



Appendix A:

Summary of Community Engagement

MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT North Coast Facilities Master Plan Vision and Goals Outreach: Online Survey Results Summary

Introduction

PlaceWorks is assisting Santa Cruz County Parks (County Parks) the creation of the North Coast Facilities and Management Master Plan (NCFMP) for Santa Cruz's North Coast area. The NCFMP will help with coordinating facilities management and development among various agencies and organizations, and includes a community engagement component. North Coast agencies and organizations include California State Parks (CSP), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC), and Land Trust of Santa Cruz County (Land Trust), along with County Parks. PlaceWorks worked with these agencies and organizations to create a draft vision and set of goals for the North Coast, which will guide the development of a list of priority projects to be included in the NCFMP.

As part of the first round of community engagement for the NCFMP project, PlaceWorks worked with North Coast agencies and organizations to create an online survey that would help collect input on the vision and goals, as well as visitor experiences, needs, and preferences. Feedback from the online survey will help inform decision-making by partners related to the management and development of North Coast facilities.

Survey Format and Questions

The online survey comprised of three sections. The first portion of the online survey asked about visitor experiences and preferences primarily in multiple choice and checkbox question types. The second part of the online survey introduced and shared the draft vision and goals, asked participants to select their top three goals, and invited them to share any other thoughts in a free response question. The third section collected demographic information, including age, racial identity, and presence of sensory or mobility impairments, and offered an opportunity to opt in to an email list. All questions were optional. The questions were as follows:

VISITOR INFORMATION

1. Where are you coming from? Zip Code or Postal Code:
2. Which areas have you visited along the North Coast in the past five years? (Select all that apply)
 - Big Basin Redwoods State Park
 - Bonny Doon Beach
 - Cotoni-Coast Dairies National Monument
 - Davenport Beach & Bluffs
 - Davenport Landing
 - Greyhound Rock
 - Laguna Creek Beach
 - Panther Beach
 - Scott Creek Beach
 - Waddell Beach
 - Wilder Ranch State Park
 - Yellowbank Beach
 - Other:
3. How many times have you visited any of the above North Coast areas in the past year?
 - Never
 - Once or twice
 - Once every few months
 - Once a week
 - Several times a week
4. What challenges have you experienced when visiting the areas above? (Select all that apply)
 - Difficulty getting to the area
 - Difficulty navigating where to go (lack of signage and wayfinding)
 - Lack of parking
 - Lack of restrooms
 - Lack of trash receptacles
 - Lack of seating
 - Lack of covered picnic areas
 - Lack of accessibility for people with disabilities
 - Other:
5. What types of facilities or activities would you most like to see available in the North Coast? (Select all that apply)
 - Camping (Family or group camping in campgrounds)
 - Backcountry trail camping

- Walking, hiking, trail running
 - Biking
 - Mountain biking
 - Equestrian uses (camping, horse riding)
 - Picnicking
 - Geocaching
 - Events and gatherings
 - Night/star gazing
 - Participating in interpretive and educational programs
 - Visitor facilities (Visitor Center, museum, etc.)
 - Nature observation
 - Volunteering
 - Other:
6. How do you access information about North Coast parks or beaches? (Select all that apply)
- Public agency website(s) (e.g., Santa Cruz County Parks website: scparks.com)
 - Park signage
 - Instagram
 - Nextdoor
 - Facebook
 - Google Maps
 - Other:

VISION AND GOALS

7. Which of the Plan's goals/topics (listed below) resonate with you the most? Choose your top 3:
- Regional Planning and Partnerships
 - Public Safety
 - Public Access and Regional Connections
 - Stewardship, Maintenance, and Facilities
 - Vegetation Management
 - Plant and Animal Habitat Conservation and Restoration
 - Historic, Cultural, and Archaeological Resources
8. Do you have other comments about planning for the North Coast or would you like to elaborate on any of your previous answers?

Outreach and Participation

The online survey was first released to the public on October 3, 2022. It was distributed on paper flyers at in-person pop-up events: CSP tabled at 6 public events between October 7 and October 19, 2022, including at the Watsonville Farmers Market, Felton Farmers Market, Downtown Santa Cruz Farmers Market, Natural Bridges State Park Welcome Back Monarch Day and State Park Open Streets Santa Cruz events, and the Cloverdale Ranch Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (MROSD) open house. County Parks held a pop-up on November 15, 2022. Various organizations also promoted the survey to their audiences via email newsletters and social media posts, including Friends of the North Coast (FONC), Davenport North Coast Association (DNCA), and Rural Bonny Doon Association (RBDA). The online survey closed on November 30, 2022. Between October 3, 2022 and November 30, 2022, there were 214 complete survey responses. Figure 1 shows the response counts over the survey period.

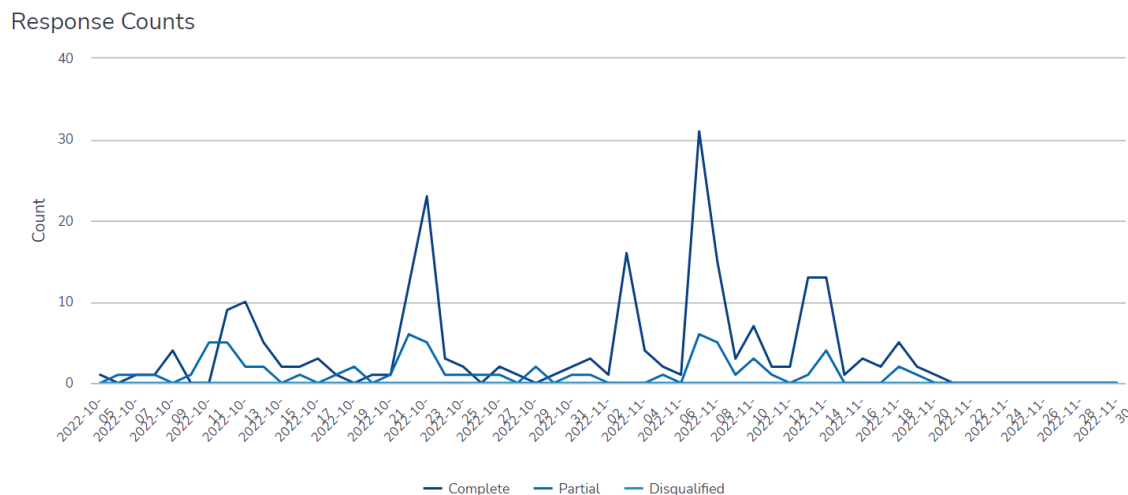


Figure 1. Response counts for survey completion by date¹.

¹ Responses are categorized as “complete” if all questions were answered. Responses were categorized as “partial” if some or no questions were answered but the survey was started. No responses were disqualified in this survey. Analysis includes all answers received for a given question, regardless of completion status.

Summary of Responses

This summary provides an overview and key takeaways from the 214 responses to the online survey. The full summary and written comments can be reviewed in Attachments A and B. Attachment A includes the written comments to the open-ended questions summarized by topic, while Attachment B includes the full raw text of all write-in responses.

RESPONDER INFORMATION

- Over 75 percent of survey respondents live in or very near the North Coast, with over 25% of total respondents residing in North Coast communities (Davenport, Bonny Doon). The remaining 25% are mostly from nearby areas (elsewhere in Santa Cruz County, San Francisco Bay Area).
- Nearly 60 percent of respondents were age 55 or older
- Over 85 percent of respondents identify as white
- Over 15 percent of respondent households include someone with mobility or sensory impairments

