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GTP Committee Member Comments

Committee Member Name: Carolyn Brodin

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8	Proposed Trail Map	T8, T9 CC Neighborhood trails need to be looked at more closely. They don't consider the Cemetery plan. T8 is connecting to an old trail (original CA Creek Trail) that barely exists by CA creek and the upper portion is redundant with the Iditarod Trail	Trails T8 and T9 are already in an adopted landuse plan, the Crow Creek Road Land Use Plan.			
8	Proposed Trail Map	T12 If approved, it is important that bikes are not allowed on this trail. It links with Stumpy's Summer Trail and this is the only, hike only, summer trail for the Upper Valley.	Bikes are currently prohibited, however other comments indicate that T12 should be Class 3 with bikes allowed so we need further committee discussion.			TOPIC 2
8	Proposed Trail Map	T13 The exact routing of this proposed trail is very important to preserve, and diminish impact to Stumpy's Winter Trail and other winter and summer trails in the area.	If this trail is approved and funded the exact routing will be determined during the design phase.			
21	Existing Trail Map	Iditarod Trail Mid Valley is not labeled. Shown as level 3 but it is level 2	Will add the label (7). The GVTMP classifies the middle valley portion as Class 3.	X		
21	Existing Trail Map	T7 Iditarod Upper valley (Crow Creek rd TH to Tram parking TH) is shown as level 4. It is level 3	This error will be corrected.	X		
21	Existing Trail Map	T27 Stumpy's winter Trail is not correctly shown for groomed/un-groomed.	Need more information.			
21	Existing Trail Map	Unlabeled connector trail between T25 and T26 is not level 2. It is a winter only un-groomed trail (should be dotted line)	The GVTMP classifies Stumpy's Winter Trail as Class 2. Yes, the line should be dotted. Will fix.	X		
24	Primitive Trail Experiences	(edit in bold): Many of Girdwood's existing trails were once far more primitive experiences. Due to increased use and popularity, Some of those once primitive trails have been developed to a higher standard. Primitive experiences are desired by many users and a balance between trail classes should be maintained.	Will edit.	X		
43	MB1 Abe's/California Creek	The name of this mountain bike section needs to be changed. It should not be associated with Abe's or CA Creek Trails. MB1 Beaver Pond is a better name	Will edit.	X		
43	MB1 Abe's/California Creek	The up-track CANNOT be Abe's Trail. Abe's trail is hike only.	Will edit.	X		
43	MB1 Abe's/California Creek	A new up track needs to be built for these proposed bike trails and to access the unauthorized trails that have been built if they are going to be allowed to remain.	Will edit.	X		
General	General	Airport property access to the Upper Valley is an important issue	Acknowledged.			

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6	Public Input	Some Girdwood residents who have been following the development of this plan have told me that they feel that the trail classes allowed in natural space areas are too restrictive. The plan does not provide enough class 3 or class 4 trails for many Girdwood residents who are physically unable, or do not wish to use rough trails. The prohibition of class 3 and 4 trails through natural space areas exclude these residents from enjoying these natural areas. Either class 3 or 4 trails should be allowed through natural areas, or run along the borders of natural space areas. If Girdwood designates natural space areas, these areas should be inclusive of all residents and visitors. The Girdwood community is surrounded by Forest Service and State Park land that will continue to provide adequate natural space with only primitive trails.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1
6	Key Plan Themes	Reference previous comment (page 6. Public Input). Girdwood residents want more class 3 and 4 trails that are friendly to the less than rugged or young users.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1
7	Values	Access: We do not fulfill our stated value of "easy accessibility" when we limit travel through or to natural spaces to class 1 and 2 trails; this excludes many of our residents and visitors.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1
7	Values	Natural World: Class 1 and 2 trails will not provide access to the natural world to many of our residents and visitors.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1
7	Vision	Sustainability and World Class Experience: Various trails that are intended to create a loop should have homogeneous characteristics throughout. Residents and visitors who start out on a loop should not encounter large variations in trail quality that could prohibit them from finishing the loop. Additionally, starting a loop with a class 3 or 4 trail that will funnel higher levels of traffic onto unhardened class 2 trails can create an unsustainable situation.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1
7	Goals and Development	New trails should be developed to sustainable standards during initial construction. New class 2 trails are not sustainable in the long run if they are not hardened. Original construction of trails should require that the tread be wider than the finished product, and then back filled on the edges with organic material to encourage vegetation regeneration providing a narrower usable surface. This method allows the trail to become wider as traffic volume increases, without again disturbing vegetation during future upgrades.	The design parameters for Class 2 trails identify the Design Surface as "typically native materials". If a lot of tread work is required to ensure sustainability a structure may be required OR increasing the classification.			
9	New Trails - T10	Change to Cross Valley Trail (ref. Paul Upper Valley trails 4/11 .doc)	Will edit.	X		
9	New Trails - T12	Change to class 3 (ref. Paul Upper Valley trails 4/11 doc)	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
9	Bridges - T5	Add California Creek Bridge	Will edit.	X		

