



***Bellevue Parks &  
Community Services***

# **Parks & Open Space System Plan Update**

**Parks & Community Services Board**

**October 13, 2015**

# Approach to Updating Elements of the Plan

Plan Element	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Demographic Profile and Future Population Trends</li><li>• Natural Resource Characteristics</li><li>• System Inventory and Use Statistics</li><li>• Projects Completed since 2010</li><li>• Financing Capital Projects</li><li>• Maintenance, Renovation &amp; Security</li></ul>	Update with current information
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Goals and Objectives</li></ul>	Align with Park Board's 2015 Comp Plan Update
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Participation Process</li></ul>	Park Board focus for September/October
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Level of Service Analysis</li><li>• Capital Project Recommendations</li></ul>	Park Board focus for October/November



# Outreach Methods

- Statistically Valid Resident Surveys
- Open Web Survey
- Public Hearing / Public Meetings
- NextDoor Neighborhood Email Distribution Groups
- Presentations
- Newsletters, Social Media, Web Pages, Newspapers, Flyers
- Photography and Poetry Contest





# Focus Areas

- Open Space, Greenways, Wildlife Corridors and Trails
- Park Facilities
- Active Recreation Facilities
- Urban Parks Systems
- Waterfront Access
- Partnership Opportunities
- Historic, Cultural and Art Resources



# Open Space, Greenways, Wildlife Corridors and Trails

## Opportunity:

### Greenway Connections/Extensions

Mountains to Sound Greenway Trails

Lake to Lake Greenway Trails

South Bellevue / Coal Creek Greenway Trails

Marymoor to Cougar Mountain Greenway Trails

Bel-Red Greenway Trails

Richards Valley Greenway Trails

~~Burlington Northern and Santa Fe (BNSF) Eastside Rail Corridor (ERC)~~ Greenway Trails

Trail Connections/Extensions: ~~Between Large Regional Systems and Open Spaces~~

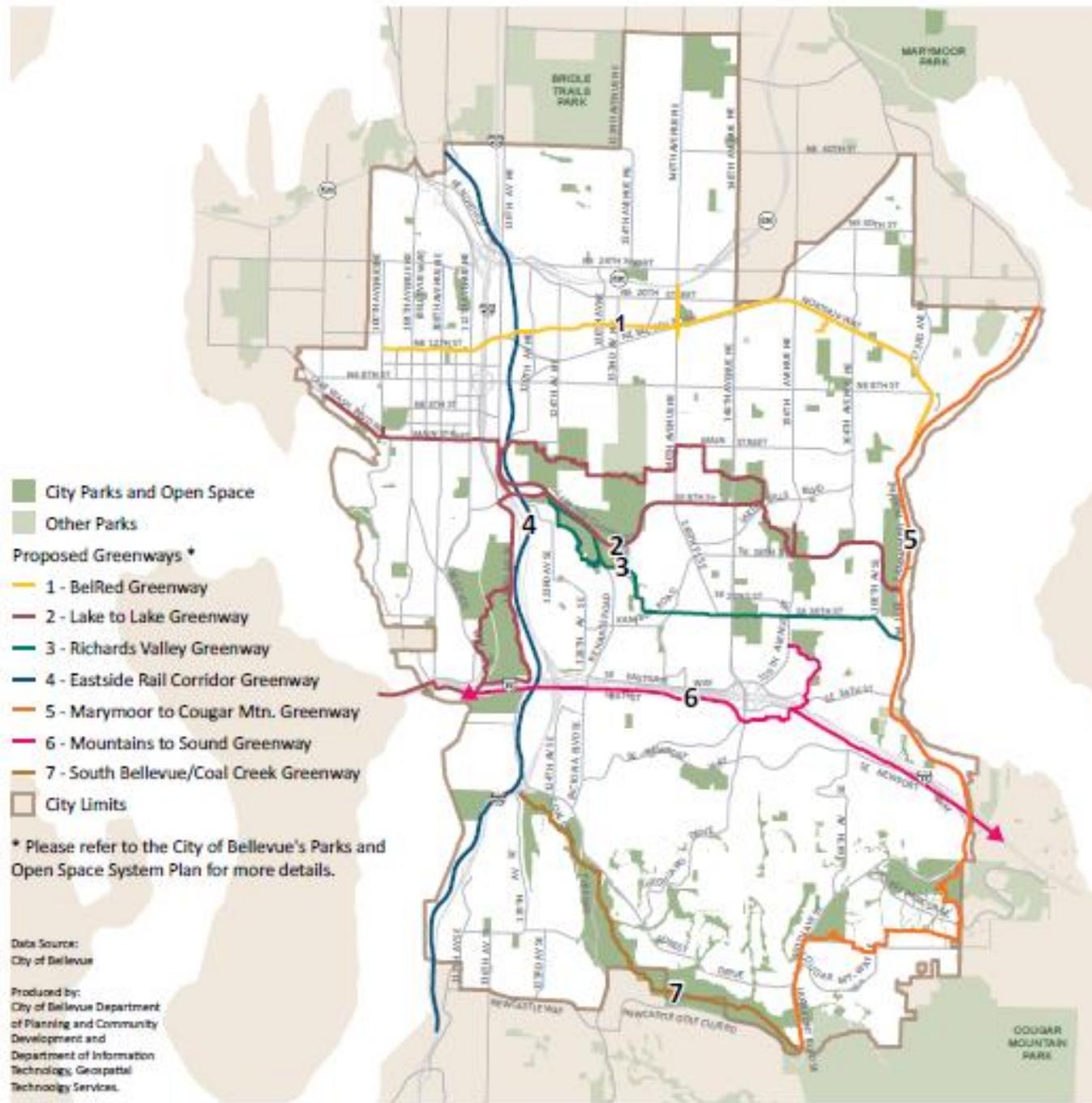
Enhance connectivity and walkability by creating connections between neighborhoods and local parks

