

SARATOGA TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES MASTER PLAN

Town Council Presentation

1/16/2024

Agenda

1. Brief Project Review
2. Input Summary
3. Resulting Projects
4. Public Meeting #2
5. Next Steps

Why is Planning Important?



To confirm a
common direction.



To hold valuable conversations with
citizens about the future plan for the Town.



To establish trust and partnership between
the Town and Residents / Businesses



To guide Town investments and understand
maintenance and management needs

Plan Purpose

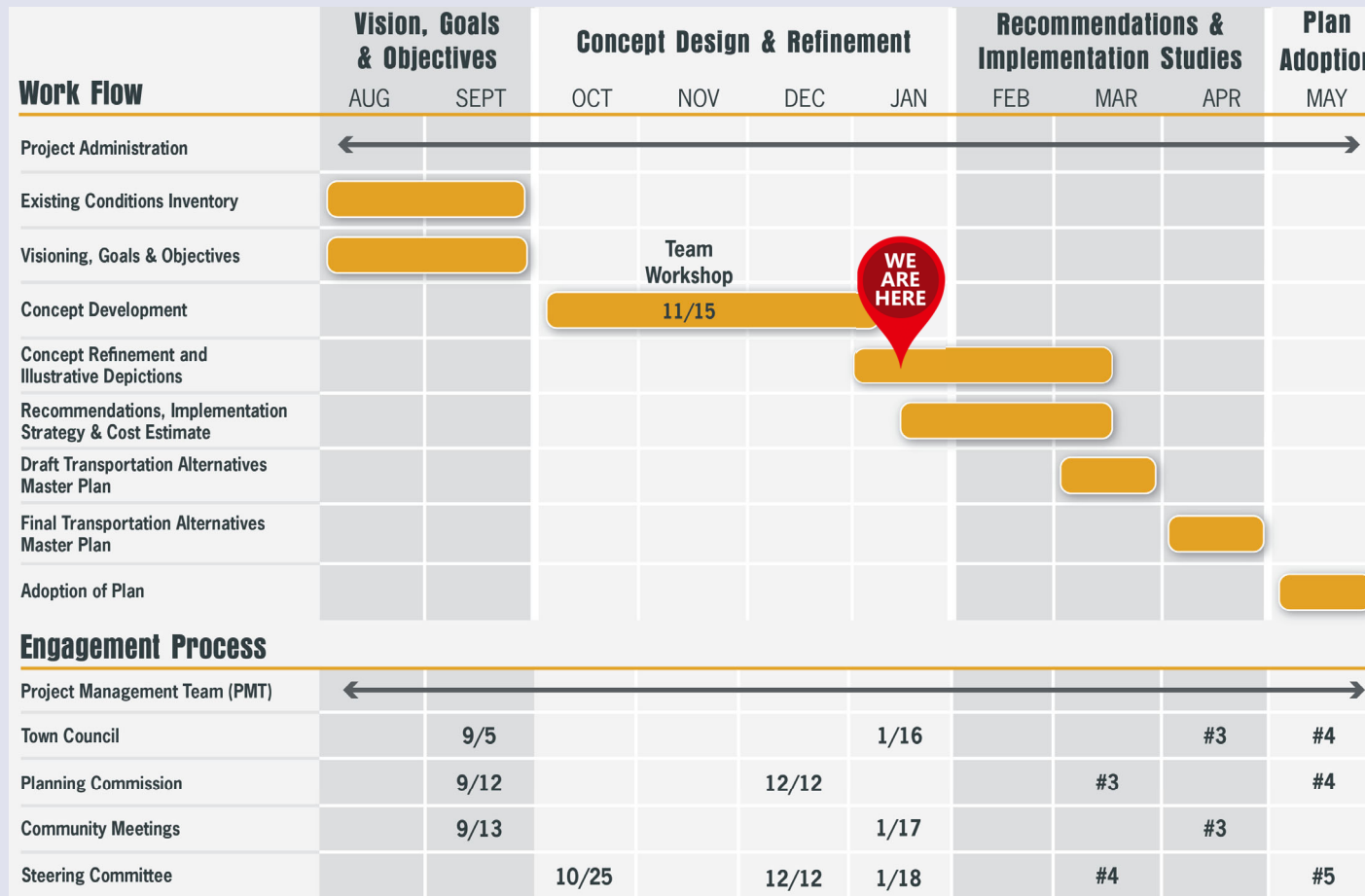
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Further Explores the Transportation and Recreation
Goals of the Comprehensive Master Plan

And

Develops Alternatives and Recommendations for improvements,
management, maintenance, and funding.

