



Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, August 27, 2025, 5:00 PM
Hybrid Meeting - Zoom & Council Chambers, 616 NE
4th AVE

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [Approve Minutes of Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting – July 23, 2025](#)
[Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair](#)
[Time Estimate: 5 minutes](#)

MEETING ITEMS

2. [Legacy Lands Open House Survey Results \(Update\)](#)
[Presenter: Matt Piccone, Greenworks & Adrienne Dedona, JLA Public Involvement](#)
[Time Estimate: 45 minutes](#)
3. [Special Events \(Update\)](#)
[Presenter: Chris Witkowski, Parks and Recreation Director](#)
[Time Estimate: 5 minutes](#)
4. **Staffing Update (Update)**
Presenter: Chris Witkowski, Parks and Recreation Director
Time Estimate: 5 minutes

PROJECT UPDATES

5. Parks Projects Updates (Update)

Presenter: Chris Witkowski, Parks and Recreation Director

Time Estimate: 10 minutes

OTHER ITEMS

6. Commissioners Updates

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair

Time Estimate: Remainder of Time

CLOSE OF MEETING



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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Alicia Brazington, Chair Ellen Burton, Katy Daane, David Dewey, Bud Henson, Vice Chair Jason Irving, Council Liaison Tim Hein

Excused: Jenny Wu

Staff: Susan Palmer and Chris Witkowski

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tim Laidlaw presented a Washington state flag to be hung up at the Camas Skate Park.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. **Approve Minutes of Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting – June 25, 2025**
 Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair
 Time Estimate: 5 Minutes

A motion was made by Daane, seconded by Dewey, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of June 25, 2025, as written.

MEETING ITEMS

2. **City Council Water Safety Committee & Commission Volunteer Request (Discussion)**

Presenter: Chris Witkowski, Parks & Recreation Director
 Time Estimate: 15 minutes

Witkowski stated that the topic about water safety and the pedestrian bridge came up at a recent City Council meeting. Discussion ensued.

3. **Parks Usage Counts (Update)**

Presenter: Chris Witkowski, Parks & Recreation Director
 Time Estimate: 10 minutes

Witkowski stated that the city has a 3-year agreement with Placer Ai to gather Parks usage data history for up to 7 years. Discussion ensued.

4. **National Fitness Campaign (Discussion)**

Presenter: Chris Witkowski, Parks & Recreation Director
 Time Estimate: 15 minutes

Witkowski gave a presentation on National Fitness Campaign equipment options and continued with a list of pros and cons for installing this type of equipment. Discussion ensued.

5. Special Events (Discussion)

Presenter: Chris Witkowski, Parks & Recreation Director

Time Estimate: 10 minutes

The concert in the parks will be held on July 24th & 31st at Dorothy Fox Park. Movies in the park will be held every Friday evening in August at Dorothy Fox Park. The Leadbetter Walk & Roll event will be held on September 14 from 1 – 4 pm. Hometown Holidays event planning is underway. The Parks Commission agreed to not having the Pumpkin Party event this year.

6. Staffing Update (Update)

Presenter: Chris Witkowski, Parks & Recreation Director

Time Estimate: 10 minutes

Witkowski stated that the Camas Parks Foundation held an annual staff lunch at Fallen Leaf Shelter in July for Parks & Recreation month. He stated that the Department coordinators will now be under the title of Parks & Recreation Coordinators.

PROJECT UPDATES

7. Parks Projects Updates (Update)

Presenter: Chris Witkowski, Parks & Recreation Director

Time Estimate: 20 minutes

Witkowski provided updates on the following projects: Crown Park project, 3rd Avenue trailhead signs, sports field assessment, Legacy Lands open house survey, Columbaria installations at the cemetery.

OTHER ITEMS

8. Commissioners Updates

Presenter: Round Table

Time Estimate: Remainder of Time

Heritage parking lot issues have fluctuated throughout the summer.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 6:56 PM.

CAMAS LEGACY LANDS MASTER PLAN



**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
AUGUST 27TH, 2025**

AGENDA:

- Project Refresher
- Project Timeline and Feedback Process
- Open House & Survey Results
- Next Steps

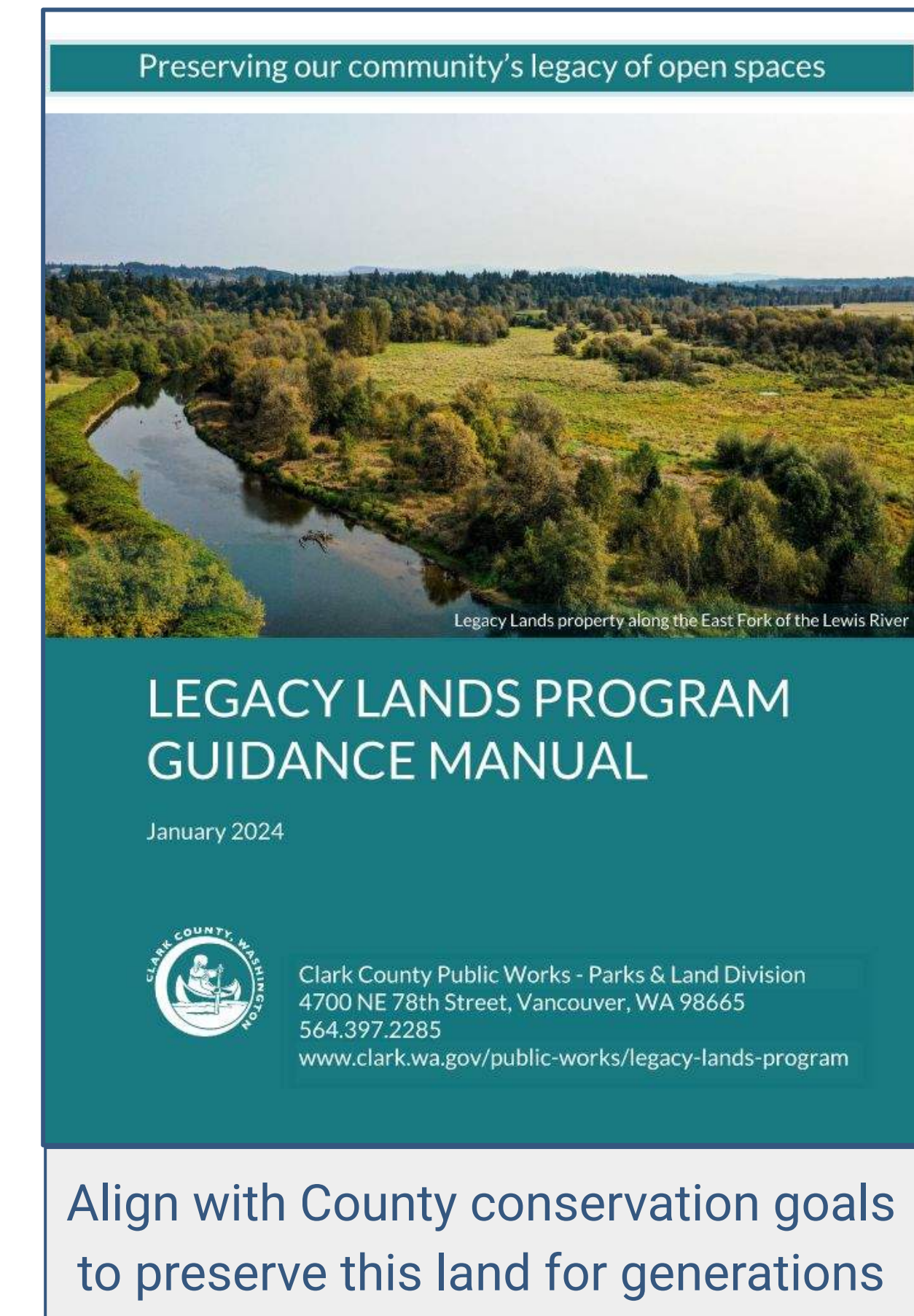
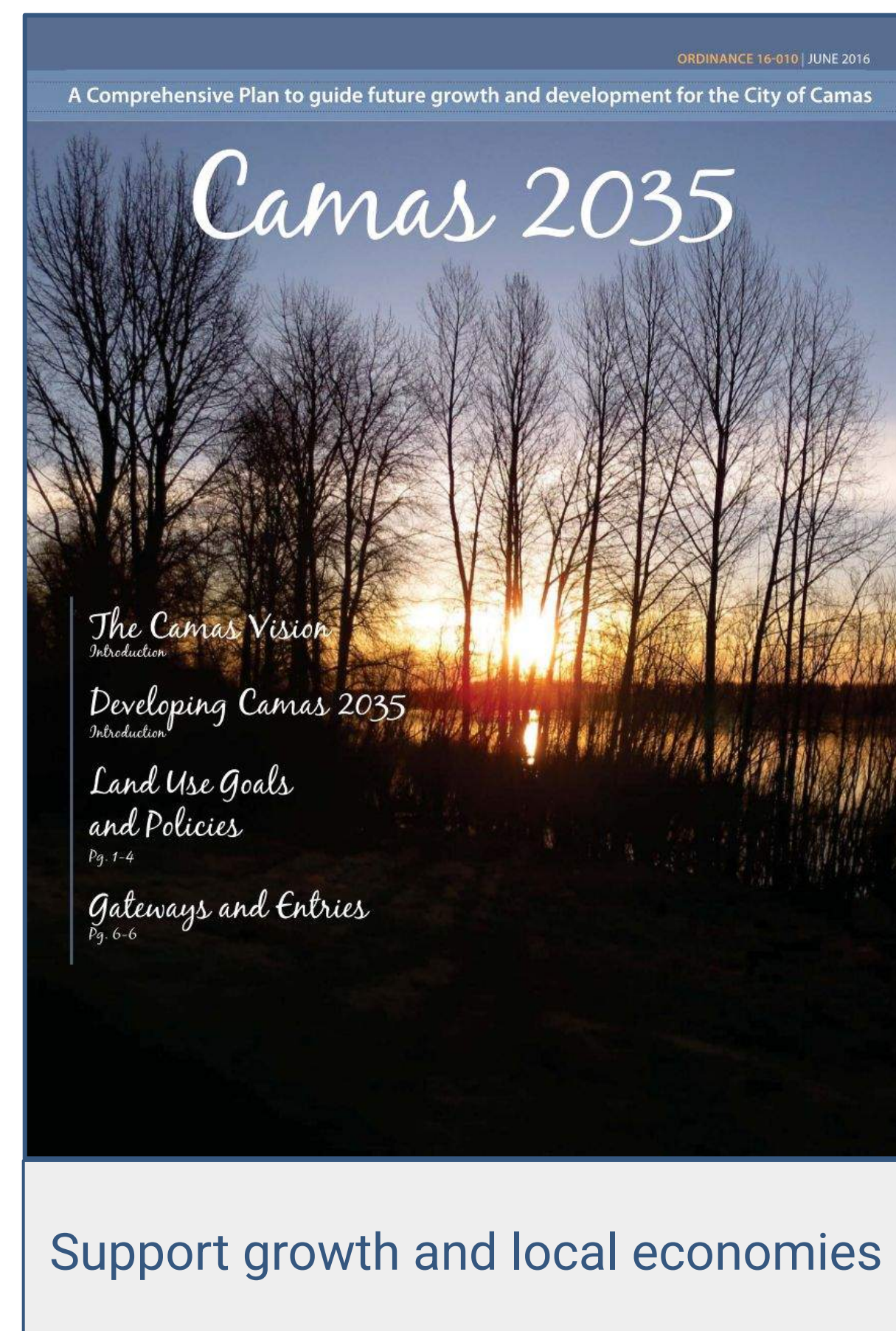
Project Refresher

