing areas, viewing decks and pedestrian bridges.

5. ***SO No. 3370: Conservation Stewardship and Increasing Public Access to Urban National Wildlife Refuges.***

Wetlands Park offers opportunities for the public to get involved and help with stewardship projects throughout the park. Projects may include litter cleanup, planting, invasive species removal, trail maintenance, and other park beautification efforts.

6. ***SO No. 3372: Reducing Wildfire Risks on Department of the Interior Land Through Active Management.***

Wetlands Park is actively managed and maintained by the Clark County Real Property Management department.

7. ***SO No. 3373: Evaluating Public Access in Bureau of Land Management Public Land Disposal and Exchanges (focus is on Sec. 4.b.(3) Potential increased public recreational access to existing public lands resulting from the proposed land acquired through an exchange (acquisition)).***

N/A

8. ***SO No. 3376: Increasing Recreational Opportunities through the use of Electric Bikes.***

The Duck Creek Event Area being proposed with this project will encourage the use of electric bikes.

C. Department of the Interior Priorities:

1. ***Identifying steps to accelerate responsible development of renewable energy on public lands and waters. We are investing in climate research and environmental innovation to incentivize the rapid deployment of clean energy solutions, while reviewing existing programs to restore balance on America's public lands and waters to benefit current and future generations.***

As part of Clark County's Transform Clark County Master Plan, Clark County actively participates in federal resource allocation and use discussions for public

lands to ensure that management plans continue to allow existing and future renewable energy resource development and industry expansion. Key resources associated with federal lands in the County include energy production and transmission, which occur primarily on federally administered land within the County.

2. ***Strengthening the government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations.*** *We understand that tribal sovereignty and self-governance, as well as honoring the federal trust responsibility to Tribal Nations, must be the cornerstones of federal Indian policy.*

On April 20, 2021, Clark County Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution as a government entity to support federal, state, and local agencies be engaged in efforts to support and expand the protection of land and waters to honor tribal jurisdictions and the rights of indigenous tribes through consultation and tribal governments.

3. ***Making investments to support the Administration's goal of creating millions of family-supporting and union jobs.*** *This includes establishing a new Climate Conservation Corps Initiative to put a new generation of Americans to work conserving and restoring public lands and waters, increasing reforestation, increasing carbon sequestration in the agricultural sector, protecting biodiversity, improving access to recreation, and addressing the changing climate.*

Clark County endorses the nationwide initiative to promote the development of jobs that support families and unions. On April 20, 2021, the County Commissioners approved a resolution in favor of safeguarding both public and private lands, recognizing their pivotal role in driving the outdoor recreation sector in the State and County. This sector, in turn, contributes \$12.6 billion to annual consumer spending, sustains 87,000 employment opportunities, and generates over \$1 billion in tax revenue to the state.

4. ***Working to conserve at least 30% each of our lands and waters by the year 2030.*** *We will work to protect biodiversity, slow extinction rates, and help leverage natural climate solutions by conserving 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030. This relies on support for local, state, private, and tribally led conservation and restoration efforts that are underway across America.*

In April, 2021, Clark County Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution in support of the protection of Nevada's and United States' lands and waters by 2030, and Clark County has already achieved that goal.

5. ***Centering equity and environmental justice.*** *The impacts of the multiple crises in the United States are not evenly distributed in our society. Communities of color, low-income families, and rural and indigenous communities have long suffered disproportionate and cumulative harm from air pollution, water pollution, and toxic sites. At every step of the way, Interior will engage diverse stakeholders across the*

country, as well as conduct formal consultation with Tribes in recognition of the U.S. government's trust responsibilities.

Clark County engages youth of all ages and levels of income that do not have access to recreational activities. On April 20, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners passed a resolution urging federal, state and local agencies provide fair treatment and meaningful involvement of people of all races, cultures, incomes and natural origins by soliciting, accounting for and responding to the voices, needs and priorities of communities of color, indigenous communities and economically disadvantaged communities.

D. USDA Forest Service Priorities:

1. *Controlling the COVID-19 pandemic*

Clark County follows all mandates and protocols administered the Southern Nevada Health District and the Governor's Office. Clark County, the SNHD and community partners have supported the "Back to Life" outreach campaign to increase Covid-19 vaccination rates within the African American community. The multi-media campaign has included community events, grassroots outreach, and social media efforts. Clark County continues to host several community events and wellness fairs all over the Las Vegas valley offering free Covid-19 vaccinations.

