

SURVEY RESULTS

The TMRPA developed an online survey for the planning effort and the Leadership team conducted four public workshops to gather input regarding the trail inventory maps. The TMT provided workshop participants with the opportunity to note their personal desires for new trails in the project area. Most of the new trail requests from the public workshops were for connections to existing trails. Comments collected from the online survey and public workshops were used to develop this report.



Truckee Meadows Trails Planning Workshops

Hikers, runners, dog walkers, equestrians, mountain bikers are invited.

Tues. May 7, 2019
5:30 pm, McKinley Arts and Cultural Center

Wed. May 15, 2019
5:30 pm, Bartley Ranch

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Public And Stakeholder Workshops Refer to Appendix 8

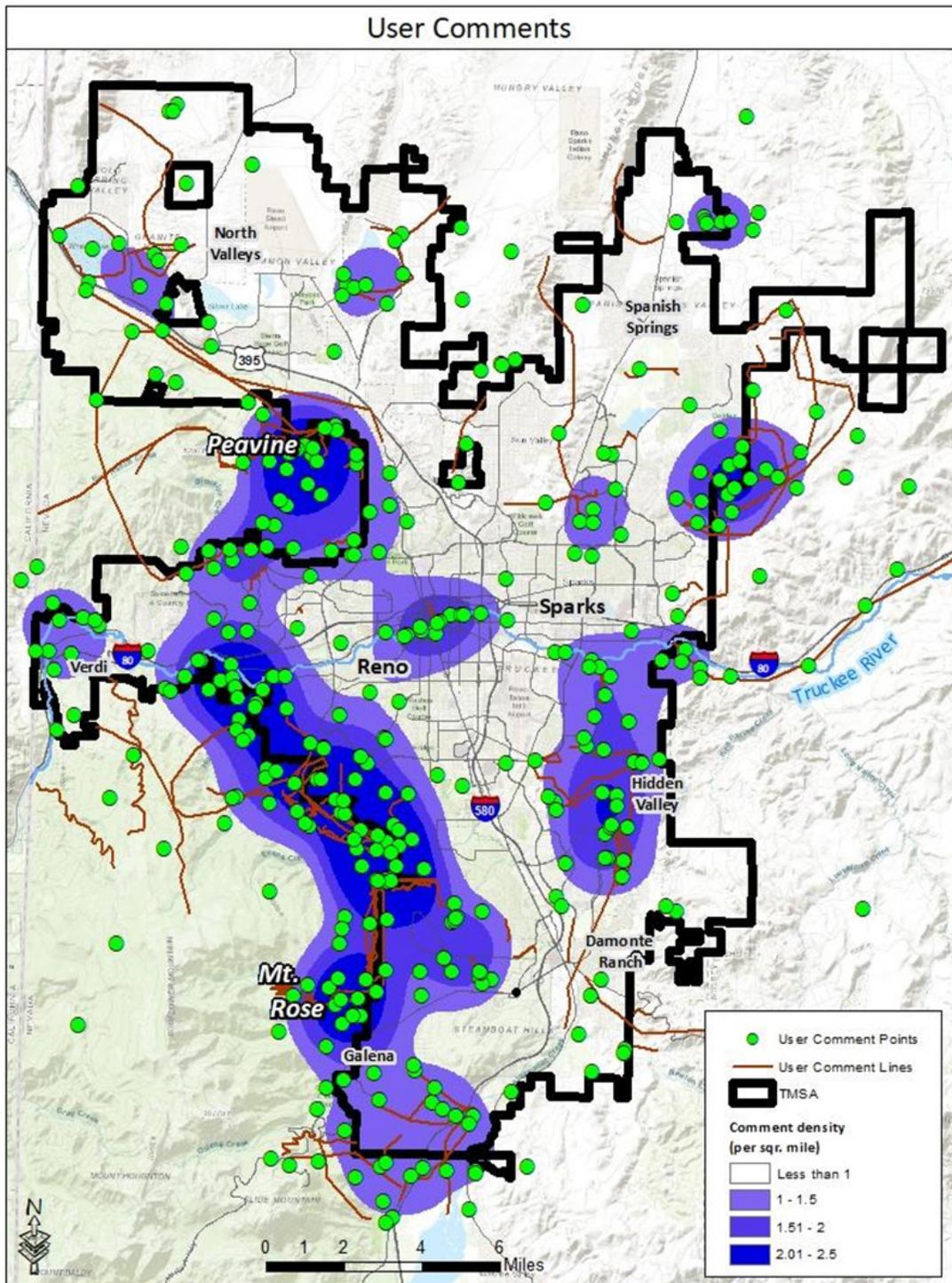
The TMT stakeholder workshops invited community members from different trail user groups including: runners, equestrians, mountain bikers, hikers, and walkers to participate. They represent local nonprofit organizations, agencies and trail users. Project area maps were used to allow workshop participants to comment on trail connectivity and to mark desire lines for new trails or trailheads, including motorized use.

