

King County Open Space Plan - 2010 Update					
Policy Matrix: Sorted by Order in 2010 Plan					
2010 Code	2010 Policy	2004 Code	2004 Policy	Change	Explanation
G-101	King County will continue the transition to a regional provider of open spaces with a major focus on systems of open space corridors that conserve natural resources and provide recreation, education and interpretative opportunities, fish and wildlife habitat, and scenic beauty.	F-101	King County will continue the transition to a regional provider of open spaces with a major focus on systems of open space corridors that conserve natural resources and provide recreation, education and interpretative opportunities, fish and wildlife habitat, and scenic beauty.	same	
G-102	Regional active, passive and multi-purpose parks will be available to all citizens of the county.		Regional active, passive and multi-purpose parks will be available to all citizens of the county.	same	wasn't numbered in 2004
G-103	King County will be the provider of local parks for unincorporated rural areas the county.		Local open space sites in the urban area will become the responsibility of cities, and in the rural area the county will maintain local parks.	language updated	was part of F-101 in 2004
G-104	King County will have a countywide regional trail network of non-motorized, shared use (multi-purpose) paths that link cities and communities and offers recreation, alternative commuting options, and migration corridors for wildlife.		King County will have a regional trail network that links cities and communities, and offers recreation, alternative commuting options and migration corridors for wildlife.	language updated	wasn't numbered in 2004; updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
G-105	King County will conserve and manage valuable forest lands for the health of the forest ecosystem, and where appropriate, as viable working resource lands.		Valuable agricultural lands and forests will be conserved and continue as viable working resource lands.	language updated	wasn't numbered in 2004; updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
G-106	King County will acquire lands for their ecological value and steward them in a manner that protects and enhances their environmental benefits while ensuring appropriate public use, appreciation, and enjoyment.			new	
G-107	King County will develop a system of backcountry trails that provide passive recreation experiences in a more natural, rustic setting.			new	
G-108	Local open space sites in urban growth areas will become the responsibility of cities.		Local open space sites in the urban area will become the responsibility of cities, and in the rural area the county will maintain local parks.	language updated	wasn't numbered in 2004; separated into two policies for 2010 plan
OS-101	King County will focus its regional open space efforts on key corridors within the following: Snoqualmie/Skykomish Watershed; Lake Washington/Cedar/Sammamish Watershed; Green/Duwamish Watershed; White River Watershed; and Vashon-Maury Island.	S-101	King County will focus its regional open space efforts on the following natural systems: Cedar, Green, Snoqualmie, White, and Sammamish river corridors, and the saltwater shorelines and lakes.	language updated	Consistency w/ current plan

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OS-102	King County will focus its regional open space efforts on the following functional roles: recreation (active and passive), trails (regional and backcountry), natural area park, forest lands, and multi-use site.	S-102	King County will focus its functional open space efforts on the following regional systems: Regional Trail System, Mountains to Sound Green-way, King County Fairgrounds complex, wildlife habitat network and regional recreation parks that include athletic complexes, multi-use sites and the aquatic system.	language updated	consistency w/ current plan
OS-103	Future research, planning efforts and priorities for the regional open space system should focus on the protection and enhancement of the areas and categories identified in OS-101 and OS-102. This work should result in planning, acquisition, development and management plans and strategies for each system that coordinates recreation and public use with resource conservation.	S-103	Future research and planning efforts should focus on the protection and enhancement of the systems identified in S-101 and S-102. This work should result in planning, acquisition, development and management plans and strategies for each system that coordinates recreation and public use with resource conservation.	language updated	consistency w/ current plan
OS-104	King County should consider adding significant natural areas not directly associated with the areas identified in OS-101 and OS-102 only if they include regionally significant features and improve the distribution of open space within the county.	F-102	King County should consider adding significant natural areas not directly associated with the major open space systems, if they include regionally significant features and improve the distribution of open space within the county.	language updated	consistency w/ current plan
OS-105	King County's efforts in aquatics will focus on the operation of the Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatic Center as a venue for regional, national and international competitive events and recreation programs.	S-112	King County's efforts in aquatics will focus on the operation of the regional Weyerhaeuser Aquatic Center as a venue for regional, national and international competitive events and recreation programs.	same	
OS-106	King County will work with a variety of public and private groups to identify and protect significant open space lands.	F-103	King County will work with a variety of public and private groups to identify and protect significant open space systems.	same	
OS-107	Open spaces in the King County system will be classified using a three level system; first, identifying the site as regional or local (rural or urban (UGA)); second, identifying its primary role within the system; and third, identifying use areas within a site.	C-101	Open spaces in the King County system will be classified using a three level system; first identifying the site as regional or local, second identifying its primary role within the system and third, identifying use areas within a site.	language updated	consistency w/ current plan
OS-108	New open spaces will be classified at the time of acquisition and through development of site management, site development or master plans.	C-102	New open spaces will be classified at the time of acquisition and through development of a site management or master plan.	same	
OS-109	Regional sites and facilities are generally large in size, have unique features or character, and/or are important as part of a larger system. These sites are destinations whose users come from distances and from multiple jurisdictions drawn by the type of site or facility (such as a regional trail), and/or that provide a unique or high level of activity, contain significant facilities, and/or have high ecological value.	C-103	Regional sites and facilities are generally large in size, have unique features or character, and/or are important as part of a larger system. The sites may cross jurisdictions and/or serve users from multiple jurisdictions as evidenced by the type of facility, such as a regional trail, or they may provide a unique or high level of activity, facility or ecological or resource value.	language updated	improved wording or clarification

