

Metro parks bond and funding for trails in east Multnomah County

Presentation to EMCTC

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Today's agenda

Bond measure overview

Regional trails overview

Summary of community input

Draft prioritization results

Q & A

Three decades of investment

Natural area land acquisition (\$278 million)

14,000+ acres, 100 miles of streams

Local community investments (\$84 million)

Local parks, trails and natural areas and NIN grants

Metro capital projects (\$33 million)

Nature parks, Regional trail projects, Fish habitat restoration





2019 Bond measure

\$475 million to improve water quality, protect fish and wildlife and connect people to nature

1. Protect and restore land
2. Improve Metro parks
3. Local share
4. Capital grants
5. Walking and biking trails
6. Large-scale community visions

oregonmetro.gov/ParksAndNatureBond



Bond criteria

Advance
racial equity

Base decisions on
meaningful
engagement

Prepare for climate
change





Trails program area

\$40 million. Activities include:

Buying land for new trails from willing sellers

Grant program for local governments to plan and build trails



Grant program

Merged with Regional Flexible Funds (RFFA) process

Up to \$20 million available from bond

\$41 million available from RFFA

Local government program

Projects must be on Metro's [Regional Trails System Plan Map](#)



Call for projects now open!

Proposals due: February 25th by 4:00 p.m.

www.oregonmetro.gov/rffa

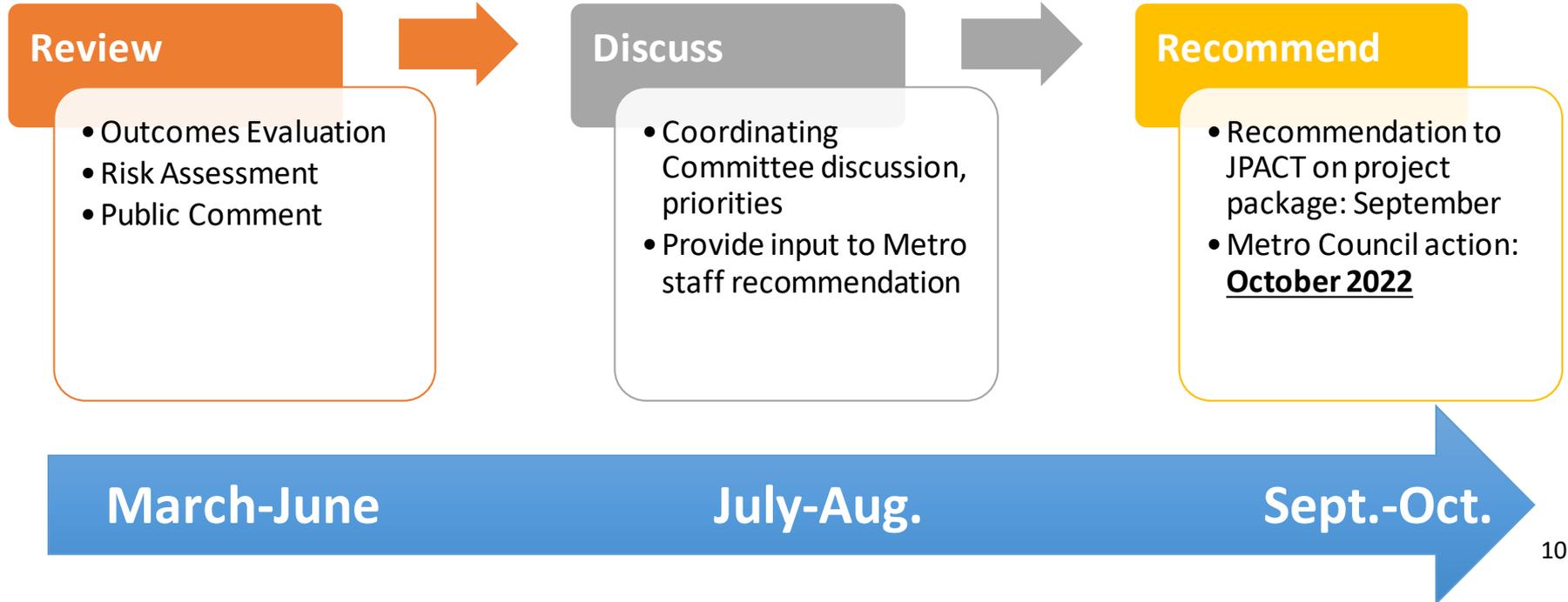
Single application for both funding sources