Project Schedule



Input Summary: Sources

- **Planning Commission**
- **Steering Committee**
- **Stakeholder Interviews**
- **Community**
- **Public Meetings**
- **Website and Surveys**

Input Summary: Survey

Website & Survey Engagement Snapshot of Sept. 1st – Sept. 30th / Oct. 1st – Oct. 31st

		Total Visits	Unique Visitors	Page Views
Visits to Website	September:	159	122	212
	October:	77	74	104
	2-Month Total:	236	196	316

		From Website	Public Meeting #1	
Surveys Taken	September:	23	14	
	October:	10	N/A	
	2-Month Total:	33	14	→ 47 Total Surveys

Input Summary: Survey

- Town residents prefer walking and driving as their primary modes of transportation.
- About 60% of respondents would walk more if more sidewalks and trails were available.
- Popular walking destinations include neighborhoods, the post office, businesses along Bridge Ave, and Veteran's Island Park.
- Some residents think walking is easy due to low traffic, but others think it is difficult due to lack of sidewalks. Many indicated that they walk in the roadway.
- Residents find it challenging to walk around Town during the winter due to maintenance issues.

Resulting Projects

Infrastructure Projects

Compiled from community input and project team identification.

Taken through screening process to identify top projects.

Programmatic Projects

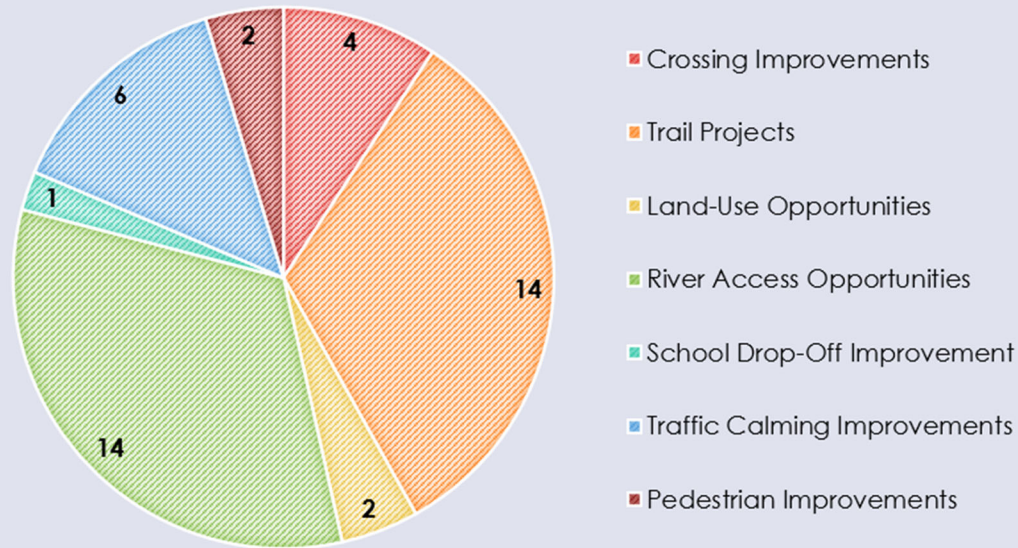
Projects include educational programs, enforcement, and policy changes.

High-Impact "Monarch" Projects

These projects would be highly leverageable but come with high cost and long lead times.