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OS-110	King County should retain ownership of regional open space system assets, including sites that lie within both urban and rural areas and those that serve as “urban separators” providing a buffer along the Urban Growth Area boundary. However, partnerships and cost-sharing are encouraged to maximize opportunities and enhance levels of service.	C-104	King County should retain ownership of the regional open space system. However, partnerships and cost sharing are encouraged to maxi-mize opportunities and enhance levels of service.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
OS-111	Local sites and facilities are smaller in size and serve the close-to-home park and recreation needs of a community. These sites are predominantly used by nearby residents.	C-106	Local sites and facilities are smaller in size and serve the close to home park and recreation needs of the community. These sites are predominantly used by nearby residents.	same	
OS-112	King County King County will provide local sites in the rural area predominantly serving rural residents.			new	
OS-113	King County will transfer local parks and other open space sites to the cities in which they are located. Transfer of local open space sites should be included as part of annexation or incorporation interlocal agreements which cover other services and facilities.	C-107	King County will transfer local parks and other open space sites to the cities in which they are located. Transfer of local park and open space sites should be included as part of annexation or incorporation interlocal agreements which cover other services and facilities.	same	
OS-114	King County will encourage and promote the transfer of local parks in the urban growth area to the cities in whose potential annexation area (PAA) they are located.	C-108	King County will encourage and promote the transfer of local parks in the urban growth area to the cities in whose potential annexation area (PAA) they are located.	same	
OS-115	All King County open space sites will be classified within the following categories: 1) recreation site, 2) trail, 3) natural area park, 4) working forest land, and 5) multi-use site.	C-109	All King County open space sites will be classified within the following categories: 1) recreation site, 2) multi-use site, 3) trail, 4) natural area (also known as ecological site), and 5) working resource site.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology; consistency w/ current plan
OS-116	Recreation sites are dominated by recreation facilities. They receive a higher level of public use and are intended to accommodate developed areas for informal, organized or intense recreation. This may include either or both active and passive recreation activities.	C-110	Recreation sites are dominated by recreation facilities. They receive a higher level of public use, and are intended to accommodate developed areas for informal, organized or intense recreation. This may include both active and passive recreation activities.	same	
OS-117	Trails provide non-motorized recreational and transportation opportunities and may serve a variety of user types or may be designed for a more limited user group.	C-112	Trails provide non-motorized recreational and transportation opportunities and may serve a variety of user types or may be designed for a more limited user group.	same	
OS-118	Regional trail corridors serve multiple users and where possible should be designed to include separate surface areas to serve different modes of use. This includes a hard surface with shoulders along with a parallel or nearby soft surface path with adequate separation between them.	C-113	Regional trail corridors serve multiple users and should be designed to include separate surface areas to serve different modes of use. This includes a hard surface with shoulders with a parallel soft surface and adequate separation between them.	language updated	improved wording or clarification

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OS-119	Regional trails may be designated as primary or secondary for mapping or other purposes based on the trail's development condition and its ability to be used for multiple purposes such as bicycling, walking, skating, jogging, horseback riding and other uses.			new	
OS-120	Natural area parks, also known as ecological lands, recognize areas valued for their important natural resource functions and character, including but not limited to benefiting and protecting ecosystems, air and water quality, fish and wildlife habitat, native biodiversity, trees and other natural or scenic resource purposes. They also contribute to climate change adaptation and should be managed to promote resiliency in the face of a changing climate. Improvements and enhancements will focus on keeping the site as a fully functioning natural ecosystem. There may be low impact public access and use of these sites and development of related supporting infrastructure.	C-116	Natural or ecological sites recognize areas valued for their important natural resource functions and character, including but not limited to benefiting and protecting natural drainage systems, drainage basins, flood control systems, ecosystems, water quality, ground water, fish and wildlife habitat, and other natural resource purposes. Improvements and enhancements will focus on keeping the environment in a nearly undeveloped state. There may be little or limited public access to these sites.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
OS-121	Appropriate uses of natural area parks may include interpretive and educational programs, nature programs, and activities that emphasize the enjoyment and appreciation of the natural resources of the site and the outdoors.	C-117	Appropriate uses of natural sites may include interpretive and educational programs, nature programs, and activities that emphasize the appreciation of the natural resources of the site and the outdoors.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
OS-122	Appropriate public access, use and management activities should be allowed on natural area parks as compatible with the natural resource values of these sites and consistent with the long-term quality of the site or its resources. Development will be limited to making the site available for public enjoyment in a manner consistent with site resources.	C-118	Public use and management activities should be allowed on natural sites when they are compatible with the natural resource values of these sites and when they do not significantly affect the long term quality of the site or its resources. Development will be limited to making the site available for public enjoyment in a manner consistent with natural resource conservation.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
OS-123	Natural area parks require individual management plans to determine how best to support public uses and to determine the enhancement and restoration efforts needed. A site management plan should be developed for natural area parks as outlined by the Site Management Guidelines.	C-119	Natural sites require individual management plans to determine the site's ability to support public uses and to determine the enhancement and preservation efforts needed. A site management plan should be developed for natural areas guided by the Site Management Plan Guidelines.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
OS-124	Forest lands should be acquired to provide a buffer between commercial forestland and adjacent residential development, to protect forested lands from development, and to retain lands in active forestry.			new	

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OS-125	Management goals for forest lands should include enhancing ecological benefits and services, demonstrating progressive forest management, providing passive recreation opportunities and generating revenue to facilitate sustainable management of those sites.			new	
OS-126	Forest lands shall be managed consistent with the Executive Order for Implementation of Forestry Policies (PUT 8-18) and the Programmatic Plan for Management of King County-owned Working Forest Properties (2003).			new	
OS-127	Forest Stewardship Plans shall be completed for each working forest site consistent with Public Rule 8-19-1, which outlines format and content requirements for such plans.			new	
OS-128	Balancing multiple management goals will be most effective taking into context the surrounding regional situation; therefore, sites should be managed through a cooperative approach with other public agencies, conservation organizations and private owners to retain a viable forested landscape.			new	
OS-129	Multi-use sites include lands that may have areas of environmental value, but also may accommodate extensive public access and active and/or passive recreation opportunities.	C-111	Multi-use sites include lands that have areas of environmental value, but also accommodate extensive public access, active and passive recreation opportunities.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
OS-130	Site use area designations establish areas of development, use, restoration or enhancement, and direct maintenance and stewardship. Their purpose is to organize and identify uses within a site.	C-121	Site use area designations establish areas of development, use, restoration or enhancement, maintenance and stewardship. Their purpose is to organize uses within a site.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
OS-131	The following categories may be used to identify the individual use areas within a site: 1) natural area, 2) active recreation area, 3) passive recreation area, 4) staging area, and 5) special management area.	C-122	The following categories may be used to identify the individual use areas within a site: 1) natural area, 2) passive recreation area, 3) active recreation area, 4) staging area, and 5) special management area.	same	
OS-132	"Natural area" designates areas of a site with natural character and natural resources. These areas may support little development and limited public access. Development may include basic improvements necessary for appropriate public access, trails, nature study and related outdoor activities.	C-123	Natural area designates areas of natural character and natural resources. These areas may support little development and limited public access. Development may include basic improvements necessary for trails, nature study and related outdoor activities.	same	
OS-133	"Active recreation area" designates areas with the highest level of development, use and programming. These areas include facilities to support organized athletics, such as athletic fields or sports courts, and areas for large scale group picnics, gatherings and special events.	C-124	Active recreation area designates areas with the highest level of development, use and programming. These areas include facilities to support organized athletics, such as ball fields and soccer fields, and areas for large scale group picnics, gatherings and special events.	same	