Native Growth Protection Areas (NGPA)

Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation Plan Implementation



# Greenways



# Park Facilities

## Opportunity:

Add neighborhood parks in underserved subareas:

[Bridle Trails](#)

[BelRed \(see Urban Park Systems\)](#)

Crossroads

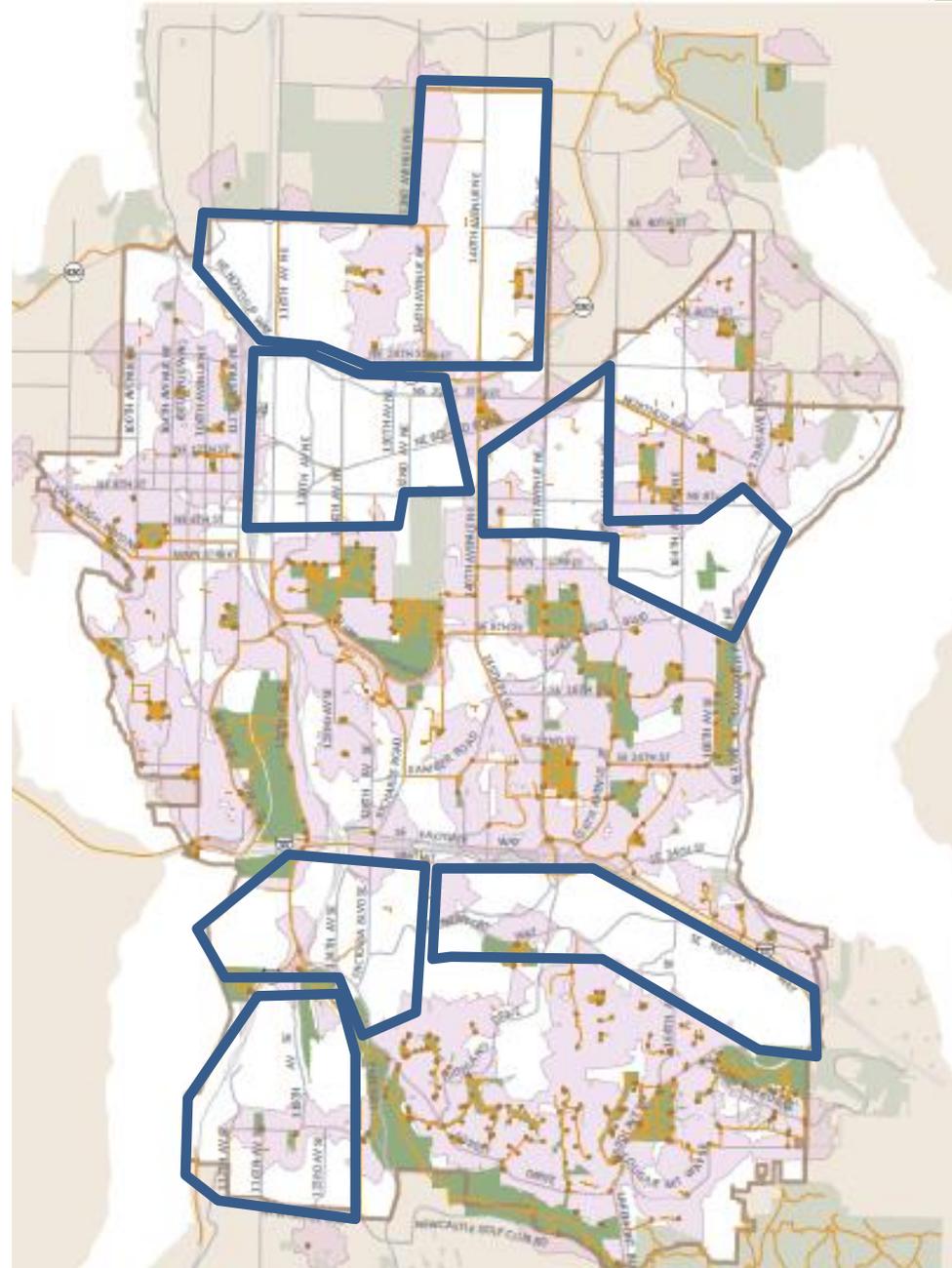
[Downtown \(see Urban Park Systems\)](#)

