GOALS:	Chapter 8 OBJECTIVES:	Chapter 9 ACTIONS:	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	PRIORITY
Protect and acquire land in Beverly of high natural, scenic, recreational, and environmental value.	Acquire and protect lands with high natural and environmental values including, but not limited to: • Lands in the Wenham Lake and Longham Reservoirs watershed and the WPOD, • Wildlife habitats, which includes lands supporting exemplary, rare, or uncommon natural communities and land supporting species of conservation concern, • Areas with high potential for passive outdoor recreation, and • Lands that provide scenic vistas.	Maintain a list of priority parcels for open space acquisition within the City and develop plans to acquire land rights to these parcels.	OSRC	Review yearly
		Maintain a list of priority parcels for conservation restrictions within the City and develop plans to implement these.	OSRC	Review yearly
		Review and upgrade the Watershed Protection Overlay District.	Consultant	Year 1
		Identify and write grants that fund open space acquisition.	OSRC, Planning Staff	Ongoing
		Develop and enhance partnerships with ECGB, MAS, TTOR and BCLT for land acquisition and for promotion of CR's.	OSRC	Ongoing
		Collaborate with appropriate non-profit groups to hold forums for landowners on conservation giving.	OSRC	Year 1
	Ensure that any proposed development is consistent with the Open Space Plan and the Master Plan	Continue information sharing with other City groups: Plannng Board, Conservation Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and the Design Review Board.	Planning Staff	Ongoing
		Review agendas from the City's Boards and Commissions and comment when appropriate.	OSRC	Ongoing
	Integrate open space planning into the city's planning and budgeting process.	Develop financial plan to fund open space acquisition. This may include promoting the passage of the Community Preservation Act in Beverly.	OSRC	Year 1
	Ensure that all City-owned properties with high passive recreational value, potential future active recreational value and environmental value are protected from development.	Promote the use of CR's for all ConCom land and other City lands of conservation interest, including Parks and Recreation Commission lands.	OSRC, Parks Department	Ongoing
	Ensure adequate resources for maintenance and management of Beverly's open space and recreational lands.	Ensure maintenance of trails and signage at city parks.	OSRC, Planning Staff, DPW	Review yearly in Spring
		Review and update maps of open spaces, recreational areas and historic sites.	OSRC, Planning Staff, GIS Manager	Start of Year 5
Increase and enhance the public's opportunities to enjoy open space in Beverly.	Increase public access to the waterfront.	Identify and seek funds to acquire parcels and easements along the waterfront.	OSRC, Planning Staff	Ongoing
		Continue to work with local and state officials to implement a "Sea Path" and provide comments on development and redevelopment proposals for parcels that provide potential public access to the water (e.g. through Chapter 91 licenses).	OSRC, Planning Staff, City Boards, State Agencies	Ongoing
	Create a trail network throughout the City.	Work with appropriate stakeholders to purchase the land and easements identified on the maps to create a comprehensive open space network and adequate playing fields.	OSRC, School Department, Non-Profits	Ongoing
		Develop a uniform trail system for existing and proposed open space areas within the community.	OSRC, Planning Staff, GIS Manager	Year 2
		Install signage at all existing public rights-of-way that lead to parks and other public open spaces.	OSRC, Planning Staff, DPW	Review yearly in Fall

Increase and enhance the public's opportunities to enjoy open space in Beverly, continued.	Create a trail network throughout the City, continued.	Publicize the existence of rights-of-way in appropriate forums, such as meetings, newspaper articles and websites.	OSRC	Ongoing
		Maintain and update the Beverly Trails map.	OSRC, GIS Manager	Year 5
	Increase the number of playing fields within the community.	Identify and develop a list of parcels that would be appropriate for active recreation.	OSRC, Parks Department	Review yearly
		Identify and seek funds to acquire parcels to be used specifically for active recreation.	OSRC, Recreation Department	Ongoing
	Increase awareness and promote use of open space and recreational opportunities within the community.	Develop a public education campaign, which will promote the importance of preserving parcels for conservation and resource protection.	OSRC	Year 3
		Sponsor activities and educational programs for clean-up and recycling on public lands.	OSRC, Solid Waste Committee, School Department	Review yearly
	Increase awareness and promote use of conservation areas and the waterfront for passive recreation, i.e. hiking, walking, birding, nature study, etc.	Create accessible trails that comply with ADA requirements.	OSRC, ADA Coordinator	Year 2
		Create an educational flyer on trail and waterfront access protection for the community.	OSRC	Year 3
		Develop water related recreational amenities on public land.	OSRC, Parks Department	Year 4
		Improve maintenance of existing recreational facilities to ensure public safety.	Planning Staff, DPW	Review yearly in Spring
Promote public education of environmental issues.	Increase environmental awareness within the community.	Create an OSRC webpage.	Planning Staff, IT Staff	Ongoing
		Increase utilization of local public media outlets (newspapers, BevCam, websites, etc.)	OSRC	Ongoing
		Continue the successful Earth Day Walks program.	OSRC, ConCom, Local Non-Profits	Review yearly in December
		Develop an educational program in conjunction with the schools.	OSRC, School Department	Year 3
		Hold forums for landowners on conservation giving.	OSRC, Non-Profits	Year 1
		Continue to sponsor successful park and open space clean-up days.	OSRC, Con Com, Solid Waste Committee, DPW	Review yearly in Spring
	Increase and enhance recreational opportunities for Beverly residents.	Conduct regularly scheduled trail walks.	OSRC	Spring, Summer, Fall