

VISION, GOALS and OBJECTIVES

INTRODUCTION

The values of Clark County residents and their aspirations for the future are guiding forces for the Park, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Plan. This chapter defines the vision, goals, and objectives that illustrate the preferred future for the parks, open spaces, trails, facilities, and programs (park system) provided by Clark County Parks. These elements also introduce a planning framework for the recommendations, strategies, and actions that appear in the next chapter of this Plan. For consistency and clarity, the term *'park system'* will be used throughout this document to refer to all parks, open spaces, trails, facilities, and recreation programs managed by Clark County Parks.

VISION

A vision illustrates a broad picture of success for the community as served by parks and recreation opportunities. The Clark County Vision is as follows:

Clark County Parks & Recreation strengthens a high quality of life for the entire community.

The vision provides a foundation for this plan's goals, objectives, strategies, and level of service standards. The vision is used as a guide for the development of the County's park and recreation system.

GOALS

The vision: "Clark County Parks & Recreation strengthens a high quality of life for the entire community" is implemented in a more specific way by goals and objectives. Goals and objectives are statements describing how the Clark County Parks and Recreation Department (CCPRD) will carry out the County-wide vision for the park system. Goals define the broad outcomes to be produced by implementing the Park, Recreation, and Open Space Plan. Objectives set forth clear directions for providing services and for creating a visionary park system. Taken together, goals and objectives can be a means of measuring the performance of CCPR in delivering recreation services. These goals and objectives were developed based on input from staff and community members. The recommendations presented elsewhere in this document include specific actions that should be implemented to achieve the goals and objectives set forth here. All goals, objectives, recommendations, and actions flow from the vision for park and recreation services. These goals are numbered for reference only; numbers do not suggest a priority for implementation.

- 1. Park System:** Provide a quality park system that supports opportunities for active and passive recreation, and conserves and enhances significant environmental or historical resources.

- 1.1 Provide parks that support the mission and vision of the County, providing a wide range of active and passive recreation experiences and meeting the needs of diverse age groups, recreation interests, and abilities.
 - 1.2 Provide at least XX acres of developed parks per 1,000 residents.
 - 1.3 Evaluate all potential new land acquisitions; including conservation easements, donated property, and land-banked sites—to ensure that these sites are consistent with the vision set forth in this Plan.
 - 1.4 Provide geographically accessible regional parks and County parks in strategic locations throughout Clark County.
 - 1.5 Balance regional and community park and recreation needs, supporting all objectives in adopted Community Plans that are aligned with the role of CCPR as a regional provider and help meet identified County-wide needs.
 - 1.6 Land-bank sites for local parks in priority locations that meet an identified needs of un-served or underserved populations in unincorporated Clark County. Transfer these properties to local control when feasible.
 - 1.7 Ensure the County only assumes direct responsibility for the development, operation and maintenance of facilities that have regional benefits.
2. **Open Space:** Provide a system of protected open space areas and corridors to preserve the region's beauty, ensure the long-term health of the natural environment, and to provide outdoor recreation where appropriate.
 - 2.1 Incorporate natural areas and unique ecological features into the park system to protect threatened species, conserve significant resources and habitat, and retain migration corridors that are unique and important to local wildlife.
 - 2.2 Provide leadership for the planning, coordination, and conservation of unique environmental systems, and scenic vistas on a county-wide basis.
 - 2.3 Protect significant environmental features, including unique wetlands, open spaces, woodlands, shorelines, waterfronts and other characteristics that support wildlife and reflect Clark County's natural heritage.
 - 2.4 Coordinate and support open space acquisition and management with other County departments and agencies.