2. *Providing economic relief*

Clark County offers a variety of initiatives with its Social Services Department, designed to provide economic support. These include rental assistance for qualified underprivileged individuals within the Clark County community, as well as transportation services for disabled, elderly, and low-income families and no access to public transportation.

3. *Tackling climate change*

The Wetlands Park Enhancements project will follow Clark County's 'All-In Sustainability and Climate Action Plan,' which focuses on taking action to address climate change and create a more sustainable future for Clark County.

4. *Advancing racial equity*

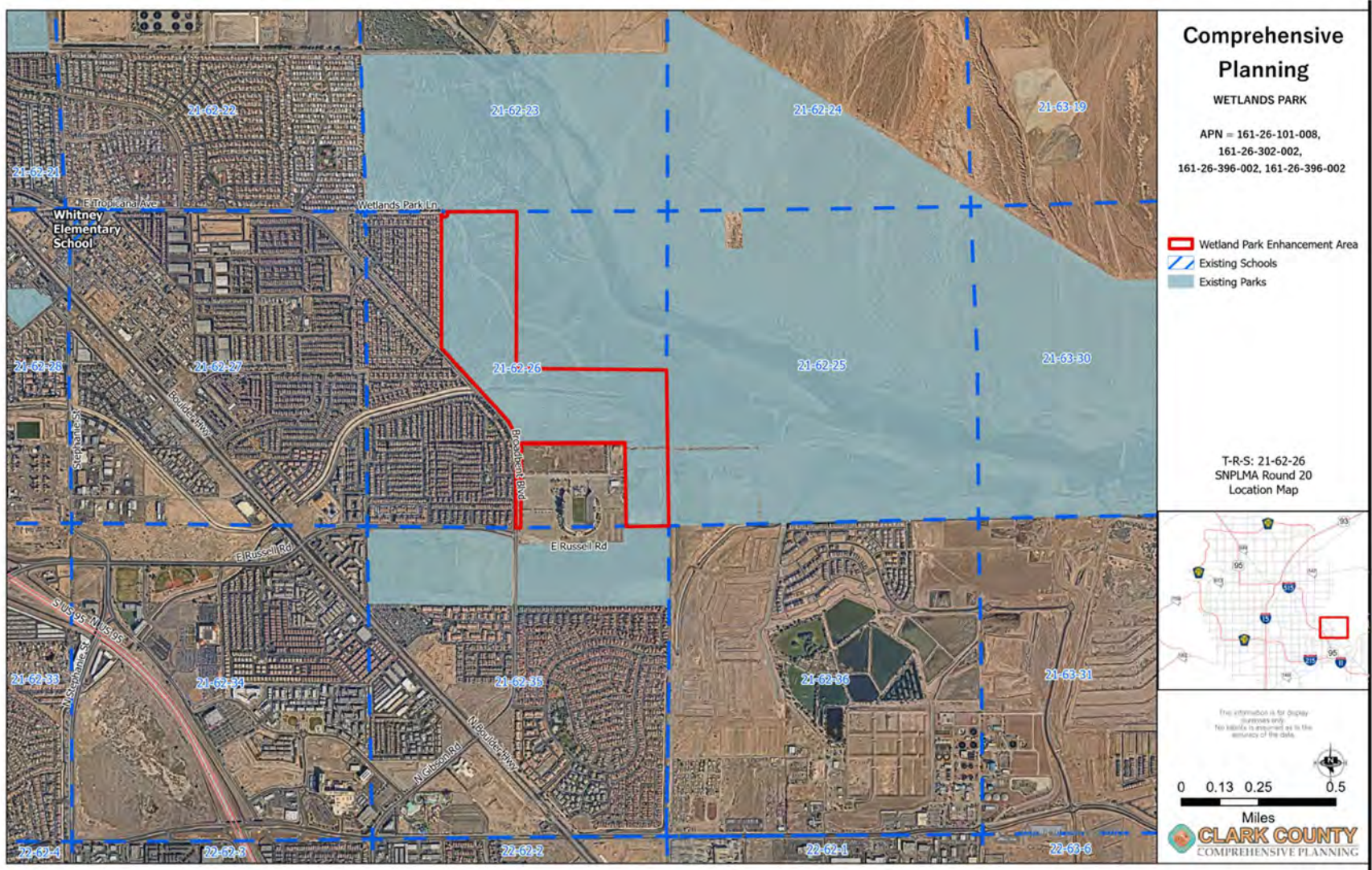
Clark County is committed to fostering diversity among the members of volunteer boards and commissions, ensuring representation from a wide range of backgrounds, various races, ethnicities, income levels, and occupations to accurately mirror the County's diverse population.