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9	NA 1	Remove forest land and Timberline Meadows north of Lower Virgin Creek Trail from NA 1. This area should be reserved for developed neighborhood trails.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
9	NA 2	Allow class 3 trails, or the Canyon Rim trail should be outside NA 2.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
9	NA 3	Delete NA 3. That area has been zoned for commercial recreation for decades. It is natural space without being zoned as such.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
15	step 11	Delete	Will edit if approved by GTC	X		
16	Demand (paragraph 1)	More than 61% of respondents at a previous public meeting indicated that 4 foot wide trails for hiking, running, biking and classic skiing should be prioritized. In order to fulfill this desire, the Forest Loop trail, which has been approved by both the Girdwood Trails Committee and the GBOS, should be included. The Canyon Rim Trail and Danich Trail should be classified as class 3 trails.	The Forest Loop Trail needs to be further discussed by the committee. The GVTMP Classifies Joe Danich as Class 1 - the GTP can adjust the Class with Committee discussion. The Committee needs to discuss the classification of the Canyon Rim Trail.			TOPIC 1, TOPIC 2
16	Natural Spaces	Natural spaces should be outside the Canyon Rim, Forest Loop, Cross Valley Connection and Danich Trails. The areas of NA1 north of Lower Virgin Creek Trail should be eliminated. NA3 should be eliminated as previously discussed.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1, TOPIC 2
16	Multi Use Trails	Limiting trails to class 2 parameters in some areas does not address these demands.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1
16	Environmental Conditions	NA1 and NA2 encompass areas that are the most suitable ecologically for trail construction. Hardened class 3 and 4 trails should either be allowed through natural areas, or natural areas should not be designated in corridors with optimal conditions for specifically desired class 3 and 4 trail construction.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1, TOPIC 2
20	Figure 5	Change the Danich trail and adjust its length. The Upper Danich Trail does not exist for the whole distance from the Alyeska Highway to the Lower Virgin Creek Trail. The traces of class 1 trails that are there are poorly defined and often follow unsustainable routes. This section of trail should not be included in the current inventory on the map and the Danich Trail length should be adjusted on the existing trails table. (ref Paul Upper Danich Trail and Timberline 4/19 Doc)	Needs Committee Discussion			
20	Stumpy's Trail	The section of this trail that is located on airport land should not appear on the map or the existing trails table. Also, its length should be adjusted to match.	The map represents existing conditions.			
24	Existing Trail Use	Skiing: "There is a desire for beginner runs and routes". <i>The Forest Loop Trails will fulfill this desire</i> . These trails are approved by the GTC and GBOS and should appear on the map.	The Forest Loop Trail needs to be further discussed by the committee.			

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24	Primitive Experiences	Primitive trails that have or will have higher demands should be upgraded to class 3. New primitive class 1 and 2 trails through natural areas can be established to maintain balance.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1
26	Connectivity	A pedestrian bridge over lower Glacier Creek should be established. The Danich Trail should be class 3 from the Alyeska Hwy Bridge to the lower Valley.	The GVTMP Classifies Joe Danich as Class 1 - the GTP can adjust the Class with Committee discussion. The Draft Plan includes B1, a bridge over lower Glacier Creek.			TOPIC 1
29	GTP Subcommittee	By a large margin, local residents have expressed a desire in public forums for more developed trails. The planned public meeting should be structured to show the participants the various proposals submitted to the committee i.e. map overlays etc. Subsequently the public participants should be polled at the meeting to find out what is actually desired by the community.	Acknowledged.			
39	T10	Change name to Cross Valley Trail. This trail would connect the west and east side Valley Trails via Bridge #4. The trail would originate at a junction with the Iditarod Trail (or at the Crow Creek Road middle Iditarod trailhead #11) and terminate at a junction with the Upper Valley Loop Trail. The trail should be built to class 4 double lane bicycle parameters and would serve hikers, bikers and skiers (ref. Pauls Upper Trails edit 4/11 doc)	Will change the name to Cross Valley Trail. Trail Classification needs discussion.	X		
39	T15	Add T15 Forest Loop Trail to the master map. As discussed, this trail is approved by the GTC and the GBOS. The trail would be located between the Cross Valley Connection Trail, Stump's Trail and the Upper Valley Multi-use Loop Trail (ref. Pauls Upper Valley Edits). The trail should be a narrow hardened multi use trail build to class 4 single lane bike parameters. This trail may be groomed for classic skiing in the winter. This trail would connect and complete the route of the Canyon Rim Trail. A short connector from the Forest Loop to Stumpy's Trail could be constructed if the DOT closes access to Stumpy's trail.	The Forest Loop Trail needs to be further discussed by the committee.			

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39	T16	Add new Trail 16. There is a barely discernable trail between the Alyeska Hwy Bridge and Lower Virgin Creek Trail along the Danich Trail corridor. Although threads of an unsustainable class one trail along the Glacier Creek Bluff and below the Glacier Creek Bridge exists for a short distance, no trail exists for the majority of the distance to a potential junction with the Lower Virgin Creek Trail. This section of trail should be removed from the map as an existing trail and existing trails table, however, it should be established as a future trail. This trail should be designated for use by hikers, skiers, and bikers and should be constructed to class 4 single lane bike parameters. Winter grooming should be allowed. This trail would form part of an important four season loop which would also include Bridge #1 and the Lower Iditarod Trail. (ref Paul Upper Danich trail and Timberline 4/19 doc)	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1, TOPIC 2
40	T10	Change title to Cross Valley Trail	Will edit.	X		
40	T12	Change to class 3	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
41	Bridges	Add Bridge 6 over California Creek on trail T5	Will edit.	X		
42	NA1	The area North of Lower Virgin Creek Trail should be deleted from NA1. That area should be used for multi-use trails that are close to the Timberline neighborhood and are "out my back door."	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
42	NA2	The boundary for NA2 should be to the South and East of the Canyon Rim Trail if class 3 trails are not allowed in natural areas. The Canyon Rim Trail should be a hardened class 3 trail.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
42	NA3	NA3 should be deleted. The whole area is natural space without being designated as such.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2