TMT also had two public workshops where all members of the public interested in voicing their desires regarding trails in the Truckee Meadows were invited to participate in a two of public workshops.

The Reno Gazette Journal ran one full page notice and two local TV stations ran short segments on the workshops. A social network notice was sent to stakeholder organizations that have active trail users or are active with trail development and maintenance along the Eastern Sierra Front. The workshops drew over 125 participants and 15 volunteers.

There were over 300 comments made on the maps at the workshops. The following map shows, using a method that mimics crowd sourcing, where most of the attendees made comments/suggestions or new connections. These comments will be brought forward as the TMTWG and TMTC who will work together to establish priorities with implementation of this planning effort.

Spatial Distribution and Trails Comments Received Online and Through Stakeholder Meetings



Web Survey Results – Refer to Appendix 9

An online trail survey was made available for public comment through the TMT website. The trail survey provided information on demographics; how and when trails are used; perceptions of existing trails, trail condition, trail satisfaction, trail etiquette, and suggestions for new trails or to existing trails.

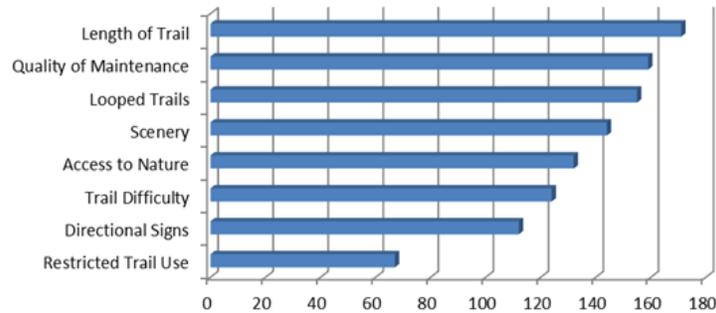
The survey was available online for 1 month.



Trail Characteristics

Trails characteristics terms used in the survey are derived from the most common professional terms used in categorizing the expectations of the trail user's needs for a quality trail experience.