5. *Improving our workforce and work environment*

The Wetlands Park enhancements project will contribute to employment opportunities through jobs in park design and construction, as well as the hiring of County personnel responsible for the upkeep of the park. As a government entity, Clark County partners with nonprofit organizations such as Workforce Connections and the Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) of Southern Nevada, which is now recognized as the largest county in the nation to achieve certification as an ACT Work Ready Community.

M. MAPS

LOCATION MAP



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WETLANDS PARK

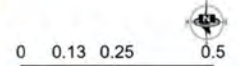
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- Wetland Park Enhancement Area
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Location Map

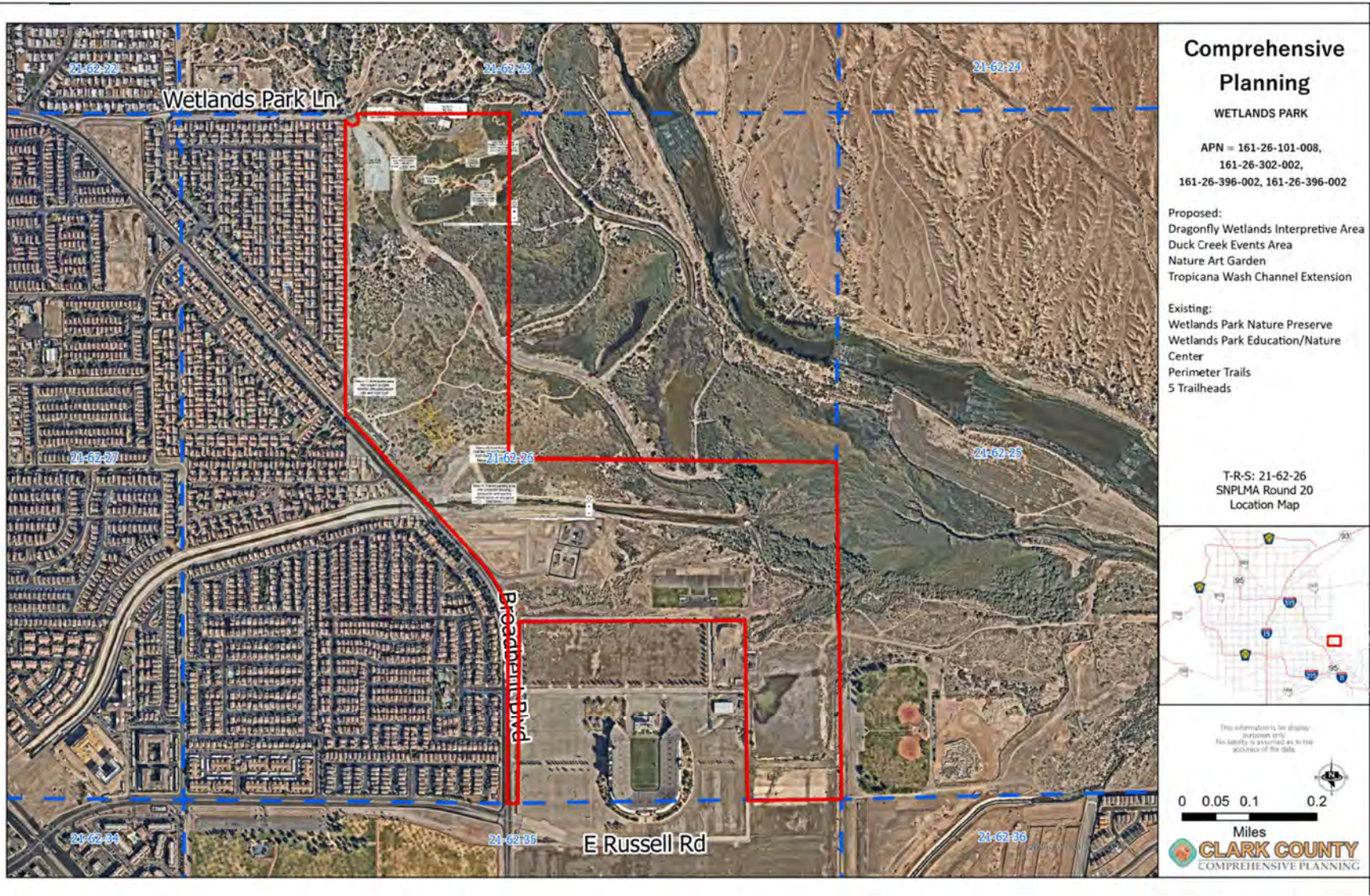


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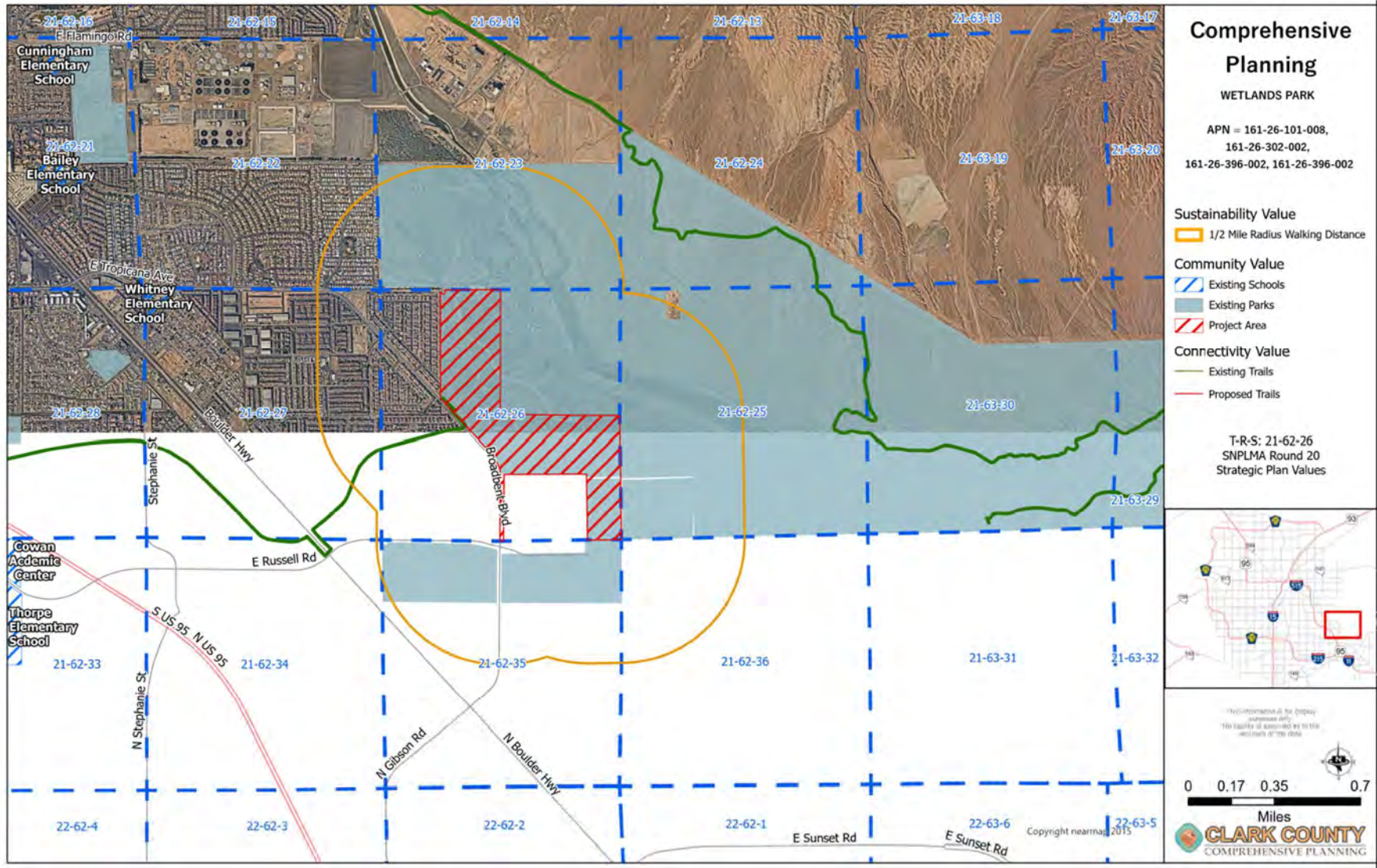