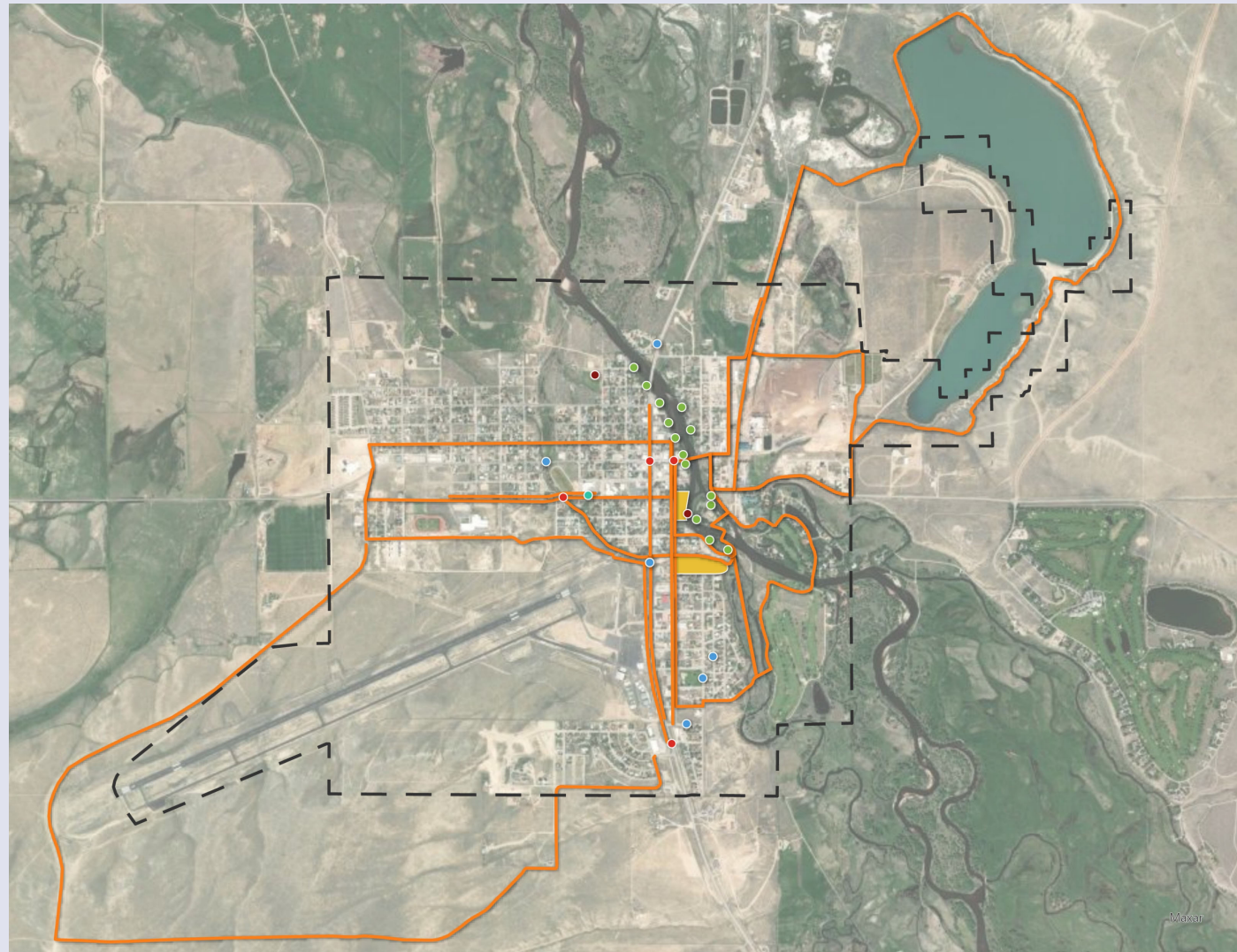
Infrastructure Projects

- 42 Total Projects Informed by Community, Stakeholder, Survey, and Steering Committee Input



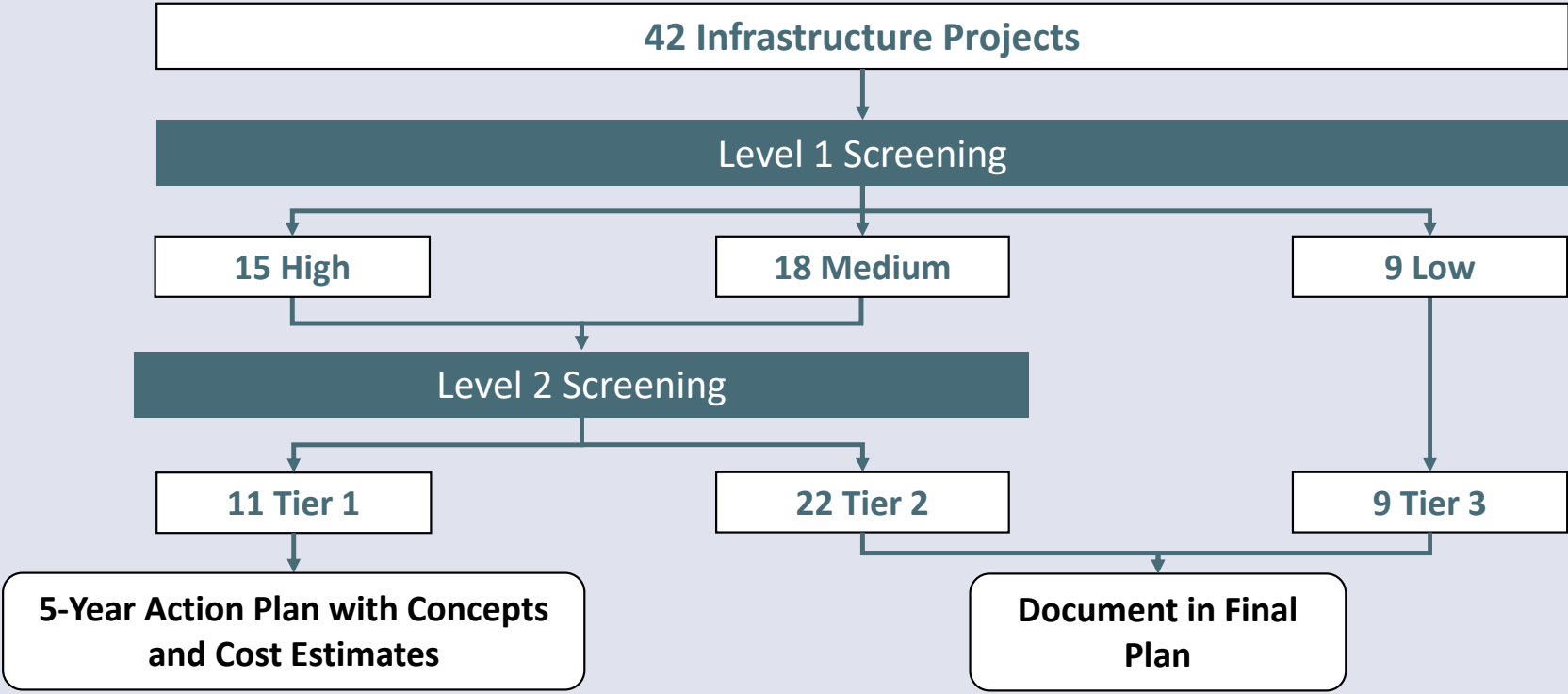
Infrastructure Projects (42)

