

Open Space Master Plan: Project Progress Report (as of 7/2012)

PROJECT <i>(as listed in Plan)</i>	Priority <i>(as of 11/2009)</i>	PROGRESS/ HISTORY/ STATUS	RELATED PROJECTS
Project 1: “Mountains to River” Arroyo System North of Transmountain Road	1	<p>Project divided into three segments: A, B and C (see scope document from Open Space Advisory Subcommittee)</p> <p><u>Segment A:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaseholder (Jobe) not willing to allow unrestricted access to property. • Private Landowners- “Three fingers” of arroyos adjacent to Arroyo 41A: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Desert Springs Land Development: 125 ft. drainage/open space channel through development; Trails platted. 2) Enchanted Hills Land Development: Trails platted. 3) Santa Fe Group property owners have not yet submitted a development application. <p><u>Segment B:</u> Near I-10- Land developed with retail/business uses. No change.</p> <p><u>Segment C:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TX Dot agreed to furnish lower portion of trail in conjunction with the realignment of Talbot Rd (Spur 276). PSB supplying park/pond along with realignment. TxDoT agreed to leave additional detention pond in “natural state” (not a park pond- detention pond only.). • TxDoT agreed to provide pedestrian crossing and access to “bosque-like” area adjacent to Doniphan Rd for Project 2(A). TxDOT has designed this trail, which runs from Transmountain to Westside Sportsplex (2012). • Another trail between Oscar Raul St & Easy Way Rd. paralleling Donaphin has been identified. • Donaphin to river connection pending (IBWC.) • IBWC working on levee. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stormwater Utility Master Plan • GLO lease to Jobe /quarry • Desert Springs Land Development Study • Enchanted Hills Land Development Study • Santa Fe Land Development • Recreational Use Statute • Spur 276 (Talbot Rd) • Mowad area

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Project 2(a): “Bosque” Linear Park along the Rio Grande in the Upper Valley	4	<p>TxDoT property adjacent to Doniphan, across Mowad identified as possible starting point, connects to Rio Grande River Trail. Crossing over railroad tracks needs to be negotiated.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spur 276 • Valley Creek Park Improvements
Project 2(B): “Bosque” Linear Park along the Rio Grande in the Mission Valley Area	6	<p>“Border Wall” negatively affected this project. Project 16 being proposed as an alternative.</p> <p>In the area of Rio Bosque Park, American Canal road improved by Kiewit during Border Wall construction.</p> <p>Basin G property developed by PSB as a stormwater/wetland basin north of Rio Bosque.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Border Wall • PSB Basin G
Project 3: Northeast Area City Owned Lands	7	<p>Land identified in Northeast Master Plan dedicated to Franklin Mountain State Park by PSB.</p> <p>Two Land Studies are being conducted as part of potential developments in the northeast area: 1) Painted Dunes and 2) Retirement Community. (The Retirement Community Land Study is an update of a previous study prompted by a land sale that fell through.) Studies expected to be complete fall of 2012.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northeast Master Plan
Project 4: Lands for Completion of Keystone Heritage Wetlands	10	<p>Private property would require purchase.</p> <p>City purchased 29.1 acres south of Keystone Dam, some of which could be used as a buffer for keystone heritage Park.</p>	
Project 5: Near Mountain Canyons	2	<p>Palisades property purchased by PSB (Stormwater Utility MP). PSB consultant provided two conceptual designs for Palisades Trailhead and stormwater improvements 11/2011.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stormwater Utility Master Plan • Palisades Trailhead/ Stormwater Conceptual Designs • 1.5 acres donated to

