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Public Deliberation Summary Report

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this document is to report on the results of the Vision Plan team's efforts to engage the public in discussions and choice-making around Goals and Priority Actions for the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (District). These efforts reflect the District's commitment to a planning process that combines robust scientific analysis with meaningful public input. The efforts constitute the *deliberation phase* of the five stage SHEDD process: Getting **S**tarted, **H**earing the voices, **E**nriching the conversation, **D**eliberating, and **D**eciding (see R-13-10 dated January 15, 2013). The results are intended to inform District decisions on the goals and actions included in the Vision Plan.

WHAT WE DID AND WHO WE TALKED TO

The deliberation phase of the vision planning process involved two parallel strategies for engaging the public: face-to-face public workshops and online interaction (imagine.openspace.org). Both of these strategies focused on Vision Plan Goals and Priority Actions drafted by District staff and finalized by the District Board of Directors (Board) with input from the Vision Plan Community Advisory Committee (CAC). The development of the Goals and Priority Actions was informed by the scientific analysis, and community, partner and stakeholder conversations conducted in earlier phases of the planning process.

Public Outreach for Deliberation Phase

Outreach efforts for the deliberation phase were coordinated between the workshop and online engagement strategies. Beginning in early September 2013, District staff worked with the Public Dialogue Consortium (PDC) to notify the public of the Workshops, and built upon the robust online participation generated in earlier phases. Outreach included the following means:

- District print newsletter
- District website (www.openspace.org)
- Email announcements to existing interested parties lists
- Facebook & Twitter announcements
- Announcements through the imagine.openspace.org website
- Public radio (KQED) interview with District planner Sandy Sommer
- Email notifications through partner organizations' contact lists
- Distributing postcards with meeting dates and locations, as well as the imagine.openspace.org URL, at various district events and preserves
- Informational flyers in preserve signboards and in various public locations throughout the District

Notifications for public workshops were sent out via various channels at least once a week starting one month prior to the first public workshop on October 21, 2013 and continued until the fifth and final workshop November 16, 2013. Notifications for online participation continued through the final week of the online platform, which closed December 15, 2013.

Public Workshops

The *region* framework established for the Vision Plan was used to structure the public workshops (See **Appendix A** for a Region Map). Five public workshops were held in locations across the District, each with a focus on the overall Vision Plan Goals and sets of Priority Actions associated with at least two planning regions. The workshops were designed to both inform and engage the public, and each of the approximately three-hour meetings was based on a similar agenda. The workshops included presentations, small group discussions, and the use of keypad technology. Using the keypads, the participants rated the Goals and Priority Actions on a scale of one to ten where ten represented the highest level of importance/priority, and one represented the lowest level of importance/priority. This approach enabled participants to express individual opinions and preferences, and to have immediate access to the aggregated responses of the group. Rating of goals and priorities resulted in an average score, shown in the Results section of this report.

The agendas consistently included the following components:

1. Opening with introductory District video and the use of keypads to gather and show information about who was in the room.
2. Presentation and keypad rating of Goals for each of five *Open Space Themes.*
3. Opportunity for participants to generate and rate additional goals.
4. For each region covered: presentation, small group discussion, and keypad rating of Priority Actions.
5. Opportunity for participants to generate and rate additional Priority Actions
6. Workshop evaluation with keypads.

Summary of Public Workshops: Locations, Number of Participants and Regions

Workshop locations were chosen based on accessibility and geographic relevance to the regions that were covered.

Half Moon Bay, CA October 21st 6-9 p.m. Cunha Elementary School	37 participants rated District Goals and Priority Actions in the following regions • North San Mateo Coast • South San Mateo Coast
Saratoga, CA October 28th, 6-9 p.m. West Valley College	71 participants rated District Goals and Priority Actions in the following regions • Sierra Azul • South Bay Foothills
La Honda, CA November 2nd, 1-4 p.m. Skyline Field Office	24 participants rated District Goals and Priority Actions in the following regions • Skyline Ridge • Central Coast Mountains
Mountain View, CA November 4th, 6-9 p.m. Graham Middle School	68 participants rated District Goals and Priority Actions in the following regions • Skyline Ridge • Peninsula Foothills

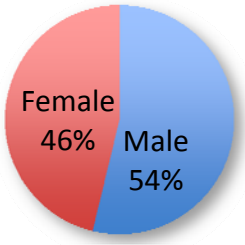
Redwood City, CA November 16th, 1-4 p.m. Fair Oaks Community Center	34 participants rated District Goals and Priority Actions in the following regions • Baylands; Peninsula & South Bay Cities • Peninsula Foothills
TOTAL WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE:	234 participants

Who We Talked To: Participant Demographics for Public Workshops

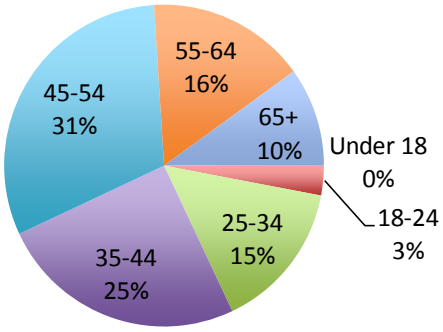
Based on the demographic information provided through the keypad voting technology, a total of 234 community members participated in the public workshops. As the charts below indicate, there was a small majority of male participants. Although all adult age ranges were represented, the overwhelming majority were over the age of 45.

In addition to basic questions of demographics, participants were asked about how and how often they visited open space preserves. A large majority of the workshop participants were frequent users of the preserves and most of those reporting on their primary activity used the preserves to walk, hike, or run[1].

Gender - Public Workshops



Public Workshop Participant Age



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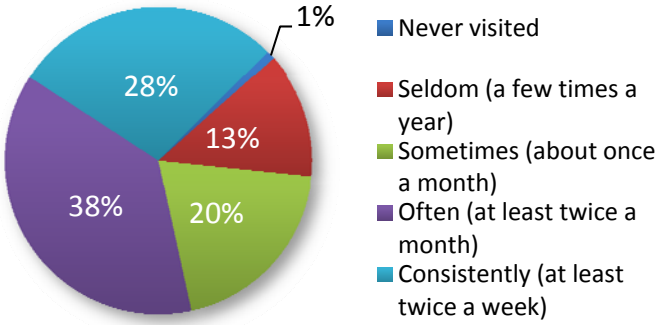

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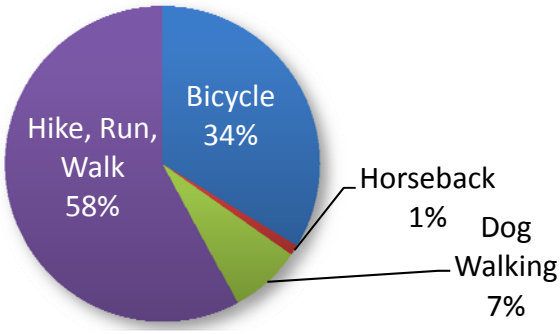
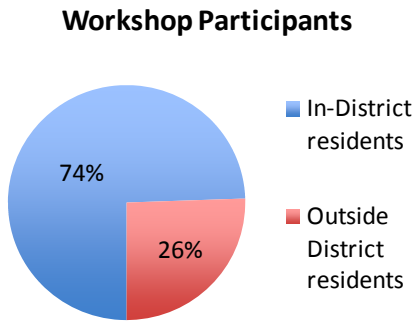
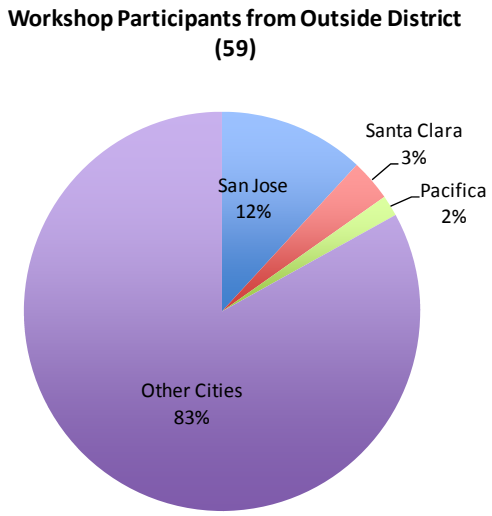


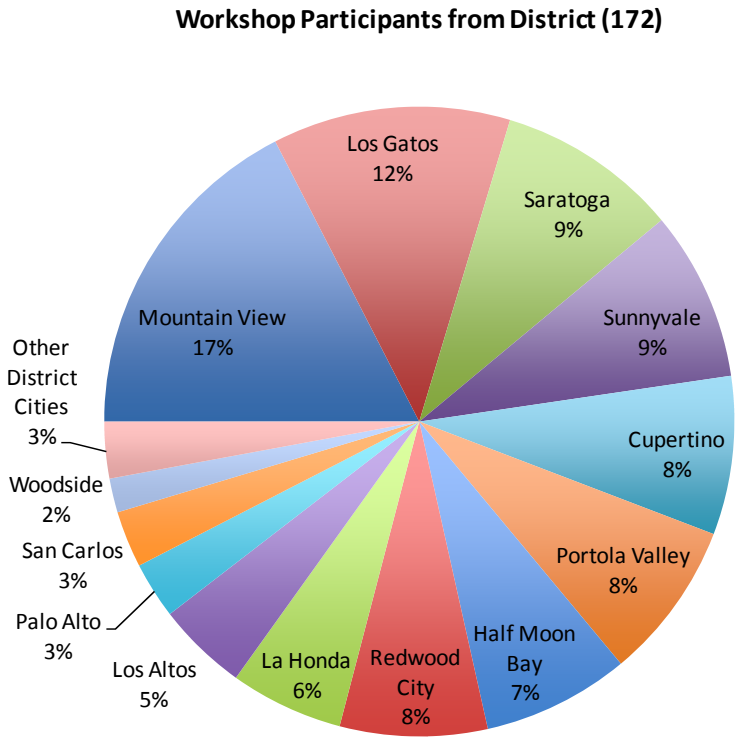
[1] The use of open space question was added after the second workshop so 96 of the 231 participants answered the question.

Participants identified their city of residence using keypads. The majority of participants reside within District boundaries.

However, the limits of the technology created some challenges that resulted in what is likely to be an over use of the "other" category. In addition, a few cities, including Palo Alto and San Jose, were added to the options after the second workshop making it likely that these two cities are underrepresented in their category (and overrepresented in "Other").







Online Deliberation

An online participation platform MindMixer (imagine.openspace.org) ran concurrently with the public workshops. Like those involved in public workshops, online participants rated both Goals and Priority Actions. However, online participants could rate actions across all regions. Workshop participants were therefore encouraged to access the website to rate actions in regions not covered in the workshop they attended.

Participants were invited to comment on, as well as rate, Goals and Priority Actions by indicating "I love it!", "I like it!", "It's ok", or "Neutral." Definitions of each were provided on the website and indicated as follows:

- Love it! = This is a top priority for me!
- Like it! = This is a priority for me, but I have higher priorities.

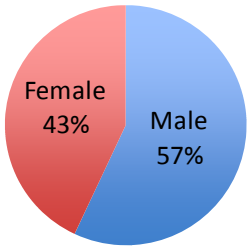
- It's OK = I see how that can be important, but it is not a high priority for me.
- Neutral = This is not a priority for me.

Rating of goals and priorities resulted in the accumulation of *points* (or stars) as shown in the tables in the Results section of this report. In addition to rating the Goals and Priority Actions developed by the District, online participants could add their own goals and actions for rating and comment.

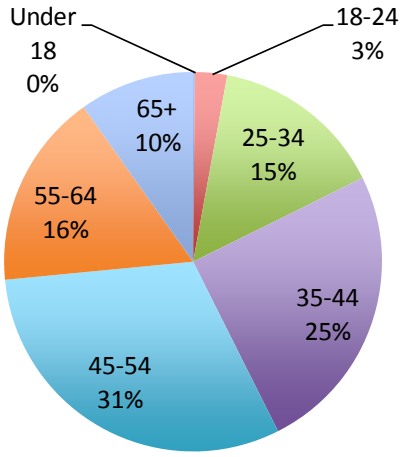
Who We Talked To: Online Participant Demographics

461 participants rated goals and/or actions within the online platform during the deliberation phase. As with the public workshops, male participants were in the majority, as with participants over the age of 45 as shown in the charts below.

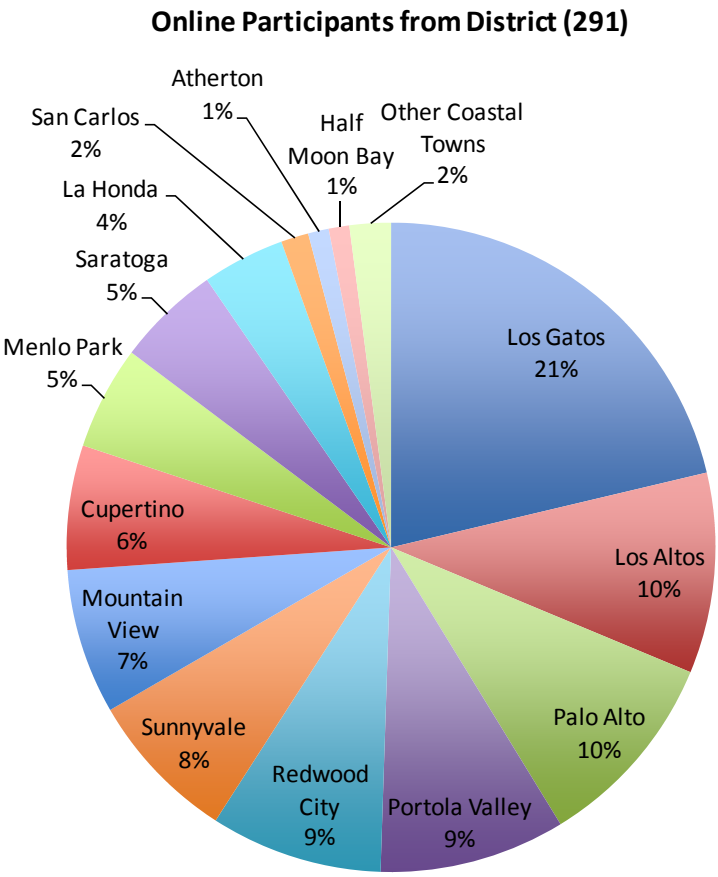
Online Participant Gender

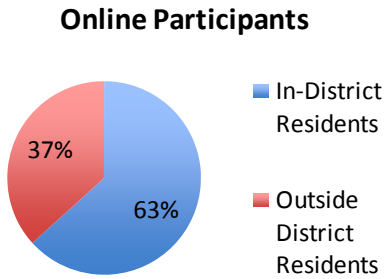


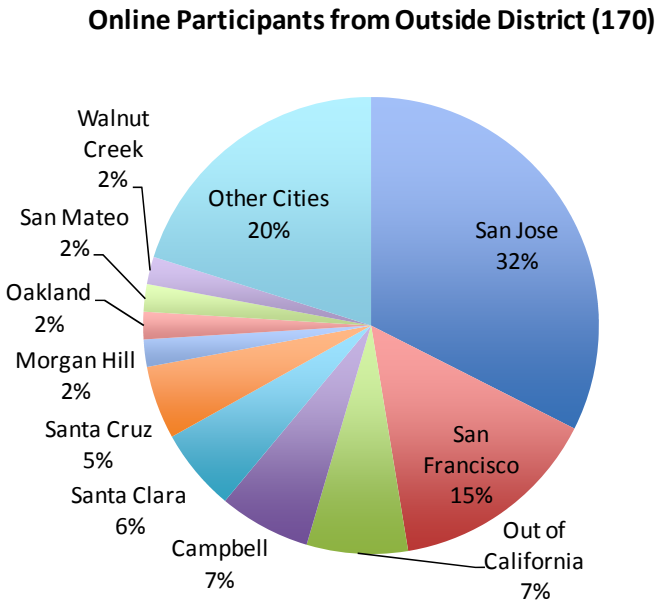
Online Participant Age



The majority of online participants resided within the District. Participants from a wide range of cities joined the deliberation, as shown in the following charts.







CAC Deliberation

The Vision Plan Community Advisory Committee (CAC) also rated the Priority Actions across all regions at their meeting on December 18, 2013. The meeting was similar to the public workshops, with brief presentations, group discussions, and the use of keypad technology.

RESULTS OF PUBLIC DELIBERATION

The five workshops, online activity, and CAC meeting produced public input on the relative importance of the Vision Plan Goals and Priority Actions to those people that participated. While not statistically valid, this input was gathered from a wide range of highly engaged individuals. These results are meant to inform staff recommendations and Board decisions about the focus of the vision plan. The ranked lists of Goals and Priority Actions that resulted from the public meetings are based on average ratings, but these data are also broken down by demographic subgroups to provide additional information the priorities expressed by types of participants. The online deliberation produced similar lists based on the four-point rating scale (however with less demographic detail).

Vision Plan Goal Results

Participants rated vision plan Goals across five *themes*. (The CAC did not rate the Goals using the keypads, having extensively participated in their development.) The information they were provided on these Goals included a short bulleted list of objectives. (See **Appendix B-1**).

Workshop Goal Ratings

Table 1 provides a detailed look at the participants' average ratings broken out by key demographics and by each of the individual workshops. The Goals are listed by overall average rating in descending order. Generally, items scoring over 7.5 are considered to be first tier items,

but it is also informative to review the ratings of core sub-groups that reflect significant minority preferences.

"Stewardship of Nature" was, on average, the most highly rated goal at the workshops. "Expand Appropriate Low Intensity Access" tended to be more important than stewardship to younger age groups, those that consistently use open space, and bicyclists. Also of note in these ratings is the low diversity score in the top-rated goal (which indicates agreement), as well as the high diversity scores in red (which indicates lack of agreement).

Online Goal Ratings

For ease of comparison, the online ratings are also shown on **Table 1** in the yellow column on the right. These are based on total points (rather than the average) gained across all ratings on a four-point scale (see page 4 and 5 above), so the comparison is somewhat limited. However, the difference in relative scores of some of the Goals may be of interest. Generally, the ranking of the Goals is similar across platforms and participant populations, at least in considering tiers. Two notable exceptions are the low ranking of "Sense of Place" and high ranking of "Expand Opportunity and Variety" by the online participants. For further detail regarding online goal ratings, including comments, see **Appendix B-2**.