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4	Figures	the word Girdwood is missing a "d"	Will edit.	X		
starting on 6	Open Comment	Remove the term "Natural Space". It is not consistent or congruent with any previous Girdwood plan, State plan, Federal plan, or within other Alaskan trail plans, SCORP guideline, Alaska Outdoor Alliance plans, or Trail Mix language. Instead, leave the title as Girdwood Trail Plan, and replace "Natural Space" where appropriate with "Open Space, "Recreational Reserve", and "Primitive Trails" By using "Natural Space" by definition creates a redundant title and emphasis on Class 1 and 2 trails (ie. Girdwood Trails and Class 0 - 2 Trails Plan). It also eliminates the terms Open Space, Natural Trails, and Recreational Reserve which are consistent with previous plans we are referencing and proposing to update. We should not ignore previous plans (Including, MOA Commercial Areas Transportation Master Plan 2001) Use consistent language for	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
6	Plan Purpose	Remove "a" before "community-developed values" from last sentence in first paragraph	Will edit.	X		
6	general	Remove Natural Space System, Natrual Space Projects, Natural Space Network. See above	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
6	Key Plan Themes	Replace 'Equitable and Balanced" with Enjoyable and Diverse"				
7	Values.Vision.Goals	Remove the 12 "Natural Spaces" throughout the page and replace with "trail system"	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
7	Access	Change to: A healthy trail system IS easily accessible...	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
7	Natural World	Change Natural Space to Open Space	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
7	Vision	We include economy in our vision, yet our goals don't point to that vision. What trails add to the economy? What trail priorities create more user-based trail economy for Girdwood? What do other resort-communities create for year-round visitors and are should we include this within our goals? Do these goals capture the Stakeholder voices - especially the largest employer, Alyeska Resort? How is the increased traffic affecting the Girdwood trail system, and how do we stay proactive with the increased trail use? (ex Upper Virgin Creek use)				
9	New Trails	Omit T10. There is an approved trail in this section (Forest Loop, Class 4)	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1
9	New Trails	T12 - Either change this to Class 3 as another loop to the Winner Creek Trail, or re-route Stumpy's Summer Trail around Class A wetlands and merge these two trails. Harden the trailbed in needed areas, and avoid the wetlands.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2

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9	Proposed NA 1	Omit NA 1. This is the primary location for a Class 3 trail to create a safe alternative so residents can avoid Timberline Drive (dusty, increasing car traffic) and connect to town. There is plenty of room to have BOTH Class 3 trail to connect to town and social trails leading to the neighborhoods. This should NOT be closed off in a 20 year proposed Trail Plan. Our goal is to create a safe pedestrian corridor, and we have the responsibility to look at this area. This neighborhood sees so many kids riding their bikes and walking on the road to get to town. It would be consistent with our goals to have a connected section of trails here to alleviate both the need to drive down Timberline, and the traffic to Virgin Creek Trail from town.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
9	Proposed NA 2	Omit this label and change to "Recreational Reserve" or "Commercial Recreation" zoning found in previous plans. This has been systematically zoned and referred to as a Recreational Reserve and Commercial Recreation Reserve across the board. Why are we suddenly changing this zoning and more importantly this opportunity? The majority of visitors stay at the Alyeska Resort, and it makes sense to have the primary trail recreation branch out from the Resort Area...in the quadrant north of the Alyeska Highway and east of Glacier Creek. The Main 55 acres north of the Girdwood Airport has an approved trail project which is not shown on the map. The newly proposed Multi-use trail will travel on either side of Stumpy's winter route, and just like the proposed mountain bike areas don't have the EXACT trail alignment drawn, the Girdwood Nordic Ski Club should be allowed the same latitude within this plan to create "zones" similar to the GMBA. Moreover, as the Stumpy winter and summer trail obtain easements, the routes will be placed on maps and once that happens, the need to reroute the sections around wetlands and harden the surface will need to be address - as well as trailheads, and signage. People are using this area. The summer wetland damage is evident from the most popular routes. We have a responsibility to stay ahead of the demand and create a healthy network to guide the locals and visitors on a fun connected trail system. The majority of visitors will not travel out on a trail lower than a Class 3; nor can a primitive trail handle the amount of usage from summer tourism in Girdwood without some trail hardening and summer maintenance. The GNSC has been hearing from the Nordic ski community within Girdwood since the 2006 feasibility report asking for more trails in Girdwood that are fun, dog friendly and groomed for walking, skiing, skijoring, and biking in the winter. This area has been discussed for cross country ski trails in the majority of previous plans referenced in this document. Where are the increasing number of visitors go to hike, bike, ski, etc?	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2

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9	Proposed NA 3	Delete NA 3. This area has been zoned for commercial recreation as well. For years. With a primitive trail heading up over Berry Pass to the east, and a primitive trail up over Crow Pass to the west, the need for primitive only to the north is not warranted, nor referenced in other plans. This is non-avalanche terrain for suitable for future trail building and the proposed resort extension. Recreational based economy!	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
14	Governance	2 paragraph, last sentence, Alyeska Resort is a lessee of State of Alaska DNR, not Chugach State Park	Will edit.	X		
15		I love this page so much. You have a gift.	:)			
16	title	Demand for Expanded Trail System				TOPIC 2
16	second paragraph	Change Natural Spaces to Primitive Trails				TOPIC 2
16	Multi-Use Trails	Change Class 3 to Class 3 and 4 trails	Will edit.	X		
20	Figure 5	Add miles to a key (so Kilometers are not assumed)	Will edit.	X		
20	Figure 5	I like this information shown. I like that Girdwood has maintained a progressively primitive vibe (50%). It is time to answer the increasing trail use with more trail connections and Class 3 and 4 trails - the economic drivers	Acknowledged.			
22	Alyeska Basin	The ABS trails, like the majority of Girdwood trails, evolved from old utility routes, mining routes, or animal trails. We should have a trail engineer survey these trails to transform them into recreational trails to minimize the maintenance with increased usage.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 1, TOPIC 2
26	Access, 4th paragraph	I strongly disagree with a compromise from DOT about a trail along the airport. I have seen too many close calls on the taxiway and runway to have any established route be a safe means of travel. Ducking under a fenced airport to utilize the access is a distraction to pilots and a danger to the pedestrian.	Need coordination with MOA for direction.			
29	Stakeholders	The voice of the MOA, Alyeska Resort, small businesses, and land owners could have larger voice if this is the last stop. Especially the largest employer - the Alyeska Resort. It seemed the last community review also voiced a missing element of economic-based recreational trails needed, and we have not focused on this aspect, or climate change changes within the sustainability goal.	Acknowledged.			
30	Figure 7	I have gone back to look at this interactive map, and trails I have drawn are not present. I found the Natural Space "areas" to be over-reaching that this exercise seemed unproductive. Other ideas could not be effectively conveyed, and I really wanted to hear from the public. A few folks gave me feedback that they thought those were closed off areas, so they didn't comment.	Acknowledged.			