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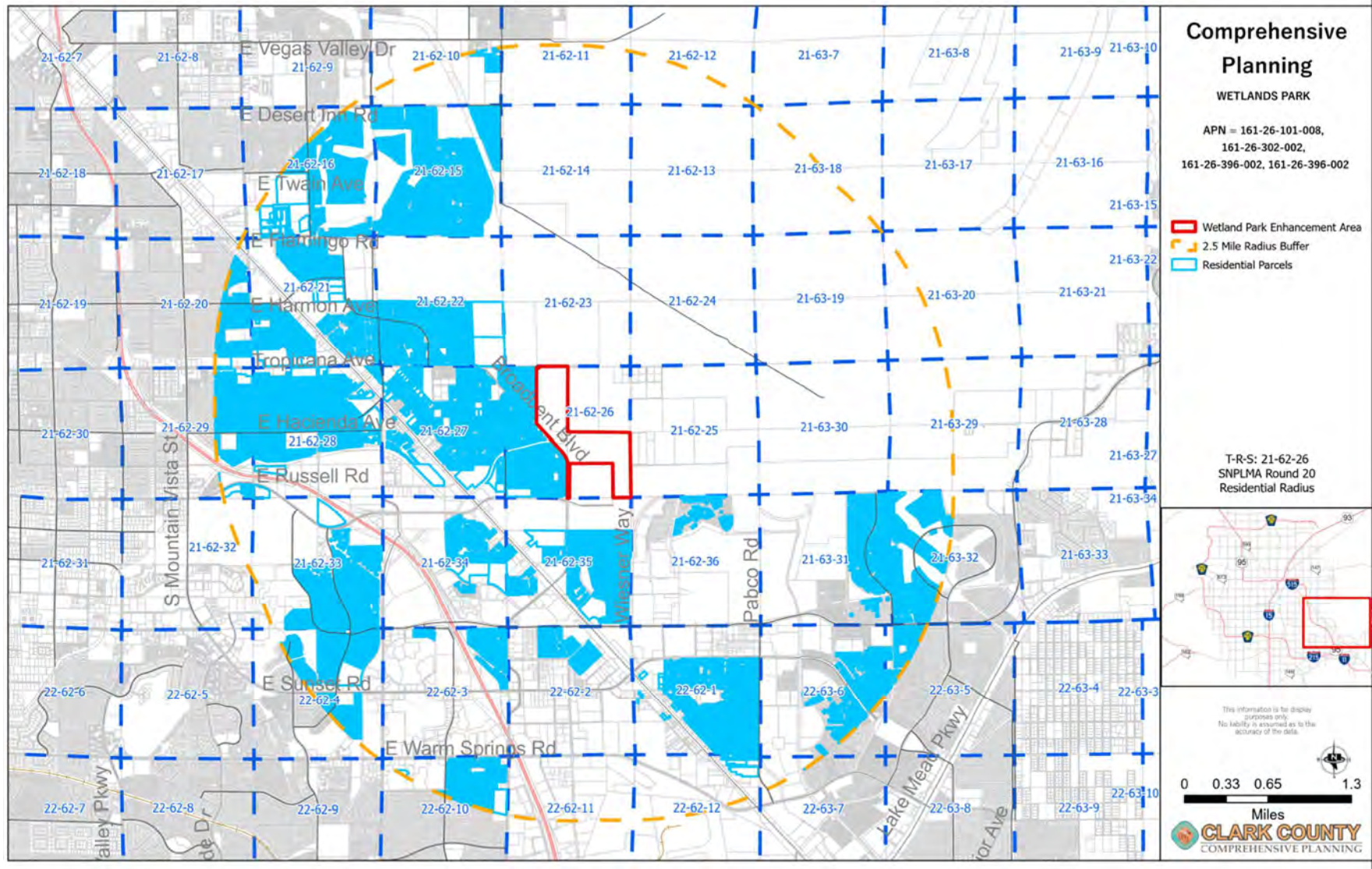
PROJECT MAP



STRATEGIC VALUES MAP



RESIDENTIAL RADIUS MAP



N. PHOTOS

Wetlands Park General Photos



Wetlands Park (Existing)