- 2.5** Develop and enact best management practices for land stewardship on County park system and distribute information to other land stewards.
- 2.6** Provide open space corridors within the unincorporated Urban Growth Area (UGA) to protect wildlife corridors, nesting sites, and foraging areas, provide alternatives to the built environment, and to create buffers between communities.
- 2.7** Evaluate future land acquisitions or sales using the resource goals, policies and mapping included in this Plan. Acquisition through dedication or donation will strive to acquire the premier lands for preservation as open space and avoid those lands of marginal natural, cultural or recreational value.
- 2.8** Ensure park system properties, conservation easements, and Conservation Futures covenants are managed and maintained in a coordinated manner to provide long-term stewardship of the open space function and value.
- 2.9** **Protect Habitat.** Protect lands and waters valued for plant, fish, and wildlife habitat rarity, diversity, or connectivity.
- 2.9.1** Prioritize acquisition of habitats that are species-rich biodiversity management areas, or support Endangered Species Act listed species, or protect state priority habitats and species, or provide habitat connection to these high priority areas.
- 2.9.2** Preserve opportunities for people to observe and enjoy fish and wildlife in their habitats. Allow for context sensitive design of physical and visual access to habitats in order to promote educational, scientific, and recreational enjoyment while protecting environmental conditions.
- 2.9.3** The following evaluation criteria should guide CCPR habitat and open space funding and acquisition efforts.
- A. The habitat is identified as high value regionally or locally. Within Clark County, the following are considered high value. *The numeric listing is not intended to imply a rank order at this time.*
1. Habitat which supports or has the potential to support Endangered Species Act listed species. Habitats for listed species are considered important because these species are small in number and the species is at risk of extinction.
 2. Biodiversity management areas (BMAs). These habitats provide for the greatest biological diversity of terrestrial species (mammals, birds, amphibians and reptiles) and also give special consideration for salmonids.

3. Relatively undeveloped estuarine systems and riparian corridors.
4. Marine and near shore habitats.
6. Large (>150 acres) tracts of relatively contiguous diverse conifer forests in order to manage for habitat.
7. Priority habitats and species not otherwise listed above. These include unique or significant habitats and specific fish and wildlife species that require protection.
8. Highly productive agricultural soils.

B. Acquisition of the habitat is supported by multiple county goals in adopted County plans or inter-jurisdictional plans, including, but not limited to:

1. Shoreline restoration or public access goals in the Shoreline Master Program
2. Basin plans, salmon recovery plans, rivers flood management plans, and watershed plans
3. Storm water management plans
4. Community Plans

C. The habitat is under threat of conversion due to development pressures or other uses.

D. Acquisition of the habitat fills gaps or completes an interconnected network in public ownership or conservation easements.

E. The habitat acquisition provides an opportunistic “bargain” purchase of lands provided such a purchase meets other evaluation criteria and does not preclude acquisition of higher priority habitat areas in the short term or long term.

F. The project facilitates partnerships with other governmental and non-governmental agencies that furthers the Counties habitat protection goals.

2.10 Public and Private Partnerships - Habitat. Develop partnerships with public agencies and jurisdictions, private organizations and businesses for support, funding, and implementation of habitat conservation across the county.

2.10.1 Coordinate and cooperate with other jurisdictions, organizations, land trusts and private landowners to help provide and maintain habitat values and ecosystem functions.

2.10.2 Cooperate with other public and private agencies and with private landowners to set aside unique features or areas as publicly accessible resources.

2.11 Habitat and Open Space Management. Manage, restore, and maintain publicly owned habitat and open space lands.

2.11.1 Stewardship and management plans should be prepared for any publicly owned or publicly purchased habitat parcel.

2.11.2 Support the implementation of biodiversity stewardship plans.

3. Trails Network: Provide a connected system of regional and local trails that offer diverse trail opportunities and experiences including non-motorized transportation, recreation, fitness, connecting with nature, and organized events and races. The trail network will provide links to parks, open spaces, significant environmental features, public facilities, and areas of interest.

3.1 Healthy Communities. Create healthy communities throughout the County by promoting active lifestyles, reducing reliance on personal motor vehicle travel and offering free opportunities for recreation and physical activity.

3.1.1 Accommodate all non-motorized transportation modes safely and comfortably.

3.1.2 Improve transportation demand management by encouraging use of the regional trails system for commuting.

3.1.3 Encourage other County agencies to develop “Complete Streets” that incorporate regional trail routes.

3.2 Accessibility. Develop regional trail routes, crossings and trail facilities that are accessible to all.

3.2.1 Follow or exceed Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines to ensure equal accessibility for all users.

3.2.2 Reduce accessibility barriers and provide safe crossing of the I-5 corridor, railways and other busy transportation routes.

3.3 Safety Develop a trail system that is safe for users through the provision of well maintained, visible and open trail corridors and adequate emergency access.

