

Objective	Strategy	Action/Initiative
(2) Promoting Business Opportunities		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Court and recruit a boutique bike manufacturer here to Rutland. There are so many trails and people willing to buy high-end bikes 2. Green Mountain National Forest (GMNF) Forest Roads need upgrade to support ATV riding 3. Connect trails by opening the roads in certain towns. Registering vehicles for \$ 4. Better connections from one town to the next for everyone- ATV, biking, snowmobile, hikers. We don't have a rail trail 5. Develop maintenance program for Class IV roads. Incentive towns to maintain roads 6. Work with public schools/tech centers to promote a curriculum that recognizes and promotes outdoor rec./naturalist industries. 7. Move programs like "Killington Valley" into Rutland to promote Outdoor activity 8. Aging population will go for E-Bikes. 9. Encourage Baby Boomers 55plus to participate 10. Killington World Cup. Get attendees to stay in Rutland and help local economy 11. Contact Androscoggin COC in Berlin NH. Two of their events alone bring 8000 people 12. Greater Access to trails for ATVs 13. Motorized recreation is not a cheap hobby. While people participating in the hobby rent motel rooms and spend money in stores. It boils down to access. 14. Need hospitality infrastructure to accommodate ATV trails 15. Snowmobile trails not always suited for ATV usage

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">16. Average buyer in 40s want an outdoor motorized experience17. ATV is a family experience. Use VAST as a model for ATV trails18. Join clubs and register ATVs \$\$\$\$19. Open Trails in National Forest20. Statewide sticker program like in Canada and New Hampshire to support an ATV trail system

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(2) Increasing Participation		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Need to work with and trust groups that doing it now. 2. Offering networking opportunities for outdoor recreation professionals to connect and create partnerships to offer more recreation to a more diverse group. 3. Offering demos/clinics at low or no cost to community members in the typically expensive outdoor activities. 4. Creating communication with organizations that there are resources out there that can be shared, programs that can be replicated, i.e. offering commuter biking program for kids and adults to help build bridges over transportation issues. 5. Follow the model of the Hatfield and McCoy trail system for ATVs and Kingdom Trails for Mountain bikes. This helps support a lot of different kinds of businesses. Hotels, gas stations, restaurants. Just look at New Hampshire compared to Vermont.
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Need Ways to get kids outdoors during the school day. Opportunities to connect with places they may not be exposed to otherwise 2. School Based Education Technical Centers curriculum focused on Outdoor recreation 3. Otter Valley Moosamaloo Program is a great model for integration of outdoor experience with its curriculum. (Contact Joshua Hardt jhardt@rnesu.org 4. Killington's Free Ski Discovery Program. Give skis away when a 4time learn to ski/ride program is bought \$399. Get 4 lift lesson rental and end of 4th lesson get pair of skis 5. Pico School Program- multiweek ski program for very cheap. 6. How do you change cost prohibitive sports? 7. Make resources for outdoor activity more accessible to poor/older populations.

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Poverty and Obesity are linked/connected: Make the outdoors more accessible. Cut out the trans costs, keeper closer to urban centers. 9. Immigrants and non-native English speakers who are apprehensive to participate for the 1st time. 10. Continue tradition of VT State Park Free day
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. VT Musers are an under represented population. We would still like the ability to use gravel trails/snow trails. 2. Golf in Schools, "Vermont Golf Day" 3. Fresh Air type program for various recreation outlets, golf, hike, etc. and expose to other types of recreating as well. 4. Offer Big Brother/ Big sister (mentoring) Free passes to activities to help show the mentee and make affordable for mentor. 5. Make legal options and access for motorized recreation, currently ATV use is often illegal due to lack of knowledge and access. 6. Parallel all weather E-Bike Path. Conversion to hybrid and e-vehicles. Change mentality of single vehicle drivers (car-pooling apps) 7. Make safe routes to School effective again with funding for infrastructure 8. Capitalize on providing links and information to public transportation resources that bring people to and from recreation hubs that can be used to compliment recreation i.e. LT-AT hiking and getting back to section, county buses, Amtrak etc.

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<p>(3) Strengthen the quality and extent of recreational resources in Vermont (venues, products, services);</p>	<p>Asset mapping: what are our current resources? Where are there opportunities or need for growth?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mountain Bike- build progression trails 2. Education Campaign- make sure everyone who moves to Vermont gets a list of local outdoor recreation groups. Great way to build community and decrease mental health issues. 3. Get Regional Planning Commissions involved in recreation and trails inventories and regional opportunities working with all outdoor recreational groups. 4. Leave enough room at trailheads for VASA/VAST Forest roads for dog sled teams. Some room is required for the sled and the dogs and the dog trucks. 5. Leave trails (Rail trails/bike trails) unpaved. Pavement is very rough on dogs' feet. 6. There are enough trails already at Pine Hill Park. 7. Build an Off-road multiple use trail the length of Route 100 that could be used for road biking. 8. Infrastructure considerations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -public transit/access to trails and greenways - Improve Public/ Private proximity to accessibility from downtown housing and smart growth zones <p>Would like VT to focus on funding mountain bike trail expansion through existing nonprofits. Would like to see additional collaboration between mountain biking nonprofits, state/fed agencies to expand trail networks on state/federal lands similar to Sherburne trails.</p> 9. Connections from one town to another. We don't have a Rail Trail. Help coordinate towns to work together. 10. Old logging roads should be kept open, most are not. This will benefit access to hiking and firefighting. 11. Need a bikepath from Rutland to Castleton, either widen 4A or separate route for bicycles/pedestrians

