



Barber Pool Conservation Area
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June 2022 Membership Meeting

Hybrid Meeting – 9 June 2022



Agenda – 9 June 2022

- Welcome and overview – John Mooney, BVNA Board President
- Parks Update – Rob Stark, BVNA Vice President
- Development Update - Gary Veasy, BVNA Secretary
- Dallas Harris Elementary School Update - Katie Swain, BVNA Director
- Open Forum & Announcements
- Adjourn
- Board Work Session
- In attendance (in person): Mooney, Stark, Veasy, Hall, Tweedle, Piepmeyer
- In attendance (virtual): Crowley, Hallam, Swain
- Absent: Santillan



Parks Update

Rob Stark, BVNA Vice-President

Boise River Float



- Barber Junction is permit parking only on weekends & holidays during float season. Will be enforced by BPD & Parking Services.
- Ada County made a decision to remove air stations from Barber Park. People using their own inflatables can't inflate them unless they bring their own pumps. Cannot bring inflated floats on shuttle buses either, discouraging shuttle use and putting more traffic and demand for parking near Barber Park.
- City council members Bageant, Woodings, & Willits and BPD leadership met with Ada County Parks & Waterways and Ada County Commissioner Beck to try to get air stations put back in use to no avail. Mayor considered but did not act on withholding contracts to influence the county's position.

Boise River Float



- If you see unlawful activity in neighborhood (illegal parking, trespassing, drinking, litter, lewd conduct, etc) call Ada County dispatch at **208-377-6790**.
- If you have complaints about congestion near the park and/or about the lack of air stations, contact *all* of the following:
 - Mayor's hotline, **208-972-9520**
 - Ada County Commissioners, **208-287-7000** or bocc1@adacounty.id.gov
- Documentation is helpful, take pictures if you can do so safely.

Alta Harris Park/Capital Improvement Plan



- **Background:** BVNA testified at the 1 March City Council hearing that most impact fees in SE Boise come from Barber Valley, but the city is failing to spend them here
 - Council passed the CIP unanimously but also responded to BVNA testimony with the following motion from Council President Elaine Clegg:
 - *“direct staff to immediately begin exploring a process to look at the Foothill neighborhoods in the Barber Valley and determine if they can be moved into the Southeast Planning Area and report back to Council with a way forward.”*
- BVNA submitted a follow-up written inquiry on 31 March
- BVNA received a response on 4 May from the City’s Budget Supervisor (Travis Black)
 - City continues to research how to change the boundary – will be a lengthy process involving public hearings and alter the just-adopted impact fee plan
 - City continues to research the best approach for making the Southeast/Barber Valley park planning area ‘whole’.
 - *“.....I can assure you that we are working towards a solution per Council Member Clegg’s recommendation at the hearing in March. We will be sure to keep you updated as things progress.”*



Alta Harris Park/Capital Improvement Plan – June Update

- BVNA outreach (again) on 2 June w/response from City Budget Supervisor Travis Black:
 - Proposed map boundary shift to council in late summer/early fall
 - Next steps would then make our planning area “whole” in the FY2024 budget
 - Park dedication deed requires the City to complete the park NLT September 2023 but a two-year extension can be granted
 - The deed includes a “reversionary clause” (land could return to the Harris Family if the City doesn’t complete the park as agreed)
- The new Parks Director is Sara Arkle, who replaced Jennifer Tomlinson
 - Sara worked with BVNA on the Peace Valley project
 - Sara is also working to resolve the AH park plan; her latest update:
 - ***“I have been unable to get clarity on timing due to complications associated with the CID and funding. I will continue to seek info – for you all, and for my team and planning purposes as well. Talks are ongoing and I hope to know more in the next month. I’ll be in touch as I learn any details.”***
- Discussion included the East Valley HOA President (Thom Hearne) and it was agreed the next step will be to wait for the return of the EV HOA committee lead (Sabrina Durtschi) the week of 13 June and schedule a joint BVNA/East Valley discussion before engaging again with ACHD.



- Signage design has been finished and is out to bid for fabrication and installation.
- Seating area/outdoor classroom is also planned for installation this summer
 - Parks department resolving how to move new seating up to the planned location

PEACE VALLEY OVERLOOK RESERVE



The preservation of Peace Valley Overlook was made possible by the efforts of local community members



