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**GUDE LANDFILL REMEDIATION
GLCC/DEP MEETING NO. 57**

DATE: Thursday, September 19, 2019
TIME: 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
LOCATION: Montgomery County Transfer Station

ATTENDANCE:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Designation</u>
Laszlo Harsanyi	Gude Landfill Concerned Citizens (GLCC)	Member
Dave Peterson	Gude Landfill Concerned Citizens (GLCC)	Member
Nick Radonic	Gude Landfill Concerned Citizens (GLCC)	Member
George Wolohojian	Gude Landfill Concerned Citizens (GLCC)	Member
David Minier	Gude Landfill Concerned Citizens (GLCC) / DSS HOA	Member
Keith Ligon	Gude Landfill Concerned Citizens (GLCC)	Member
Ilana Branda	Montgomery County Dept. of Health & Human Services	County Rep.
Susie Sinclair-Smith	Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless	Non-Profit Rep.
Jamie Foster	Montgomery County Dept. of Env. Protection (DEP)	Senior Engineer
Megan Maffeo	Floura Teeter Landscape Architects (FLTA)	EA Subconsultant
Lydia Kimball	Floura Teeter Landscape Architects (FLTA)	EA Subconsultant
Mark Gutberlet	EA Engineering, Science, and Technology, Inc., PBC (EA)	DEP Consultant
Stephen Lezinski	Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. (B&L)	DEP Consultant

The Meeting Agenda is included as Attachment 1.

The Meeting Sign-in Sheet for attendees is included as Attachment 2.

The EA / Floura Teeter Presentation is included as Attachment 3.

1. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

- a. Stephen Lezinski opened the meeting by welcoming the participants for attending.
- b. Mr. Lezinski noted that the landfill program and project updates will be reviewed first and then discussions will proceed to the Floura Teeter presentation.

2. GLCC/DEP MEETING MINUTES – REVIEW AND APPROVAL

- a. Mr. Lezinski noted that the draft minutes from GLCC/DEP Meeting No. 56 were distributed to GLCC via email on 8/23/19 by Jamie Foster. The minutes were finalized and distributed to GLCC, as no comments were received through 9/19/19.
- b. Attending GLCC members (Dave Peterson and George Wolohojian) reviewed and accepted the meeting minutes.

3. LANDFILL PROGRAM UPDATE

- a. Mr. Lezinski reviewed the landfill program update.
- b. Soil Stockpile – this project is on-going; however, the Purple Line has not hauled soil since July 2019, due to the lack of availability of suitable soil. Totals: 6,230 truckloads with a range of 62,300 – 74,760 CYs (based on average of 10-12 CY / Load).
- c. Groundwater Monitoring – EA performed the Fall 2019 semi-annual sampling from 7/29-8/9/19. The Report preparation is in process.

- d. Landfill Flare Station – both flares are in operational status, since the repairs in June 2019.
- e. Landfill Gas Monitoring – methane exceedance noted along W/NW area of site (W-05). The County’s LFG Contractor continues to adjust and balance the well field.

4. GUDE LANDFILL REMEDIATION – DESIGN ENGINEER PROJECT UPDATE

- a. Mark Gutberlet reviewed the design engineer project update.
- b. The County removed the Emergency Debris Management Area (EDMA) from the 60% Design. This area on the NE area of the site will revert back to the standard capping/closure system and meadow for land use.
 - Keith Ligon asked why the EDMA was removed. Mr. Lezinski indicated the removal of the EDMA was primarily for financial reasons and the ease of design/permitting/construction of the remediation project.
- c. EA is preparing the Revised 60% Design to be submitted to the County and MDE in December 2019 (estimated). This will include a revised stormwater management concept to County DPS.
- d. The Revised 60% Design will be distributed to GLCC in December 2019 (estimated).