VISITOR INFORMATION

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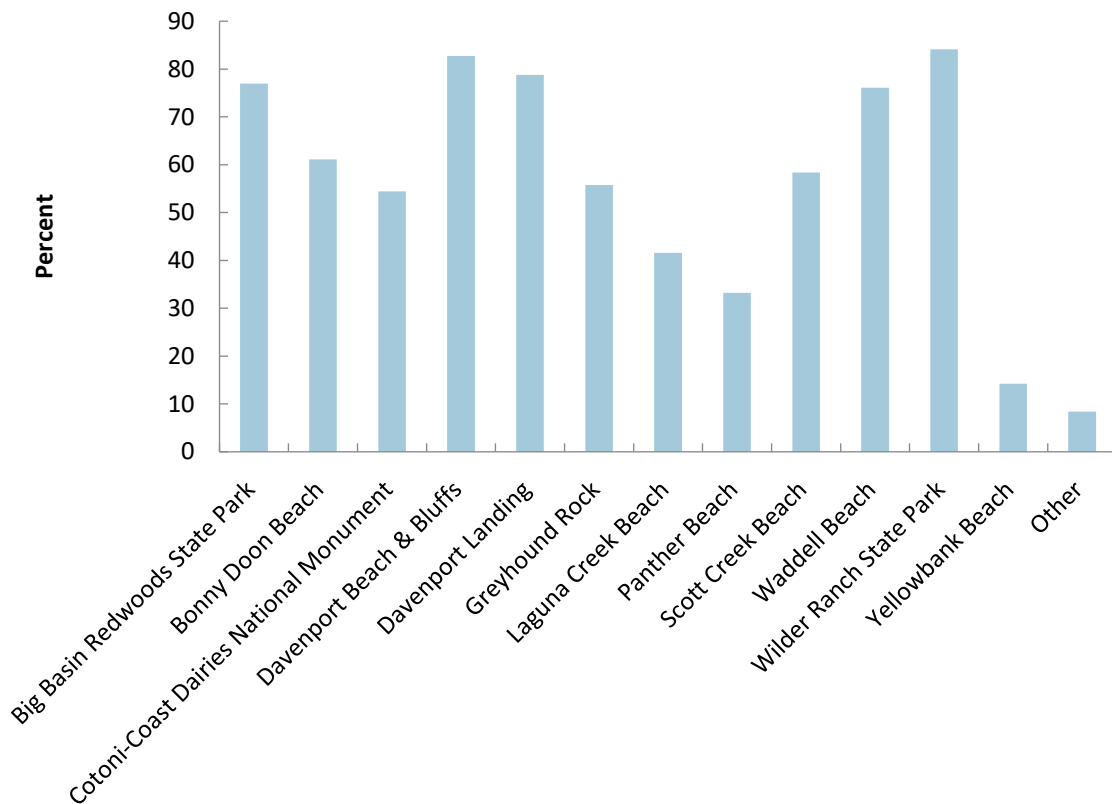


Figure 2. Response data for Question 2.

Responses for “Other” mentioned CSP properties (Rancho Del Oso, Waddell Beach, Four Mile Beach, Three Mile Beach, Jarro Point, Shark Fin Cove), inland areas that are not part of the North Coast (San Vicente Redwoods, Bonny Doon Ecological Reserve), and adjacent coastal areas that are not part of the study area (Año Nuevo, Butano).

How many times have you visited any of the above North Coast areas in the past year?

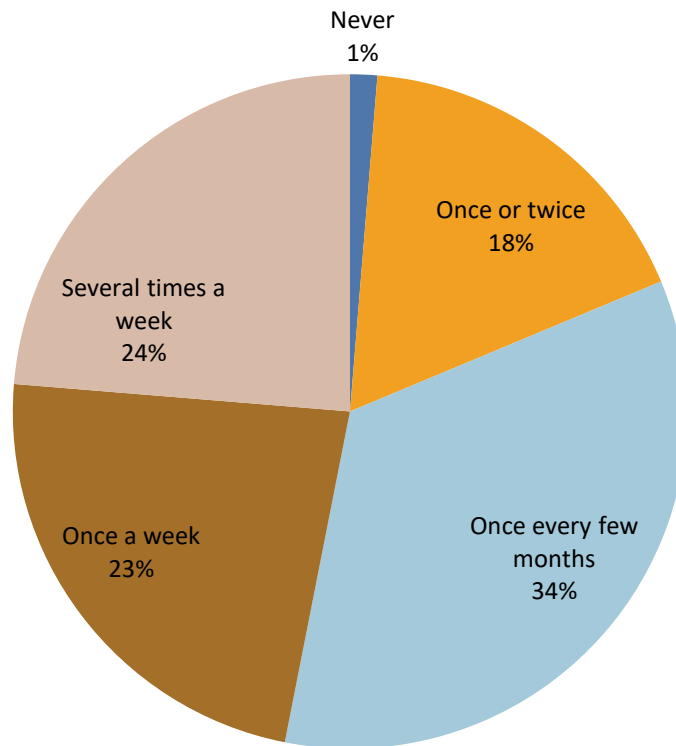


Figure 3. Response data for Question 3.

What challenges have you experienced when visiting the areas above? Select all that apply.

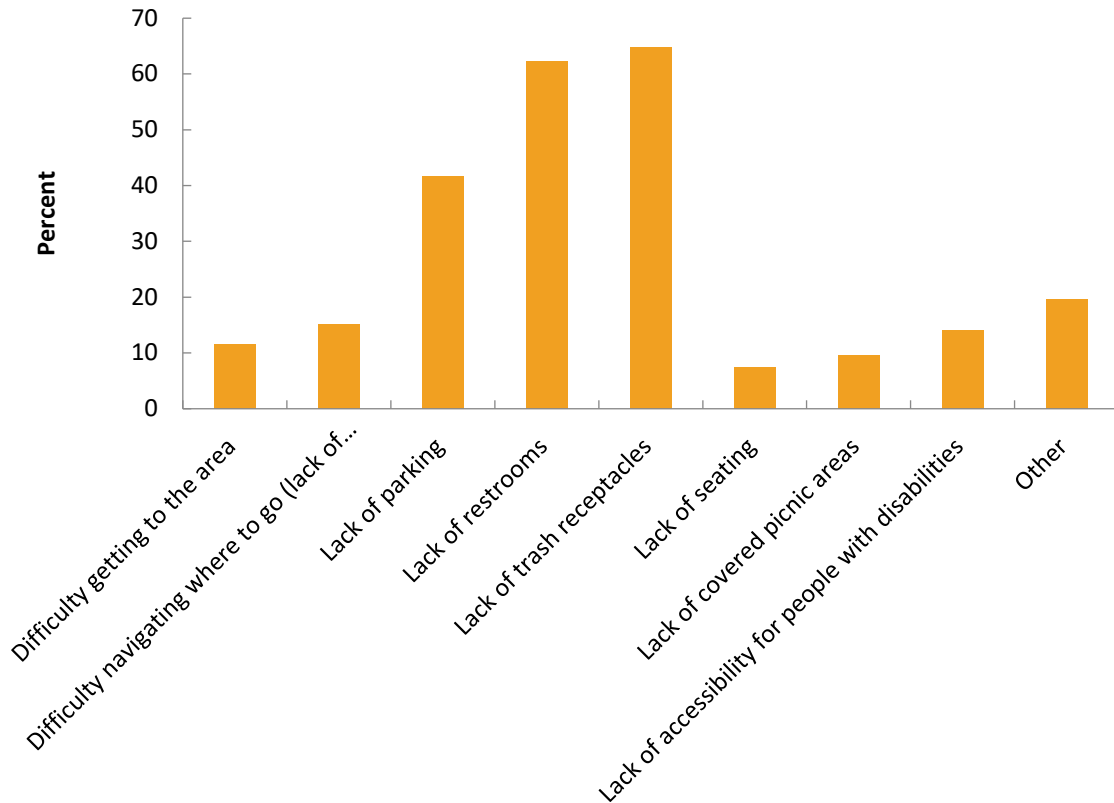


Figure 4. Response data for Question 4.

Responses for “Other” mentioned trash and lack of trash receptacles the most (9 mentions). Crowds, no issues, graffiti, lack of dog access, and lack of toilets were also referenced repeatedly (3 to 5 mentions each). Issues including clearly defined parking areas, homeless people, impact of mountain bikes on trails and hiking experience, lack of enforcement, safe access from highway, theft, all issues listed, gangs, impact on native plants and animals, lack of bike access, lack of bus access, lack of camping facilities, loud music, signage, traffic, trail condition/maintenance, uncontrolled dogs, and vandalism also came up (1 to 2 mentions each).

What types of facilities or activities would you most like to see available in the North Coast? Select all that apply.