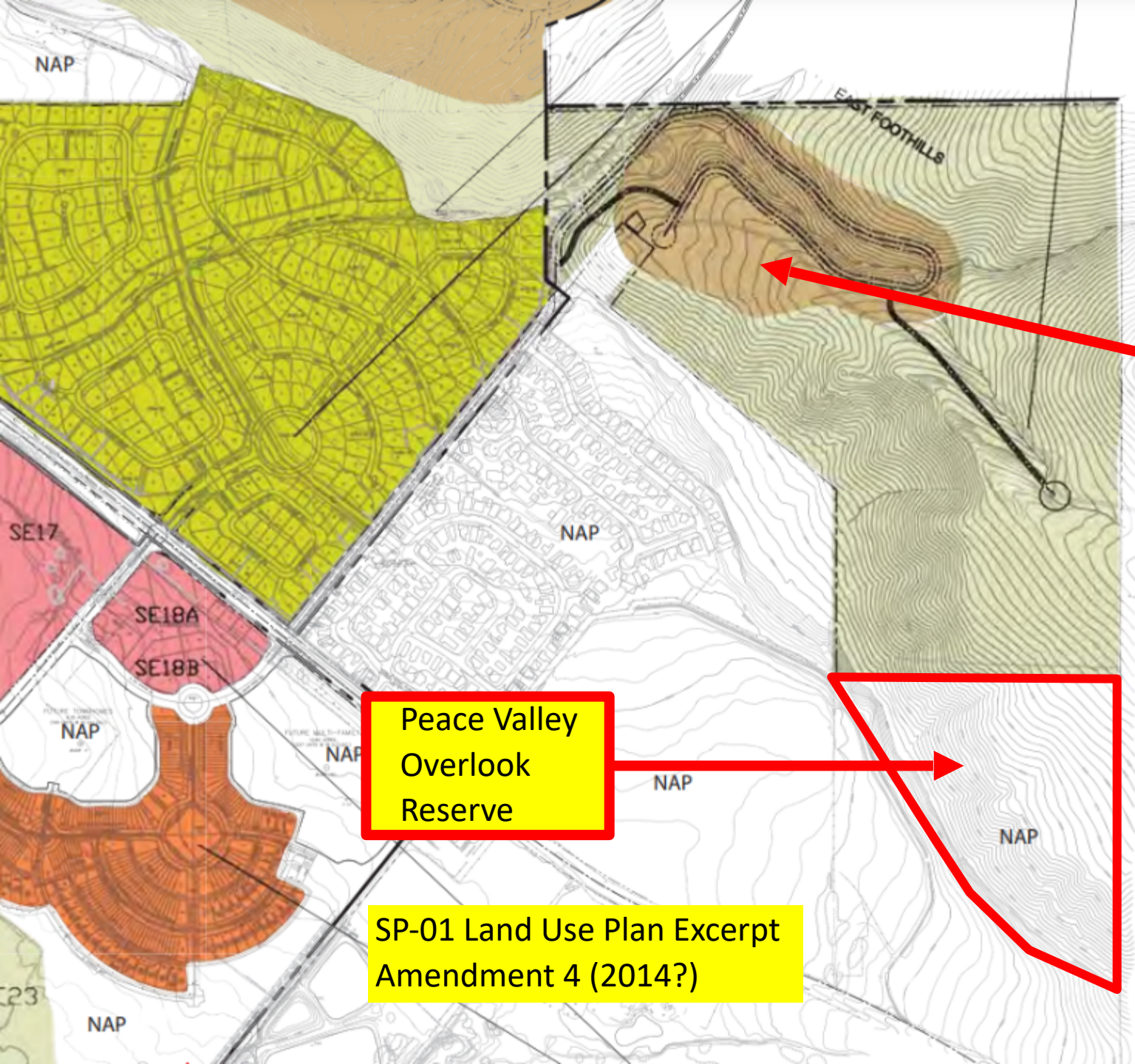
Through a collaborative, community driven effort, Peace Valley Overlook Reserve preserves the wildlife habitat and cultural history of the area



The Barber Valley Neighborhood Association (BVNA), in partnership with the donor organizations and individuals, pursued the purchase of this land. Local individuals and families were able to fund raise three-quarters of the purchase price in just 10 weeks