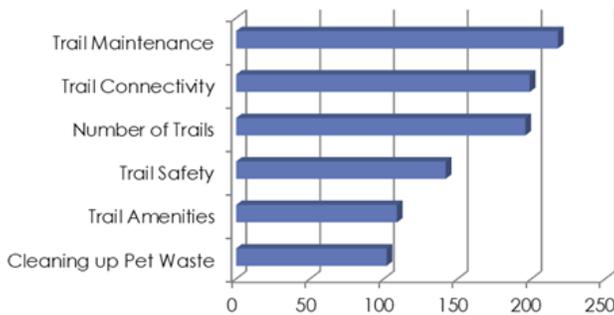
Characteristics - # of votes



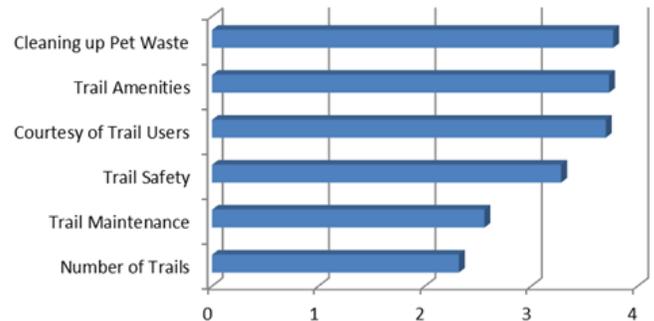
Trail Satisfaction

Trail satisfaction terms in the survey are derived from categories commonly used for measuring the trail users experience, as it relates to their past experiences.