Cap on applications: 42 total

City of Portland	12
Washington County	11
Clackamas County	10
Multnomah County (exclusive of Portland)	9

TPAC/JPACT process





Land acquisition program

- 2019 bond cannot fund *all* planned regional trails

**regional
trail needs**



prioritization tool

**available
bond funds**



Six prioritization factors

Neighborhood
Demographics



Access to
Nature



Transportation
Potential



Gap
Completion



Connectivity
to Destinations



Traffic
Safety



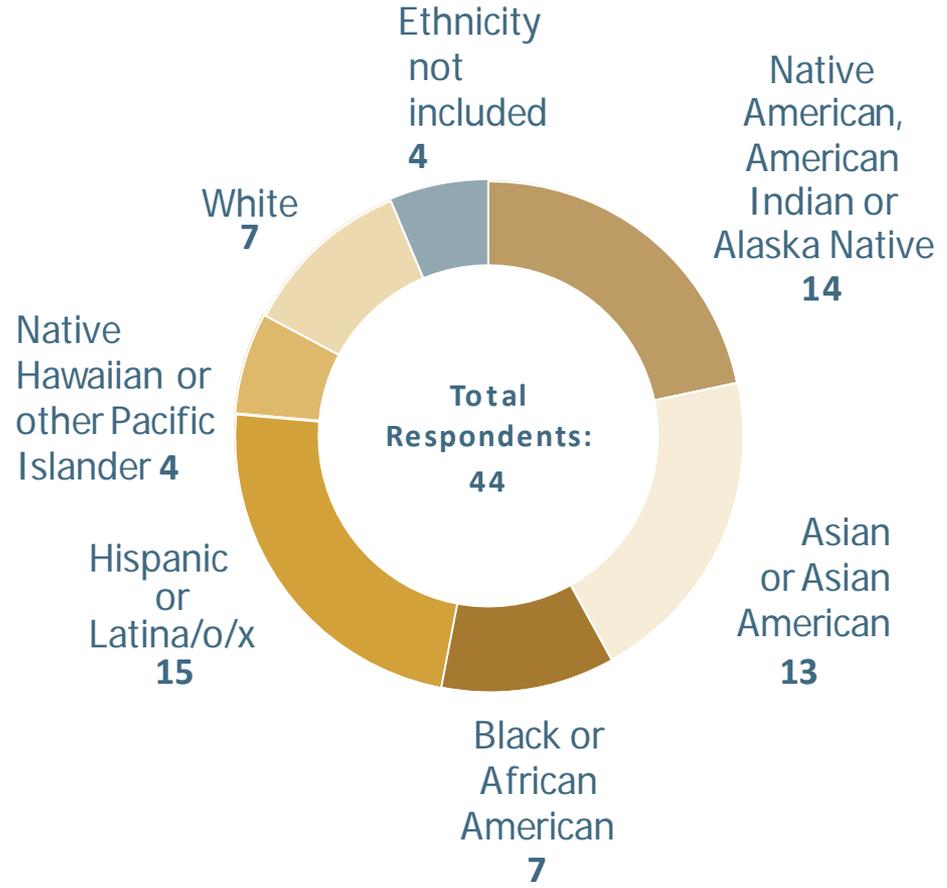


Summary of community input



Within the broad categories below, where would you place your racial or ethnic identity?

