

Why do we have an OSRP?
Why does it need to be updated every 7 years?
Why should I care?



Creates an inventory of active and passive open space and recreational facilities/areas.



Lays out a 7+ year roadmap (the Action Plan) of projects that the Town wishes to accomplish.



The State's Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs requires the OSRP to be updated every 7 years. Natick's 2012 OSRP expired last year.



Most importantly, having an updated OSRP allows Natick to receive State money to use towards improving our playgrounds, protecting new lands, adding more trails, and addressing environmental concerns such as flooding and poor water quality.

Pieces of an OSRP

Section 1: Plan Summary

Section 2: Introduction

Section 3: Community Setting

Section 4: Environmental Inventory and Analysis

Section 5: Inventory of Lands of Conservation & Recreation Interest

Section 6: Community Vision

Section 7: Analysis of Needs

Section 8: Open Space & Recreation Goals and Objectives

Section 9: Action Plan

Section 10: Public Comments

Most of these sections don't need much updating – such as Environmental Inventory & Analysis

While others need to be updated quite a bit – such as the Action Plan.

The Action Plan is the list of projects the Town wishes to accomplish. The "meat & potatoes" of the OSRP.





- Online survey
- Imagery campaign send in your photos!
- Comments/questions can be emailed
- Earth Week Tent Talk online
- Featured in monthly Sustainability Newsletter
- Memos to BOS, PB, Rec & Parks
- Email blasts to other Town boards/departments
 & community stakeholders
- Flyers around town at open spaces/trailheads
- Town website
- FB and other social media
- Next Door App



Section 1 of 7

2020 Open Space & Recreation Plan Survey 🕺 🗄

The Town of Natick Open Space & Recreation Plan (OSRP) is being updated! Having an updated OSRP allows the Town to document open space and recreation facilities, goals, and progress. It also allows us to apply for related grants such as for trails, park improvements, and new land protections.

Due to the current situation surrounding COVID-19 and the necessity of practicing social distancing, we are soliciting input on the 2020 OSRP Update through alternative digital means.

If you have not already done so, please watch the self-running powerpoint at www.tinyurl.com/NatickOSRP or download the pdf version and look through it at your own pace.

Please fill out this survey to provide your feedback and continue to follow along on the process at the link above!

(If you need to go back while in the survey, be sure to use the arrows at the bottom of the form and not the back button on your browser)

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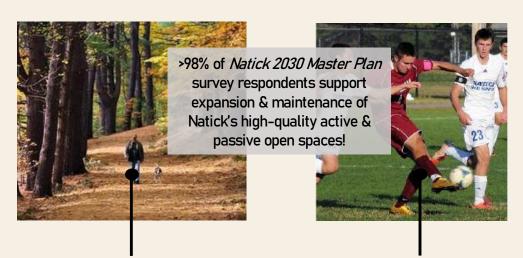


Stronger connections & access between open spaces & neighborhoods

Smart growth & land protection

Better stewardship of what we have

Natural resource protection (trees!)





Increased passive recreational areas and programs

Increased active recreational areas and programs

Expanded access to water resources

Improved marketing for existing assets

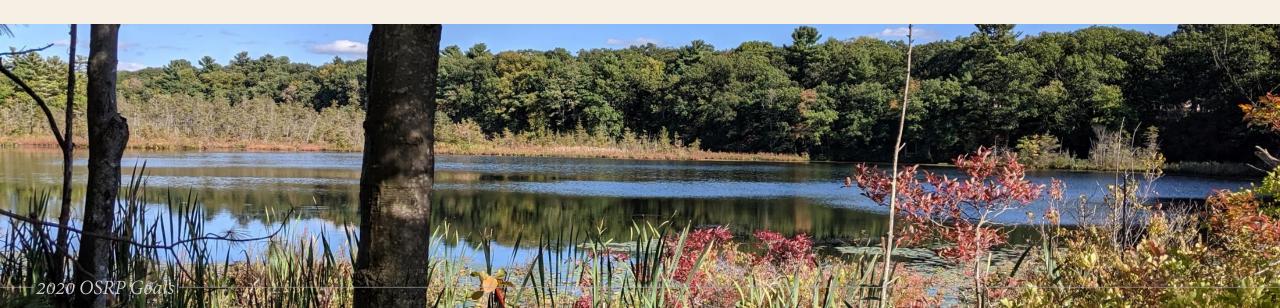
<u>Goal #1:</u> Protect Natick's open spaces, including waterbodies, woodlands, farms, and parks, that can be enjoyed by future generations

<u>Goal #2:</u> Enhance, steward, and restore existing natural resources, open spaces and recreational facilities

Goal #3: Preserve and protect the town's water supply, wildlife, and other natural resources

Goal #4: Provide a system of walking and bicycle trails that connect our open spaces and provide a way to travel throughout the town

<u>Goal #5:</u> Increase awareness, appreciation, and use of the town's open spaces, trails, natural resources, and recreational opportunities



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