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 JLUS Policy Committee
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 SUBJECT: Mt. Apatite JLUS Recommendations – Alternative Actions

To guide the Policy Committee’s discussion at its March 26, 2014 meeting, please, review the following matrix of alternative recommendations:

- Option 1 – safety and administrative changes only
- Option 2 – land swap for ballfields
- Option 3 – relocate ballfields.

To refresh your memory about details of the alternative recommendations, please, see Chapters 5 and 6 of the Draft JLUS Report (<http://www.auburnmaine.gov/Pages/Government/Data-Reports-Recommendations>).

At the Policy Committee meeting, you will be asked to:

- Review and confirm or suggest changes to which strategies are part of each of the Options.
- Offer information on land acquisition and/or authorization costs.
- Hear updates and discussion about relevant information regarding the progress of the JLUS.
- Discuss, provide feedback, and select a preferred Option, if possible or appropriate.
- Consider next steps.

Please note that we are still developing cost estimates for land acquisition and/or authorization and expect to have more information available for the March 26th meeting. The affected strategies are shaded gray in the first column and the last row of the matrix below.

Yellow MEARNG role
 Green City Role
 Blue Joint Role
Red Choose one of two or one of three alternative strategies

Strategy number ^{1, 2}	Strategy	Option 1 – Safety / Administrative Changes Only	Option 2 – Land Swap for Ballfields	Option 3 – Relocate Ballfields
1	Mark MEARNG boundaries and clear zone	x	x	x
2	Temporarily reroute pedestrians ³	Recommend eliminating this option		
3	Permanently reroute pedestrians (see		x	x

¹ See Draft Chapter 5 for a more complete description of each of the strategies listed below.

² Please Note: We are still developing land costs for shaded strategies. We expect to have estimates available for the 3/26/2014 meeting.

³ Plus cost of labor.

Strategy number ^{1,2}	Strategy		Option 1 – Safety / Administrative Changes Only	Option 2 – Land Swap for Ballfields	Option 3 – Relocate Ballfields
	Strategy 18)				
4	Install crosswalks		x ⁴	x	x
4	Improve shoulders			x	x
4	Add sidewalks			x	x
4	Improve intersection of Minot/Garfield			x	
5	Relocate military access			x	
6	Relocate ballfield & trail access to south & reserve Mt. Apatite Rd for MEARNG			x	
6	Leave Mt. Apatite access as is		x	x	x
7	Garfield Road Trail / Parking Access 1 (near Minot Ave) ⁵			x	x
8	Garfield Road Trail / Parking Access 2 (Little property) ⁶			x	x
9	Garfield Road Trail / Parking Access 3 (near Hatch Rd) ⁷			x	x
10	Small Road Access		x	x	x
11	Deter Vandalism		x	x	x
12	Mine Road Access		x	x	x
13	Hatch Road Access ⁸	This option not viable due to inadequate sight distance			
14	Minot Avenue Access ^{9,10}			x	x
15	Internal wayfinding		x	x	x
16	External wayfinding		x	x	x
17	Map/brochure/website		x	x	x
18	Relocate 5 K trail			x	
18	Build new trails			x	x
19	Land swap (unknown cost) ¹¹			x	

⁴ Mt. Apatite Rd and Garfield Road to Minot Ave.

⁵ Moves forward only if Strategy #5 does NOT move forward.

⁶ Plus cost of authorization; optional.

⁷ Plus cost of authorization; optional.

⁸ Plus cost of authorization.

⁹ Plus cost of authorization.

¹⁰ Consider the viability of this strategy in the future if a business partner can be identified to support potential economic development opportunities; e.g., mountain bike shop, restaurant/provisioner, miners museum, etc.

¹¹ Plus cost of purchase.

Strategy number ^{1,2}	Strategy		Option 1 – Safety / Administrative Changes Only	Option 2 – Land Swap for Ballfields	Option 3 – Relocate Ballfields
20	Relocate ballfields ¹²				x
21	Land restrictions – public use only		x	x	x
22	Land acquisition for buffers ¹³			x	
23	Right of first refusal			x	
24	Amend comprehensive plan			x	
25	Create military overlay zone			x	
26	Emergency access/response protocol		x	x	x
27	Biannual meetings, or as needed		x	x	x
28	Public awareness campaign		x	x	x
29	MEARNG communications to City		x	x	x
30	City communications to MEARNG		x	x	x
31	Interest group biannual or annual events		x	x	x
32	Implementation Committee ¹⁴		x	x	x
33	Pursue grants		x	x	x
34	Create Friends Group		x	x	x
35	Review mining ordinance & consider economic development opportunity of rock hounder interests		x	x	x
36	Replace safety signage at quarries		x	x	x

¹² Plus cost of purchase, which could include use/reuse of existing City owned land.

¹³ Plus cost of purchase.

¹⁴ Preference would be Recreation Advisory Committee.