5. GUDE LANDFILL REMEDIATION – PASSIVE LAND USE CONCEPTS

- a. Megan Maffeo proceeded to review the draft land use summary report (i.e., preferred conceptual master plan) presentation.
- b. Lydia Kimball provided support commentary during the presentation.
- c. The FTLA presentation consisted of: Concept Alternatives A-C, Preference Survey Questions and Results Summary, Preferred Conceptual Master Plan, Land Use Activities Summary, Destinations (High-Point Lookout, Children’s Nature Play, Dog Play Off-Leash, Disc Golf, Recreational Trail Network, Waystations and Environmental Education, Habitat Creation and Environmental Awareness, Next Steps, and the Bird Count Event at the Landfill).
- d. Ms. Maffeo reported there were 107 respondents to the online passive land use survey that was conducted in July 2019 and reviewed the results. Ms. Maffeo noted that respondents asked if there are health and safety concerns for people on the Landfill.
- e. Meeting attendees discussed if trash cans would be provided at a potential dog play area. Mr. Foster and Mr. Lezinski stated that the previously agreed upon approach to the passive recreational land uses between the County and GLCC including the dog play area was for site users to carry-in/carry-out (i.e., clean up after their own dogs).
- f. Nick Radonic asked what the standard practice is at other County parks. Mr. Foster noted that as the recreational land uses and the dog play area are not intended to be a formal Park like properties that are owned and maintained by Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), the County DEP did not plan to maintain trash receptacles.
- g. David Minier proposed that a pet waste station could be placed near the entrance to the landfill access to make it easier to maintain. GLCC discussed the option to expand a waste station maintenance agreement they are entering for Derwood Station South to the Landfill. More discussion ensued and it was agreed that this topic could be decided upon at a later date.
- h. Laszlo Harsanyi asked if the potential dog play area would be separated between larger and smaller dogs. Ms. Maffeo responded in the affirmative.
- i. Mr. Ligon asked if the model airplane field was included in the passive land uses. Mr. Foster confirmed that the CASA area was not included for the Gude Landfill, as the model airplane club has been relocated to Oaks Landfill.

- j. Mr. Wolohojian asked if the solar field could be relocated to the previous EDMA to move it further from the residential area. Ms. Maffeo stated that FTLA evaluated that option and there is approximately 5-10 useable acres near the EMDA and the County is looking to reserve 25-30 acres for a potential solar project. It was decided to keep the solar field where it was identified.
- k. Ms. Maffeo presented the Conceptual Master Plan and noted there would be approximately 3 miles of trails in addition to the other amenities.
- l. Ms. Maffeo noted that a bird count event at the Landfill would be held on Sunday, October 20, 2019 and invited the community to participate.
- m. Mr. Peterson asked about long term maintenance of the passive land use features. Mr. Foster stated that the County will be responsible for site maintenance. Mr. Ligon asked about concerns for vandalism and the need for security, deer and geese grazing, and confirmation that the County will be prepared to address those issues if they arise. Mr. Foster stated that the County will be preparing an Operations and Maintenance Plan that will address potential security/maintenance needs and how the County will address them.
- n. Mr. Wolohojian asked about access to the site. Mr. Foster stated that access will be provided during daylight hours and there will be gates that will be locked at night.
- o. Susan Sinclair-Smith stated that MCCH and DHHS have made arrangements for a temporary location until March 2020 and continue to evaluate future options. Ms. Sinclair-Smith stated NIOSH is expecting to deliver a study in approximately 3 weeks that will describe potential health and safety concerns at 600 East Gude Drive.
- p. Ms. Sinclair-Smith asked if the Flares would be maintained during the remediation project and after project completion. Mr. Foster responded in the affirmative.
- q. Ms. Sinclair-Smith asked about site access during construction. Mr. Foster stated that trucks accessing the site will primarily utilize the Southlawn Lane entrance and contractor staging and limited site access will occur at the 600 East Gude Drive landfill entrance.

6. SUMMARY OF NEW ACTION ITEMS FROM THE MEETING

- a. Per Mr. Peterson and Mr. Wolohojian, the Derwood Station HOAs will further evaluate the feasibility of responsibility for pet waste management in the potential future dog play area.
- b. Per Mr. Foster, the County will evaluate the feasibility of including pet waste management as an optional service item in future property maintenance contracts at the Landfill.
- c. Depending on final implemented and installed land use master plan, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the use and/or maintenance of the land use areas may be required by the County. This topic can be revisited in the future.
- d. The County will provide GLCC a copy of the revised remediation schedule once it has been prepared by EA Engineering.

7. GLCC MEETINGS AND ON-GOING COMMUNITY COMMUNICATION

- a. Mr. Lezinski reviewed the on-going meeting frequency and timing.
- b. Historically, Monthly Meetings have been held the 3rd Thursday at the Transfer Station or Recycling Center generally from 7:00 – 9:00 PM. Or as mutually agreed by the County and GLCC.
- c. At the request of Don Birnesser (not present at the meeting), the County discussed a proposed change to the monthly meeting schedule: 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM or 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM.
 - After a group discussion, the County and GLCC agreed upon a general meeting time for 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM, and the County would provide call-in capabilities for individuals that could not attend in person.

