

# ACT Tracks and Trails Strategy

## Stakeholder Briefing

We need an appropriate strategy to guide the future management and investment in ACT tracks and trails.

### Objectives

- Review existing network of tracks and trails.
- Identify user needs/demands and opportunities.
- Assess adequacy and management of the network.
- Establish criteria for decisions on future development.

### Scope of investigations

- Fire trails, walking tracks and informal trails in rural and urban ACT.
- Focus on non-motorised recreational use.
- Impacts of illegal motorised recreation and activities also being considered.
- Review of other relevant strategies from other jurisdictions.

Task	March	April	May	June	July
Establish project team	█				
Identify existing plans and strategies	█	█			
Produce maps of tracks and trails network		█	█		
Identify community priorities and desires		█	█		
Establish evaluation criteria		█	█		
Design Consultation Plan		█	█		
Prepare discussion paper		█	█		
Consultation on discussion paper		█	█		
Review of concepts for linkages and new trails			█	█	
Circulation of draft strategy			█	█	
Revision and finalisation of strategy				█	█
Submission and review by ACT Government					█

### Stakeholder involvement

- Seeking input from a broad range of user groups.
- Aim to gain a sound understanding of how tracks and trails are used, specific needs of groups and measures necessary to ensure ongoing sustainability.
- Identification of key strategic issues.

### Groups consulted

- Parkcare/Landcare
- Equestrian Forum
- Recreational Users Forum
- AROC
- Friends of Bruce Ridge
- Other suggestions?

### Strategic outcomes

- Strategic purpose and justification of scope.
- Identification of users and specific needs.
- Maps of existing a proposed trails, including timeline for delivery and projected future demand.
- Specification of trail standards.
- Identification of agency responsibilities and capital and maintenance funding sources.
- Prioritisation tool for capital works.
- Recommendations for a maintenance program.
- Statutory protection of recreational routes.
- Strategy life-cycle including review and ownership.

### Discussion

- What are the key issues you find in trail use and management?
- What are the key conflicts?
- How do you think these could be resolved?