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			expand Billy Rogers Arroyo Park 1/2012.
Project 6: Agricultural Preserves- Upper and Mission Valley	14	No funding available to purchase private land or conservation easements. OSAB to initiate prioritized list for \$5million designated for OS if 2012QOL Bond passes.	
Project 7: Castner Range	11	Department of Defense may turn over land to TPWD, but is not willing to pay to have the property mitigated for UXOs. TPWD is not able to pay for this mitigation either, so land is still controlled by DOD. Frontera Land Alliance managing \$300k Land Use Study preceding possible conservation easement conveyance. PSB natural park pond proposed for lower portion of property.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal legislation • Department of Defense • Stormwater Utility Master Plan
Project 8: East Desert Greenbelts	5	Parks and Recreation Department will approach this project as a linear trail system using various easements and developments, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural gas and/or electric utility corridors • Subdivision plats for Tierra Del Este land studies • Eastside Regional Park and other neighborhood parks OSAB working with Rep Noe to determine potential opportunities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mesquite Trails Subdivision • Tres Suenos Subdivision • Tierra del Este Subdivisions • Ventanas Subdivision • Sunridge Subdivision • Hueco Mountain Club Parks • Recreational Use Statute • Eastside Regional Park (future)
Project 9: Dispersed Arroyos	17	Cloudview Arroyo, Silver Springs Arroyo and Mesa Hills Arroyos identified in Stormwater Utility Master Plan. PSB having difficulty negotiating sales. Arroyos at Montecillo and Miner Village partially preserved through	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stormwater Utility Master Plan • Smart Code • Montecillo Land

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		development process (Smart Code).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development • Miner Village Land Development
Project 10: East El Paso Urban Open Space/Park Land	18	<p>Majority of property is former Zaragoza landfill & buffering land; determined not suitable for development.</p> <p>Council determined land not suitable for OS preservation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landfill Development
Project 11: Near Mountain Lower Terrace	9	Stormwater basins proposed in lower Scenic areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stormwater Utility Master Plan
Project 12: Irrigation Canal Greenbelts and Linkages	3	<p>Per WCID#1 and EPWU, access along drains is easier to implement than access along canals.</p> <p>Upper Valley:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section of Riverbend Linear Trail complete (funded by NIP & awarded TPWD grant 8/2007.) • Riverbend Road Trail (Montoya Lateral) in discussion. Will be parallel to PSB Donaphin Ditch trail (future). <p>Mission Valley: See Project #16- Mesa Drain.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stormwater Utility Master Plan • Recreational Use Statute • Riverbend Road
Project 13: Upper Northwest Arroyos	8	<p>Arroyos 38, 39, 40, 41a, 41b, 42, 43, and 44 included in Westside Master Plan, approved by Council 3/20/12.</p> <p>Some of this duplicates Project #1.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSB Westside Master Plan
Project 14: “Cement Lake” and Arroyos near Central El Paso	16	<p>Cemex owns Cement Lake; still using lake for industrial operations. Requires purchase. PSb has approached owner about selling.</p> <p>“Bridge to Nowhere” (TxDOT property); TxDOT not currently interested in converting into pedestrian bridge.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Montecillo Land Development • City Comprehensive Plan
Project 15: Near Mountain- Front	19	City of El Paso has taken over lease on the “Star on the Mountain” property. Property owner not willing to sell at the time of lease transfer.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Star on the Mountain”

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Face of Franklin Mountains			
Project 16: Central and Mission Valley Linear Greenbelt Corridors	12	<p>A segment of trail along Mesa Drain is complete; full trail is designed.</p> <p>PSB discussing acquiring lateral drains from WCID #1; if acquired, trail along Playa Drain possible.</p> <p>Park ponds adjacent to Riverside, Shawver and Capistrano Parks have been designed; slated for construction summer 2012.</p> <p>Some of this duplicates Project #12.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stormwater Utility Master Plan
Project 17: Northeast El Paso Regional Detention Ponds and Linear Park Corridors	13	<p>Trails proposed along El Paso Electric Easement (Northeast Channel 2) and connecting Sue Young Park to Skyline Optimist Park.</p> <p>Park ponds adjacent to Montalvo Park and Skyline Optimist Park are designed; slated for construction summer 2012.</p> <p>PSB constructing trail along Donald St.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stormwater Utility Master Plan • Recreational Use Statute • TxDOT Northeast Parkway 601
Project 18: Citywide- Detention Ponds and Linear Park Corridors	15	<p>Saipan Park Pond is complete.</p> <p>Jamestown, Edgemere, and Galatzan park ponds are being designed; slated for construction fall of 2012.</p> <p>Open Space Enhancement at Van Buren and Louisiana dams is complete. Phase II improvements being discussed.</p> <p>Feather Lake II (expansion of Feather Lake) completed by PSB 8/2010.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stormwater Utility Master Plan • Park Pond design contracts