8. NEXT MEETING

- a. Gude Landfill Bird Count/Walk – Sunday, October 20, 2019 from 7:00 AM – 10:00 AM.
 - **Post Meeting Comment – the time has been revised to 7:30 AM – 10:30 AM to coincide with sunrise.*
- b. The next GLCC/DEP Meeting related to the remediation project will be scheduled following the completion and distribution of the Revised 60% Design (likely January 16, 2020).

9. POST MEETING COMMENTARY

- a. Keith Ligon (10/20/19 email comment to Jamie Foster). *“My only comment on the minutes is that (if memory serves) we discussed that MNPCC has indicated it has no interest in pursuing any improvements around the landfill other than improved signage to the existing trail system; and that the County, as part of its development of the landfill will consider and incorporate off-site improvements, such as screening trees and plantings and improvements to access points connecting to the neighborhood.”*
- b. Jamie Foster (11/4/19 email response to Keith Ligon). *“As we have discussed, the County’s contractors are developing a plan to address the off-sit improvements including vegetative screening for construction.”*

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Meeting	Gude Landfill Remediation: GLCC/DEP Meeting No. 57

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**Gude Landfill Remediation
Gude Landfill Concerned Citizens
Monthly Meeting No. 57**

Meeting Agenda

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- d. Additional review comments or notes of acceptance from GLCC.

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5. Gude Landfill Remediation – Draft Summary Report regarding Land Use

- a. Floura Teeter Presentation

6. Summarize New Action Items from the Meeting

7. Monthly GLCC Meetings and On-going Communication with the Community

- a. Monthly Meetings held on 3rd Thursday at the Transfer Station or another alternate location.
- b. Discussion on meeting time:
 - Historically, meetings were held 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM.
 - Proposed change by County to late afternoon. 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM or 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM.

8. Next Meeting or Site Visit

- a. Gude Landfill Bird Count/Walk – Sunday, October 20, 2019 from 7:00 AM – 10:00 AM.

**GUDE LANDFILL
PASSIVE LAND USE PLANNING
PREFERRED CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLAN**

SEPTEMBER 19, 2019



CONCEPT ALTERNATIVE A



CONCEPT ALTERNATIVE B



CONCEPT ALTERNATIVE C



PREFERENCE SURVEY

CONCEPT PLAN ALTERNATIVES – INPUT AND PREFERENCES

Consider providing input on the Concept Plan Alternatives and describe your preferences for the Gude Landfill Remediation site.

The Concept Plan Alternatives illustrate how the potential land use activities physically layout on the site. Feedback on these alternatives will be important to the design team as we advance to a single Preferred Concept.

All Concept Alternatives include the following land uses:

- Emergency Debris Management Area
- Natural Meadow Vegetation & Habitat
- Walking – Trail System
- Dog Walking- On Leash
- Birdwatching

In addition to those listed above, please help us understand your preferences for land use activities at the Gude Landfill site by answering the following questions.

QUESTIONS:

1. The Concept Alternatives identify three recreation Destinations. Let us know if you would use this space, and if you have any specific comments or concerns.

a. High Point Lookout: I would use I would not use this space

b. Dog Play (Fenced /Off-Leash): I would use I would not use this space

c. Children’s Nature Play: I would use I would not use this space

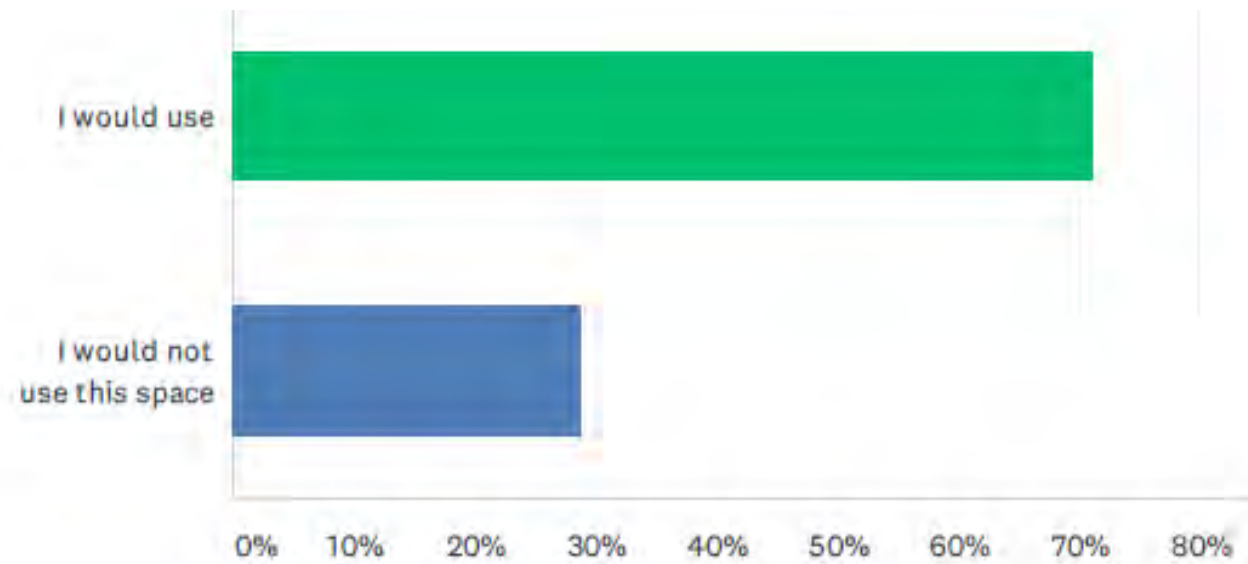
2. What are your preferences for maintained recreation areas in addition to the Destinations listed above? Circle the following activities that you would use.