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	Focus on increasing and supporting public/private partnerships to identify resources.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. create partnerships for greater access. 2. Strengthen national partnerships- IMBA and People for Bikes 3. "Complete Streets" to improve inner-city recreation 4. Grant program to help towns develop their town forests to recreational hubs. 5. VTRANS needs to provide additional \$ for bicycle infrastructure (i.e. transportation alternatives should not just be for storm water projects) 6. Explore options for VASA and VAST to collaborate 7. Economic Value, NH 30,000 registrations in 2016= \$2million in registration fees not including \$ spent on lodging, gas, food, retail etc. 8. More involvement of within the Trails and Greenway Council. 9. Access to State land for ATV trail corridors to make connecting trails to get from private land to private parcels. This will increase tourism like NH and other states that have a good network of trails throughout the state. 10. Way too many people at the State level that feel they need to close land access because someone saw a certain bird or animal. This discourages people and pushes them to other states for recreation. 11. See the increase of trails for ATVs and snowmobiles using some public and retail locations as destinations for these trails. Maybe

		<p>have games on these trails to engage kids, scavenger hunts each stop on the trail.</p> <p>12. Expand Mountain bike trails trail system to link trails throughout the state. How can we build bike paths in the towns and villages like Stowe? Get more people outside to enjoy the recreation opportunities we already have.</p> <p>13. Expand local mountain biking network to 25plus miles of trails to encourage out-of-state tourism. Most in the mountain bike community will not travel for overnights or weekends for under 10 mile networks (concentrate resources to consolidate to accomplish this....too many spread small projects).</p> <p>14. Increase access to outdoor resources to all forms of motorized recreation.</p>
	<p>Volunteers as a public asset (see #2 above)</p>	

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<p>(4) Strengthen the stewardship of Vermont’s recreational resources, both public and private, such that recreational use of them is sustainable and environmentally responsible.</p>	<p>Increase # of individuals and groups who are involved in volunteer activities supporting outdoor recreation stewardship.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Limit development for efficient maintenance Strategic plan to ensure good stewards of the land while allowing the multi recreation issues. 2. Mapping forum to recognize parcels/zones of overlapping interest between user groups. Establish opportunities for multiple trails and cross-user group collaboration. 3. Develop simple indicators to monitor recreation development to avoid the risk of industrial tourism (like Yellowstone (extreme example) 4. Recreation Fund, not part of General budget fund...not managed by the State. 5. Promote and encourage organized volunteer clubs. Specifically start a dialog about motorized recreation and how an organized club improves stewardship. 6. We need more volunteers to help maintain the trail resources. This is very important with shrinking budgets and helps encourage stewardship.
	<p>Increase awareness among all students in Vermont (K-12 and HE) of the importance of protecting public outdoor assets</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Education of forest stewardship and outdoor recreation has to start at the elementary school level. Kids need to experience the outdoors to better understand it. 2. Have students in elementary and high school volunteer in forest programs. Build bike trails, hiking trails, work on snowmobile and ATV trails. Help them better understand he outdoors.
	<p>Focus outreach and marketing on the “Vermont Ethos” that combines a love for outdoor recreation with respect</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If they allow access to let on State Land for ATVs, mandate a width of trail if it becomes a concern.

	for the land, water, etc. in which you are recreating	<ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Learn from New Hampshire and Canada how ATV groups have been successful in creating a positive user climate and sustainable use.3. Respect for the environment (limited resources) and the parties that allow use.4. Open Current Use to include lands designated for recreational use and made open to public5. Private landowners who allow the public to use their trails- who is responsible when the public gets hurt?6. Limit uses to specific areas that can support such. Impossible to provide all services in specific areas.7. Promote and fund conservation of large tracts forests as well as smaller community lands- protect “the stage” for future recreational possibilities.8. We are now address an issue in Rochester on what is a non motorized recreation area in the Green Mountain National Forest. It’s called the Thresher Hill/ Pine Gap XC/ snowshoe loop trail. Recently a new owner has acquired an in-holding. He is petitioning the town to allow him snowmobile access on Class IV. The majority of folks want to keep snowmachines out!! I think we are going to have more issues with towns with Class IV roads. We should identify where these are in conflict with special use areas that are biologically sensitive and revisit our class 3 and 4 roads.9. Areas which are pristine, quiet and perhaps have many other species enjoying these qualities should not be opened to conflicting uses such as motorized traffic.10. Educate and inform all the advantages and/or detriments to encourage and support programs11. Are the ways of take or change restrictions off of lands in land trusts, that would connect trail systems.12. Enforce and ensure funds raised and used to maintain systems funds raised for.
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Catch All		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Trail Systems 2. Rutland County: Work with local ATV clubs to include motorized recreation in WMA and Forest Planning. 3. How do you leverage Assets? 4. Keep it in Central Vermont (Killington) 5. Climate change action- Vermont playing our part—Major implications for winter recreation, foliage season, erosion and major rain events. 6. All trails should be multi-use, including motorized vehicles.