Diablo Canyon Lands

Conservation Planning Project

Planning Updates & Community Input



Project Values

- **Foster** the robust conservation of environmental and cultural resources while enabling appropriate public access.
- **Center** local California Native American Tribal priorities.
- **Explore** expanding existing managed public access of Diablo Canyon Lands.
- **Explore** transfer of ownership of Wild Cherry Canyon for park purposes.





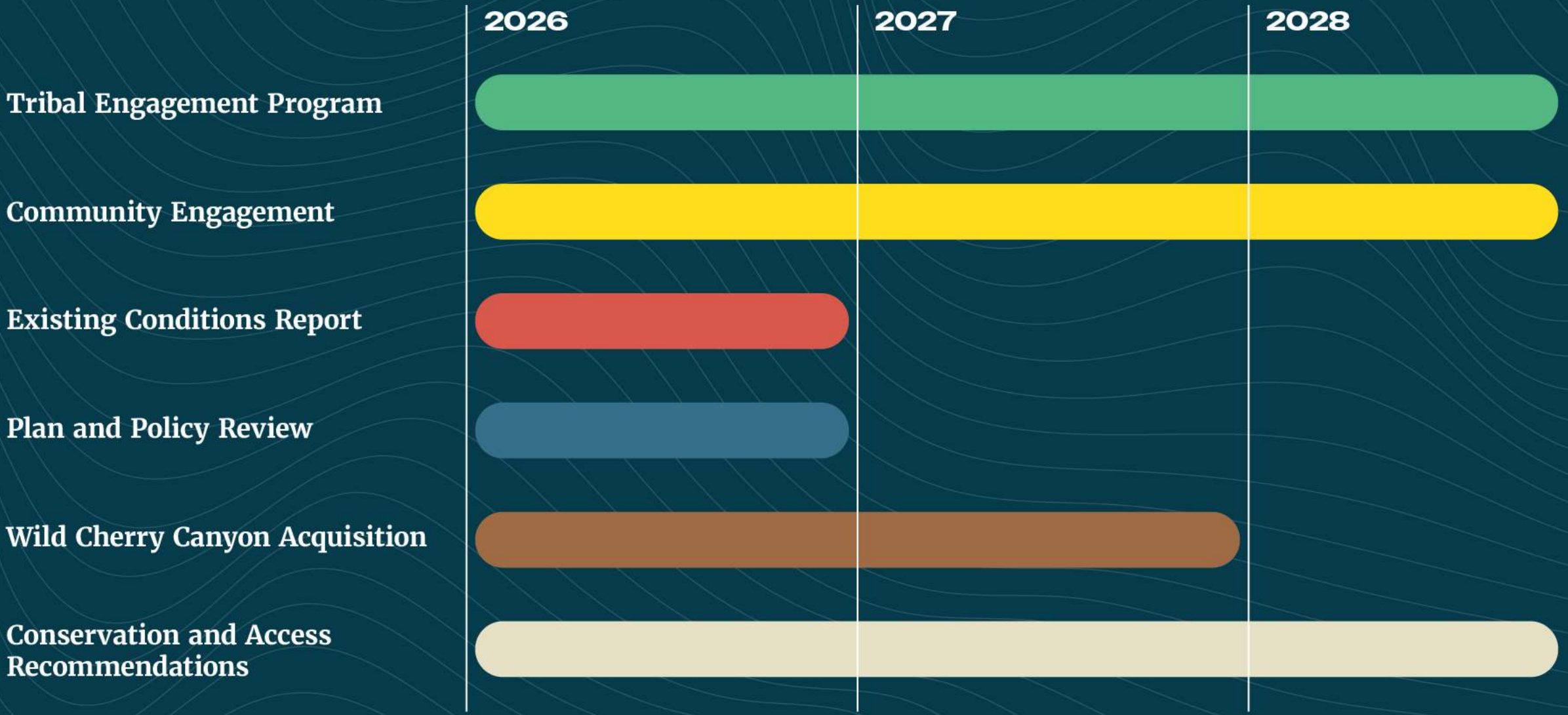
Project Location

Project Outline & Expected Outcomes

- **Planning for future land conservation, uses, and access of the Diablo Canyon Lands.**

- **Primary project tasks:**
  - Technical studies and analyses to characterize and map natural, biological, cultural, and Tribal resources
  - Evaluate the lands' existing conditions
  - Partner with Tribes and center Tribal priorities
  - Conduct extensive community engagement
  - Facilitate strategies for long-term ownership, management, and public access
  - Recommend easements for conservation, cultural resource protection and public access

Project Milestones



Wild Cherry Canyon Update

- Coastal Conservancy approved $42-million grant to the Wildlands Conservancy to acquire 2,060 acre Wild Cherry Canyon property
  - Acquire leasehold interest by end of 2026
  - Acquire fee title interest by end of 2027



North Ranch Update

- State Parks has committed to accepting the 4,500 acre North Ranch
- Conveyance process is beginning



Tribal Engagement

- Team:
  - SCC Tribal Liaison
  - Tribal Facilitator: Statistical Research Incorporated (SRI)
- Tribal Partnership Plan
- "Land Back" Opportunity
- Cultural/Tribal Resource Protection
- Involvement in Planning Process





Community Work Group

- Brings diverse community, Tribal, conservation, recreation, agency, and regional perspectives into the planning process
- Shares local knowledge and helps review project work
- Helps connect the project with broader community networks









Community Engagement

Underway

- Project survey
- 9/23 Community Kickoff Workshop
- Community outreach
- Project website

Coming Next

- Project survey
- Additional workshops and pop ups
- Opportunities to review and inform conservation and access recommendations
- Ongoing updates through the project website and email list



9/23 Community Kickoff Workshop
Early Themes

Concerns about e-bikes/ or e-bike only trails



Interest in both conservation & recreation

Hiking, biking, equestrian, and family-friendly trails

Protection of natural and cultural resources



Tribal involvement is priority



Interest in both self-guided and docent-led access

Longer, connected trails

Stay Involved

- Join project email list
- Watch for upcoming survey and workshops
- Continue sharing questions and perspectives

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