

Regional Parks Policy Plan Update - Community Engagement and Regional Balance

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Land Use Advisory Committee

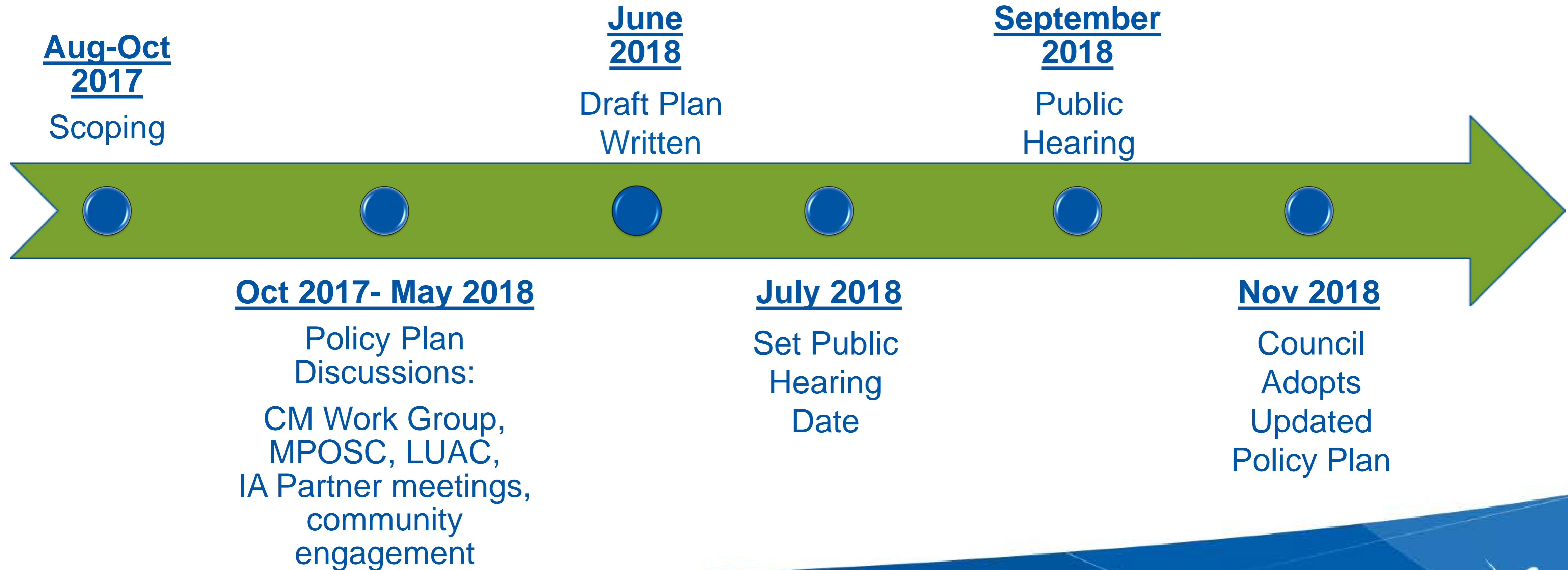


Today

Purposes

- Review and discuss community engagement activities
- Discuss regional balance
 - How regional balance appears in regional park discussions
 - How regional balance appears in land use discussions
 - Lessons or approaches we can share

Timeline for Plan Update



Internal Staff Engagement

- RPPP leadership team
 - Overall project direction and management
- RPPP finance team
 - Advice on finance policy and grant operations
 - Creation of administrative guide
- Regional Bicycle Transportation Network team
 - Coordination of approach to trails in the region

Council Member Engagement

- Council Member Work Group
 - CM Wulff (chair), Elkins, Melander
 - First stop for policy discussion and strategy
 - Monthly meetings December 2017- November 2018
- Community Development Committee
 - February-July updates
 - Advice and recommend to Council for adoption

Council Advisory Committee Engagement

- Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission
 - Monthly updates (January-November 2018) and topic discussions
 - Recommend to CDC for public hearing
- Land Use Advisory Committee
 - January- May 2018
 - Coordination with Council land use issues and policy
 - Regional balance
- Equity Advisory Committee
 - May and June 2018

Community Engagement

- Survey of Implementing Agency engagement
- Follow-up interviews of community stakeholders engaged in 2014 RPPP
- Visioning exercise: Richfield Women's Group
- Visioning exercise: Adult Basic Education group (refugee program MORE, Vietnamese Social Services)
- Focus group conversations with Early Childhood Family Education groups in suburban Hennepin, Anoka, and Washington counties
- In process: summaries for application in policy language and convenings

Park Implementing Agencies Engagement

- Exploration and advice on update topics
- September-November: identify topics
- January-May: topical discussions

Boards and Commissions

- Interaction at discretion of agency staff
- From “we’ve got this” to “please present.”



Discussion

- Questions and discussion about community engagement?