TABLE 1: Goals Ratings

Theme	VISION PLAN GOALS	DIVERSITY	AVG	GENDER		WORKSHOP					AGE						VISIT OPEN SPACE					USE OPEN SPACE				Online Points
			TOTAL 234	F (99)	M (117)	10.21 (28)	10.28 (67)	11.2 (25)	11.4 (64)	11.16 (34)	18 24 (7)	25 34 (13)	35 44 (25)	45 54 (65)	55 64 (62)	65 or > (46)	Never (2)	SEL-DOM (29)	SOME TIMES (43)	OF-TEN (81)	CON-SIST-ENTLY (63)	BIKE (32)	DOG (7)	HIKE (53)	Horse (1)	
Healthy Nature	**Stewardship of Nature**	18	8.3	*9.1*	7.9	8.7	8.2	7.8	8.5	8.6	*9.5*	8	7.8	8.3	8.6	*8.9*	4.5	8.6	8.3	8.7	8	*7.3*	8.1	*9.2*	8	100
Outdoor Recreation / Healthy Living	**Expand Appropriate Low Intensity Access**	26	8.2	8.4	8.2	*7.2*	8.6	8.4	8.4	7.9	*9.5*	*9.1*	*8.8*	*8.8*	*7.7*	7.8	4.5	*7*	7.9	8.6	*8.9*	*9.6*	*6.4*	*7.7*	*10*	101
Natural, Cultural, & Scenic Landscapes	**Quiet Enjoyment of Nature**	*29*	7.8	*8.5*	*7.3*	8.1	7.9	8	8	7.1	7.8	*6.8*	8.2	7.4	*8.3*	8.1	4	8.1	7.7	7.9	7.7	*6.7*	*6.3*	*8.4*	*6*	96
Healthy Nature	**Biodiversity**	25	7.6	*8.3*	7.2	*8.2*	7.5	*7.1*	7.9	7.6	*9*	7.4	7.8	7.6	7.7	7.7	2.5	7.8	7.5	8	7.4	*6.5*	*8.2*	*8.4*	*6*	85
Healthy Nature	**Habitat Connectivity**	25	7.6	*8.2*	7.3	7.9	7.6	7.3	7.5	7.8	*9*	7.8	7.7	7.5	7.8	7.6	2.5	7.6	7.6	7.8	7.5	*6.8*	*8.3*	8	8	107
Natural, Cultural, & Scenic Landscapes	**Sense of Place**	25	7.4	*8.3*	7	7.8	7.6	7.2	7.6	*6.9*	*8.8*	7.3	7.8	7.2	7.7	7.7	2.5	*8.1*	7.2	7.6	7.3	7	7	7.6	7	58
Viable Working Lands	**Model Ecologically Sound Practices**	27	7	*7.8*	*6.5*	*8.3*	7.3	7.4	6.7	*6.2*	*8*	6.6	*6.4*	7	7	*7.6*	5.5	7.3	6.9	*7.5*	6.6	*5.7*	*6.4*	7	*10*	66
Outdoor Recreation / Healthy Living	**Ensure Compatibility**	25	7	7.4	6.9	7	7.2	7	*7.5*	*5.9*	*9*	*8.1*	6.6	7.1	6.8	7.3	3.5	*6.4*	6.9	7.4	7.2	7.2	6.6	7.1	8	75
Enriched Experiences	**Volunteer Stewardship**	26	6.7	7	6.4	7	6.6	*7.8*	6.5	6.1	*7.8*	6.5	6	6.5	6.6	*7.3*	4	6.5	6.7	*7.2*	6.3	*5.4*	*7.2*	7	7	69
Viable Working Lands	**Support Agriculture and Local Food Producers**	*39*	6.4	*7*	6	*7.8*	6.6	6.6	*5.9*	*5.6*	*7*	*5.5*	*5.3*	6.3	6.5	*7.5*	4	6.6	*7.2*	6.7	*5.6*	*4.9*	*5.1*	6.5	*9*	72
Enriched Experiences	**Increase Diversity and Remove Access Barriers**	25	6.4	6.8	6.1	6.4	6.6	*7.2*	6.3	*5.4*	*8*	*6.9*	6.2	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.7	*5.9*	*5.1*	*5.6*	6.6	7	66
Outdoor Recreation / Healthy Living	**Expand Opportunity and Variety**	*33*	6.3	6.6	6.1	6	6	*7.3*	6.7	*5.3*	*8.3*	*7.8*	6.1	6.2	6	6.2	8	6	*6.9*	6.4	*5.8*	*5.7*	6.1	6.6	6	96
Enriched Experiences	**Improved Visitor Experiences**	25	6.2	6.6	5.8	6.6	6.2	*6.7*	6.4	*4.8*	*7.9*	*5.5*	6.2	*5.7*	6.2	*6.8*	9	6.2	*6.8*	6.1	5.8	*5.3*	*4.1*	6.5	*8*	72
Enriched Experiences	**Knowledge, Understanding, and Appreciation**	*29*	6	*6.6*	*5.5*	*7.2*	5.9	6.2	6.1	*4.7*	*8.2*	6	*5.3*	5.9	5.8	*6.6*	4	6.3	6.3	6	*5.5*	*4.8*	*4*	6.4	6	48
Natural, Cultural, & Scenic Landscapes	**Stewarding Many Cultures**	27	6	*6.5*	5.7	*7*	6.1	6	5.8	*4.9*	*7.4*	6.2	5.8	5.7	6.1	6.2	3.5	6.4	6.2	6	*5.5*	*5*	*4.6*	6.1	6	40
Viable Working Lands	**Educate about the Region's Agricultural Heritage**	28	5.5	*6*	5.1	*6.7*	5.3	5.9	5.2	*5*	*6.7*	*4.9*	*5*	5.2	5.4	*6.3*	4.5	5.7	6.1	5.4	*4.9*	*3.9*	*6.3*	5.8	*7*	39

Rating Scale
The ten point rating scale was presented to participants in the public workshop with the following prompts:

10	Highest level of Importance/Priority
8	Mostly Important/Priority
6	Tends to be Important/Priority
5	Tends to Not be Important/Priority
3	Mostly Not Important/Priority

Div: Diversity Scores
The purple column provides a diversity score for each overall average rating. These are percentage scores that reflect the level of diversity in the average ratings. If 50% of the participants were to rate the item as "1" and 50% of the participants were to rate the item as "10", the diversity score would be 100% (high diversity of opinion). Conversely, if 100% of the participants were to rate an item as "5", then the diversity score would be zero (no diversity of opinion). So higher scores means less agreement. Low scores reflect commonality.

Highlighting Divergence in Subgroup Ratings
The table uses formatting to highlight subgroup averages that vary notably from the overall average:

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N: The Number of Participants in Subgroups
For each subgroup, the number of participants rating the goals is provided in parenthesis in the heading. This is important when considering the relative influence of the group's rating on the average. The N actually varies across goals because not all participants rated all goals. This highest number in each group was generally selected for inclusion in the chart.

Vision Plan Priority Action Results

Participants in the vision plan public deliberation phase learned about Priority Actions by reviewing *Priority Action Profiles* (see several samples in **Appendix C**). A total of 54 Priority Actions were developed.

Workshop Priority Action Ratings

At the public workshops, District staff presented the Priority Action Profiles and addressed participant questions without getting into details that were not appropriate at this stage of priority action development. The workshop participants jotted down *pencil ratings* during the presentation and then engaged in small group discussions to explore different perspectives on priorities. Keypad ratings were thus informed by these discussions.

The rating processes for the Priority Actions resulted in a ranked list of Priority Actions within each region (See **Table 2** and **Appendix D-1**). Also provided (see **Table 3**) is a listing of all Priority Actions sorted by public workshop ranking. Refer to the **Workshop Ratings Key** on page 13 for an explanation of table abbreviations and formatting.

Overall, due to time limitations, public workshop participants were able to rate 46 of the 54 Priority Actions. Workshop participants were therefore encouraged to access the website to rate actions not covered. With the exception of the "Cities" region, all areas of District have at least one priority action in the highest tier based on Public Workshop ratings (greater than 7.5). The participants in the Redwood City meeting consistently rated Priority Actions (across the board) lower than participants at other workshops.

Online Priority Action Ratings

Online participants were afforded the opportunity to rate all 54 Priority Actions across all regions, using the Vision Plan website at imagine.openspace.org. **Tables 2 and 3** indicate the online point totals. Unlike the workshop results, average scores and demographic details are not available, making a direct comparison impossible.

Online, the highest rated Priority Actions tended to be those that reflected long-standing community interest, that had received recent media coverage, or that were located in well known places. The most highly rated priority action was *17- El Sereno Dog Trails and Connections*, which received 193 points. Considering that 13% of online participants were from Los Gatos and El Sereno Open Space Preserve is already open to the public, this score does not seem surprising. However, *47 – Coal Creek: Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use* (127 points) was also entered as a duplicate participant-generated action (119 points), so in total this priority action was by far the highest rated online item (with 246 points).

CAC Priority Action Ratings

At their December 18, 2013 meeting, the CAC rated 39 Priority Actions drawn from the more highly ranked subset, based upon public workshop and online rankings. **Tables 2 and 3** indicate the CAC point totals (See **Appendix D-2** for greater detail).

CAC members tended to have lower diversity rankings than the public in general, reflective of their closer ties to the District and its work.

The order of Priority Actions within regions was fairly consistent between the CAC and public workshops ratings, with the exception of the Skyline Region. Other notable exceptions were higher CAC ratings for *#7 - Sierra Azul: Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation and Interpretive Projects* (which the CAC toured, so was more informed about the area) and *#31- Rancho San Antonio: Hidden Villa Access and Preservation Projects* (the CAC includes Hidden Villa's Executive Director).

Priority Action Ratings Compared to Goal Ratings

The highly rated Priority Actions are generally in alignment with the highly rated Goals of *Stewardship of Nature* and *Expanding Low Intensity Access*. The highest rated Priority Actions for both the public workshop participants and the CAC show a balanced emphasis on both of these Goals. In contrast, the highest rated priorities of the online participants were more often those actions that emphasized expanded public access. Consistent with the Goals ratings, all participants tended to rate Priority Actions that emphasized the Viable Working Lands and Enriched Experiences themes (without stewardship or access) on the lower end of the scale.

Workshop Ratings Key

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N: The Number of Participants in Subgroups
For each subgroup, the number of participants rating the item is provided in parentheses in the heading. This factor is important when considering the relative influence of the group's rating on the average. The N actually varies in a given workshop because not all participants necessarily rated each action. This highest number in each group was generally selected for inclusion in the chart.

Table 2: Priority Action Ratings, by Region

Note: Table is sorted by Workshop Results

North San Mateo County Coast Region - HMB Workshop - 10.21.13	Workshop Results N	Workshop Results Avg	Workshop Results Div	Online Points	CAC Results*** N	CAC Results*** Avg	CAC Results*** Div
67 - Purisima Creek Redwoods: Purisima-to-Sea Trail Watershed Protection & Conservation Grazing	30	**8.3**	30	98	19	**8.7**	7
74 - Miramontes Ridge: Gateway to the Coast Public Access, Stream Restoration, & Agriculture Enhancement	31	**7.6**	30	65	19	**7.6**	21
73 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Crk Rdwds: Mills Creek/Arroyo Leon Watershed, Stream Restoration, & Trails	31	**7.1**	29	59	19	**7.5**	12
75 - Regional: Support CA Coastal Trail	31	**6.9**	*43*	74	19	**7.4**	23
70 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods:Fire Management and Risk Reductions	30	**6.6**	30	41			
72 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods:Coastside Environmental Education Partnerships	31	**5.6**	*40*	26			
71 - Advocate to Protect Coastal Vistas**				40			

South San Mateo County Coast Region - HMB Workshop - 10.21.13	Workshop Results N	Workshop Results Avg	Workshop Results Div	Online Points	CAC Results N	CAC Results Avg	CAC Results Div
64 - La Honda Creek: Driscoll Ranch Public Access, Endangered Wildlife Protection, & Conservation Grazing	28	**9**	10	86	19	**8.1**	25
58 - Cloverdale Ranch: Wildlife Protection, Grazing, and Trail Connections	30	**7.8**	29	52	19	**7.4**	21
62 - La Honda Creek/El Corte Madera Creek: San Gregorio Watershed and Agriculture Preservation Projects	30	**7.4**	26	41	21	**6.9**	26
66 - Tunitas Creek: Additional Watershed Preservation & Conservation Grazing	30	**7.2**	28	32	20	**6.8**	25
59 - Lower Pescadero Creek: Watershed Preservation & Conservation Grazing	30	**7.1**	*36*	39	19	**6.9**	28
57 - Gazos Creek Watershed: Preserve Redwoods, Fish & Add Trails**				68	21	**7.4**	25
61 - Advocate to Protect Coastal Vistas**				44			
60 - Lower Pomponio Creek: Watershed Preservation and Grazing**				38			

Central Coastal Mountains Region - Skyline Area Workshop - 11.2.13	Workshop Results N	Workshop Results Avg	Workshop Results Div	Online Points	CAC Results N	CAC Results Avg	CAC Results Div
56 - Regional: Trail Connections and Campgrounds	24	**8.4**	15	69	21	**8.3**	16
55 - Regional: Redwood Protection and Salmon Fishery Conservation	24	**7.5**	19	52	21	**8.3**	12

Skyline Region - 2 Workshops - 11.2.2013 and 11.4.2013	Workshop Results N	Workshop Results Avg	Workshop Results Div	Online Points	CAC Results N	CAC Results Avg	CAC Results Div
51 - La Honda Creek: Upper Area Recreation - Habitat Restoration and Conservation Grazing Projects	84	**8**	23	97	21	**9.1**	9
46 - Russian Ridge: Public Recreation - Grazing - and Wildlife Protection Projects	83	**8**	19	96	21	**8.7**	11
48 - La Honda Creek/Russian Ridge: Preservation of Upper San Gregorio Watershed & Ridge Trail Completion	82	**8**	25	82	21	**8.3**	10
47 - Coal Creek: Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use	85	**7.8**	27	127 #	21	**6.9**	17
38 - Long Ridge: Trail - Conservation and Habitat Restoration Projects	83	**7.7**	20	114	21	**8**	13
52 - El Corte de Madera Creek: Bike Trail and Water Quality Projects	85	**7.5**	28	138	21	**7.4**	14
40 - Skyline Subregion: Fire Management and Forest Restoration Projects	84	**6.5**	30	48			
39 - Skyline Ridge: Education Facilities - Trailsand Wildlife Conservation Projects	84	**6.4**	*33*	51	21	**7.9**	16
53 - Purisima Creek Redwoods: Parking and Repair Projects	86	**5.8**	*32*	63			
37 - Saratoga Gap: Stevens Canyon Ranch Family Food Education Projects	83	**4.9**	25	22	21	**6.8**	22
43 - Monte Bello: Campfire Talks & Habitat Projects**				27			

Peninsula Foothills Region - 2 Workshops - 11.4.2013 and 11.16.2013	Workshop Results N	Workshop Results Avg	Workshop Results Div	Online Points	CAC Results*** N	CAC Results*** Avg	CAC Results*** Div
27 - Regional: Complete Upper Stevens Creek Trail	97	**8.1**	29	141	21	**8.1**	13
32 - Windy Hill: Trail Improvements - Preservation - and Hawthorns Area Historic Partnership	102	**7.7**	*36*	107	21	**8.1**	17
76 - Pulgas Ridge: Regional and Neighborhood Trail Extensions	102	**6.7**	*38*	98	20	**6.9**	19
44 - Regional: San Andreas Fault Interpretive Trail Program	102	**5.8**	*36*	61	21	**6.9**	17
30- Rancho San Antonio: Intrepretive Improvements - Refurbishing - and Transit Solutions	101	**5.6**	*40*	130			
31- Rancho San Antonio: Hidden Villa Access and Preservation Projects	102	**5.6**	*46*	73	21	**8**	15
28 - Collaborate to Restore San Francisquito Creek Fish Habitat**				67			
29 - Teague Hill: West Union Crk Watershed Restoration Partnership**				39			

Peninsula / South Bay Cities & Baylands Regions - Redwood City Workshop - 11.16.2013	Workshop Results N	Workshop Results Avg	Workshop Results Div	Online Points	CAC Results N	CAC Results Avg	CAC Results Div
34 - Regional: Bayfront Habitat Protection and Public Access Partnerships	34	**7.6**	*38*	109	21	**9.1**	5
23 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: Partner to Complete Middle Stevens Creek Trail	34	**6.7**	*41*	133	21	**8**	18
35 - Ravenswood: Cooley Landing Nature Center Partnership	34	**6.2**	*42*	37	21	**8.8**	18
24 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: San Francisquito Creek Restoration Partnership	34	**4.9**	*34*	58			
22 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: Los Gatos Creek Trail Connections	34	**4.4**	*32*	120	21	**7.2**	21
25 - Major Roadway Signage**				16			

South Bay Foothills Region - Saratoga Workshop - 10.28.13	Workshop Results N	Avg	Div	Online Points	CAC Results N	Avg	Div
16 - South Bay Foothills: Wildlife Passage and Ridge Trail Improvements	64	**8.6**	18	94	21	**8.6**	14
11 - Bear Creek Redwoods: Public Recreation and Interpretive Projects	65	**8.1**	22	76	21	**8**	15
18 - South Bay Foothills: Saratoga-to-Sea Trail and Wildlife Corridor	65	**7.4**	*32*	101	21	**8.1**	10
17 - El Sereno: Dog Trails & Connections	66	**6.8**	*31*	193	21	**6.6**	26
21 - Picchetti Ranch: Family Nature Play Program	66	**6.1**	15	39	21	**6.8**	25
19 - Fremont Older: Historic Woodhills Restoration & Overall Parking Improvements	66	**5.8**	23	60			