Disc Golf Model Airplane Flying Art/Sculpture Kite Flying

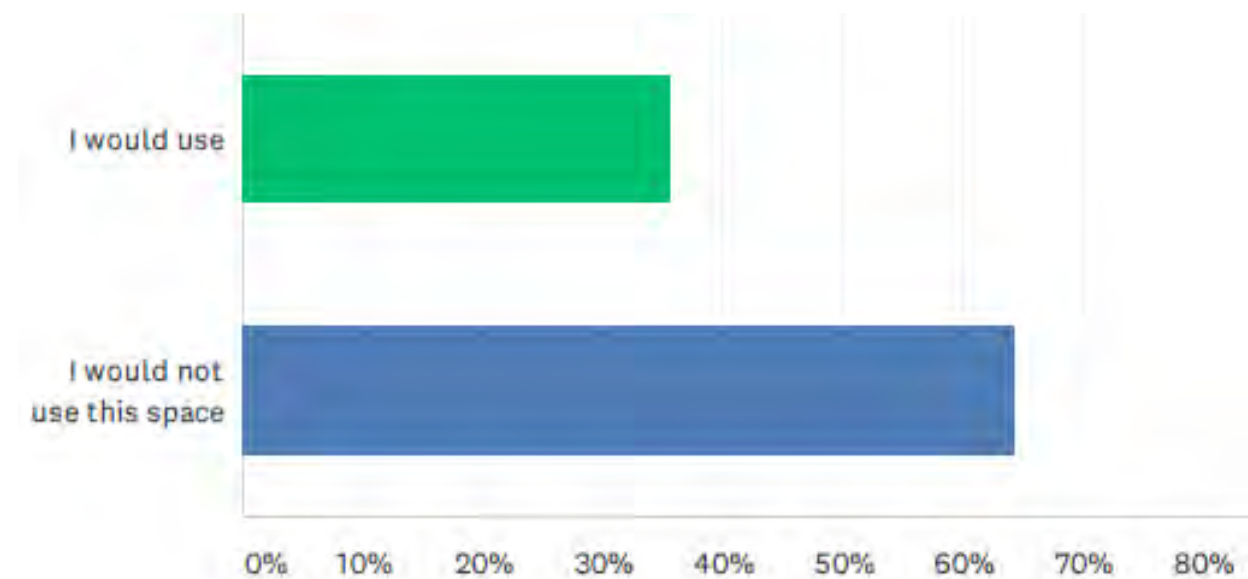
3. Will the presence of a solar field impact how you use the recreation amenities?

