



Sisters Country Trails Outreach

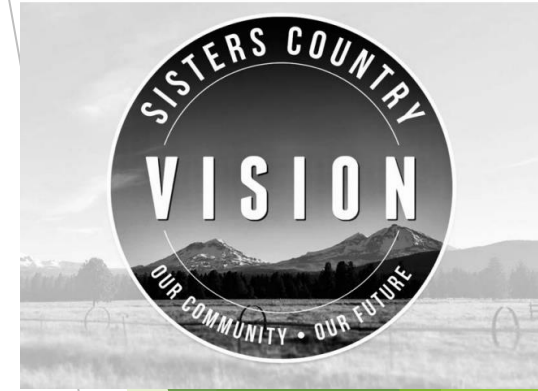
Advisory Committee Meeting #1

April 26, 2022; 11:30-1:00 PM





Project Background/Overview



- Two-part project
 - Tumalo Community Plan Active Transportation Update
 - *Sisters Country Trails Expansion Outreach*
- Sisters Country Vision Action Plan (SCVAP, 2019)
 - Sisters Country = Sisters School District
- Livable Strategy #4 - Expanded Trail System
 - Action 4.1 - Trails System Outreach
 - *Conduct community outreach to gain input for trail connections between Sisters and Sisters Country*
- Project outcomes will be incorporated in County TSP
- Focus is on public land





Project Schedule

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Sisters Country Vision Action Plan (SCVAP) Trails Expansion Outreach



Project Task	2022												2023							
	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	
1. Project Coordination	▶	🌐																		
2. Project Foundation				📄 TM 1	📄 TM 1															
3. Sisters Rural Trails				👥		👥	📄 DC 1	👥	📄 FC 1											
4. Adoption												👥								

Kick-off Meeting ▶

PMT Meeting 📞

Project Website 🌐

Public Event 👥

Draft Deliverable 📄

Final Deliverable 📄

Advisory Committee Meeting 👥

Planning Commission Work Session 👥

TM: Tech Memo
DC: Draft Concept
FC: Final Concept

TM#1: Plan, Policies, Existing Conditions
DC#1: Initial Concept for SCVAP Trails Expansion Outreach
FC#1: Final Concept for SCVAP Trails Expansion Outreach