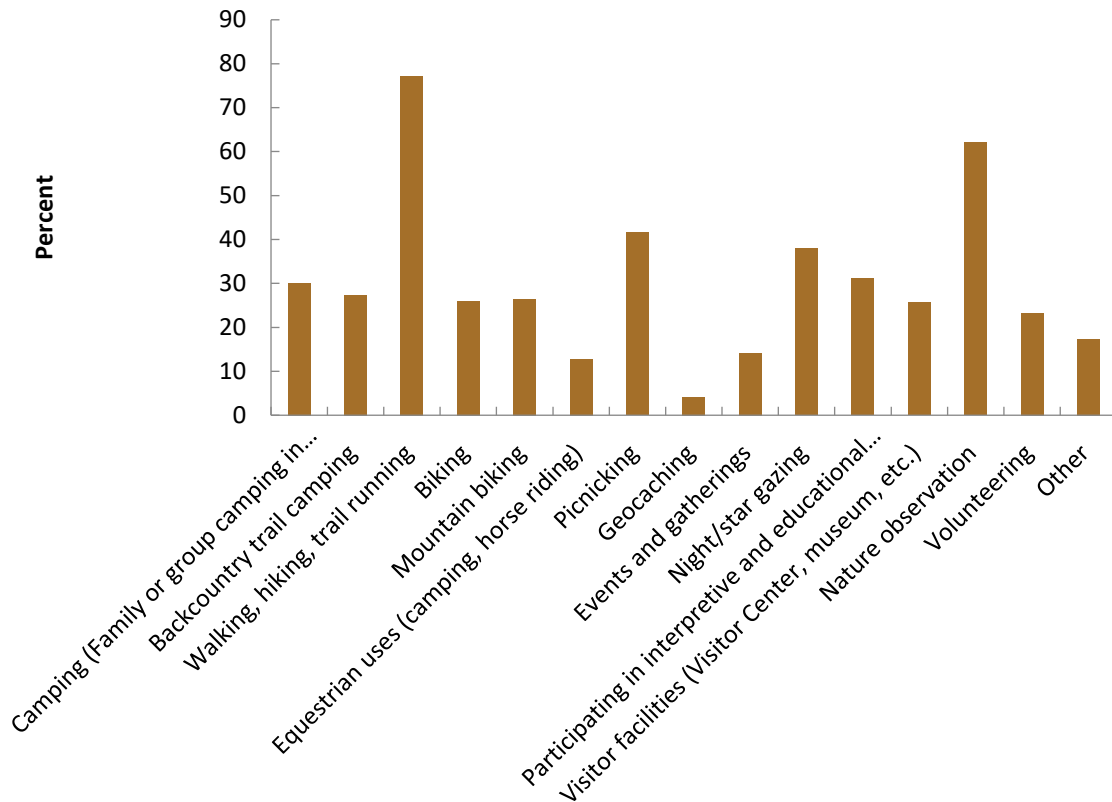


Figure 5. Response data for Question 5.

Responses for “Other” mentioned dog walking most (6 mentions). Common responses also included adequate restrooms, fewer tourists/no services, photography, protection of habitat and biodiversity, and protection of natural resources (3 mentions each). Issues also mentioned included ADA trails, adequate trash bins, anti-camping, anti-mountain biking, kiteboarding, surfing, ADA restrooms, adequate parking, art (sketching, painting), bird watching, dog beach, farmers market in Davenport, hiking-only trails (separate equestrian and mountain biking), kitesurfing, mushroom/berry picking (non-commercial), none, school field trips, solitude/quiet contemplation, walking, walking path between New Town and Old Town/trail to town, water sports, wilderness areas with limited visitation (1 to 2 mentions each).

How do you access information about North Coast parks or beaches? Select all that apply.

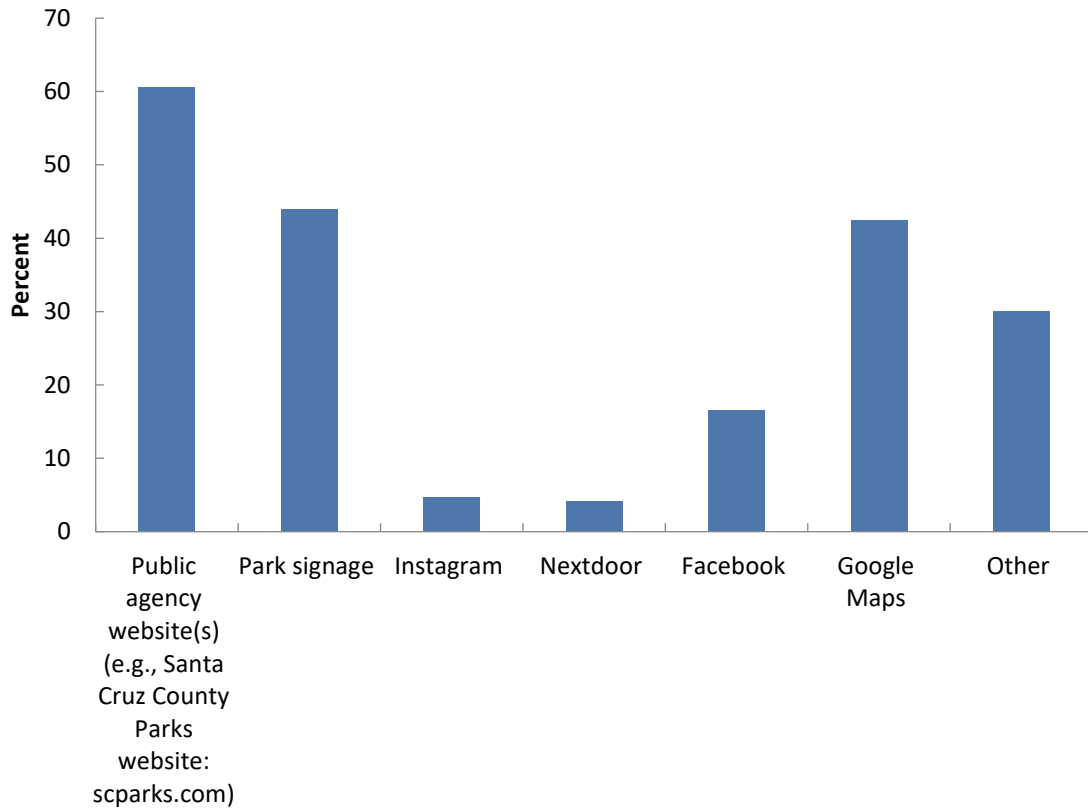


Figure 6. Response data for Question 6.

Responses for “Other” mentioned **personal interaction** (friends/word of mouth (17 mentions), live locally (9 mentions), exploring (7 mentions)); **local organizing** (DNCA (5 mentions), FONC (4 mentions), RDBA (3 mentions), email correspondence/newsletters (3 mentions), fliers at library (1 mention)); **other internet and app resources** (All Trails (3 mentions), Google search (1 mention), SantaCruzLocal.org (1 mention)); **activity groups** (hiking groups, Santa Cruz Mountain Bikers group, Surf Line (1 mention each)); **public agency websites** (BLM, Park website, State Parks website (1 mention each)); **social media** (Twitter and CalFire Twitter (1 mention each)); and Coastal Commission book and news articles were also mentioned.

VISION AND GOALS

Which of the Plan's goals/topics (listed below) resonate with you the most? Choose your top 3.

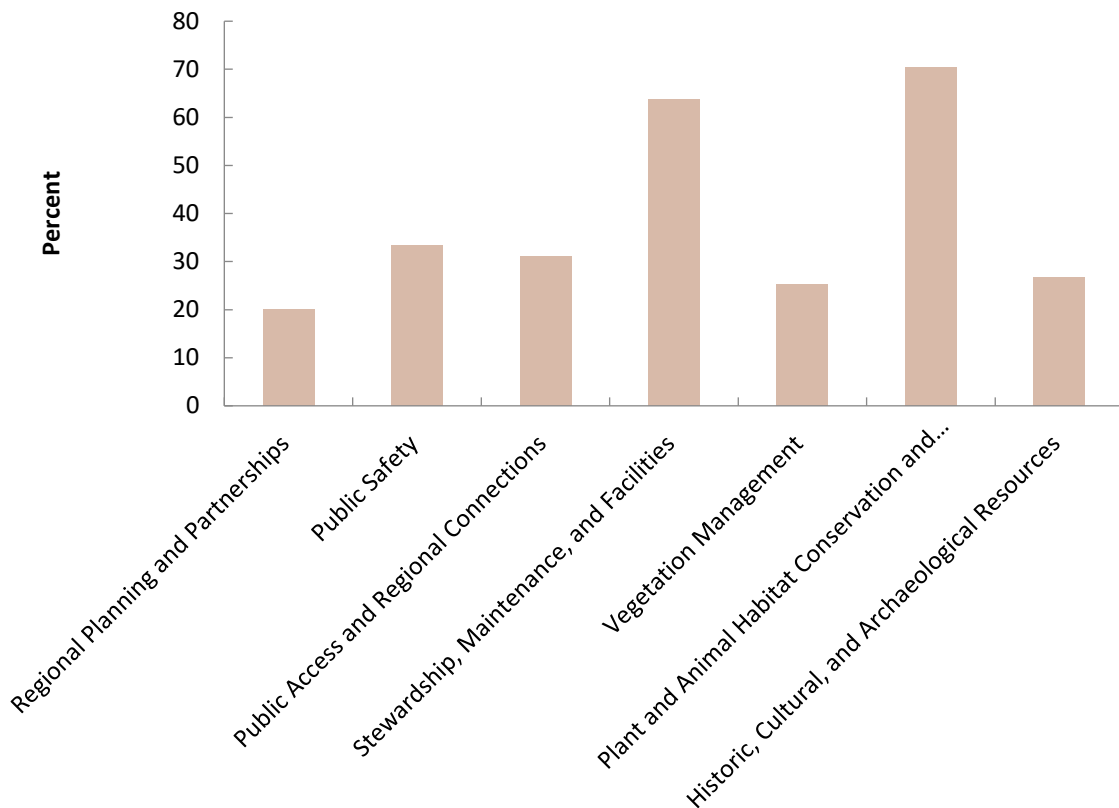


Figure 7. Response data for Question 7.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

The following are key takeaways from the written comments to the open-ended question (Question 8: Do you have other comments about planning for the North Coast or would you like to elaborate on any of your previous answers?), sorted by various topics. All comments below were made by multiple respondents. The full version of the comments can be reviewed in Attachment B.

