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Public Services Director Kim K. Clymire hosted the first of a series of meetings last night to begin developing a Mt. Konocti Master Plan. An impressive group of over 50 individuals, with varied recreational interests attended and a spirited, interactive, discussion was held that allowed everyone present to discuss and list their ideas for the development of the mountain's Master Management Plan. Representatives from the Lake County Sierra Club, Redbud Audubon Society, Lake County Land Trust, local schools, the Elem Tribe and the general public were in attendance. When complete, which will probably take one to two years, the plan will govern the park's use, conservation and preservation. Types of use, policies and procedures, resource and fire management plans and more were discussed, as well as, restrictions that come with the sell of the property, including day use only, except by special arrangements, no motorized vehicles, except by authorized use, and preservation and conservation of the mountain. County staff anticipates having the basics of the Master Plan decided on prior to opening the trails to the public late this year or early next year. An additional meeting is scheduled to take place Wednesday, March 25, 2009 from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, at the Courthouse in Lakeport, with future meetings anticipated at the Lower Lake Museum in late May.

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