Project Objectives and Desired Outcomes

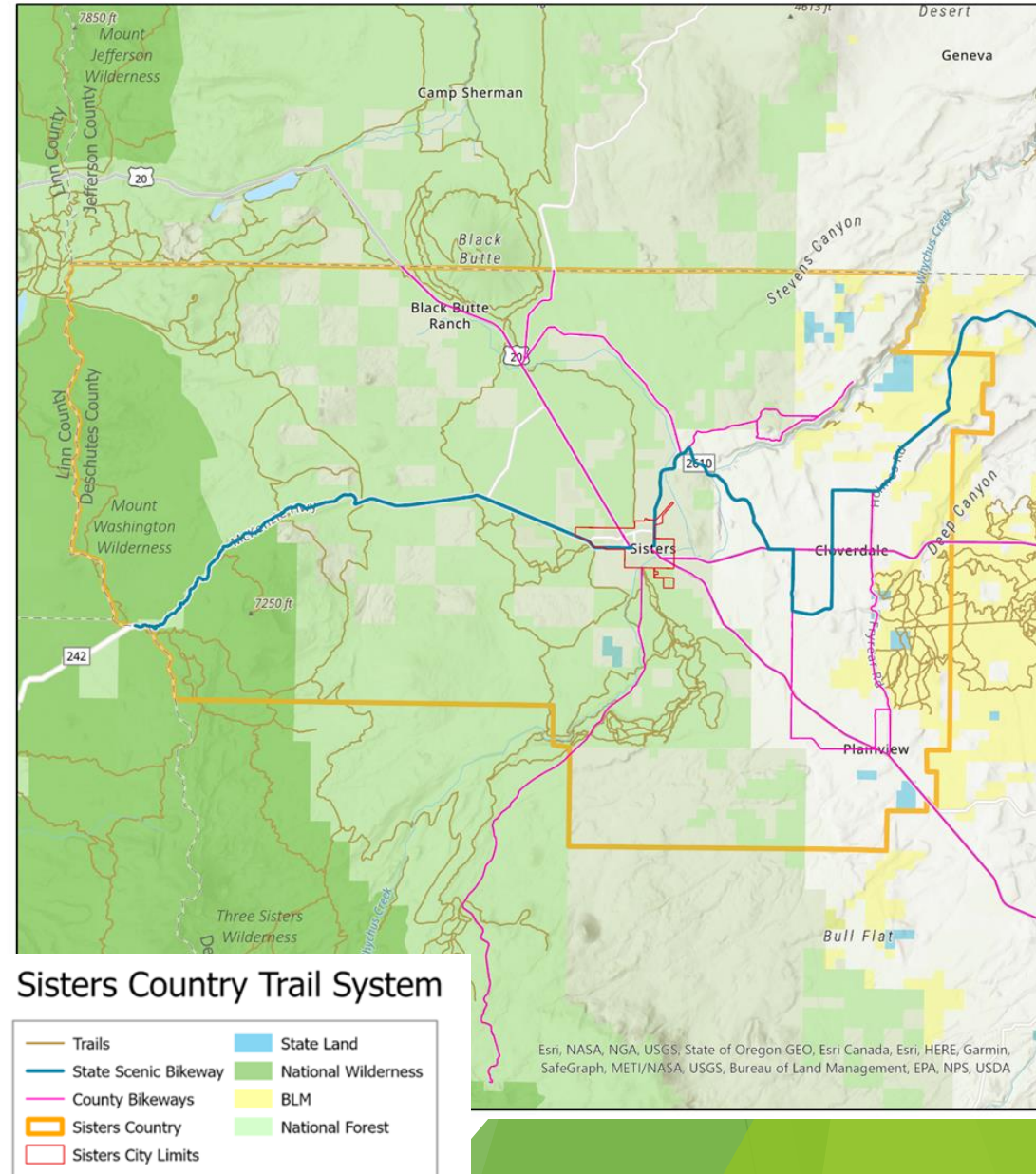
- ▶ Ensure project recommendations are consistent with State, regional/county, and local plans regarding active transportation
- ▶ Identify gaps in rural trail system for Sisters Country
- ▶ Conduct outreach with area residents regarding active transportation needs and aspirations
- ▶ Develop list and maps of proposed new trails and trail connections
- ▶ Identify planning processes that are required for new trails in Deschutes National Forest
- ▶ Prepare materials for TSP amendments to implement project recommendations
- ▶ *Other?*



Existing Conditions and Plans



- ▶ Sisters Country Vision Action Plan
 - ▶ Action 4.1 - Trail Expansion Outreach
 - ▶ Action 4.2 - Trail Expansion Funding
 - ▶ Action 4.3 - Regional Trail System
 - ▶ Action 4.4 - Separated Bike and Equestrian Trails on Tie Trail
- ▶ County Comprehensive Plan - Ch. 3
 - ▶ Several goals/policies to expand access to rural bike/ped system and improve safety
- ▶ Deschutes National Forest Plans/Studies
 - ▶ Most trails located on federal/public forest land
 - ▶ Deschutes National Forest Alt. Transportation Study - identifies needed corridor access/connectivity improvements
- ▶ OAR 660-034-0035 - Park Uses on Ag. And Forest Land





Open Discussion - Trail Connection or Expansion Needs

- ▶ Web Map
- ▶ *What trails or bikeways have connectivity potential? Most feasible connections?*
- ▶ *Expansion opportunities?*
- ▶ *Need for safety improvements?*
- ▶ *Challenges/barriers?*
- ▶ *Objectives, goals, or challenges specific to your organization?*



Future Project Needs

- ▶ Efforts needed to advance trail expansion objectives
 - ▶ Collaboration among stakeholders, community?
 - ▶ Funding?
 - ▶ Federal environmental or other planning & permitting?
 - ▶ Other?
- ▶ Outreach Project Next Steps
 - ▶ Complete and Share Memo #1 - Plan/Policy Review and Existing Conditions (May/June)
 - ▶ Launch virtual Open House (July)
 - ▶ Schedule and hold second Committee meeting in August