[Eastgate](#)

Factoria

Newport Hills

[Wilburton](#)



# Park Facilities

## Opportunity:

Develop existing undeveloped properties including, but not limited to:

Bridle Trails

BelRed/West Trib Property

Downtown

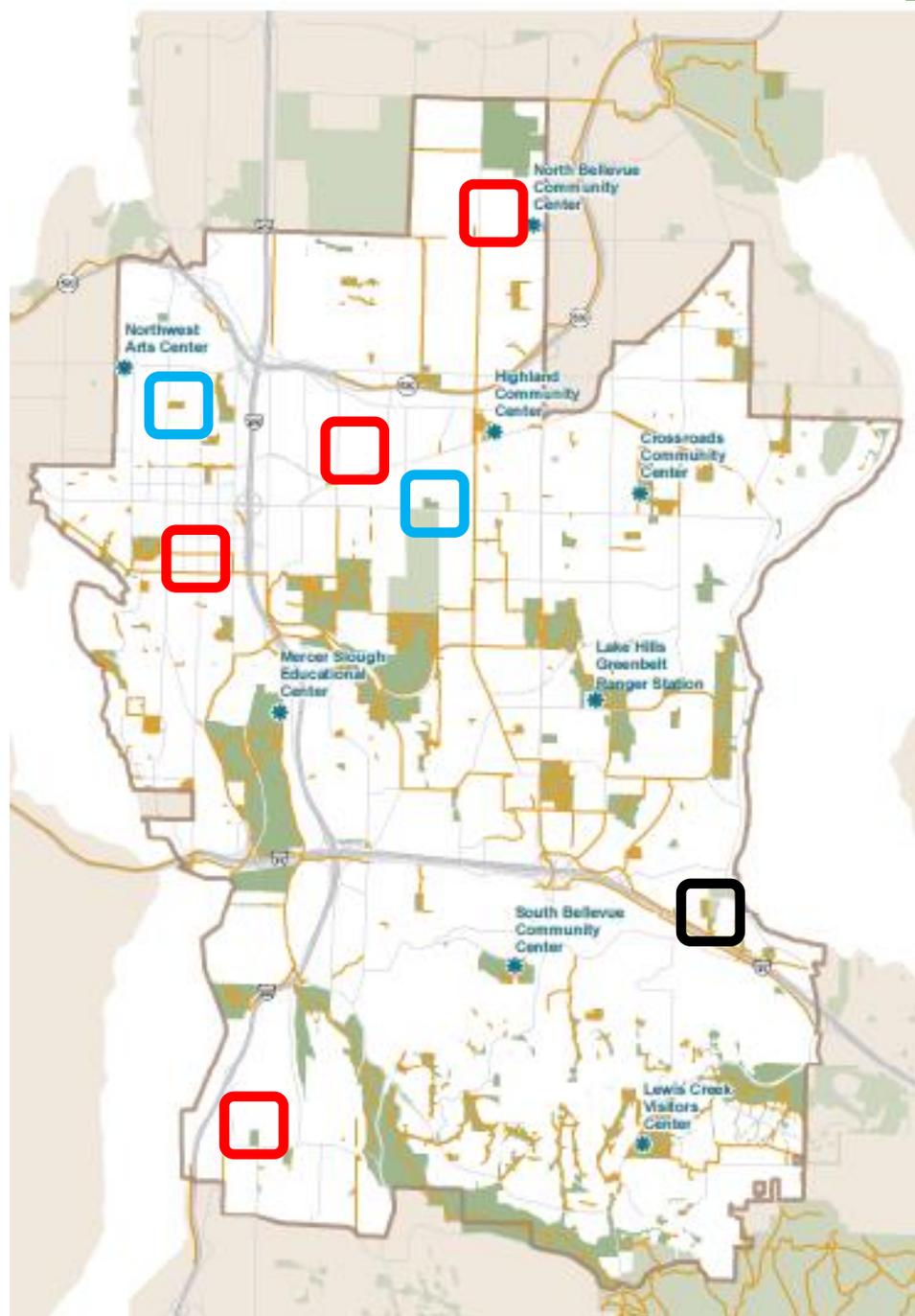
Eastgate/Newcastle

~~(Norelius/Sunrise Property)~~

Newport Hills

North Bellevue (Chapin Property)

Wilburton (Glendale Property)



# Park Facilities

**Opportunity:**

Enatai Neighborhood Park redevelopment

Add to or continue phased development of existing community parks, including but not limited to:

Bellevue Airfield Park

Bellevue Botanical Garden

Crossroads Park

~~Eastgate Park~~

Kelsey Creek Park

Lewis Creek Park ~~picnic area and trails~~

Mercer Slough Nature Park

Robinswood Park

Surrey Downs Park

Wilburton Hill Park



# Active Recreation Facilities

## Opportunity:

North Bellevue Community Center Addition

~~Facilities Serving Diverse Age and Recreation Preferences~~

~~Facilities Providing Recreation and Interaction for Diverse Cultures, Ages and Abilities~~

Community center serving ~~North or Southwest Bellevue Subareas~~ Northwest, Downtown and West Bellevue Neighborhood Areas

Sportfields

Synthetic field surfaces

