South River Farms Park Edgewater, Maryland



Department of Public Works

South River Farm Park Concepts

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SUMMARY

MASTER PLAN CONCEPTS

The South River Farm Park Master Plan Draft Concepts outline recreation opportunities ranging from specific to broader interventions. However, multiple elements appear in both Draft Concepts.

RECREATION

- A new trail head near the park entrance connecting to a new trail along the edge of the open space and proposed pollinator meadow, which would enable a loop trail; trail surface would be permeable
- A new covered pavilion with gathering space for visitors, including school groups or camps
- New group camping area
- Existing picnic uses

PARKING, CIRCULATION, AND INFRASTRUCTURE,

- Reconfiguration and minor expansion of existing parking near trailhead and picnic tables
- An upgraded greenhouse
- Removal of existing barn and trailer

REHABILITATION AND RE-VEGETATION,

- Establishment of pollinator garden
- Erosion control measures along southern and eastern edges of park
- Re-vegetation of existing maintenance area

CONCEPT A: TARGETED OPPORTUNITIES

Concept A: Targeted Opportunities enhances existing visitor recreation experiences with minimal intervention. Concept A features the following elements:

RECREATION

• A new non-motorized watercraft launch near Brickhouse Creek with direct and potentially universally accessible paths

PARKING, CIRCULATION, AND INFRASTRUCTURE,

- New bus turn-around and parking near greenhouse
- Comfort stations within a reconfigured greenhouse
- Removal and re-vegetation of existing mulched parking area near entrance

REHABILITATION AND RE-VEGETATION,

• Vegetation restoration and closure of southeast portion of park

CONCEPT B: WIDER EXPERIENCES

Concept B: Wider Experiences builds upon the recreation opportunities identified in Concept A and includes broader recreation types and access.

RECREATION

- A new Nature Center to provide education, including for school groups or camps
- Nature play area
- A new non-motorized watercraft launch along southern edge of park with direct and potentially universally accessible path
- Three new fishing piers and one accessible fishing platform

PARKING, CIRCULATION, AND INFRASTRUCTURE,

- New bus turn-around and parking around greenhouse
- · Comfort stations within new education center
- Improvement of existing road to offer an accessible trail
- New accessible parking and drop-off point for nonmotorized boat launch and accessible fishing pier

Legend

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Existing Elements

- Property Line
- Elevation (1ft Contour Lines)
 Trailways
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- -- Service Road Access
 - **Existing Buildings**
 - Trailhead
 - Poplar Path
 - **Terrapin Trail**
 - Laurel Loop
- Greenhouse/Comfort stations
- P Parking
 - Existing Picnic Tables (3)

Proposed Elements

- ••• Erosion Control
- --- Connector Trail
- Bus Turn-around
- Parking Expansion
 - Restoration Area -Closed to Public
 - Revegetation
- Boat Launch
- Camping Area
- Pavilion

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Pollinator Meadow





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Concept A: Targeted Opportunities February 2024





Legend

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- Picnic Tables (3)

Proposed Elements

- ••• Erosion Control
- --- Connector Trail
- --- ADA Trail
- Bus Turn-around
- Parking Expansion
- Temporary Parking / Drop-off
- Revegetation
- **Boat Launch**
- **Camping Area**
 - Pavilion

- Accessible Fishing Platform
- Pier
- Nature Play / Learning
- Nature Center / Comfort Station
- **Pollinator Meadow**





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Concept B: Wider Experiences February 2024

