

What is the PROS Plan?

The Parks, Recreation & Open Space (PROS) Plan is a 6-year guide* and strategic plan for managing and enhancing parks, open space, trails, and recreation opportunities for the Camas community.

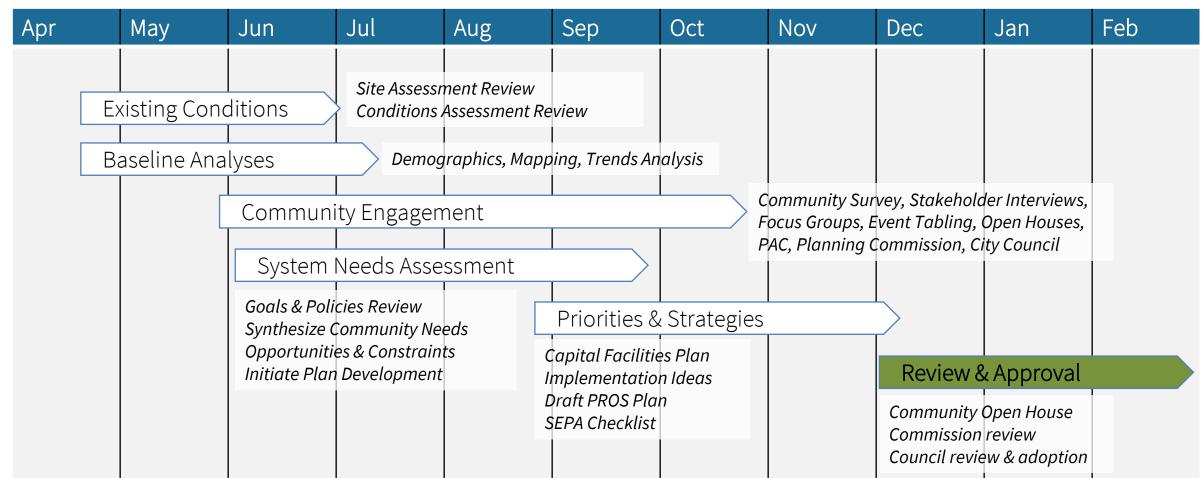
- Policy & Strategy Guide
- Capital Planning Tool
- Communications Tool
- Eligibility for grant funding

*The last plan was adopted in 2014.



Steps to Building the Plan:





Community Engagement

Robust & COVID-sensitive Outreach

- Survey (random-sample mail, plus online)
- Online open house on priorities (hard copies available at Library)
- Topic-oriented stakeholder group discussions
- Event tabling
- Engage Camas, online & social media
- Online open house on draft plan (hard copies available at Library)
- Significant P&R Commission guidance
- Joint P&R and Planning Commissions meetings
- Multiple City Council touch points



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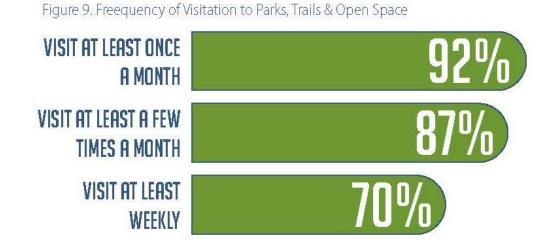
Presentations & Materials

https://engagecamas.com/parksrecreation-open-spacecomprehensive-plan

		Median Value	
Metric	All Agencies	Pop. Range 20-50,000	Camas
Residents per Park	2,281	1,963	1,629
Acres of Parkland per 1,000 population	9.9	9.6	40.8
Miles of Trails *	11	8.5	39.2
Number of Residents per Playground	3,750	3,157	1,862
Number of Residents per Recreation Center**	31,141	25,716	6,516

^{*} Note: Includes trails in County parks

- Community survey results July 28, 2021
 P&R Commission Mtg.
- Planning & P&R Joint meeting September
 21, 2021
- Draft Plan February 22, 2022 Council Workshop



^{**} Note: Assumes 25% of Camas population for Camas Community Center and Lacamas Lake Lodge

PROS Plan Structure

Contents:

- Introduction
- Community Profile
- **Community Engagement**
- Inventory & Classifications
- Parks & Trails
- Open Space & Stewardship
- **Recreation & Events**
- Operations & Maintenance
- Goals & Policies
- 10. Capital Projects & Implementation
- 11. Appendices



A Thriving CAMAS



When my kids were young activities such as the Easter Equ Hunt and Boo Bash were important as was safe, accessible and fun playground equipment. Without children in our household. I'm more interested in trails, both walking and biking. - Survey respondent



PURPOSE OF THE PLAN

he City of Camas Parks Recreation & Open Space Plan (PROS Plan) is an update to the 2016 Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan that builds on the previously completed planning work and incorporates the feedback from an extensive community engagement process conducted throughout 2021. This Plan creates a vision for an innovative, inclusive, and interconnected system of parks, trails, and open space that

environmental conservation, and fiscal responsibility as integral elements of a thriving, livable

The PROS Plan serves as a blueprint for the growth, enhancement, and management of the City of Camas parks and recreation system and assists in guiding decisions related to planning, acquiring, developing, and maintaining parks open space, trails, and recreational facilities. This plan also identifies priorities for recreation programs and special events.

undated system inventories demographic conditions needs analyses, and a comprehensive capital project list. The Plan identifies parks and recreation goals and establishes a longrange plan for the Camas parks and recreation system including action items and strategies for implementation over the next six to 10 years. The recommendations in this Plan are based on community input evaluations of the existing park

system, operating conditions,

and fiscal considerations.