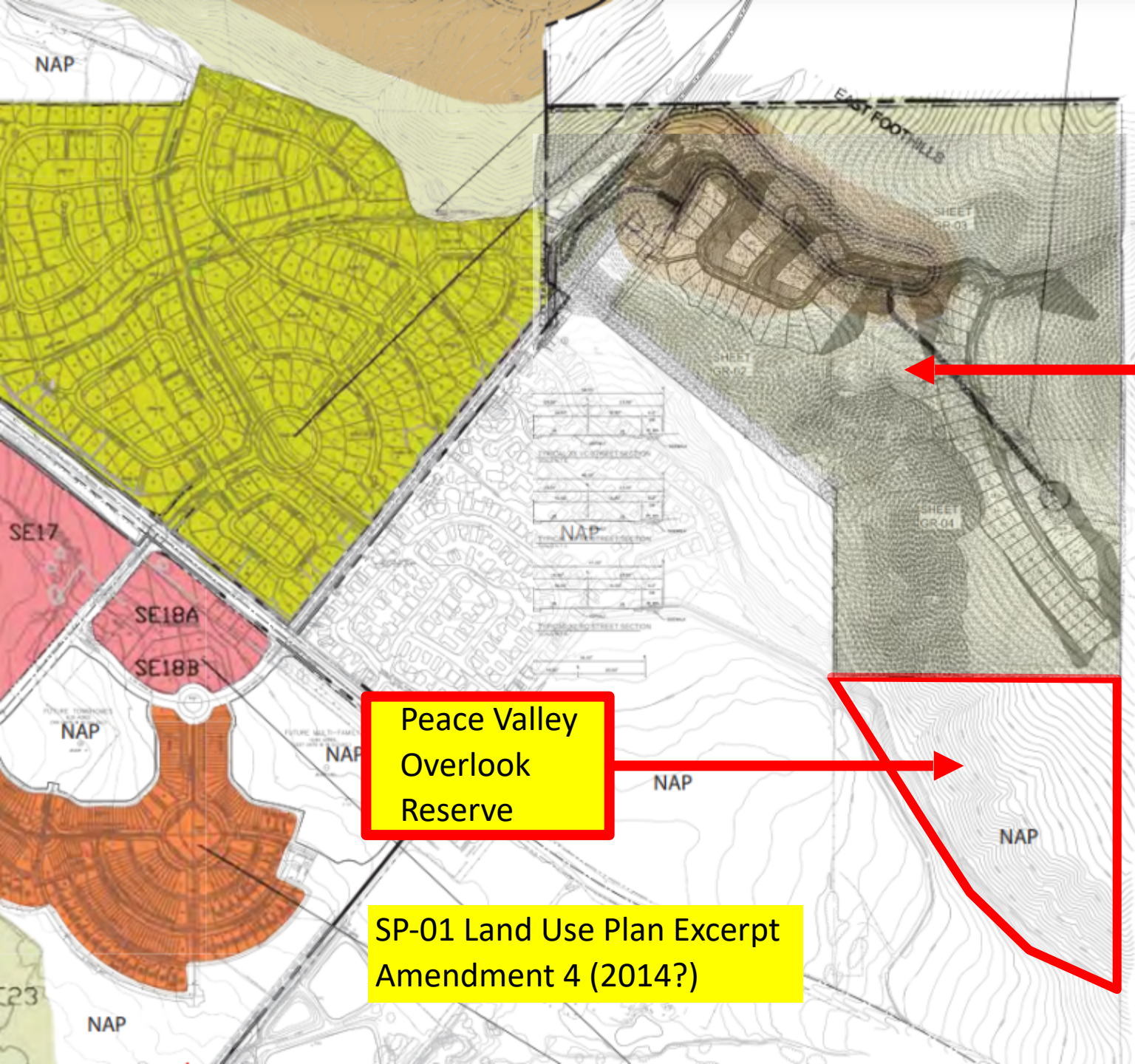
The creation of this preserve was made possible by BVNA, community members, local businesses, private land owners, local environmental groups and the City of Boise



Be prepared for extensive excavations for the new Harris