North Shore Subarea Plan

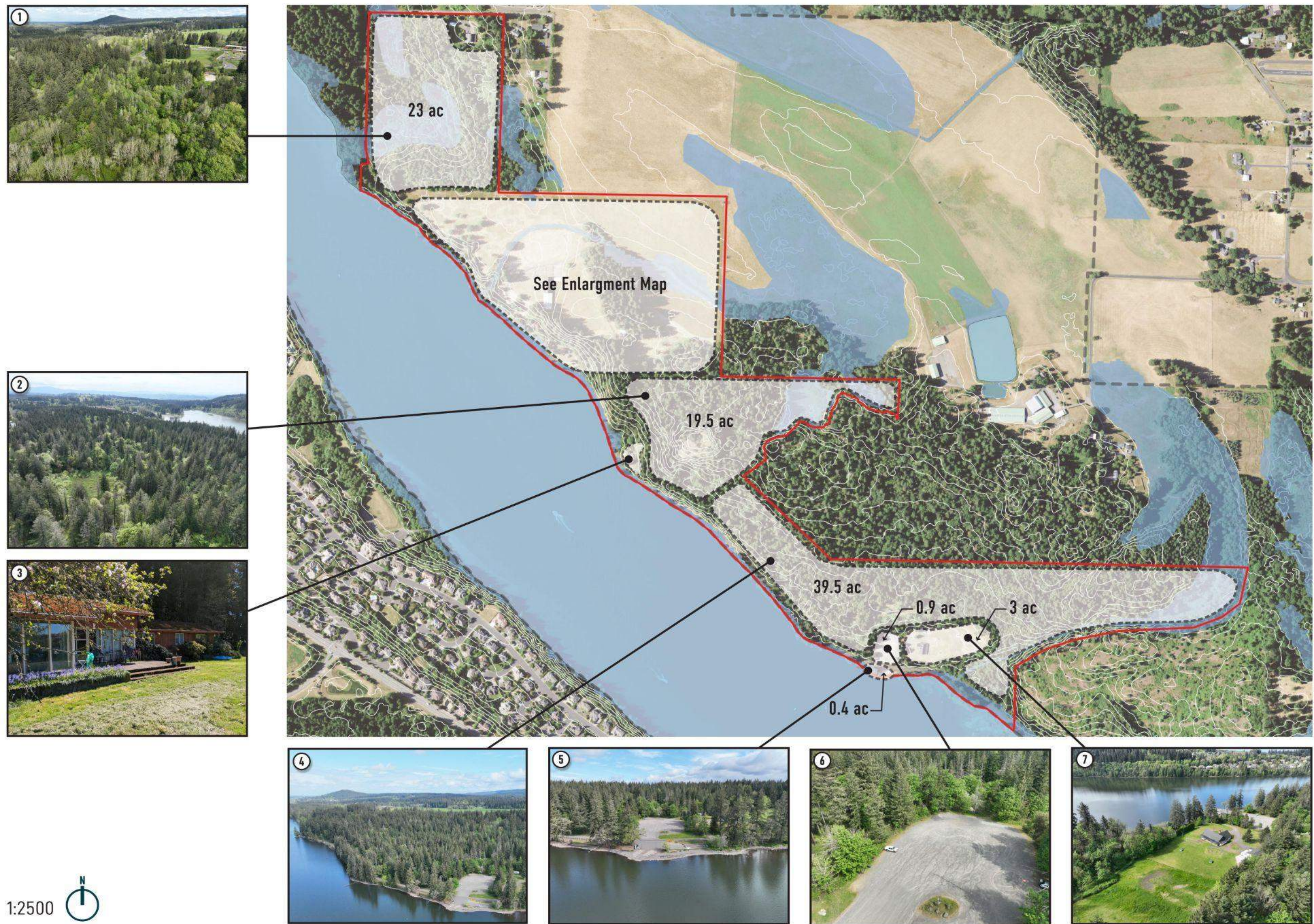


Figure 10. Preferred Concept Plan

Planning Context



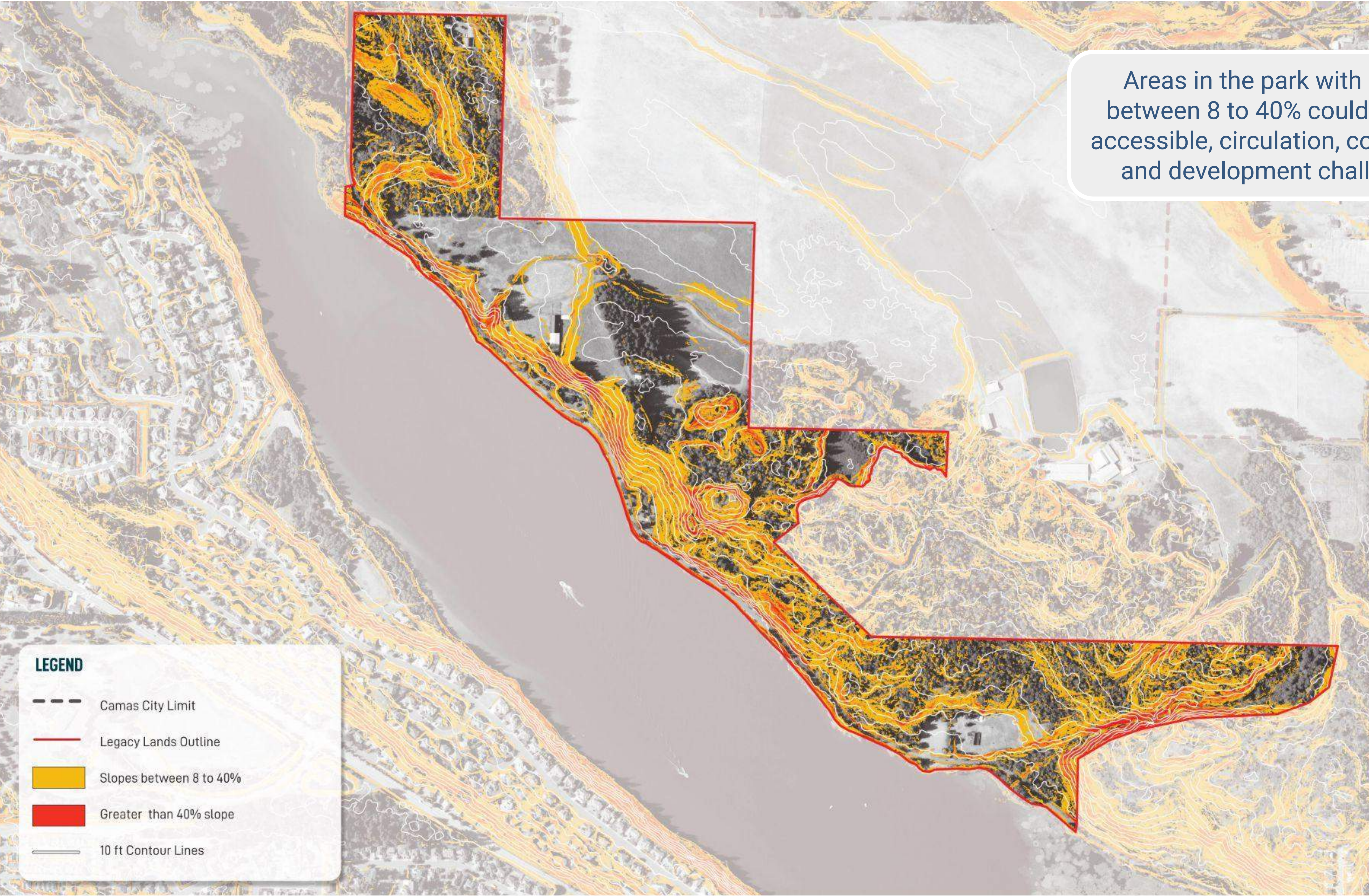
Existing Conditions: Character Map



Existing Conditions: Character Enlargement Map

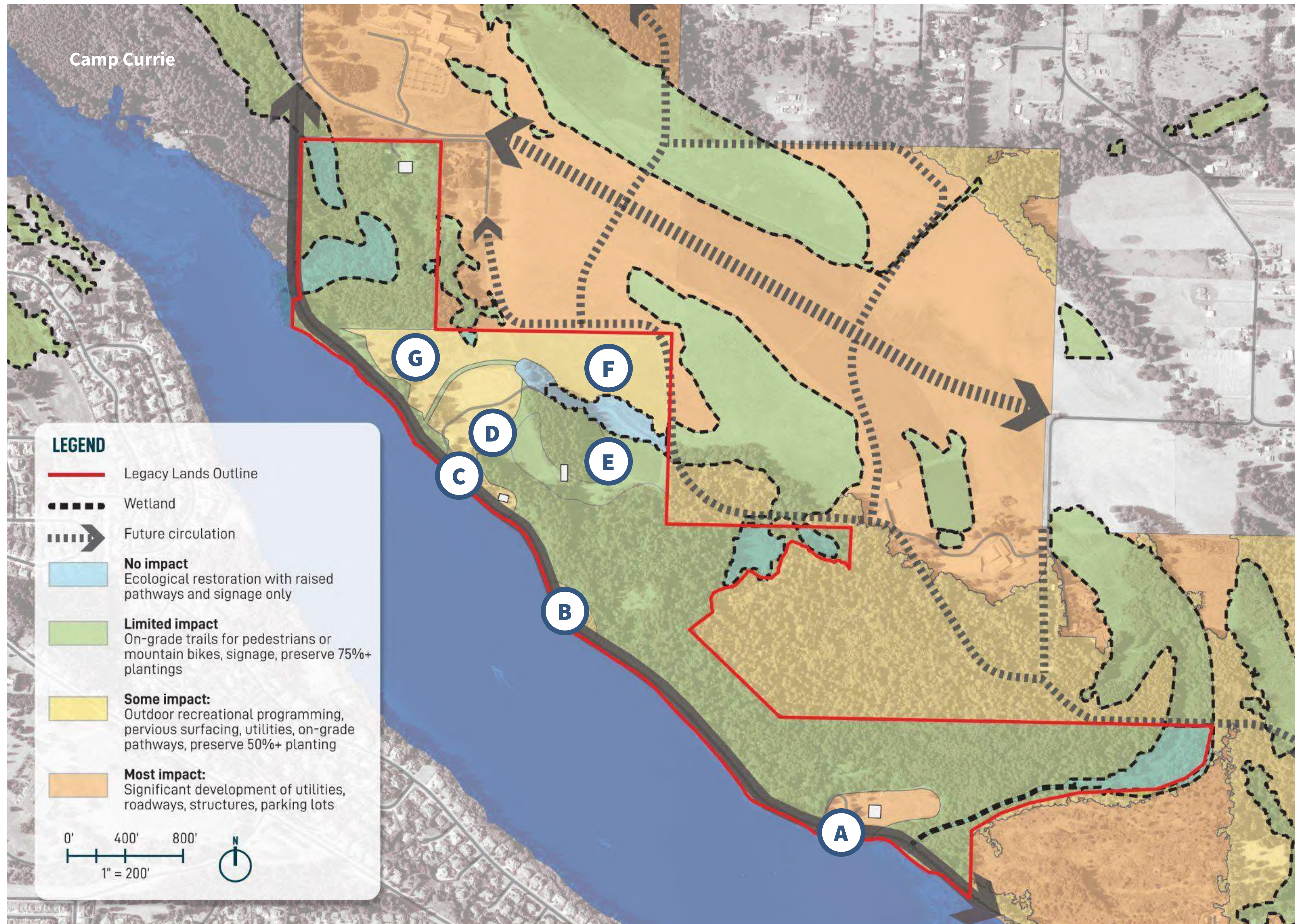


Existing Conditions: Slope Diagram