- Crossing Improvements
- Trail Projects
- Land-Use Opportunities
- River Access Opportunities
- School Drop-Off Improvement
- Traffic Calming Improvements
- Pedestrian Improvements



Screening Process

Goal: Screen all projects to identify those with highest community benefit and most worthy of time, investment, and effort.



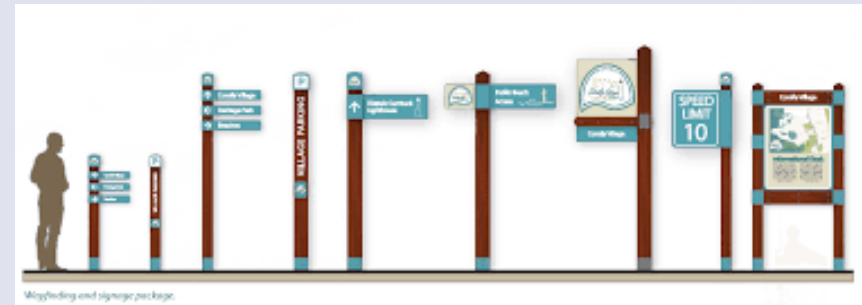
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Programmatic Projects

- Wayfinding Program
- Paint the Pavement Program
- Town Policy for ADA Requirement
- Policy for Implementation of Traffic Calming Treatments
- Targeted Police Enforcement on Priority Corridors
- Speed Feedback Signs



High-Impact “Monarch” Projects

Revitalization of Old Water Treatment Plant Site

- **Pros:** Central Location – Highly Leverageable – Serves Many Users
- **Cons:** High Cost – May Require EPA Funding – Long Lead Time
- **Next Step:** Focused community discussions and planning process.



High-Impact “Monarch” Projects

Hot Pool Area Master Plan

- Repurposing Town-owned parcel on the south side of the Hot Pool.
- Improving connections to the river and boat launch near the hot pool.
- Enhancing connectivity to Veteran's Island Park.
- Improving overall area connections.
- Next Step: Gather community support for the planning process.




Community Meeting #2

Spreading The Word Through:

- Direct Mailers to 1,370 PO Box Addresses
- Posters Around Town
- The Saratoga Sun and The Comet Newspaper Ads
- Chamber of Commerce Newsletter
- Email Blast
- Social Media
 - Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor

Community Meeting



Elm Ave
High School
Elementary School
Hwy 130
Veterans Island Loop
Hobo Hot Springs
Valley Foods

● Street Crossing
● School Bus Loading
● River Access
— Connectivity Improvements

We heard your ideas at the first community meeting and have been hard at work crafting draft concepts for transportation projects. Now it's your turn to share your thoughts.

Have we captured the essence of what Saratoga needs? Are there ideas we missed?

January 17, 5:30–7:30pm

Platte Valley Community Center
210 W Elm Ave, Saratoga, WY 82331

For more info scan the QR code or visit SaratogaMoves.com

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Next Steps

- **Public Meeting #2 – Wednesday, January 17th, 2024**
 - Meeting Goal: Share screening process, resulting priority projects, and one or two preliminary project concept designs with the public.
- **Steering Committee Meeting #3 – Thursday, January 18th, 2024**
 - Meeting Goal: Share public meeting takeaways and preliminary concept designs with Steering Committee.
- **Project Team to proceed with concept development and refinement.**

Questions

- Project Website: www.SaratogaMoves.com
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