Access

- Many mentioned public access improvements for ease and safety
- ADA accessibility, bicycling safety, and public transportation to parks including rail access were mentioned

Enforcement

- Many comments indicated support for policing, patrolling, or enforcement of some kind for roads, parking lots, trails, and beaches, including monitoring by volunteers and video surveillance
- Several expressed concerns about security, personal property, and private property/trespassing
- Several comments mentioned a need for a central agency to handle complaints and issues
- A few are concerned about an enforcement presence

Facilities, Maintenance, and Operations

- The most frequently mentioned issue was trash, including needing sufficient capacity for trash collection, more frequent trash pickup, and litter prevention. A need for recycling facilities was also mentioned.
- Many comments were about restrooms and the issues caused by insufficient toilet facilities
- Many comments addressed parking issues, including the need for better parking and clearly designated parking and no parking areas, preference to not pave or develop parking areas, and support for parking fees but free access for locals
- Several comments concerned controlling access to minimize undesirable/unregulated behavior, and mentioned closing parking areas at night and/or installing gates
- Several comments expressed a need for more maintenance and park staffing
- Several comments mentioned the need for basic services like potable water and adequate emergency services
- Several indicated a desire for increased or improved signage
- Some expressed concerns about trail safety

Nuisance

- Several comments expressed frustration with off-trail use (hiking or biking) and the associated ecological impacts
- Several comments identified partying as an issue, mainly the associated loud music, litter, and dangerous behavior, especially the challenges to emergency services when needed
- Several mentioned illegal fireworks and noise impacts as well as fire danger

- Several mentioned vandalism and graffiti, citing the aesthetic and functional impacts on the natural environment, as well as the challenges to facilities maintenance
- A few comments mentioned homeless encampments and unhoused people, including concern for their circumstances and the way agencies manage when there are not good options, and blaming/conflating other nuisance issues with the presence of unhoused people

Programmatic

- A few comments suggested increasing education for mountain bikers about more/less impactful riding

Use Priorities

- A common priority was for resource, habitat, and wildlife conservation, preservation, and restoration
- There were diverse and sometimes polar opinions on several topics:
 - **Mountain biking** was contentious, with several commenters advocating for limiting mountain biking and a few requesting increased access and facilities for mountain biking. There was also concern about e-bikes on trails because of speed.
 - Many expressed concerns about the impacts of **camping** and advocated for controlling and limiting camping as well as preventing illegal camping, while a few asked for more camping and especially low-impact camping
 - Several were in favor of limiting **dog access**, while a few requested more dog access, including off-leash areas
 - A few wanted priority for **equestrians/horse use** in trails and parking lots, as well as horse camping facilities, while some voiced a preference to limit equestrian use
- A few wanted to prioritize the experiences of pedestrians and hiking
- A few expressed appreciation for multiple uses and the variety of experiences available
- A few uplifted passive recreation and opportunities for peace and tranquility as top priorities

Visitor Impacts

- Many had concerns about human impacts on wildlife, and some support limiting human recreation and entertainment and are against increasing public access or have reservations about doing so. A few comments were against development or in favor of limiting it. A few expressed distaste for crowds. A few mentioned dog impacts on wildlife.
- Many identified highway/parking lot conflicts and safety issues, traffic, driving behavior, and unsafe speeds as important impacts to mitigate. A few specifically associate these issues with out-of-town visitors
- Several mentioned fire danger from human use, especially camping, and non-locals not understanding the severity of fire danger

General

- Several people expressed appreciation for the coordination work of the NCFMP and the survey, as well as for inter-agency collaboration and increased oversight at North Coast properties, and advocated for a major role and/or partnership with the Amah Mutsun tribe in decision-making
- Several comments mentioned that all the goals put forth are important, and suggested that different activities be permitted at different properties in order to achieve potentially conflicting goals or needs
- Several supported data collection about use and activities, data-driven decision making, and monitoring the effects of changes made
- A few comments expressed concern about development on the North Coast and did not support changes or improvements in any way
- Respondents mentioned a variety of specific issues and desired projects that are being incorporated into the project prioritization portion of the NCFMP process

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment A: Overall Survey Results
- Attachment B: Full Comments by Question



Appendix B:

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Appendix C:

Project List with Weighting Criteria Points Applied

Zone #	Zone	Project Name	Status	Project Description	Project Type	Property Name	Agency	Other Agencies to Coordinate With	High Priority	Public/ Stakeholder Support	Planning Document	Goal 1: Regional Planning and Partnerships	Goal 2: Vegetation Management	Goal 3: Plant and Animal Habitat Conservation and Restoration	Goal 4: Historic, Cultural, and Archaeological Resources	Goal 5: Public Safety	Goal 6: Public Access and Regional Connections	Goal 7: Stewardship, Maintenance, and Facilities
1	Big Basin	Bicycle Camp	Planned - 20 years	Develop a bicycle camp and walk-in campground facilities. Consider alternative forms of camp facilities, such as yurts or tent cabins, with provisions to serve backpackers and touring bicyclists using the CCT and Highway 1 Pacific Coast Bike Route (PCBR).	Campground	Big Basin Redwoods SP	California State Parks				Big Basin Redwoods GP						Yes	Yes
1	Big Basin	Horse Camp Upgrades	Planned - 20 years	Upgrade or reconfigure the horse camp and equestrian staging facilities to improve campsites, trailer parking and vehicle circulation.	Campground	Big Basin Redwoods SP	California State Parks				Big Basin Redwoods GP						Yes	Yes
1	Big Basin	Visitor Experience Upgrades	Planned - 20 years	Address public health and safety issues, accessibility requirements, aesthetics, interpretation, and management of visitor capacity.	Visitor Facilities	Big Basin Redwoods SP	California State Parks										Yes	Yes
1	Big Basin	Resource Surveys and Site Plans	Planned - 20 years	Conduct additional site-specific surveys, as necessary, to identify natural and cultural resource sensitivities and protective measures, and prepare site plan(s) to determine the location, size, and configuration of desired public use and park operations.	Planning	Big Basin Redwoods SP	California State Parks							Yes	Yes			Yes
1	Big Basin	Roadside Habitat Monitoring and Protection	Planned - 20 years	Protect special status plant and wildlife habitats, conduct resource surveys and monitor use along roadways and near sensitive habitats, implement resource management and protective measures to eliminate or mitigate human impacts on significant natural resources.	Habitat	Big Basin Redwoods SP	California State Parks						Yes	Yes				
1	Big Basin	Regional Overnight Multi-use Trail Loop	Potential	Multi-use trail loop that would provide several overnight camping options along the route, as well as regional connections to the California Coastal Trail and Skyline-to-the-Sea Trail. Exact trail alignment has not been determined.	Trails	Big Basin Redwoods SP	California State Parks				Reimagining Big Basin Vision Summary (2022)						Yes	
1	Big Basin	Day Use Parking and Pedestrian Highway Safety	Planned - 20 years	Incorporate day use parking (50 -100 spaces) distributed on either side of Highway 1 depending on resource constraints and future roadway alignment, with safe pedestrian access from the inland side of the highway to Waddell Beach.	Parking	Big Basin Redwoods SP	California State Parks				Big Basin Redwoods GP					Yes	Yes	
1	Big Basin	Waddell Beach Parking	Planned - 20 years	Coordinate with Caltrans to maintain and expand Waddell Beach parking facilities, as feasible, to support beach activities and ocean view parking.	Parking	Big Basin Redwoods SP	California State Parks	Caltrans			Big Basin Redwoods GP						Yes	
1	Big Basin	CCT Connections	Planned - 20 years	Re-establish trail connections to California Coastal Trail from Big Basin Redwoods SP.	Trails	Big Basin Redwoods SP	California State Parks	RTC			Reimagining Big Basin - Conceptual Priorities						Yes	
1	Big Basin	Highway Improvements	Planned - 20 years	Improve highway signage and implement effective measures to slow vehicle traffic and provide early warning to motorists for approaching intersection and pedestrian crossing.	Highway	Big Basin Redwoods SP	Agency TBD - California State Parks or Caltrans	Caltrans, State Parks, CCC			Big Basin Redwoods GP					Yes	Yes	