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OS-134	"Passive recreation area" designates areas for informal, self-directed activities such as informal play, hiking, bicycling, jogging, and picnicking. These areas may include open fields, trails, children's play equipment, and picnic sites.	C-125	Passive recreation area designates areas for informal, self-directed activities such as informal play, hiking, bicycling, jogging, and picnicking. These areas may include open fields, trails, children's play equipment, and picnic sites.	same	
OS-135	"Staging area" designates a place for support facilities needed for public access and recreational use of a site. Facilities will generally be located in the least sensitive portions of a site, at the edge of a site or at previously disturbed locations within a site.	C-127	Staging area designates a place for support facilities needed for public access and use of a site. Facilities will generally be located in the least sensitive portions of a site, at the edge of a site or at previously disturbed locations within a site.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
OS-136	"Special management area" designates areas within a site identified for special management or recreational use. These areas may include wetland or forest management areas, habitat corridor enhancement areas, resource restoration areas, scenic corridors, cultural sites, and historical districts.	C-126	Special management area designates areas within a site identified for special management or use. These areas may include wetland management areas, habitat corridor preservation and enhancement areas, resource restoration areas, scenic corridors and historic districts.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
OS-137	Park standards are guidelines to evaluate park, recreation and other open space needs, direct the planning, acquisition, development and management of the system and evaluate the impact of growth and development.	ST-101	Park standards are guidelines to evaluate park, recreation and other open space needs, direct the planning, acquisition, development and management of the system and evaluate the impact of growth and development.	same	
OS-138	King County's goal for the regional open space system is to conserve the county's valuable open space and natural resources and provide a wide range of recreational opportunities to county residents. This goal is implemented based on the opportunity presented by the physical landscape and can be evaluated by degree of protection of a system and its resources, features and processes.	ST-108	King County's goal for the regional open space system is to preserve the county's valuable open space and natural resources and provide a wide range of recreational opportunities to county residents. This goal is implemented based on the opportunity presented by the physical landscape and can be evaluated by degree of preservation of a system and its resources, features and processes.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
OS-139	King County's goal for the Regional Trails System will be based on opportunities to expand the overall network for recreation and mobility and to increase connectivity to local trails and other open space sites.			new	
OS-140	King County's goal for location, size and distribution of regional active and multipurpose parks and facilities will be based on geographic distribution of sites, consideration of need, and public support and partnership opportunities.	ST-109	King County's goal for location, size and distribution of regional active and multipurpose parks and facilities will be based on geographic distribution of sites, consideration of need, and public support and partnership opportunities.	same	
OS-141	King County shall consider equity in the development and acquisition of its open space system to help in the reduction of health disparities and in the promotion of environmental justice.			new	

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OS-142	Local parks in the rural areas should be equitably distributed throughout the rural area. However, due to lower population densities there will be fewer individual facilities, and users can expect to travel greater distances in the rural areas. Ideally, rural park facilities should be located near schools, rural communities or activity centers.	ST-104	Local parks in the rural areas should be provided at a ratio of 4 acres/1000 population. This acreage should be equitably distributed throughout the rural area. However, due to lower population densities, there will be fewer individual facilities and users can expect to travel greater distances in the rural areas. Ideally, rural park facilities should be located near schools, rural cities or activity centers.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
PIO-101	King County will encourage and pursue partnerships with public agencies and jurisdictions, private organizations and businesses for support and funding of the open space system and its resources to increase the range of sites, facilities and programs available to the public.	PT-101	King County will encourage and pursue partnerships with public agencies and jurisdictions, private organizations and businesses for support and funding of the open space system and its resources to increase the range of sites, facilities and programs available to the public.	same	
PIO-102	King County will encourage and promote mutually beneficial agreements with school districts, other agencies and private groups for the joint use, stewardship and management of sites and facilities for public recreation and natural resource protection consistent with the planned purposes for each site and facility.	PT-102	King County will encourage and promote mutually beneficial agreements with school districts, other agencies and private groups for the joint use, stewardship and management of sites and facilities for public recreation and natural resource protection consistent with the planned purposes for each site and facility.	same	
PIO-103	King County will encourage and pursue partnerships with public agencies, organizations and individuals to increase the range and scope of recreational, interpretive and educational opportunities of the open space system.	PT-103	King County will encourage and pursue partnerships with public agencies, organizations and individuals to increase the range and scope of recreational, interpretive and educational opportunities of the open space system.	same	
PIO-104	King County will provide regional leadership in open space efforts and encourage public understanding, involvement and commitment to regional open space preservation and recreation goals.	PO-109	King County will provide regional leadership in open space efforts and encourage public understanding, involvement and commitment to regional goals and resources.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
PIO-105	King County will work to bring together a diversity of agencies, groups and individuals to advocate for and support the region's open space goals.	PO-110	King County will work to bring together a diversity of agencies, groups and individuals to advocate and support the region's open space goals.	same	
PIO-106	King County will evaluate partnerships to ensure the success for each of the partners and provision of the greatest public benefit.	PT-104	King County will evaluate partnerships to ensure the success for each of the partners and provision of the greatest public benefit.	same	
PIO-107	King County will seek and encourage public input, advice and participation in open space system issues.	PO-101	King County will seek and encourage public input, advice and participation in open space system issues.	same	
PIO-108	King County will design and conduct a public participation process appropriate to the site when preparing master plans, park project program plans, site development or management plans.	PO-103	King County will design and conduct a public participation process appropriate to the site when preparing master plans, park project program plans, site development or management plans.	same	
PIO-109	New funding initiatives for open space should be based on a county-wide planning and public involvement process that identifies community needs and regional opportunities.	PO-104	New funding initiatives for open space should be based on a county-wide planning and public involvement process that identifies community needs and regional opportunities.	same	