Two lighted ballfields at Marymoor Park

Lighted sportfields at Bellevue Airfield Park

Lighted fields at selected community and school sites

Improve school sportfields

Ballfield at Wilburton Hill Park

Off-leash dog areas, ~~improvements and additions~~ expand Robinswood and add addition sites across the city

Enterprise Fund improvements

Golf courses

Robinswood Tennis Center

Bellevue Aquatic Center

Large group picnic areas with shelters and facilities



# Waterfront Access

## Opportunity:

Meydenbauer Bay Park

Meydenbauer Bay Park to Downtown  
Park connection

Connect Enatai Beach Park to Mercer  
Slough Nature Park

Complete phased development of  
Enatai Beach Park

SE 40th Boat Launch addition

[Sweyolocken Boat Launch  
redevelopment](#)

Lake Sammamish waterfront

Chism Beach redevelopment

Clyde Beach redevelopment

Additions to existing waterfront parks

### Waterfront Initiatives

- 1 Meydenbauer Bay Park
- 2 Meydenbauer Bay to DNTN Park
- 3 Enatai Beach to Mercer Slough
- 4 Enatai Beach Park Completion
- 5 SE 40th Boat Ramp Addition
- 6 Lake Sammamish Waterfront
- 7 Chism Beach Redevelopment
- 8 Clyde Beach Redevelopment
- 9 Additions to Existing Waterfront Parks
- City Parks and Open Space
- City Limits

