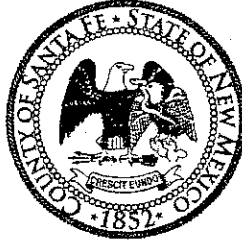


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MEMORANDUM

Date: August 14, 2018

To: Board of County Commissioners

From: Maria Lohmann, Open Space and Trails Planner 
Paul Olafson, Planning Projects Manager

Via: Robert Griego, Planning Manager
Penny Ellis-Green, Growth Management Director
Katherine Miller, County Manager

Re: **Open Space, Trails and Parks Strategic Management Plan Update and 20 Year Anniversary Celebration**

Background:

The Open Space, Trails, and Parks Strategic Management Plan proposes policies, strategies and actions to implement the goals of the Open Space and Trails Program. This Strategic Management Plan updates the goals and vision for OSTP, and provides guidelines for staff, volunteers, partner agencies and members of the public to implement OSTP projects and priorities.

The Open Space, Trails, and Parks Strategic Management Plan has been developed with input from key stakeholders including community members, agencies, partners, volunteers, user groups and County staff. The public review draft of the plan is scheduled to be released on September 5, 2018 at the regularly scheduled COLTPAC meeting. There will be two stakeholder workshops in order to receive input and work with agencies and organizations to outline priority projects and partnership opportunities in the next one to two years.

The public involvement process for the Open Space, Trails, and Parks Strategic Management Plan aligns with the 20th anniversary of the Open Space and Trails Program. 2018 marks 20 years since Santa Fe County voters approved a bond measure to purchase Open Space for conservation and recreation purposes. Open Space and Trails program will celebrate 20 years of support for the program by hosting a series of events on open space properties. The schedule of events highlights partnerships with different organizations, including NM State Parks, City of Santa Fe, and the Santa Fe Watershed Association.

The preliminary schedule of events includes the following:

- Saturday, September 22: Cerrillos Hills State Park –mining history walk with Park Ranger
- Friday, September 28: Hike at Talaya Hill Open Space
- Saturday, October 6: Thornton Ranch history and nature hike
- Saturday October 20: Santa Fe River work day
- Saturday October 20: Celebration Bash at Romero Park

Staff will provide the BCC with a final schedule of events when all arrangements are finalized.

Action Requested:

This item is an informational update and no actions is requested.