- 3.3.1** Ensure safe trail intersection design based on AASHTO, WSDOT, ADA guidelines and requirements that takes into consideration visibility, pavement markings, signage, intersection angle, pavement texture, use of color and lighting.
 - 3.3.2** Incorporate Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) concepts and techniques through the design of open and visible corridors for both users and public safety services and personnel.
 - 3.3.3** Accommodate maintenance crews and emergency response to the extent practicable. If deemed necessary, techniques such as emergency call boxes, geographic positioning identifiers (GPS), lighting, security vehicle access and landscaping may be designed and installed to increase safety.
 - 3.3.4** Encourage the establishment of neighborhood trail watch programs where property owners adjacent to trails monitor nearby trails and report maintenance or operation problems to the County or other jurisdictions, and report vandalism or other suspicious activity to the appropriate agency.
 - 3.3.5** Develop trail systems that are safely separated from motor vehicles where possible, with clearly visible striping for high traffic segments, trail crossing and intersection markings.
- 3.4 Regional Connectivity.** Provide and enhance connectivity to important County and regional destinations, between multiple jurisdictions, and to neighboring counties.
- 3.4.1** Create connections between key community destinations such as regional and county park sites, schools, employment centers, transit centers and significant natural areas and landmarks.
 - 3.4.2** Connect to trails in neighboring counties and to trails in local jurisdictions throughout Clark County.
 - 3.4.3** Acquire trail segments that complete the regional trails system through a variety of methods including land dedication, purchase, use of vacated rail lines and other rights-of-way, donation of land, and public easements and use agreements.
 - 3.4.4** Work with Federal, State and local agencies to identify public property that could be used to further the regional trail system.

3.5 Awareness and Education. Strengthen the awareness of the regional trails network through a widespread promotional campaign, and promote trail safety and user education.

3.5.1 Provide current and easily accessible information about the regional trails system using multiple means of communications.

3.5.2 Provide information on the County's website and include items such as trail route and access information.

3.5.3 Provide interpretive and historical signage along the regional trails.

3.5.4 Hold public events that bring awareness and attention to the regional trails system.

3.5.5 Monitor trail use over time by conducting trail counts and seeking input from trail users.

3.5.6 Support and expand safety education programs for adults and children, as well as different user groups and motorists to increase knowledge of safe trail use, and encourage positive individual behavior change.

3.5.7 Work with area school districts to create trail use and safety education programs for students.

3.5.8 Work with area trail partner groups to promote trail use and provide safety education for the general public.

3.6 Trail Design. Incorporate design techniques that minimize impacts to the natural environment and neighboring uses. Develop trails that offer a variety of experiences.

3.6.1 Design trails that provide recreation opportunities, as well as transportation routes for pedestrians, bicyclists, equestrians and boaters.

3.6.2 Design trails that provide a variety of trail lengths and destinations, and offer loops that are interconnected.

3.6.3 Plan, size, and design trails in accordance with the County's Low Impact Development (LID) techniques, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) design guidelines, ADA guidelines, Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), Washington

State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) requirements and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) standards.

3.6.4 Provide trails signage in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, as published by the FHWA.

3.6.5 Develop planting standards and/or guidelines that prohibit vegetation or landscaping from negatively impacting the on-going and long-term maintenance of the regional trails network.

3.6.6 Locate trails outside natural hazards areas, such as flood zones, as much as practicable.

3.6.7 Equestrian Routes. Clark County identifies and ensures maintenance of off road trails and shoulders for equestrian use on routes that serve equestrian travel needs to public stables, trailheads, and other equestrian activity centers when the equestrian projects do not limit other transportation modes' use of the corridor.

3.7 Facilities and Services. Offer sufficient facilities and trail support services to accommodate the needs of various trail users.

3.7.1 Provide clear signage, pavement markings, interpretive signs and historical markers for wayfinding, education, points of interest rules and regulations, and traffic safety targeted to equestrians, bicyclists, pedestrians, boaters and motorists.

3.7.2 Provide rest stations, restrooms, seating, picnic tables, water fountains, bike racks and recycling/trash receptacles along the trail and trailheads where feasible.

3.7.3 Design centralized staging areas and trailheads for trail access. Trailheads should include parking, trail orientation and information, kiosks, and any necessary specialized unloading features (ADA accessibility, equestrian facilities, etc.).

3.7.4 Maximize the number and diversity of viewing and education opportunities.

3.8 Maintenance. Provide routine trail maintenance that is responsive, effective and resourceful, to ensure the long term success of the regional trails system.