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PIO-110	King County will use a variety of methods to encourage public involvement, including public meetings, focus groups, surveys, email and other electronic tools, and advisory committees, and when appropriate, will establish park advisory committees appropriate to the size and complexity of the site or issue.	PO-102	King County will use a variety of methods to obtain public involvement, including public meetings, focus groups, surveys, email, and advisory committees, or established park advisory committees appropriate to the size and complexity of the site or issue.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
PIO-111	King County will encourage and support volunteer efforts to maintain and enhance programs and facilities.	PO-107	King County will encourage and support volunteer efforts to enhance and support programs and facility enhancement.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
PIO-112	King County will encourage appropriate public use of the open space system, provide awareness of the opportunities it offers and increase public knowledge of the system.	PO-105	King County will encourage appropriate public use of the open space system, provide awareness of the opportunities it offers and increase public knowledge of the system.	same	
PIO-113	King County will utilize clear, concise and timely communication with the public.	PO-106	King County will utilize clear, concise and timely communication with the public.	same	
CIP-101	King County will encourage and pursue partnerships with other agencies, jurisdictions and the private sector to maximize funding of the park, trail and open space system and its resources.	F-106	King County will encourage and pursue partnerships with other agencies, jurisdictions and the private sector to maximize funding of the park, trail and open space system and its resources.	same	
CIP-102	King County will leverage its funding through outside resources, including the aggressive pursuit of grants, outside funding sources, and partnerships.	F-107	King County will leverage its funding through outside resources, including the aggressive pursuit of grants, outside funding sources, and partnerships.	same	
CIP-103	King County will plan, acquire, develop, restore and enhance open space sites and recreation facilities as appropriate, including recreation and multi-use sites, regional trails, natural area parks and forest lands, to further the vision and goals of this plan.	PAD-101	King County will plan, acquire develop, and enhance open space and recreation facilities including active recreation and multi-use parks, regional trails, natural areas and resource lands to further the vision and goals of the plan.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
CIP-104	King County will plan and develop facilities that encourage multiple public uses and benefits and will work to reduce user conflicts while minimizing impacts to natural resources.	PAD-102	King County will plan and develop facilities that encourage multiple public uses and benefits and will work to minimize conflicts between them.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
CIP-105	King County will systematically apply the open space classification system to sites in its inventory, along with use area designations of county open space lands to clearly facilitate appropriate use, programming, development, maintenance, and stewardship.	PAD-111	King County will systematically apply the open space classification system and use area designations to county open space lands to clearly facilitate appropriate use, programming, development, maintenance, and stewardship.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
CIP-106	King County will coordinate open space planning, acquisition and development with other county projects and programs and with other agencies and organizations that may provide mutual benefits.	PO-112	King County will coordinate open space planning, acquisition and development with other county projects and programs and with other agencies and organizations that may provide mutual benefits.	same	
CIP-107	King County will evaluate and update the King County Open Space Plan when necessary to address changing conditions such as system growth, respond to new initiatives, and remain eligible for grant opportunities.	PAD-103	King County will evaluate and update the King County Open Space Plan when necessary to address changing conditions and remain eligible for grant opportunities.	language updated	improved wording or clarification

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CIP-108	King County will evaluate and update the Regional Trails Needs Report (RTNR) and engage in other regional trail planning efforts to respond to changing conditions and needs, provide a viable capital development program, and remain eligible for grant opportunities.			new	
CIP-109	As soon as possible after acquisition and prior to significant development, use or large scale restoration of a site, King County will prepare a site management plan, site master plan, or development plan for each open space site. These individual plans should identify appropriate types and levels of public access, necessary rules of use, and required stewardship, including maintenance, restoration, monitoring and enforcement needed for public enjoyment, resource conservation, safety and liability. King County will prepare interim maintenance plans for all new acquisitions to address basic resource protection, public access and safety.	PAD-104	King County will prepare a site management plan, project program plan, site master plan, or development plan for each open space site prior to significant development or use. This plan should identify appropriate public access, necessary rules of use, and level of maintenance, stewardship, monitoring and enforcement needed for public enjoyment, resource conservation, safety and liability. If a detailed plan cannot be prepared immediately after acquisition, King County will prepare an interim or maintenance plan to address basic resource protection, public access and safety.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
CIP-110	Site Management Guidelines for natural area parks and Forest Stewardship Plans for forest lands will be guided by the King County Ecological Lands Handbook for Natural Areas and the Programmatic Plans for Management of King County-owned Ecological Lands. They will also be informed by the various regional and backcountry trails planning documents and best available science.	PAD-105	Site Management Plans for natural areas and working resource lands will be guided by the <i>King County Ecological Handbook for Natural Areas</i> and the <i>Programmatic Plans for Forestry and Agriculture</i> for forests and farms.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
CIP-111	Future management actions for open space sites shall be consistent with their individual plans. Changes in conditions, such as increased public use or acquisition of new land, will require evaluation and periodic updating of these plans.	PAD-106	Future decisions for recreation and multi-use sites, regional trails, or natural areas or working resource lands will be based on consistency with their their individual plans. Changes in conditions will require evaluation and periodic updating of these plans.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
CIP-112	King County should monitor open space use patterns as background for future planning efforts, including how open space sites serve the public benefit and what are subsequent recommendations to enhance or restore individual sites to increase their benefit to King County's open space system and its goals and vision.	PAD-108	King County should develop and implement a system for monitoring open space use patterns as background for future planning efforts.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
CIP-113	King County should work with athletic organizations, school districts and the public to identify active recreation facility needs and coordinate funding strategies.	PAD-113	King County should work with athletic organizations and school districts to identify facility needs and coordinate funding strategies.	same	
CIP-114	King County should provide regional leadership and coordination for the planning, design, implementation and maintenance of the countywide Regional Trails System to ensure regional trail connections between jurisdictions and linkages with other local trails.			new	