East neighborhood that will extend very close to the Peace Valley property line (soon....)

Peace Valley Overlook Reserve

SP-01 Land Use Plan Excerpt Amendment 4 (2014?)



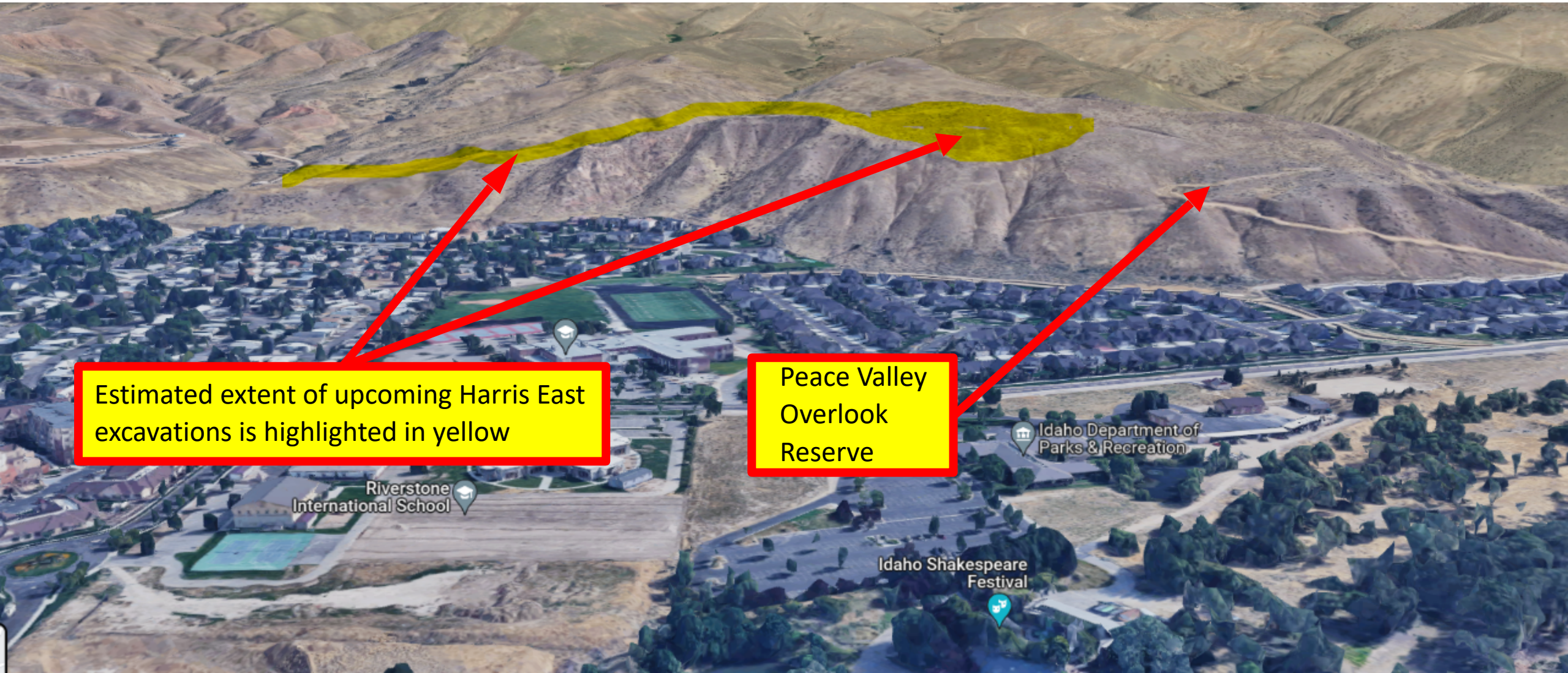
Harris East Plat imposed over original SP-01 graphics