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1	Big Basin	MBSST Segment 1	On hold	Improvements include 0.87 miles of Class III on-street/road shoulder bike route, 0.19 miles unpaved native soil trail, unpaved roadway shoulder on coastal side of Highway 1, and potentially fencing.	Trails	North Coast Rail Trail/Highway 1	RTC	State Parks		Yes	MBSST Master Plan; Santa Cruz County ATP	Yes				Yes	Yes	Yes
2	Greyhound Rock	Greyhound Rock Overnight Accommodations	Potential	Proposed uses include trail development (California Coastal Trail), overnight cabins, discovery center, dining hall and kitchen. Existing uses include: fishing access, picnic tables, beach access, coastal overlook, RV camping.	Visitor Facilities	Greyhound Rock County Park	County of Santa Cruz	CDFW, State Parks, Caltrans, Coastal Conservancy, CCC	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes
2	Greyhound Rock; Scott Creek	MBSST Segment 2	On hold	4.77 miles of primarily existing road shoulder improvements due to limited available space and adjacent public land on the coastal side of Highway 1, routine road edge clearing, signs, and shoulder pavement striping, and potentially fencing.	Trails	North Coast Rail Trail/Highway 1	RTC	State Parks		Yes	MBSST Master Plan	Yes				Yes	Yes	Yes
3	Scott Creek	Scott Creek Coastal Resiliency Project	Planned - 10 years	Scott Creek Bridge replacement and lagoon restoration with future north and south parking lots.	Infrastructure, Conservation	Highway 1 and Scott Creek Beach	Caltrans	RTC, RCD, CDFW, County of Santa Cruz, Wildlife Conservation Board, Coastal Conservancy, USFWS Coastal Program, and NOAA Fisheries	Yes	Yes	Caltrans SCC Biannual SHOPP Packet, 08/2022; SCCRTC's 2045 Regional Transportation Plan Appendix E Project List as ID: CT34 or search EA 05-1M720.	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes
3	Scott Creek	Restroom at Scott Creek Beach	Potential	Restroom at Scott Creek Beach - added due to lack of restroom in this area, may be challenging due to sea level rise. Include with Scott Creek Coastal Resiliency Project upon Caltrans approval.	Visitor Facilities	Scott Creek Beach	Agency TBD - County of Santa Cruz or Caltrans	County of Santa Cruz, RTC, or Caltrans	Yes	Yes							Yes	
3	Scott Creek	MBSST Segment 3	On hold	1.11 miles (5,870 linear feet) multi-use paved path (Class I), one pre-engineered bike/pedestrian bridge, 150-foot span, and fencing may be considered when project is implemented.	Trails	North Coast Rail Trail	RTC	State Parks		Yes	MBSST Master Plan	Yes				Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Davenport	RMZ #1 Phase 1	Underway /Imminent	Molino Bank Loop – Hike, Bike Trail	Trails	Cotoni-Coast Dairies National Monument	BLM	CCC, County Public Works			Decision Record for CCNM RMP Amendment for C-CD	Yes					Yes	Yes
4	Davenport	RMZ #1 Phase 2	Planned - 10 years	Agua Puerca Loops and Warnella Loops – Hike, Bike Trail	Trails	Cotoni-Coast Dairies National Monument	BLM	CCC, County Public Works			Decision Record for CCNM RMP Amendment for C-CD	Yes					Yes	Yes

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4	Davenport	Historic Feature Preservation and Restoration	Planned - 5 years	Preserve and restore the Mocettini Cheese Barn and the other historic features nearby.	Historic Preservation	Cotoni-Coast Dairies National Monument	BLM	CCC, Office of Historic Preservation, National Parks Service, State Parks	Yes	Yes	https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2022460/510				Yes	Yes		Yes
4	Davenport	Cement Plant Road Multi-Use Path	Potential	Department of Public Works to conduct feasibility study to install Class I multi-use path on inland side of Cement Plant Road from Warnella Road to Highway 1 and continuing along inland side of Highway 1 from Cement Plant Road to Ocean Street to connect Cotoni-Coast Dairies' parking lot to Davenport and North Coast Rail Trail.	Trails	CEMEX Property/ Davenport CDP	County of Santa Cruz	Caltrans, RTC, and BLM	Yes	Yes	Santa Cruz County ATP	Yes				Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Davenport	Parking for Northern Trailhead	Planned - 5 years	Parking (47-69 spaces) near Warnella Road and Cement Plant Road - exact location TBD	Parking	Cotoni-Coast Dairies National Monument	BLM	CCC, Santa Cruz County, County Public Works, Caltrans	Yes	Yes	https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2021942/510	Yes				Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Davenport	MBSST Segment 4	On hold	1.38 miles multi-use rail trail (Class I), 1.41 miles bluff trail (Segment 4A), 0.85 miles on-street bike lanes (Segment 4B), a Highway 1 crossing at Davenport Landing Road, a rail crossing in front of cement plant property, 3 road crossings, and potentially fencing.	Trails	North Coast Rail Trail/Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line	RTC	State Parks, Santa Cruz County		Yes	MBSST Master Plan	Yes				Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Davenport; Shark Fin Cove; Yellowbank/ Panther Beach; Laguna Creek; Four Mile Beach; Wilder Ranch	Excursion Train	Potential - depending on railroad operator interest.	Excursion train to run along the Union Pacific Railroad from Davenport to Santa Cruz.	Rail	Coastal Rail Trail Segment 6	RTC		Yes								Yes	
5	Davenport; Shark Fin Cove; Yellowbank/ Panther Beach; Laguna Creek; Four Mile Beach; Wilder Ranch	North Coast Rail Trail/ MBSST Segment 5 - Phases I and II (California Coastal Trail)	Underway /Imminent	7.5-mile continuous paved ADA accessible bicycle and pedestrian trail connecting Wilder Ranch to Davenport. Safety and mobility improvements adjacent to Highway 1 with the addition of two new parking lots and restrooms (one at Davenport and one at Yellowbank/Panther), and an at-grade pedestrian crossing of Highway 1 in Davenport.	Trails	North Coast Rail Trail/Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line	RTC	FHWA-CFL, State Parks, County of Santa Cruz	Yes	Yes	MBSST Master Plan; Segment 5 Fact Sheet	Yes				Yes	Yes	Yes
5	Shark Fin Cove	Parking at Shark Fin Cove	Potential	Add formalized parking at Shark Fin Cove (requested by public in NCFMP online survey)	Parking	Shark Fin Cove	Agency TBD	Caltrans, State Parks, County of Santa Cruz, RTC	Yes	Yes		Yes				Yes	Yes	
5	Shark Fin Cove	Restroom at Shark Fin Cove	Potential	Restroom at Shark Fin Cove - added due to lack of restroom in this area, may be a challenging location	Visitor Facilities	Shark Fin Cove	Agency TBD	Caltrans, State Parks, County of Santa Cruz, RTC	Yes	Yes							Yes	
6	Yellowbank/ Panther Beach	RMZ #3 Phase 2	Planned - 10 years	Cotoni Trail 02 - Hike, Horse Trail	Trails	Cotoni-Coast Dairies National Monument	BLM	CCC, State Parks, RTC			Decision Record for CCNM RMP Amendment for C-CD	Yes					Yes	Yes