(Select all that apply)



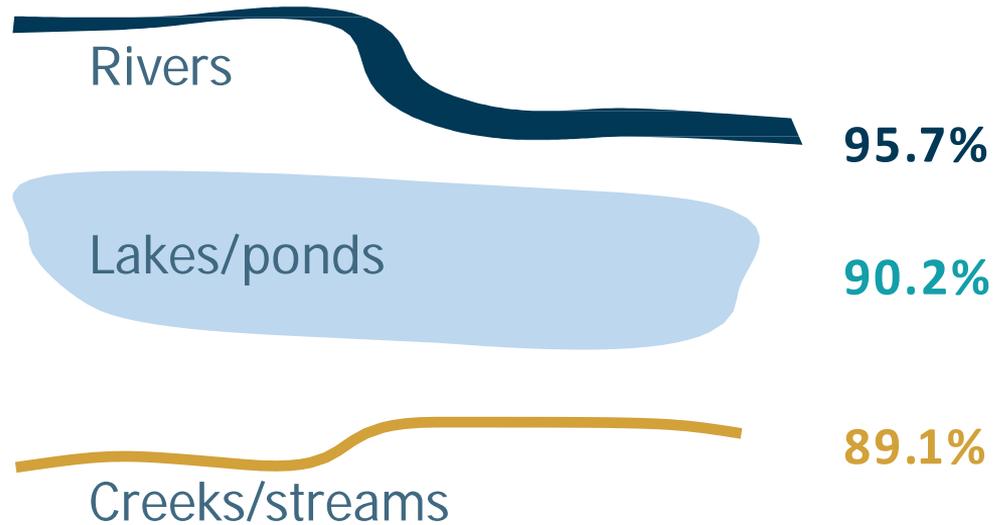
What type of natural areas would you like trails to connect to?

(88 respondents)



What kinds of water bodies would you like trails to connect to?

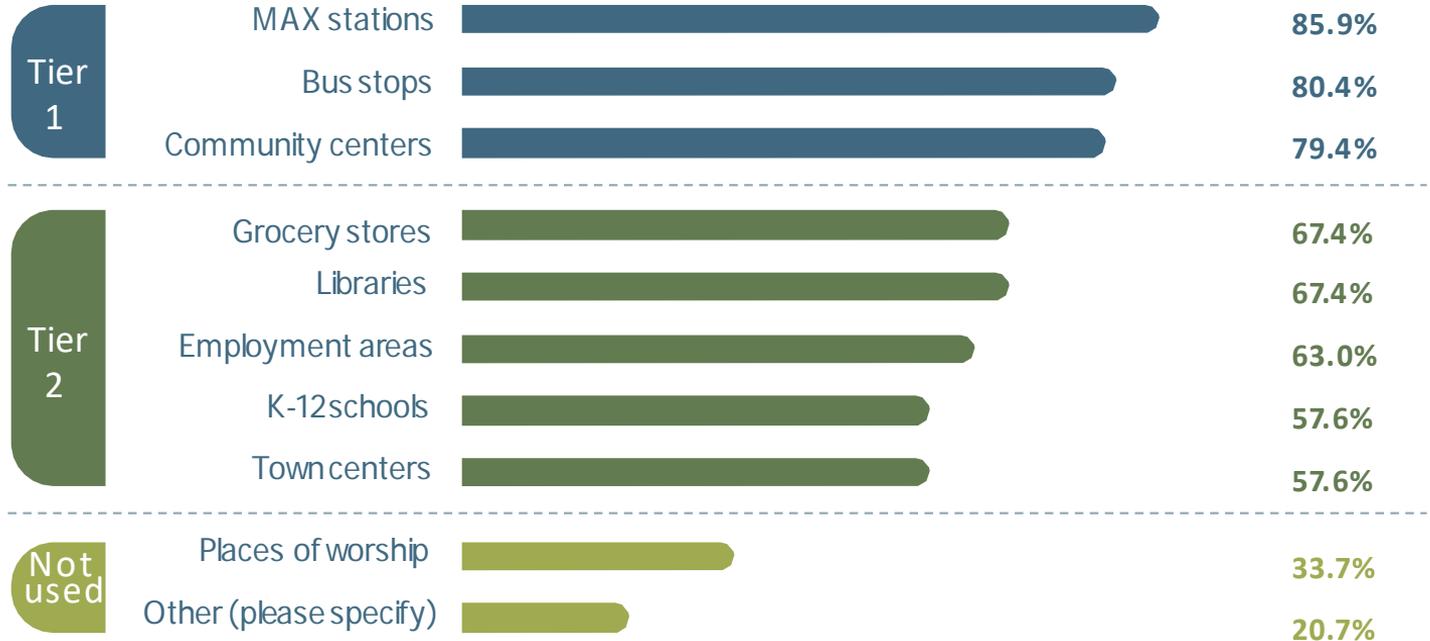
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What are the most important destinations to connect with trails?