Peace Valley
Overlook
Reserve

SP-01 Land Use Plan Excerpt
Amendment 4 (2014?)

Estimate of Excavations for Harris East

(view looking east towards Lucky Peak from above Shakespeare stage)



Estimated extent of upcoming Harris East excavations is highlighted in yellow

Peace Valley Overlook Reserve

Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation

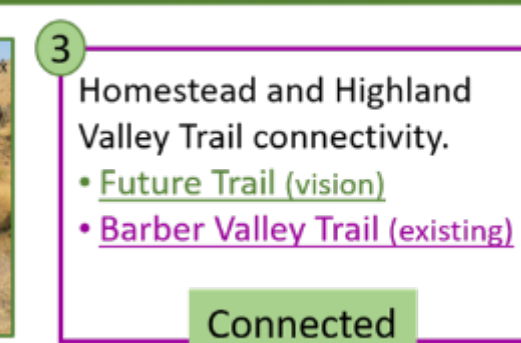
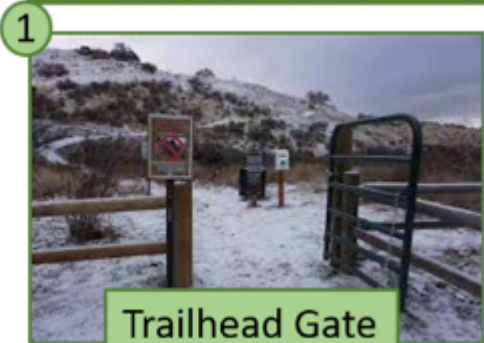
Riverstone International School

Idaho Shakespeare Festival

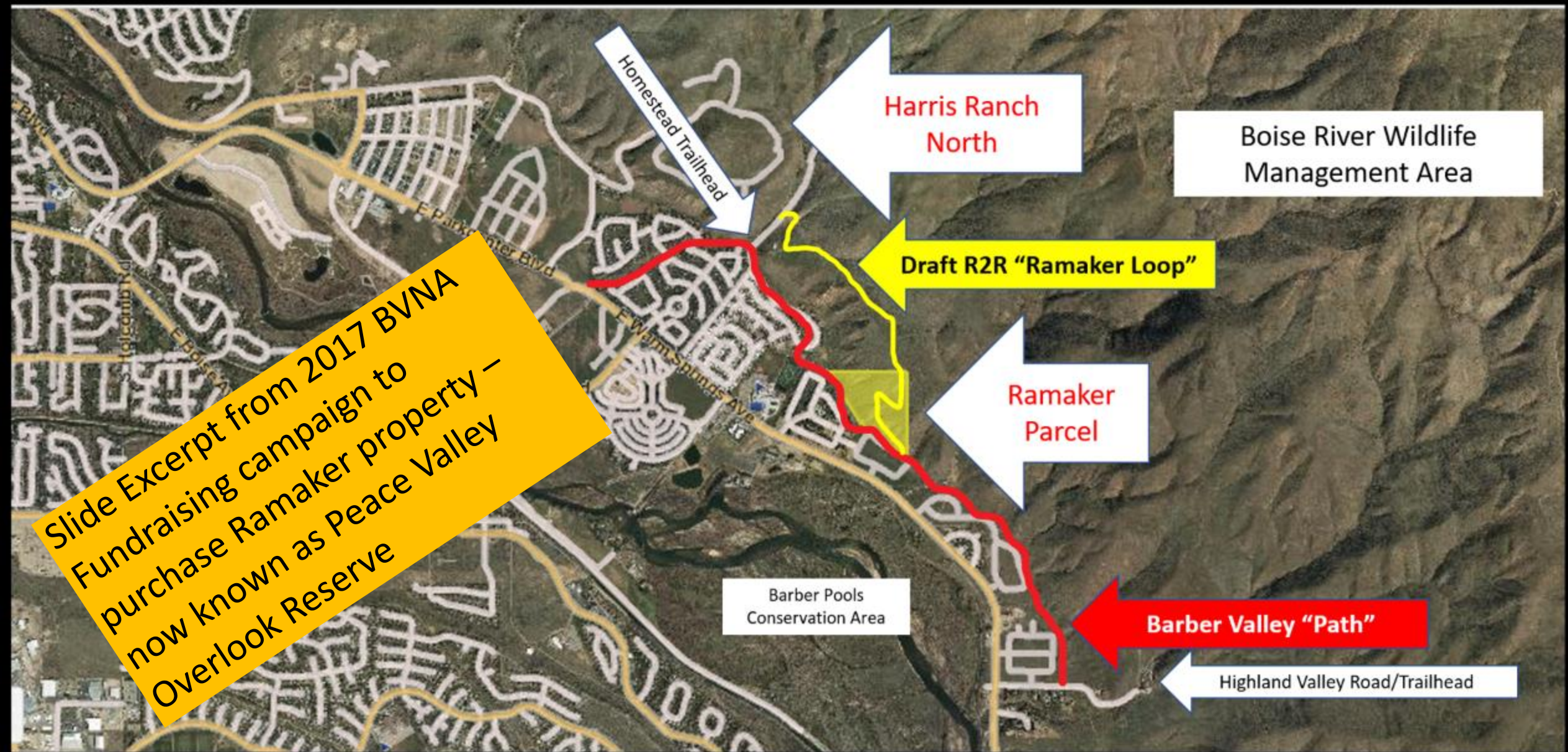
2017 BVNA Vision - nearing reality in 2022