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6	Yellowbank/ Panther Beach	RMZ #3 Phase 1	Planned - 5 years	Cotoni Trail 01 - Hike, Horse Trail; Yellowbank Connection; Yellowbank N Loop - Hike, Horse Trail; Yellowbank S Loop - Hike, Bike, Horse Trail	Trails	Cotoni-Coast Dairies National Monument	BLM	CCC, State Parks, RTC			Decision Record for CCNM RMP Amendment for C-CD	Yes					Yes	Yes
6	Yellowbank/ Panther Beach	North Coast Rail Trail/ MBSST Segment 5 - Phase III (California Coastal Trail)	Underway /Imminent	Pedestrian overcrossing of Highway 1 at Yellowbank/Panther parking lot to connect to Cotoni-Coast Dairies trailhead.	Trails	North Coast Rail Trail/Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line	RTC	FHWA-CFL, State Parks, County of Santa Cruz, BLM	Yes	Yes	MBSST Master Plan; Segment 5 Fact Sheet	Yes				Yes	Yes	Yes
6	Yellowbank/ Panther Beach	Panther Beach Access Improvements	Planned - 5 years	Public access improvement to Panther Beach from the top of the bluff	Trails	Panther Beach	State Parks	State Parks	Yes	Yes							Yes	
6	Yellowbank/ Panther Beach	Potable Water Supply to Panther Beach or C-CD Parking Lot	Potential	Create potable water supply to create restroom at Panther Beach or parking lot for Cotoni-Coast Dairies	Infrastructure	Panther Beach	TPL			Yes								
6	Yellowbank/ Panther Beach	Yellowbank Beach Access Improvements and Restoration	Planned - 20 years	Highway 1 turning lanes and bus stop; parking lot with guard rail, fee boxes, and relocation of electrical poles; concrete stairs with handrail; trash cans; vault toilets; beach clean-up; emergency telephone; signs; and coastal scrub revegetation.	Visitor Facilities	Yellowbank Beach	State Parks			Yes	North Coast Beaches Unified Plan			Yes			Yes	
6	Yellowbank/ Panther Beach	Yellowbank Trailhead Parking Lot to Cotoni-Coast Dairies National	Potential	Development of trailhead parking lot for up to 77 spaces, 3 ADA spaces, and 5 pull-through equestrian trailer spaces put forth by FONC to provide opportunity access to Cotoni-Coast Dairies.	Parking	Yellowbank Beach	TPL	BLM		Yes							Yes	
6	Yellowbank/ Panther Beach	Panther Beach (GP: Access)	Planned - 20 years	Add guard rail between highway edge and existing parking area (space for 30 vehicles), parking fee and repository boxes, concrete stairs to the beach, trash containers at beach and trailhead, vault toilet at the trailhead top of stairs, and signs.	Visitor Facilities	Panther Beach	State Parks				General Plan for the North Coast Beaches						Yes	
7	Laguna Creek	Laguna Creek Beach (GP: Access and Preserve)	Planned - 20 years	Add paved shoulders for turning onto Laguna Creek Road to parking lot, pedestrian safety improvements, visitor amenities (i.e., trash, vault toilets, signs), widen access trail section between railroad track and highway, grading, wetland and nesting area preservation. Restoration of historic buildings.	Highway	Laguna Creek Beach	State Parks				General Plan for the North Coast Beaches			Yes			Yes	
7	Laguna Creek	Laguna Creek Beach Marsh Preservation	Planned - 20 years	Beach clean-up, marsh/ snowy plover preservation	Habitat Preservation	Laguna Creek Beach	State Parks				North Coast Beaches Unified Plan			Yes				
8	Four Mile Beach	Four Mile Beach Parking Lot	Planned - 20 years	Parking lot at Four Mile Beach	Parking	Four Mile Beach	State Parks		Yes	Yes						Yes	Yes	
8	Four Mile Beach	Restroom at Four Mile Beach	Potential	Restroom at Four Mile Beach - added due to lack of restroom in this area, may be a challenging location	Visitor Facilities	Four Mile Beach	State Parks		Yes	Yes							Yes	

Zone #	Zone	Project Name	Status	Project Description	Project Type	Property Name	Agency	Other Agencies to Coordinate With	High Priority	Public/ Stakeholder Support	Planning Document	Goal 1: Regional Planning and Partnerships	Goal 2: Vegetation Management	Goal 3: Plant and Animal Habitat Conservation and Restoration	Goal 4: Historic, Cultural, and Archaeological Resources	Goal 5: Public Safety	Goal 6: Public Access and Regional Connections	Goal 7: Stewardship, Maintenance, and Facilities
9	Wilder Ranch	Old Cove Landing Trail Accessibility Improvements	Planned - 10 years	Make the Old Cove Landing trail at Wilder ADA accessible.	Trails	Wilder Ranch State Park	State Parks		Yes	Yes							Yes	
9	Wilder Ranch	Wilder Ranch Cultural Preserve	Planned - 20 years	Wilder Ranch Complex renovate Bolcoff Adobe and Grainery	Cultural Preserve	Wilder Ranch State Park	State Parks		Yes		Wilder Ranch SP General Plan, 1980				Yes			
9	Wilder Ranch	MBSST Segment 6	On hold - Alternate route provided on	1.49 miles (7,830 linear feet) - Wilder Ranch trailhead to Moore Creek	Trails	North Coast Rail Trail/Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line	RTC	City of Santa Cruz			MBSST Master Plan; Santa Cruz County ATP	Yes				Yes	Yes	Yes



Appendix D:

**Ideas and Strategies for Future Consideration Identified
During Stakeholder and Community Engagement Process**

APPENDIX B

IDEAS AND STRATEGIES FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION IDENTIFIED DURING STAKEHOLDER AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

Potential Strategies and Actions:

- Economically efficient O&M based on geographic proximity
- Public outreach and communications regarding the following:
 - Public access points
 - Safety best practices: driving, hiking, recreating
 - Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility
 - Bicycling routes
 - Public transportation options
 - Multimodal transportation programs
 - Coordinated signage
- Ongoing provision of emergency services
- Cohesive management of resource, habitat, and wildlife conservation, preservation, and restoration
- Leadership of Amah Mutsun tribe in decision-making
- Data-driven decision-making
- North Coast interpretation and education strategy and public guide

Potential Studies

- Multi-modal transportation studies
- Use and activity studies
- Monitoring the effects of changes made
- Social and environmental carrying capacity analysis
- Biological resource analyses
- Travel/traffic surveys
- Alternate access study
- Commercial cannabis impacts assessment

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Potential Programs

- Parking and reservation systems, including free access for local residents
- Multi-modal transportation programs
- Volunteer activities
 - Patrols
 - Trail construction and maintenance
- Community events
- Centralized way of handling complaints and issues from the public
- Education about the ecological impacts of off-trail use
- Sponsorship opportunities, such as purchasing memorial benches
- Pack Your Trash policy and program
- Sustainable consumptive use for personal use

Potential Projects

- Recycling facilities
- Buffered or separated bicycling routes instead of on-highway infrastructure
- Continuation of separated bicycle and pedestrian path into San Mateo County
- Housing for management or enforcement personnel



Appendix E:

Grant Funding Opportunities

APPENDIX C

GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Compiled by the Santa Barbara County IRWM Region, April 2023 and PlaceWorks Climate Action and Resiliency Services, January 2023.

1. Water

County Drought Resilience Planning Assistance Program

Department of Water Resources

The DWR County Drought Resilience Planning Grant Program is offered as a sub-program of the Small Community Drought Relief (SCDR) Program. \$5M in funding (awards range from \$10,000 to \$125,000) for work establishing drought/water shortage task forces, developing drought and water shortage emergency responses, and long-term mitigation plans for domestic wells and state small water systems. All CA counties are eligible. ROLLING APPLICATION.

[County Drought Resilience Planning Assistance Program \(ca.gov\)](#)

State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program (SWEEP)

CA Department of Food & Agriculture

This program will award agencies with funding to provide technical assistance to farmers for development and implementation of irrigation projects. Agencies will disburse funds to farms, support/verify on-farm implementation, and provide reporting/invoicing. The minimum award is \$2 million, the maximum award is \$5 million. Socially disadvantaged farmers will be prioritized. Awards announced in July (2023). Deadline is 6/19/2023 at 5:00PM

<https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/sweep/>

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Water Efficiency Technical Assistance (WETA)

CA Department of Food & Agriculture

The program provides \$14.25M for agencies that provide technical assistance for agricultural operations. Technical assistance can be (a) evaluating irrigation system efficiency, (b) evaluating pump efficiency, and/or (c) providing water use efficiency and nutrient management training. Awards up to \$500,000. Awards announced in August. Socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers (SDFRs) prioritized. Deadline is 6/6/2023 at 5:00PM.

<https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/technical/weta.html>

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)

The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program assists public water systems in financing the cost of drinking water infrastructure projects needed to achieve or maintain compliance with Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requirements. ROLLING APPLICATION.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/services/funding/SRF.html

Small Community Drought Relief Program

Department of Water Resources

The Small Community Drought Relief Program (Program) was authorized by the Legislature pursuant to the Budget Act of 2021 (Stats. 2021, ch. 240, § 80) and its Trailer Bill, (Wat. Code, § 13198 et seq.). The Trailer Bill authorized specified state agencies, defined as implementing agencies, subject to an appropriation for these purposes, to make grants and direct expenditures for interim or immediate relief in response to conditions arising from a drought scenario to address immediate impacts on human health and safety and on fish and wildlife resources and to provide water to persons or communities that lose or are threatened with the loss or contamination of water supplies.

The small communities are those that are not supplied by an urban water supplier as defined in California Water Code (Sec 10617). Urban water suppliers are those that provide drinking water with more than 3,000 connections or more than 3,000 acre-feet per year. ROLLING APPLICATION, closes December 29, 2023.