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30	Under Figure 7	Omit Natural Spaces from the themes paragraph. It is not conveying the theme of the plan's stakeholder interviews. People love primitive trails and natural spaces - I love primitive trails and natural spaces - but not as defined for this plan. The overuse of this term has been noted to this committee by letters from the public. I want to include primitive trails at the same level as multi-use and single-use. Can you imagine if every sentence also had to include those two terms as well? Open Space and natural areas are the local, state, and federally accepted terms.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
31		This is the correct place for discussing primitive trails and balanced trail systems. That is it.	Acknowledged.			
32	Improving and Managing Trail access	I like that you have referenced the Wagon Trail as an example of trail without a trailhead - but "many" residents could not point out that trail on a map. Virgin Creek might be the best example here.	Acknowledged.			
33	Purpose	Omit Natural Space Projects and replace with proposals in first paragraph. The term "natural space" throughout these two pages replaced with "open space" or "natural area".	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
35	Proposed Trail...	Delete "And Natural Space Network" from title. Delete "Proposed Natural Areas" and replace with "Primitive". In shaded area, replace "and Natural Space" with "system". The beginning of the next paragraph, replace "Natural Areas" with "Primitive"	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
36	Map 6	Delete "Natural Space Network" from title	Needs Committee Discussion			
38	T1	Typo in last sentence "the"	Will edit.	X		
38	T2	Typo in first sentenc "trails"	Will edit.	X		
38	T6	Remove (Cabanaland) from paragraph. Remove "natural area NA1" from paragraph	Will remove Cabanaland. NA1 comment needs committee discussion.	X		TOPIC 2
39	T10	Remove this connection, and add in the Forest Loop and modify a link to that loop for connection. Either distinguish Stumpy's Summer Link, or link to Canyon Rim Trail.	The Forest Loop Trail needs to be further discussed by the committee.			TOPIC 1
39	T13	Delete "natural area 30" from paragraph	Natural area 30 is incorrect. Will edit to NA 2, however removing completely needs committee discussion	X		TOPIC 2
40	Proposed Classifications	Dogsledding in not prohibited from multi-use trail once a connection is establish is created. Some local kids have a small sled and run multi-use trails with one or two dogs.	Will edit. I misunderstood. Is dogsledding allowed on all multi-use trails?	X		
41	B4	Definitely support the bridge north of the airport, but the trail connections should be a Class 3 at a minimum. Increased traffic will need a hardened surface Class 3 trail system.	Trail classification needs discussion. Paul recommended Class 4. Class 3-4 would make sense if T10 is realigned.	X		

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42	Proposed Natural Areas	Shrink this area to allow for neighborhood trails and back yard recreation near Girdwood's largest neighborhood. This could be an area surrounding Wagon trail, but along Glacier Creek should not be exclusively for primitive trails in a 20 year plan.	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
43	" "	Delete Stumpy's Natural Area	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
43	" "	Delete Winner Creek Natural Area	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
43	MB3	(HLB and DNR) not (HLB and USFS)	Will edit.	X		
44	Implementation Strategy	Delete Natural Space, and Natural Space Network	Needs Committee Discussion			TOPIC 2
General	General	See "Essex" PDF attachment for more general comments				

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5	Acronyms...	Add Acronyms, Common Terms and Definitions to the blank page	Will edit.	X		
7	Values, Vision, Goals	replace "Trails" with "Trails and natural spaces" in each of the values currently "natural spaces" only appear under Access, Stewardship and Recreation values	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
9	Exec Summ: Girdwood trails plan: Proposed Mountain bike areas	Label MB1 something other Abe's Ca Creek to differentiate between the biking zone and the hiking only trails	Will edit.	X		
9	"	Rename "Stumpy's Natural Area" to "Upper Valley Natural Area"	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
15	Proposal Process Flow chart	Update to reflect no need to go to LUC (as voted on at GTC)	Will edit.	X		
16	Demand for... (1st paragraph)	Add "narrow" before "trails" in last sentence, to better reflect what 61% indicated	There is also demad for Class 3-4 trails.			
16	Demand for...	Change "Multi-Use" to "Shared"; eliminate "the class 3 range" or replace with "4' wide trails" since you are referencing the 2019 Girdwood Area Plan Survey in the introductory paragraph				
20	Figure 5	1. replace "Bird to Gird" bike trail with "Indian to Girdwood" bike trail (as it is designated by Chugach State Park and on the signs at the kiosk at Bird Point) Change trail length to 14 miles	Will edit. Will double-check length.	X		
20	Figure 5	25. change Snow Cat Trail trail classification to 4 or 4 & 1 (seasonally) or Snow Cat Trail Winter class 4 /Snow Cat Trail Summer class 1	Will edit.	X		
		and theSnow Cat trail length should include the groomed route to the Powder hut as well as the additional groomed route toward to A-1/Sunnyside	Will edit.	X		
20	Figure 5	Shortcut from Bike Path to Davos is probably Class 4	The GVTMP identifies this trail as Class 3.			
20	Figure 5	Update Moose Meadow trails (legnth) to include the perimeter trail that was groomed for bikes all winter by the narrow guage groomer.	KYLE			
		All trails on the map need to be reflected in figure 5	Acknowledged.			