The PROS Plan is part of the City's broader Comprehensive Plan and is consistent with the guidelines established by the Growth Management Act. The PROS Plan, updated approximately every six years. allows Camasto remain curren with community interests and retain eligibility for state grants through the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO), which administers various grant programs for outdoor recreation and conservation efforts



Community Engagement

Top Three Priorities

- Maintain What We Have
- Fill Gaps & Improve Trail Connections
- Develop & Improve Existing Parks



Goals

- 4 Themes
- 23 Goals
- 62 Actions









PLAN FOR & FILL KNOWN SYSTEM GAPS



POLICY

Enhance our parks and recreation system to make it more welcoming and accessible.

- Develop Diversity/Equity/Inclusion policy that removes accessibility barriers (socio-economic, language, physical, geographic, transportation) to programs, parks and trails, and in alignment with City vision and policies.

Better understand funding gaps and funding alternatives.

- Develop and implement a cost recovery policy that provides for an equitable fee structure for park facilities and recreation programs, with high-community benefit programs and event funded appropriately to ensure accessibility for all residents.
- Periodically revise the park impact fee methodology and rates to accurately reflect changes in level of service standards and/or the costs of expanding the park infrastructure to accommodate population growth.
- Review and update the adopted sixyear Parks Capital Facilities Plan (CFP) every two years to remain current with local recreational interests and account for the capital needs of the parks and recreation system.
- Pursue alternative funding options and dedicated revenues, including engaging and exploring with the City of Washougal a feasibility study to assess the potential of establishing a regional financing tool for recreation service.

Provide equitable access to parks and open space system.

- Prioritize park and trail development in areas where service gaps exist (e.g., where households are more than ½-mile from a developed park, open space or trail) and in areas of the City facing population growth and residential and commercial development.
- Evaluate and update design and development standards for parks and recreation amenities within private development to promote and achieve equitable levels of service and provide amenities that are complementary to the city park.

Expand recreational services.

- Re-examine the opportunity for new recreational center with aquatics facility, taking into consideration financial feasibility and partnership opportunities.

Coordinate collaborative discussions on policy matters.

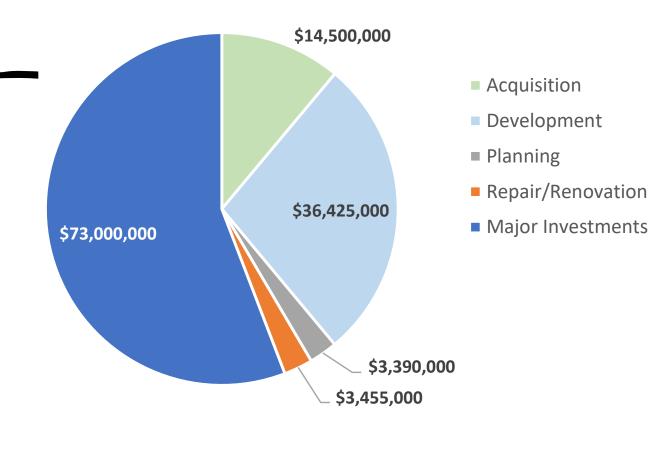
- Bring together Parks and Recreation Commission, City Council, and other standing City boards, such as the Planning Commission, to discuss policy matters pertaining to recreational resources, opportunities and funding.

Capital Planning & Implementation

Full project list is a 20+ year list of future improvements

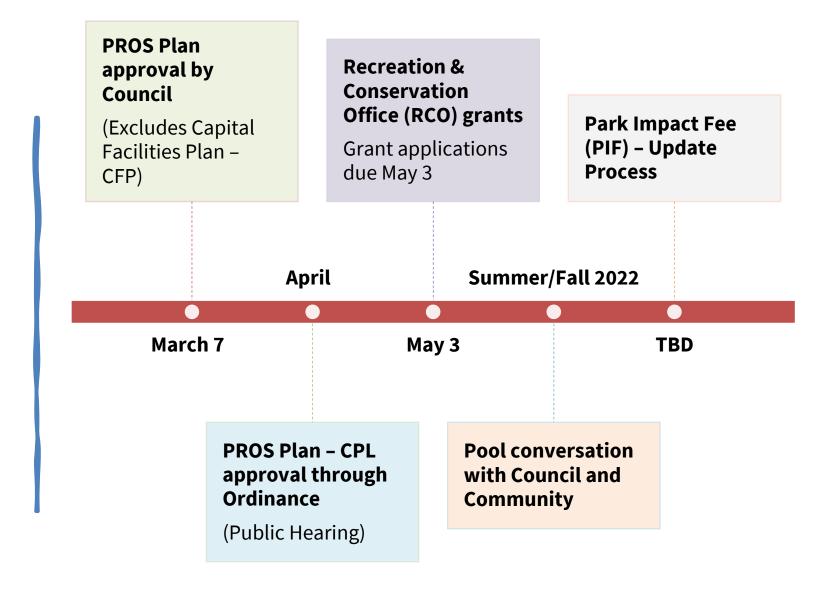
Parks & Recreation Commission will review the CFP every two years as part of the biennial budget process

Major investment project ideas (e.g., Rec/Aquatic Center, Sports Complex, etc.) will require additional public and policy conversations



CFP Total: \$130,770,000

Other Critical Dates



RCO Grant Applications – Proposed Projects

Green Mountain acquisition

Land & Water Conservation Fund

Third Ave. (aka Lacamas Creek) Trailhead

Washington Wildlife & Recreation
 Program - Trials

Crown Park - Water Feature

Washington Wildlife & Recreation
 Program - Local Parks

