

CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

SNPLMA SPECIAL ACCOUNT NOMINATIONS Round 10 Parks, Trails and Natural Areas

The Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) of 1998 provides for BLM land to be sold "for the development of parks, trails, and natural areas in Clark County" and for other purposes identified in the Act. BLM officials have outlined the procedures for nominating projects eligible for funding with the proceeds from the sales. Since these procedures require that the City submit a list of its projects each year for funding, a list is being presented for the City Council's consideration.

The City's projects are combined with those proposed by Clark County, Henderson, North Las Vegas, and regional governmental entities, including the Southern Nevada Water Authority, the Regional Flood Control District, and the Clark County Sanitation District. The projects are then evaluated and ranked by the Partners Working Group and the Federal Partners Executive Committee according to established criteria set forth in the Implementation Agreement. The actual priority ranking of the City's projects will not be known until after the Executive Committee ranks the projects and the Secretary of the Department of Interior approves the priority list sometime next year.

The list below is based on the current availability of land for the projects and on the opportunity to develop the projects in the immediate future. Funding that becomes available to the City for the projects selected will be programmed for construction/development within the next two to three years with the anticipated availability of funding in spring 2009. The projected available funding for a possible 11 applicants in Round 10 is approximately \$5 - \$10 million.

A map is included with this agenda item to identify the location of the specific projects.

SNPLMA PROJECT NOMINATIONS (in no particular order):

Project	Cost
1. Doolittle Park Renovation	\$1,400,000
2. Harris Trailhead (aka Las Vegas Wash Park Phase 2)	\$2,000,000
3. Trail Mileage Markers and Kiosks	\$860,000

Total: \$4,260,000

PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS:

1. Doolittle Park Renovation Phase 1
Amount Requested: \$1,400,000

Constructed in 1965 and encompassing 18 acres, Doolittle Park is located west of Martin Luther King Drive, south of West Lake Mead Boulevard on the east side of J Street. The park is in a deteriorating condition due to consistent heavy use. This project includes renovation of the deteriorating park features to facilitate greater security, safety, and modernization of park equipment and materials. Phase 1 is the portion of the park abutting J Street, which includes an open lawn area and a walking trail.

2. Harris Trailhead (aka Las Vegas Wash Park Phase 2)
Amount Requested: \$2,000,000

The Harris Trailhead will be part of the extensive Las Vegas Wash Trail system that has been predominantly funded by SNPLMA since Round 3 in 2004. SNPLMA funding was also used in the acquisition of this parcel. The four-acre site is located adjacent to the Las Vegas Wash on the southeast corner of Marion Drive and Harris Avenue within Ward 3 in the city of Las Vegas. It incorporates a trailhead staging area and amenities of a traditional neighborhood park together on one site. A major design amenity tying this site together is a dry creek bed running north and south through the site adding visual interest while directing on site circulation. The trailhead portion is considered Phase 1 of the entire Las Vegas Wash Park development. It will include a trailhead staging area, shade ramada, seating areas, an informational kiosk, drinking fountain, bicycle rack, parking lot, landscaping and rip-rap on the eastern bank of the Las Vegas Wash.

3. Trail Mileage Markers and Kiosks
Amount Requested: \$860,000

The City of Las Vegas is requesting funding to provide trail markers and kiosks for local and regional trails within its jurisdiction. The trail markers would likely become part of an overall emergency system tied into police and fire services. A regional effort is currently underway to establish trail mileage and kiosk standards relating to the format of the information.