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20	Summary Trail Classifications	Update with changes above				
21	Existing Trail map	Change "1. Bird to Gird Bike trail" to "Girdwood to Indian Bike Trail"	Will edit.	X		
21	Existing Trail map	Add 7. Iditarod--Middle Trail (to differentiate the portion that is behind the school before crossing crow creek road)	Will edit.	X		
21	Existing Trail map	Change Snow Cat Trail class designation to 4 (just like Moose Meadows) or "Winter 4/ Summer 1"	Will edit.	X		
21	Existing Trail map	Stumpy's Winter trail is both a Class 4 and a Class 1 in different portions	The GVTMP identifies Stumpy's Winter Trail as Class 2.			
22	Upper Valley Trails	Add 'widely" in front of "groomed in last sentence.	This description matches the GVTMP as closely as possilbe. GTC should weigh in.			
22	Upper Valley Trails	Add "and classic skiing only" after "multi-use" in last sentence.	Will edit.	X		
22	Resort-Managed Trails	Add "Tanaka Road/Glacier Bowl trail" after "Winner Creek Extension" (which should be called Winner Creek Reroute, because Alyeska didn't extend the Winner Creek trail there, they rerouted it)	This description matches the GVTMP as closely as possilbe. GTC should weigh in.			
23	Map 4	Change purple area between red and light green as voted on at GTC				
36	Girdwood Trails Plan: Proposed Trail and Natural Space Network	Make existing trails a color (red/dark blue/ purple?) that differentiates them from roads	Will consider.			
36	"	Make three colors of trails--trails that are Wiinter, Use only, trails that are Summer Use only and trails that are All Season Use (even if the type of use is different in different seasons--like the 5K Nordic road system)	Will consider.			
36	"	Label Creeks in the Upper Valley (crow, winner)	Will edit.	X		
36	"	Choose one route for T2 and the eliminate other (building a bridge is expensive, so maybe we should choose the upper route?)	Needs committee disucssion			TOPIC 2

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36	"	Move the north end of T7 toward the east so it is not between Abe's and Ca Creek. It should join Beaver Pond trail where MB1 is adjacent to Beaver Pond trail	If this trail is approved and funded the exact routing will be determined during the design phase.			
		This will be especially important in mitigating biker's use of Abe's trail and CA Creek trail				
		Downhill biking on Abe's & Ca Crk is a danger for hikers				
36	"	Take Ca Creek East off of map, trail is diffuse	the trail shows up in existing data and plans.			
36	"	Take T-9 off map	Trails T8 and T9 are already in an adopted landuse plan, the Crow Creek Road Land Use Plan.			
37	entire page	change font, existing font too difficult to read				
38	T1	change "Bird to Gird" to " Girdwood to Indian" (twice, here--should be changed throughout document	Will edit.		X	
38	T2	change "traisl" to "trails" (spell check document)	Will edit.		X	
38	T3	eliminate sentence suggesting the utility easement be avoided	Utility easement may not be authorized for use.			
38	T5	Proceeding along Juniper Street and then crossing the Alyeska Highway seems a rather unsafe proposal. Boardwalks are slippery and difficult to maintain. Eliminate suggestion for using boardwalks.	Acknowledged.			
38	T6	Eliminate "(Cabanaland)"	Will edit.		X	
38	T7	There is a reference to "trailhead 20" which can't be found on the map, so either eliminate it or add trailheads numbers to the map	Will edit.		X	
38	T8	Eliminate trail from map and description	Trails T8 and T9 are already in an adopted landuse plan, the Crow Creek Road Land Use Plan.			

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39	T9	Eliminate T-9 ---Middle Iditarod already provides pedestrian access along CrowCreek road	Trails T8 and T9 are already in an adopted landuse plan, the Crow Creek Road Land Use Plan.			
		If T-8 remains on map, keep inter connection between T8 and Middle Iditarod (but eliminate rest of T9)				
39	T11	Realign T11/ make public access follow Cat Track (which is proposed to be upgraded for summer use) back toward hotel to where it already intersects Winner Creek Trail (when it was realigned for the nordic spa)	Need more information.			
39	T12	When T12 intersects Stumpys Summer trail, it should be concurrent with Stumpy's summer trail until it encounters the utility easement. Eliminate the portion of T12 south of where it intersects the existing Stumpy's summer trail. Consider creating a summer trail on the groomed ski trail upvalley until it encounters the Cat Track (which could also be upgraded for better summer access)	Acknowledged.			
39	T-13	Move T13 to be concurrent with existing snow cat trail. Create a summer use trail on the existing route that is groomed in winter and the Snow Cat trail. Extend NA2 to the east until it encounters those trails. Create a summer trail without taking any trees down.	Acknowledged.			
39	T14	Change MB1 to MB3	Will edit.	X		
39	T14	eliminate "either" (put a sustainable route within the snow cat route and cut no more trees! Climate change is real!)	Acknowledged.			
40	New Trail: chart T1	Change "Grvade" to whatever it is supposed to say	Will edit.	X		
40	"	T11 change trail class to 3	Winner creek is Class 4 in this section - matching up to Class 4.			
40	"	Incorporate the changes suggested above into chart				
41	Bridge Projects B5	Change to reflect no hand tram:(
41	Trailheads	Many of the trail heads do not align with their locations on the map!! This is going to be tricky. Looks like you renumbered and didn't move the names and descriptions maybe? Can I just say make sure the trailhead descriptions match their locations on the map?	Will double check.	X		

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41	Trailheads TH1	Change to Girdwood Depot Trailhead w/ description	Will edit	X		
41	Trailheads TH2	Change TH2 Glacier Ranger District w/ description)	Will edit	X		
41	Trailheads TH3	Change to Virgin Creek Falls w/description	Will edit	X		
42	Trailheads TH4	Change to Karolius Trailhead w/description	Will edit	X		
42	Trailheads TH5	Change to Girdwood Town Center w/ description	Will edit	X		
42	Trailheads TH6	Change to Moose Meadow w/description	Will edit	X		
		Change 40 to 25 and save some trees! There is parallel parking along Aspen next to Soccer field and access to MM using trailshed trail/road				
42	Trailheads TH7	Change to Beaver Pond w/description	Will edit	X		
42	Trailheads TH8	Change to Girdwood PreK-8 w/description	Will edit	X		
42	Trailheads TH9	Change to Alyeska Resort Parking w/description	Will edit	X		
42	Trailheads TH10	Change to Arlberg Trailhead Expansion w/description	Will edit	X		
42	Trailheads TH11	Change to Middle Iditarod w/description	Will edit	X		
42	Missing TH12!	Add TH12 Winner Creek Gorge trailhead and create a description	Will edit	X		
42	Proposed Natural Areas NA1	change "TH9, TH10, or TH2" to "TH 1, TH2, TH3 or TH4" change "skiing" to "classic skiing"	Needs committee discussion			
43	Proposed Natural Areas NA2	change "skiing" to "classic skiing"	Needs committee discussion			
43	Proposed Natural Areas NA3	change "skiing" to "classic skiing"	Needs committee discussion			
43	Proposed Mountain...MB3	Change "Project T13" to "Project T14"	Will edit	X		
44	Implementation Strategy	change "trail managers " to "trail/natural space managers" and add "Girdwild" to the list	Will edit	X		