Sierra Azul Region - Saratoga Workshop - 10.28.13	Workshop Results N	Avg	Div	Online Points	CAC Results N	Avg	Div
1 - Sierra Azul: Loma Prieta Area Public Access, Regional Trails, and Habitat Projects	69	**8.2**	27	158	21	**8.2**	8
4 - Sierra Azul: Mt. Umunhum Public Access and Interpretation Projects	68	**8**	23	159	21	**8.9**	9
10 - Sierra Azul: Cathedral Oaks Public Access and Conservation Projects	70	**7.6**	22	124	21	**7.8**	11
8 - Sierra Azul: Fire Management	70	**7.5**	18	68			
9 - Sierra Azul: Expand access in the Kennedy-Limekiln Area	64	**6.9**	27	121	21	**7.7**	12
7 - Sierra Azul: Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation and Interpretive Projects	70	**6.8**	20	83	21	**8.5**	8

**: Not rated at the public workshops
***: CAC did not rate all actions on 12/18/13
#: Same participant generated action also received 119 points

Table 3: Priority Action ratings, by Public Workshop Ranking

Note: Table is sorted by Workshop Results

		Wkshp Results				CAC Results***		
Priority Action	**Region**	**N**	**Avg**	**Div**	**Online Points**	**N**	**Avg**	**Div**
64 - La Honda Creek: Driscoll Ranch Public Access, Endangered Wildlife Protection, & Conservation Gra	South Coast	28	**9**	10	86	19	**8.1**	25
16 - South Bay Foothills: Wildlife Passage and Ridge Trail Improvements	South Foothills	64	**8.6**	18	94	21	**8.6**	14
56 - Regional: Trail Connections and Campgrounds	Coastal Mtns	24	**8.4**	15	69	21	**8.3**	16
67 - Purisima Creek Redwoods: Purisima-to-Sea Trail Watershed Protection & Conservation Grazing	North Coast	30	**8.3**	30	98	19	**8.7**	7
1 - Sierra Azul: Loma Prieta Area Public Access, Regional Trails, and Habitat Projects	Sierra Azul	69	**8.2**	27	158	21	**8.2**	8
27 - Regional: Complete Upper Stevens Creek Trail	Pen. Foothills	97	**8.1**	29	141	21	**8.1**	13
11 - Bear Creek Redwoods: Public Recreation and Interpretive Projects	South Foothills	65	**8.1**	22	76	21	**8**	15
51 - La Honda Creek: Upper Area Recreation - Habitat Restoration and Conservation Grazing Projects	Skyline	84	**8**	23	97	21	**9.1**	9
46 - Russian Ridge: Public Recreation - Grazing - and Wildlife Protection Projects	Skyline	83	**8**	19	96	21	**8.7**	11
48 - La Honda Creek/Russian Ridge: Preservation of Upper San Gregorio Watershed & Ridge Trail Comp	Skyline	82	**8**	25	82	21	**8.3**	10
4 - Sierra Azul: Mt. Umunhum Public Access and Interpretation Projects	Sierra Azul	68	**8**	23	159	21	**8.9**	9
58 - Cloverdale Ranch: Wildlife Protection, Grazing, and Trail Connections	South Coast	30	**7.8**	29	52	19	**7.4**	21
47 - Coal Creek: Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use	Skyline	85	**7.8**	27	127 #	21	**6.9**	17
38 - Long Ridge: Trail - Conservation and Habitat Restoration Projects	Skyline	83	**7.7**	20	114	21	**8**	13
32 - Windy Hill: Trail Improvements - Preservation - and Hawthorns Area Historic Partnership	Pen. Foothills	102	**7.7**	36	107	21	**8.1**	17
74 - Miramontes Ridge: Gateway to the Coast Public Access, Stream Restoration, & Agriculture Enhanc	North Coast	31	**7.6**	30	65	19	**7.6**	21
34 - Regional: Bayfront Habitat Protection and Public Access Partnerships	Baylands	34	**7.6**	38	109	21	**9.1**	5
10 - Sierra Azul: Cathedral Oaks Public Access and Conservation Projects	Sierra Azul	70	**7.6**	22	124	21	**7.8**	11
55 - Regional: Redwood Protection and Salmon Fishery Conservation	Coastal Mtns	24	**7.5**	19	52	21	**8.3**	12
52 - El Corte de Madera Creek: Bike Trail and Water Quality Projects	Skyline	85	**7.5**	28	138	21	**7.4**	14
8 - Sierra Azul: Fire Management	Sierra Azul	70	**7.5**	18	68			
62 - La Honda Creek/El Corte Madera Creek: San Gregorio Watershed and Agriculture Preservation Pro	South Coast	30	**7.4**	26	41	21	**6.9**	26
18 - South Bay Foothills: Saratoga-to-Sea Trail and Wildlife Corridor	South Foothills	65	**7.4**	32	101	21	**8.1**	10
66 - Tunitas Creek: Additional Watershed Preservation & Conservation Grazing	South Coast	30	**7.2**	28	32	20	**6.8**	25
73 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Crk Rdwds: Mills Creek/Arroyo Leon Watershed, Stream Restoration,	North Coast	31	**7.1**	29	59	19	**7.5**	12
59 - Lower Pescadero Creek: Watershed Preservation & Conservation Grazing	South Coast	30	**7.1**	36	39	19	**6.9**	28
75 - Regional: Support CA Coastal Trail	North Coast	31	**6.9**	43	74	19	**7.4**	23
9 - Sierra Azul: Expand access in the Kennedy-Limekiln Area	Sierra Azul	64	**6.9**	27	121	21	**7.7**	12
17 - El Sereno: Dog Trails & Connections	South Foothills	66	**6.8**	31	193	21	**6.6**	26
7 - Sierra Azul: Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation and Interpretive Projects	Sierra Azul	70	**6.8**	20	83	21	**8.5**	8
76 - Pulgas Ridge: Regional and Neighborhood Trail Extensions	Pen. Foothills	102	**6.7**	38	98	20	**6.9**	19
23 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: Partner to Complete Middle Stevens Creek Trail	Cities	34	**6.7**	41	133	21	**8**	18
70 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods:Fire Management and Risk Reductions	North Coast	30	**6.6**	30	41			
40 - Skyline Subregion: Fire Management and Forest Restoration Projects	Skyline	84	**6.5**	30	48			
39 - Skyline Ridge: Education Facilities - Trailsand Wildlife Conservation Projects	Skyline	84	**6.4**	33	51	21	**7.9**	16
35 - Ravenswood: Cooley Landing Nature Center Partnership	Baylands	34	**6.2**	42	37	21	**8.8**	18
21 - Picchetti Ranch: Family Nature Play Program	South Foothills	66	**6.1**	15	39	21	**6.8**	25
53 - Purisima Creek Redwoods: Parking and Repair Projects	Skyline	86	**5.8**	32	63			
44 - Regional: San Andreas Fault Interpretive Trail Program	Pen. Foothills	102	**5.8**	36	61	21	**6.9**	17
19 - Fremont Older: Historic Woodhills Restoration & Overall Parking Improvements	South Foothills	66	**5.8**	23	60			
72 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods:Coastside Environmental Education Partnerships	North Coast	31	**5.6**	40	26			
30- Rancho San Antonio: Intrepretive Improvements - Refurbishing - and Transit Solutions	Pen. Foothills	101	**5.6**	40	130			
31- Rancho San Antonio: Hidden Villa Access and Preservation Projects	Pen. Foothills	102	**5.6**	46	73	21	**8**	15
37 - Saratoga Gap: Stevens Canyon Ranch Family Food Education Projects	Skyline	83	**4.9**	25	22	21	**6.8**	22
24 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: San Francisquito Creek Restoration Partnership	Cities	34	**4.9**	34	58			
22 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: Los Gatos Creek Trail Connections	Cities	34	**4.4**	32	120	21	**7.2**	21
71 - Advocate to Protect Coastal Vistas**	North Coast				40			
57 - Gazos Creek Watershed: Preserve Redwoods, Fish & Add Trails**	South Coast				68	21	**7.4**	25
61 - Advocate to Protect Coastal Vistas**	South Coast				44			
60 - Lower Pomponio Creek: Watershed Preservation and Grazing**	South Coast				38			
43 - Monte Bello: Campfire Talks & Habitat Projects**	Skyline				27			
28 - Collaborate to Restore San Francisquito Creek Fish Habitat**	Pen. Foothills				67			
29 - Teague Hill: West Union Crk Watershed Restoration Partnership**	Pen. Foothills				39			
25 - Major Roadway Signage**	Cities				16			

**: Not rated at the public workshops

***: CAC did not rate all actions

#: Same participant generated action also received 119 points

Participant-generated Goals and Actions

In addition to the ranked lists of Goals and Priority Actions developed by the District, participants in public workshops and online offered their own ideas for Goals and Priority Actions. Some of these were also rated. These ideas are included in **Appendix E**.

Workshop Participant Comments

Workshop participant comments are shown in **Appendix F**.

Workshop Participant Evaluations

Workshop evaluations conducted with keypads at the end of the meetings indicate that the agenda and use of the keypad technology were well received by participants. In all cases, participation in the workshops raised the level of trust in the Vision Plan engagement process. Participants over the age of 65 tended to express a higher level of satisfaction with the workshops. Those participants that indicated that they primarily bicycle when they use open space expressed a lower level of satisfaction with the workshops, as did the attendees at the November 16, 2013 workshop. (See **Appendix G**)

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NEXT STEPS

The District now moves into the *deciding phase of the* vision planning process. In this final phase of the process the Board will delve into the results of the deliberations outlined in this report and decide what Priority Actions will be featured in the Vision Plan. This will not be an easy task as each and every one of the actions that were profiled in the deliberation phase were selected from an even broader pool of potential Priority Actions and developed with considerable input scientific and public input. It is important to keep in mind, however, that none of the actions that were included in the deliberation phase need be completely removed from all future consideration. In the future, conditions will change and priorities will shift accordingly in response to those changes.

A first step in the deciding phase is to sort actions into tiers that reflect levels of priority. These tiers can be informed by the public input gathered across all three sources of deliberative input: public workshops, online deliberation, and the CAC deliberative meeting. **Table 4** provides an overview of where the actions fall in relation to *top tier* ratings across the three sources of input. For purposes of this table, the top tier is generally defined as a rating in the top quartile. For the public workshops and CAC, the top quartile is an average result greater than 7.5. For the online scores, the scores over 100 comprise the top quartile. The table is not intended to comprise a final tiered ranking. Rather, it is meant as an initial summary that can be used to surface actions that require a closer look to understand their ratings, and the specific populations and situations through which these ratings were produced.

CONCLUSION

During the deliberation phase of the vision planning process, more than 535 members of the public actively engaged with the District and its work. They learned about the Themes and Goals that guide that work and the kinds of actions that might be taken to work toward those Goals. They considered their own priorities and values in relation to that work and many of them explored perspectives different from their own through small group conversations and online comments. And ultimately, they expressed their priorities through rating systems that invited them to consider tradeoffs and to see how others' priorities compared to their own.

The District has gained some useful information through this process. The results offer a solid look at the values and opinions of community stakeholders — those who really care about what the District is doing and what it will do in the future. What is more, the process has shown those stakeholders that the District cares about what is important *to them*, and intends to bring their voices into decision making processes that will shape the future of open space on the Peninsula and in the South Bay.

As the District Board engages in the work of making decisions about how Goals will be expressed and what Priority Actions will be featured in the Vision Plan, the results of the public deliberations outlined in this report will sit along side scientific analyses and expert planning to

provide a balanced foundation for making difficult choices. Community stakeholders will continue to observe, participate, and better understand what has informed the decisions that will guide the work that they so clearly care about.

Table 4: Comparison of All Ratings

Priority Action	Region	Top Wkshp Results (>7.5)	Top Online (Top 25%)	Top CAC Results (>7.5)	Sum	Wkshp Results N	Wkshp Results Avg	Wkshp Results Div	Online Points	CAC Results*** N	CAC Results*** Avg	CAC Results*** Div
34 - Regional: Bayfront Habitat Protection and Public Access Partnerships	Baylands	1	1	1	3	34	7.6	38	109	21	9.1	5
4 - Sierra Azul: Mt. Umunhum Public Access and Interpretation Projects	Sierra Azul	1	1	1	3	68	8	23	159	21	8.9	9
1 - Sierra Azul: Loma Prieta Area Public Access, Regional Trails, and Habitat Projects	Sierra Azul	1	1	1	3	69	8.2	27	158	21	8.2	8
27 - Regional: Complete Upper Stevens Creek Trail	Pen. Fthills	1	1	1	3	97	8.1	29	141	21	8.1	13
32 - Windy Hill: Trail Improvements, Preservation, and Hawthorns Area Historic Partnership	Pen. Fthills	1	1	1	3	102	7.7	36	107	21	8.1	17
38 - Long Ridge: Trail, Conservation and Habitat Restoration Projects	Skyline	1	1	1	3	83	7.7	20	114	21	8	13
10 - Sierra Azul: Cathedral Oaks Public Access and Conservation Projects	Sierra Azul	1	1	1	3	70	7.6	22	124	21	7.8	11
51 - La Honda Creek: Upper Area Recreation, Habitat Restoration and Conservation Grazing	Skyline	1		1	2	84	8	23	97	21	9.1	9
67 - Purisima Creek Redwoods: Purisima-to-Sea Trail Watershed Protection & Cons. Grazing	North Coast	1		1	2	30	8.3	30	98	19	8.7	7
46 - Russian Ridge: Public Recreation - Grazing - and Wildlife Protection Projects	Skyline	1		1	2	83	8	19	96	21	8.7	11
16 - South Bay Foothills: Wildlife Passage and Ridge Trail Improvements	South Fthills	1		1	2	64	8.6	18	94	21	8.6	14
56 - Regional: Trail Connections and Campgrounds	Coastal Mtns	1		1	2	24	8.4	15	69	21	8.3	16
48 - La Honda Ck/Russian Ridge: Upper San Gregorio Wtrshd Preservation & Ridge Trail Completion	Skyline	1		1	2	82	8	25	82	21	8.3	10
55 - Regional: Redwood Protection and Salmon Fishery Conservation	Coastal Mtns	1		1	2	24	7.5	19	52	21	8.3	12
64 - La Honda Creek: Driscoll Ranch Public Access, Endangered Wildlife Protection, & Cons. Grazing	South Coast	1		1	2	28	9	10	86	19	8.1	25
18 - South Bay Foothills: Saratoga-to-Sea Trail and Wildlife Corridor	South Fthills		1	1	2	65	7.4	32	101	21	8.1	10
11 - Bear Creek Redwoods: Public Recreation and Interpretive Projects	South Fthills	1		1	2	65	8.1	22	76	21	8	15
23 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: Partner to Complete Middle Stevens Creek Trail	Cities		1	1	2	34	6.7	41	133	21	8	18
9 - Sierra Azul: Expand access in the Kennedy-Limekiln Area	Sierra Azul		1	1	2	64	6.9	27	121	21	7.7	12
74 - Miramontes Ridge: Gateway to Coast Public Access, Stream Restoration, & Ag Enhancement	North Coast	1		1	2	31	7.6	30	65	19	7.6	21
52 - El Corte de Madera Creek: Bike Trail and Water Quality Projects	Skyline	1	1		2	85	7.5	28	138	21	7.4	14
47 - Coal Creek: Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use	Skyline	1	1		2	85	7.8	27	127 #	21	6.9	17
35 - Ravenswood: Cooley Landing Nature Center Partnership	Baylands			1	1	34	6.2	42	37	21	8.8	18
7 - Sierra Azul: Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation and Interpretive Projects	Sierra Azul			1	1	70	6.8	20	83	21	8.5	8
31- Rancho San Antonio: Hidden Villa Access and Preservation Projects	Pen. Fthills			1	1	102	5.6	46	73	21	8	15
39 - Skyline Ridge: Education Facilities - Trailsand Wildlife Conservation Projects	Skyline			1	1	84	6.4	33	51	21	7.9	16
73 - Miramontes Ridge/Pur. Ck Rdwds: Mills Creek/Arroyo Leon Wtrshd Restoration, & Trails	North Coast			1	1	31	7.1	29	59	19	7.5	12
58 - Cloverdale Ranch: Wildlife Protection, Grazing, and Trail Connections	South Coast	1			1	30	7.8	29	52	19	7.4	21
22 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: Los Gatos Creek Trail Connections	Cities		1		1	34	4.4	32	120	21	7.2	21
17 - El Sereno: Dog Trails & Connections	South Fthills		1		1	66	6.8	31	193	21	6.6	26
8 - Sierra Azul: Fire Management	Sierra Azul	1			1	70	7.5	18	68			
30- Rancho San Antonio: Interpretive Improvements, Refurbishing, and Transit Solutions	Pen. Fthills		1		1	101	5.6	40	130			
75 - Regional: Support CA Coastal Trail	North Coast				0	31	6.9	43	74	19	7.4	23
57 - Gazos Creek Watershed: Preserve Redwoods, Fish & Add Trails**	South Coast				0				68	21	7.4	25
62 - La Honda Creek/El Corte Madera Creek: San Gregorio Watershed and Ag Preservation	South Coast				0	30	7.4	26	41	21	6.9	26
59 - Lower Pescadero Creek: Watershed Preservation & Conservation Grazing	South Coast				0	30	7.1	36	39	19	6.9	28
76 - Pulgas Ridge: Regional and Neighborhood Trail Extensions	Pen. Fthills				0	102	6.7	38	98	20	6.9	19
44 - Regional: San Andreas Fault Interpretive Trail Program	Pen. Fthills				0	102	5.8	36	61	21	6.9	17
66 - Tunitas Creek: Additional Watershed Preservation & Conservation Grazing	South Coast				0	30	7.2	28	32	20	6.8	25
21 - Picchetti Ranch: Family Nature Play Program	South Fthills				0	66	6.1	15	39	21	6.8	25
37 - Saratoga Gap: Stevens Canyon Ranch Family Food Education Projects	Skyline				0	83	4.9	25	22	21	6.8	22
70 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods:Fire Management and Risk Reductions	North Coast				0	30	6.6	30	41			
40 - Skyline Region: Fire Management and Forest Restoration Projects	Skyline				0	84	6.5	30	48			
53 - Purisima Creek Redwoods: Parking and Repair Projects	Skyline				0	86	5.8	32	63			
19 - Fremont Older: Historic Woodhills Restoration & Overall Parking Improvements	South Fthills				0	66	5.8	23	60			
72 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods: Coastside Environmental Education Partnerships	North Coast				0	31	5.6	40	26			
24 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: San Francisquito Creek Restoration Partnership	Cities				0	34	4.9	34	58			
28 - Collaborate to Restore San Francisquito Creek Fish Habitat**	Pen. Fthills				0				67			
61 - Advocate to Protect Coastal Vistas**	South Coast				0				44			
71 - Advocate to Protect Coastal Vistas**	North Coast				0				40			
29 - Teague Hill: West Union Crk Watershed Restoration Partnership**	Pen. Fthills				0				39			
60 - Lower Pomponio Creek: Watershed Preservation and Grazing**	South Coast				0				38			
43 - Monte Bello: Campfire Talks & Habitat Projects**	Skyline				0				27			
25 - Major Roadway Signage**	Cities				0				16			

