



Watershed Recreation Management Planning Update

December 15, 2022



Agenda

- Planning Schedule
- Community Engagement
- Visitor Census Survey
- Next Steps

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Watershed Recreation Plan Schedule

Introduction &
Project Overview

Goals, Objectives
& Visitor Survey

Stewardship &
Outreach
Programs

Recreation
Facilities

Visitor
Management
Strategies and
Adaptive
Management

Project
Recommendations

Final Recreation
Management Plan

(Fall 2023)

Meeting #1
May 2022

Meeting #2
July 2022

Meeting #3
August 2022

Meeting #4
October 2022

Meeting #5
February
2023

Meeting #6
April 2023

Site Visit #1
July 2022

Site Visit #2
November 2022

Site Visit #3
TBD

Visitor Use Surveys

Visitor Data Analysis

Project Website

We
Are
Here

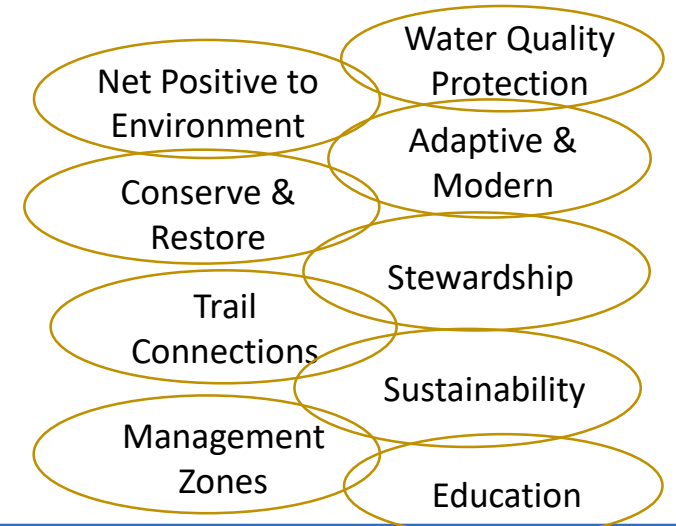
Watershed Issues & Desired Conditions

- What issues are we facing?
- What desired conditions do you want to see and how do they align with the District's primary mission?
- How might these desired conditions resolve issues that you perceive?

Issues



Desired Conditions



Recent Watershed Recreation Planning Activities

October 12th Watershed Workshop #4

- Watershed Recreation Facilities
- Visitor Management Strategies

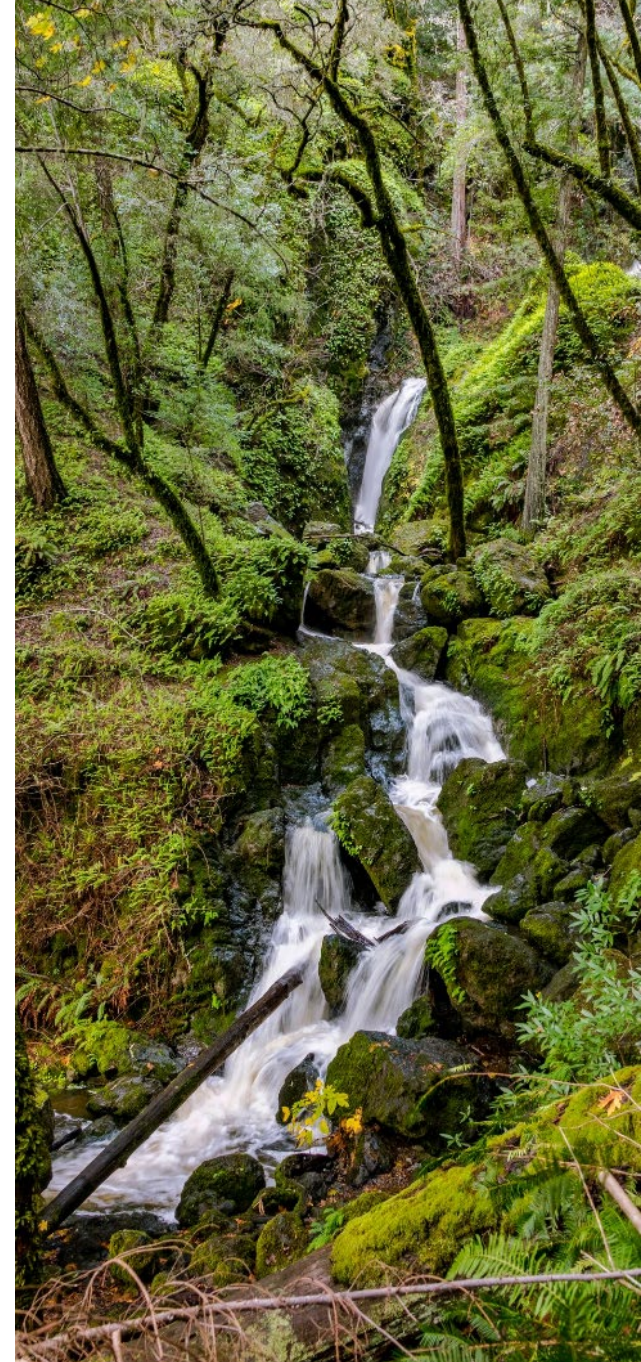
November 9th Watershed Site Visit #2

- Watershed Roads and Trails
- Azalea Hill Phase 2 Project Tour



Workshop #4

- Overview of Watershed Facilities
- Panel Discussion
 - Latino Outdoors
 - Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Stewardship
 - Santa Cruz Land Trust
- Breakout Groups-Multi-Benefit Solutions Discussion
 - Roads & Trails
 - Visitor Facilities
 - Natural Resources Protection
 - Stewardship and Responsible Recreation



