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Love Forest Park?

The City is considering five draft trail concepts to enhance off-road cycling in Forest Park as part of the citywide Off-road Cycling Master Plan.

All of the draft concepts include trail improvements for safety and sustainability as well as restoration of nearby natural habitat. Whether you walk, run, bike, or enjoy Forest Park in other ways, we want to hear what you think (http://www.portlandoregon.gov//bps/article/634316) about these trail ideas.

These concepts were guided by the Forest Park Planning Principles (http://www.portlandoregon.gov//bps/article/633116), which translate the project's vision (http://www.portlandoregon.gov//bps/article/572913) and the many plans (http://www.portlandoregon.gov//bps/article/572954) for Forest Park into specific guidance for off-road cycling. The principles support:

Preserving the highest-use pedestrian trails in the park (including the Wildwood and Maple trails)

Achieving a net ecological benefit through trail improvements

Focusing on cross-country cycling experiences on narrower, rolling trails.

Important note: Building or implementing any potential project would require additional planning and community input, robust environmental review and multiple approvals.

The five draft trail concepts (http://www.portlandoregon.gov//bps/article/634315) are:

Open Tolinda Trail to off-road cycling

Open Firelane 7, Firelane 7A, and Oil Line Road to off-road cycling

Open Firelane 4 to off-road cycling and connect it to Saltzman Road

Improve Firelane 1 and build a new trail parallel to Highway 30

Build a new trail south of NW 53rd Drive

Head to the project website at www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/offroadcycling (http://www.portlandoregon.gov//bps/offroadcycling) and click "Off-road Cycling in Forest Park (http://www.portlandoregon.gov//bps/73295)" to see the drafts and learn more. The website also includes a detailed feedback form (http://www.portlandoregon.gov//bps/article/634316) where you can provide input on each Trail Concept and the Planning Principles. You can also add new ideas and more general comments.