Wetlands Park Nature Center

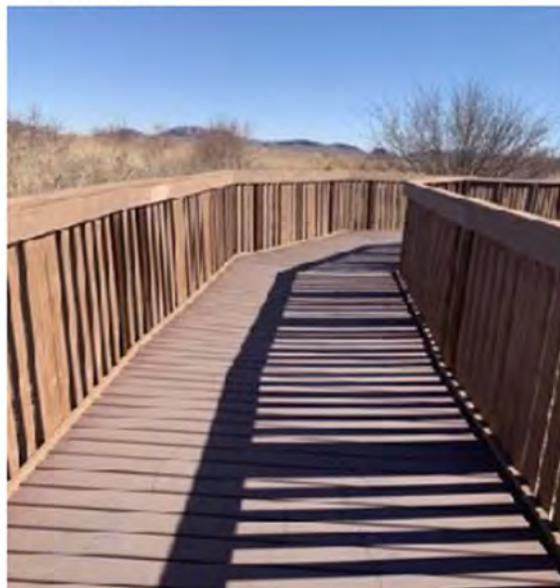


Wetlands Park (Existing Amenities)

Wetlands Park Nature Center



Duck Creek Trail



Trails at Wetlands Park



O. PERFORMORANCE MEASURES (PM)

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 1: Sustain the Quality of the Outdoor Environment by Conserving, Preserving, and Restoring Natural and Cultural Resources		
PM for Habitat Enhancement	Definition of Performance Measure	Quantity
H6 - Acres of Wetland / Riparian Habitat Treated, Enhanced, or Restored	<p>*Report the number of acres of wetland vegetation and/or wildlife habitat treated, enhanced, or restored. This can include retreatment and/or maintenance treatments only if the initial treatment was not funded through SNPLMA and the acres have not been accounted for in the performance measures for another SNPLMA project. Include acres treated by fire rehabilitation projects or by fire for resource benefits, but not other types of wildland fire. Do not report treatments targeting invasive vegetation, as these should be reported under the H9 performance measure. Do not report hazardous fuels reduction projects, as these should be reported under either the F1 or F2 performance measures.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	5
H9 - Acres of Invasive Plant Species Treated or Restored	<p>*Report the number of acres of weed infestation treated with chemical, mechanical, physical, or biological control agents for the purpose of weed control. Include acres treated by fire when fire is used as a physical control agent for weed control rather than as a hazardous fuels treatment. Each acre treated is counted only once during the life of the project, no matter how many re-treatments occurred during the project.</p> <p><i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i></p>	2
H14 - Number of Threatened and Endangered Species Recovery Actions Implemented	<p>*Report the number of individual recovery actions performed for threatened or endangered species recovery as identified in recovery plans, conservation management plans, or land use planning documents. Include surveys, inventories, and monitoring as recovery actions. Note: One distinct action repeated 5 times over the course of the project would report as 1 action, not 5. The same recovery action conducted at distinct sites can be counted once for each site (this does not apply to individual plots within one single project site). The number of acres over which the actions were taken are reported under either H4 or H6.</p> <p><i>*Report each action as one unit.</i></p>	1

SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life for all Publics in Urban and Rural Communities by Enhancing Recreational Opportunities that Connect People with the Outdoor Environment		
PM for Recreation Management	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
R2 - Acres of New Parks or Natural Areas Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of acres of new parks or natural areas constructed or improved. Existing parks or natural areas may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Do not report acres of new parks or natural areas acquired, as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. Do not report structures built, as this should be reported under performance measure R3 or O2. <i>*Report to the nearest whole acre.</i>	8
R3 - Number of New Recreational Facilities / Structures Constructed or Improved	*Report the number of new recreational buildings, structures, park amenities, or similar facilities constructed or improved. Existing recreational facilities may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. Include shade shelters, picnic areas, playgrounds, arenas, amphitheaters, pedestrian bridges, etc. Do not report acres of land acquired for new parks or natural areas as this should be reported under performance measure R5 or R6. <i>*Report each facility or structure as one unit.</i>	10
R4 - Miles of New Recreational Roads / Trails Constructed or Routes Improved	*Report the number of miles of new recreational roads and/or trails constructed or improved. Restoration of existing roads and/or trails may be counted under this performance measure if functional improvements are made as defined in the project nomination. <i>*Report to the nearest whole mile.</i>	1 mile
SNPLMA FY2020-FY2024 STRATEGIC PLAN: Other Performance Measures that Also Support the Three Values for SNPLMA Implementation of Sustainability, Connectivity, and Community		
Other Performance Measures	Definition of Performance Measures	Quantity
O6 - Number of New Interpretive or Education Publications/Signs/ Kiosks/Displays/etc. Produced	*Report the number of new interpretive or education publications produced, signs produced and installed, public informational websites or other electronic media presentations designed and implemented, and informational or interpretive kiosk displays produced and installed. <i>*Report each item produced as one unit.</i>	15

P. BLM AND OTHER AGENCY CONSULTATION LETTERS



United States Department of the Interior



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In Reply Refer To:
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Dear Ms. Williams:

This correspondence acknowledges the participation of Clark County (County) in the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA) consultation meeting held on October 3, 2023. I would like to thank the County for their continued partnership in the SNPLMA program for the development of PTNA projects for public benefit and for participating in Round 20.