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CIP-115	King County will continue fish and wildlife planning efforts through individual site management plans and maintenance plans to ensure biodiversity values are an integral part of open space decisions.	PAD-109	King County will continue wildlife planning efforts through individual site management and maintenance plans to ensure fish and wildlife values are an integral part of open space decisions.			language updated		updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology	
CIP-116	King County should develop a backcountry trails plan that establishes protocols for and guides planning, design, construction, and maintenance of backcountry trails on King County's open space sites.					new			
CIP-117	King County will maintain a comprehensive site inventory in coordination with other county inventories, databases and information provided by Geographic Information System (GIS) tools.	PAD-110	King County will maintain a comprehensive computerized site inventory data base in coordination with other county inventories, data bases and the Geographic Information System (GIS).			language updated		improved wording or clarification	
CIP-118	King County will review legislation, codes, regulations and land use and development proposals to ensure the full range of open space issues and impacts are addressed.	PAD-114	King County will review legislation, codes, regulations and land use and development proposals to ensure the full range of open space issues and impacts are addressed.			same			
CIP-119	King County will pursue opportunities for participation with the private sector in the development process to further open space goals.	PAD-115	King County will pursue opportunities for participation with the private sector in the development process to further open space goals.			same			
CIP-120	King County will emphasize acquisition of sites that provide for multiple benefits and functions.	PAD-117	King County will emphasize acquisition and development of sites that provide for multiple benefits and functions.			language updated		consistency w/ current plan	
CIP-121	King County's open space acquisitions should be consistent with the goals of this plan.	PAD-116	King County's open space acquisitions should be consistent with the goals of this plan and the King County Acquisition and Land Management Strategies.			language updated		updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology	
CIP-122	King County should work with adjacent jurisdictions, local, state and federal governments, tribes, and landowners during the formation of acquisition strategies to identify acquisition priorities to protect systemic goals not bound by jurisdictional and property boundaries.					new			
CIP-123	Acquisitions of lands that are of adequate size to achieve the acquisition purpose and/or those that provide continuity or appropriate public access where it does not exist should be considered priority acquisitions, as should acquisition of land or easements that are adjacent to, or provide a connection between, existing public open space lands or that are "in-holdings".					new			
CIP-124	King County should acquire open space properties that provide public benefit and recreational opportunities or resource protection in proportion to the cost of acquisition, ownership, development and management.	PAD-118	King County should acquire open space properties that provide public benefit in proportion to the cost of acquisition, ownership, development and management.			language updated		improved wording or clarification	

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CIP-125	King County will acquire, protect and conserve high priority sites through a variety of means, including fee simple purchase, donations and purchase of conservation easements and covenants, as well as through the use of the Transfer of Development Rights Program.			new	
CIP-126	King County will prepare a site acquisition evaluation of potential open space lands before they are acquired to evaluate short and long-term stewardship funding needs and availability and ensure the lands are appropriate for the intended use and contribute to larger open space goals.	PAD-119	King County will prepare a site acquisition evaluation before potential sites are acquired to ensure they are appropriate for the intended use and to evaluate short and long-term stewardship funding needs and availability.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
CIP-127	King County will strive to protect through fee acquisition or easements lands that have high ecological value with unique or otherwise significant habitat features where development would negatively impact important ecological functions.			new	
CIP-128	Distribution, spatial structure, and diversity of native wildlife and plant populations and communities should be taken into account when acquiring conservation easements or land.			new	
CIP-129	King County will prepare site designs and specifications for the development, enhancement or restoration of an open space site to ensure consistency with the goals and policies of this plan and individual site plans. This includes accordance with their project program plans, site management plans and guidelines, forest stewardship plans or master plans.	PAD-122	King County will prepare site designs and specifications for the development, enhancement or restoration of an open space site to ensure consistency with the goals and policies of this plan and individual site plans.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
CIP-130	King County will design, develop, restore and maintain sites to encourage the safe use and public enjoyment of the county's open space sites, while protecting and enhancing their natural resources.	PAD-123	King County will design, develop, restore and maintain sites to encourage the safe use and public enjoyment of the county's open space sites, while protecting their natural resources.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
CIP-131	King County is committed to the design and development of accessible sites and recreation facilities.	PAD-124	King County is committed to the design and development of accessible sites and recreation facilities.	same	
CIP-132	King County will demonstrate fiscal responsibility in its review and approval of design and development to balance development costs with long term operational costs and public benefits.	PAD-130	King County will demonstrate fiscal responsibility in its review and approval of design and development to balance development costs with long term operational costs and public benefits.	same	
CIP-133	King County will maintain, develop and restore open space sites consistent with all local, state and federal regulatory permit requirements. Programmatic permits, where allowed and appropriate, will be pursued when such permits increase cost effectiveness and increase project success.			new	

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CIP-134	King County will develop and implement design standards and details which promote a unified, identifiable image of the county's open space system.	PAD-128	King County will develop and implement design standards and details which promote a unified, identifiable image of the county's open space system.	same	
CIP-135	High priority will be given to aesthetic considerations in the design and development of open space sites. Designs will be evaluated based on color, scale, style, and materials appropriate for their proposed use. Development should be consistent with the site's role and purpose in the system and blend with surroundings and the natural environment.	PAD-126	High priority will be given to aesthetic considerations in the design and development. Designs will be evaluated based on color, scale, style, and materials appropriate for their proposed use. Development should be consistent with the site's role and purpose in the system and blend with surroundings and the natural environment.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
CIP-136	When appropriate and feasible, open spaces should include educational and interpretive signage or other features that enhance a user's understanding and enjoyment of a site and its features and resources.	PAD-129	When appropriate, open spaces will include educational and interpretive signage or other features which enhance the users understanding and enjoyment of a site and its features and resources.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
CIP-137	Regional trails should be developed in accordance with the most recent edition of the King County Regional Trails System Development Guidelines, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities, or other appropriate state or national professional guidelines.			new	
CIP-138	Site-specific plans should be prepared for regional trail corridors in King County based on the priority guidance provided by the Regional Trails Needs Report. These plans may include feasibility studies, trail designs, construction materials, and environmental mitigation. To the degree possible new trail planning activities should include public outreach to ensure important community involvement in the development of the Regional Trails System.	S-106	Plans should be prepared for the regional trail corridors in King County. These plans should identify users, trail designs, access points, support facilities and maintenance costs.	language updated	updated to reflect Parks current situation and terminology
CIP-139	Backcountry trails should be developed and designed in a manner that protects natural resources, ensures public safety, and requires minimal maintenance. The latest versions of the USDA Forest Service Trails Management Handbook and USDA Forest Service Specifications for the Construction of Trails should inform construction and management of King County's backcountry trails.			new	
SO-101	King County will continue to work with agencies, jurisdictions and the public to develop new and creative funding sources and other strategies to support the system.	F-102	King County will continue to work with agencies, jurisdictions and the public to develop new and creative funding sources and other strategies to support the system.	same	