<https://water.ca.gov/WaterBasics/Drought/Drought-Funding/SmallCommunity-Drought-Relief>

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**Emergency Drinking Water/Cleanup & Abatement
Account Programs**

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)

The Cleanup and Abatement Account (CAA) was created by Water Code Sections 13440-13443 to provide grants for the cleanup or abatement of a condition of pollution when there are no viable responsible parties available to undertake the work. Water code section 13442 authorizes the State Water Board to utilize CAA funds to address an urgent drinking water need. This includes needs due to drought, contamination, or other eligible emergencies. ROLLING APPLICATION.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/caa/

Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Funding

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)

This funding is available for technical and financial assistance to drinking water systems to address PFAS in their water drinking water supply. ROLLING APPLICATION.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/pfas.html

County-wide and Regional Funding Program

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)

The State Water Board has funding available from various sources within the Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) Program to fund drinking water projects that address drought-related and contamination issues. Although we have several programs already in place, we have identified gaps for regional programs that address the needs of households served by state smalls and domestic wells throughout the State. ROLLING APPLICATION.

DFA does not award funding directly to households, and available DFA funding to address emergency needs of state smalls and domestic wells can't be implemented on an immediate basis. One key goal of this program is to award funding to counties or their partners to enable them to setup programs proactively, based on anticipated needs, and therefore be ready to respond promptly when urgent needs arise.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/safer/funding_solicitation.html

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2. Wastewater and Water Resiliency

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)

Eligible project types include: Construction of publicly-owned treatment facilities: wastewater treatment, local sewers, sewer interceptors, water reclamation and distribution, stormwater treatment, combined sewers, and landfill leachate treatment.

Implementation of nonpoint source (NPS) projects to address pollution associated with: agriculture, forestry, urban areas, marinas, hydromodification, wetlands, and development and implementation of estuary comprehensive conservation and management plans for: San Francisco Bay, Morro Bay, and Santa Monica Bay. ROLLING APPLICATION

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/

Water Recycling Funding Program (WRFP) – Planning Grant

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)

The WRFP Planning Grant will generally cover 50 percent of the planning costs to develop a recycled water feasibility study. Generally, all costs necessary to determine the feasibility of using recycled water and to select an alternative to offset or augment the use of fresh/potable water from state or local supplies may be eligible for the planning grant. The maximum grant amount is established by the State Water Board in the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Intended Use Plan, or as otherwise limited by the State Water Board. A disadvantaged community (DAC) or severely disadvantaged community (SDAC) may receive 100 percent of the eligible planning costs up to the maximum established by the State Water Board. The grant maximum has been \$150,000 in previous years. Applicants should submit an application including a Plan of Study, which will be used to determine the costs eligible for grant funding. ROLLING APPLICATION.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/water_recycling/

3. *Environmental Justice/Disadvantaged Communities*

Tribal Technical Assistance Pilot Program

California Strategic Growth Council

New capacity-building grant program for federally and non-federally recognized Native American Tribes, specifically focused on climate change-related capacity-building. Funds can be used for a variety of capacity building/technical assistance initiatives, including trainings, grant application/management assistance, implementation assistance, and/or partnership building/leadership development. Non-federally recognized tribes must be a non-profit or partner with a non-profit to apply. Pilot program awards two-year grants to 3-5 tribes. Program still under development. Workshop on draft guidelines (register [HERE](#)) will be held on June 5th, 2023.

[TTAP Factsheet \(constantcontact.com\)](#)

Explore the Coast Overnight

Coastal Conservancy

The Conservancy's Explore the Coast Overnight Program was created to expand more opportunities for all Californians to stay overnight at the coast, particularly individuals and youth from low and middle-income households, communities of color, at-risk or underserved populations, and others that face barriers to accessing the coast. The goals of the Explore the Coast Overnight Program include: Helping improve existing, and develop new lower-cost coastal accommodations; Ensuring that new or renovated coastal accommodation projects are available to all Californians, in particular low and middle-income Californians and organizations that serve under-resourced communities; Supporting innovative pilot projects; Creating and preserving a variety of lower-cost coastal accommodations; and Maintaining and increasing the stock of lower-cost coastal accommodations along the California coast.

The Conservancy provides grant funds for the planning, design, permitting, and/or construction of lower-cost coastal

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accommodation projects that advance the goals and priorities of the Explore the Coast Overnight Program. ROLLING APPLICATION, closes January 2026.

<https://scc.ca.gov/projects/etco/>

Outdoor Equity Grants Program

California State Parks

Eligible Applicants: All Public Agencies (local, state, and federal government, school districts and educational agencies, joint powers authorities, open-space authorities, regional open-space districts, and other relevant public agencies), Non-profit organizations with 501(c)(3) status.

Eligible Programs: Outdoor programs will be designed to take place in the community and at natural area destinations. See the Program Overview and Grant Selection Criteria in the Application Guide for more information.

https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=30443

The Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience Program (SAFER)

State Water Resources Control Board

In 2019, Senate Bill 200 (SB200) established the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water (SADW) Fund to address funding gaps and provide solutions to water systems, especially those serving DACs, to address both their short- and long-term drinking water needs. The SADW Fund is one of several funds that are part of the larger SAFER Program. ROLLING APPLICATION.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/sustainable_water_solutions/safer.html

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4. Habitat Restoration/Environment

Agricultural Conservation Acquisition, Capacity and Project Development, and Land Use Planning

Department of Conservation

Round 9 of the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program (SALC) Grants: The SALC grant program consists of three grants: Agricultural Conservation Acquisition Grants, Capacity and Project Development Grants, and Land Use Planning Grants. Funds awarded via the Agricultural Conservation Acquisition Grants will be used for the permanent purchase of agricultural conservation easements and fee title purchases. Land purchased must be strategically-located, highly productive, and critically threatened. Capacity and project development grants look to expand organization capacity and develop agricultural acquisition projects. Land use grant funds support initiatives to convert agricultural land to non-agricultural land uses. Awards expected to be announced in December 2023. Planning pre-proposals due 6/30/2023. Capacity applications due 7/21/2023. Acquisitions and Planning applications due 9/08/2023.

<https://www.conservation.ca.gov/dlrp/grant-programs/SALCP/Pages/Index.aspx>

Cleanup, Remediation, and Watershed Enhancement Funding Opportunity

Department of Fish and Wildlife

Through this grant program, CDFW is looking to fund projects to enhance watersheds/environments impacted by illegal cannabis cultivation. Projects should focus on planning, cleanup/remediation, or implementation. Projects could look to reduce environmental contaminants and waste associated with cultivation practices. Projects could be completed on private or public land. Projects that enhance wildlife habitat and biodiversity are eligible for funding. ROLLING APPLICATION.

<https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Watersheds/Cannabis-Restoration-Grant>

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Addressing Climate Impacts

Department of Fish and Wildlife

CDFW is looking to fund projects that address climate change impacts to habitats and watersheds. Funding can be used to purchase water to maintain instream flows, build water conservation projects, or implement other conservation strategies listed in the State Wildlife Action Plan. ROLLING APPLICATION, end date is 3/15/2023.

<https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Watersheds/Restoration-Grants/Concept-Application>

Riverine Steward Program

Department of Water Resources

The RSP supports fish passage improvements & similar projects that increase ecological, stream management, climate, & community improvement benefits. Program goals include protecting, restoring, and enhancing the natural environment of riparian systems. ROLLING APPLICATION, closes May 31, 2023

<https://water.ca.gov/Programs/Integrated-Regional-Water-Management/Riverine-Stewardship-Program/Riverine-Stewardship-Grants>

Habitat Enhancement and Restoration

Wildlife Conservation Board

Consistent with Fish and Game Code section 1301, this program provides assistance for the restoration and enhancement of fish and wildlife resources. Eligible projects include: native fisheries restoration; restoration of wetlands; restoration of coastal, tidal, or fresh water habitat; other native habitat restoration projects including coastal scrub oak, grasslands, and threatened and endangered species habitats; in-stream restoration projects, including removal of fish passage barriers and other obstructions; and other projects that improve the quality of native habitat throughout the State. ROLLING APPLICATION.

<https://wcb.ca.gov/Grants>

<https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/habitat-enhancement-and-restoration/>

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Wildlife Corridors – Nature Based Solutions

Department of Fish and Wildlife

For connectivity planning and implementation projects consistent with the State Wildlife Action Plan, the state's efforts on connectivity, and the Fish Passage Annual Legislative Report or efforts to allow fish and wildlife the freedom to roam in California by accelerating fish and wildlife corridor projects. ROLLING APPLICATION.

<https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Watersheds/Restoration-Grants/Concept-Application>

Drought Emergency: Protecting Salmon

CDFW Restoration Grant Opportunity

This funding will support restoration and protection projects that enhance salmon resiliency to drought and climate change. Funding for planning and implementation projects that enhance resiliency to drought and climate change through restoration, protection, or enhancement of riparian and aquatic habitat and river channels, reconnection of historical flood plains, or improvements to ecological functions.

