

Parks and Trails Division Master Plan Initiatives Implementation

Priority Year	Initiative	Initiative Description	Status	Progress
2025 Q1	2.4.4	Establish regular meetings with the City of Placerville and El Dorado County Parks & Recreation agencies, the El Dorado County Office of Education, the U.S. Forest Service, and other park districts and jurisdictions to continually review common natural resource and recreation issues and to coordinate programs, activities, and facilities.	Complete	Quarterly meetings are established and ongoing with local parks and recreation agencies
2025 Q2	1.4.10	In collaboration with American River outfitters and the private boating community, identify improvements to the River Management Program and to enhance safety and user experience.	In Progress	Improvements identified at annual meetings with outfitters and boating community. River Management Plan update is underway. Coloma Lotus Advisory Committee ad-hoc provided comments and worked with Parks & Rec Commission ad-hoc to finalize recommendations. Next, the updates will be going to the Planning Commission for review and then the Board for approval.
2025 Q2	2.2.5	Study the appropriateness of allowing electric bikes and develop policies to address safety concerns with the use of E-bikes and other emerging technologies for both recreation and transportation on trails.	Complete	Parks & Rec Commission studied and discussed at 5/21/25 meeting. No recommendations were made to County Ord Chap 10.32 – Vehicle Regulations on Trail Facilities
2025 Q2	4.1.3	Create a countywide volunteer program for natural trail construction and maintenance, coordinated by a specialized parks maintenance team to provide training to volunteers, tools and direct a crew for improvement annually.	In Progress	Finalizing a list of prioritized natural trail project. Presented to the SPTC JPA in November 2025. Ongoing coordination with user groups and nonprofits to organize volunteer workdays on the trail.

2025 Q3	5.2.2	Review and update facility rental charges for sports fields to offset maintenance and operating costs.	In Progress	Part of larger Cost Recovery project (3.2.6). Received direction from Board at 7/15/25 meeting to conduct a cost recovery analysis to be used to determine updated facility fees.
2025 Q3	1.4.9	Coordinate for access to locked gates and facilities for emergency response to fire and other disasters.	In Progress	Inventory and coordination with fire agencies is complete. Seeking a funding source to procure the locks.
2025 Q3	2.2.4	Incorporate trail projects currently listed within the Department of Transportation Annual Capital Improvement Program into a comprehensive Parks and Trails Capital Improvement Program.	Complete	Trail projects are included in the DOT Capital Improvement Program. Ongoing coordination with DOT and EDCTC.
2025 Q3	3.2.8	Establish and update a Five-Year Parks and Trails Capital Improvement Program to include long-term maintenance and renovation projects.	In Progress	An inventory of parks and trails assets is underway to establish an asset management program to track conditions and timeline for end of life that will be used to inform the Capital Improvement Program.
2025 Q4	5.1.1	Develop a parks and recreation funding policy in budget policy, dedicating a portion of transient occupancy tax (TOT) to parks, trails, and open spaces.	Not Started	This initiative will be revisited for possible updates as the Board directed TOT to the General Fund.
2026 Q1	1.4.1	Adopt a Comprehensive Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM) to provide for vegetation management along trails and in parks, where feasible, to prevent erosion, and minimize the need for fertilizers, pesticides, and herbicides.	In Progress	Ongoing conversations with Facilities Division Grounds Maintenance and Agriculture Commission.
2026 Q1	4.1.6	In collaboration with user groups, identify improvements to the Rubicon trail program to enhance sustainable responsible use and improve the user experience.	In Progress	Ongoing discussions with user groups.
2026 Q1	4.3.5	Update the County parks and trails website to allow residents and visitors to find park, trail, and open space opportunities and up-to-date information quickly and easily on park offerings and events.	In Progress	Ongoing updates to the website.

2026 Q1	1.4.7	Use the Parks webpage and trail signage information to communicate warnings, skill level, best use, etc. for recreation areas.	In Progress	Ongoing updates to the website.
2026 Q1	2.2.6	Incorporate transit and travel information into the Park's website to encourage the use of transit or biking to trailheads.	Complete	Transit and travel information was added to El Dorado Trail webpage.
2026 Q2	4.3.4	Work with the El Dorado County Chamber of Commerce to increase recognition of the County's parks, open space, and trail offerings, promote recreation opportunities, and broaden reach for enhance uses of public spaces.	Not Started	
2026 Q2	5.1.4	Engage in marketing efforts by businesses and partner organizations to connect guests to the County's world-class recreation, including the American River, Rubicon Trail, El Dorado Trail, multi-use regional trail system, open space, and park offerings.	In Progress	Engaging in marketing to share efforts of local nonprofits partnered on El Dorado Trail natural trail volunteer projects, and other local nonprofits and community groups in support of programming for County parks and trails.
2026 Q2	3.2.6	Establish cost recovery policies and expectations for County programs and activities, including recommendations for those programs for which it is not realistic to expect fees to cover the cost of providing the program and those that should be covered by user fees.	In Progress (paired with 5.2.2)	Received direction from Board at 7/15/25 meeting to conduct a cost recovery analysis to be used to determine updated facility fees. The cost recovery analysis is underway.
2026 Q2	5.1.5	Evaluate the potential for user or parking fees for facilities that receive high visitor and tourism use.	In Progress (paired with 5.2.2)	Part of larger Cost Recovery project (3.2.6). Received direction from Board at 7/15/25 meeting to conduct a cost recovery analysis to be used to determine updated facility fees.
2026 Q2	5.1.7	Establish guidelines to allow for selling of naming rights and advertising sales on new facilities, scoreboards, trash cans, playgrounds, at dog parks, along trails, on planters, and as part of special events to support the costs of operations.	Not Started	Part of larger Cost Recovery project (3.2.6). Will begin drafting guidelines upon the completion of the cost recovery analysis.

2026 Q2	3.3.4	Evaluate and update maintenance frequencies and develop asset replacement schedules.	In Progress (paired with 3.2.8)	Part of larger CIP project (3.2.8). An inventory of parks and trails assets is underway to establish an asset management program to track conditions and timeline for end-of-life replacement schedule.
2026 Q3	2.7.6	Conduct a Park Impact Fee Nexus Study with the intent of assessing a regional park and trail development impact mitigation fee.	Complete (paired with 5.2.2)	Part of larger Cost Recovery project (3.2.6). Received direction from Board at 7/15/25 meeting to not pursue a Park Impact Fee Nexus Study to assess a regional park and trail mitigation fee.
2026 Q3	1.4.11	Partner with the El Dorado County Agricultural Department to develop, document, implement, and update a coordinated plan to detect, map, and control harmful non-native invasive weed infestations using methods of integrated weed management.	In Progress	Ongoing conversations with Facilities Division Grounds Maintenance and Agriculture Commission. Ag Commission biologist will be performing noxious weed surveys on the Rubicon Trail.
2026 Q4	5.1.2	Develop a policy for concessions, food trucks, and sidewalk vendors to operate at parks and trailheads.	Not Started	
2026 Q4	3.1.1	Continue current projects to their completion prior to pursuing new opportunities.	Ongoing	Forebay Park Chili Bar El Dorado Trail natural trail and paved trail