SURVEY DETAIL

In response to survey question 12: What improvements to outdoor recreation opportunities would you like to see in Las Animas County? Why?

"Improved/more trails and trail connections as well as maps and guides so you know what areas of the county are accessible to the public. I would also appreciate access to important historical and geological sites that would be fun to access and learn something. I like the mining signs along some of the roads outside of Aguilar that explain what happened in the area."

"Easy to find trailhead, map of trails, parking lot, trash cans, dog friendly, water fountain for people and dogs, shaded trails, better marked trails, sign on roads with arrows to outdoor activities."

"More family friendly options with shade and easy parking."

"More signage and formal tourism hubs directing recreationists to safe amenities. Improved trails and facilities that help make them welcoming. Family-friendly activities would be very helpful."

"I would like to see the trails in and around town become more walkable, bikeable, and connected. It should be easy and safe to walk or bike anywhere in town, and also to the state parks."

"Better signage, more bear proof trash cans on trails."

"Safer trails for observing wildlife like songbirds."

"Regional connections between parks and trails. Rangers on local trails like Boulevard or Wormhole (could be volunteers). Better education and opportunities to experience outdoor rec for younger folks so they can appreciate our natural spaces and resources. More Multi-Use Paths like the riverwalk in Trinidad, which needs some love."

"Bike lanes in town and more bike racks."

"Homeless in Trinidad is a huge issue and affects the area and safety of doing things outside, especially family oriented. The county desperately needs a homeless support center and a way

for them to be active partners in keeping the outdoors clean and safe for everyone."

"Better use of the County Fairgrounds. It's not being used to its full potential."

"More public access to lands, build out of trail network (goal of min. 10 miles of trail for a town the size of Trinidad), optimizing town of Trinidad for bikes, continued work on Riverwalk to diversify rec options/population served, highlight local history and acknowledge farm/ranch/Santa Fe trail legacy at rec sites (commemorative signage, benches, QR codes with historical info."

"Where to find a list of outdoor recreations and how to get there."

"Trails! Why doesn't Las Animas have places to hike, camp and backcountry camp? It's just as beautiful and has similar places to go- and huge swaths of public land with one or no trails on it. There are literally only two trails in Trinidad and you can easily complete them in one day. It gets boring going to the same place every day."

"There isn't much info on what is east of Trinidad. I would like to see a few more recreational things to do."

"A greater variety of opportunities that 1) are well-planned to protect natural resources, 2) benefit private landowners that provide and/or are adjacent to recreation areas."

"Trail maps, organized events, more promotion Colorado-wide about our great views, outdoor rec."

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