<https://wildlife.ca.gov/Grants>

Stream Flow Enhancement

Wildlife Conservation Board

The following are funding priorities for the stream flow enhancement projects:

- Implementation projects resulting in measurable increases in stream flow
- Acquisition projects resulting in permanent or long-term in-stream flow dedication
- Projects that are focused on a watershed or regional approach
- Projects in critical watersheds for salmonids
- Projects that help to complete previously funded projects
- Projects that evaluate stream flow conditions and stream responses to other stream flow enhancement projects

Funded projects are also consistent with the objectives and actions outlined in the California Water Action Plan, with the primary focus on enhancing flow in streams that support anadromous fish; support special-status, threatened, endangered, or at-risk species; or provide resilience to climate change. ROLLING APPLICATION.

<https://wcb.ca.gov/Grants>

<https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/stream-flow-enhancement/>

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Ecosystem Restoration and Agricultural Lands

Wildlife Conservation Board

The intent of the Ecosystem Restoration and Agricultural Lands program is to collaborate with the agricultural community in identifying and implementing projects that provide long-term habitat benefits for wildlife, consistent with landowner objectives, including economic sustainability, and have the potential for replication on a statewide scale. ROLLING APPLICATION.

<https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/ecosystem-restoration-and-agricultural-lands/>

Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program (MLRP) Program

Department of Conservation

The program funds groundwater sustainability projects that reduce groundwater use, repurpose irrigated agricultural land, and provide wildlife habitat. The Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program seeks to use this funding to increase regional capacity to repurpose agricultural land to reduce reliance on groundwater while providing community health, economic wellbeing, water supply, habitat, and climate benefits.

<https://www.conservation.ca.gov/dlrp/grant-programs/Pages/Multibenefit-Land-Repurposing-Program.aspx>

Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Grant Program

California Natural Resources Agency

The EEM Program is an annual program that offers grants to local, state, and federal governmental agencies and to nonprofit organizations for projects to mitigate the environmental impacts caused by new or modified public transportation facilities.

<https://resources.ca.gov/grants/environmental-enhancement-and-mitigation-eem>

5. Coastal

Coastal Conservancy Grant

Coastal Conservancy

The Coastal Conservancy funds a wide variety of projects along the California coast, San Francisco Bay, and in coastal watersheds to increase availability of beaches, parks and trails for the public, protect and restore natural lands and wildlife habitat, preserve working lands, and increase community resilience to the impacts of climate change. ROLLING APPLICATION, closes January 1, 2027

<https://scc.ca.gov/grants/>

Local Coastal Program Local Assistance Grant Program

California Coastal Commission

The LCP Local Assistance Grant Program provides funds to support local governments in completing or updating Local Coastal Programs (LCP) consistent with the California Coastal Act, with special emphasis on planning for sea level rise and climate change. Grant-funded work has included the completion of sea level rise vulnerability assessments, technical studies, economic analyses, adaptation planning and reports, public outreach and engagement, and LCP policy development.

<https://www.coastal.ca.gov/lcp/grants/>

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6. Green Space

California Forest Improvement Program

Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

The program scope includes the improvement of all forest resources including fish and wildlife habitat, and soil and water quality. Cost-share assistance is provided to private and public ownerships containing 20 to 5,000 acres of forest land. Cost-shared activities include: Preparation of a Forest Management Plan by a Registered Professional Forester (RPF).

RPF Supervision of the following: Reforestation, Site Preparation, Trees and Planting, Tree Shelters, Stand Improvement, Pre-commercial Thinning or Release, Pruning, Follow-up (includes mechanical, herbicide and/or slash disposal follow-up), Forestland conservation practices / fish and wildlife habitat improvement. Broadcast/controlled/cultural burning is not eligible for CFIP cost share. ROLLING APPLICATION, application periods end May 1, 2023; July 1, 2023; September 1, 2023; and November 1, 2023.

<https://www.fire.ca.gov/grants/california-forest-improvement-program-cfip/>

Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program

Department of Conservation

The Regional Forest and Fire Capacity (RFFC) Program supports regional leadership to build local and regional capacity and develop, prioritize, and implement strategies and projects that create fire adapted communities and landscapes by improving ecosystem health, community wildfire preparedness, and fire resilience. The Department will provide block grants to regional entities (Regional Block Grantees) and to eligible coordinating organizations (Statewide Block Grantees) to support the statewide implementation of the program.

<https://www.conservation.ca.gov/dlrp/grant-programs/Pages/Regional-Forest-and-Fire-Capacity-Program.aspx>

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Wildfire Prevention

CALFIRE

CAL FIRE's Wildfire Prevention Grants Program provides funding for wildfire prevention projects and activities in and near fire threatened communities that focus on increasing the protection of people, structures, and communities. Funded activities include hazardous fuels reduction, wildfire prevention planning, and wildfire prevention education with an emphasis on improving public health and safety while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

<https://www.fire.ca.gov/grants/wildfire-prevention/>

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7. Climate Resiliency

Transformative Climate Communities, Round 5: Project Development, Planning, & Implementation Grants

California Strategic Growth Council

The TCC program administers three separate grants (project development, planning, and implementation) all with the goal of supporting initiatives aimed at reducing neighborhood-level greenhouse gas emissions. Projects must be aimed at providing economic, environmental, and health benefits to disadvantaged communities. Multiple co-applicants are required for project development and implementation grants. At least one co-applicant is required for planning grant. Co-applicants can include a wide range of stakeholders, including community, business, and government-affiliated individuals. Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs), Tribal Communities, Planning Grant Grantees, and Previous Implementation Grant Applicants will be prioritized for Project Development Grants, with DUCs given the most priority. Deadline for Round 5 is 8/01/2023 at 5:00PM.

<https://sgc.ca.gov/programs/tcc/>

ICARP's Regional Resilience Planning & Implementation Grant Program (RRGP)

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

The RRGp will help local, regional, and tribal communities build climate resiliency by funding planning and implementation initiatives. RRGp aims to fund projects with diverse regional-scale partners and collaborators. First step to apply is to fill out an "intent to apply" survey. Deadline is 7/19/2023.

<https://opr.ca.gov/climate/icarp/grants/regional-resilience-grant.html>

Prop 68 Grant Program

California Ocean Protection Council

The priority issue area for the 2022 Proposition 68 funding was the nexus between marine protected areas and climate resiliency for species, habitats, and people.

<https://www.opc.ca.gov/prop-68-funding/>

8. Other

Local Enforcement Agency Grant Program

Department of Resources Recycling & Recover

CalRecycle awards non-competitive funding to Local Enforcement Agencies for assistance with solid waste facilities permitting and inspections. Deadline is 5/11/2023 at 11:59PM

<https://calrecycle.ca.gov/lea/grantsloans/lea/>

Beverage Container Recycling Redemption Pilot

Department of Resources Recycling & Recover

This pilot program requires local governments and recycling centers to collaborate in an effort to improve convenience of beverage container recycling. The goal of this program is to provide strategically-placed beverage recycling containers in both rural and urban areas lacking recycling opportunities. Up to five pilot projects will be funded (\$500,000-\$1,500,000 award range). Deadline is 5/11/2023 at 11:59PM.

<https://calrecycle.ca.gov/bevcontainer/grants/bevcontainer/rpp/>

Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grant Program

Department of Toxic Substances Control

The RLF Grant Program provides grants to help nonprofits, tribal entities, and local governments who are not potentially liable under CERCLA section 107 assess or clean up brownfields that they own. DTSC accepts applications continuously, subject to fund availability. ROLLING APPLICATION

<https://dtsc.ca.gov/revolving-loan-fund-rlf-program/>

Infrastructure State Revolving Fund (ISRF) Program

Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank

ISRF loans can fund a wide variety of projects including water and wastewater treatment plant upgrades or construction or street repair and upgrades. ISRF financing is available in amounts ranging from \$1 million to \$65 million with loan terms for the useful life of the project up to 30 years. ROLLING APPLICATION.

<https://ibank.ca.gov/loans/infrastructure-loans/>

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Cleanup Loans and Environmental Assistance to Neighborhoods (CLEAN) Program

Department of Toxic Substances Control

DTSC's CLEAN Loan Program provides low-interest loans for property owners, developers, community groups, and local governments to investigate, cleanup and redevelop abandoned and underutilized urban properties. Loan used for the cleanup or removal of hazardous materials where redevelopment is likely to have a beneficial impact on the property values, economic viability, and quality of life of a community. ROLLING APPLICATION.

<https://dtsc.ca.gov/clean-and-iscp-programs/>