

Project Name	Sponsor	Project Description	Net Baseline Reduction
Fairway Trail	Marin Audubon Society	Camino Alto Preserve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce environmental impacts by decommissioning various social trails in the southern portion of the preserve and rehabilitating habitat from Escalon Fire Road to Fairway Drive. 	-273
Corte Madera Ridge Bypass Trail	Marin County Bicycle Coalition	Blithedale Summit Preserve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide a better recreational experience by constructing a new hiker/biker trail connecting Glen and Middle Summit Fire Roads. Reduce environmental impacts by decommissioning various social trails in the general vicinity. 	-50
Adopt Trail	Marin County Bicycle Coalition	Camino Alto Preserve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decommission several undesignated social trails in Camino Alto. Adopt a current social trail in Camino Alto that connects Lower Summit and Middle Summit Fire Roads, and allow multiuse traffic on it. 	-50
Open Bob Middagh Trail to Bikes	Marin County Bicycle Coalition	Alto Bowl Preserve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve stream crossings. Improve sight lines and install speed control features. Open Bob Middagh Trail to bicycle use. 	-8
Open King Mountain Loop Trail to Bikes	Access 4 Bikes	King Mountain Preserve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Repair and improve drainage. Improve sight lines. Open a portion of King Mountain Loop Trail to bicycle use. 	-5

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Hunt Camp Trail Improvement Project	Access 4 Bikes	<p>Gary Giacomini Preserve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce environmental impacts by decommissioning social trails, realigning steep and erosive sections and improving wet crossings on the existing Hunt Camp Trail. Create a hike/bike trail from the Hunt Camp Trail to provide an alternate egress on to Manzanita Fire Road. 	-38
Edgewood Trail	Marin County Bicycle Coalition	<p>Gary Giacomini Preserve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change in use of the Edgewood Trail from Hiker only to multiuse. Reduce environmental impacts by decommissioning social trails, realigning steep and erosive sections and improving wet crossings. 	-9
Cascade Canyon Fish Projection Project	<p>Friends of Corte Madera Creek Watershed</p> <p>Marin County Bicycle Coalition</p>	<p>Cascade Canyon Preserve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct 2 new multiuse bridges to improve accessibility and reduce sediment transport in federally listed Steelhead spawning habitat Change the use of a small segment of the Canyon Trail between the 2 newly installed bridges Decommission the High Water Trail. 	-44
Happersberger Trail Closure	<p>Foot People</p> <p>CA Native Plant Society</p> <p>Marin Audubon Society</p>	<p>Cascade Canyon Preserve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce environmental impacts by decommissioning and rehabilitating the Happersberger social trail. This steep fall line social trail has grades up to 35% and is mostly aligned through rich fragile plant communities. Additionally, the trail leads hikers to an unsanctioned trail on MMWD lands. 	-43

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Green Hill Trail Closure	Foot People Tamalpais Conversation Club	Gary Giacomini Preserve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce environmental impacts by decommissioning and rehabilitating the Green Hill social trail. This social trail is redundant with very steep grades (up to 45%). 	-28.5
Edgewood Trail	Residents for Edgewood Trail Preservation	Gary Giacomini Preserve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce environmental impacts by reconstructing the Edgewood Trail while maintaining hiker only designation. 	-18

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In 2014, the Marin County Open Space Commission approved a Road and Trail Management Plan (RTMP). The purpose of the RTMP is to establish a sustainable system of roads and trails that reduce environmental impact while improving visitor experience and safety. Few of the roads and trails in Marin County open space preserves were designed for public access. Most are historic logging or ranch roads, fire and emergency crew roads, and informal trails that evolved from repeated use. The RTMP provides a framework for improving and maintaining the trail system based on scientific observation, community feedback, and transparent decision making processes. The RTMP provides for public input into the trail management process, including accepting public proposals for trail improvements. Marin County Open Space District accepts public proposals throughout the year, and evaluates them annually.

Project selection is subject to many factors, including available budget, staffing resources, and equipment, as well as competing priorities, such as addressing risk and hazard reduction across the system. Proposed projects are given numerical rankings indicating their overall value based on the principles of the RTMP. But due to other factors even a highly ranked project may not be selected for implementation. And proposed projects that are selected for budgeting and implementation may change, sometimes substantially, as they move through required public outreach, planning, design, and CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) phases. A project proposal may also be “not scoreable” if, for example, it did not include sufficient detail or is unlikely to result in a measurable change based on the criteria of the RTMP. Proposals can be revised and resubmitted at any time. Recommendations for projects that fall outside of the scope of the RTMP, such as educational programs or events, will be referred to appropriate Parks staff.

Preserving the treasured open spaces of Marin County for future generations depends upon community collaboration and open, transparent communication. We encourage the public to engage in the process of participating with the Open Space District in designing and maintaining a trail system that can serve Marin for future generations.

The RTMP is available on marincountyparks.org, or upon request at our office. Chapter 5 of the RTMP provides details on the project proposal, evaluation, selection, and implementation process.

Requests for accommodations may be made by calling (415) 473-4381, TTY (415) 473-2495, CRS dial 711, e-mail at disabilityaccess@marincounty.org at least five work days in advance. Copies of documents are available in alternative formats, upon request.