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#: Same participant generated action also received 119 points

APPENDICES

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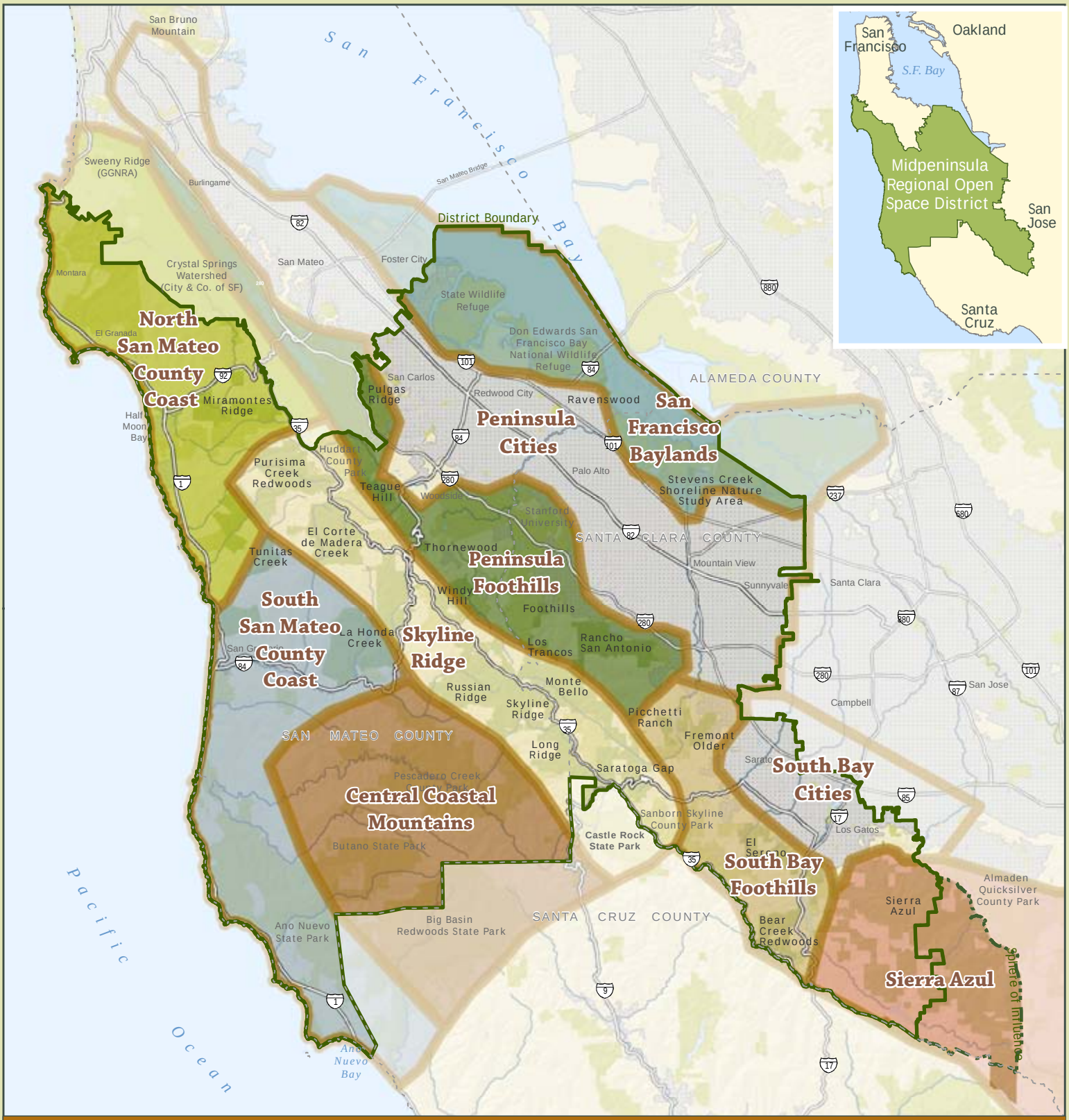

Appendix A :Open Space Subregions

- Central Coastal Mountains
- North San Mateo County Coast
- Peninsula & South Bay Cities
- Peninsula Foothills
- San Francisco Baylands
- Sierra Azul
- Skyline Ridge
- South Bay Foothills
- San Mateo County Coast
- Subregion Area
- MROSD Boundary
- MROSD Sphere of Influence

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APPENDIX B: GOALS DETAIL

B-1: Public Workshop Handouts
B-2: Online Goal Rating

Healthy Nature
(Plants, Animals, Air, Soils, and Water)

Taking care of the land, air, water, and soils so that plants and animals thrive and nature's benefits are provided to people.

Priority Action Goals:

Stewardship of Nature

- Restore the natural environment, control invasive plants and animals, and limit the spread of pathogens
- Promote natural ecosystem processes
- Prevent or address erosion and pollution
- Protect watersheds and restore stream flow to improve habitat for fish and wildlife

Biodiversity

- Protect large contiguous areas of intact habitat that represent the Peninsula and South Bay's full mosaic of natural communities
- Conserve sensitive species and special natural communities
- Increase adaptation to climate change and reduce carbon impacts
- Encourage scientific research, partnerships, and relationships with educational institutions and scientists

Habitat Connectivity

- Increase connectivity between protected areas to support natural wildlife movement patterns

Enriched Experiences
(Interpretation, Education, Outreach, Volunteer Stewardship)

Learning about and appreciating the local environment, as well as connecting people with nature and with each other.

Priority Action Goals:

Increase Diversity and Remove Access Barriers

- Creatively reach more people, including those with disabilities, and increase the cultural diversity of our visitors
- Expand youth programming and outreach through partnerships

Improved Visitor Experiences

- Provide opportunities where families can engage safely with nature
- Emphasize a variety of natural learning environments
- Increase use of technology to introduce people to nature

Volunteer Stewardship

- Increase support for volunteer stewardship and open space conservation
- Increase use of technology to promote volunteer stewardship
- Encourage hands-on volunteer stewardship and citizen science activities on District lands

Knowledge, Understanding, and Appreciation

- Remember and honor community heritage and past ways of life through activities, programming, and projects
- Interpret how natural and cultural resources relate to people's current lives
- Increase site-specific interpretation projects and programs that emphasize the protection of natural and cultural resources

Viable Working Lands

Protecting viable working lands that reflect our heritage, and provide food and jobs.

Priority Action Goals:

Support Agriculture and Local Food Producers

- Preserve farms and rangelands by working cooperatively with partners and the agricultural community
- Prioritize preservation of agricultural lands at the urban edge and currently in agricultural use
- Promote large contiguous blocks of land in agricultural use
- Support the region's agricultural economy
- Protect the economic viability of District working lands

Model Ecologically Sound Practices

- Use rangeland management to improve grassland health, reduce wildfire fuel loads, and protect water quality
- Promote wise water use and other ecologically sensitive farming practices

Educate about the Region's Agricultural Heritage

- Foster awareness of, and support public education~~s~~ programs about, the importance of agriculture to the region's heritage and future.

Outdoor Recreation and Healthy Living

Providing accessible open space lands for recreation and outdoor exercise in a natural setting.

Priority Action Goals:

Expand Appropriate Low Intensity Access

- Provide new public access or improve access with trails and staging area improvements
- Increase access close to where more people live, and encourage access that minimizes the use of cars
- Provide ecologically-sensitive access to exceptional natural features or vistas
- Provide regional, long distance trails that connect open space to communities

Ensure Compatibility

- Ensure access compatible with resource protection and regulatory constraints
- Distribute opportunities for low intensity recreation across District
- Reduce or eliminate safety hazards and promote safe use of the preserves
- Provide ongoing management and maintenance

Expand Opportunity and Variety

- Increase diversity of visitors
- Accommodate a wide variety of visitors of all abilities, ages, cultures, and interests

Natural, Cultural, and Scenic Landscapes

Conserving the area's scenery and rich history, and providing places for escape and quiet enjoyment.

Priority Action Goals:

Quiet Enjoyment of Nature

- Provide opportunities for people to experience, enjoy, and interpret the beauty and tranquility of natural open space
- Increase access to quiet places to enjoy vistas, encourage connections with nature, and take refuge from urban life

Sense of Place

- Maintain a sense of place by protecting and increasing access to locally significant, iconic natural or cultural features
- Preserve the scenic backdrop and designated scenic corridors, emphasizing the view from major roadways and parklands
- Preserve the character and scenic qualities of coastal and rural areas

Stewarding Many Cultures

- Protect at-risk culturally significant resources and promote their responsible stewardship
- Cultivate partnerships that preserve and/or enhance cultural resources
- Increase interpretation of cultural resources

Online Ratings: Goals for Open Space

		Points
Idea Title	***Habitat Connectivity***	**107**
Idea Detail	•Increase connectivity between protected areas to support natural wildlife movement patterns	
Comment 1	I agree with this priority. Please update this to include not just connectivity between protected areas, but also along stream corridors so that migratory aquaitc species (like steelhead and salmon) can connect between the Pacific Ocean / SF Bay to the MROSD Preserves (which typically occur near the headwaters). MROSD support of fish passage barriers downstream of their preserves and not in protected areas, for example, is critical to reconnecting sea-run fish (and ocean nutrients) to headwater streams on Preserve lands. Many Preserve lands and wildlife have been starved of ocean nutrients for over a century, due to downstream fish passage barriers, such as dams and road crossings. Thanks for considering. | By Matt S	
Comment 2	This can be done with trail connections as well, serving two goals. | By Galli B	

Idea Title	***Expand Appropriate Low Intensity Access***	**101**
Idea Detail	•Provide new public access or improve access with trails and staging area improvements •Increase access close to where more people live, and encourage access that minimizes the use of cars •Provide ecologically-sensitive access to exceptional natural features or vistas •Provide regional, long distance trails that connect open space to communities	
Comment 1	Horses and hikers should be prioritized on trails, as they are not usually accommodated on city streets. | By Kathleen M	
Comment 2	How exactly are horses and hikers less accommodated on city streets than mountain bikers? Mountain biking does not exist without trails! Please increase access to single track for cyclist throughout MPOSD! | By Paul W	
Comment 3	More singletrack access to bikes | By J-C P	
Comment 4	As everyone below me has said, I fully support expanding access, as long as this includes BIKES. Bikes are an affordable way to get needed exercise while enjoying open space. Most of us cannot afford horses, nor do they provide the same level of exercise. Biking is a healthy lifelong sport that should have much more access than it currently does on the peninsula. | By Linda H	
Comment 5	1% of Santa Clara county population has usurped access to the foothill properties that are easiest to access for recreation. Middle income families do not have $$$ to pay for riding horses. Children need opportunities for healthy recreation. Ban dangerous slave animals, and expand recreational trails for running and biking in the foothills, so people do not have to ride further. | By Daniel E	
Comment 6	I am strongly in favor as long as it includes bike access, important for enjoyment of the large areas available. I am not in favor of this goal if it excludes or biased against bikes. | By Larry W	
Comment 7	I agree with RA. Low Intensity needs to be defined as I can see it being used against particular classes of trail users. | By Alistair A	

Comment 8	This is one of my favorite ideas so far. Increasing access close to where more people live is very important to making open space more accessible to the larger community. Providing regional trail connections to communities helps us all see each open space in it's regional context and encourages further exploration (by highlighting the regional trail, or wanting to trek throughout the regional trail, or be able to get to a preserve without a car). | By Galli B
Comment 9	This sounds great, assuming that low-intensity access includes active recreation (such as bike). The term low-intensity needs to be better explained (if it excludes bicycles then I am opposed). I assume that this goal is talking about providing additional trail access to preserves for all users, and making connections so that people can ride/hike from home to use the preserves more easily. | By R A

Idea Title	***Stewardship of Nature***	**100**
Idea Detail	•Restore the natural environment, control invasive plants and animals, and limit the spread of pathogens •Promote natural ecosystem processes •Prevent or address erosion and pollution •Protect watersheds and restore stream flow to improve habitat for fish and wildlife	

Idea Title	***Quiet Enjoyment of Nature***	**96**
Idea Detail	•Provide opportunities for people to experience, enjoy, and interpret the beauty and tranquility of natural open space •Increase access to quiet places to enjoy vistas, encourage connections with nature, and take refuge from urban life	
Comment 1	Agree with the first poster. As soon as I step into the trails on my Mtn bike, I immediately am quietly enjoying nature (or after I get a few hundred yards away from the constant roar of Sunday motorcycles). Hope this "priority" of quiet enjoyment is not trying to limit bikes. Most of the time, we rarely encounter any other trail users, when we do, we dismount for horses and stop or yield to all pedestrians on the trail. We only wish we had the opportunity to have more recreational trails available for biking to enjoy this wonderful quiet nature we are so lucky to leave near. | By Linda H	
Comment 2	I think this idea is hard to interpret. I really enjoy the peace and quiet especially when I'm mountain biking and hiking. | By Sean M	
Comment 3	I enjoy the quiet especially on my mountain bike. | By Sean M	
Comment 4	Yes, we need more trails so you can get away from cars. Make trails for people to bike up to Skyline without intermingling with dangerous cars. | By Daniel E	
Comment 5	This is an important goal, so long as it is not interpreted as a method to prohibit access for active recreation (biking). The two goals can co-exist together on the same trails in the same preserves. It is not a one or the other situation. | By R A	
Comment 6	@ Frank S7. Exactly. Just having quality open space and access to that open space accomplishes this, no? I'm going to translate this goal: Open Space w/access. Who can be against this? This is like voting for Open Space with more trees and grass. We need real goals to vote on here! | By orion W	

Comment 7	When I am using the existing open space preserves, it is rare that I will come across another trail user. I, almost immediately after entering the trails, feel the sense of refuge from urban life. | By Frank S

Idea Title	***Expand Opportunity and Variety***	**96**
Idea Detail	•Increase diversity of visitors •Accommodate a wide variety of visitors of all abilities, ages, cultures, and interests	
Comment 1	Agree with Frank. A fantastic way to expand recreational opportunities would be to expand access to all users (horse, bike, hike) across park regions for longer excursions and to reduce driving. i.e.: if we could access from our neighborhood open space to regions more distant, we would not have to drive to those regions. | By Linda H	
Comment 2	A diverse user group is great! I think one way to create a more diverse user group, would be to increase bicycle trail access. It would be fantastic to be able to access Montebello Open Space from Rancho San Antonio. Opening PG&E Trail or Upper High Meadow Trail to Black Mountain Trail would be a great way to increase the diversity of this open space. | By Frank S	

Idea Title	***Biodiversity***	**85**
Idea Detail	•Protect large contiguous areas of intact habitat that represent the Peninsula and South Bay's full mosaic of natural communities •Conserve sensitive species and special natural communities •Increase adaptation to climate change and reduce carbon impacts •Encourage scientific research, partnerships, and relationships with educational institutions and scientists	
Comment 1	Seems like this one could be lumped in with the above habitat connectivity into one goal. Aren't we already doing this as a priority? | By Linda H	
Comment 2	Isn't much of this a cornerstone of any open space program? Also, very broad. What does "increase adaptation to climate change" mean? | By orion W	

Idea Title	***Ensure Compatibility, Safety, and Maintenance***	**75**
Idea Detail	•Ensure access compatible with resource protection and regulatory constraints •Distribute opportunities for low intensity recreation across District •Reduce or eliminate safety hazards and promote safe use of the preserves •Provide ongoing management and maintenance	
Comment 1	These descriptions are so vague and lumped together I have no idea what I am really voting for. | By Drew P	
Comment 2	What we have learned about pedestrian / auto conflict and crashes is that we can increase pedestrian safety by slowing auto traffic with traffic calming measures. Fire roads are the freeways of our parks and tend to increase speeding by bikes and horses. We need to reduce trail widths and increase side friction to naturally slow bikes and horses. Wide trails with large radius turns are not safe trails. | By Marc J	

Comment 3	Really hard to understand what you mean here by "low intensity". There are enough "horse only" trails, it would be wonderful to see some "bike only" trails. All are, of course, open to hikers. As in my other post, a few bike only trails (no major views, just nice single track technical climbs/descents to enjoy or a clockwise loop that bikers can enjoy free of horses or hikers) would certainly draw more visitors and may improve safety if the two groups had an opportunity for their own spaces to recreate. | By Linda H
Comment 4	Isn't this sort of table stakes for MPROSD? | By Brian M
Comment 5	I am not sure if this idea is in support of more active recreation (biking/running) in the preserves or against it? The idea description could be clearer on this (what is low-intensity? what are considered safety hazards?) I support more active recreational opportunities (esp. biking) in all of the preserves. | By R A
Comment 6	I would like to see a more balanced trail designation system. There are plenty of hiker only, or hiker/equestrian trails, but no bicycle only, or bicycle/hiker only trails. One safety concern of mine is that equestrians have limited control over their horses. Additionally, the horse has a mind of it's own. If a horse is spooked, it can be completely out of the control of the rider. This presents an extreme danger to the rider, the horse, and other trail users. | By Frank S
Comment 7	I would like a simple and clear protocol or rating system for how access to trails are determined for different user groups: Hikers, Cyclists, Horses... | By Kevin M R

