



Draft Agenda
Southern Nevada Regional Open Space & Trails Summit
October 18, 2007



To be held at the Dialogue Center at the Las Vegas Springs Preserve

Summit Objectives

- Raise the political profile and support for open space and trails
- Increase public understanding and support for open space and trails
- Showcase present successes in southern Nevada
- Learn about successful programs around the country
- Dialogue on challenges and existing disconnects
- Initiate a multi-jurisdictional partnership agreement that will explore the feasibility of implementing a regional open space and trails system

7:15 am – 8:15 am

Arrival and Registration

Dialogue Center (2nd Floor meeting rooms) at the Las Vegas Springs Preserve – Desert Learning Center

8:15 am – 8:30 am

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Alan O'Neill - Executive Director, Outside Las Vegas Foundation
Las Vegas, Nevada

8:30 am – 8:50 am

Opening Address - "Landscape, Lifestyle and Leisure - Connecting With Urban America"

Emilyn Sheffield - Professor, Department of Recreation and Parks Management, California State University, Chico, California

8:50 am – 9:15 am

Keynote Address - "A National Perspective on Open Space, Trails and Smart Growth"

Charles Jordan - Chairman of the Board of Directors, The Conservation Fund, Portland, Oregon

9:15 am – 9:30 am

Break

9:30 am – 11:00 am

Panel 1: Innovative Open Space & Trail Initiatives

This panel will address how different communities have approached the development and implementation of integrated open space and trail networks.

Moderator – Chris Guinchigliani, Commissioner, Clark County Board of Commissioners, Las Vegas, Nevada

David Fisher - Executive Director, Great Rivers Greenway District, St. Louis, Missouri

The Honorable Jim Gibson - Mayor, City of Henderson, Nevada

Greg Stevinson - Chair, Jefferson County Colorado Open Space Advisory Committee, Lakewood, Colorado

Pat O'Brien - General Manager, East Bay Regional Park District, Oakland, California

11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Panel 2: A Look at the Benefits of Open Space & Trail Networks

This panel will explore the economic, social, environmental and political benefits of integrated open space and trail systems.

Moderator – Dr. Lawrence Sands, Director, Southern Nevada Health District, Las Vegas, Nevada

Terry Eastin - Executive Director, Mississippi River Trail, Little Rock, Arkansas

Tom Warden - Vice President, Howard Hughes Corporation, Las Vegas, Nevada

Scott Tucker - Retired Executive Director, Denver Urban Drainage & Flood Control District, Denver, Colorado

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch at the Springs Amphitheater Address by the Honorable Dirk Kempthorne, Secretary of the Interior - Pending confirmation (or Lyle Laverty - Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. - <i>Confirmed</i>)
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Poster Session at the Dialogue Center – 1st Floor Meeting Rooms
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Panel 2 (Continued) Jacob Snow - Manager, Regional Transportation Commission, Las Vegas, Nevada Deborah Chavez - Director, Pacific Southwest Research Station, U.S. Forest Service, Riverside, California John Ritter - CEO, Focus Property Group, Las Vegas, Nevada
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Panel 3: Open Space and Trail Partnerships – This panel will highlight a variety of cutting-edge partnerships and how they are dealing with the challenges of implementing open space and trail networks. Moderator – The Honorable Michael Montandon, Mayor, City of North Las Vegas, Nevada William K. Dickinson - Chairman, Southern Nevada Agency Partnership, Las Vegas, Nevada Tom Woiwode - Director, GreenWays Initiative, Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan Brian O'Neill - Superintendent, Golden Gate National Recreation Area, San Francisco, California
3:30 pm – 3:45 pm	Break
3:45 pm – 4:45 pm	Panel 4: Where Do We Go From Here – Challenges & Opportunities Moderator – Larry Brown, Councilman, City of Las Vegas, Nevada Juan Palma - Field Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office, Nevada The Honorable Oscar Goodman – Mayor, City of Las Vegas Chair - Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition, Las Vegas, Nevada Shannon Raborn - Southern Nevada Director, Office of the Honorable Senator Harry Reid, Las Vegas, Nevada Alan O'Neill - Executive Director, Outside Las Vegas Foundation
4:45 pm – 5:15 pm	Signing Ceremony – Resolution on Open Space & Trails At the Rotunda – Desert Learning Center
5:15 pm – 6:15 pm	Social Hour At the Rotunda and Courtyard Plaza – Desert Learning Center