Design Approach

Levels of Impact



Key Theme:

Impact what's already been impacted, preserve the unique natural features

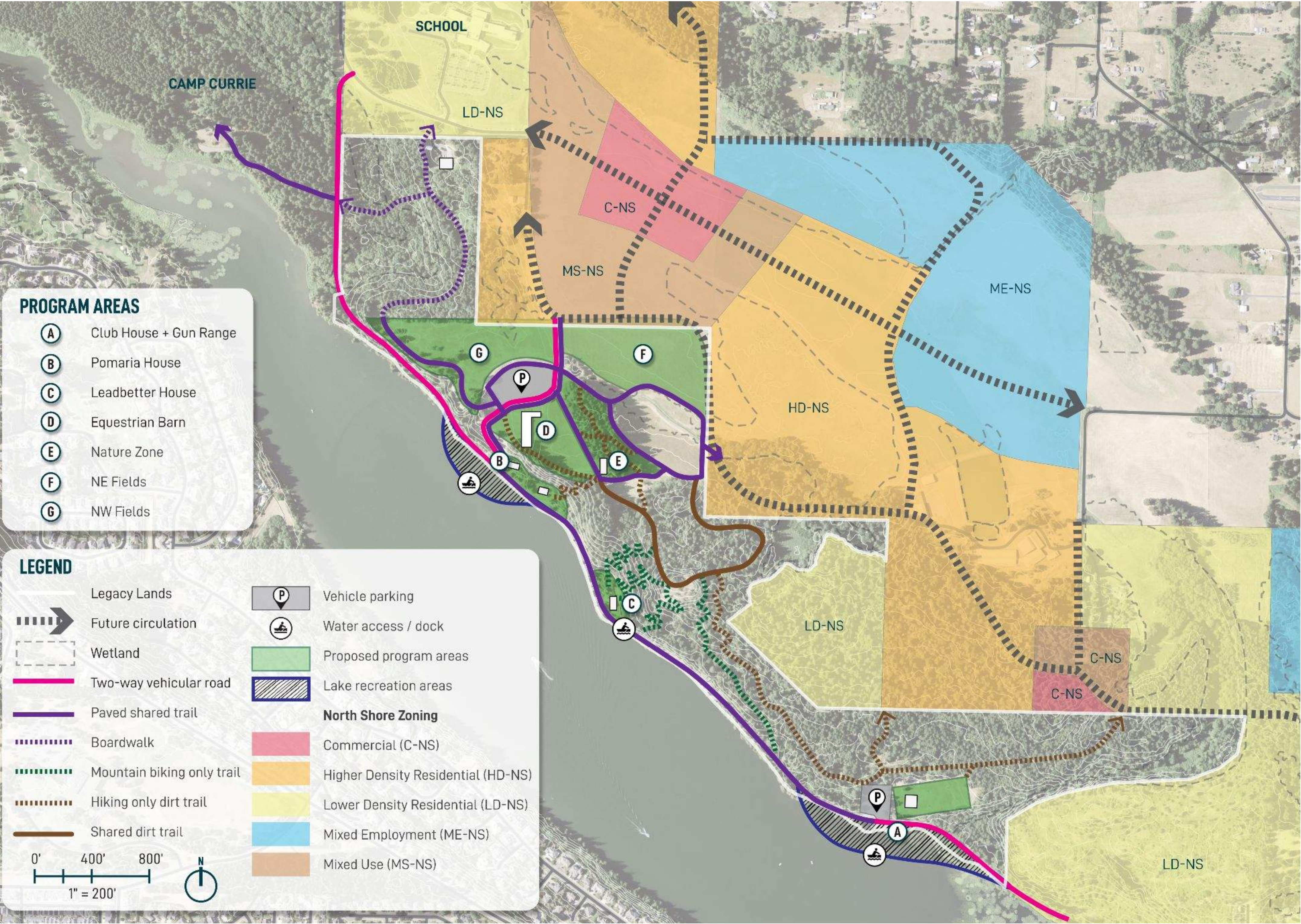
Locations

- A** Club House + Gun Range
- B** Pomaria House
- C** Leadbetter House
- D** Equestrian Barn
- E** Nature Zone
- F** NE Fields
- G** NW Fields