- 3.8.1** Maintain the regional trails system and related facilities so they provide safe and comfortable conditions for users, while preventing conflicts between users on shared routes.
- 3.8.2** Respond to damaged trail sections quickly and provide effective trail repair and maintenance.
- 3.8.3** Implement an on-line reporting system, with response time goals, for trail maintenance needs, safety concerns and general suggestions.
- 3.8.4** Use appropriate and specialized maintenance equipment, durable and cost saving materials and effective maintenance products that have a low impact on the natural environment.
- 3.8.5** Consider an adopt-a-trail maintenance program so organizations, groups or individuals can adopt trail segments or corridors by volunteering or providing donations for maintenance and development.

4. Water Access: Provide water access for education and recreation. Promote safe and appropriate access to help inspire appreciation and stewardship of aquatic resources and habitat.

- 4.1** Cooperate with other public and private agencies to use, acquire and preserve additional shoreline access for waterfront fishing, wading, swimming, non-motorized and motorized boating where appropriate, as well as other related recreational activities and pursuits.
- 4.2** Enhance the existing system of designated water trails and freshwater bodies to support recreation opportunities for kayakers, canoers, paddle boaters, and other non-motorized watercraft users.
- 4.3** Improve existing publicly-owned water access sites to address safety and ADA accessibility.
- 4.4** Provide linkages to the designated water trails network where possible.
 - 4.4.1** Provide for visual water access along public land where feasible.
 - 4.4.2** Develop a way-finding system to include markers, signage and other technologies.

5. Recreation Programming: Promote, coordinate, facilitate or provide recreation programs that serve regional needs, support community health and wellbeing, connect the community with their parks, and encourage greater recreation participation in areas not served by other providers.

5.1 Focus on core program areas that support Parks and Recreation Services' niche and the preferred vision for parks, programs, and services.

5.2 Continue to provide innovative, facility-based special events to provide social and cultural recreation opportunities for County residents.

5.3 Expand mobile programming, identifying a market to provide recreation opportunities at regional parks and County parks.

5.4 Develop a programming strategy for providing services to underserved residents in unincorporated areas.

5.5 Expand environmental programming by focusing on new program development, partnerships, and development of facilities such as nature centers and interpretive trails.

5.6 Continue to support countywide sports, recreation programs, and special events through the provision of facilities.

6. Development Standards: Develop high quality facilities that are environmentally sustainable, appropriate for the site, connected to the surrounding neighborhood, universally accessible, safe, and easy to maintain for the long-term.

6.1 Provide unique, innovative, state-of-the art, facilities to draw users from throughout the region and establish an identity/brand for CCPR.

6.1.1 Create better curb appeal throughout the park system. Develop an action plan of small park improvements that address curb appeal and identity.

6.1.2 At more developed sites, incorporate street tree planting, improved landscape maintenance, curbs, sidewalks and park signs to give a sense of arrival and pride.

6.1.3 Incorporate site frontage improvements at more rural or conservation oriented sites, ensuring that improvements are appropriate for the context.

6.2 Context Sensitive Design. Include elements in the design and development of facilities to contribute to community identity and reflect the local context,

including the physical features on site, local history and culture, and neighbor and community preferences, including those specified in adopted Community Plans where appropriate.

- 6.3 Accessibility.** Ensure that the location, design, development and redevelopment of park resources are accessible for all populations and are adaptable to changing recreational, demographic, and economic trends.
- 6.4 Scenic Views.** Incorporate viewpoints of local natural resources throughout the park system.
- 6.5 Interpretative Elements.** Incorporate opportunities for historical, cultural, and environmental interpretation into the park to inform and educate the public about its local and regional context.
- 6.6 Park Safety.**
 - 6.6.1** Consider innovative programs and the use of park design to increase park safety, security, and visibility.
 - 6.6.2** Incorporate Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) concepts and techniques in the design, development, and maintenance of the park system.
 - 6.6.3** Identify and prioritize park safety improvements that address park user safety, perceptions of safety, and safety for all personnel.
- 6.7 Sustainability Practices.** Incorporate sustainability practices into the design, development, and maintenance of park system.
 - 6.7.1** Incorporate low impact development techniques into park and trail designs, and be a leader in demonstrating sustainable building practices.
 - 6.7.2** Develop or retain native plant communities to provide habitat, reduce ongoing maintenance, conserve water, and to provide interpretive opportunities.
 - 6.7.3** Considering the use of recycled materials in the construction of park system facilities.
 - 6.7.4** Enrich the park system by facilitating sustainable building and land management practices and utilizing smart design.