Idea Title	***Improved Visitor Experiences***	**72**
Idea Detail	•Provide opportunities where families can engage safely with nature •Emphasize a variety of natural learning environments •Increase use of technology to introduce people to nature	
Comment 1	Agree with Frank. Horse poop really sucks. Mountain bikes don't leave behind any poop for the hikers! Wish there were more technically challenging single track bike only segments that perhaps ran parallel or bypassed wider hiking trails (like Manzanita at Skeggs and Rocky Ridge at Santa Theresa). The majority of trails are closed to bikes, why not improve bike visitor experience by opening a few "bike only" trails that would challenge our skills, or a flow trail/mtn bike park that might attract more visitors. | By Linda H	
Comment 2	There are not enough beginner friendly, accessible trails for biking. Not everybody can ride steep, dusty, slippery fireroads. | By Daniel E	
Comment 3	One improved visitor experience would be to tighten the regulations on equestrians. Horses defecate on the trails. The equestrians are not required to pick up after it. As a hiker, this does not create an enjoyable experience. Additionally, horses can be extremely terrifying and hard to control. Horses are known to be spooked easily, which imposes a risk on not just the horse and rider, but to all other trail users. | By Frank S	

Idea Title	***Support Agriculture and Local Food Producers***	**72**
Idea Detail	•Preserve farms and range lands by working cooperatively with partners and the agricultural community •Prioritize preservation of agricultural lands at the urban edge and currently in agricultural use •Promote large contiguous blocks of land in agricultural use •Support the region's agricultural economy •Protect the economic viability of District working lands	

Idea Title	***Volunteer Stewardship***	**69**
Idea Detail	•Increase support for volunteer stewardship and open space conservation •Increase use of technology to promote volunteer stewardship •Encourage hands-on volunteer stewardship and citizen science activities on District lands	

Idea Title	***Increase Diversity and Remove Access Barriers***	**66**
Idea Detail	•Creatively reach more people, including those with disabilities, and increase the cultural diversity of our visitors •Expand youth programming and outreach through partnerships	
Comment 1	Seems like there are already organizations that do provide disabled persons outdoor access and transport. Not sure these should really be a priority over expanding general public access….to increase cultural diversity on our trails?? This area is already extremely diverse so why target certain cultural or racial groups to visit here more than others? Everyone is already welcome, right? | By Linda H	
Comment 2	Is outreach like this a significant part of your mission? | By Brian M	

Idea Title	***Model Ecologically Sound Practices***	**66**
Idea Detail	•Use rangeland management to improve grassland health, reduce wildfire fuel loads, and protect water quality •Promote wise water use and other ecologically sensitive farming practices	

Idea Title	***Sense of Place***	**58**
Idea Detail	•Maintain a sense of place by protecting and increasing access to locally significant, iconic natural or cultural features •Preserve the scenic backdrop and designated scenic corridors, emphasizing the view from major roadways and parklands •Preserve the character and scenic qualities of coastal and rural areas	

Idea Title	***Knowledge, Understanding, and Appreciation***	**48**
Idea Detail	•Remember and honor community heritage and past ways of life through activities, programming, and projects •Interpret how natural and cultural resources relate to people's current lives •Increase site-specific interpretation projects and programs that emphasize the protection of natural and cultural resources	

Idea Title	***Stewarding Many Cultures***	**40**
Idea Detail	•Protect at-risk culturally significant resources and promote their responsible stewardship •Cultivate partnerships that preserve and/or enhance cultural resources •Increase interpretation of cultural resources	

Idea Title	***Educate about the Region's Agricultural Heritage***	**39**
Idea Detail	•Foster awareness of, and support public educations programs about, the importance of agriculture to the region's heritage and future.	

APPENDIX C: SAMPLE PRIORITY ACTION PROFILES

11 Bear Creek Redwoods:

Public Recreation and Interpretive Projects

Open for hiking, equestrian activities. Provide parking areas, trails; upgrade stables. Restore & protect habitats for various species, address invasives. Repair roads & trails to reduce sediment. Provide interpretive/educational services, volunteer programs. Rehabilitate Alma College site, explore limited reuse by public or private partners.

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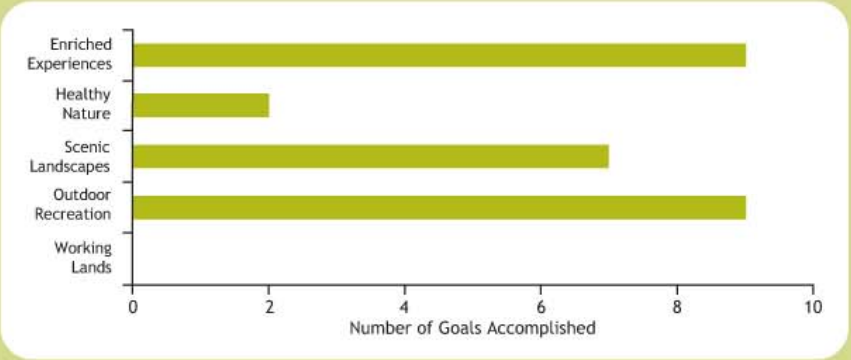

32 Windy Hill:

Trail Improvements, Preservation, and Hawthorns Area Historic Partnership

Improve trails, complete pond facilities. Increase multi-use trails, study possible increased dog use. Open Hawthorns Area, develop trails connecting to Portola Valley and Palo Alto trails. Explore partnerships to protect, restore, and interpret historic buildings. Improve habitat conditions in Los Trancos Creek. Preserve additional scenic open space as available.

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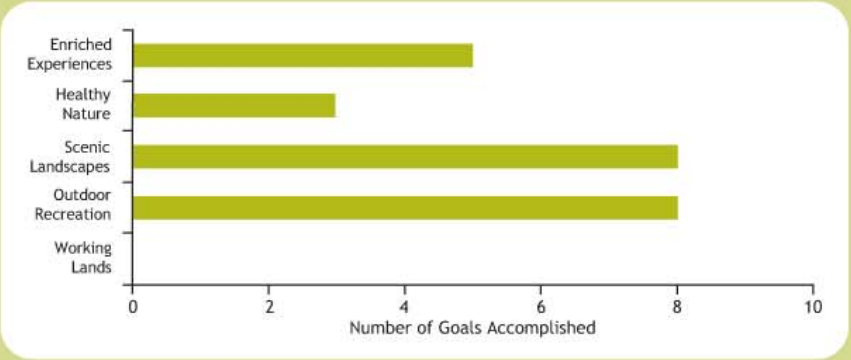

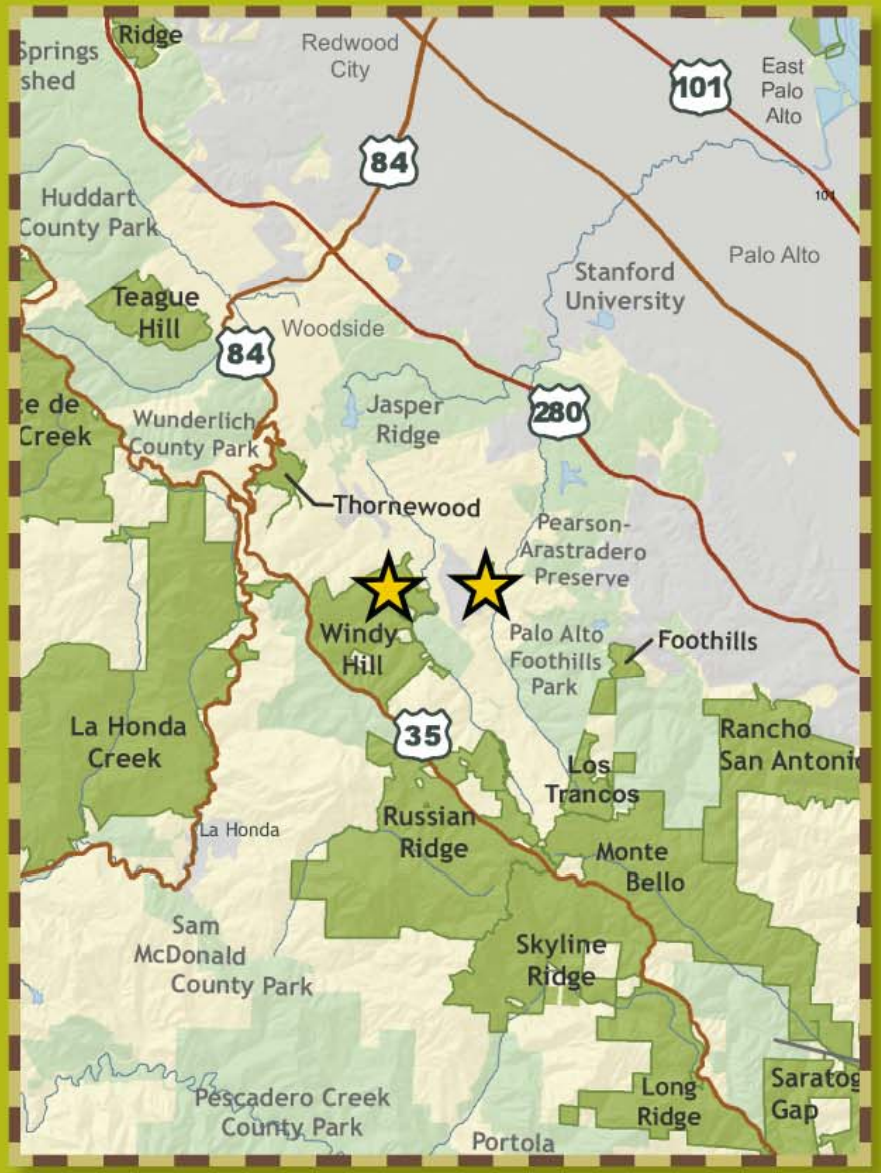

52 El Corte de Madera Creek:

Bike Trail and Water Quality Projects

Develop and carry out plans for single-use biking/hiking trails, complete Ridge Trail gaps, and develop trail system leading to parking area. Restore damaged trails for better water quality. Deter marbled murrelet predators. Preserve additional open space as available.

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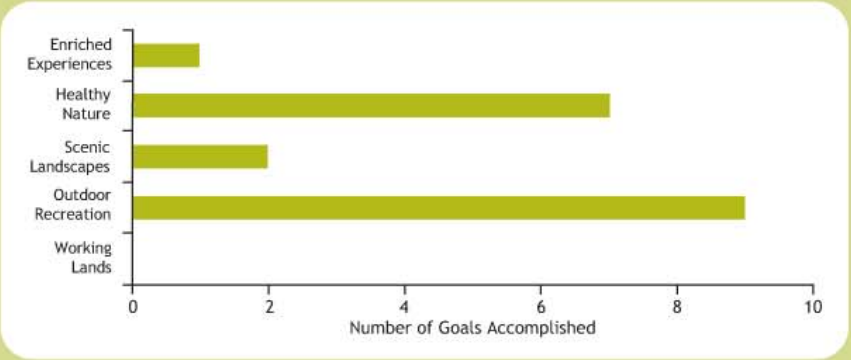
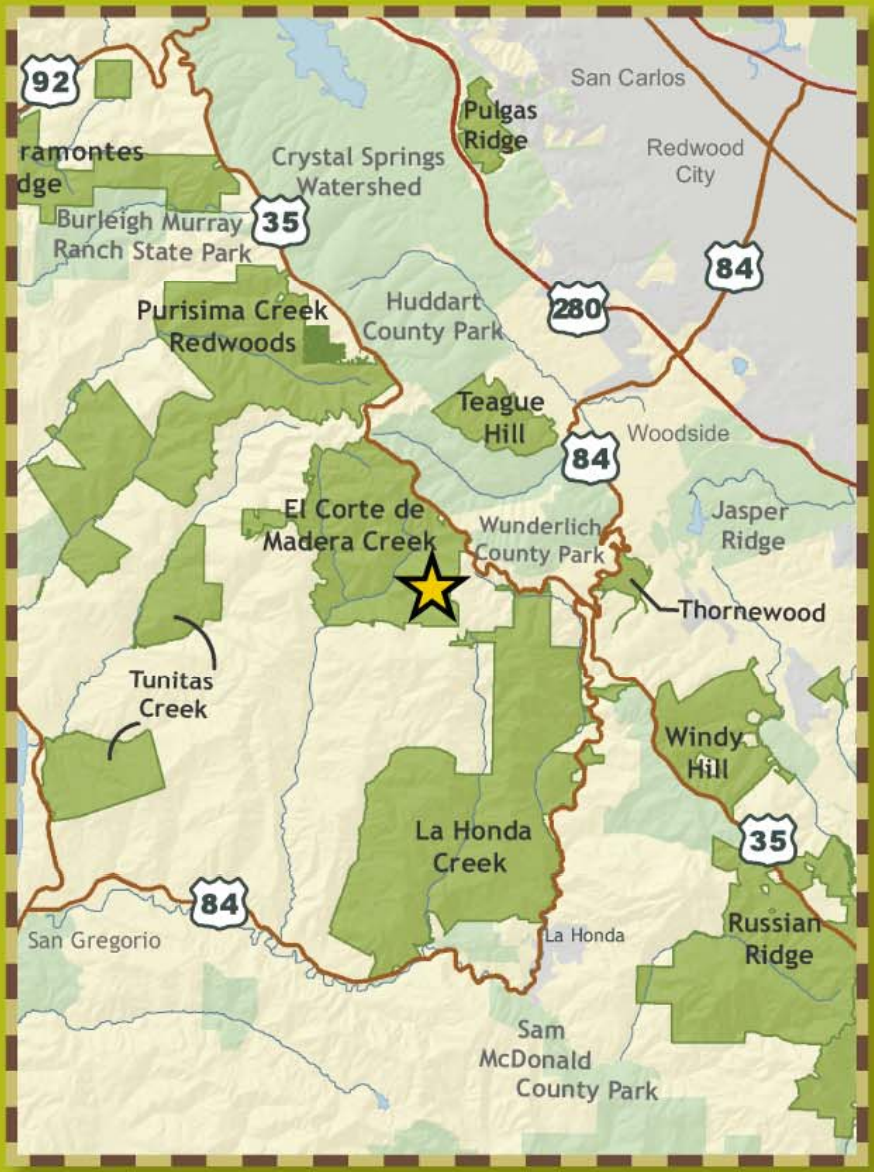
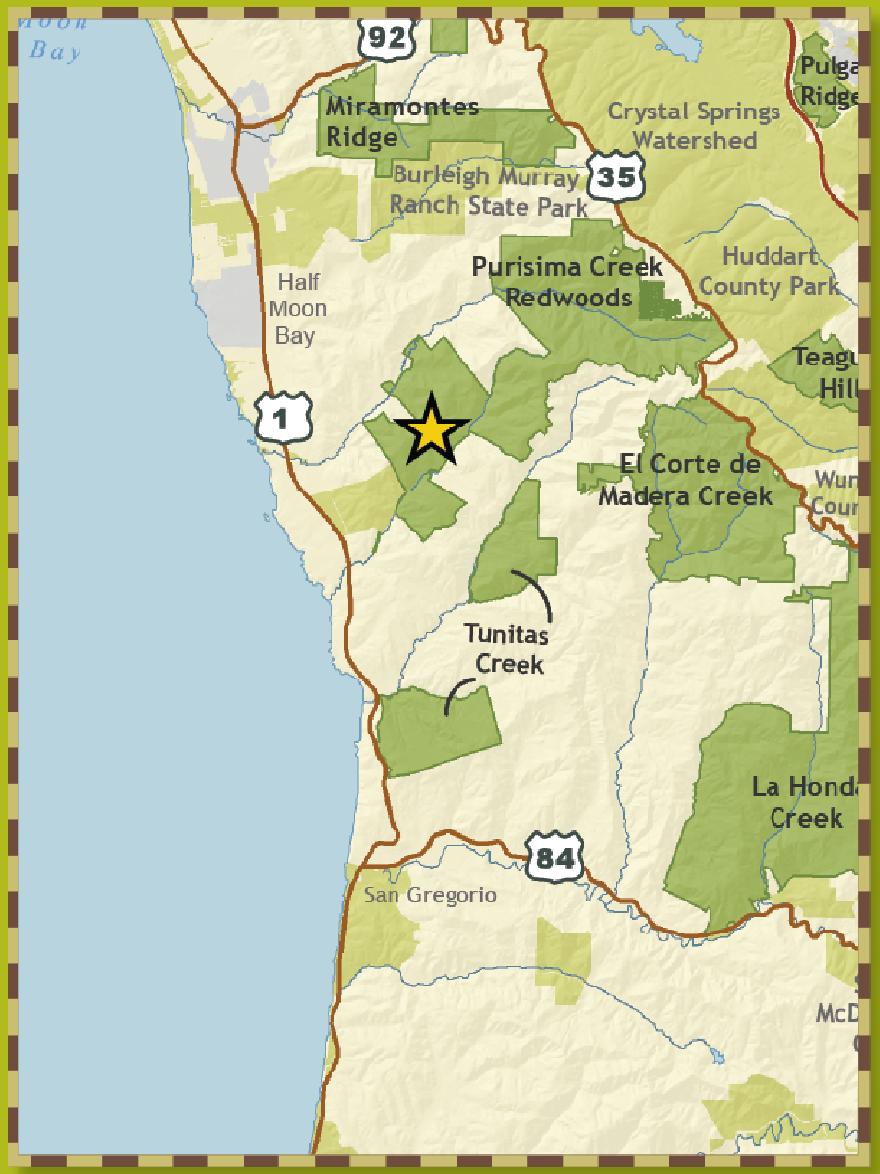




67 Purisima Creek Redwoods:

Purisima-to-Sea Trail Completion, Watershed Protection & Conservation Grazing Projects

Complete and open multi-use Purisima-to-Sea trail connection between Ridge Trail & Coastal Trail, add new parking areas. Preserve additional open space as available. Remove fish barriers and restore Lobitos Creek. Study & improve ponds for red-legged frogs. Continue grazing, improve fencing, cattle watering to protect ponds and streams. Develop interpretive materials and volunteer steward program.



