

**OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT**

MEETING DATE: February 26, 2018

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 3F

STAFF: Ann Bollinger, Open Space Administrator

REQUEST: **For Possible Action:** To recommend to the Board of Supervisors an official property name for an open space acquisition located in the Kings Canyon area and purchased from the Hutchinson Family in 2006.

GENERAL DISCUSSION: On January 26, 2018, both the Nevada Appeal and Carson Now published short new articles notifying the public that Carson City was receiving proposals for the naming of two open space properties. Staff also posted a notice on the Parks and Recreation Department Facebook page. The deadline set by our department for receiving proposals was 5:00 P.M. on Friday, February 9. As a result of this outreach, two nominations were received (one with two suggestions). The submitted names are listed in random order (see attached):

- Carson View Open Space
- Kene'e Open Space
- Kings View Open Space
- Valley View Open Space
- Vista Grande Open Space

After the Committee takes action to name the property, staff will forward that recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for their consideration. Staff is anticipating an agenda item at the Board of Supervisors meeting in mid-March or mid-April 2018.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: I move to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the name for the open space acquisition located in the Kings Canyon area and purchased from the Hutchinson Family in 2006 should be called _____.

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-R-19

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE NAMING OF OPEN SPACE PROPERTIES WITHIN CARSON CITY

WHEREAS, the Open Space Program was created through a voter-approved ballot initiative in 1996, often referred to as Question 18; and

WHEREAS, Carson City Charter Provision 2.230 empowers the Board of Supervisors to regulate public parks, buildings, grounds and rights-of-way within the City; and

WHEREAS, Carson City Charter Provision 8A.030 defines open space as real property that is undeveloped or partially developed natural landscape, including, but not limited to, ridges, stream corridors, natural shorelines, scenic areas, watershed areas, viewsheds, agricultural or other land devoted exclusively to open-space use, conservation easements and easements devoted or connecting to open-space use; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors desires to establish policies and procedures for the naming of the open space properties within Carson City;

NOW, THEREFORE, this Board hereby resolves to adopt the following:

POLICIES

1. Names should provide some form of individual identity to the property or specific part of any owned property.
2. If possible, names should be related to the unique natural landscape, geographic or topographic features, indigenous plants or wildlife, cultural or historical heritage.
3. The naming for individuals and/or families should be reserved as an incentive towards significant donations of land and/or endowments. It is encouraged that any recommended name be designated posthumously.
4. Individuals and organizations should be encouraged to submit nominations to the Parks and Recreation Department.
5. Due to their familiarity with the individual properties, committee members and staff may submit nominations.

PROCEDURES

1. After the City has acquired title to the property, the Parks and Recreation Department is responsible to solicit nominations.
2. The Parks and Recreation Department will publicize the open period including the deadline for nominations.
3. A formal nomination and justification must be submitted, in writing, to the Parks and Recreation Department.
4. The Parks and Recreation Department staff will review and research the nomination(s). Staff will prepare a written summary for the Open Space Advisory Committee (OSAC).
5. The Open Space Advisory Committee will review the nomination(s) for consideration at a regularly scheduled meeting. Upon OSAC recommendation, Parks and Recreation Department staff will forward to the Board of Supervisors for approval.
6. Upon Board of Supervisors' approval, the name shall be identified on open space signage and materials.

Upon motion by Supervisor John McKenna, seconded by Supervisor Brad Bonkowski, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted this 2nd day of May, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisor John McKenna
Supervisor Brad Bonkowski
Supervisor Karen Abowd
Supervisor Jim Shirk
Mayor Robert Crowell

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: None.