Legacy Lands Master Plan

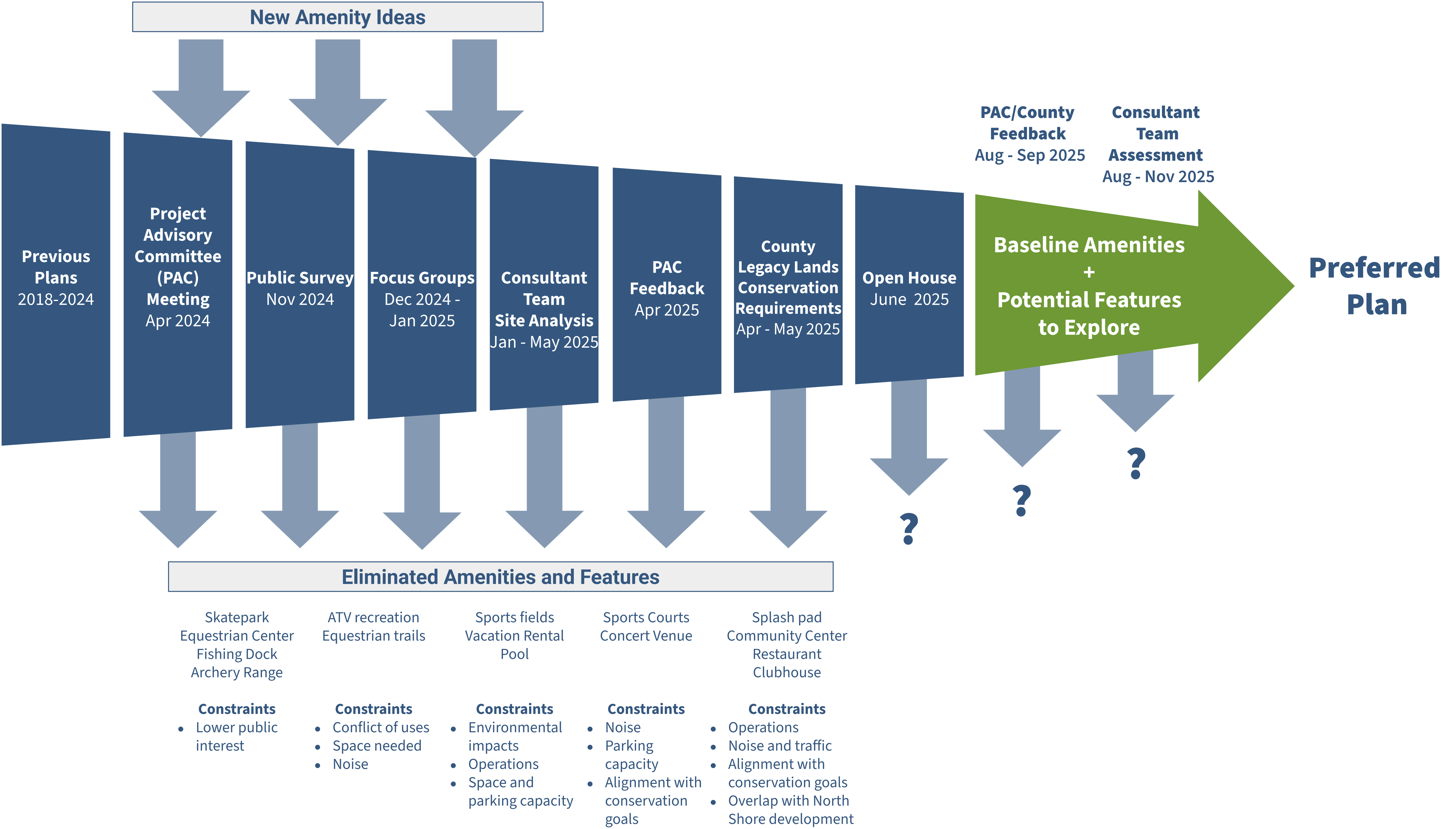
Circulation Diagram: Final Phase

Leadbetter Road: Segment closed to passenger vehicles



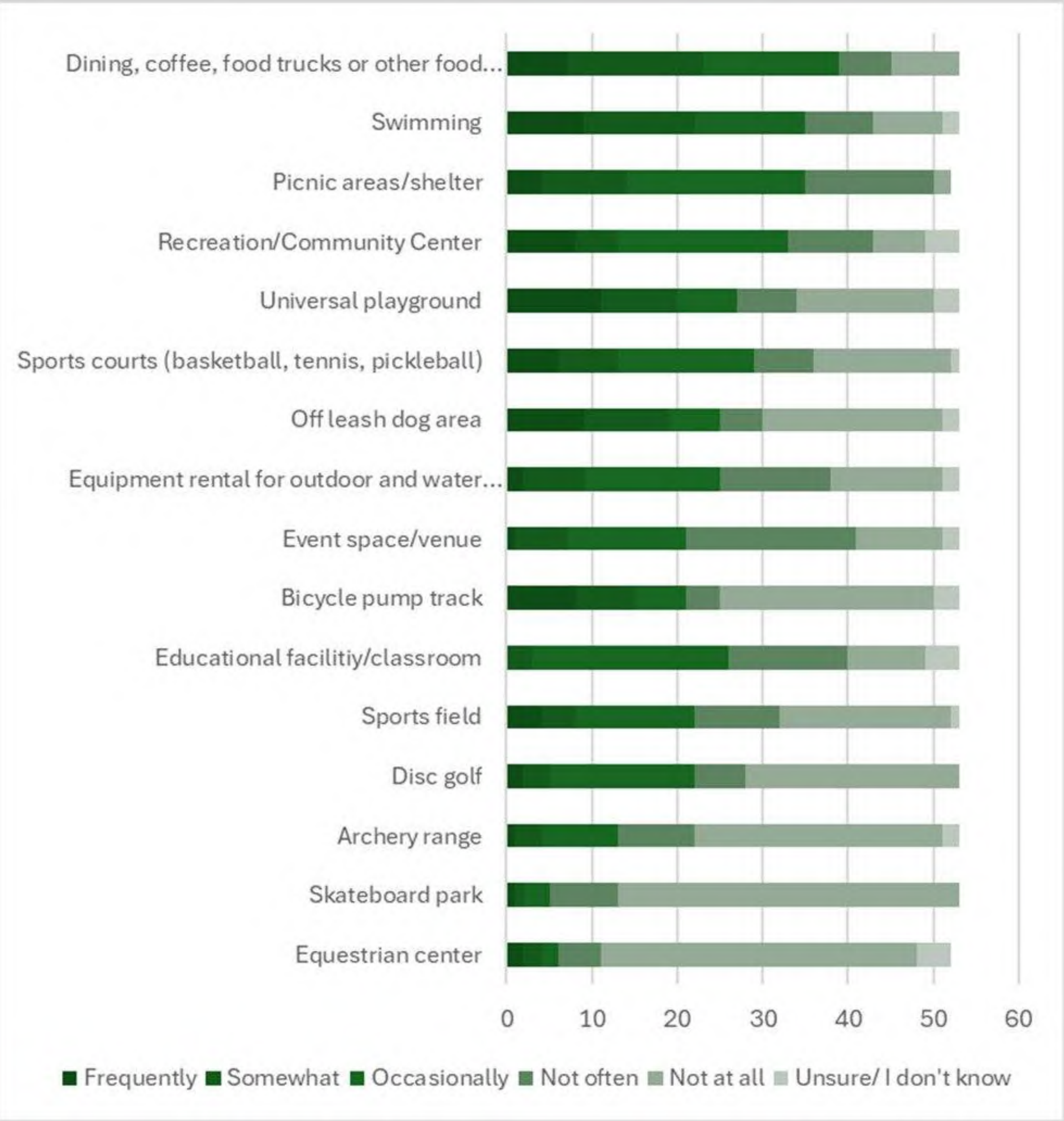
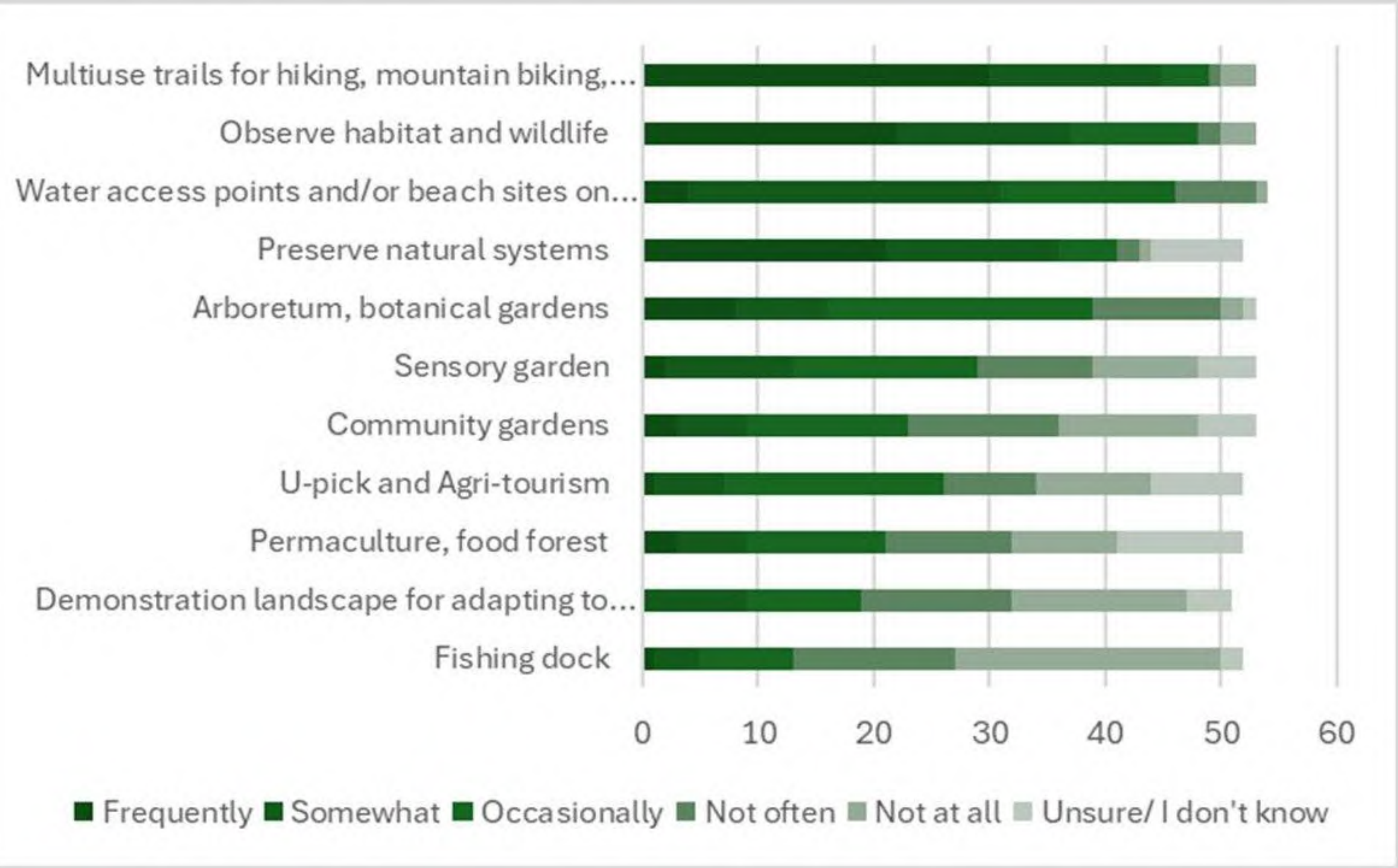
Project Timeline and Feedback Process

Plan Refinement Process



Program Potential: Public Survey Results

How often would you enjoy the following activities or opportunities?



Frequently (weekly or more)

Somewhat frequently (monthly)

Occasionally (a few times per year)

Not often (once a year or less)

Not at all

Legacy Lands Master Plan

Program Potential: Market Viability Assessment

TAKEAWAYS:

- Family Friendly Programs and Activities
- Programs and Services for Older Adults
- Implement Diverse Cultural Programs
- Adventure and Recreation Facilities

	SUPPORTED BY MARKET
Archery range	◐
Bicycle pump track	◐
Dining, coffee, food trucks, or other	10
Other food retail space	◐
Disc golf	◐
Educational facility/classroom	◐
Equestrian center	◐
Equipment rental for outdoor and water recreation	10
Event rental space/venue	◐
Multiuse trails for hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding	10
Off-leash dog park area	◐
Picnic areas/shelters	10
Recreation/Community Center	◐
Sensory garden	◐
Skateboard park	◐
Sports fields	◐
Sport courts (basketball, tennis, pickle ball)	◐
Swimming pool	◐
Universal playground	◐
Water access points to Lacamas Lake	10