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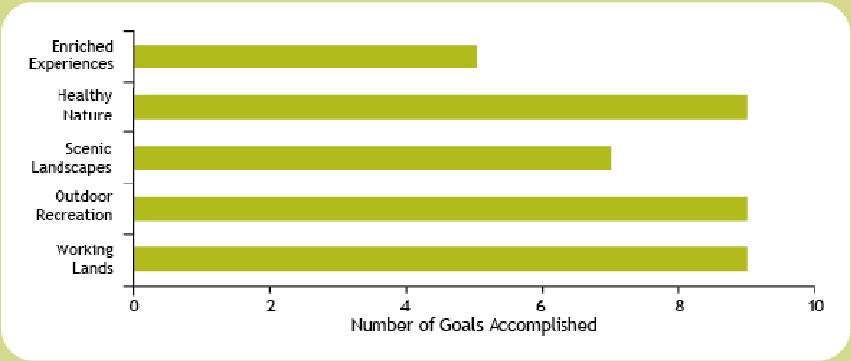

Key to Priority Action Icons

These icons illustrate the main components of the priority actions. For example, if a priority action contains icon number 1, improving access to trials is a significant part of that action.

1. Improves access to trails
2. Supports multiple trail uses (hiking, biking, horseback riding, dogs)
3. Family friendly location
4. Extends regional trails
5. Eliminates barriers to using open space
6. Protects endangered species
7. Restores natural conditions for plants and animals
8. Environmental stewardship and maintenance
9. Ensures clean streams and water bodies
10. Protects and manages forests
11. Reduces fire risk
12. Provides environmental education
13. Protects beautiful scenery and panoramic views
14. Preserves local character and sense of place
15. Conserves additional open space
16. Protects local farms and ranches

APPENDIX D: PRIORITY ACTION RATINGS BY REGION: DETAILS

D-1: Priority Action Ratings by Region: Details from Public Workshops
D-2: Priority Action Ratings by Region: Details from CAC Meeting

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Priority Action Ratings by
Region: Details from Public Workshops

	Workshop Results			Gender		Age						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space*
North San Mateo County Coast Region - HMB Workshop - 10.21.13	N	Avg	Div	Female (15)	Male (11)	18-24 (1)	25-34 (2)	35-44 (1)	45-54 (4)	55-64 (12)	65 ≤ (6)	Seldom (4)	Sometimes (9)	Often (10)	Consistently	
67 - Purisima Creek Redwoods: Purisima-to-Sea Trail Watershed Protection & Conservation Grazing	30	**8.3**	30	8.8	7.7	9	8.5	9	9	9.6	5.3	8.8	7.6	8.3	9.3	This Data is not available for this region
74 - Miramontes Ridge: Gateway to the Coast Public Access, Stream Restoration, & Agriculture Enhancement	31	**7.6**	30	7.9	7.3	8	8.5	9	9.5	8.5	4.2	7.2	6.7	7.8	9	
73 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Crk Rdwds: Mills Creek/Arroyo Leon Watershed, Stream Restoration, & Trails	31	**7.1**	29	7.1	6.8	9	8.5	7	6.5	7.8	4.8	6.2	6.6	7.6	7.3	
75 - Regional: Support CA Coastal Trail	31	**6.9**	43	7	6.9	10	7	7	8	7.5	4.7	6	6.8	6.9	7.3	
70 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods:Fire Management and Risk Reductions	30	**6.6**	30	6.9	6.7	10	8.5	7	6.5	6.2	7	4.5	6.5	6.7	9	
72 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods:Coastside Environmental Education Partnerships	31	**5.6**	40	5.3	5.8	10	6	10	7	5.2	3.3	4.5	4.6	5.4	8	

	Workshop Results			Gender		Age						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space*
South San Mateo County Coast Region - HMB Workshop - 10.21.13	N	Avg	Div	Female (14)	Male (11)	18-24 (1)	25-34 (2)	35-44 (1)	45-54 (4)	55-64 (11)	65 ≤ (6)	Seldom (4)	Sometimes (9)	Often (8)	Consistently	
64 - La Honda Creek: Driscoll Ranch Public Access, Endangered Wildlife Protection, & Conservation Grazing	28	**9**	10	9.4	8.8	9	10	9	8.8	8.9	9.5	8.2	8.9	9.5	10	This Data is not available for this region
58 - Cloverdale Ranch: Wildlife Protection, Grazing, and Trail Connections	30	**7.8**	29	8	8.6	8	9	10	9.5	7.5	8.3	5.2	8.3	9	9.7	
62 - La Honda Creek/El Corte Madera Creek: San Gregorio Watershed and Agriculture Preservation Projects	30	**7.4**	26	7.1	7.9	8	9	10	7.5	7.8	5.7	7.2	7.1	7.2	8.3	
66 - Tunitas Creek: Additional Watershed Preservation & Conservation Grazing	30	**7.2**	28	7	7.2	9	7	9	7	7.8	5.2	6.2	6.7	7.4	7.7	
59 - Lower Pescadero Creek: Watershed Preservation & Conservation Grazing	30	**7.1**	36	7	7.6	9	8.5	10	8.5	6.7	6.3	6.5	7.4	6.9	8.3	

	Workshop Results			Gender		Age						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space*
Central Coastal Mountains Region - Skyline Area Workshop - 11.2.13	N	Avg	Div	Female (12)	Male (8)	18-24 (0)	25-34 (1)	35-44 (4)	45-54 (6)	55-64 (4)	65 ≤ (5)	Seldom (2)	Sometimes (3)	Often (10)	Consistently	
56 - Regional: Trail Connections and Campgrounds	24	**8.4**	15	8.3	8.6	0	10	8.8	8.5	8.5	7.4	8	9.3	8.7	7.6	This Data is not available for this region
55 - Regional: Redwood Protection and Salmon Fishery Conservation	24	**7.5**	19	7.9	6.6	0	6	7.5	7.7	8	7.8	8	6.3	7.3	8.3	

	Workshop Results			Gender		Age						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
Skyline Region - 2 Workshops - 11.2.2013 and 11.4.2013	N	Avg	Div	Female (39)	Male (41)	18-24 (2)	25-34 (4)	35-44 (10)	45-54 (26)	55-64 (18)	65 ≤ (18)	Seldom (8)	Sometimes (16)	Often (21)	Consistently	Bike (18)	Dog (2)	Hike (32)	Horse (1)
51 - La Honda Creek: Upper Area Recreation - Habitat Restoration and Conservation Grazing Projects	84	**8**	23	8	8.2	4.5	9.5	8.2	8.4	7.8	8	8.3	7.8	8.3	8.1	9	8.5	8	9
46 - Russian Ridge: Public Recreation - Grazing - and Wildlife Protection Projects	83	**8**	19	8.2	8	6	9.8	8	8	7.9	8.2	7.6	7.3	8.3	8.6	8.8	8.5	7.5	9
48 - La Honda Creek/Russian Ridge: Preservation of Upper San Gregorio Watershed & Ridge Trail Completion	82	**8**	25	7.9	7.9	5	10	7.5	8	7.8	8	8.1	7.5	8.5	7.8	9	8.5	7.9	10
47 - Coal Creek: Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use	85	**7.8**	27	7.8	7.7	3.5	9.8	7	8.1	7.3	8.2	7.8	7.5	7.7	8.3	8.3	6	7.2	8
38 - Long Ridge: Trail - Conservation and Habitat Restoration Projects	83	**7.7**	20	7.3	8.1	7	9.5	7.7	7.6	7.7	7.6	8	6.8	8	7.9	8.9	9	7.4	6
52 - El Corte de Madera Creek: Bike Trail and Water Quality Projects	85	**7.5**	28	7.2	7.8	8.5	10	7	7.8	7.3	6.9	8.1	6.2	7.5	8.3	9.7	7.5	6.8	5
40 - Skyline Subregion: Fire Management and Forest Restoration Projects	84	**6.5**	30	6.9	5.9	9.5	2.5	6.4	5.6	6.8	8	7	6.4	6.6	6.2	4.9	9.5	7.5	5
39 - Skyline Ridge: Education Facilities - Trailsand Wildlife Conservation Projects	84	**6.4**	33	6.9	5.8	5	2.2	6	5.7	6.7	8.2	7.8	7.2	6.6	5.1	4.7	9	7.5	6
53 - Purisima Creek Redwoods: Parking and Repair Projects	86	**5.8**	32	6.5	5.2	5.5	2.2	5.2	5.8	6	7.4	6.9	6.4	6	5.3	4.2	6	7.4	7
37 - Saratoga Gap: Stevens Canyon Ranch Family Food Education Projects	83	**4.9**	25	5.7	4.1	4	1.8	5.2	4.8	4.4	6.2	6.4	5.9	5.3	3.5	3.5	6	4.9	6

	Workshop Results			Gender		Age						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
Peninsula Foothills Region - 2 Workshops - 11.4.2013 and 11.16.2013	N	Avg	Div	Female (43)	Male (50)	18-24 (2)	25-34 (5)	35-44 (11)	45-54 (35)	55-64 (20)	65 ≤ (22)	Seldom (11)	Sometimes (20)	Often (33)	Consistently	Bike (31)	Dog (7)	Hike (49)	Horse (1)
27 - Regional: Complete Upper Stevens Creek Trail	97	**8.1**	29	8.5	7.8	9	9.4	7.6	8.3	7.7	8.3	8	6.3	8.4	9.4	9.4	6.7	7.7	10
32 - Windy Hill: Trail Improvements - Preservation - and Hawthorns Area Historic Partnership	102	**7.7**	36	8.4	7.5	5.5	5.2	8.7	8.7	7.2	8	8.1	7.4	8.1	7.7	8.1	7.9	7.9	8
76 - Pulgas Ridge: Regional and Neighborhood Trail Extensions	102	**6.7**	38	7.2	6.5	8.5	4.2	7.5	7.1	6.4	6.6	5.9	5.7	7.5	7.2	7.4	7.4	6.7	9
44 - Regional: San Andreas Fault Interpretive Trail Program	102	**5.8**	36	6.5	5.4	5.5	6.2	5.8	5.6	5.6	6.6	6.1	6.3	6.7	4.7	5.1	6.2	6.4	6
30- Rancho San Antonio: Intrepretive Improvements - Refurbishing - and Transit Solutions	101	**5.6**	40	6.1	5.4	4.5	4	5.2	5.9	5.4	6.5	5.5	5.6	6.6	5	5.5	6.3	5.9	5
31- Rancho San Antonio: Hidden Villa Access and Preservation Projects	102	**5.6**	46	6.1	5.2	2.5	2.6	5.4	5.3	5.7	7.3	5.6	6.6	6.3	4.3	3.9	5.3	6.8	6

Appendix D - 1
Priority Action Ratings by
Region: Details from Public Workshops

	Workshop Results			Gender		Age						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
Peninsula / South Bay Cities & Baylands Regions - Redwood City Workshop - 11.16.2013	N	Avg	Div	Female (16)	Male (16)	18-24 (0)	25-34 (2)	35-44 (4)	45-54 (15)	55-64 (6)	65 ≤ (6)	Seldom (4)	Sometimes (7)	Often (11)	Consistently (11)	Bike (13)	Dog (5)	Hike (14)	Horse (0)
34 - Regional: Bayfront Habitat Protection and Public Access Partnerships	34	**7.6**	38	8.6	7	0	10	6.8	8	6.7	8.5	7	7.4	8.6	7.5	7.8	7	8.6	0
23 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: Partner to Complete Middle Stevens Creek Trail	34	**6.7**	41	7.6	5.9	0	7.5	6.5	7.4	4.7	7.7	5.8	6.1	7.4	7.2	8	5	6.9	0
35 - Ravenswood: Cooley Landing Nature Center Partnership	34	**6.2**	42	7.2	5.5	0	4	6	6.9	5.7	7	2.5	6.3	7.5	6.8	6.9	4.2	7.1	0
24 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: San Francisquito Creek Restoration Partnership	34	**4.9**	34	5.6	4.4	0	5.5	5.8	4.7	3.7	6.7	4.2	4.9	5.8	4.7	5.2	3.2	5.9	0
22 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: Los Gatos Creek Trail Connections	34	**4.4**	32	4.4	4.3	0	6	3	4.1	4.5	6.2	4.2	5.1	4.8	3.9	4.2	3.2	5.4	0
25 - Major Roadway Signage**																			

	Workshop Results			Gender		Age						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space*
South Bay Foothills Region - Saratoga Workshop - 10.28.13	N	Avg	Div	Female (23)	Male (42)	18-24 (3)	25-34 (5)	35-44 (9)	45-54 (18)	55-64 (18)	65 ≤ (12)	Seldom (10)	Sometimes (7)	Often (26)	Consistently	
16 - South Bay Foothills: Wildlife Passage and Ridge Trail Improvements	64	**8.6**	18	8.5	8.7	9.3	9.4	9.2	8.7	8.5	7.8	9.4	9	8.2	8.6	This data is not available for this region
11 - Bear Creek Redwoods: Public Recreation and Interpretive Projects	65	**8.1**	22	8.3	8.1	7.7	8.8	8	7.5	7.9	9.6	8.4	8.1	8.1	8.2	
18 - South Bay Foothills: Saratoga-to-Sea Trail and Wildlife Corridor	65	**7.4**	32	7.9	7.1	9.7	9.2	6.6	7.1	7.6	7	7.2	8.2	7.4	7.2	
17 - El Sereno: Dog Trails & Connections	66	**6.8**	31	7.6	6.4	5.7	7.4	6.6	6.8	7.4	5.9	7	6.4	6.6	7.1	
21 - Picchetti Ranch: Family Nature Play Program	66	**6.1**	15	6.3	6	8	7.4	5.6	5.9	6.1	6.1	5.9	6.9	6.1	5.8	
19 - Fremont Older: Historic Woodhills Restoration & Overall Parking Improvements	66	**5.8**	23	6.2	5.7	7	6.6	6	5.4	5.9	5.8	6.5	6	5.5	5.7	

	Workshop Results			Gender		Age						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space*
Sierra Azul Region - Saratoga Workshop - 10.28.13	N	Avg	Div	Female (24)	Male (45)	18-24 (3)	25-34 (5)	35-44 (9)	45-54 (19)	55-64 (21)	65 ≤ (12)	Seldom (10)	Sometimes (9)	Often (27)	Consistently	
1 - Sierra Azul: Loma Prieta Area Public Access, Regional Trails, and Habitat Projects	69	**8.2**	27	8.3	8.1	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.5	7.4	8.2	7.8	8.5	7.9	This data is not available for this region
4 - Sierra Azul: Mt. Umunhum Public Access and Interpretation Projects	68	**8**	23	7.7	8.1	9.3	8.6	7.9	7.8	8.4	7	8.3	7.9	7.9	7.8	
10 - Sierra Azul: Cathedral Oaks Public Access and Conservation Projects	70	**7.6**	22	8.1	7.3	8.3	8	6.8	7.2	8	7.8	8.4	7.1	7.6	7.4	
8 - Sierra Azul: Fire Management	70	**7.5**	18	7.9	7.3	8.7	8	7	7.2	8	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.7	
9 - Sierra Azul: Expand access in the Kennedy-Limekiln Area	64	**6.9**	27	7.5	6.7	7.3	6.8	8	6.2	7.3	6.6	6	6.7	7.2	7.2	
7 - Sierra Azul: Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation and Interpretive Projects	70	**6.8**	20	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.4	6.6	7.3	6.2	6.5	7.1	6.7	6.6	

*: Use of keypads to collect data on use of open space did not start until 11/4/13 workshop

Appendix D-2: Priority Action Ratings By Region: Detail from CAC Meeting

	CAC Results			Gender						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
North San Mateo County Coast Region	N	Avg	Div	Female (6)	Male (13)	35-44 (2)	45-54 (6)	55-64 (6)	65 ≤ (5)	Seldom (5)	Sometimes (5)	Often (4)	Consistently (5)	Bike (3)	Dog (1)	Hike (13)	Horse (1)
67 - Pursima Creek Redwoods: Pursima-to-Sea Trail Completion, Watershed Protection & Conservation Grazing Projects	19	**8.7**	7	9	8.7	8	8.8	8.7	9.2	8.8	7.8	8.8	9.8	10	8	8.6	7
74 - Miramontes Ridge: Gateway to the San Mateo Coast Public Access, Stream Restoration, and Agriculture Enhancement Projects	19	**7.6**	21	8	7.4	8	6.2	8.3	8	8.4	7.4	8.2	6.2	6.7	9	7.4	9
73 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods: Mills Creek/Arroyo Leon Watershed Protection, Stream Restoration, & Trails	19	**7.5**	12	7.2	7.7	6	7.8	7.4	7.8	7.2	6.6	8	8.2	9.7	7	6.8	8
75 - Regional: Support CA Coastal Trail	19	**7.4**	23	6.6	7.7	7	7.7	7.3	7.2	7.5	6.4	8	7.8	9	8	7.1	6
70 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods: Fire Management and Risk Reductions*																	
72 - Miramontes Ridge/Purisima Creek Redwoods: Coastside Environmental Education Partnerships*																	

	All Results			Gender						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
South San Mateo County Coast Region	N	Avg	Div	Female (6)	Male (13)	35-44 (2)	45-54 (6)	55-64 (6)	65 ≤ (5)	Seldom (5)	Sometimes (5)	Often (4)	Consistently (5)	Bike (3)	Dog (1)	Hike (13)	Horse (1)
64 - La Honda Creek: Driscoll Ranch Area Public Access, Endangered Wildlife Protection, & Conservation Grazing	19	**8.1**	25	7.8	8.2	7	8	9.3	7	7.2	8.2	8	9	8	9	8.6	9
57 - Gazos Creek Watershed: Preserve Redwoods, Fish & Add Trails	21	**7.4**	25	5.8	8.1	7.5	7.8	8.3	5.6	7.2	7.2	8	7.2	9.7	7	7.3	8
58 - Cloverdale Ranch: Wildlife Protection, Grazing, and Trail Connections	19	**7.4**	21	5.5	8.2	8	8	7.5	6.2	7	7.2	8	7.2	9.5	9	7.4	7
59 - Lower Pescadero Creek: Watershed Preservation & Conservation Grazing	19	**6.9**	28	6	7.4	8.5	6	8	6.2	6.8	7.6	8.5	5.2	5	9	7.6	8
62 - La Honda Creek/El Corte Madera Creek: San Gregorio Watershed & Agriculture Preservation	21	**6.9**	26	6.7	6.8	6.5	6	8.3	6	6.4	7.6	7.5	5.8	5	8	7.5	8
66 - Tunitas Creek: Additional Watershed Preservation & Conservation Grazing	20	**6.8**	25	6.7	6.8	8	5.3	8.2	6.2	6.4	6.8	8.2	5.8	5.3	8	7.3	8