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SO-102	King County will maximize and leverage operational funds through public-private partnerships, pursuit of grant funds, use of volunteers, joint acquisition, development, use and management agreements, and will continue to seek other opportunities.	F-103	King County will maximize and leverage operational funds through public-private partnerships; use of volunteers; joint acquisition, development, use and management agreements; and other means.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
SO-103	King County will continue to pursue workforce efficiencies to help offset the growth in operation and maintenance costs.	F-104	King County will continue to pursue workforce efficiencies to help off-set the growth in operation and maintenance costs.	same	
SO-104	King County will continue to pursue use of a portion of open space capital revenue sources, such as REET or CFT, for ongoing maintenance and stewardship of sites acquired or developed with these funds.	F-105	King County will continue to pursue use of a portion of open space capital revenue sources, such as REET or CFT, for ongoing maintenance and stewardship of sites acquired or developed with these funds.	same	
SO-105	A fiscal analysis should be prepared to evaluate all capital project proposals to address stewardship needs of new projects. It should identify the long term operation and maintenance cost and the source of funds to support the project.	F-108	A fiscal note should accompany all capital project proposals to address the impacts of new projects. It should identify the long term operation and maintenance cost and the source of funds to support the project.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
SO-106	King County will work to ensure that future funding efforts to acquire and develop land for open space purposes include a funding source to cover stewardship and maintenance costs.	F-109	King County will work to ensure that future funding efforts to acquire and develop land for open space purposes include a funding source to cover stewardship and maintenance costs.	same	
SO-107	King County should strive to use locally adapted native species for natural area landscaping, restoration, rehabilitation, and erosion control. Habitat restoration projects should include provisions for adequate maintenance of plantings to prevent invasion of weeds and ensure survival of native plantings.			new	
SO-108	Use of drought tolerant plants and native vegetation in new site development projects will be emphasized to minimize the need for irrigation and reduce damage caused by non-native species.	SM-108	Use of drought tolerant plants and native vegetation in new site development projects will be emphasized to minimize the need for irrigation and reduce damage caused by non-native species.	same	
SO-109	Water conservation is an important consideration in management of the system. New construction and the rehabilitation of older facilities will incorporate low water use principles and equipment. Use of recycled water will be considered, when practical and effective.	SM-107	Water conservation is an important consideration in management of the system. New construction and the rehabilitation of older facilities will incorporate low water use principles and equipment. Use of recycled water will be considered, when practical and effective.	same	
SO-110	Recycling efforts in parks will be promoted along with use of recycled materials available and appropriate for park uses.	SM-109	Recycling efforts in parks will be promoted along with use of recycled materials available and appropriate for park uses.	same	
SO-111	The environment and the health and safety of staff and park users will be protected from the inappropriate use of hazardous or toxic materials.	SM-110	The environment and the health and safety of staff and park users will be protected from the inappropriate use of hazardous or toxic materials.	same	

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SO-112	Use of pesticides and fungicides will be based on integrated pest management principles.	SM-111	Use of pesticides and fungicides will be based on integrated pest management principles.	same	
SO-113	Landscaping along King County's regional trails should be consistent with the most recent version of the Regional Trails System Development Guidelines and the Regional Trails System Landscape Characterization Study.			new	
SO-114	King County will develop measurable site maintenance plans and management goals to provide direction for the stewardship of open space sites and utilize these measures to evaluate effectiveness and provide guidance and historical data for future maintenance decisions.	SM-113	King County will develop measurable site maintenance plans and objectives to evaluate effectiveness and provide guidance and historical data for future maintenance decisions.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
SO-115	King County will monitor, review and evaluate how site maintenance is conducted to account for the changing needs of the system and identify and incorporate new procedures and tasks to address the conservation of ecological values and recreational assets.	SM-115	King County will monitor, review and evaluate how site maintenance is conducted to account for the changing needs of the system and identify and incorporate new procedures and tasks to address emphasis on natural areas and resource preservation.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
SO-116	King County will develop and maintain a plan for major maintenance needs and rehabilitation of open space sites and facilities to ensure safe and sustainable public use and to reduce lifecycle costs.	SM-116	King County will develop and maintain a schedule for major maintenance and rehabilitation of park sites and facilities to insure safe and sustainable public use and to reduce lifecycle costs.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
SO-117	King County will encourage and allow the use of open space land that is compatible with the site, consistent with its open space purposes, uses and funding sources, and can be demonstrated to serve the public and protect the site's natural resources.	PM-101	King County will encourage and allow the use of open space land that is compatible with the site, consistent with its open space purposes, funding source and can be demonstrated to serve the public and site resources.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
SO-118	King County will encourage and promote mutually beneficial agreements with school districts, other agencies and private groups for the use and management of sites and facilities for recreation and revenue generating activities.	PM-102	King County will encourage and promote mutually beneficial agreements with school districts, other agencies and private groups for the use and management of sites and facilities for recreation and revenue generating activities.	same	
SO-119	King County will evaluate requests for alterations to open space sites to ensure that they are consistent with park purposes, park plans and natural area site management guidelines and will not diminish open space values, use, aesthetics and stewardship.	PM-103	King County will evaluate requests for alterations to open space sites to ensure that they are consistent with park purposes, park and natural area site management plans and conditions and will not diminish open space values, use, aesthetics and stewardship.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
SO-120	King County will issue use permits or agreements for events sponsored by others when the use is consistent with park purposes, funding, and site conditions, will not deter from open space stewardship and aesthetics, and is compatible with designated open space uses and users.	PM-104	King County will issue use permits or agreements for events sponsored by others when the use is consistent with park purposes and site conditions, will not deter from open space stewardship and aesthetics, and is compatible with designated open space uses and users.	language updated	improved wording or clarification

