

What are the outdoor recreation needs in your region?

The pandemic greatly increased outdoor recreation and made the trails around Santa Fe very crowded. more trails would spread the old out and make the experience better for everyone

Coordination and collaboration among land managers, non-profits, and user groups to identify opportunities for connectivity and access

Chama has nothing. Needs activity for kids. There are trails, but they aren't used. Pickleball hasn't happened since last March because Village won't let people play outside. Basketball is biggest sport, only in high schools.

Improved and connectivity of trails.

Well-marked trails, adequate parking for horse trailers.

Designated, well-designed, and maintained motorized recreation opportunities (trails, trailheads, etc)

Need pickleball facilities in Chama. Have to travel to Pagosa Springs for that.

Need to change mindset of people who aren't active. Recognize that visitors come to Chama for outdoor recreation, but locals don't do much.

HIGH

LOW

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

Federal agencies are so strapped for funding that they can't provide the necessary administrative infrastructure to manage volunteers or apply for funding from other sources.

Overcrowding of trails is an issue because so many people have gotten outside this past year.

Knowledge of the trails that are available. If people don't know about them they can't use them.

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Process with state and Federal properties can be onerous and exhaust volunteers. On private land, more flexibility to get projects built.

Tapping volunteers who can easily access properties is a way to maintain interest--the volunteers use the areas they maintain.

Maintaining volunteer interest and engagement

Need to overcome impacts of COVID in rebuilding volunteer groups

Gusto group--connectivity of trails in the Santa Fe Area

Commonweal Conservancy--leveraging non-profit, privately owned land with public land investments--has been evolving since 2003

Need for political will to fund recreational and conservation projects as opposed to basic infrastructure.

Growth around many NC communities is threatening possibility for connections, new trails and open spaces. This has increased recently.

Enchanted Circle Trail Plan-map out trails,

NCNMEDD--funding for trails and motorized trails. Could partner with groups in areas of NCNM for that funding. <https://www.rtpnm.org/resources>

BARRIERS

OPPORTUNITIES