Site Visit #2 Azalea Hill Project Tour

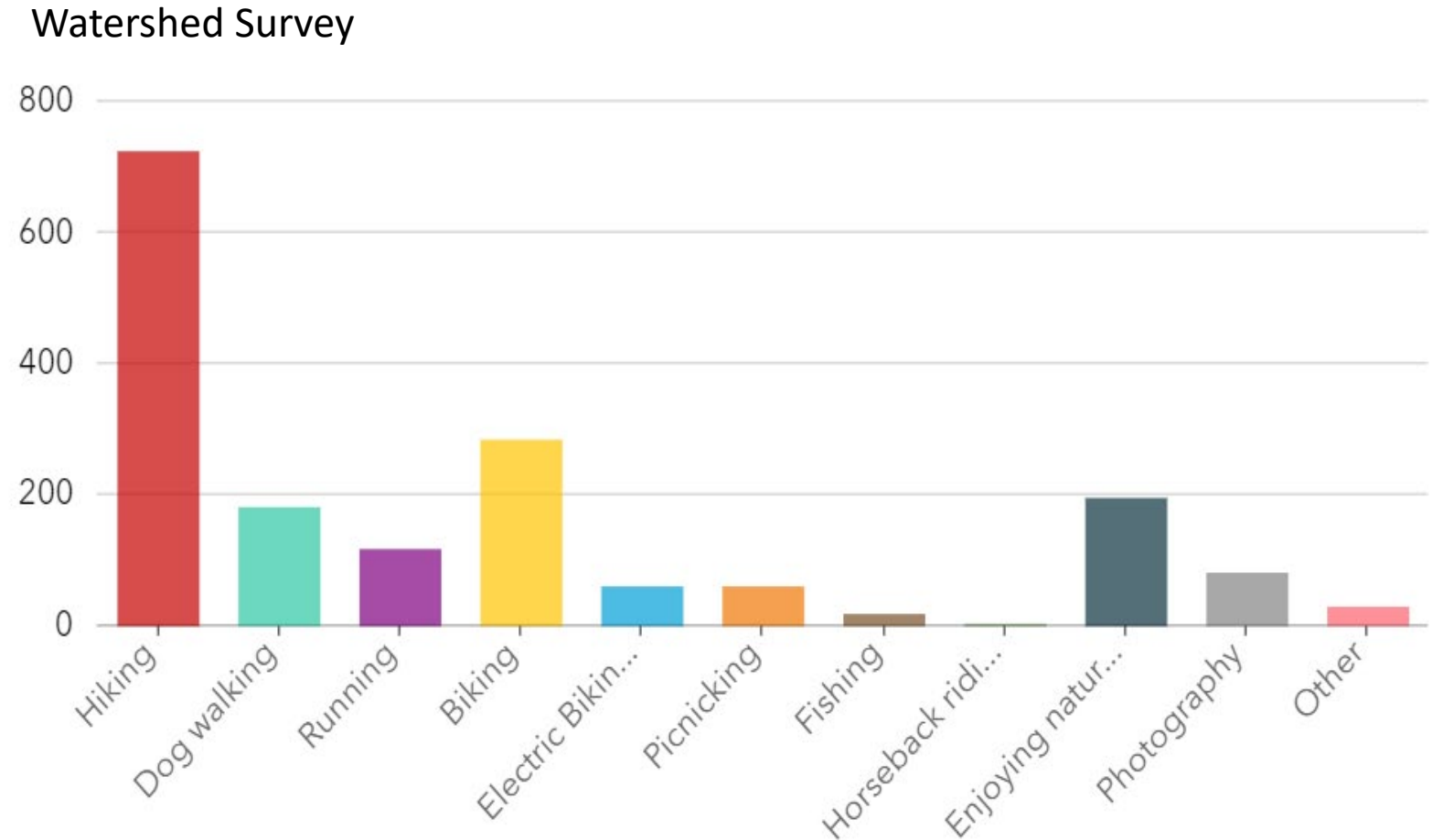


Photos by Tom Boss MCBC

Watershed Census Survey

Total Survey Responses

- *Watershed Survey*: 1,063
- *Web Survey*: 2,271



What best describes your primary activities on Mt. Tam today?

Watershed Census Survey

Q15: In general, do you feel safe visiting Mt. Tam?