4. Identify which Homeowners Association do you belong to.

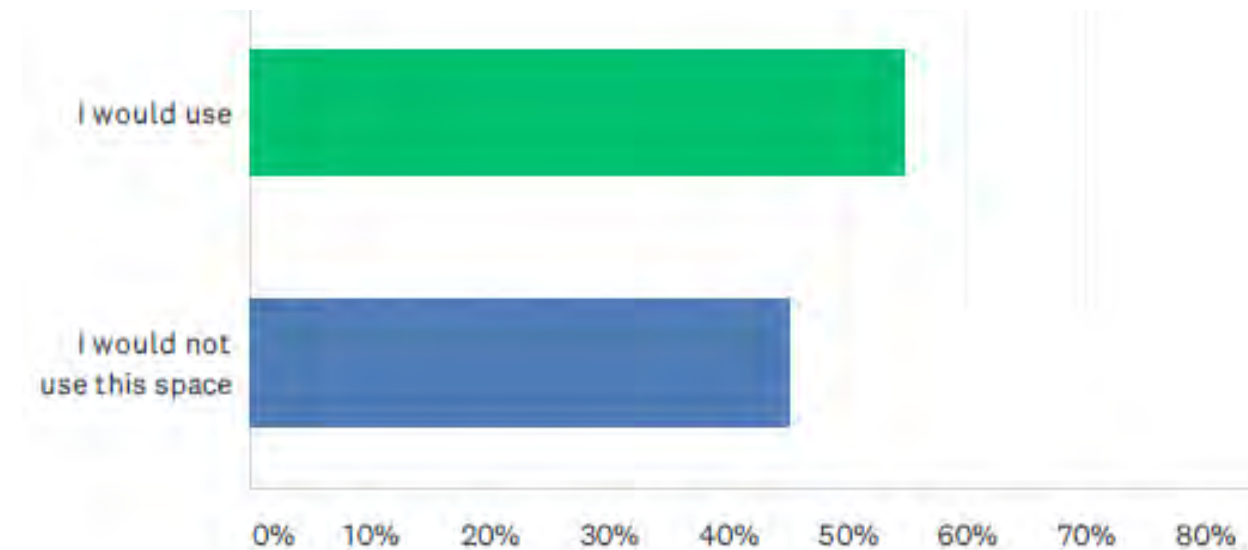
Question No. IA - DESTINATION HIGH POINT LOOKOUT