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# Urban Park Systems

## Downtown Subarea

NW & SE quadrant neighborhood parks

Downtown Park

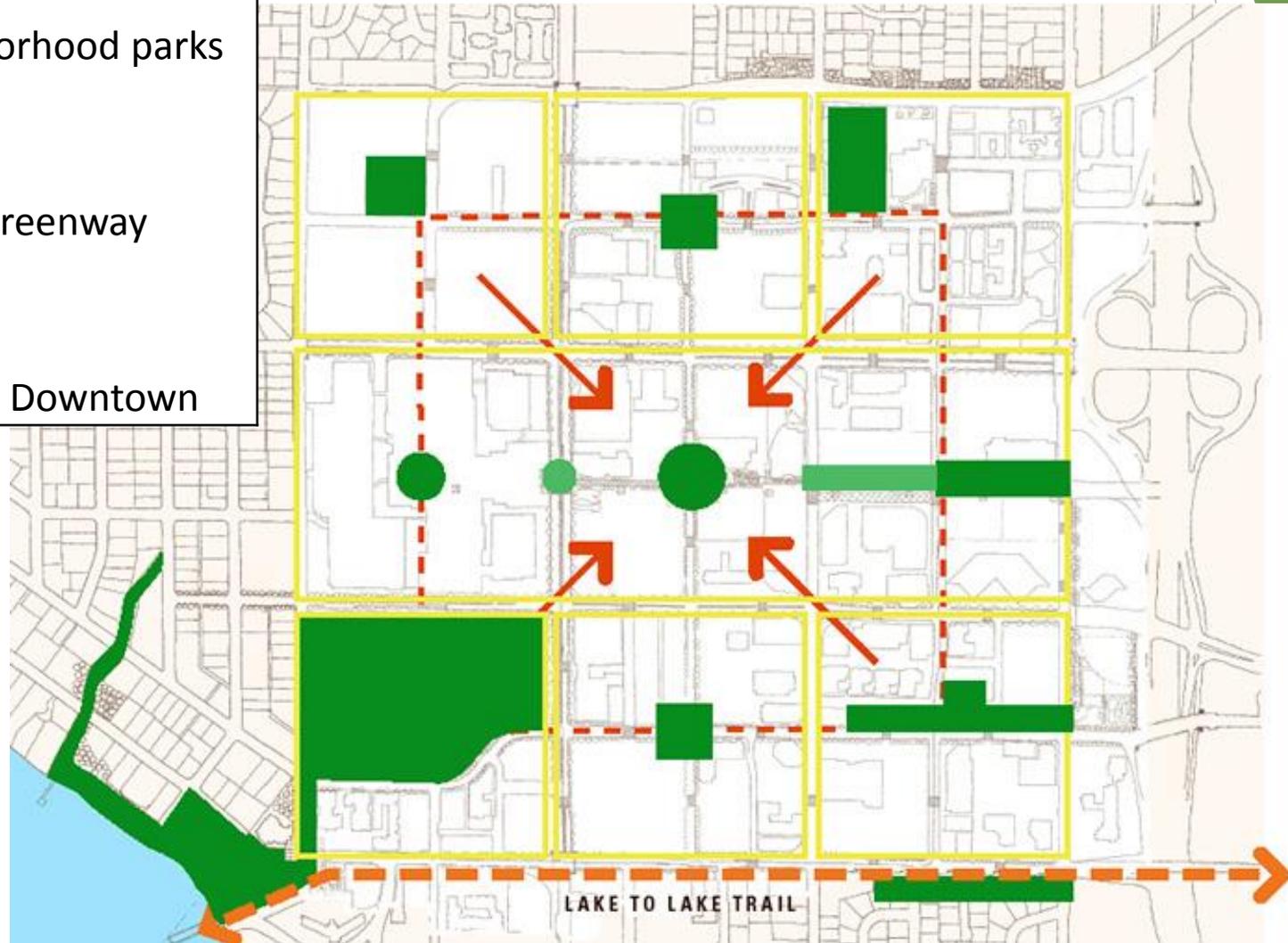
Ashwood Park

