

What are the outdoor recreation needs in your region?

Assistance with safety corridors along highways where trails could be easily added

All Inclusive Play Area/Playground; #1 Goal of our Community Affairs Board (our Department's Advisory Board); underserved population and access

Repairs to existing fishing docks and additional fishing docks at Green Meadow Lake, Hobbs.

Improvements to and additional park pavilions/shelters

Add new restrooms to existing parks with no restrooms

Skate/Bike Park

Sumner Lake shelters maintenance. This is due to lack of staff.

Trails that can tie into the existing systems. Activity trails/Multipurpose such as biking, skateboarding, running and/or horseback riding

Fish cleaning stations at Green Meadow Lake

McAdams Campground (Yes, the City has a campground!) Bath House improvements

Water for our lakes and reservoirs. But only God can provide this. Staffing. Repair of east side primitive roads and trails that was washed out in 2013. Maintenance in parks, but more staffing will make that better. Landscaping is fine due to no rain.

Sumner Lake. Better equipment for State Parks and training for staff.

Cooperative efforts with neighboring Land management agencies (LNF, BLM, NMSLO..) to work with the Villages to develop/provide maps and education/outreach

Sumner Lake - fishing challenge due to water levels due to drought. Maybe limit fish catching count to preserve fish per lake.

Sumner Lake - thinning of invasive trees and shrubs.

HIGH

LOW

What are the opportunities or barriers to meeting your region's outdoor recreation needs?

Mostly private land directly surrounds the Village of Capitan. This would require collaboration and cooperation with the larger landowners.

Sumner Lake - barriers are lack of staff. Staffing not at lake is creating a safety issue. We do not have a Ranger or rangers for the lake. Staffing to maintain a large area lake.

The bridge that goes over the dam has been limited on weight due to the age of the bridge from 1935 that it was built. NMDOT limited this. Large loads, for instance of fire trucks will be limited to pass and has to go around 45 miles to the lake

The individuals or staff that have the time/ability to coordinate, facilitate and implement these opportunities... the hands on deck are a skeleton crew

Leverage local association with philanthropic foundation for assistance with capital expenditures.

Conquest Ventures owns some large acreage with state lands that are near the northern side, could that be traded for some on the southern side to allow for more opportunity?

opportunities. Have the area maintained and east primitive side repaired allows visitors to enjoy the lake all around. Last year 2020 during the time the Governor opened the parks for free it was a zoo. There was not enough

with the NM - U.S. Senators to see about additional funding for other areas of capitol to get funding. We have land from BLM, State Land and operated by the NM State Parks. Collaboration with Senators and Representatives to

Barriers

Opportunities