



# TRAILS MASTER PLAN 2024 PROJECTS IMPLEMENTATION

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# FOCUS AREAS OF THE TRAIL MASTER PLAN (2022)



**Culture +  
Values**



**Safety +  
Civility**



**Popularity  
+ Density**



**Connected  
Network**



**Zonal Land  
Use**



# IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIZATION

## EXTERNAL CONNECTIONS

### Project E1: Carpenter Valley Connection

Description: Provide a multi-use trail connection to Carpenter Valley connecting to the existing Truckee Donner Land Trust trailhead. This will help alleviate the unsanctioned trails in this area and potential to collaborate with USFS fuels reduction projects.

### Project E2: Prosser Connection

Description: Provide a multi-use trail connection to Prosser Hill. This will help alleviate the unsanctioned trails in this area and potential to collaborate with USFS fuels reduction projects.

### Project E3: Emigrant Connection

Description: Provide a multi-use trail connection to Emigrant Trail. Potential to collaborate with USFS fuels reduction projects.

### Project E4: Mogle to Truckee

Description: New Class I Paved Trail connecting Mogle Lane to the Town of Truckee's paved trail system. This connection is shown in the 2015 Trails and Bikeways Master Plan, approved by the Town of Truckee.

### Project E5: Berggarten to Armstrong

Description: New trail connecting Berggarten Trailhead to the Armstrong neighborhood. This connection is identified in the 2015 Trails and Bikeways Master Plan, approved by the Town of Truckee.

### Project E6: Frog Lake Connection

Description: In partnership with the Truckee Donner Land Trust, this connection will provide a multi-use trail link to Frog Lake via Mustang Sally.

### Project E7: Red Mountain Connection

Description: In partnership with the Truckee Donner Land Trust, this connection will provide a multi-use trail link to Red Mountain from Crabtree Road.

## NEW PAVED CLASS I TRAILS

### Project C1: Mogle to Truckee

Description: Connection from Mogle to Truckee as identified in the 2015 Trails and Bikeways Master Plan. Stats: Approximately 1 mile long, 220 feet of elevation change

### Project C2: Trout Creek to ACAC and DH Ski Area

Description: Connection from the end of the existing Trout Creek paved trail through the center of Tahoe Donner, connecting Northwoods Clubhouse, Trout Creek Recreation Center and ACAC with a spur connecting to the Downhill Ski Area. Stats: Approximately 4.5 miles long, 600 feet of elevation change

### Project C3: Recreation Center to Swiss Lane

Description: Paved trail connecting through the golf course, providing a bike and pedestrian connection to the Swiss Lane neighborhood. Stats: Approximately 2,000 feet long, 100 feet of elevation change

## NEW DIRT TRAILS

### Project 1: Crabtree

Description: New multi-use trail connecting the east end of Euer Valley to the north end of Tahoe Donner property with the potential to connect into future regional trail plans by TDLT. Stats: Approximately 1.3 miles long, 500 feet of elevation change

### Project 2: Sidewinder Extension

Description: New multi-use trail connecting the east end of Sidewinder to East Mustang Sally. Currently trail users need to connect these two single track trails with a dirt road. Stats: Approximately 700 feet long, 15 feet of elevation change

### Project 3: Lower Cinnamon Twist

Description: New multi-use trail connecting the two lower sections of Cinnamon Twist. Currently trail users need to connect these two sections of single track with a dirt road. Stats: Approximately 1,000 feet long, 70 feet of elevation change

### Project 4: Rawhide Equestrian Extension

Description: New equestrian only trail connecting the new equestrian zone to Rawhide Trail providing an improved equestrian only access to Euer Valley. Currently equestrians need to exit the equestrian center on dirt roads or busy multi-use trails, this equestrian only access will improve that experience. Stats: Approximately 4,000 feet long, 200 feet of elevation change

### Project 4a: Foot-only Euer Valley Connection

Description: New foot only trail connecting from the top of Cinnamon Twist to Euer Valley. Stats: Approximately 1,000 feet long, 150 feet of elevation change

### Project 5: Equestrian Loop

Description: New equestrian only trail looping around the new equestrian zone. Stats: Approximately 3,500 feet long, 40 feet of elevation change

### Project 6: Family Flow Trails

Description: New bike optimized trails of beginner to intermediate skill level in close adjacency to ACAC. These trails will serve as a way for families and new mountain bikers to hone their skills in a zone dedicated to mountain bikers. Stats: Three trails, each approximately 1,800 feet long, 160 feet of elevation change each

### Project 7: Whoop It Up Extension

Description: New multi-use trail connecting ACAC to Whoop It Up single track. A new boardwalk is proposed on the west side of ACAC, located in a way not to interfere with winter operations. Some decommissioning of existing trails and roads in this area will need to occur. Stats: Approximately 2,200 feet long, 100 feet of elevation change

### Project 8: Springbrook Connector

Description: New multi-use trail connecting a new

trailhead at Springbrook/Skislope to Whoop It Up Extension.

