

THE PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT

An Outline

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Context

1. Provide an overview of the planning process and how the plan was developed.
2. Provide a overview of the South Whidbey Region and the City of Langley.
 - Explain the South Whidbey Region, parks and open space facilities, and parks and open space organizations.
 - Explain the the Parks and Open Space Element's planning area (the City of Langley and the Unincorporated UGA), the physical setting and conditions, and other relevant information.

Data, Analysis, and Prioritization

3. Inventory and analyze existing parks, open spaces and critical areas.
 - Inventory the existing supply, condition and location of various types of land including parks, open space, and critical areas.
 - Analyze the strengths and weaknesses of the parks and open space system and begin to identify opportunities for future action.
4. Develop a list of general principals for parks and open space preservation and stewardship based on the inventory and analysis.
5. Explain how general principals could be implemented as specific projects.
6. Articulate methods for funding, acquisition, or preservation as well as potential partners.

Implementation

7. Present a prioritized list of projects, potential funding methods and partners.
8. Present steps to implement the element and link the proposals to the Capital Facilities Element.