10 = Strongly supported ◐ = Somewhat supported

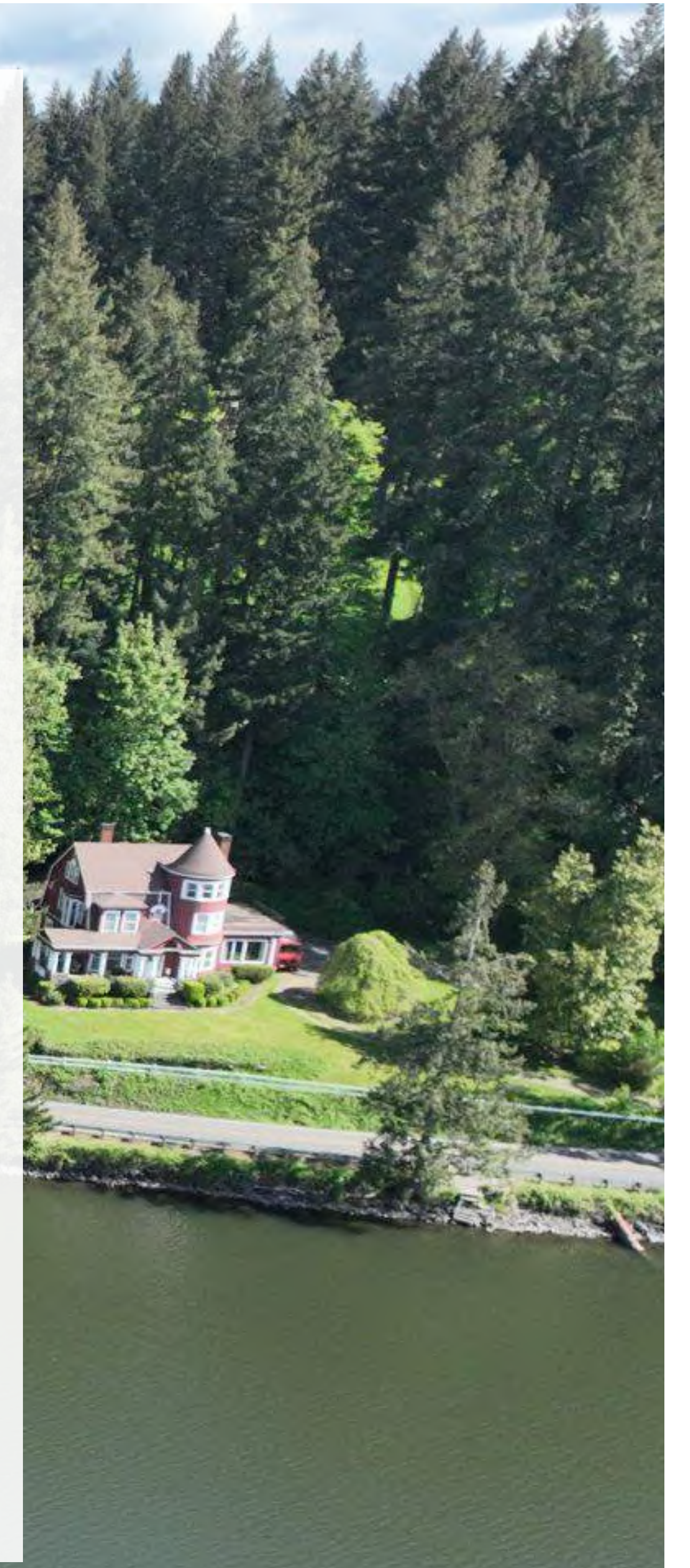
Feedback Themes

Program Survey & Focus Groups:

- Nature play for everyone
 - Provide various ways for people to access and enjoy nature
 - Make Legacy Lands an entry point for safe and enjoyable outdoor recreation
 - Make sure the presence of one activity doesn't ruin the enjoyment of another
- A timeless sanctuary for future generations
 - Keep it natural!
 - Center around restoration and education
 - Impact what's already been impacted, preserve the unique natural features

Clark County Legacy Lands Program:

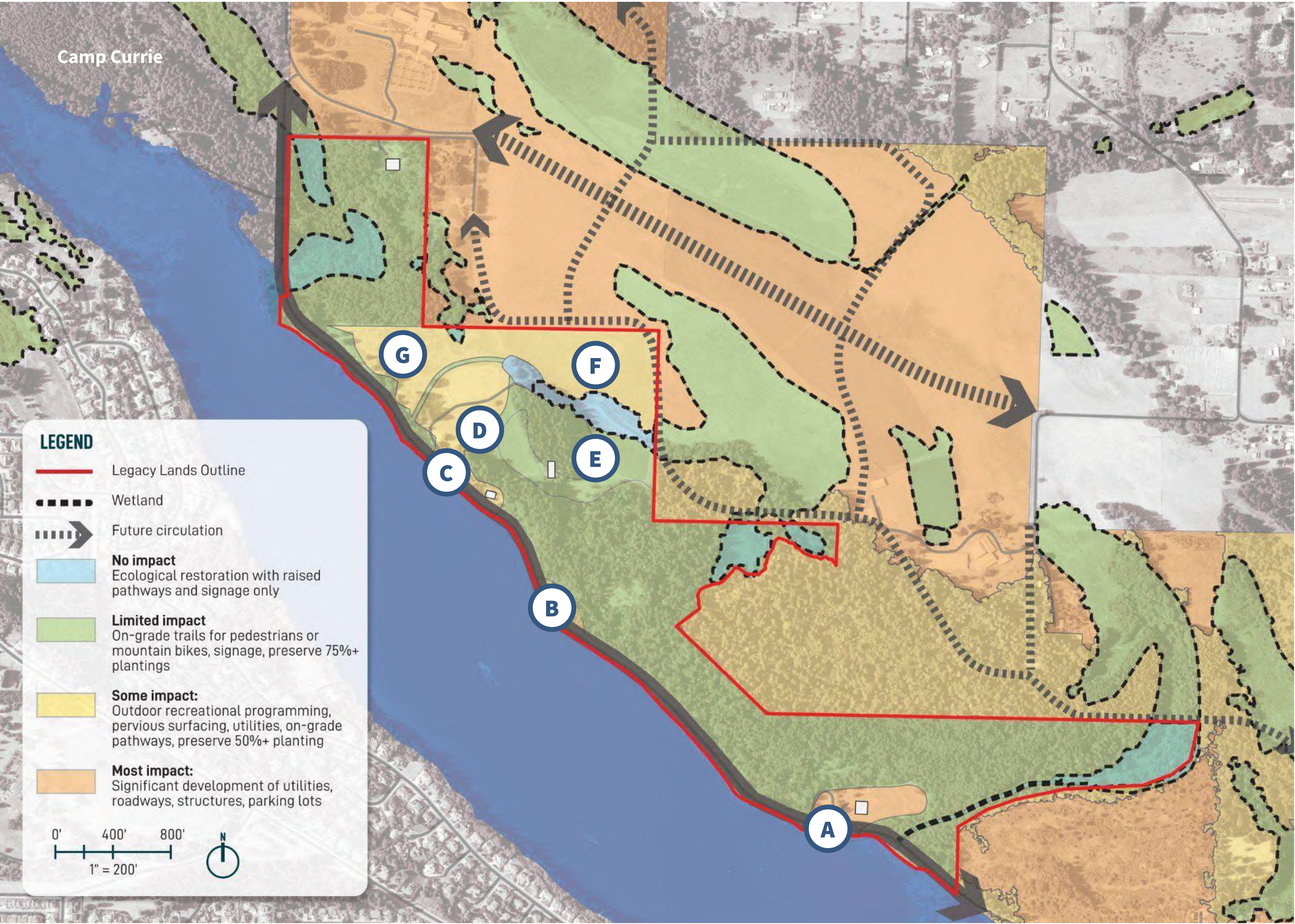
- Any active recreational uses would likely be seen as a “conditional use” and need to demonstrate minimal impact, harmony with the land, and consider buffers
- Leadbetter Rd is required to be closed for a portion to allow for pedestrian and bike only use



Open House and Survey Results

Design Approach

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- Locations**
- (A) Club House + Gun Range
 - (B) Pomaria House
 - (C) Leadbetter House
 - (D) Equestrian Barn
 - (E) Nature Zone
 - (F) NE Fields
 - (G) NW Fields

(A) Club House + Gun Range: Existing Conditions



KEY FEATURES

- Existing lake access point
- Existing gravel parking lot
- Club house and trailer structures
- Adjacent to stream
- Point of entry from South
- Sloped open space

NOTABLE CONSTRAINTS

- Soil contamination
- Vehicles cut off from North
- Existing structure condition

APPROXIMATE AREA

- 4.3 acres



A Club House + Gun Range: Potential Features

PROPOSED BASELINE AMENITIES

- Improved parking lot
- Improved boat launch / dock
- Restrooms
- Trailhead

Potential Additional Features



Rate **EACH** potential feature on how important you think it is to include in the plan



Legacy Lands Master Plan

Feedback Highlights

Open House

DATES: June 18, 2025, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

LOCATION: Lacamas Lake Lodge

RESPONDENTS: 55 members of the public, 47 written comment forms

Online Survey

DATES OPEN: June 19 through July 4, 2025

OUTREACH : Project website, email update, city's social media platforms, specialty groups

RESPONDENTS: 264 responses

OVERALL TAKEAWAYS

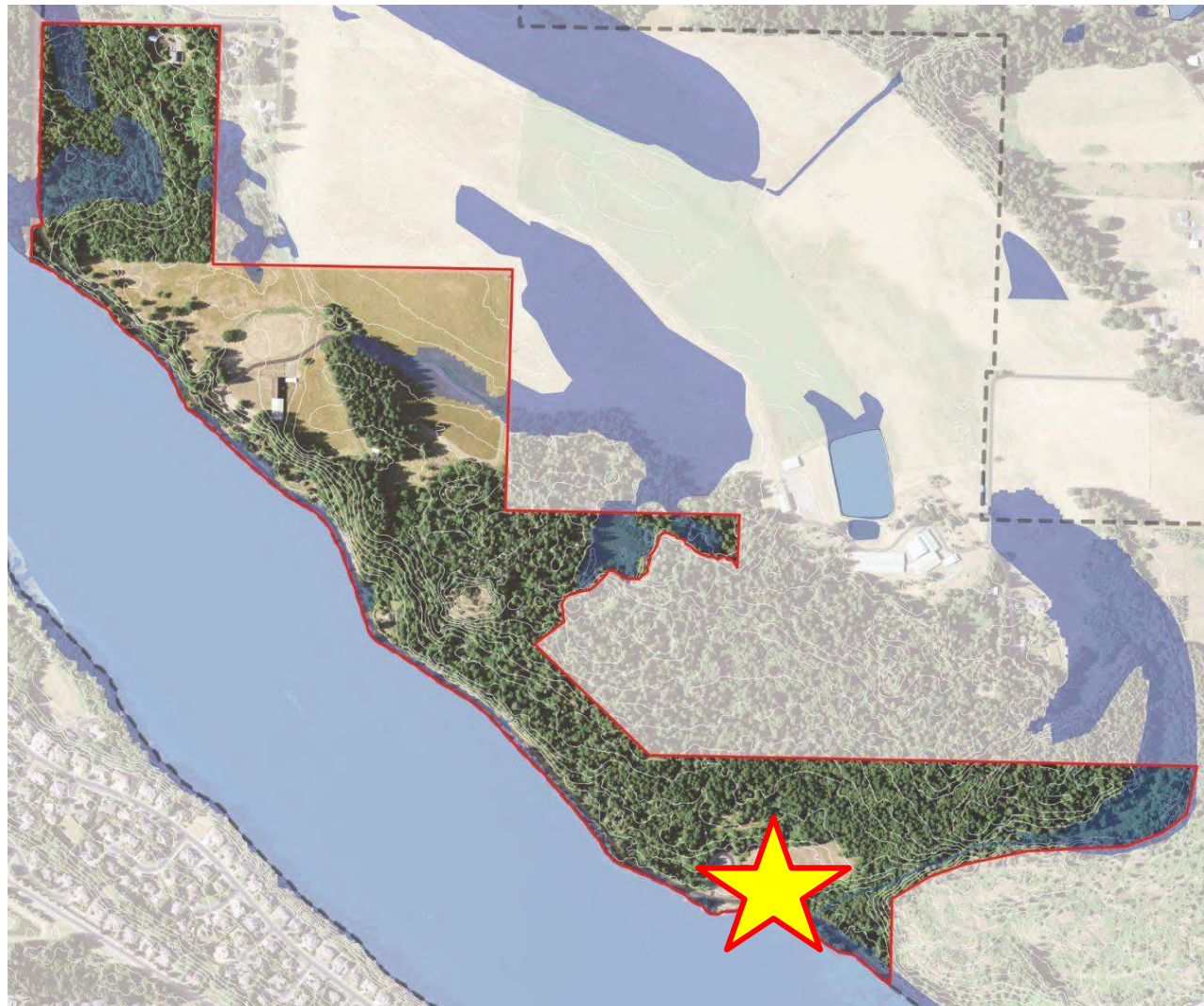
- The biggest priority for the community is to **protect and restore the natural environment** before adding new amenities - nature-compatible recreation that builds community without causing too much impact to the natural setting.
- Many expressed the desire for **safe, car-free, and well-connected** trails for walking, biking, strollers, and other non-motorized uses.
- Improving **water quality** is a major goal before expanding recreation.
- Respondents strongly support creating space for different community needs and visitor programs that provide **volunteer and learning opportunities**.
- Many expressed **concerns about traffic, noise, parking**, litter, and long-term maintenance costs.
- Attendees of the open house tended to lean more towards conservation and light/passive uses
 - i.e. Restoration, walking trails, nature park
- Responders from the online survey tended to lean more towards active specialty uses
 - i.e. Mountain biking, equestrian, disc golf



