

User Types



Actives



Mobility Impaired



Older Adults



Youth



Parents



Steering Committee

| User Types | Destinations and Activities | | | Desirable Qualities and Features | | | Undesirable Qualities and Features | | | | Most Desired Improvements and Activities | | | | |
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| | Parks | Three Rivers Trail | Cottonwood Trail | Scenic Views | Recreation Opportunities | Trails | Poor, Incomplete Sidewalks | Lack of Connectivity | Highway 169 & Wildcat Road Intersection | Lack of Accessibility | Better, Connected Sidewalks | Connection to Eagle Ridge Development | Extend Cottonwood Trail | Way-finding on Three Rivers Trail | Walk/Bike Path Along Highway 169 |
| Actives | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Mobility Impaired | ● | | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | ● | ● | ● | | | | ● |
| Older Adults | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | ● | ● | | | ● | |
| Youth | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | | | | | | |
| Parents | ● | ● | ● | | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● |
| Steering Committee | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | ● | ● | ● | |
| <p>Humboldt residents are proud of the town's 12 parks, which provide venues for a variety of activities, such as Frisbee golf at Joe Sheldon County Park, skateboarding and basketball at Tart Park, and watching the swans in George Beebe Park.</p> <p>Both adults and youth enjoy the Three Rivers Trail for walking, biking, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing. Residents also value the trail because it connects them to Eagle Grove and Rolfe.</p> <p>All user groups mentioned Cottonwood Trail as an important community asset. People are able to bike around Humboldt and Dakota City. Specific areas with scenic views are Cottonwood Trail, Bicknell Park, and at the old trestle.</p> <p>In addition to 12 parks, Humboldt has an abundance of recreation opportunities, including the aquatic center, the recreation center, and the golf course, to name a few.</p> <p>All user groups value the trails in the area. In addition to the Cottonwood and Three Rivers Trails, people use the trail in Joe Sheldon County Park and State Park just south of town.</p> <p>Both adult and youth users pointed out that the sidewalk system is incomplete, and that some of the existing sidewalks are in poor condition. Many people walk in the street, which participants perceive as unsafe.</p> <p>According to focus-group participants, Highway 169 and 3 segment the town. Specific areas that lack connectivity are the Eagle Ridge development and the Springvale Senior Living Community.</p> <p>The steering committee participants, Highway 169 parent groups identified the intersection of Highway 169 and Wildcat Road as a barrier because it is congested before and after school, and because the kids have trouble crossing Highway 169.</p> <p>Mobility-impaired individuals noted that curb cuts around a lot of corners, making it difficult to get youth, and the steering committee pointed out the lack of access to the river.</p> <p>All user groups with the exception of the steering committee expressed the need for more and/or improved sidewalks.</p> <p>The steering committee, older adults, parents, and active recreationists suggested somehow creating a safe connection between the Eagle Ridge development and downtown.</p> <p>The Cottonwood Trail is a valuable amenity, and some focus-group participants would like to see the trail extended to Joe Sheldon County Park, opening up more opportunities for walking and biking.</p> <p>Some participants suggested adding way-finding signage along Three Rivers Trail, along with points-of-interest signs identifying businesses and services in Humboldt located along the trail.</p> <p>Focus-group participants pointed out that the new Highway 169 bridge has no designated pedestrian/cyclist lane. They suggested adding a lane to the bridge as well as a designated path along the rest of the highway through town.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Actives walk, and drive. This group is interested in making pedestrian and cyclist connections throughout town to facilitate more walking and biking.

Mobility-impaired individuals often rely on motorized scooters and wheelchairs to get around. The lack of curb cuts on many corners in town make using the sidewalks difficult.

Older adults drive, bike, and walk to destinations. They also ride the Co-City Bus or motorized scooters. This group would like to see the bus service expanded. They are also interested in community connectivity.

Youth mainly walk and bike to get around the community. Some ride the school bus and older youth drive. This group is interested in having more outdoor recreation opportunities and improving existing facilities.

Parents drive and bike. Parents are concerned about their children's safety as they travel throughout town. Specific areas where they would like to see improvement is the intersection of Highway 169 and Wildcat Road and at the new Highway 169 bridge.

Steering committee members walk, drive, and bike. This group would like to make improvements such as increasing access to the river, marketing the community with signage along the trails, and making better connections.