Stats: Approximately 1,000 feet long, 20 feet of elevation change

### Project 9: Foot-only Northwoods

Description: New foot-only trail built to ADA standards providing easy access for all users in the area on the edges of the meadow behind Northwoods Clubhouse. Stats: Approximately 1 mile long, 40 feet of elevation change

### Project 10: Foot-only Berggarten

Description: New foot-only trail built to ADA standards providing easy access for all to an overlook from Berggarten Trailhead. Stats: Approximately 2,500 feet long, 200 feet of elevation change

### Project 11: Foot-only Glacier

Description: New foot-only trail built to ADA standards providing easy loop for all from the Glacier Trailhead. Stats: Approximately 1 mile long, 100 feet of elevation change

### Project 12: Glacier Connector

Description: New multi-use trail connecting Glacier Trailhead to the Donner Lake Rim Trail. Stats: Approximately 1 mile long, 100 feet of elevation change

### Project 13: DH Ski Area to Teewinot

Description: New multi-use trail connecting Teewinot Trail across Skislope Way to the new Ski Area Loop Trail. Stats: Approximately 1,700 feet long, 60 feet of elevation change

### Project 14: DH Ski Area to Glacier

Description: New multi-use trail connecting Glacier Trailhead across Skislope Way to the new Ski Area Loop Trail. Stats: Approximately 3,400 feet long, 120 feet of elevation change

### Project 15: DH Ski Area Loop

Description: New multi-use trail looping around the Downhill Ski Area, providing larger connections within Tahoe Donner. Stats: Approximately 3 miles long, 700 feet of elevation change

### Project 16: Downhill Ski Area Trails

Description: New bike optimized trails of intermediate skill level that could be accessed by pedaling uphill on the new Ski Area Loop Trail, or by lift service on the existing chairlifts. These trails will help concentrate mountain bikers in a new bike only zone as well as serve many families. Stats: Approximately 3 miles long, 700 feet of elevation change

### Project 17: Sunrise Trail

Description: New multi-use trail traversing the Sunrise Bowl, providing larger connections from Glacier Trailhead to Hawk's Peak Trail. This trail was identified in the 2016 YIP but not built.

Stats: Approximately 1 mile long, 300 feet of elevation change

### Project 18: Dogs in Space Extension

Description: New multi-use trail connecting from the new Ski Area Loop Trail, across Skislope to Dogs in Space and Hawk's Peak Trail, continuing towards ACAC. Stats: Approximately 1 mile long, 500 feet of elevation change

### Project 19: Willie's Wiggle Extension

Description: New multi-use trail connecting Willie's Wiggle Trail to Hawk's Peak. Stats: Approximately 4,000 feet long, 150 feet of elevation change

### Project 20: Fool's Gold Extension

Description: New multi-use trail connecting the bottom of Fool's Gold to Coyote Hut. Stats: Approximately 1,300 feet long, 50 feet of elevation change

### Project 21: South Euer Valley Cross Slope

Description: New multi-use trail connecting Sundance Hut to Euer Valley at the bottom of Hidden Gem. Stats: Approximately 1.5 miles long, 250 feet of elevation change

### Project 22: Hawk's Peak

Description: New multi-use trail for hikers and equestrian to access Hawk's Peak. Stats: Approximately 1.1 miles long, 590 feet of elevation change

## IMPROVE EXISTING DIRT TRAILS

### Project A1: Alder Creek Trail

Description: Upgrades including realignment out of wet areas, bridges, and trail tread improvements. Stats: Approximately 1 mile long

### Project A2: Hillside Trail

Description: Upgrades to fix this eroding trail. Potential to decommission if it's not possible to fix the erosion problems. Stats: Approximately 2,500 feet long

### Project A3: East Perimeter Trail North

Description: Upgrades including realignment out of wet areas and off Forest Service Land, and trail tread improvements. Stats: Locations to be determined in the field

### Project A4: East Perimeter Trail South

Description: Upgrades including realignment out of wet areas and off USFS land, and trail tread improvements. Stats: Locations to be determined in the field

### Project A5: East Perimeter Trail South

Description: Upgrades including new boardwalks and trail tread improvement. This project was identified in the 2016 YIP but not built. Stats: Locations to be determined in the field

### Project A6: Willie's Wiggles

Description: Upgrades including trail tread improvement and agreement with the USFS to

allow this trail on their land.

Stats: Locations to be determined in the field

### Project A7: Mother Lode

Description: Upgrades including trail tread improvements, sight line improvements and realignment of sections to improve user experience. Stats: Locations to be determined in the field

### Project A8: West Mustang Sally

Description: Upgrades including trail tread improvement, sight line improvements and realignment of sections to improve user experience. Stats: Locations to be determined in the field

## NEW AND IMPROVED TRAILHEADS

### Project T1: New Moondance Hut TH

Description: New trailhead with parking at the end of Alder Creek Road. Summer only.