The County has met the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consultation requirement concerning the PTNA Round 20 project nominations as described below.

Echo Trail Park-Phase II – This proposal is to design and construct phase II of the Echo Trail Park. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the County.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources; however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Mountains Edge Regional Park-Phase II – This proposal is to design and construct phase II of the Mountain's Edge Regional Park. The project proposal is located on BLM-administered land leased to the County through the Recreation and Public Purpose (R&PP) Act, serialized N-66442. An amended Plan of Development with a complete design plan and updated management plan will need to be submitted to the BLM Las Vegas Field Office and approved prior to initiating any changes or new construction. Any changes to the lease will require coordination with the BLM to determine any additional consultation consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act.

This project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Wetlands Park Enhancements-Duck Creek Interpretive Garden Areas – This proposal is to construct new features to enhance the 2,900-acre Clark County Wetlands Park including adding the dragonfly wetlands interpretive area, nature art garden, event area, and walkway connections. The proposal also includes adding pedestrian bridges, area for bird and pond viewing, interpretive and wayfinding signs, and parking. The project proposal is located on lands owned by the County.

This proposal is not located on or contiguous to BLM managed public lands that would impact federal resources; however, this project is subject to the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The SNPLMA program will assist with this process including coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office and consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the consultation meeting or lands and realty related questions, please contact Lisa Moody, Realty Specialist at 702-515-5084 or emoody@blm.gov. Any questions regarding the PTNA program please contact Michelle Leiber, SNPLMA Program Manager at 702-515-5168 or mleiber@blm.gov.

Sincerely,



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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Memorandum

To: Assistant District Manager, SNPLMA Division, Bureau of Land Management,
4701 North Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130
Attn: Mr. Robert Wandel

From: Shonna Dooman Chief,
Resource Management Office

Subject: Wetlands Park Enhancements - Duck Creek Event Area, Wetland Interpretive Area and
Nature Garden, Clark County Project Nomination Southern Nevada Public Land
Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural areas
(PTNA) Category

I am writing on behalf of the US Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) in support of Clark County Wetlands Park's efforts to develop the Duck Creek Event Area, Wetland Interpretive Area, and Nature Garden.

Approximately half of the 2,900-acre Wetlands Park is on Reclamation administered lands and managed under lease agreement by Clark County. Although all aspects of this project shall occur wholly within Clark County lands, Reclamation and the Wetlands Park maintain a strong partnership to further goals for the protection of natural and cultural resources while creating recreational opportunities for the community.

This project embodies Reclamation and the Park's shared vision for preserving natural resources and providing educational, recreational, and research opportunities for the public while creating new areas for school field trips, programming, and events. Creating new paths and gathering places that connect the Nature Center with the new wetland interpretive area, native art garden and event space with the Duck Creek Trailhead will further link the Park with the surrounding trails and community.

We support the proposed Park enhancements to expand opportunities for visitors to explore native wetland and riparian habitats and engage the community with the natural world.

If additional information is needed, please contact Mr. Chris Linehan, Lower Colorado Basin, Recreation Planner at (702) 293-8171 or clinehan@usbr.gov for assistance.

cc: Ms. Debora Ackerman, SNPLMA Management and Program Analyst (via email)
Ms. Michelle Leiber SNPLMA Program Manager - PTNA, MSHCP and Capital Improvements (via email)

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Wetlands Park Friends

Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA Program Manager - PTNA, MSHCP and Capital Improvements
BLM Southern Nevada District Office - SNPLMA Division
4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130

October 5, 2023

Subject: Wetlands Park Enhancements - Duck Creek Event Area, Wetland Interpretive Area and Nature Garden, Clark County Project Nomination Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 20 Nomination Parks, Trails, and Natural areas (PTNA) Category

Dear Ms. Leiber,

Wetlands Park Friends, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, is delighted to write to you in support of the Clark County Wetlands Park's application for SNPLMA Round 20 funding. The Park is applying for a project to create a new Duck Creek Event Area, Dragonfly Wetlands Interpretive Area, Nature Garden, and Tropicana Wash Channel Extension. These projects will greatly enhance restored native habitat for wildlife, and provide much-needed spaces for the Park's exceptional public programs and for visitor respite from the surrounding urban area.

