

APPENDIX D:

Informational Brochures

A COMMUNITY PROCESS FOR DEFINING A FUTURE

The Opportunity

At the eastern edge of Carson City lies a unique series of open spaces, linked by the Carson River. The Friends of Silver Saddle Ranch will be leading a public process to define a community-wide vision for the area.

Through a series of public workshops and an intensive 3-day "charrette," this vision will be defined and ideas for implementing it will be explored.

What is a charrette?

A charrette is an intensive brainstorming session where volunteer participants sketch and illustrate their ideas for planning and design solutions and present to the community for feedback. Charrettes bring together subject experts and community members to develop ideas on how to improve natural and/or cultural resources and recreation opportunities.

For the purposes of this charrette, several public forums leading up to it will be held to gather ideas and input on a vision for the Silver Saddle Ranch and Carson River area.

Char-rette. noun. pron. shuh-ret'

defn. An intensive brainstorming session where volunteer participants sketch and illustrate their ideas for planning and design solutions and present them

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The "Creating a Community Vision: Silver Saddle Ranch and the Carson River" community design charrette is being undertaken by the Friends of Silver Saddle Ranch through partnership with the following organizations:



CREATING A COMMUNITY VISION: SILVER SADDLE RANCH AND THE CARSON RIVER

A Community Design Charrette

Friends of Silver Saddle Ranch
in partnership with
Carson City,
Bureau of Land Management
& National Park Service



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CALENDER OF EVENTS

Everyone is encouraged to participate in this exciting process. The following is an outline of workshops where the public will be invited to participate.

Public Workshop 1

April 24, 2008 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Carson City Senior Citizens Center

This time will be spent orienting the community to the charrette process, the planning area while getting input to a long-term vision for the area.

Public Workshop 2

May 8, 2008 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Carson City Senior Citizens Center

A description of a long-term vision for the area based on input from the first public workshop will be presented for feedback.

3-Day Charrette: May 29-31, 2008

Empire Ranch Golf Course (May 29)

Carson City Senior Citizens Center (May 30-31)
While the number of participants able to join us over the full 3-day period will be limited, there will be several opportunities for the general public to interact with the charrette process. Everyone is welcome to the kick-off event May 29 at 6 p.m. Friday afternoon, the public will be invited to visit on a drop-in basis to see all of the activity and offer suggestions. Lastly, a public presentation will take place on Saturday at 2 p.m. to share the outcomes of the charrette and get feedback.

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Public Workshop 2: May 8, 2008. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Carson City Senior Citizens Center

A description of a long-term vision for the area based on input from the first public workshop will be presented for feedback. Additional input on specific ideas for the site will also be gathered.

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Empire Ranch Golf Course (May 29)

& Carson City Senior Citizens Center (May 30-31)

While the number of participants able to participate throughout the full 3-day period will be limited, there will be several opportunities for the general public to interact with the charrette process.

The charrette will begin May 29, 6 p.m. at Empire Ranch Golf Course with a kick-off that will include an overview of the charrette process, and an introduction to subject experts who will be participating. This will be the last chance to provide input before the hard work begins.

Friday, the charrette participants will visit the site and explore ways in which the community's vision can be implemented. The public will be invited to visit on a drop-in basis Friday afternoon to see all of the activity and offer suggestions. The final day will spend wrapping up the work, culminating in a public presentation at 2 p.m. to share the outcomes of the charrette. The public will have an opportunity to ask questions and identify their favorite ideas.

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CREATING A COMMUNITY VISION: SILVER SADDLE RANCH AND THE CARSON RIVER

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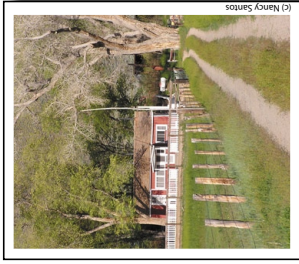
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At the eastern edge of Carson City lies a unique series of open spaces, linked by the Carson River. Over time, many areas along the river have been purchased and set aside for open space, conservation and recreation for the community and visitors alike. From the southern edge of Carson City north toward Morgan Mill Road is a network of open spaces including Silver Saddle Ranch, Prison Hill Recreation Area and other sites recently acquired by Carson City. The result is a unique opportunity to envision the future for this contiguous series of open spaces within one context.

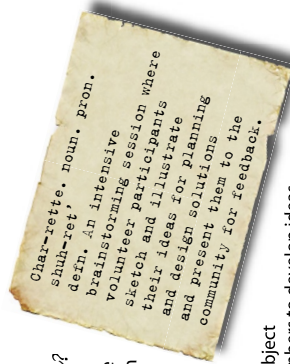


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The Friends of Silver Saddle Ranch, in partnership with Carson City, the Bureau of Land Management and with support from the National Park Service will be conducting a public process to define a community-wide vision for the area. Through a series of public workshops and an intensive 3-day "charrette," this vision will be defined and ideas for implementing it will be explored. The charrette is being called: "Creating a Community Vision: Silver Saddle Ranch and the Carson River".

What is a charrette?

A charrette is an intensive brainstorming session where volunteer participants sketch and illustrate their ideas for planning and design solutions and present to the community for feedback.



Charrettes bring together subject experts and community members to develop ideas on how to improve natural and/or cultural resources and recreation opportunities. The output are maps and designs that offer solutions to issues such as preservation, access and use, interpretation, and development. For the purposes of this charrette, several public forums leading up to it will be held to gather ideas and input on a vision for the Silver Saddle Ranch and Carson River area. This vision will then be used to guide the charrette participants' work as they explore planning and design ideas for making that vision a reality.

CREATING A COMMUNITY VISION: SILVER SADDLE RANCH AND THE CARSON RIVER A Community Design Charrette

The term "charrette" is French for cart, and is the early 20th century, the professors from in Paris des beaux arts to pick up student work at the submission deadline. Some students, drawings, would ride on the cart complete their work as it rolled down the street, hence, working "en charrette."



Charrette Desired Outcomes

- Define a community-wide vision for the Silver Saddle Ranch and Carson River area
- Develop an integrated management plan
- Foster partnerships
- Build support and capacity for community-based stewardship
- Develop a vision for how to sustain the Carson River ecosystem over the long term
- Identify sustainable management practices, including financial and implementation strategies

Potential Products

- Map summarizing planning and design recommendations
- Conceptual land use plan identifying potential uses
- Conceptual trail network map
- Design ideas for a visitor center for Silver Saddle Ranch
- Funding strategies
- Guidelines for a unified signage system
- Water management strategies
- Policies for use (i.e. trail uses, special events, etc.)
- Recreation and education recommendations



Carson River in Ambrose Area



Red House at Silver Saddle Ranch



Silver Saddle Ranch from Prison Hill



Birdwatching at Silver Saddle Ranch



Fishing Pier at Carson River Park

PLANNING AREA SILVER SADDLE RANCH AND THE CARSON RIVER