ROBERT L. CROWELL, Mayor

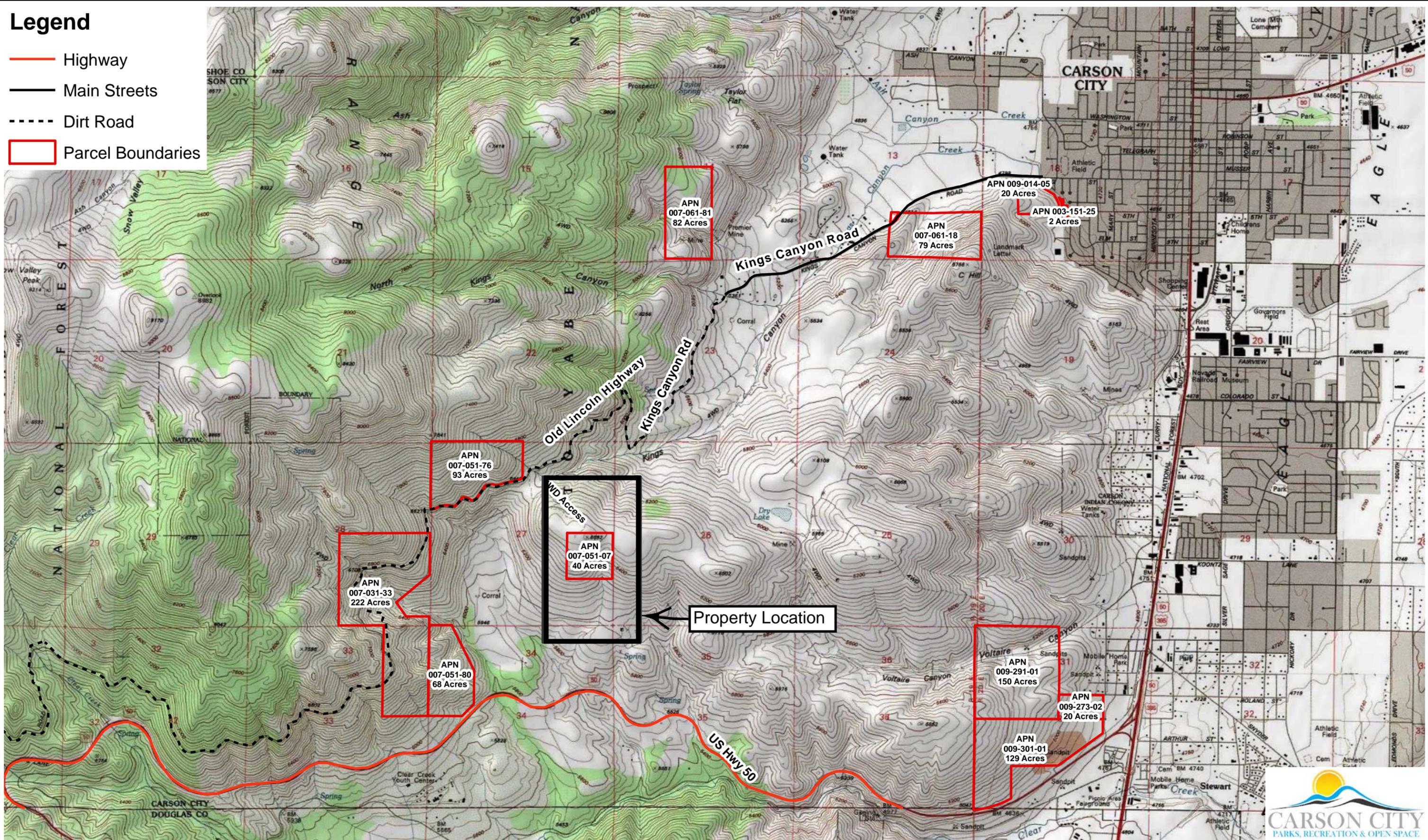
ATTEST:



ALAN GLOVER, Clerk - Recorder

Legend

-  Highway
-  Main Streets
-  Dirt Road
-  Parcel Boundaries

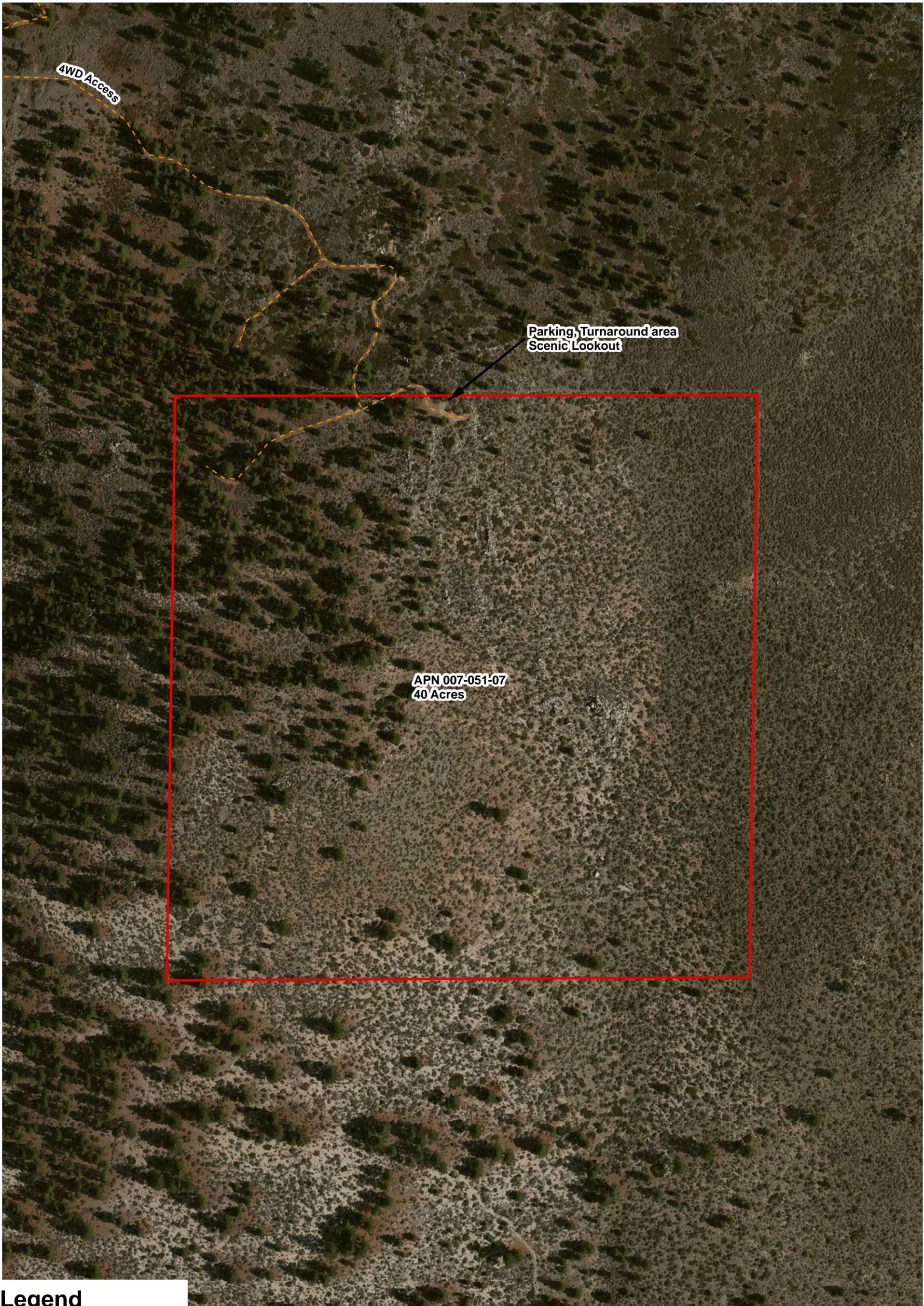


0 750 1,500 3,000 Feet
 1 inch = 2,500 Feet

Carson City Open Space



11/28/2016
RCI
 Resource Concepts Inc



Legend

- Dirt Roads
- ▭ Parcel Boundary

0 50 100 200 Feet
 1 inch = 200 feet

Carson City Open Space

APN: 007-051-07



Location

Located 2.8 miles due west of Carson City. The property is bordered to the north, east, and west by U.S. Forest Service land and to the south by private property.