	All Results			Gender						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
Central Coastal Mountains Region	N	Avg	Div	Female (6)	Male (13)	35-44 (2)	45-54 (6)	55-64 (6)	65 ≤ (5)	Seldom (5)	Sometimes (5)	Often (4)	Consistently (5)	Bike (3)	Dog (1)	Hike (13)	Horse (1)
55 - Regional: Redwood Protection and Salmon Fishery Conservation	21	**8.3**	12	8.5	8	8.5	7.2	8.7	8.6	8.4	7.4	9	8	7.7	8	8.4	6
56 - Regional: Trail Connections and Campgrounds	21	**8.3**	16	8.7	8.1	6	8.2	8.5	9	9.4	7	7	9.4	9.7	9	7.8	7

	All Results			Gender						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
Skyline Region	N	Avg	Div	Female (6)	Male (13)	35-44 (2)	45-54 (6)	55-64 (6)	65 ≤ (5)	Seldom (5)	Sometimes (5)	Often (4)	Consistently (5)	Bike (3)	Dog (1)	Hike (13)	Horse (1)
51 - La Honda Creek: Upper Area Recreation, Habitat Restoration & Conservation Grazing	21	**9.1**	9	9.2	9.1	10	8.8	9.2	9	8.4	8.2	10	10	10	8	8.9	9
46 - Russian Ridge: Public Recreation, Grazing, & Wildlife Protection Projects	21	**8.7**	11	8.2	8.8	8.5	8.7	8.3	9	8.6	7.6	9	9.4	9.3	10	8.5	5
48 - La Honda Creek/Russian Ridge: Preservation of Upper San Gregorio Watershed and Ridge Trail Completion	21	**8.3**	10	8.2	8.4	8	8	9	8	8.4	7.4	8.5	9	9.3	8	8.2	6
38 - Long Ridge: Trail, Conservation & Habitat Restoration Projects	21	**8**	13	8	8.2	7	8.3	8	8.4	8	7.6	8.8	8.2	9.7	6	7.9	6
39 - Skyline Ridge: Education Facilities - Trails & Wildlife Conservation Projects	21	**7.9**	16	8.3	7.6	7	7.2	7.8	9	7.8	7.4	8.8	7.6	7.3	9	7.9	5
52 - El Corte de Madera Creek: Bike Trail and Water Quality Projects	21	**7.4**	14	7.3	7.6	6.5	8	7.2	7.8	7	6.4	8	8.8	9.7	7	7.2	4
47 - Coal Creek: Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use	21	**6.9**	17	6.5	6.9	4	7.5	6.2	7.8	7	5.8	6.5	7.8	9	9	6.2	4
37 - Saratoga Gap: Stevens Canyon Ranch Family Food Education Projects	21	**6.8**	22	7.3	6.7	8	5.7	7	7.8	8.4	6.6	7	5.6	4	5	7.5	6
40 - Skyline Subregion: Fire Management and Forest Restoration Projects*																	
53 - Purisima Creek Redwoods: Parking and Repair Projects*																	

Appendix D-2: Priority Action Ratings By Region: Detail from CAC Meeting

	All Results			Gender						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
Peninsula Foothills Region	N	Avg	Div	Female (6)	Male (13)	35-44 (2)	45-54 (6)	55-64 (6)	65 ≤ (5)	Seldom (5)	Sometimes (5)	Often (4)	Consistently (5)	Bike (3)	Dog (1)	Hike (13)	Horse (1)
27 - Regional: Complete Upper Stevens Creek Trail	21	**8.1**	13	8.5	8.2	6.5	8.3	8.3	8.8	8.2	7.4	8.2	9.2	9.7	7	7.9	8
32 - Windy Hill: Trail Improvements, Preservation, and Hawthorns Area Historic Partnership	21	**8.1**	17	8.7	7.8	7	7.3	8.8	8.4	7.6	7.2	8.5	9	9.7	8	7.5	9
31- Rancho San Antonio: Hidden Villa Access & Preservation Projects	21	**8**	15	7.7	8	9.5	7	8	8.2	8.4	8.2	8.5	6.6	5	8	8.5	8
76 - Pulgas Ridge: Regional & Neighborhood Trail Extensions	20	**6.9**	19	6.7	6.5	4.5	6.8	7.3	6.2	6.4	6.8	6.2	6.8	7	6	6.2	8
44 - Regional: San Andreas Fault Interpretive Trail Program	21	**6.9**	17	7.7	6.2	7.5	5.3	7.3	7	7.6	6.2	6.5	6.2	4.3	7	6.8	7
30- Rancho San Antonio: Intrepretive Improvements, Refurbishing, & Transit Solutions*																	

	All Results			Gender						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
Peninsula / South Bay Cities & Baylands Regions	N	Avg	Div	Female (6)	Male (13)	35-44 (2)	45-54 (6)	55-64 (6)	65 ≤ (5)	Seldom (5)	Sometimes (5)	Often (4)	Consistently (5)	Bike (3)	Dog (1)	Hike (13)	Horse (1)
34 - Regional: Bayfront Habitat Protection and Public Access Partnerships	4	**9.1**	5	9.3	9.1	9	8.8	9.5	9.2	9	8.6	9.8	9.4	9.7	8	9.1	9
35 - Ravenswood: Cooley Landing Nature Center Partnership	21	**8.8**	18	9.2	8.5	6.5	8.3	9	9.6	9.6	8.8	7.5	8.6	9	10	8.4	9
23 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: Partner to Complete Middle Stevens Creek Trail	21	**8**	10	8.3	7.8	7	8.2	8.3	7.6	7.4	8	7.5	8.8	8	6	8.1	8
22 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: Los Gatos Creek Trail Connections	21	**7.2**	21	8.2	6.5	7.5	5.8	7.8	7.2	7.4	7.4	7	6.2	4.7	7	7.3	8
24 - Peninsula/South Bay Cities: San Francisquito Creek Restoration Partnership *																	

	All Results			Gender						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
South Bay Foothills Region	N	Avg	Div	Female (6)	Male (13)	35-44 (2)	45-54 (6)	55-64 (6)	65 ≤ (5)	Seldom (5)	Sometimes (5)	Often (4)	Consistently (5)	Bike (3)	Dog (1)	Hike (13)	Horse (1)
16 - South Bay Foothills: Wildlife Passage and Ridge Trail Improvements	21	**8.6**	14	8.8	8.3	7.5	7.3	9.3	9.2	8.8	8.4	9.8	7.2	7	10	8.5	10
18 - South Bay Foothills: Saratoga-to-Sea Trail and Wildlife Corridor	21	**8.1**	10	8.7	7.8	7	8	7.8	8.8	7.6	8.6	8	8	7.7	9	7.8	10
11 - Bear Creek Redwoods: Public Recreation and Interpretive Projects	21	**8**	15	8.8	7.5	7	7.7	8	8.6	7.4	8	7.8	8.6	6.7	7	8.1	9
21 - Picchetti Ranch: Family Nature Play Program	21	**6.8**	25	7.8	6.1	5.5	5.5	7.2	7.8	8	7	5.8	5.6	2.7	6	7.3	7
17 - El Sereno: Dog Trails & Connections	21	**6.6**	26	7.2	6.5	4	7	8	6	6	7.4	5.8	7.6	8	8	5.9	10
19 - Fremont Older: Historic Woodhills Restoration & Overall Parking Improvements*																	

	All Results			Gender						Visit Open Space				Use Open Space			
Sierra Azul Region	N	Avg	Div	Female (6)	Male (13)	35-44 (2)	45-54 (6)	55-64 (6)	65 ≤ (5)	Seldom (5)	Sometimes (5)	Often (4)	Consistently (5)	Bike (3)	Dog (1)	Hike (13)	Horse (1)
4 - Sierra Azul: Mt. Umunhum Public Access and Interpretation Projects	21	**8.9**	9	8.7	8.8	8.5	9	8.8	8.6	7.2	8.4	10	9.8	9.7	8	8.7	8
7 - Sierra Azul: Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation and Interpretive Projects	21	**8.5**	8	8.2	8.6	7.5	9	8.2	8.6	8.2	8	8.2	9.4	8.7	8	8.5	7
1 - Sierra Azul: Loma Prieta Area Public Access, Regional Trails, and Habitat Projects	21	**8.2**	8	8	8.5	7	8.5	8.7	8.2	8	7.6	8.8	9	10	8	7.8	8
10 - Sierra Azul: Cathedral Oaks Public Access and Conservation Projects	21	**7.8**	11	7.7	7.9	8	8.2	7.7	7.6	6.6	7.2	9	8.8	9.7	6	7.4	8
9 - Sierra Azul: Expand access in the Kennedy-Limekiln Area	21	**7.7**	12	7.5	7.5	7.5	8	7.3	7.2	6.8	7.4	7.8	8.2	9	6	7.1	8
8 - Sierra Azul: Fire Management*																	

*: Not rated by CAC

APPENDIX E: PARTICIPANT GENERATED GOALS AND PRIORITY ACTIONS

E-1: Public Workshop Participant Ideas for Additional Goals
E-2: Public Workshop Participant Ideas for Additional Priority Actions
E-3: Online Ideas for Additional Priority Actions

Appendix E-1: Public Workshop Participant Ideas for Additional Goals

HALF MOON BAY WORKSHOP - OCTOBER 21, 2013	AVG	Div	N
Partnering/Working with neighbors to protect both district lands and neighbor lands.	8.4	12	25
Do not treat the Coast the same as the Peninsula area.	7.9	22	23
More collaboration with other organizations.	7.9	13	25
Improve participation - by all groups - races - ages - working classes - IN THIS PUBLIC PROCESS	7.8	24	24
Under support ag: provide affordable access to such lands for current and future farmers and ranchers.	7.6	30	24
Education is there, but not thoroughly nor accurately describes to fully benefit kids - I'd reframe it - separate & clarify.	7.4	23	24
Access by trail from inland areas to the shoreline (priority action 48)	7.3	21	21
Increase amount of open space land.	7	40	23
Need metrics of core mission - healthy nature - stewardship - pollution - farms & ranchers - something about fuel loads.	7	29	22
Designation of a contiguous "Portola Trail" from South San Mateo County line to the Discovery Site on Sweeney Ridge by the 250th Anniversary of the Expedition in 2019.	7	34	21
Manage current lands well and make them safe for visitors & residents: Reduce fuel load through more grazing supported by the land - possible burns - other techniques.	6.9	24	22
Reserve some significant areas for true" wilderness - at least as much as possible in urban areas - limit bike access - perhaps limit number of visitors - restore/remove as much human caused change to original landscape."	6.6	40	27
Healthy Nature - include wetlands with watersheds connecting Enriched Experiences - watershed management thru bioassessment projects - use SWAMP guidelines	6.2	25	20
Support extended hours - after Sunset	5.5	42	25
Leave well enough alone - keep it natural - don't improve remote areas - let nature take its course - if ain't broke - don't fix it.	5.2	40	24
More of an objective: conduct scientific research - prsettlement vs current settlement	4.8	30	24
Clearly identify what constitutes low impact activity - ie: the actions of MROSD in cutting access for Mt bike riders from the Mindego Hill Trail - trucks drive on this trail - if one group is denied access due to potential harm...all users should be denied access.	4	51	26

SARATOGA WORKSHOP - OCTOBER 28, 2013	AVG	Div	N
Make Bear Creek Redwoods more accessible *	7.7	21	62
Open more multiuse trails	7.4	28	62
Restore natural habitat & wildlife in these lands, not just protect what is there now.	7.3	23	62
More single track trails for all users including bikes	7.2	32	61
Equitable trail access decisions across user groups, based on current approaches to trail design and land management (vs. historic/legacy based decisions)	7.2	27	59
Mountain Bike specific trails (ditto)	7	44	62
Minimize human impact in ecological sensitive areas. Save our wildlife!	7	29	59
Allow areas for dogs on leash.	6.5	34	61
Permit dogs on leash in the El Sereno Open Space **	6.4	38	60
Create a citizen scientist/volunteer program on habitat connectivity by establishing camera traps to monitor wildlife	6.4	28	62
Open some trails for limited (until 10 pm) biking (after dusk)	6.2	48	61
Define appropriate access	6.1	30	58
Goal: HISTORIC PRESERVATION	5.6	29	60
A working farm that urban kids can visit (families, school field trips) [I know you already have Deer Hollow Farm - maybe offer one elsewhere as well]	5.3	37	63
Replace dirt roads with narrow trails with grade <10%	5.2	35	60

*: This goal matches MROSD Priority Action #11

**: This goal matches MROSD Priority Action #17

Appendix E-1: Public Workshop Participant Ideas for Additional Goals

SKYLINE FIELD OFFICE WORKSHOP - NOVEMBER 2, 2013	AVG	Div	N
Increase interconnecting trails between parks for cyclists and other users so we don't have to mix with more vehicles on roads.	7.8	34	23
Use best science to guide what you do.	7.2	26	24
Skyline to the sea multi use trail	7.2	48	24
More multuse single track following contours instead of dirt roads up & down hills	7.2	36	24
Increase access close to where more people live, and encourage access that minimizes the use of cars.	7.1	19	24
Eliminate the cartel marijuana grow site on district lands.	6.9	52	24
T-Open newly purchased open space within a specified time limit	6.8	40	24
More diverse perspectives on Mid Pen Board	6.6	43	21
Public outreach about trails and preserves to gain new visitors - Publicizing OSP facilities and activities - massively increase advertisement of presence of the open spaces.	6.5	21	24
Expand multiuse access - areas - hours - etc. i.e. keep parks open later	6.5	67	24
Reduce fuel loads in Oak Woodlands - reducing the fuel loads	6.5	23	24
Equal access to trails.	6.3	62	22
Co-operation with schools and encouragement of science/nature education - this is in other goals but is not specific	6.2	15	24
Expand trail access for cyclists - more bike access on single track	6.2	71	22
Provide bikonly downhill trails that parallel uphill trails to avoid conflicts.	6.2	48	24
Increase representation of user demographics by advertising	6	27	22

MOUNTAIN VIEW WORKSHOP - NOVEMBER 4, 2013	AVG	Div	N
Add more open space	8.3	26	60
Trail connectivity from valley/foothills up to Skyline region for all user groups	7.8	27	61
Community focus groups for specific trail use issues - biking - hiking - equestrian - dogs	6.8	28	57
Access during night time in a compatible way - Allow preserve trail access after sunset - until 10pm - to allow users to access trails after work on short winter days - access to 10 pm	6.5	46	61
Allow preserve trail access after sunset - until 10pm - to allow users to access trails after work on short winter days	6.5	61	51
Study restoration of watersheds by eliminating dammed lands and ponds	5.7	34	57
Additional aesthetic trails	5.6	43	54
More biking single track	5.5	65	59
Improve access to trails for bicycles	5.5	62	60
Provide sites for nature education centers	5.5	40	62
Increase access to multi-use trails for cyclists	5.2	66	60
Imagine the future of your excellent staff? - compensation - housing - advancement/education	5.1	49	53
Great care needs to be taken by those who have been granted great powers - and we should prioritize the preservation and protection of the wild animals - plants - and terrain acquired by MROSD - and remember not to trample individual home owner's rights to the present peace - privacy - and securities that they have vested in their homes adjacent to open space	5.1	44	55
More (but still limited) acccess for organized sports events (trail running - mountain biking - orienteering - etc) including school activities.	4.7	42	61

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REDWOOD CITY WORKSHOP - NOVEMBER 16, 2013	AVG	Div	N
Land acquisition - acquire more land - continue to acquire lands in order to avoid loving to death - overuse problem	8.2	36	36
Acquire watershed properties where protected species are present	7.1	41	34
Restrict widening of single track trails	6.8	40	36
Provide more multiple trail user trails between parks - hike - bike - equestrian	6.6	42	35
Change midpen charter such that directors cannot be appointed but only elected	6.4	49	30
Actions should allow participants to show support for individual activities including hiking - horse riding - and bicycling	6.3	43	32
Expand on leash access - expand dog access - Expand dog walking access beyond existing 15% of parks - and add additional off leash areas beyond Pulgas Ridge - to reduce over crowding at that one facility	6.2	58	35
Obtain more lands along and ? the Bay	6.2	44	31
Create smaller open space opportunities within or close to urban areas - but not parks - example - Hetch Hetchy trail in Redwood City	6	43	36
Wildlife preservation should have priority over recreation and open land. Save wildlife - minimize human impact!	5.9	62	32
Improve access for all capabilities	5.4	43	36
More night time access like at Mission Peak in East Bay	5.4	54	34
Better parking at busy lots - Rancho - Fremont - Wind Hill - etc	5.3	37	33
Fuel load reduction	5.2	24	34
Create bicycle only single track trails	5.1	62	37
Reduce number of rules and regulations governing preserve use - parks are over regulated - too many limits on dogs - speed limits - helmets - closure hours - etc - rules should not be arbitrary	5	75	33
Provide more technically challenging single track trails for cyclists	4.6	53	37
Protect open space and wildlife by No Access from the public	4.5	59	35

Appendix E-2: Workshop Participant Ideas for Additional Priority Actions

North San Mateo Coast - Half Moon Bay Workshop, October 21, 2013
Designation of historic Portola Trail in combination with coastal trail but on different route when expedition was east of highway 1.
Be ready to move on any opportunity to protect + make accessible the viable working row-crop lands. Highest
Focus on visitor and resident safety and manage current lands well across all preserves.
Ca. Coastal Trail Completion, Ensure clean streams + aquatic health, Partnering with other conservation
Every project should have an educational aspect to teach future generations. Fish + agricultural sustainability is need and should be encouraged. (2 comments)
Connect all the priority action areas with trails and build "Youth Hostels" at key locations.

South San Mateo Coast - Half Moon Bay Workshop October 21, 2013
South county project list should include coastal trail completion with designation of Portola Trail. Specific archeology search for Casa Grande Indian Village.
Partner w-/create/recruit schools and educational programs to train new land stewards!
Acquire new row crop farmland and make it available to new farmers and offer longer leases.
More emphasis on working farmlands on south coast area. Affordable housing and land leases for ongoing agricultural activity.
Link the lands to the food and provide a teachable moment! Integrate projects, such that people from urban areas get to appreciate the open space.
Monitor biodiversity of flora + fauna.