Trail Satisfaction - # of votes

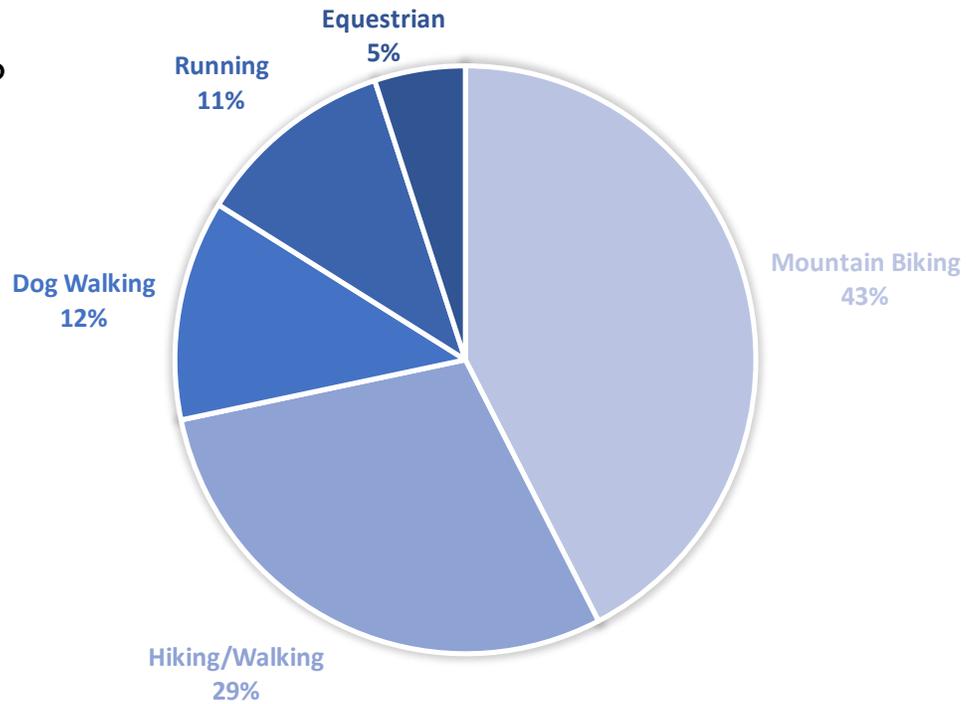


Satisfaction Ranking Average



Trail Users – How Do They Use the Trails In Truckee Meadows

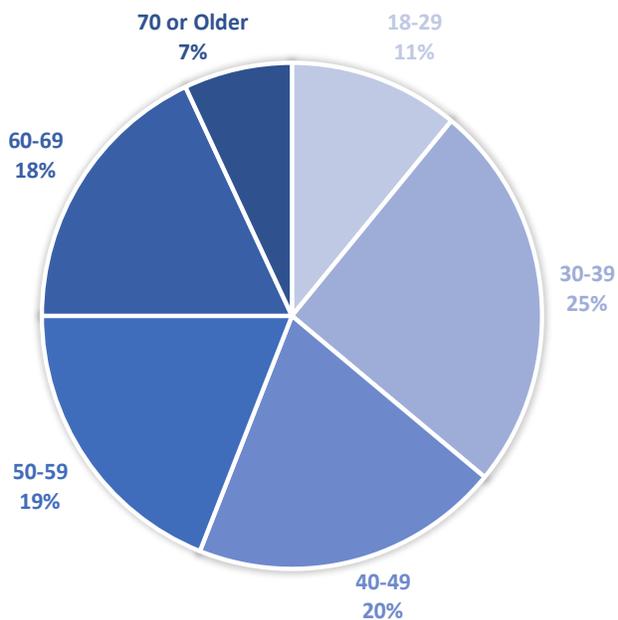
PERCENTAGE OF USE OF TRUCKEE MEADOWS TRAILS BY USER GROUP



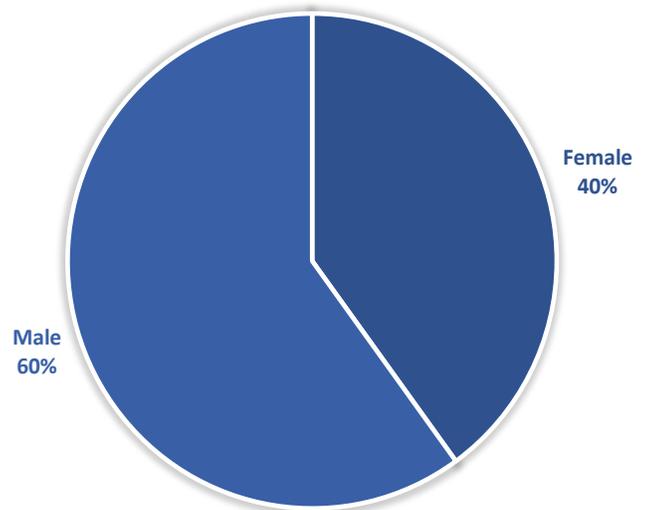
Combined Workshop Demographic Survey Results

There were approximately 425 trail users that responded to the Workshop or Web survey. This provides a good trail user profile. The users were primarily from Reno 76% and Sparks next with 9%. The age groups represented were very close in percentages except the over 70 or the 18-29 age. And there is a good representative percentage from both male and female. The respondents use the 2-3 days a week [75%].