Legacy Lands Master Plan



A Club House + Gun Range



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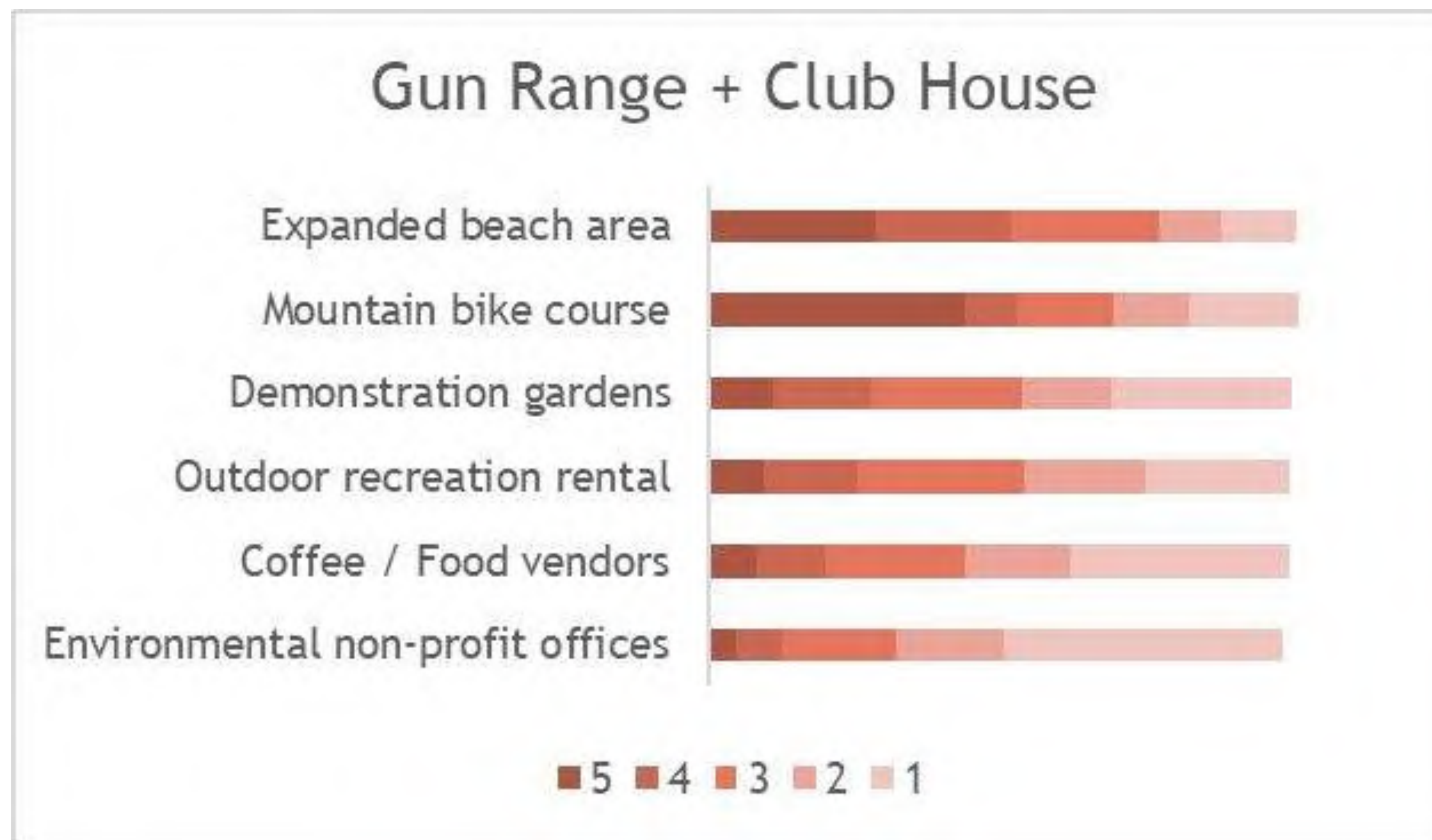
What We Shared

PROPOSED BASELINE AMENITIES

- Improved parking lot
- Improved boat launch / dock
- Restrooms
- Trailhead

What We Heard

- **Mountain bike course** and **expanded beach area** received the highest ratings from both in-person open house attendees and online survey respondents.
- **Mountain bike course** received a higher rating than expanded beach access from online survey respondents.
- **Expanded beach area** received a higher response from in-person attendees.



B Pomaria House



KEY FEATURES

- Existing lake views
- Existing driveway access
- Water, sewer, electricity
- Flat open area
- Mid-point between South and North program areas
- More remote location
- No vehicle conflicts

NOTABLE CONSTRAINTS

- No passenger vehicle access
- Existing building condition

APPROXIMATE AREA

- 1.0 acres

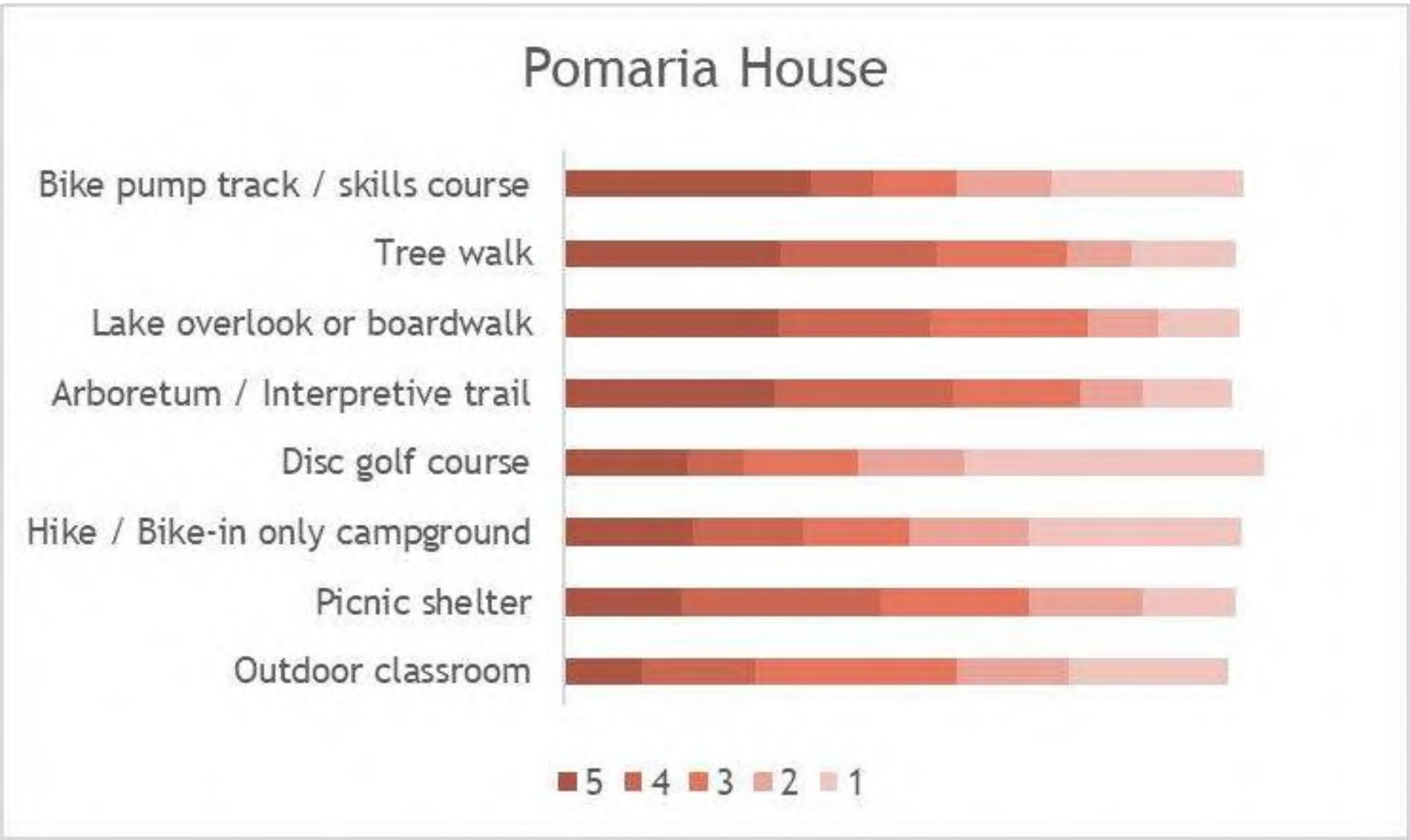
What We Shared

PROPOSED BASELINE AMENITIES

- Walk-in and bike-in connections to trail network
- Water access to Lake

What We Heard

- **Bike pump tracks/skills course** received the highest rating from online survey respondents.
- **Lake overlook or boardwalk** received the highest rating from in-person open house attendees.
- **Tree walk** and **arboretum/interpretive trail** are rated highly by both in-person and online participants.



c Leadbetter House



KEY FEATURES

- Existing lake views
- Existing driveway access
- Water, sewer, electricity
- Historic Structure
- Accessory Barn and Wellhouse

NOTABLE CONSTRAINTS

- Historic building limits uses
- Limited vehicle access and parking

APPROXIMATE AREA

- 1.0 acres

What We Shared

PROPOSED BASELINE AMENITIES

- Historic structures renovation
- Small parking area

What We Heard

- **Education and park visitor center and rental house for events** received the highest ratings from both in-person and online participants.



