Rifle Camp Park Evolution of Proposed Improvements

From the Rifle Camp Park – Phase 1 Improvements doc.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Existing

Rifle Camp Park is a 169 acre park that is located along Rifle Camp Road (Passaic County Route No. 633) in Woodland Park Borough, just to the south of Garret Mountain Reservation. Rifle Camp provides a mix of active and passive recreation, and includes: trails; picnic areas; overnight camping areas that offer lean-to shelters, an amphitheater, comfort stations, and the John J. Crowley Nature Center and Astronomical Observatory.

Proposed

The County proposes the following improvements to Rifle Camp Park:

- 1. Provide enhance recreational activities / items. Consultant to develop various combinations of activities. Provide advantages and disadvantages of each potential activity. Based on Consultant recommendations and concepts, County to select the various recreational activities (one or more) to be incorporated. Potential recreational activities / items include the following (but not limited to):
 - a. Basketball Court
 - b. Par Course
 - c. Playground Equipment (various age brackets / locations)
 - d. Removal of existing concrete toboggan run
 - e. Ice skating on pond if feasible with the addition of benches, trash receptacles and other possible amenities
 - f. A 5k race loop within the existing trail system
 - g. Cross country skiing along the trail(s) if feasible
 - h. Development of scenic view opportunities along the ridge
 - i. Dog park
 - j. Other concepts
- 2. Upgrade trails:

Introduced on: Adopted on: Official Resolution#: R20161086 a. Along the trails, localized repairs and drainage improvements will be December 29, 2016 December 2 stone / rip-rap swales, etc. Due to the existing topography of the site, sections of the trail will be required to be paved with asphalt. Other sections of the trail may require crush stone, other material, or natural state. Consultant to coordinate with County personnel on exact location of the trail drainage improvements and repairs.

- 3. Enhance the Camp Sites Experience (behind the Carnie Bragg picnic area):
 - a. Repair / Replace the existing camping platforms / lean-to shelters.
 - b. Upgrades to the Carnie Bragg bathroom and Camping area bathroom.
- 4. Consultant to inspect all of the existing restrooms in the park. The Consultant is to prepare the necessary drawings and specifications to have the restrooms meet current standards including ADA standards (i.e. sinks, toilets, openings, etc.). If the Contractor will ultimately be required to obtain a municipal building permit, the Consultant's plans must be sufficient for the permit approval.
- 5. Enhance Family Picnic Areas:
 - a. One new prefabricated timber pavilion with concrete floor. Size to be approximately 100' by 50' in the general vicinity of Carnie Bragg area.
 - i. Consultant to design and prepare plans for the new pavilion. Consultant to design footings. Consultant to present various pavilion options (styles) for County review prior to final selection of the pavilion. If the Contractor will ultimately be required to obtain a municipal building permit, the Consultant's plans must be sufficient for the permit approval.

Page 255 from the Passaic County Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan:

Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan

Comprehensive Plan Element

Park/Facility/Work Item	Short-Term Expenditures	Long-Term Expenditures	Totals
Rifle Camp Park			
Short-Term			
ADA Improvements	\$124,500	\$249,000	
Phase 2 signage for wayfinding &			
interpretive signs	\$50,000		
Repave parking entry road & lots	\$800,000		
Repair & screen booster pump			
building	\$50,000		
Restore three trails, geologic,			
nature and woodland	\$100,000		
Repair platform tents	\$20,000		
Repair/replace PAR course	\$50,000		
Repair electric and renovate			
amphitheater	\$100,000		
Remove and replace site lighting	\$300,000		
Develop spray park amenity	\$200,000		
Develop playground/tot lot	\$125,000		
Renovate interior of nature			
center	\$250,000		
Install deer fencing in select			
areas	\$40,000	\$40,000	
Removal of felled trees &	100.000		
woodland management plan	\$80,000	\$40,000	
Long-Term			
Develop linkage to Garret		4500 000	
Mountain		\$500,000	
Repair or remove toboggan run		\$25,000	
Subtotal	\$2,289,500	\$854,000	\$3,143,500

From the Rifle Camp Park Improvement Project - Power Point :

Priorities for Rifle Camp Park listed in the PR&O Master Plan:

- Improve signage and visibility to the Park
- Repave roadways and parking lots
- Develop a wayfinding signage within the Park
- Repair the par fitness course
- Restore the amphitheater
- Replace and improve lighting
- Provide a spray park amenity
- Develop a combined tot lot and playground space
- Renovate the John J. Crowley Nature Center and Astronomical Observatory

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