Regional Balance in Regional Parks

2040 Regional Parks System Plan

70,000 acres

1,100 miles of regional trails

Regional Parks, Park Reserves, Special Recreation Features

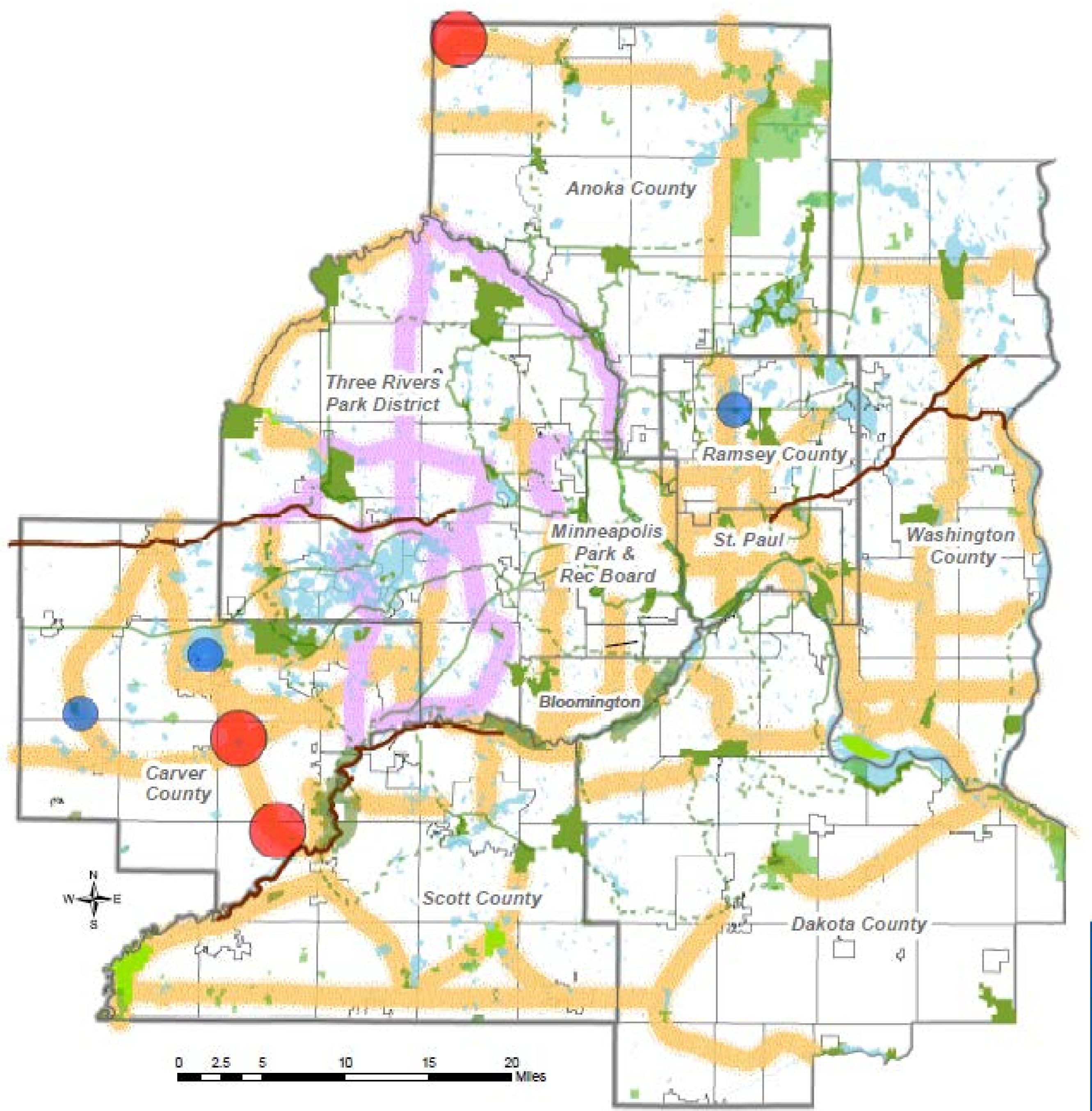
- Existing
- Planned
- Boundary Adjustment
- Search Area

Regional Trails

- Existing Regional Trails
- Planned Regional Trails
- Regional Trail Search Corridors
- 2040 Regional Trail Search Corridor Additions

State and Federal

- State Lands
- State Trails
- Federal Lands



Regional Balance

“Balancing investments and activities across the region in planning, operations and investments.”

“Advancing regional balance will be a consideration that helps all parts of the region receive investments that promote prosperity at their stage and level of development.”

Considerations

- Parks systems at various stages of development.
- Park implementing agencies with varying levels of funding, staffing and needs.
- Communities with varying levels of local park development.

Discussion

- How does regional balance appear in regional park discussions?
- How does regional balance appear in land use discussions?
- Are there lessons or approaches we can share?

Thank You!

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