6.7.5 Develop and manage parks to protect and enhance wetlands, waterways, and water quality.

6.8 Park System Maintenance.

6.8.1 Consider the maintenance costs and staffing levels associated with acquisition, development, or renovation of parks or natural areas, and adjust the annual operating budget accordingly for adequate maintenance funding of the system expansion.

6.8.2 Implement and fund maintenance frequency protocols that maximize the life of County park and recreation assets.

6.8.3 Minimize impacts of park maintenance and operation practices through the use of environmentally sound methods such as Integrated Pest Management.

6.8.4 Invest in preventative maintenance and upgrades to parks and facilities to maximize long-term benefits.

6.8.5 Maximize operational efficiency to provide the greatest public benefit for the resources expended when park improvements are made.

6.9 Design indoor and outdoor recreation facilities with the capacity to support increased recreation programming and provide year-round recreation opportunities.

6.10 Park system facilities should be buffered from incompatible uses.

6.11 Ensure park system properties are connected to the surrounding communities through safe pedestrian access.

7. Stewardship Provide efficient and effective management of park system resources in a sustainable and environmentally beneficial manner that contributes to a healthy, livable community and a rich natural park experience.

7.1 Stewardship and Management Plans. Stewardship and management plans should be prepared for all park system properties that have been acquired by or dedicated to the county.

7.1.1 The foremost management objectives of individual open space lands should follow directly from the purposes for which the land was acquired.

7.1.2 Management of county open space lands should consider the regional context of ecosystems and adjacent land uses. Management plans may be prepared for a geographic area that is larger than an individual parcel.

7.1.3 Management of individual open space lands, including those under agricultural easements, should follow good stewardship practices and other techniques that protect and preserve natural and cultural resources.

7.1.4 Management Plans should address issues such as long-term maintenance, restoration, and permitted uses within the open space site, invasive weed removal, and appropriate public access.

7.2 New Facility Priorities. Prioritize new facility development, based on criteria such as demonstrated need, population served, a facility's regional draw, revenue-generating potential, innovation or uniqueness of services, and ability to increase programming options within identified core program areas.

7.3 Project Priorities. Use the following criteria to prioritize capital projects:

- Improve maintenance efficiency. Projects that improve maintenance efficiency or that will reduce life-cycle costs should be given high priority.
- Utilize alternative funding or partnerships. Projects that have potential to be funded through grants, donations, or partner contributions should receive higher priority than projects without other funding opportunities.
- Ensure equitable distribution. Priority consideration should be given to ensure that improvement projects are distributed equitably throughout the County, based on the Service Regions concept presented in this Plan.
- Provide the "biggest bang for the buck." Projects where the cost/benefit ratio is favorable should have a high priority. In other words, projects that are less costly but serve a broader population are desired. In comparison, a project that is costlier, meets a localized need, or serves a limited number of residents would be assigned a lesser priority, even though these projects are still valuable.
- Implement existing master plans. Projects called for in adopted site master plans should be given a high priority.
- Strengthen the community. Proposed projects should be prioritized based on their ability to strengthen community identity, foster interaction between citizens, and build true community. For example,

projects that were also identified in community plans, would serve a diverse cross-section of the community or projects that support community events should be assigned a higher priority.

- Projects that meet more than one of the six criteria described above should be given preference.

7.4 Natural Area Management Strategy. Develop a natural area management strategy to ensure that resources are maintained and conserved. The management strategy should address issues such as invasive weed removal, restoration projects, limited access areas, etc.

8. Funding: Use effective and innovative funding methods to build, maintain, operate, and promote the park, recreation, and open space system.

8.1 Develop and maintain diverse funding for the acquisition, development, and operation and maintenance of park land, recreation facilities, and trails to meet community recreation needs.

8.2 Actively seek innovative funding methods to retain financial flexibility, match user interests, and increase facility services.

8.3 Periodically evaluate park impact fees to ensure that rates are sufficient to meet increased recreation demands due to growth.