D Equestrian Barn



KEY FEATURES

- Existing lake views
- Existing driveway access
- Electricity
- Open structure with smaller side rooms
- Flat Open Area

NOTABLE CONSTRAINTS

- Structure requires seismic upgrades

APPROXIMATE AREA

- 7.8 acres

What We Shared

PROPOSED BASELINE AMENITIES

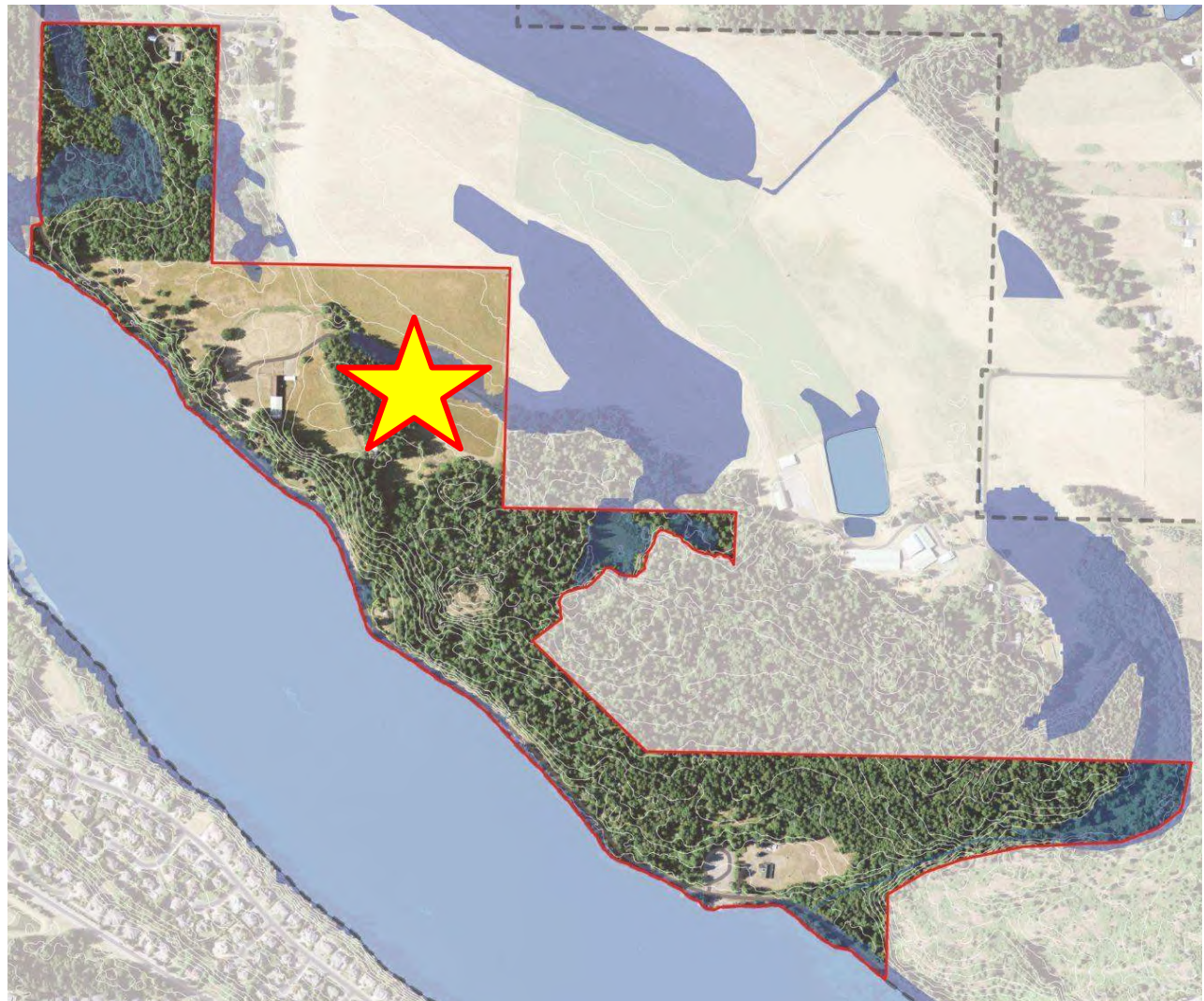
- Accessible shared use trails
- Connection to trail network
- Vehicle access and parking
- Restrooms

What We Heard

- **Orchard/U-pick** and **Bike/Recreation Rental Shop** received the highest ratings by both in-person and online participants.
- While some participants support converting the equestrian barn to serve other purposes, **others advocated for maintaining the space for equestrian use**



E Nature Zone



KEY FEATURES

- Multiple natural features
 - Open woodlands
 - Ponds
 - Rolling hills
 - Stream
- Adjacent to Barn
- Proximity to North Shore Development

NOTABLE CONSTRAINTS

- Sloped terrain
- Water channel and pond

APPROXIMATE AREA

- 10.1 acres

What We Shared

PROPOSED BASELINE AMENITIES

- Accessible shared use trails
- Connection to trail network

What We Heard

- **Ecological restoration and paths** and **nature park** received the highest ratings from both in-person and online participants.



F NE Fields



KEY FEATURES

- Flat Open Area
- Adjacent to future development
- Entry point from the North

NOTABLE CONSTRAINTS

- Adjacent to future noise and traffic

APPROXIMATE AREA

- 9.0 acres

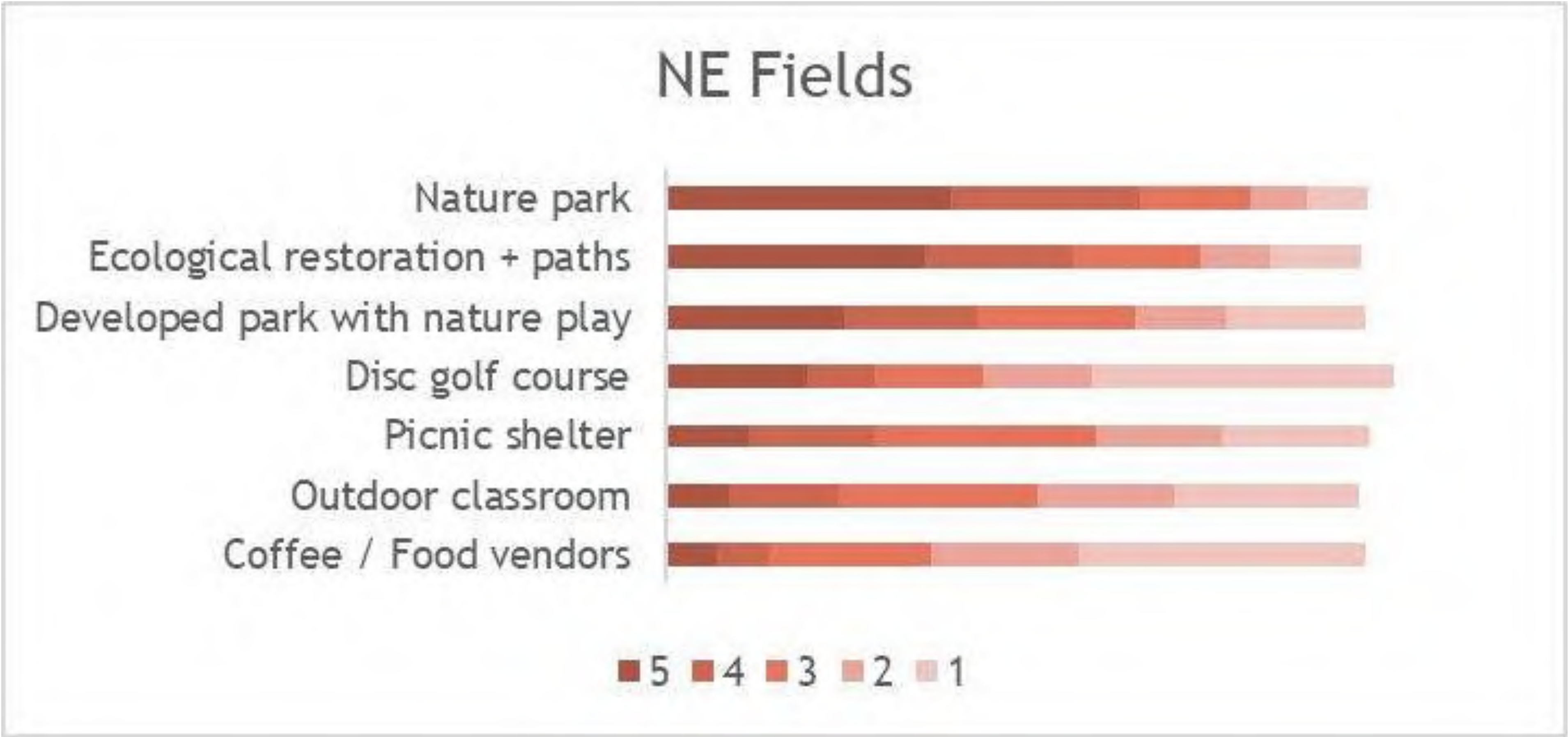
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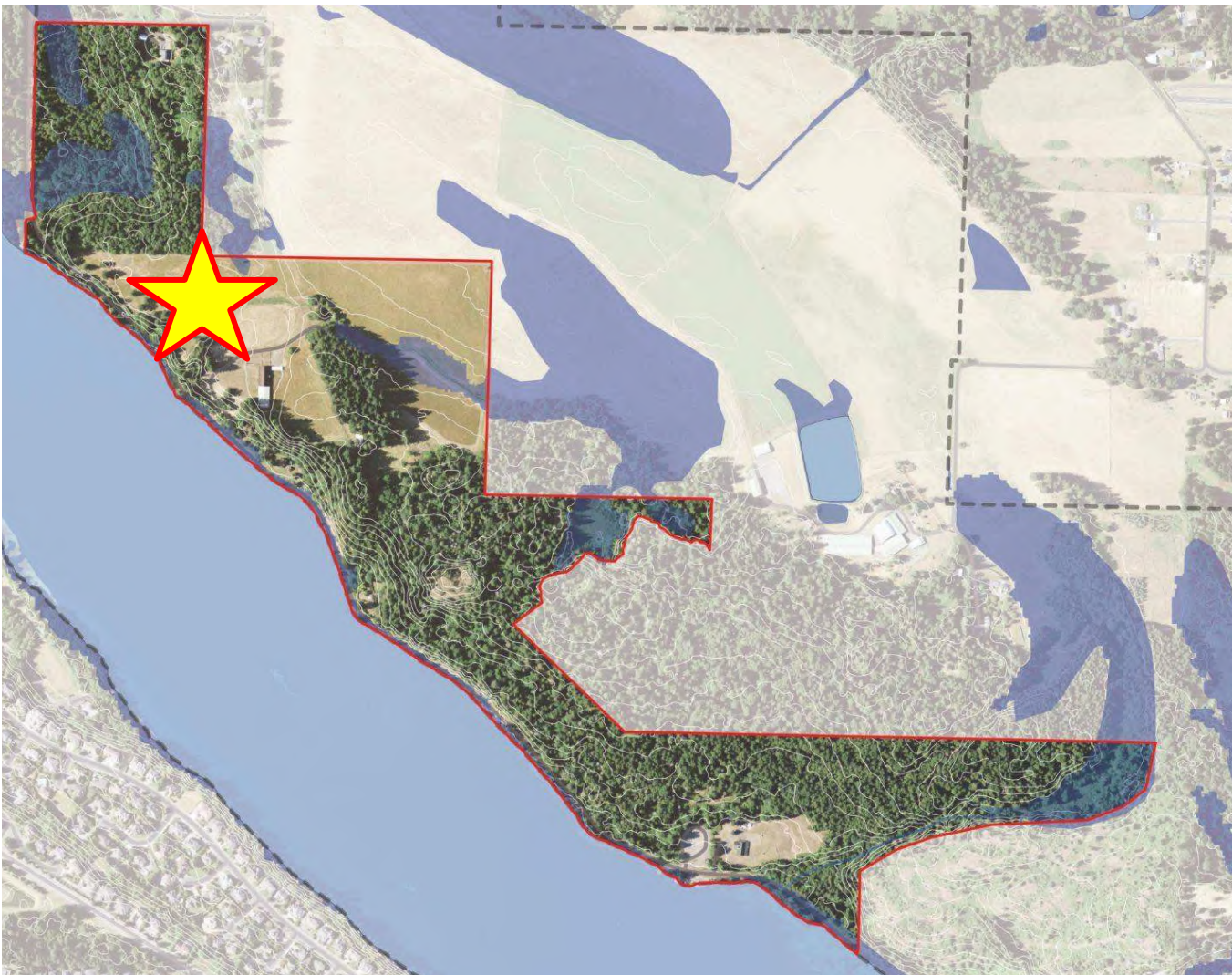
- Accessible shared use trails
- Connection to trail network
- Connections to North Shore Development
- Restrooms
- Parking
- Trailhead

