



# STAFF REPORT

**Report To:** Open Space Advisory Committee and Parks and Recreation Commission

**Meeting Date:** June 17, 2019

**Staff Contact:** Ann Bollinger, Open Space Administrator

**Agenda Title:** For Discussion Only: Review and discussion regarding an update on the process towards creation of a conceptual plan and potential management strategies for the Prison Hill Recreation Area.

**Staff Summary:** See below

**Agenda Action:** Other/Presentation

**Time Requested:** 10 minutes

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At the April meeting of the Open Space Advisory Committee (OSAC), the Committee began discussions regarding the creation of a conceptual master plan and management strategies for the west side of the Prison Hill Recreation Area. The subject area encompasses approximately 100 acres and is located on the west side of Prison Hill (east of Edmonds Drive and generally between Sinbad Street, Koontz Lane, Valley View Drive, and Clearview Drive). The land was conveyed to Carson City from the BLM in 2015 under the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 for “Parks and Public Purposes”. The area is not subject to the terms of the Conservation Easement; however uses are limited to those identified in the “Recreation and Public Purpose Act of June 14, 1926”. The area serves as access points and trailhead facilities to the greater Prison Hill Recreation Area managed by the Open Space Division. Since the highlighted area was conveyed for “Parks and Public Purposes,” the OSAC asked staff to bring the agenda item to Joint Meeting and engage the Parks and Recreation Commission in the conversation as well. Currently, the subject area does not include 28 acres retained by the BLM along the frontage of Edmonds Drive.

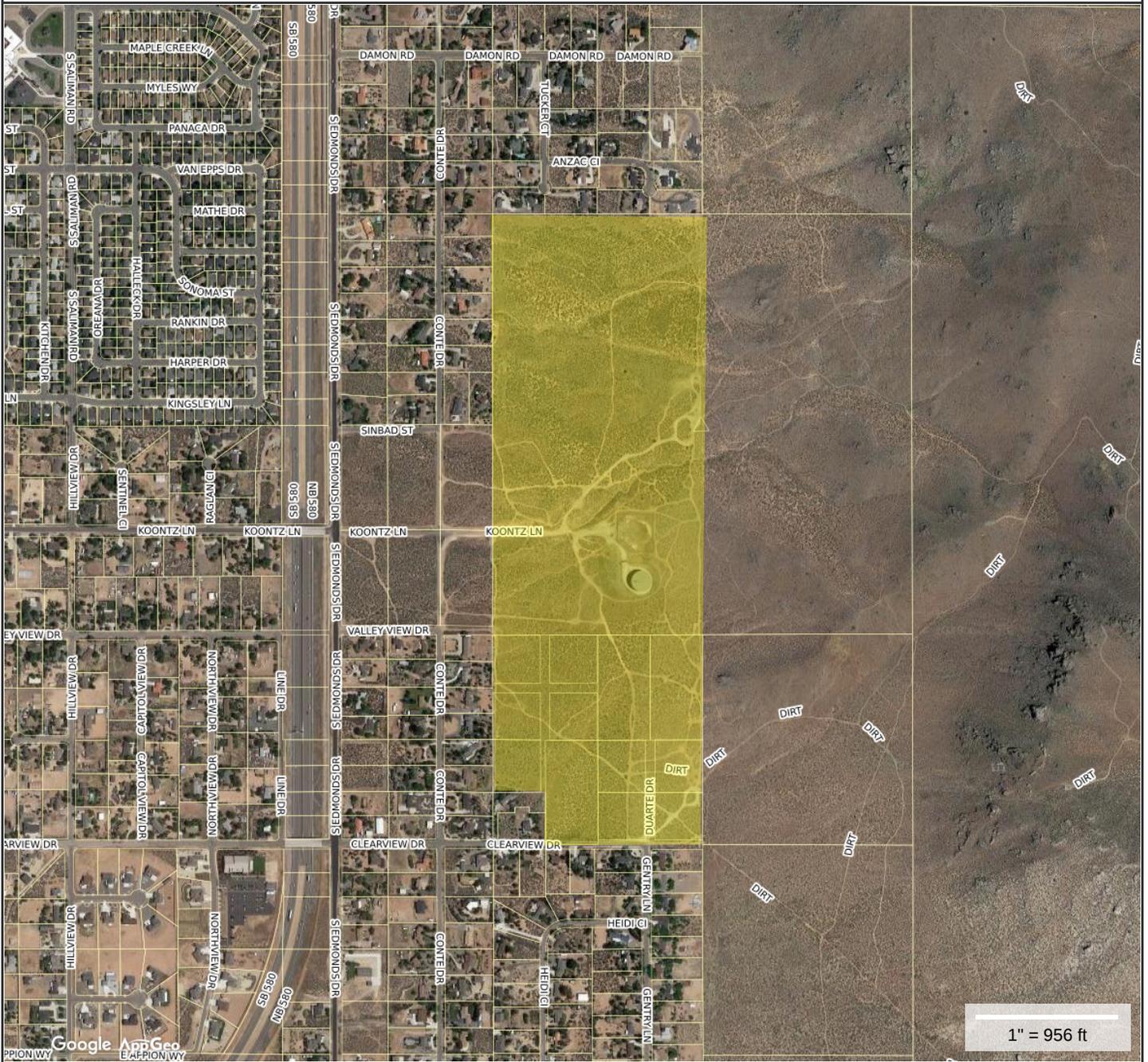
Throughout recent years, the area has experienced increased recreational use, negative impacts of significant weather events, and deferred maintenance. The process towards a conceptual plan will include, but not be limited to, a review of allowable uses, review of past master plans and a new public survey. The goal is to develop a conceptual plan and potential management strategies for the area, which will be useful if grant funds are sought for improvements. Vern Krahn, Senior Park Planner, will be the staff lead on the project.

Other current planning efforts in the area include:

- 5<sup>th</sup> Street Trailhead: With a \$200,000 grant from the Recreational Trails Program, trail and trailhead improvements began on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Improvements include a vault toilet, small picnic shelter with one table, signage, and sustainability-built single-track trails.
- South / Motorized Area: With two grants – \$100,000 from the Recreational Trails Program and \$100,000 from the Nevada Off-Highway Vehicle Commission – Phases 2 and 3 have begun. The initial tasks include a complete inventory and assessment of trails; boundary identification, fencing and/or signage; informational brochures; and tech checks.

- Non-Motorized Trails Master Plan: Completed in-house by Trails Coordinator Gregg Berggren, the Trails Master Plan identified new trails, realignments, and closures. These proposed projects on single-track trails will be great opportunities for Eagle Scout candidates.

### Prison Hill Recreation Area - west side



**Property Information**

**Property ID** 01011202  
**Location** 2330 S DEER RUN RD  
**Owner** MARIMPIETRI FAM TRUST 10/26/07  
**Acres** 2.06



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