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SO-121	King County will not allow alterations or enter into agreements or permit uses that incur future obligations to the county for maintenance, replacement, rehabilitation or removal until a thorough analysis of the long-term cost has been prepared, risks and liabilities to the county clearly identified, and supportive funding is identified or provided.	PM-105	King County will not allow alterations or enter into agreements or permit uses that incur future obligations to the county for maintenance, replacement, rehabilitation or removal until a thorough analysis of the long-term cost has been prepared, risks and liabilities to the county clearly identified, and supportive funding is identified or provided.	same	
SO-122	King County will evaluate all agreements, easements and use permits to ensure they continue to be in compliance with their terms and conditions, current county policies and codes, and remain in the best interests of the site and the public.	PM-106	King County will evaluate all agreements, easements and use permits to ensure they continue to be in compliance with their terms and conditions, current county policies and codes, and remain in the best interests of the site and the public.	same	
SO-123	King County will consider concessions and business endeavors that are compatible with site management goals and enhance the park experience by providing an opportunity for increased public use, enjoyment, education, and enhanced stewardship of the site.	PM-107	King County will consider concessions and business endeavors that are compatible with and enhance the park experience by providing an opportunity for increased public use, education, stewardship and enjoyment of the site.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
SO-124	King County will consider concession and business operations for effectiveness and efficiency in delivery of services, as well as for revenue generation. The county will grant concession and business agreements that do not result in uncompensated cost to the county.	PM-108	King County will consider concession and business operations for effectiveness and efficiency in delivery of services, as well as for revenue generation. The county will grant concession and business agreements that do not result in uncompensated cost to the county.	same	
SO-125	King County will clearly post signage with applicable rules and restrictions for open space sites in language that is easily understood by the public.	PM-109	King County will clearly post signage with applicable rules and restrictions for open space sites in language that is easily understood by the public.	same	
SO-126	King County will address unauthorized uses of open space land by working to abate and restore encroachments.			new	
SO-127	King County will maintain a policy and procedure for the naming of park, recreation and other open space sites and features.	PM-110	King County will maintain a policy and procedure for the naming of park, recreation and other open space sites and features.	same	
SO-128	King County will accept gifts or donations of equipment, materials, land, labor or improvements for a site that are consistent with site purposes and conditions, enhance aesthetics and stewardship values, are consistent with site management guidelines, maintenance, development or master plans, reduce stewardship costs, provide additional resource protection and/or improve efficiencies.	PM-111	King County will accept gifts or donations of equipment, materials, land, labor or improvements for a site that are consistent with site purposes and conditions, enhance aesthetics and stewardship, are consistent with the site management, maintenance, development or master plans, reduce stewardship costs or improve efficiencies.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
SO-129	King County will work with nearby property owners, park users, volunteers, agencies and the public to enhance and protect the character, function and natural resources of the open space system.	SM-119	King County will work with nearby property owners, agencies and the public to protect the character, function and natural resources of the open space system.	language updated	improved wording or clarification

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SO-130	King County will steward its open space system and keep these lands in perpetuity for open space purposes. Other uses will be considered only if they can be demonstrated through a public process and adopted criteria that they are surplus to the county's public recreation or open space needs. Surplus of open space sites must also be consistent with requirements associated with their funding sources and King County Charter Amendment Section 897.	SM-101	King County will be stewards of its open space system and keep these lands in perpetuity for open space purposes. Other uses will be considered only if it can be demonstrated through a public process and adopted criteria that they are surplus to the county's public recreation or open space needs.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
SO-131	King County will manage open space sites to ensure that the land, facilities and natural resources are protected and that appropriate public use is safe and enjoyable. The public is expected to have access to the open space system for recreational, scientific, and traditional cultural use, but access may be restricted when necessary to protect or restore natural resource values and processes, when deed restrictions limit or restrict public access and use, and/or when safety issues warrant limitations on public use. Access strategies for each site will be identified and monitored.	SM-102	King County will maintain open space sites to ensure the public investment is protected, and appropriate public use is safe and enjoyable. The public is expected to have access to the majority of lands in the open space system, but access may be restricted when necessary to protect or restore natural resource values and processes. Access strategies for each site will be developed and monitored.	language updated	updated to reflect Parks current situation and terminology
SO-132	King County will promote awareness of the role of the county's open space system in the quality of life in the region, in the recreation industry and its economic benefit to the region.	F-101	King County will promote awareness of the role King County's open space system plays in the quality of life in the region and in the in the recreation industry and its economy.	language updated	improved wording or clarification
SO-133	King County will integrate habitat management and enhancement as a major component of its stewardship. Natural area parks will be managed to protect and restore ecological processes, conserve wildlife habitat, and foster native biodiversity. This focus may include management, enhancement and restoration of degraded natural areas to increase their ecological, wildlife habitat, climate change adaptation and resiliency, and educational values.	SM-103	King County will integrate habitat management and enhancement as a major component of its stewardship. Natural areas will be managed to conserve wildlife habitat and to foster native species. This may include management, enhancement and restoration of degraded natural areas to increase their ecological, and wildlife habitat and educational values.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
SO-134	King County commits itself to preservation, protection and conservation of native biodiversity and will demonstrate this in daily activities. Environmentally sensitive maintenance techniques and best management practices will be followed to the greatest extent possible at all open space sites.	SM-104	King County commits itself to preservation, protection and conservation and will demonstrate this in daily activities. Environmentally sensitive maintenance techniques and best management practices will be followed.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
SO-135	King County will work with other agencies to maintain the necessary quality and quantity of water in its streams and lakes to provide for plant communities, suitable fish and wildlife habitat and recreational use.	SM-105	King County will work with other agencies to maintain the necessary quality and quantity of water in its streams and lakes to provide for plant communities, suitable fish and wildlife habitat and recreational use.	same	

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SO-136	King County will promote forest management and restoration in order to conserve and enhance its vital natural areas with forest canopies that contribute to improved water and air quality, surface water management, fish and wildlife habitat, aesthetics, climate change adaptation, and energy conservation.	SM-106	King County will promote reforestation in order to preserve vital natural areas with forest canopy to assist with water and air quality measures, temperature cooling and energy conservation.	language updated	updated to better reflect Parks current situation and terminology
SO-137	King County should be a leader in natural resource management by demonstrating environmentally sound and sustainable forest practices on county-owned open space sites that result in retention of forest cover and improved forest health. This may include adopting forest management practices that promote carbon sequestration.			new	
SO-138	Priorities for restoration projects on open space sites should be based on priority recommendations in the WRIA plans (Salmon Recovery Plans), the Flood Hazard Management Plan, individual Site Management Guidelines, and other King County-endorsed planning documents and processes.			new	
SO-139	King County will monitor and document the ecological and forest conservation easements in its inventory to ensure conservation values are protected and that lands are being managed consistent with the terms and conditions of the individual recorded easement.			new	
SO-140	King County supports the integration of conservation principles into its management actions in order to conserve native biodiversity through policies for land and water resource management, climate change planning, and fish and wildlife habitat conservation.			new	
SO-141	King County will strive to identify and conserve components of native biodiversity within its open space system that are especially sensitive to climate change and work to conserve biodiversity through the protection and restoration of ecological processes that create and sustain habitats and species diversity.			new	
SO-142	The conservation principles presented in the King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks Ecological Lands Handbook and in the King County Comprehensive Plan provide broad guidance to focus and direct restoration activities to enhance natural resources and ecological value on open space sites.			new	