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38	Proposed Trail T2	Proposed Trail T2 should be removed, and replaced with a better connector trail, if people choose to seek a connector. Development of Wagon Trail is problematic, because of problems with traffic, litter and lack of parking on Timberline. The lower Virgin Creek floodplain is particularly unsuitable for sustainable trails. A much better route already exists for a connector trail, if we ever choose to create one.	What is the better route?			
38	Proposed Trail T2	Before we can develop Wagon Trail, some way would have to be found to address issues of access to it, across private property and the slot canyon of Virgin Creek. We would have to create a parking lot, and do something to address the traffic and litter problems. Timberline is a gravel road, in a residential neighborhood. The commercial marketing of the Virgin Falls trailhead is already a source problems in the neighborhood; if Wagon Trail is ever developed, a way would have to be found to do so without further exacerbating difficulties for this neighborhood.	Project TH4 addresses this comment.			
38	Proposed Trail T2	The proposed routes for T2 cross an area that is unsuitable for trail construction, for at least two reasons; the harmful effect on wildlife, and the physical difficulty of sustainable trails on a braided-stream floodplain. This is critical wildlife habitat, specifically wintering ground for moose. Most of our valley's lowland is spruce and hemlock forest; the Glacier Creek to Virgin Creek wetland is the largest area of willow and other suitable browsing, for many miles around. This is where moose congregate, especially in the winter; even the most casual walk across this wetland will show endless moose paths, bedding sites, browsed willows and scat. Frequent foot or bike traffic across this area would have much more impact on wildlife than traffic on the Danich or Wagon Trail. This area is also a floodplain. This is where Virgin Creek emerges from its narrow canyon and braids back forth across the flat floodplain. The entire area is criss-crossed by streambeds that are periodically occupied by various channels of Virgin Creek. It is littered with piles of rock and gravel dropped by flood waters, that later receded. Any trail through the area would not be sustainable, unless all but the very tips of T2 was on raised walkway, several feet off the ground, on steel piles. This would be prohibitively expensive. Even then, it would be inundated at times, and risk being washed out. In the past eighteen years, I have seen several occasions, during especially heavy rain events, when the entire area crossed by all of lower T2, and part of its upper fork were under deep and fast-moving water.	The project description identifies structures to avoid wetlands.			

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38	Proposed Trail T2	There is, however, a perfectly workable alternative. I am not pushing for the Wagon Trail to be developed, or turned into a loop. But if the community somehow found a viable, appropriate way to develop the Wagon Trail, and if they sought to use it as part of a loop—the Bird to Gird bikepath is already platted for extension well south of Girdwood our valley. Creating a legal, sustainable crossing of the AKRR is an obstacle, but a very small obstacle compared to T2. Joining the Wagon Trail to the already platted bikepath would be a much better option.	Acknowledged.			

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5	Acronyms/Common Terms/Definitions	Please add Natural Spaces definition from Summary/FAQ document I provided earlier in process. I suggest also adding that document to an Appendix.	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
7	Values	Most of these are missing the full "trails and natural spaces" phrase (most just have "trails" now)	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
10	1995 Girdwood Area Plan	1995 Area Plan called for development of a system of open spaces	Acknowledged			
12	HLB plans	HLB plans now recognize conservation as a form of development, and also recognize natural space work	Acknowledged			
13	Population	Historical use of this area didn't start with mining; should be some recognition of Indigenous use of the land, e.g. that this is most recently within the traditional lands of the Dena'ina.	Will edit.	X		
16	Description of natural spaces	This issue is found here and elsewhere in the document - to be clear, Primitive Natural Spaces would have max Class 2 trails. Other kinds (e.g. non-primitive) of natural spaces could have more developed trails. But what this plan has talked about creating are Primitive Natural Spaces. Primitive Natural Spaces have been focused on for this plan because that was the major 'gap' in our existing trail system lacking designation/protection (i.e. areas that provided for the enjoyment and protection of primitive trail experiences).	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
16	Description of natural spaces	Suggest changing: "Trail development in these areas would be limited to class 2 standards" to "Trails in these areas would be limited to class 2 standards" - so as to cover both existing and any possible future new trails, and so as to avoid over-emphasizing building new trails.	Will edit.	X		
31	"Preserved Natural Areas for Primitive Trail Development"	Please change title to: "Protected Primitive Natural Spaces for Primitive Trail Experiences", as the goal is not for developing new primitive trails but rather to protect that which enables enjoyment of primitive trail experiences (among other things) in such spaces.	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
31	"Preserved Natural Areas for Primitive Trail Development"	Suggest changing "pristine wilderness" to "wild lands" since wilderness has a formal federal designation and we don't want to confuse people (or for people to think we're confused).	Will edit.	X		
35	"Natural Areas"	Suggest changing title to "Natural Spaces". Also please add a last sentence to the paragraph here: "Three primitive natural spaces are identified in this plan to achieve these goals."	Yes, wording for consistency. Will update after committee discussion.	X		TOPIC 2
36	Map 6	VC Natural Space - this should extend from Glacier Creek on one side to Wagon Trail on the other (it seems to have been trimmed back from this; please re-establish those extents)	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
36	Map 6	Stumpy's Natural Space appears to have been trimmed down. The southern boundary should be restored as far as possible.	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2