Main Street linear buffer greenway

Urban Trail System

Grand Connection

Community center serving Downtown



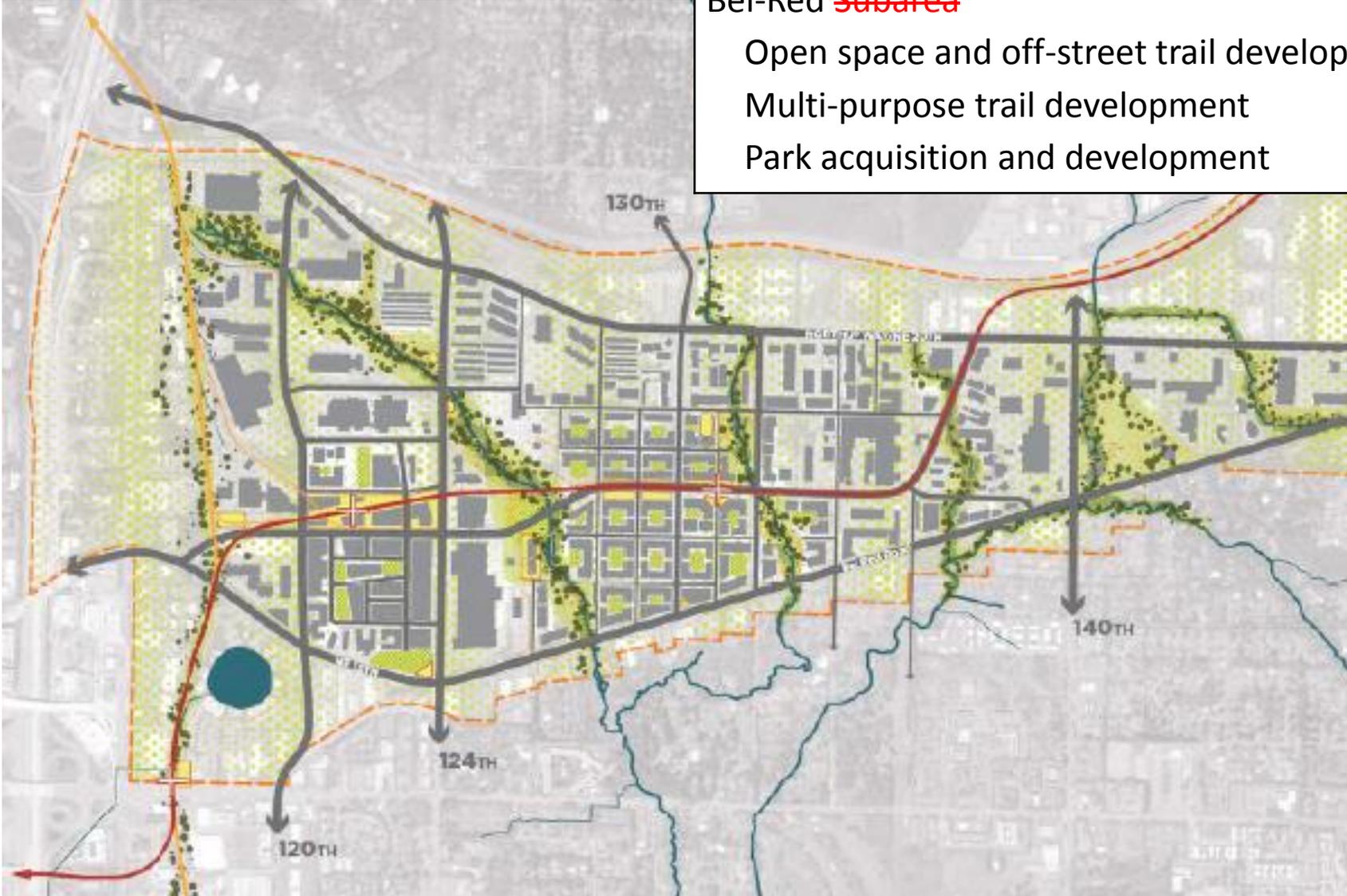
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## Bel-Red **Subarea**