(88 respondents)

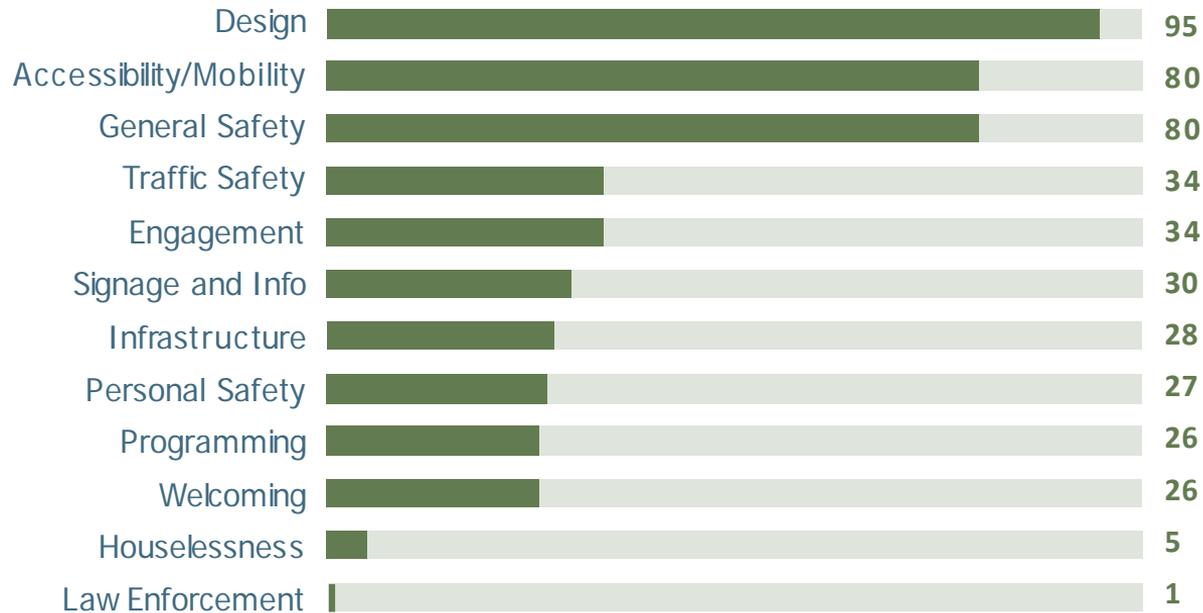
destinations
included
in the
prioritization
tool



Which factors are most important for prioritizing trail projects? (88 respondents)

Prioritization Factor	Ranking		Number of votes per ranking					
	Mode	Median	1	2	3	4	5	6
 Neighborhood demographics	1	2.8	30	16	7	6	16	7
 Access to nature	1	2.8	25	21	13	14	6	9
 Traffic safety	3	3.3	16	16	17	16	11	13
 Connectivity to destinations	3	3.9	2	18	21	14	16	17
 Transportation potential	4	4.0	4	9	20	23	15	16
 Gap completion	6	4.3	8	5	10	15	22	24

What do these factors bring up for you when you think about how you use trails?



What other elements should be considered or incorporated into the current tool?