8.4 Develop partnerships with public and private agencies when advantageous to the County and which result in increased recreation opportunities for County residents.

8.5 Provide sufficient operations funding to support County residents' desired level of service.

8.6 Provide technical assistance or facilitate in the formation of local park and recreation service areas, park and recreation service districts, or metropolitan park districts where appropriate to implement the recommendations of adopted Community Plans.

8.7 Employ alternate service provision models, where feasible, to enhance efficient and effective operations.

9. Regional Coordination: Serve as a regional coordinator, leading the effort to forge partnerships and foster opportunities for countywide collaboration among all major recreation providers in the provision of parks, open space, trails, facilities, programs, and services.

- 9.1 Create a comprehensive, balanced park and recreational system that integrates County facilities and services with resources available from other jurisdictions, organizations, and public and private agencies to meet the vision and goals set forth in this plan.
- 9.2 Cooperate with other public and private agencies, as well as with private landowners, to conserve land and resources necessary to provide high quality, convenient park and recreation facilities.
- 9.3 Cooperate with other county departments to define, identify, retain, and conserve open space within the County in order to better serve our citizens.
- 9.4 Coordinate with the cities, school districts, and other public and private agencies to avoid duplication, improve facility quality and availability, reduce costs, and represent local resident interests through joint planning and development efforts.
- 9.5 Serve as a provider of recreation facilities to support programming and recreation opportunities provided by other public and private groups in the community.
- 9.6 Where appropriate and economically feasible, assist local park districts in the conservation, development and operation of parks and recreational facilities of interest to the regional population, such as water access, trail-related recreation, and regional parks or County parks.
- 9.7 Where appropriate, initiate or participate in the joint planning and provision of programs with other public and private agencies to meet County recreation needs.
- 9.8 Coordinate with agencies countywide to conserve and provide public access to environmentally sensitive areas and sites that are especially unique to the Clark County area, including shorelines.
- 9.9 Coordinate with other park agencies, park and recreation districts, metropolitan park districts, park and recreation service areas, and private providers to ensure there is an adequate range and supply of active recreation facilities and programs in Clark County.
- 9.10 **Trail Network Coordination.** Coordinate with cities and local communities, federal agencies, tribes, park districts, user groups and organizations, and neighboring counties to ensure the successful development of a regional trails system.

- 9.10.1** Coordinate and cooperate with surrounding jurisdictions and providers to create a seamless regional trails system.
- 9.10.2** Encourage special purpose districts, cities, towns, ports, tribes and community plan areas to provide trail connections through their jurisdictions and provide access to the regional trails system.
- 9.10.3** Encourage developers and private land owners to provide trail connections through their developments and provide access to the regional trails system.
- 9.10.4** Promote public/private partnerships in development, implementation, operation and maintenance trail projects.
- 9.10.5** Coordinate with local trail interest groups and advocates in development, implementation, operation and maintenance of trail projects.
- 9.10.6** Enhance coordination for improved response time to trail maintenance issues.
- 9.10.7** Coordinate with utility providers for scheduling maintenance along trail corridors to ensure user notification of disruptions, and anticipate opportunities for trail improvements.

10. Public Involvement: Engage Clark County residents in the planning, stewardship, and programming of the park system, and provide effective community outreach and marketing to increase public awareness and support of recreation services.

- 10.1** Increase name recognition and establish an identity/brand for CCPR.
- 10.2** Promote Clark County as a recreation and tourist destination, marketing the region's system of open spaces and natural resources as an economic driver and asset for the county.
- 10.3** Enhance customer service by making information and registration more accessible to the community.
- 10.4** Increase public awareness of the County park system.
- 10.5** Consider partnership opportunities for advertising parks, programs, and services County-wide to promote CCPR to a wider group of potential park and facility users.

- 10.6** Promote volunteerism to enhance community ownership and stewardship of parks, recreation programs, and services. In particular, encourage citizen involvement and participation in maintaining, improving, and restoring parks and natural areas.
- 10.7** Provide opportunities for public input in park planning and design decisions.
- 10.8** Balance the perspectives of nearby neighbors with community preferences, regional needs, staff knowledge, and County regulations to create effective plans and designs for parks, facilities, and programs.
- 10.9** Provide educational services and programs which increase public awareness of the county's irreplaceable and renewable resources and the stewardship practices for land or ecosystem conservation.