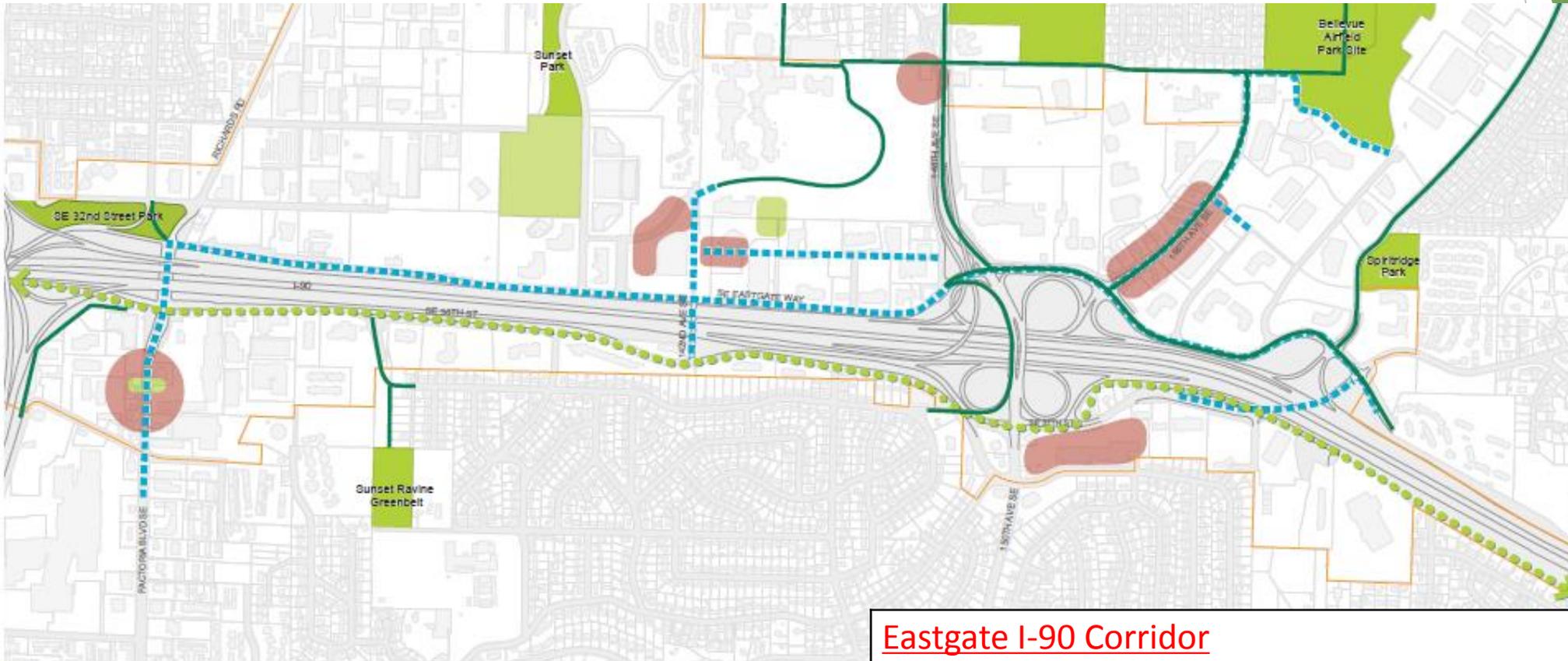
Open space and off-street trail development

Multi-purpose trail development

Park acquisition and development



# Urban Park Systems



- Existing/future parks
- Proposed green nodes
- Mountains to Sound Greenway Trail
- Existing trails
- Primary pedestrian connections
- Activity centers (e.g., areas with cafes, shops, public spaces)

## Eastgate I-90 Corridor

Open space and off-street trail development

Multi-purpose trail development

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# Partnerships

**Opportunity:**

Elementary, Middle and High school recreation site improvements
Partner with other City departments to create parks
Partner with other public agencies to create parks, including but not limited to Bellevue School District, Cascade Water Alliance, Sound Transit, Seattle Public Utilities, Washington State, King County and Bellevue College
Partner with private non-profit or for-profit organizations to create parks where advantageous to achieve capital project goals
Aquatic Facility
Ice Rink
Historic Building Preservation
Cultural Arts Center
<del>Youth Performing Arts Center</del>





# Next Month

- Review Draft Plan Document
- Finalize updates to Capital Project Recommendations list
- Act on Recommendation to City Council

