

This section of the Plan lists general recommendations, in the form of policies and strategies, for each of the elements of the plan. These recommendations are intended to address the issues raised in the review and analysis of the elements in Section II, *Community Assessment*. The matrix also shows a suggested implementation timing and responsible party.

For the purpose of this chapter, the implementation priority is divided into short term, mid-term, long term, and ongoing:

- “Short term” is presumed to be activities which can be completed within two years. These are primarily changes to Zoning and other ordinances, and easily achievable actions.
- “Mid-term” activities will be commenced and/or completed between two and five years after adoption. These consist of lower-priority activities or those which require additional planning or preparation.
- “Long term” activities are those which are more nebulous, and for which the path to implementation has not yet come into focus.
- “Ongoing” is used to identify strategies which are currently in place and should continue.

Policies:	Strategies:	Implementing Party/Timeframe:
<p>RECREATION:</p> <p>Brighton Plantation offers a variety of opportunities for passive and active outdoor recreation, primarily through self-directed pursuits such as hunting, fishing, hiking, and snowmobiling. While the town does not offer organized recreational programs, residents benefit from access to large tracts of undeveloped land, including timber company holdings and state-managed areas, with trail systems maintained informally by local snowmobile and ATV clubs. Brighton has no permanently conserved land and no partnerships with land trusts or conservation organizations. Public access is largely based on longstanding landowner goodwill, which could be vulnerable to change over time. While current recreational access meets the needs of the small population, improvements could include enhancing public access to water bodies, formalizing trailheads, increasing ADA accessibility where possible, and exploring low-impact conservation partnerships to ensure long-term recreational use.</p> <p>State Goal: To promote and protect the availability of outdoor recreation opportunities for all Maine citizens, including access to surface waters.</p>		
Policies:	Strategies:	Implementing Party/Timeframe:
<p>1. To maintain/upgrade existing recreational facilities and public water resources as necessary to meet current and future needs.</p>	<p>1.1: Create a list of recreation needs or develop a recreation plan to meet current and future needs. Assign a committee or community official to explore ways of addressing the identified needs and/or implementing the policies and strategies outlined in the plan.</p>	
<p>2. To preserve open space for recreational use as appropriate.</p>	<p>2.1: Work with public and private partners to extend and maintain a network of trails for motorized and non-motorized uses. Connect with regional trail systems where possible.</p> <p>2.2: Work with an existing local land trust or other conservation organizations to pursue opportunities to protect important open space or recreational land.</p>	

Policies:	Strategies:	Implementing Party/Timeframe:
<p>3. To seek to achieve or continue to maintain at least one major point of public access to major water bodies for boating, fishing, and swimming, and work with nearby property owners to address concerns.</p>	<p>3.1: Provide educational materials regarding the benefits and protections for landowners allowing public recreational access on their property. At a minimum this will include information on Maine's landowner liability law regarding recreational or harvesting use, Title 14, M.R.S.A. §159-A.</p>	

Green- new suggests

Blue- suggestions from meeting

Red- from old plan

Goals, Policies, and Strategies from Previous Plan:

These are to be discussed to determine if they were accomplished. If not, are they still relevant today?