Sierra Azul - Saratoga Workshop, October 28, 2013
Open Bear Creek for multi use trails
(2) Open more trails to mountain biking, and create more connections to adjacent parks.
(2) Provide a plan to open up mountain biking only trails with technical features.
Develop Trail Connections for Bay Area Ridge Trail to the sea via Nisene Marks State Park
Create native plant nursery to restore natural areas (like Golden Gate National Park) Provides excellent volunteer opportunities

South Bay Foothills - Saratoga Workshop, October 28, 2013
Connect multi-use future trails in Stevens Creek Canyon continuously
Multi use trails in Bear Creek
Purchase land to connect existing corridors
Permit leashed dogs on El Sereno trail
Build trails for mountain biking
Bring back wildlife once natural to area (like beaver that established self in Lexington Basin) For instance: elk, eagle, osprey, river otter, bears, badgers, hawk.
Open more trails to mountain biking and create more connections to adjacent parks.
More bike access on trails: Bear Creek, El Sereno, Saratoga to sea trails, Fremont Older (with 6pm-10pm, access to bikes in fall/winter).

General Ideas - Saratoga Workshop, October 28, 2013
All user groups be judged to the same standard when trails access is determined. If one user group is allotted their own single use trail, the scales should be balanced by allowing other user groups their own trail(s), ideally
Off leash area at other preserves. Model Pulgas Ridge.
What is MROSD doing to partner with neighboring city/county agencies? What can we do to assist MROSD with
How about odd/even hike/bike?

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Skyline - Skyline Field Office Workshop, November 2, 2013
Improve trails with more single track.
Improve trail loops, including multiple OSPs or adjacent county/city parks. –lower focus on "there & back" trails –lower focus on Ridge Trail.
More single track Mtn bike access.
(2) Single Track. Increase bike access to reflect the size of the bike user group and to disperse bike use for less congestion and better safety, for bike users/non bike users. Thank you.
Would like Trail Development (multi-use) everywhere as priority.
More interconnect multi-use trails.
Watershed parts of projects are important.
It is absolutely vital to keep some prime trails bike-free, that is, off-limits to bikes.
High priorities are: 1. Erosion control & watershed protection. 2. Connecting through trails.
Long Ridge: Group feels erosion control important but is less concerned about parking.
There is a large disabled parking lot near Horseshoe Lake, but the fire road/trail from the parking lot to the Lake is very rough & rutted and generally unsuitable for wheelchair. It would be helpful to keep it in good repair at least as far as Richey's Dam, and preferably for some distance along the lake edge beyond the dam.
Central Coast: interconnecting trails that don't exclude cyclists
Open to dogs: Saratoga Gap, Long Ridge, Skyline Ridge.
Create a user survey to better understand the number/percent of people per activity/use type at the parks, weekend use/weekday use.
Safe route for all user groups along Skyline.
Walk in campsites away from main trails.
Skyline Ridge as part of a Regional Rim Trail System
A new trail camp for use by backpackers & possibly mtn. biker towards the north end of the open space area.
Bus shuttle from Hwy 92 to Saratoga Gap (Hwy 9) on Skyline Blvd during summer working with SamTrans.
Don't ticket riders who speed but are still riding safely. The judges who respond to these citations think they are
A bus shuttle on hwy 35 for access to preserves along corridor.
No bike trails at either place- #48(la Honda creek/Russian ridge) and #51(la Honda creek)
(2) Nighttime access to trails (night hikes, runs, bikes) + early morning access (before 6am).
Putting a Nature Interpretive Center at Hawthorns in an existing building + developing a Nature "garden" to restore nature, remove broom, enhance creek.

Peninsula Foothills - Mountain View Workshop, November 4, 2013
Guide Book with online + mobile version to Open Space lands to provide historic, geologic + habitat information in more thorough detail than available in interpretive signage.
Bicycle Parking- at Russian Ridge & Deer Hollow Farm to encourage access by bike + Rancho San Antonio.
The Portola Valley Nature and Science Committee seeks opportunity to develop a nature center on the
Connect Windy Hill to Russian Ridge and La Honda Creek by trail.

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Peninsula Foothills - Redwood City Workshop, November 16, 2013
(2) Create a bike path through Pulgas Ridge OSP to connect to Canada Rd. from Edgewood Rd. & Crestview Dr. (bypass for Edgewood Rd grade).
Trail Connectivity between Bay lands, Foothills & Skyline regions for all users.
#27 Bay Trail to Ridge Trail: Need for overnight place to stay- group camp or hostel w. minimal maintenance. Many would like to hike long trips, several nights. (Could limit nights to 2)
The MidPenn needs more than one place for overnight camping for hikers (No car camping!). #32 Add another Backpack camp?
Partner with bike share program to get visitors from parking to staging areas. Currently just at transit centers.
Habitat as the topmost criteria-even beyond trails.
More off leash dog areas.
Develop single use trail systems and subsystems specific to: -mtn. bikes –dogs –equestrian
Open up more/all trails to mt. bikes.

South Bay Peninsula Cities and Bay lands - Redwood City Workshop, November 16, 2013
Support work to eliminate illegal encampments on Los Gatos
Sponsor a linear open space and trail on the “Hetch Hetchy” right-of-way through Redwood City.
Open parks at night like Mission Peak in East Bay.
A combined Nature Center +Tech Center at RSA.
Pack out TP or other ways to take care of human waste. Litter prevention! Rancho San Antonio and other heavily used spaces.
Improve trails parallel to Skyline Blvd. Continuous access from Saratoga Gap to Purisima Creek or even Half

Appendix E-3

Online Ideas for Additional Priority Actions

Participant Generated Action	POINTS
Connect Montebello and Rancho San Antonio for bicycles	152
End Exclusionary Trail Management- Open Single Track to bicycles	141
Allow preserve access until 10pm	129
Connect Skyline area trails to Woodside	120
Acquire & maintain Dirt Alpine: Best access to heart of Midpen*	119
Alternating trail user days	98
Allow dogs on more trails !	84
Increase bicycle speed limit	84
Specific user group contacts	60
Create a small Trials and Mini-bike area	47
More accessibility for dogs	32
User group interaction	31
More camping sites	25
Expand District into Santa Cruz County	22
Create a Bay 2 Sea multi-use trail	21
"Silent" Sundays (or other day)	18
Current trail design guidelines encourage speeding	9
More true hiking trails	8
Protect private property rights of individual homeowners	5
Evaluate creek ordinances, if any, in Redwood City and elsewhere	0

* This idea matches MROSD Priority Action #47

Appendix F: Public Workshop Comments

Half Moon Bay Workshop - October 21, 2013

Comments on Process

- Process worked pretty well. Would have liked less time on going through the goals. For some people, feedback at the end was too late, might be good to have some discussion early.
- Ranking priority actions is really tough without separating out some of the pieces. For example, some actions would require new acquisitions—not a simple management action… Also, I may strongly support some parts of a proposal, but may disagree with another or support an action in general, but not agree Midpen is necessarily the correct agency to implement it. Not sure about the value of this exercise.
- Process too long. Keep to 1.5 hours.
- Very well done- Thanks for staying on subject.
- Please coordinate slide order with handouts! North coast evaluation limits our vision of what MROSD could do with each project. They should all have a teaching aspect. Focus on agricultural + fishing lands to advance the understanding + improvement of both is really needed. Protection of the watershed is also a high priority.
- It felt a little rushed. It would have been helpful to have the themes packet stapled in the same order as the slides. The Priority Action Goals should have been lettered the way the voting slides were, it would be easier to vote. The remote voting device was easy to use.

Ideas

- I recommend each project to have 9 + 12 (key to priority actions items). Monitor biodiversity of flora + fauna. Create coastal trails with many forms of accessibility with wildlife and the health of the environment in mind. Implement overpasses or underpasses for people and wildlife to cross open space preserves.
- We need more fire management in our public lands. Fire is necessary for the native species that are adapted to regular burning, to introduce nutrients back into the soil, and to keep the population of non-native species down. Controlled burns would also reduce the fuel load and
- Make future fires safer.

Other Comments

- No. San Mateo County coast map – common mistake- “McNee Ranch State Park” is not correct. “McNee Ranch” is part of “Montara State Beach”. Maybe someday it’ll get a new name.
- Having been involved through a series of these meetings, I still feel that significant emphasis about retaining working agriculture and retaining affordable land and housing for agricultural farmers and workers. Agriculture needs strong support, not an illusion of pretty landscape only.
- I am concerned about the mode of grazing?? Are native grasses being over-grazed?
- 75 should be in both project lists for N. and S. Coast County. The historic Portola Trail should be designated in combination with the Coastal Trail.

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Saratoga Workshop - October 28, 2013

Comments on Process

- Process is good. Please give more information on how to get to meeting place at West Valley. I'm parked across campus. Saw map- but didn't see building names. In area that I parked- no signs. - money machine didn't work, didn't have time to put flyer on car. Your special event parking permit could have been online.
- Great meeting facilitator. Nice to hear area presentations by Mid Pen staff.
- There was not enough specifics on the "actions".

Ideas

- All user groups be judged to the same standard when trails access is determined. (Ex- if minimizing impacts to terrain-species is paramount, mountain bikes should not automatically be the first group excluded). 2. Mt. Biking should be viewed as a tranquil nature experience similar to those hiking. In order to attain a level trails access playing field with MROSD, fundamental shifts need to occur from the cemented in perception of the MROSD board that MTB is a non-tranquil recreation activity. 3. What good will all this info do if MROSD board snubs input, as they seeming do when it suits? 4. MROSD board needs to be much more open to shared use trails, which are the norm within the coastal region. 5. If one user group is allotted their own single use trail, the scales should be balanced by allowing other user groups their own trail(s), ideally nearby.
- Offleash areas in big-acre preserves. Model Pulgas Ridge off leash area at other preserves.
- More bike-friendly trails. Maybe some bike only trails? There are hike-only trails for people who don't want to deal with bikers. Why not some courtesy for biker? I think we can all get along, but if we can't…. How about odd/even hike/bike? Tahoe run trails has success with that. 2. More dog-friendly trails, too, please!
- I would love to see more horse trails. From Fremont Older we horses (hikers too) need to be able to get around the reservoir area (Near Tony look trail). I want to be able to access the Highway 9 corridor (Sea-to-Sea trail) via horses. Years ago this was possible but no more. Pichetti has no real horse access from Garrod's/ I want to ride over Steven's Canyon up into upper Steven's Creek & Pichetti via horses. Why not make the trail near Steven's Canyon available to horses to reach the rest of the part. We need more trails in Older. I ride M-W & there are always people in this park. All that space but no new trails. More trails for horses/hiking while bikes on others. Parking for cars is basic but for horse there are few places to park. Bigger room, Talk less about how we do this. I wanted to hear what we're doing on trails & opening more trails please, Stayed 1 3/4hrs.

Other Comments

- We should not be introducing camping. Night use + opens District to many problems + additional usage of resources. Leave camping to State + County parks. District user & volunteer.
- I appreciate the opportunity to be involved with this process but am not confident our inputs will be used to make change. Specifically, there were very few ideas specific to opening more mountain biking trails.
- What is MROSD doing to partner with neighboring city/county agencies? What can we do to assist MROSD with this?

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Skyline Field Office Workshop - November 2, 2013

Comments on Process

- Many "priority actions" had multiple components. There wasn't a simple way to choose one or some components over others. Also, the multi-us vs. single use questions were ambiguous, so I may have rated some questions inconsistently with my opinions.

Other Comments

- Ask the Question: 1. How do you get to parks? 2. How would you like to get to parks? –car-mass transit- walk- horse- bike.
- I was disappointed in being unable to request access for dogs in more places, esp. Long Ridge. I am old and wish to have dog as my hiking companion in the preserves closest to my home in Saratoga. If poor behavior is a problem then a certification process might help.

Mountain View Workshop - November 4, 2013

Comments on Process

- Very well organized & executed. Valuable! Congratulations to Midpen for investing in public feedback.
- What about long term goals for your excellent staff? What do you want your future staff to look like? Is there a Board member focusing on this?

Other Comments

- Thank you for the public's input. Even though Rancho San Antonio seemed to get a low priority. I really hope that access can be improved. Also, thank you for protecting our open space.
- Too bad people aren't more open to trying new or different ideas.
- Not addressed: User group policy incompatible with resource protection. The cycling lobby is always well represented at meetings/workshops, which ensures that there will be no breaching of the issue or further restricting them use of the trails they've already damaged. One planner even attributed the damage at ECdM to "motorcycles". South Leaf Trail will be the next to go down, so maybe you are already photo shopping images of Harleys on that original segment (which contrasts so dramatically with the newer section re-built last decade, connecting to Methuselah). Conceptually there is a simple answer: place the burden of proof on cyclists to demonstrate that a segment of single-track can maintain its surface integrity under the impact of cycling. Many segments can and do, and I am NOT categorically opposed to their access to single-track. But cyclists are not "low-intensity" users at ECdM, and have not earned the benefit of any doubt. On the contrary, the bias should be against their access to single-track until they demonstrate they can use it w/o destructive impact.
- I have been walking in Rancho San Antonio & Windy Hill for about 20 years. I really like how the MROSD is managed. Long term, I am concerned about how well your excellent staff is paid in this high cost living area. I hope they are paid above average? Then salaries look modest to me. What about housing for them? More on employee housing? In summary, I have met many rangers & maintenance employees, all excellent. I am surprised no long term goals concern your excellent but hard working staff. You folks do a big job with very few people. Well Done! – Allan Wentworth, ahwentworth@sbcglobal.net

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Redwood City Workshop - November 16, 2013

Comments on Process

- The priority actions goals had letters A-P on the slides, but not on the handout.
- It's a bit confusing at first.
- Excellent process! Well done; very clear; friendly. Lots of speakers- good to hear different voices, purposes. Have a microphone at each table. People waiting around w/ one was too late by the time question was asked.
- The priority actions with keys is hard to follow. Look at ways to more concisely represent this information. I think it can be done on a single page.
- Great presentation. Loved the computer program that you used.
- It would be very helpful if at beginning of presentation someone would give explanation of where this fits into the overall process of producing the vision plan.
- Good use of technology for voting. Website voting is good but you can do better at including more people. Meetings could be webcast with live online voting. More online reading material.
- If you want to get wider participation you need to contact each city's outreach(?) coordination e.g. in RWCity, Sheri(?)Costa_Brava@rwc.org. But make it FOCUSED- say "Please fill out the on-line comment form" + provide a simple LINK to (can't read word here). –The announcement was pretty verbose (tho nice!) Hope this helps.
- Not enough information given to provide informed ratings of individual projects. What are the tradeoffs? For instance, access vs. biodiversity. What are the relative resource expenditures required compared to what is available. Too much focus on very granular details vs overall goals. So please don't much too much focus on response to individual projects. -But, thank you for listening.
- Meeting could have been much shorter if less time wasted on reading lists that we can read for ourselves, and explaining project management jargon. Need clearer explanation of what each priority action entails. Ie, what exactly is the proposed project and contribution. Also, too much time explaining processes. Also- You should have asked us how we typically use the parks, ie, rugged hiking, light hiking, bikes, strollers, dogs… you can use that info to better serve community needs. Since there isn't time to prai?e real details about actual projects, it would be more useful to get more detailed feedback from us about general preferences and goals or usage patterns. Not useful to make us vote on concrete projects without really knowing what they are.

Ideas

- Offer another opportunity for a coffee table book-art, photography, poetry, etc. This could meet the enriched experiences, Id go out to photograph for the contest. Helps me see better.

Appendix G

VISION PLAN WORKSHOP EVALUATIONS																						
PARTICIPANT EVALUATIONS	DIVERSITY	AVG	GENDER		WORKSHOP					AGE						VISIT OPEN SPACE				USE OPEN SPACE		
		TOTAL (205)	F (86)	M (101)	10.21 (20)	10.28 (61)	11.2 (22)	11.4 (60)	11.16 (28)	18 24 (6)	25 34 (13)	35 44 (24)	45 54 (58)	55 64 (51)	65 or > (41)	SEL-DOM (25)	SOME TIMES (36)	OF-TEN (70)	CON-SIST-ENTLY (57)	BIKE (29)	DOG (4)	HIKE (44)
The voting technology was used effectively and benefitted the Workshop	14	**8.6**	9	8.6	8.4	9	8.7	8.8	8.3	8.4	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.9	8.7	8.7	8	9.2	8.6	8.4	8.2	8.7
I support the role the Open Space District plays in the preservation and management of open spaces for public use and benefit	23	**8.4**	8.9	7.9	8.4	8.5	8.8	8.5	7.7	7.8	8.4	8	8.3	8.2	9.2	8.4	8	9	7.9	6.9	9.2	8.9
Overall, we had a successful Vision Workshop	15	**8.1**	8.4	7.9	8.2	8.4	8.2	8.2	7.1	8.8	8	7.6	7.8	8.2	8.8	8.3	7.8	8.7	7.6	6.8	8.5	8.5
I feel my time was used effectively	16	**7.8**	8	7.6	7.7	8	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.8	7.1	7.5	7.7	7.9	8.3	7.6	7.4	8.3	7.5	6.6	7.5	8.1
The Workshop gave me an opportunity to have my voice heard on an important topic	22	**7.8**	8.1	7.6	7.5	8.3	7.8	7.6	7.4	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.5	7.9	8.2	7.9	7.5	8.3	7.6	6.6	7.7	8.1
At the End of the workshop: I trust the process of engagement for the Vision Plan Public Workshops	26	**7.2**	7.9	6.7	7.6	7.3	8	7.3	6.6	7	6.8	6.6	6.9	7.3	8.4	7.1	7.3	7.8	6.8	5.4	8	8
At the Beginning of the workshop: I trust the process of engagement for the Vision Plan Public Workshops	27	**6.7**	7.3	6.3	0	6.8	6.9	7.1	6.2	6.3	6.1	6.3	6.4	6.8	7.8	7.2	6.8	7.2	6.1	5.3	6.1	7.6

Refer to *Workshop Ratings Key* for further information