Vision:
Connected Access in the Valley



Draft Vision for Improved R2R Trail Options in WMA-Area





Dallas Harris Elementary School

Katie Swain, BVNA Treasurer

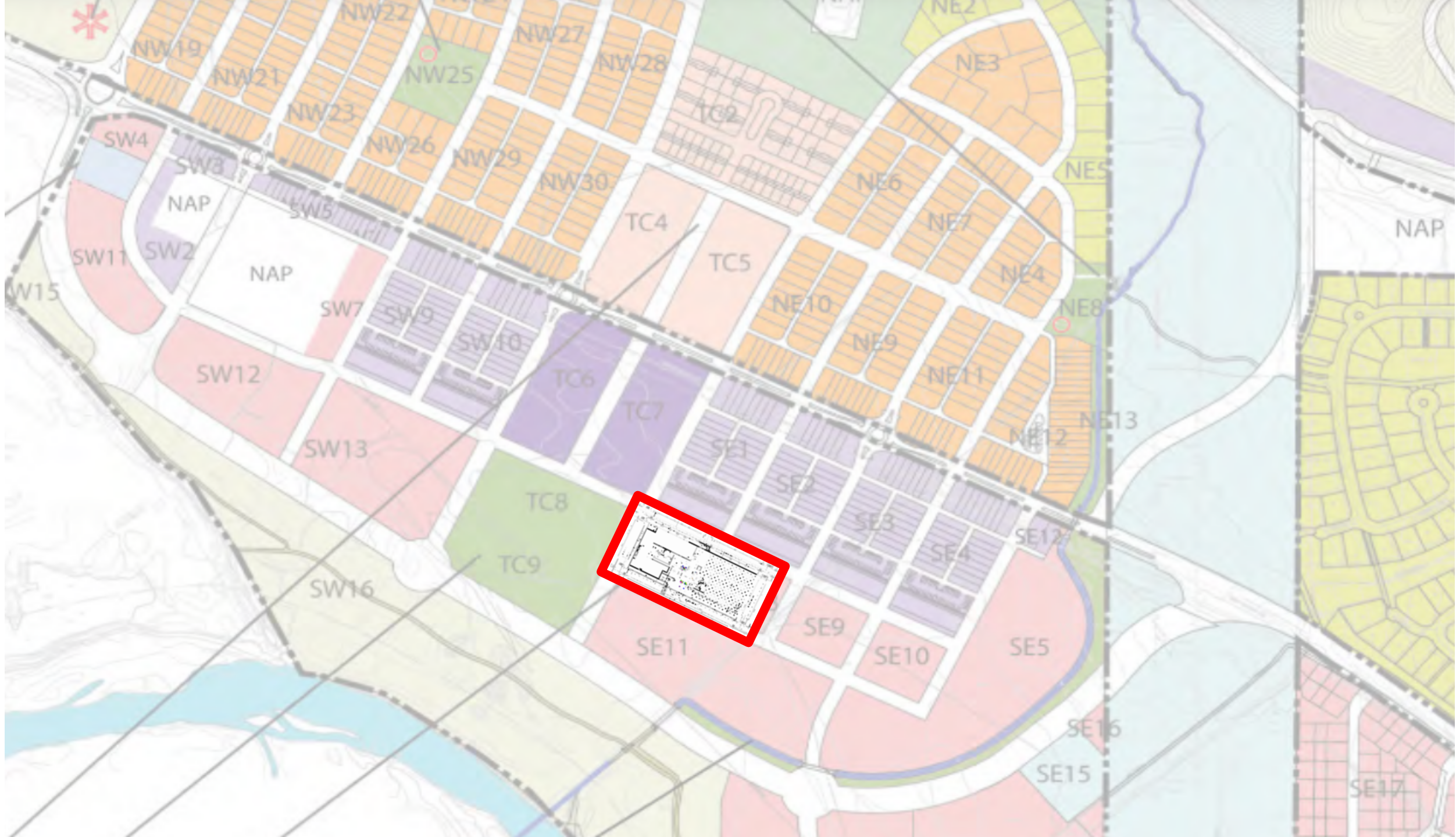
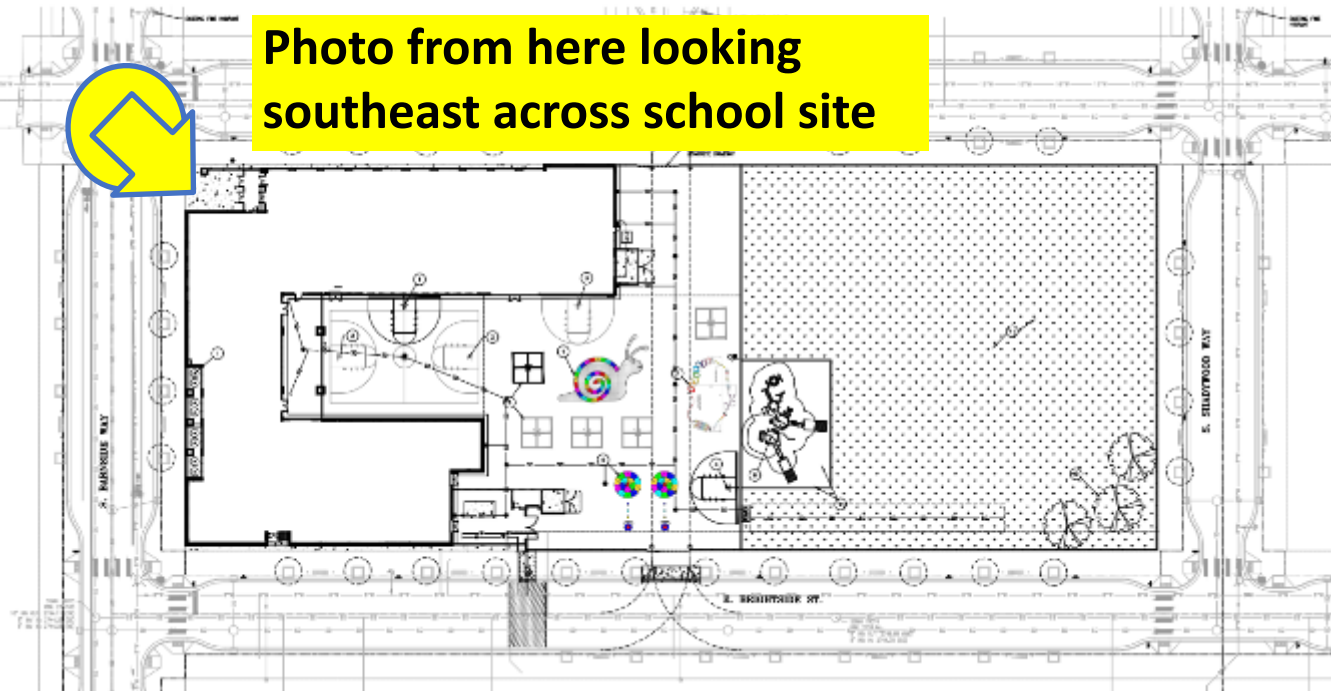