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SO-143	King County will promote wildlife habitat enhancement projects by community groups, park users, stakeholders, non-profits, and businesses through education, active stewardship, and volunteer events.			new	
SO-144	On all open space sites, King County will develop a coordinated strategy for preventing, monitoring and controlling infestations of state-listed noxious weeds, and where feasible, other non-native invasive weeds of concern.			new	
		W-101	King County will designate and protect important habitat areas, through a variety of measures such as regulations, incentives, capital projects, or purchase.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		ST-107	The County will use the most recent facility standards of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as guidelines for determining park development needs and will refine them based on community interests and input.	deleted	no longer applicable
		ST-106	Local park sites should be accessible to pedestrians and bicycles. Parking should be available at each site based on individual park conditions, levels of use and the community served.	deleted	no longer applicable
		ST-105	Size is a factor in the selection of sites for local parks. Ten acres is the recommended minimum size in the rural parts of the county. Larger sites allow for development of a range of recreational opportunities, as well as providing natural and landscaped area that serve as screening from adjacent residential or other land uses.	deleted	no longer applicable
		ST-103	Local park acres in the urban area should be provided at a ratio of 7.5 acres/1000 population. This acreage should be equitably distributed throughout the urban unincorporated areas of the county. Local parks should generally be available within 1/2 mile from all residents. Other factors that affect accessibility should be considered, such as topographical features, physical barriers, visibility and pedestrian and transportation circulation patterns.	deleted	no longer applicable
		ST-102	One-half of public elementary school sites will be credited toward the park standard. Regional parks and other outdoor recreation spaces with public access could be used for additional credit toward the park standard, to be determined case by case.	deleted	no longer applicable
		SM-118	King County will evaluate long-term maintenance costs during the review of new capital and restoration projects using a life-cycle analysis approach to balance initial cost with long term operating, stewardship and maintenance costs.	deleted	no longer applicable

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		SM-117	King County will maintain an inventory and financial plans for the addition or replacement of equipment to best and most efficiently maintain the open space system.	deleted	no longer applicable
		SM-114	King County will follow the stewardship guidelines in the site maintenance plans prepared for parks and trails and site management goals to provide direction for the stewardship of natural areas.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		SM-112	King County will prepare Park Resource Section work plans, emphasizing clear goals for resource preservation and enhancement of all types of open space	deleted	no longer applicable
		S-111	King County will work with the city of Enumclaw and community organizations and groups to provide programs and generate revenue through special events and scheduling of the King County Fairgrounds that are consistent with the site, facilities, and character of the area.	deleted	no longer applicable
		S-110	King County will actively market and promote use of the King County Fairgrounds to maximize its use by revenue producing events.	deleted	no longer applicable
		S-109	King County is committed to providing a traditional agricultural and education experience through the annual King County Fair.	deleted	no longer applicable
		S-108	King County will maintain trail rules and a Trail User Code of Conduct to direct the safe and enjoyable use of the county's trail system.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		S-107	King County should identify and preserve existing local trails to maintain important linkages within communities to form a local trails system that provides recreation, local circulation and access to the regional trail system. Local trails should provide opportunities for a wide range of trail users.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		S-105	Regional trails should be planned and designed to accommodate all users on alignments and surfaces appropriate to their use.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		S-104	King County should complete a regional trail system, which includes connections between trail corridors to form a countwide network.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		R-105	King County will balance recreational uses and preservation goals of open space sites and facilities to be appropriate to each site, serve a variety of users and minimize conflicts.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements

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		R-104	King County will continue to encourage volunteer programs to further maximize availability of recreation and interpretive programs.	deleted	no longer applicable
		R-103	King County will strive to facilitate accessible recreational programs that offer a diversity of activities to all ages, abilities and interests.	deleted	no longer applicable
		R-102	King County will regularly evaluate partnership programs for interest, attendance, effectiveness and cost, and will use this information to plan and focus its efforts.	deleted	no longer applicable
		R-101	King County will promote and facilitate regional programs, activities and special events that are appropriate to the role and resources of individual sites and facilities.	deleted	no longer applicable
		R-100	King County shall facilitate provision of recreation and interpretive programs and activities consistent with its inventory of open space lands. This includes developing partnerships and coordinating with cities, school districts, community groups and non-profits to help meet program demands.	deleted	no longer applicable
		PO-113	King County will promote partnerships with public and private organizations and others, to increase the range of facilities and programs in the space system.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		PO-111	King County will share its knowledge and provide technical assistance to local agencies, groups and individuals to further open space goals.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		PO-108	King County will seek volunteers to implement community watch programs to increase security on open space lands.	deleted	no longer applicable
		PAD-125	King County will develop and enhance or restore open space sites in accordance with their project program plans, site management plans and guidelines, forest stewardship plans or master plans.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		PAD-121	King County will identify the method of site acquisition appropriate to each site to achieve the desired level of protection, use and public benefit. Deed conditions and restrictions should not preclude or diminish future intended use, management, or public benefit.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		PAD-120	King County will classify the role of acquisitions as recreation, regional trails, multi-use sites, natural areas (ecological sites) or working resources lands (i.e. farm or forest) prior to ownership.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements

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		PAD-112	King County should prepare resource management strategies for individual sites within the system to maximize their specific resource value(s) through site management and maintenance plans. Site management strategies should describe each site use area and its associated management needs and recommended maintenance practices.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		PAD-107	King County should periodically prepare assessments of open space sites to evaluate their intent and how they serve the public, and make recommendations to enhance or restore individual sites to increase their benefit to King County and the environment.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		PAD 127	Priorities for development, restoration or enhancement of natural areas and working resource lands will vary by site.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		C-120	Working resource lands include forests and agricultural lands that receive some degree of oversight or management by the county.	deleted	no longer applicable
		C-115	Regional trails should be planned and developed to function effectively for a 20-30 year life span.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		C-114	Regional trails should be developed using the most current information, guidelines and standards to ensure user safety and enjoyment.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements
		C-105	King County may transfer regional sites located within the unincorporated area to an adjacent city, park district, or other agency if the transfer makes service provisions more efficient and when the rights to access and use by all citizens of King County are protected.	deleted	reflected in other policy statements