What We Heard

- **Nature park** and **ecological restoration and paths** received the highest rating from both in-person and online participants.
- **Ecological restoration and paths** received the highest rating from in-person open house attendees.
- **Nature park** received the highest rating from online participants.



G NW Fields



KEY EXISTING FEATURES

- Existing lake views
- Rolling open areas
- Closest to School and Camp Currie
- Adjacent to Barn
- Adjacent to woodlands and wetlands to the North

NOTABLE CONSTRAINTS

- Hilly terrain
- Steep drop to Lake

APPROXIMATE AREA

- 5.8 acres

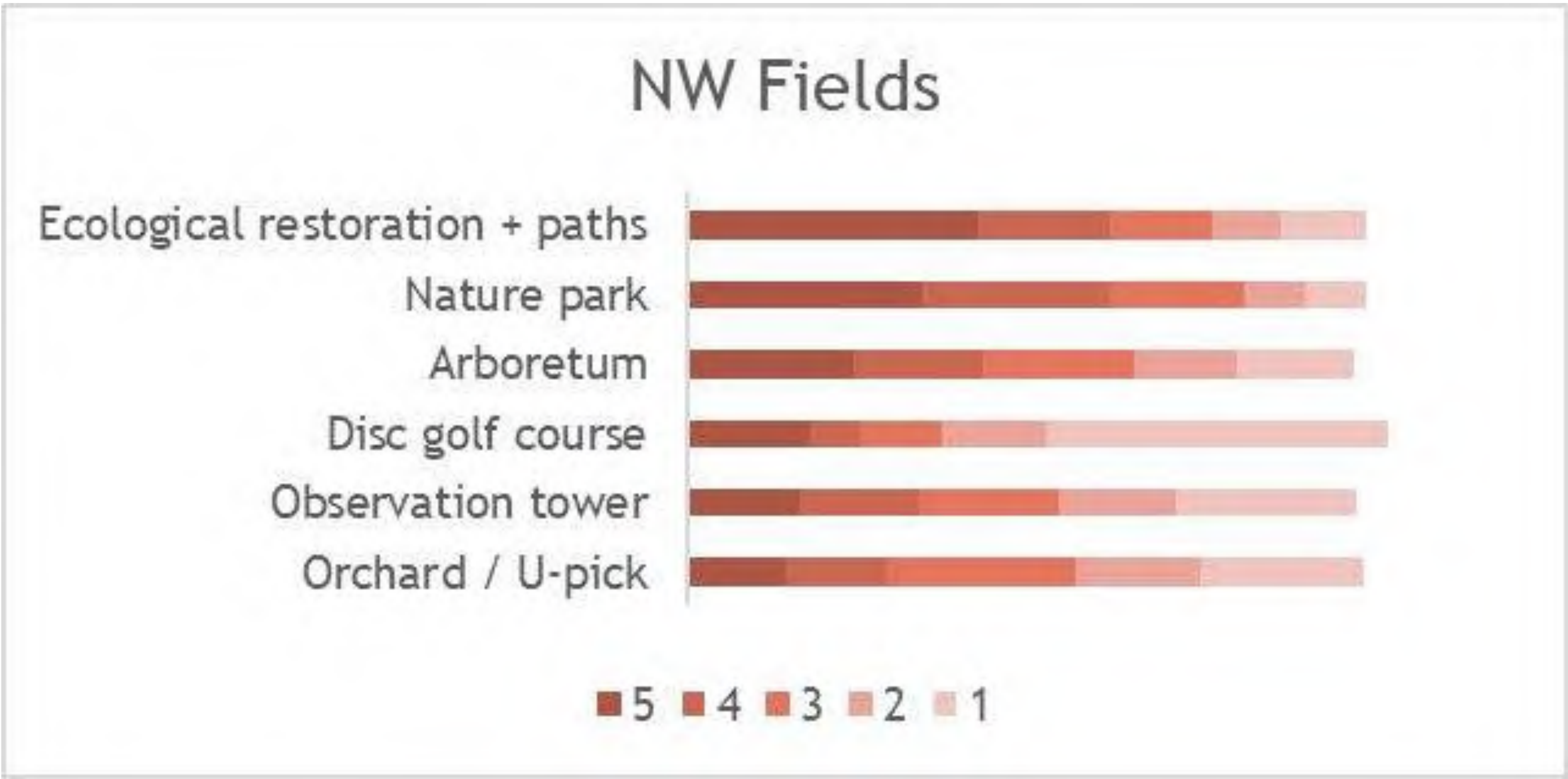
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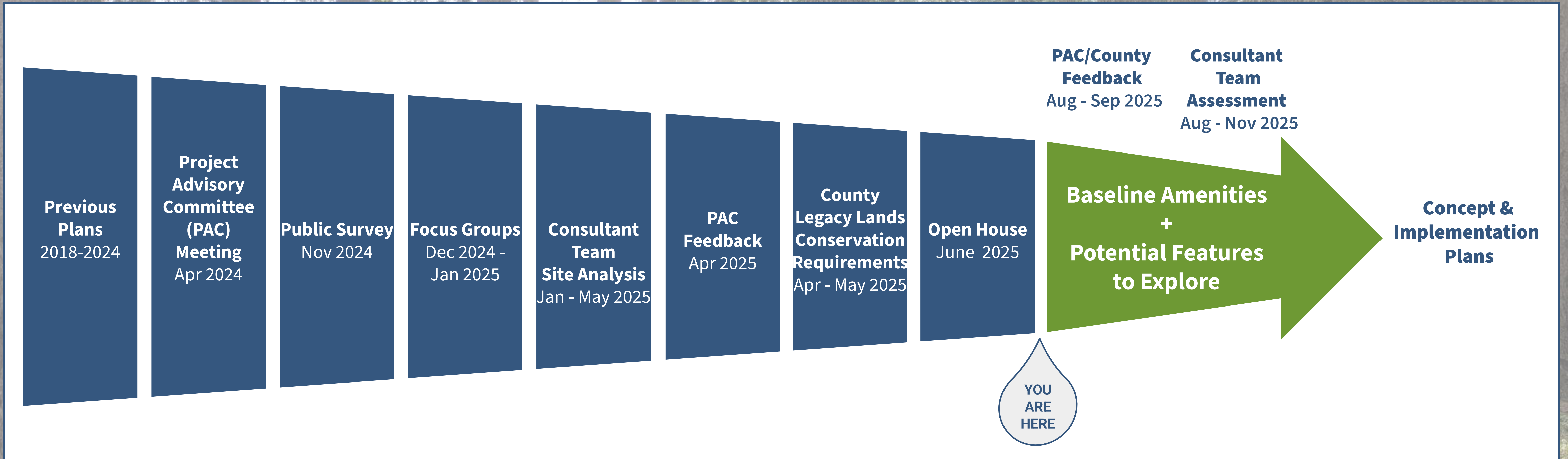
- Accessible shared use trails
- Connection to trail network to the North

What We Heard

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Next Steps



KEY QUESTIONS MOVING FORWARD:

- How can the amenities address community needs?
- How can the final design comply with the Legacy Lands program?
- Can any amenities or facilities contribute positively to City of Camas revenue?
- How can the project create a welcoming outdoor recreational environment for a variety of users?

Q&A

LEADBETTER WALK & ROLL

Experience the future North Shore Trail along Leadbetter Road with no vehicle traffic!

**Explore on foot or
on a bicycle!**

**SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 14**

1:00PM - 4:00PM

- *View historic Leadbetter Mansion (from the road only, to respect privacy of residents please)*
- *Rose Property, site of the future Legacy Lands Park, will be open to the public to explore.*
- *Parking will be available at the boat launch parking.*

Leadbetter Road will be closed to vehicle traffic from boat launch to Camp Currie (approximately one mile). Road will be open only to pedestrians and bikes.