Question No. IB - DESTINATION DOG PLAY

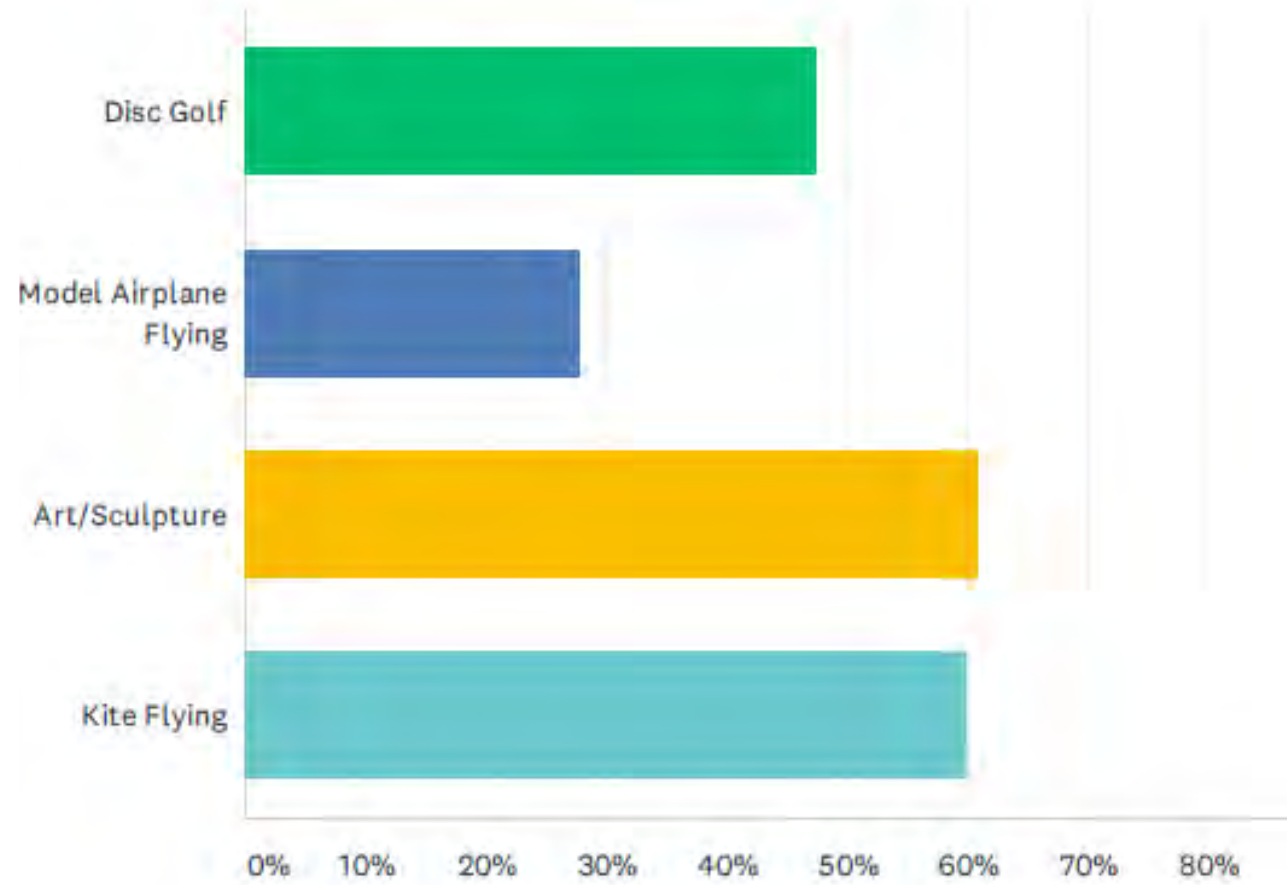


Question No. IC - DESTINATION CHILDREN’S NATURE PLAY

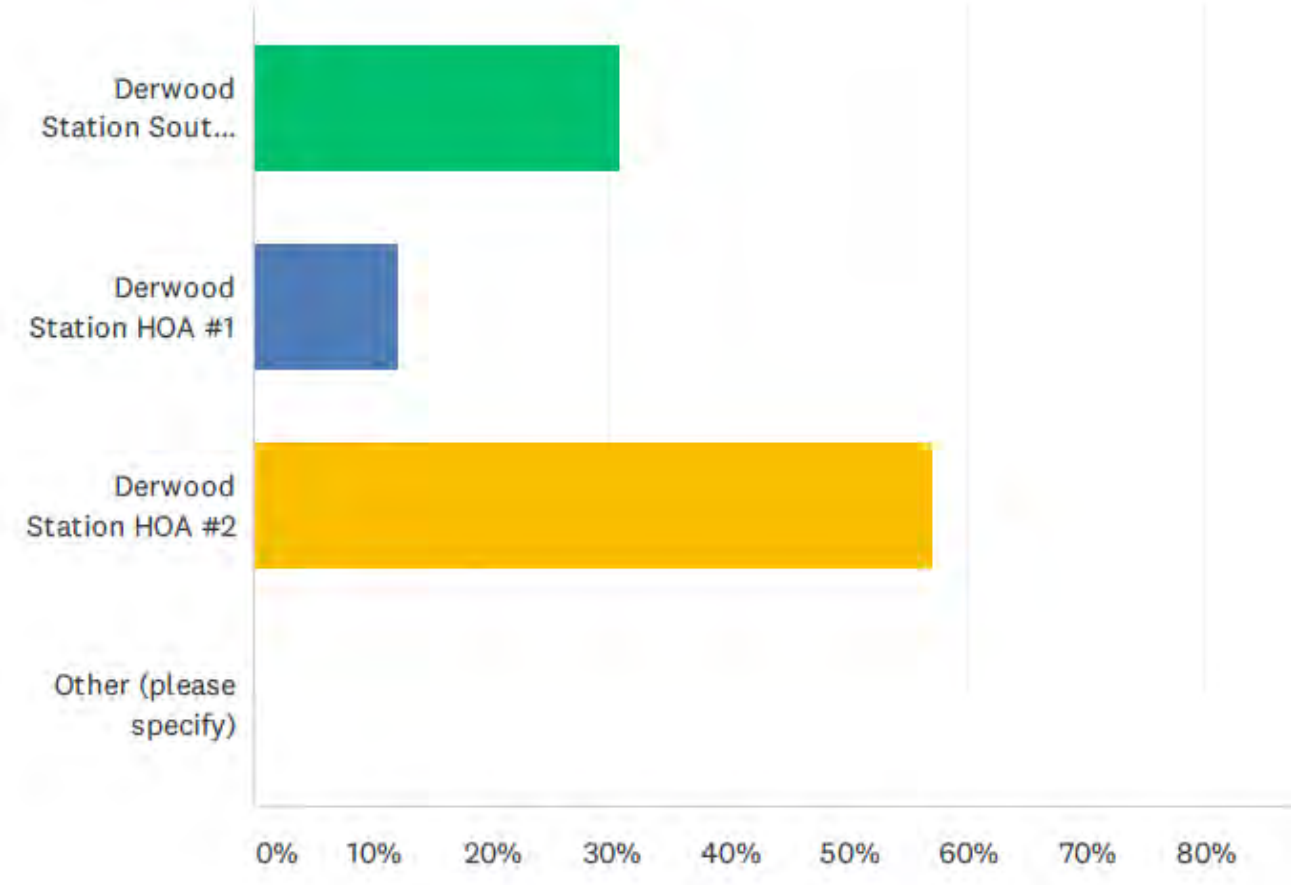


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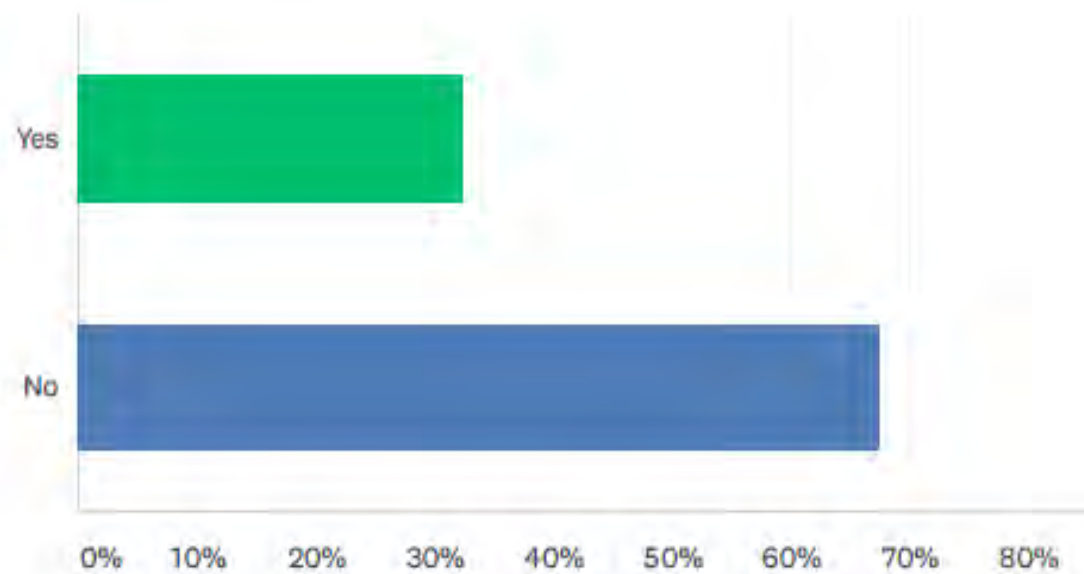
Question No. 2 - RECREATION ACTIVITY PREFERENCES



Question No. 4 - SURVEY RESPONDENTS



Question No. 3 - WILL THE PRESENCE OF A SOLAR FIELD IMPACT HOW YOU USE THE RECREATION AMENITIES?



PREFERRED CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLAN



PREFERRED CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLAN - LAND USE ACTIVITIES

DESTINATIONS

HIGHPOINT LOOKOUT & KITE FLYING 2 AC
CHILDREN'S NATURE PLAY 1.5 AC
DOG PLAY OFF LEASH 2 AC
DISC GOLF 5 AC

RECREATION TRAIL NETWORK

PRIMARY TRAIL - GRAVEL SURFACE 15,000 LF
SECONDARY TRAIL - GRASS SURFACE 2,000 LF

RENEWABLE ENERGY

SOLAR FIELD 25 AC

STORMWATER FACILITIES

PONDS 6 AC

WAYSTATIONS & ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

WAYSTATION #1 - WEATHER STATION
WAYSTATION #2 - STORMWATER/DRAINAGE
WAYSTATION #3 - ART INSTALLATION
WAYSTATION #4 - POLLINATOR AND AVIAN HABITAT