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36 & 38	Map 6 and T2 description	I think T2 needs to be removed or changed, for a variety of reasons. 1) Existing conditions allow multiple primitive trail loops utilizing Danich, the Lower Virgin Creek Trail, the trail behind the AWWU box at the end of VC Road that connects to Danich, and the primitive trails on the highland area behind Turin. (To see the three black primitive trails that already exist in this area which I just referred to, in addition to Danich and lower VCT, see the three lines I've added to the attached supplemental map that was previously used in the GTP work.) 2) All that is needed to connect all this to Wagon is one spur over to Wagon trail. 3) This forked trail really doesn't seem to achieve anything that wouldn't already be achieved by utilizing existing trails and adding one spur from Wagon into this area. 4) See my comments about B2 below.	Needs committee discussion. Should trails be added to existing trails map?			TOPIC 2
36, 41-42	TH3 and TH4	The text descriptions of TH3 and TH4 seem to be the reverse of them on the map.	Will edit.	X		
39	T12	I don't like the language about hardening that is in here; I think it carries a significant potential for abuse. Also, hardening in general isn't consistent with a class 2 trail. Other means of trail protection, e.g. small rounds of wood, woodchips, etc. could bolster a trail if overuse became a problem. It is very likely that people would simply use this as an excuse to harden the trail right at the outset or shortly thereafter, rather than there being some actual environmental-protection necessity for it. As it is, this area has sustained many many years of trail usage without damage and a need for hardening. I don't see a reason to add this in here because the vagueness could very easily be abused, and also because it's just anticipation of a very hypothetical scenario (which we could address at some point in the future if it ever came to pass).	Yes, agree about hardening in Class 2 vs Class 3. However, needs committee discussion.			TOPIC 2
39 & 40	T13	I'd like to see more specifics about the size of the T13 trail (trailbed and clearing). As I've indicated before, I'm willing to vote for a plan that has such a trail in it, but the details are important. For example I don't think a 30-foot wide trail is necessary to achieve the aims of this class 4 trail here, as that would be very environmentally damaging; but a narrower albeit still class 4 trail should meet the needs and could be palatable.	This plan is proposing Class 4, Skate Ski Design parameter. The specific design parameters can be found in the GVTMP. If this trail is approved and funded the exact widths will be determined during the design phase.			
39 & 40	T10	The text description of T10 on page 39 says it is class 2 primitive, but the chart on page 40 indicates that it is class 3 and allows mechanized use (bikes). Which is accurate?	Error. The chart and text are not consistent. This topic needs more discussion, but Class 3 makes most the sense based on the connection. Also the alignment needs to be adjusted to better connect B4.	X		

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41	B2	Question: Is the goal of this bridge to connect Lower Virgin Creek Trail to Wagon Trail (if so, a small foot bridge somewhere between the primitive trail behind the AWWU box, or Danich, and Wagon Trail could suffice), to create some connection to build a loop, or is it to have a crossing higher upstream over Virgin Creek? I'd note that I don't think there's really a desire out there for a loop involving Wagon and LVC Trail, and I think we also need to acknowledge the reality that Wagon Trail's access issues (on both ends) entail very difficult challenges. Instead of proposing something that creates a loop with Wagon, we can recognize existing primitive trail loops (that could also be connected up to Wagon, though not looped with it, via a single primitive trail and footbridge). We also need to keep in mind the prohibitions on mechanized use in the VC Primitive Natural Space (e.g. bikes, grooming, etc.); if Wagon Trail is built out to a class 3 that allows those uses, connecting it into the VC Primitive Natural Space could create significant trail management problems.	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
42-43	Description of three natural spaces	Please change "Trails in the area should be built to Class 1 and Class 2 Design Parameters." to "Trails in the area should be kept to Class 1 and Class 2 Design Parameters."	Will edit. However needs committee disucssion.	X		TOPIC 2
42	Description of VC Natural Space	Modify first sentence to: "Create a natural space in the Virgin Creek area that is kept in its primitive natural sate."	Will edit. However needs committee disucssion.	X		TOPIC 2
43	Description of Stumpy's Natural Space	Modify first sentence to: "Create a natural space in the Stumpy's trail system meadows and forest area that is kept in its primitive natural sate."	Will edit. However needs committee disucssion.	X		TOPIC 2
43	Description of Winner Creek Natural Space	Modify first sentence to: "Create a natural space in the Winner Creek area that is kept in its primitive natural sate."	Will edit. However needs committee disucssion.	X		TOPIC 2
44	Language re graphic	This notes currently that "all projects are required to complete the following steps" - however, this is only the case for trail projects (e.g. a construction phase). Natural spaces can be designated in a myriad of established ways that aren't consonant with the process in this graphic.	We know the answer to this yet.			TOPIC 2
General	Re: Natural Spaces	Language should consistently use "Natural Spaces" throughout (e.g. there are a lot of "Natural Areas" usage)	Will edit.	X		
General	Re: Natural Spaces	I don't like that the Natural Spaces have been trimmed back in various ways. E.g. their spatial extents, or through new trail development in them (e.g. T12). Some needs to be added back as I've noted elsewhere in this spreadsheet, and there can't be any more trimming. This plan has 3 mountain bike parks, and a ton of new trail development proposed; there can't be any further trimming into Natural Spaces.	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
General	Re: Natural Spaces	Additional parking shouldn't be seen as a pre-requisite for designating natural spaces in the way that it often necessarily is regarding trails, because in many ways designating such areas simply preserves the status quo.	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2

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General	Re: Natural Spaces	Would like to see language added re: natural spaces and proposed trail development in them that indicates that if proposed trail projects can utilize an existing class 1 trail (i.e. to upgrade it to class 2), that should be considered as an alternative to developing an entirely new trail.	Needs committee discussion			
General	Re: Natural Spaces	Add something which indicates that it's not necessary to get all landowners to agree to such designation in order to achieve it with certain landowner property. I.e. it should be possible to designate the HLB lands as such even if the State doesn't agree to it re: their lands (in such a case the State lands would just not be designated as such).	Acknowledged			
General	Attachment	See BRY Supplemental Map. I've also attached a map that is based on one of the earlier maps Holly created (I think in the 1/20/2021 special meeting packet). I modified it and appended that modified version, just for the purpose of showing you some primitive trails (I added 3 black lines) that weren't on the map but illustrate some stuff I was talking about in my comments in the spreadsheet.				