Access

From the western end of the paved section of Kings Canyon Road, follow the Kings Canyon Road (aka Old Lincoln Hwy) to the southwest for approximately 2.2 miles. At this point the road spits with a lesser traveled road leading to the left (or southwest) and the Old Lincoln Highway leading to the right (or west). Turn to the left.

At this point, a rough 4-wheel drive road leads to the south. Take this road for approximately 0.6 miles to the top of the hill which is the northern portion of the property. The smaller dirt road rises 200 feet to the top of the hill and is loose with large rocks and tight turns.

Parking and hiking access can be accommodated on the property in a small unvegetated flat area at the end of the road on the top of the hill.

Background

Purchase Date: December 2006
Purchased from: Hall and Deborah Hutchinson
Funding Source: 1) Carson City Open Space, Quality of Life Sales and Use Tax Funds
2) Nevada Division of State Lands, Conservation and Resource Protection Grant Program (Question 1)

Characteristics

Historic / Cultural: No historic or cultural resources are known or apparent. The hill is within the Voltaire Mining District and there are several small diggings to the south and east of the property. There are several old trails on the western half of the property.

Landform / Scenic Quality: The top of the property is situated at 6,590 feet in elevation. From this vantage point one can see into the Clear Creek drainage and Carson Valley to the south; Eagle Valley / Carson City to the east and northeast; and Washoe Valley to the north.

The eastern half of the property hosts several unusual large rock outcrops. The rock outcrops form north-south ridges and these rocks are mapped as being Triassic (208 to 245 million years old) felsic schist. Gray-white to pale bluish-gray siliceous, fine grained, dense and flinty.

Plant Communities

The property is dominated by Jeffery pine, manzanita, sagebrush, and bitterbrush.

Wildlife

Wildlife is typical of a dry mid-elevation pine forest and sagebrush hill. Typical mammals include squirrel, deer, black bear, and mountain lion. Typical birds include red-tailed hawk, nuthatch, Clarks nutcracker and sparrow.

Water Resources

There are no water resources on the property. The closest water is located 2,000 feet downhill to the west.

Photo 1. View of the property from across the small valley.



Photo 2. View to the north from the top of the hill.



Photo 3. View to the east.



Photo 4. View to the south.



Photo 5. Unusual rock outcrop.



Photo 6. Unusual large rock outcrop.



Photo 7. Parking area at the top of the hill.



Photo 8. The rough road near the top of the hill.



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I'm a new resident to Carson City, live off King Canyon and bike and hike up King Canyon past the waterfalls. When I'm in the area of the Hutchinson property I always stop and enjoy the views of Carson City, therefore I suggest an appropriate name for the new open space as "Carson View or Kings View"

David Francel
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Sent from my iPhone



Carson City Parks and Recreation Department
Open Space Division



Open Space Naming Application

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Open Space Property / Location: Hutchinson property

Name Classification (Landscape, Geographic or Topographic Feature, Indigenous Plants or Wildlife, Cultural or Historical Heritage, Individual or Family Name): Cultrural/Historical Heritage

Proposed Name: kene'e Open Space

Supportive Information for Proposed Name: kene'e is Paiute for red-tailed hawk. I feel that it's important to pay tribute to the Native Americans of Nevada. Our area is also known for the large number of red-tailed hawks.



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Open Space Naming Application

Date: February 9, 2018

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Open Space Property / Location: Hutchinson Acquisition in the Kings Canyon area

Name Classification (Landscape, Geographic or Topographic Feature, Indigenous Plants or Wildlife, Cultural or Historical Heritage, Individual or Family Name): _____

landscape feature

Proposed Name: Valley View Open Space or Vista Grande Open Space

Supportive Information for Proposed Name: The property's unique location along a promontory ridgeline provides expansive views to surrounding mountain ranges and the three valleys below (Carson Valley, Eagle Valley and Washoe Valley).