Photo from here looking southeast across school site



9 June BSD letter to patrons



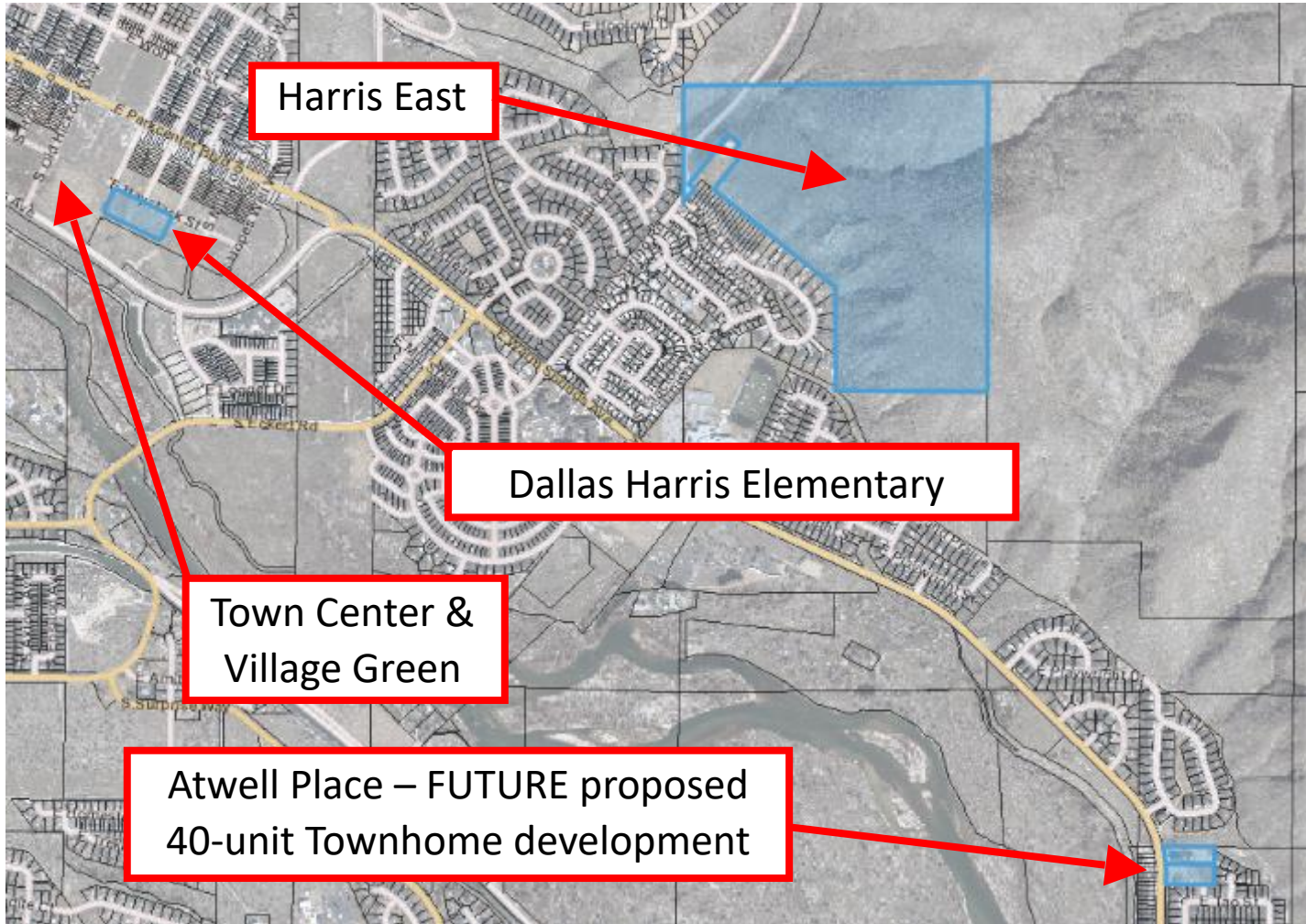
- “Still on track for opening during the 2023 - 2024 school year. However, given ongoing supply chain concerns we are discussing the possibility that we may have to open sometime after the first day of school. While this is certainly not ideal, we have facilitated similar mid-year starts at other elementary schools and our first priority will always be to open with as little disruption to students and staff as possible.”
- We also hope to have great news related to parking a little later this summer.
- For the latest developments, including information about the design of the school, please visit our Dallas Harris Elementary bond project webpage:
<https://www.boiseschools.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=508306&pageId=17423376>



Development Update

Gary Veasy, BVNA Secretary

Current BVNA Board Efforts - Development



- **Harris East**
 - Expect excavations in late June
 - Ongoing efforts to solve Homestead trailhead parking turn-around
 - Future coordination on \$30K developer grant to the Harris Ranch Wildlife Mitigation Association
 - Grading Permit in review at City
- **Dallas Harris Elementary**
 - Excavations have begun; Open Fall 2023
- **Town Center**
 - Developer 'on hold' due to CID litigation initiated by Harris Ranch CID Taxpayers' Association
- **Atwell Place Townhome project**
 - Application filed 21 April
 - Public Hearing expected late summer
 - BVNA met w/City 12 May
 - BVNA awaiting ACHD meeting late June

More Development is Coming!



Buildout Summary for Barber Valley as of 05/2/2022	Built Units	Units Allowed	Percent Built Out
Harris Ranch SP-01	2,117	3,103	68.2%
Barber Valley - SP-02	962	1,331	72.3%
Total	3,079	4,434	69.4 %