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16	Demand for Expanded Trail and Natural Space Network	The natural space section seems overrepresented throughout this document due to a well organized and vocal group. Where are the numbers that say this is what the community wants?	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
16	Demand for Expanded Trail and Natural Space Network	The want for trails in this community is documented as described in the survey. Girdwood Nordic Ski Club also did a survey a few years ago about the type of trail the community wanted and found they didn't want the 8ft skate ski trails GNSC were considering building, but preferred narrower walking/hiking/biking trails. Girdwood Alliance has also done some informal social media polling about trails that might be good additional data showing support for trails.	Acknowledged.			
28	Toilets	There is a bathroom at the Winner Creek Trailhead on Crow Creek and one up at the Crow Pass Trailhead	Acknowledged.			
32, 35	Connectivity	There is a lack of looping trails making many out-and-back, which isn't as fun. Also, isn't an "out-and-back loop" contradictory?	Yes that is contradictory - will adjust.	X		
32, 35, 41/42	Improving and Managing Trail Access	Trailheads are mentioned, more specifically: parking and toilets should be mentioned as a minimum for the higher use trails, possibly lighting?	Acknowledged.			
34	GIRDWOOD TRAIL PLAN: GOALS	It's too limited for a 10-15 year plan and the vision doesn't connect with the implementation goals. It reads like a 5 year work plan	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
35, 42/43	How this Plan Improves the Balance and Diversity of the Trail and Natural Space	This is making Land Use decisions when thats completely outside its scope.	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
35, 42/43	How this Plan Improves the Balance and Diversity of the Trail and Natural Space	We should be able to coexist trail types.	Acknowledged.			
35, 43	How this Plan Improves the Balance and Diversity of the Trail and Natural Space	Mt biking trails get along with other trail user groups and have expressed that they do not need a designated area. They have a trails master plan I suggest we use those trails for our map instead of making area designations.	Although we can do this for MB2, I'm not sure we can do this for MB1 or MB3.			
35, 42/43	How this Plan Improves the Balance and Diversity of the Trail and Natural Space	The same goes for natural spaces. Possibly a way to get away from land designation (not in scope nor inappropriate) is to make a setback requirement for all primitive trails, because it seems like the issue is generally about the experience and that multi-use, class 3/4 trails too close to primitive trails distrubts that experience.	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
35	How this Plan Improves the Balance and Diversity of the Trail and Natural Space	The "balance" is skewed; more developed trails do not need to be equal to primitive/less developed trails. A more reasonable approach is specific user group equality: biking only=multiuse=primitive=paved=ski only=etc.	Acknowledged.			
35	How this Plan Improves the Balance and Diversity of the Trail and Natural Space	Another way it's skewed is the proportion of people who want certain types of trails to the amount of those trails available. See Page 16 comments for similar thoughts. (Page 20 Summary: Trail Classification Totals really illustrates this issue).	Acknowledged.			

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35, 42/49	How this Plan Improves the Balance and Diversity of the Trail and Natural Space	There are more places that run ridges where trails can be developed. We should be certain to keep trails out of wetlands for maintenance and longevity.	Acknowledged.			
35	How This Plan Improves Connectivity and Access: New Trails	The largest neighborhood in Girdwood (Timberline) has limited connectivity to the trail system. Currently, the options are primitive and developed in wetlands so difficult to pass in the summer. The road is not an acceptable access route, because it does not have a safe travel corridor (side walk/path) and is barely wide enough for two cars sometimes with folks parking on the street. This is a very busy road and is dangerous for families to travel on. A connector trail is needed from this neighborhood and there is a community desire for more neighborhood trails that is underrepresented in this plan. T6 is not adequate because many families live further up the road and cannot access that short connector trail.	Needs committee discussion			TOPIC 2
44	IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY	This states it will be worked on for 15-20 years and everywhere else it has said this is a 10-15 year plan. If this plan is meant to be so far reaching it is very limited and not broad enough. Even if we don't have the means for some of these goals/implementations they should still be in the plan. As we know, plans can be neglected and used past their intended length of time (i.e. 1995 Girdwood Area Plan 26 years old and 1-3 years from update completion). We cannot afford to be so conservative in our planning efforts. I would like to see the whole map that we all were able to annotate and see if there are some far reaching prospects identified (i.e. a treeline circum-valley trail that goes way up valley) and not simply the ones identified as attainable.	Will edit for consistency. Needs more discussion.			
Word searched	number of times it appears in draft	This was just interesting to me and thought I would record it as I looked stuff up.				
bike	45					
natural	108					
Trails	315					
developed	48					
primitive	21					
Wetlands	12					
multi-use	31					
balance	18					
restrooms/toilets	2 each					
lighting	0					

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Committee Member Name: Jessica Szlag

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35	Natural Space Definition	Remove language about what a natural space "is not". Definitions should state what they are.	Needs committee disucssion			TOPIC 2
38	Project Descriptions	I'd like to see some consistency on how projects are presented. IE. Project stated: miles, change in class, why it's needed	Will rework for consistency if possible.	X		
40	New Trails	Really wish there were more plans for the development of Class 4 trails in the valley	Needs committee disucssion			TOPIC 1
42	NA1	Mechanized travel (bike) should not be prohibited on Danisch trail. Either move natural space area over or allow for snow bikes	Needs committee disucssion			TOPIC 2
43	NA2	I'd like to see more winter trail grooming allowed in this area	Needs committee disucssion			TOPIC 2
43	NA3	I'm not really sure if we ever discussed why this area is being proposed as a natural space area. Seems like it would be better served as an area to consider future hiking and biking trails as an alternative way to access the Notch/Sunnyside area	Needs committee disucssion			TOPIC 2
General Comment		I think the proposed projects do not hit the marks to meet the stated "ambition" of the plans stated vision and goals. Would have liked to see more projects identified and a way to quantify the creation of "x-amount of new trail", "x amount of trails improved", "x amount of land protected".	Needs committee disucssion			
General Comment		There's a significant lack of class 4/5 trails proposed in the plan to create a more equitable trail system	Needs committee disucssion			TOPIC 1
General Comment	Attachment	See Szlag email for more comments				