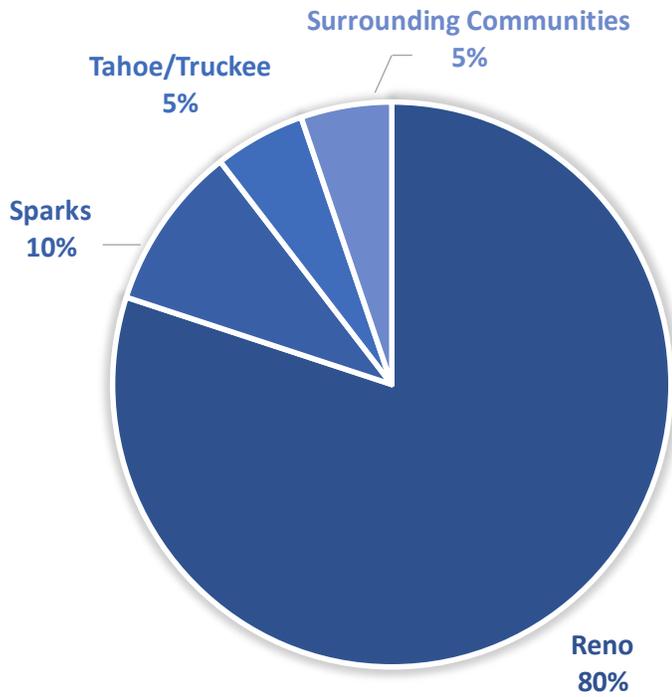
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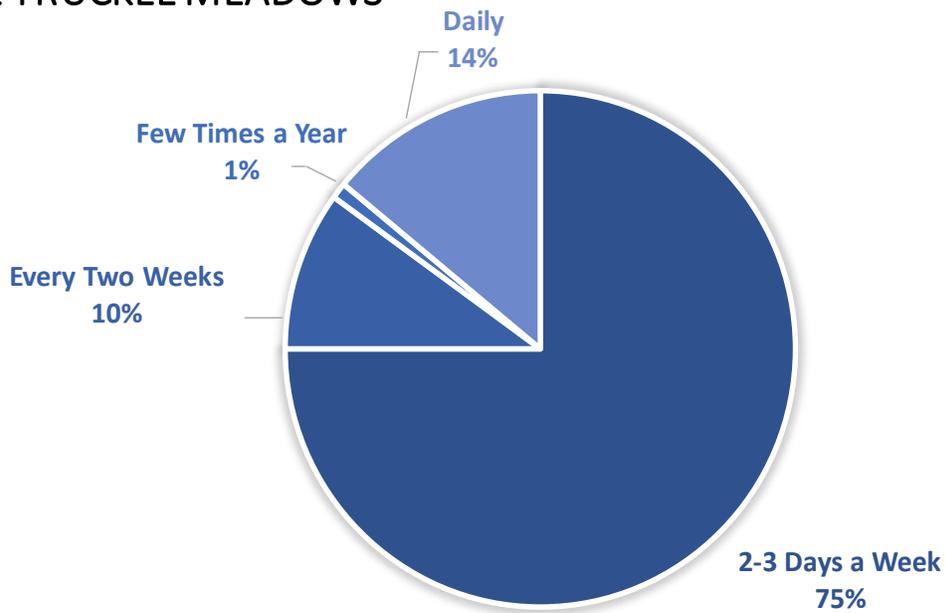
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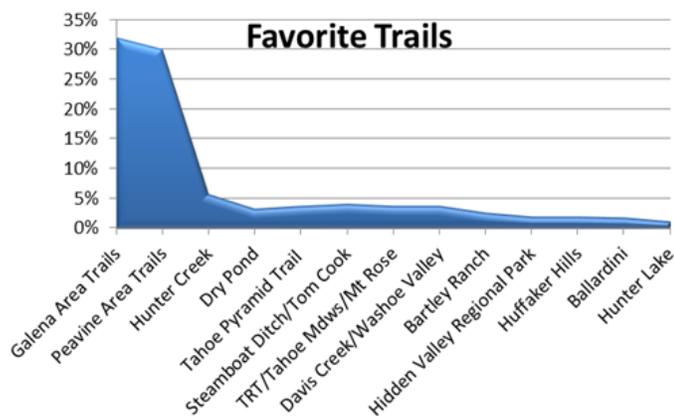
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FREQUENCY OF TRAIL USE IN THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS



Combined Survey Favorite Trails



Combined Survey Proposed Implementation for Truckee Meadows Trails/Trailheads Refer to Appendix 21

The workshops and the web survey allowed the public to address any specific needs as it relates to Trails/trailheads in Truckee Meadows. There were three hundred comments made. This is not set up for priorities or sorted through for need at this time. When implementation of this plan moves forward this very comprehensive list can be used to establish priorities in the future.

The workshop survey results are summarized below:

- Construct sustainable trails that last and need minimal maintenance.
- More access points and trailheads
- Restricted use trails
- Connect – urbanized to surrounding areas/all Truckee Meadows existing trails/
- More urban trails and paths to connect neighborhoods to commercial areas.
- Construct loop options
- Create more 5-10 mile trails – different levels of user construction
- Year round multi-use bicycling/walking infrastructure inadequate
- Consider multi-use walking/biking paths too with their connections – road intersections
- More variety of lengths in trails and trail connectors
- More trail information and signage
- Mountain bike specific trails – downhill/rolling/one way/progressive /challenging/ black diamond
- Paved pathways, separated from traffic
- More horse specific trails to keeps horses off jump[mtn bike] trails.
- All bridges should be horse accessible!
- Better dog waste enforcement and education.