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	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Total	Percentage
Yes	2166	97.13%	967	98.57%	3133	97.57%
No	64	2.87%	14	1.43%	78	2.43%
Total	2230	100.00%	981	100.00%	3211	100.00%

Q18: Tell us about your experience with other visitors

4. Interactions with other visitors	Web Survey (Virtual)		Mobile Survey (In-Person)		Combined Survey	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Total	Percentage
Good	1168	51.59	487	45.81	1655	52.74%
Great	552	24.38	403	37.91	955	30.43%
Fair	355	15.68	68	6.4	423	13.48%
Poor	93	4.11	12	1.13	105	3.35%
Total	2168	95.76	970	91.25	3138	100.00%

Watershed Census Survey

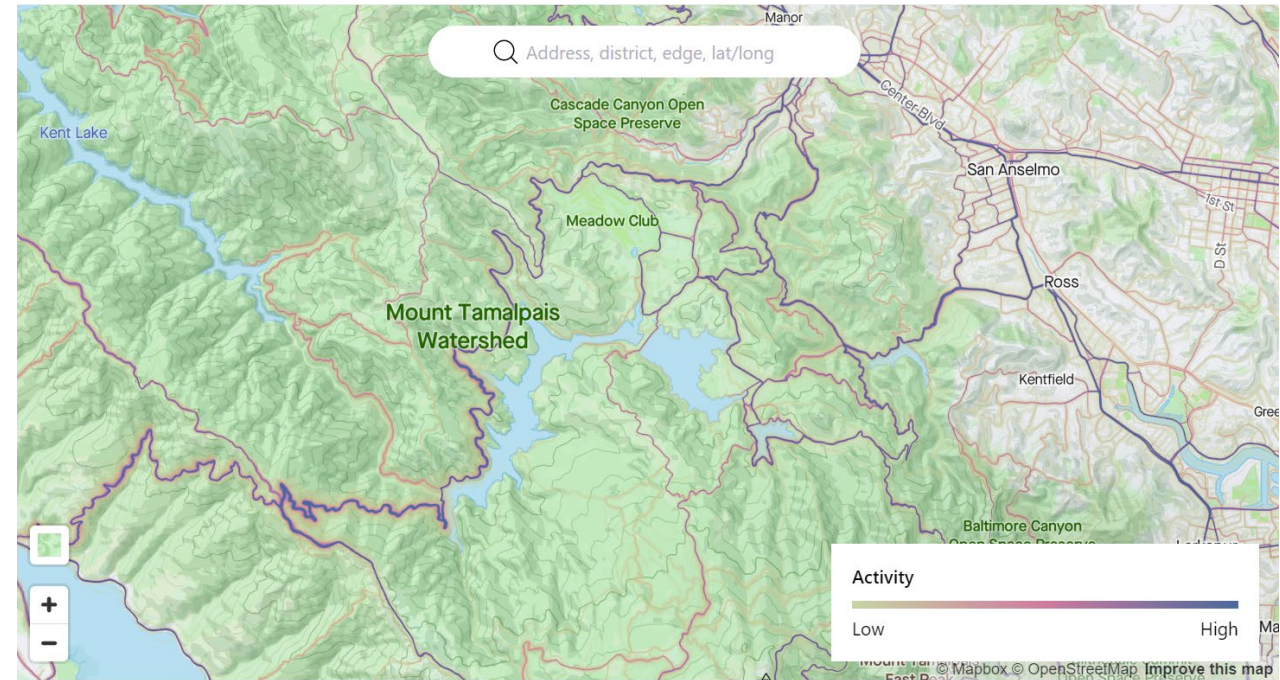
Q18: Please tell us about your trail experiences

1. Trail Conditions	Web Survey (Virtual)		Mobile Survey (In-Person)		Combined Survey	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Total	Percentage
Good	1226	54.15	452	42.52	1678	53.44%
Great	544	24.03	472	44.4	1016	32.36%
Fair	330	14.58	36	3.39	366	11.66%
Poor	68	3	12	1.13	80	2.55%
Total	2168	95.76	972	91.44	3140	100.00%

2. Fire Road Conditions	Web Survey (Virtual)		Mobile Survey (In-Person)		Combined Survey	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Total	Percentage
Good	1175	51.9	424	39.89	1599	51.12%
Great	616	27.21	468	44.03	1084	34.65%
Fair	321	14.18	48	4.52	369	11.80%
Poor	62	2.74	14	1.32	76	2.43%
Total	2174	96.03	954	89.76	3128	100.00%

Watershed Census Survey

- Summarize results
- Analyze trail and fire road visitor data
 - Trail based apps
 - Eco-Counter trail counters
- Compare to 2012/2013 Survey Results
- Appendix to Watershed Recreation Management Plan



Upcoming Watershed Recreation Planning Activities

February 8th Watershed Workshop #5

- Watershed Census Survey
- Watershed Zoning
- Adaptive Management

April 12th Watershed Workshop #6

- Best Management Practices
- Recreation Management Outcomes

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Thank You