### Project T2: Alder Creek Adventure Center (ACAC) Improvements

Description: Reconfigure parking, trail intersections and overall wayfinding to optimize ACAC as a summer and winter trail hub.

### Project T3: New Springbrook TH

Description: New trailhead to provide summer and winter users access to the trails without bringing further congestion to ACAC.

### Project T4: New Downhill Ski Area TH

Description: New formal trailhead that uses the existing downhill ski area parking lot for summer use connecting to the new multi-use trails at the ski area and surrounding land.

### Project T5: New Hansel Mailboxes TH

Description: New trailhead near the mailboxes with improved access to East Perimeter Trail. Summer only.

### Project T6: Improved Hawk's Peak TH

Description: Improvements including parking and signage at Skislope and Dogs in Space.

### Project T7: New Swiss Lane TH

Description: New access point trailhead on Swiss Lane connecting to the new Class I paved path, no parking.

### Project T8: New Top Shop TH

Description: New access point trailhead on Skislope connecting to the new Ski Area Loop Trail and Teewinot Trail.

### Project T9: Improved Glacier TH

Description: Improvements to the existing Glacier Trailhead.

### Project T10: Improved Teton TH

Description: Improvements to the existing Teton Trailhead.

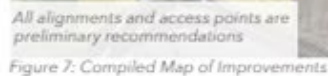
The Approved Trail Master Plan recommends approximately 50 trail improvement projects for all users



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**Adaptive Management:** These recommendations represent the current needs and desires for trail improvements at Tahoe Donner, through adaptive management practices, changing use patterns, and developments will be addressed with ongoing management by Tahoe Donner staff and the TOS Committee.

EXISTING

➔ Ex

-  External Connections
-  Singletrack Trail
-  Doubletrack Trail
-  Class I Path
-  Improved Existing Trail
-  Primary Road
-  Secondary Road
-  Improved Trailhead
-  Existing Trailhead
-  Existing Neighborhood Access

➔ **Ext**

-  External Trail Connections
-  Class I Paved Path
-  Multi-use Trail
-  Equestrian Trail
-  Bike Optimized Trail
-  Inclusive Trail
-  Boardwalk
-  New Trailhead
-  Zonal Land Use



# 2023 MASTER PLAN PROJECTS IMPLEMENTATION

2023 Objective: Prioritize projects that benefited all user groups



# 2023 TRAIL MASTER PLAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS

User Type	Miles of Improvement
Equestrian/Hike	.35 miles
Bike	.50 miles
Hike/Bike	300ft.
All Users	2.36 miles

## DETAILS

- Teewinot single track connection - all users - .5mi.
- Hawk's Peak trail single track connection - all users - .41mi.
- Fool's Gold trail single track connection – bike - .25mi.
- Hidden Gem – heavy maintenance for all users.
- NEW Wild West Uphill - uphill travel-only trail for all users - 1.25mi.
- Cinnamon Twist/Moondance Hut single-track connection for all users- 500ft.
- Boardwalk at ACAC - hike/bike. 300ft.
- Decomposed granite/rock lined trail from ACAC boardwalk to dirt road all users 900 feet.
- Small realignment of bottom True Grit - better connection to Moondance Hut. bike only 250ft.
- NEW Rawhide connection Moondance hut to Alder Creek road - horse hike .35mi.
- Small connection to Pookers- creating a better connection from Moondance Hut- all users. 447ft.



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# 2024 TRAIL MASTER PLAN PROJECTS

## PLANNED DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECTS

- Install all new trail wayfinding and trailhead kiosk signage across the entire trail network – all users
- Construct better connections for Cinnamon Twist and West Euer Valley trails into new Coyote Crossing – all users
- Construct a new family flow bike trail (TMP p.52 and 53) - bike
  - Scope: This project will be built in the vicinity of Alder Creek Adventure Center where there is ease of access to restroom facilities, food/water, emergency services, the Bikeworks rental and gear shop, and bike camps.





# 2024 TRAIL MASTER PLAN PROJECTS

## PLANNED REPLACEMENT RESERVE PROJECTS

- Picnic Tables-Bench Replacement - Glacier Way, South Euer Valley Road, Nature Loop
- Alder Creek Trail - Campground to Fjord - Planning Costs
- Annual Maintenance
- E. Perimeter - Hansel to Campground - Reconstruction
- E. Perimeter - Schussing Crossing - Planning Costs
- E. Perimeter - Schussing Trail Remodel
- Glacier Way Trailhead Remodel (Parking) – Construction Costs
- Rust Never Sleeps to Aspen Repairs
- South Euer Valley Road Repair - Construction Costs
- West Euer Valley – Improved Trail Connections
- Trails Management Plan







# QUESTIONS?



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