The Wetlands Park has long needed a suitable space for appropriate outdoor programs. The planned event space near the existing Duck Creek Trailhead will allow safe and environmentally appropriate space for an outdoor stage, food truck set-up, restrooms and handwashing stations, and visitor parking to accommodate larger Park programs. A new nature garden will provide visitors with two irrigated acres of wildlife habitat with a trail, nature art pieces, and interpretive, educational, and wayfinding signs. The native habitat will increase wildlife carrying capacity, and interpretive signage will aid appreciation for the wonders of nature provided by the park, close to home. Necessary wayfinding signs, security fencing, cameras and gates are also in the plan to ensure visitors easily find their way and to keep the area safe.

The formal designation of the Dragonfly Wetlands with a new interpretive area, pedestrian walkway, bird blind with spotting scopes, viewing decks for bird watchers, and interpretive signage will delight nature-loving Park visitors. Native vegetation and landscaping will enhance the area's already considerable value for wildlife. Pedestrian bridges, gathering place, and expanded parking with fencing, lights, and gates will increase visitor convenience and access both to the new interpretive area and for large, popular programs at the Park's Nature Center.

Dragonfly Divide spine helps control periodic sheet flow flooding and provides important fire break protection in Wetlands Park. The project to extend the existing Tropicana Wash Channel to connect it with the Duck Creek Wash Channel will bring a new stream and wetland to the area, to attract wetland plants, and an increased variety of birds and other wildlife for the public to experience.



Wetlands Park Friends

These projects will be of huge benefit to the over 500,000 visitors who seek nature along the Wetlands Park's managed wild "ribbon of green" each year. They will also, in keeping with the Park's Master Plan and Mission Statement, provide additional, rare wetlands habitat for wildlife. Wetlands Park Friends is proud to write in whole-hearted support of Clark County Wetlands Park's application for funding from SNPLMA's Round 20 granting process.

Sincerely,

Christie P. Leavitt

Christie P. Leavitt
President, Wetlands Park Friends

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 Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
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October 18, 2023

Robert Wandel
 Assistant District Manager - SNPLMA Division
 Bureau of Land Management
 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive
 Las Vegas, Nevada 89130

Dear Mr. Wandel:

SUBJECT: LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SNPLMA R20 PROPOSAL BY CLARK COUNTY WETLANDS PARK

I am writing a letter of support on behalf of the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee for the Wetlands Park Enhancements – Duck Creek Event Area, Wetland Interpretive Area and Nature Garden project. This project will add event space, increase native plant restoration and wildlife habitat, and enhance the visitor experience.

In 1998, the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee (LVWCC), a 28-member stakeholder group, was created to stabilize the Las Vegas Wash, restore its ecological function, and provide long-term management for the environmentally important waterway. Clark County Wetlands Park has been a valuable partner in these efforts. Their project will add wildlife habitat and improve visitors' ability to see wildlife, especially birds, helping to achieve management objectives of the Las Vegas Wash Wildlife Management Plan.

The LVWCC supports the Wetlands Park's application for this extensive enhancement project.

Sincerely,

Keiba Crear
 Division Manager, Stewardship and Sustainability, Southern Nevada Water Authority (lead agency of the LVWCC)

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Voluntary Non-Federal In-Kind/Cash Contribution Commitment Letter



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Sami Real, Director

October 25, 2023

Michelle Leiber
SNPLMA Program Manager – PTNA and MSHCP
BLM Southern Nevada District Office – SNPLMA Division
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Las Vegas, NV 89130

CONTRIBUTING FUNDS FOR WETLANDS PARK ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT

Dear Ms. Leiber:

Clark County is committing \$15,000.00 in in-kind contributions in the form of staff time for the Wetlands Park Enhancements project.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Tamara Williams, Senior Management Analyst, at (702) 455-3121 or taw@clarkcountynv.gov.

Sincerely,

Sami Real
Director of Comprehensive Planning

cc: Tamara Williams