



Special Report

**Sitka Trail Works
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2023 Trail Plan

Sitka Trail Plan **2023**



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TABLE OF ACRONYMS

City and Borough of Sitka
CBS

United States Department
of Agriculture Forest Service
USDA FS

Southeast Alaska Land Trust
SEALT

Federal Energy
Regulatory Commission
FERC

Sitka Community Land Trust
SCLT

Alaska Department of Natural
Resources Division of Parks and
Outdoor Recreation
DNR

Alaska Dept. of Transportation
and Public Facilities
DOT&PF

National Environmental Policy
NEPA

Shee Atiká, Incorporated
SAI

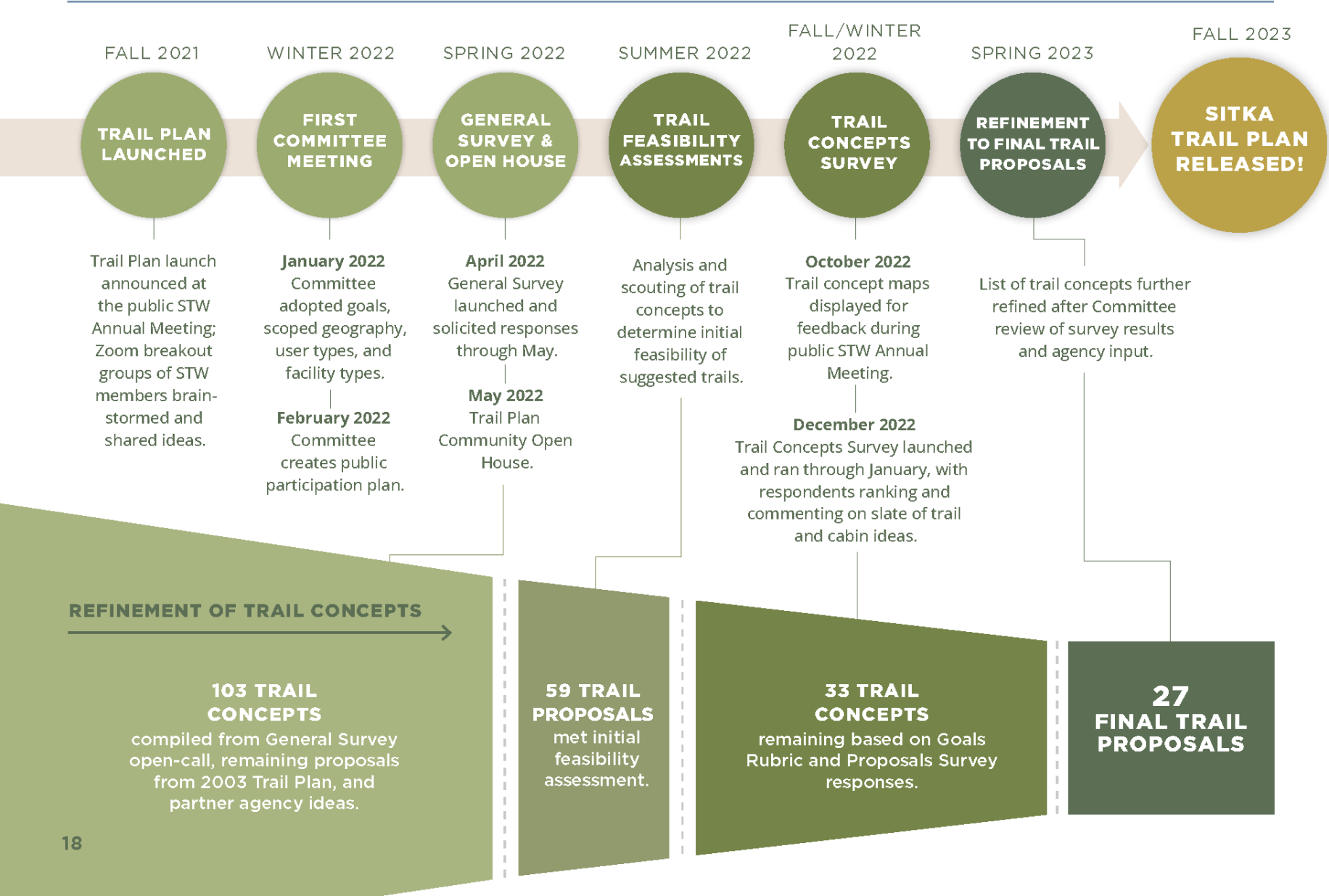
Halibut Point Road
HPR

Sawmill Creek Road
SMC

Goals of the Sitka Trail Plan



Planning Process & Outreach Timeline



Public Surveys

	2022 GENERAL SURVEY	2023 TRAIL CONCEPTS SURVEY
SURVEY GOAL	To understand community priorities for engaging with outdoor recreation infrastructure and gather new trail development and maintenance ideas.	To assess level of community benefit and relative priority between 25 trail proposals and gather detailed feedback and concerns on initial geographic route designs.
DATES RAN	April 8, 2022 – May 31, 2022	December 9, 2022 – February 1, 2023
SAMPLE SIZE	787 responses	567 responses
SAMPLE TYPE	Convenience Sample (open to all)	Convenience Sample (open to all)
OUTREACH METHODS	Local print & radio news, flyers, social media advertising, paper copies of survey at library	Local print & radio news, flyers, social media
SURVEY WRITING PARTNERS	Trail Plan Committee, Forest Service Recreation Staff, Public Land Managers, McKinley Research Group	Trail Plan Committee

> Projects on City & Borough Lands

TRAIL PROJECT	PAGE	PROJECT TYPE	LENGTH	ESTIMATED COST	PARTNERS
Cross Trail to Kaasda Héen (Indian River)	36	Reconstruction	0.3 mile	\$187,462	USDA FS, CBS
Medvejie Lake Trailhead Reroute	48	Reconstruction	0.2 miles	\$167,383	CBS, USDA FS, NSRAA, FERC
Baranof Lake & Grotto Trail	54	Reconstruction	0.5 miles	\$292,452	USDA FS, CBS, Baranof Property Owners Association, Inc (BPOA)
Halibut Point Road Improvements	68	New	4.9 miles	\$30,869,540	DOT&PF, CBS
Price-Hillside Neighborhood Connector	64	New	0.1 mile	\$1,255,578	CBS
Mills Street Land Trust Connector	66	New	0.05 mile	\$43,436	CBS, SCLT
Sitka High 5K Loop	60	New	0.7 mile	\$964,571	CBS, SSD
North Swan Lake Connector	58	New	0.2 mile	\$630,351	CBS

TOTAL TRAIL NETWORK

54 TRAILS

78 MILES OF TRAIL

TRAIL MILES BY AGENCY

FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) POSITIONS DEDICATED TO TRAILS *In 2023*