Open Forum & Announcements

Volunteer Civic Service Opportunities

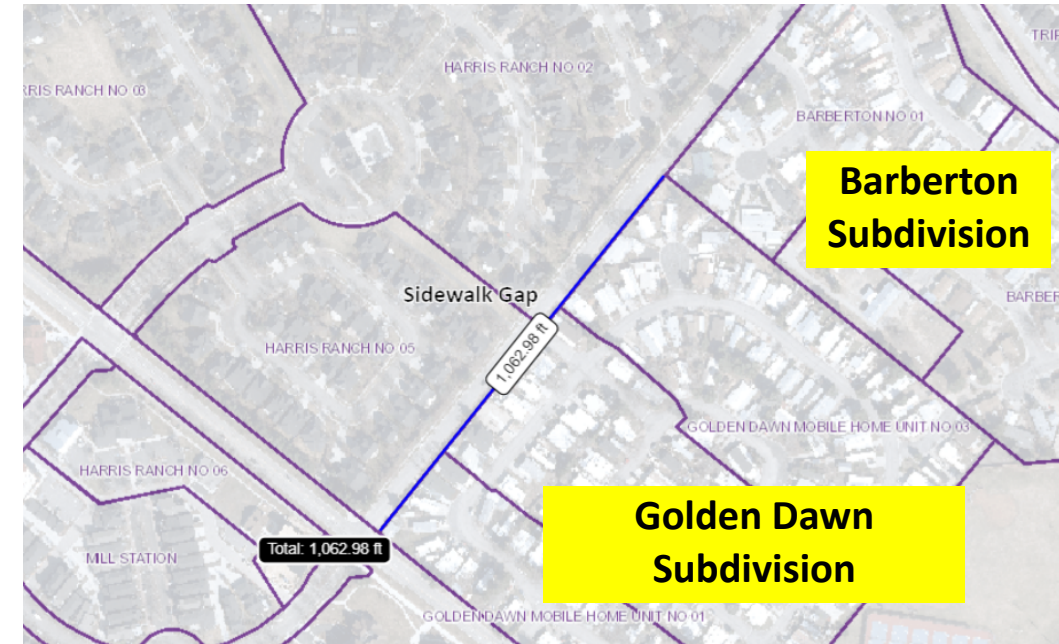


- City Council Districting Commission (New)
 - Task is to redraw the district map for city council elections.
 - Five commissioners appointed by the mayor from across the city
 - Must be eligible to vote in Boise and must not have run for city council in the last 5 years nor plan to for 5 years after serving.
 - Must be available to meet July through November
 - Apply by sending a cover letter and resume to commissionapplications@cityofboise.org.
 - Please put “Boise Districting Commission” in the subject line of your email.
 - **Deadline to apply has been extended to June 17, 2022, at 5 p.m.**



Council Springs Rd & Upcoming Harris East Construction Concerns

- Overhanging trees from west side of road (Spring Creek) infringe on ACHD right of way
 - Concerns this will make construction traffic less safe
 - BVNA will contact ACHD, the Spring Creek HOA, and Boise Hunter Homes
- Sidewalk gap on east side of road is of concern with increased traffic on road (gap is on the Golden Dawn frontage as depicted in the graphic to the right)
 - Barberton subdivision developed with required curb and gutter; Golden Dawn development preceded annexation and required curb/gutter
 - BVNA encourages neighbors to provide input to ACHD via TellUs
 - BVNA expects to address this gap when the ACHD Barber Valley Transportation Plan comes back for public input in early July





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Meeting Wrap-up



Board Work Session

New Business



- Firewise – Roy
 - River Heights & Triplett
 - Roy will continue to work the River Heights Firewise efforts
 - BVNA position is unchanged – this is an effort that should be led by individual Homeowners Associations
- Atwell Place Strategy & Actions – Gary
 - Gary will coordinate with East Valley for upcoming ACHD meeting
- ACHD Neighborhood Transportation Plan – Zach
 - Zach will inquire with ACHD regarding expected release of the draft Neighborhood Transportation Plan
- Harris East trailhead turn-around – Gary
 - John will contact Boise City Planning to determine who is now sheparding this project towards excavations and full development (in an effort to respond to City Council direction for ACHD and City Staff to resolve the turnaround issue)

Old Business – Open1



- Composting and Neighborhood Garden
 - Composting will not be pursued
 - Community Garden remains an option if we can get a volunteer to chair committee
 - Location options: Barber Station, East JHS, Idaho Power Corridor
- CIP/Alta Harris Park
 - CIP: Continued coordination with City Budget Office (Travis Black) to resolve park planning boundaries and effort to return impact fees to Southeast/BV park planning area.
 - Alta Harris Park: Continued coordination with City Parks Director (Sara Arkle) to determine park construction plans.
- Cleanup and plans for abandoned ITD weigh station (south WSA)
 - Wait to discuss with ACHD as a part of the 2022 Barber Valley transportation plan
- Master Street Map Strategy
 - Address “calming” through the ACHD Transportation Plan - get neighborhood engaged to respond

Old Business – Open2



- Harris East – hillside rehabilitation - \$30K funding to HRWMA – coord with Triplett
 - Gary to follow up once Harris North Final Map is approved (last entitlement besides permits) No action until map
- Landscape Project
 - Golden Dawn - Revisit in Spring when condition worsens again. Confirmed this direction.
- Next Neighborhood Investment Program grant application – need a board member to lead (Gregerson? Diane Moore? Other?)
 - Katie to lead with Roy’s help as Treasurer
 - Board voted (Stark motion/Swain second) to table discussion until July’s Meeting
- Elementary School Circulation Planning – Safe Routes to School (board lead-? TBD)
- BVNA Board voted to cancel the July monthly meeting
 - Related – board voted to continue to offer a hybrid meeting format