HABITAT CREATION & ECOLOGICAL AWARENESS

NATIVE MEADOW 55 AC
INCLUDING: BIRDWATCHING
ENVIRONMENTAL ART
BIRD HOUSES

PRESERVED EXISTING FOREST 60 AC

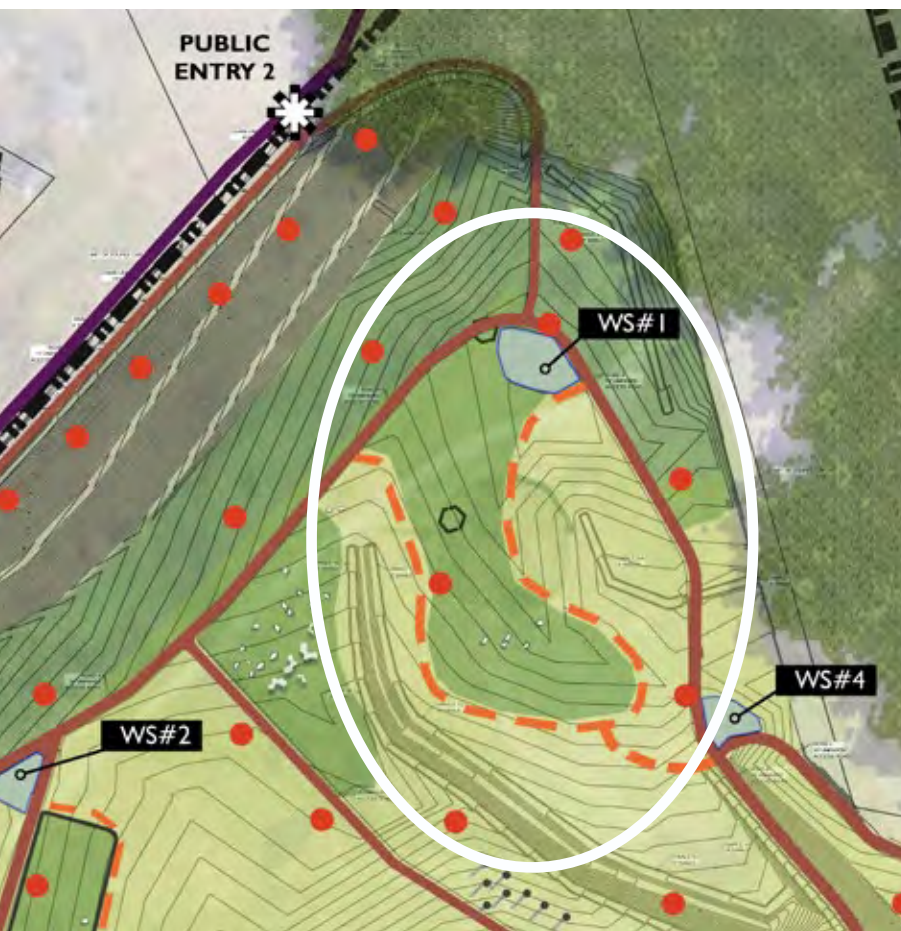


DESTINATION - HIGH POINT LOOKOUT



- **Highest elevation on-site**
 - **View of Rockville Skyline**
 - **1/2 mile from Entry #1**
 - **Less than 1/4 mile from Entry #2**
 - **Maintained Lawn /Short Meadow**
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- **Potential Uses:**
 - Kite-flying**
 - Seating /Rest in Nature**
 - Birdwatching**
 - Walking**

PLAN



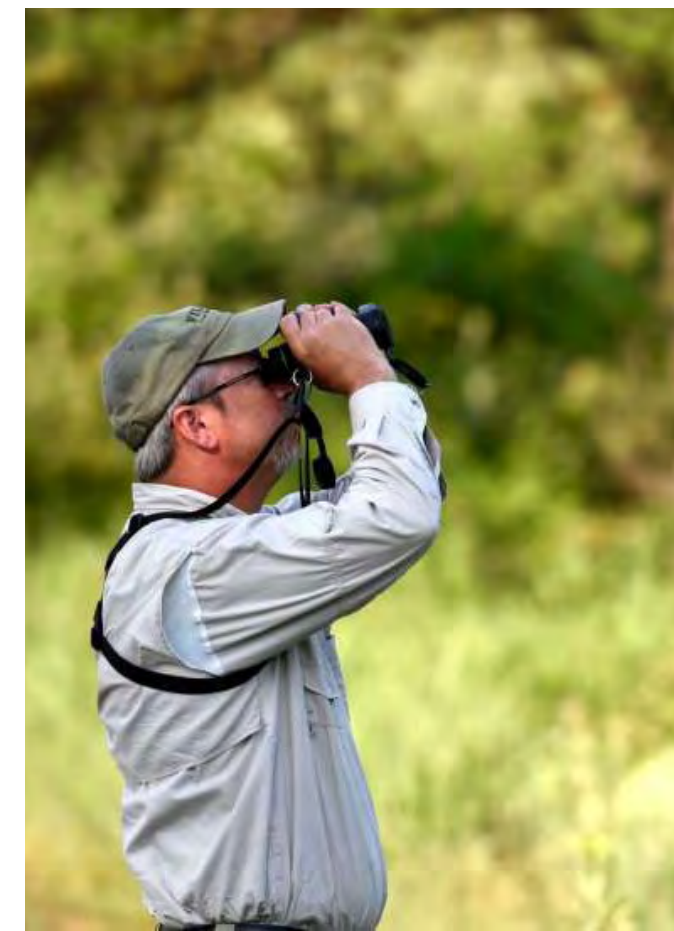
KITE-FLYING



SEATING / REST IN NATURE



BIRDWATCHING



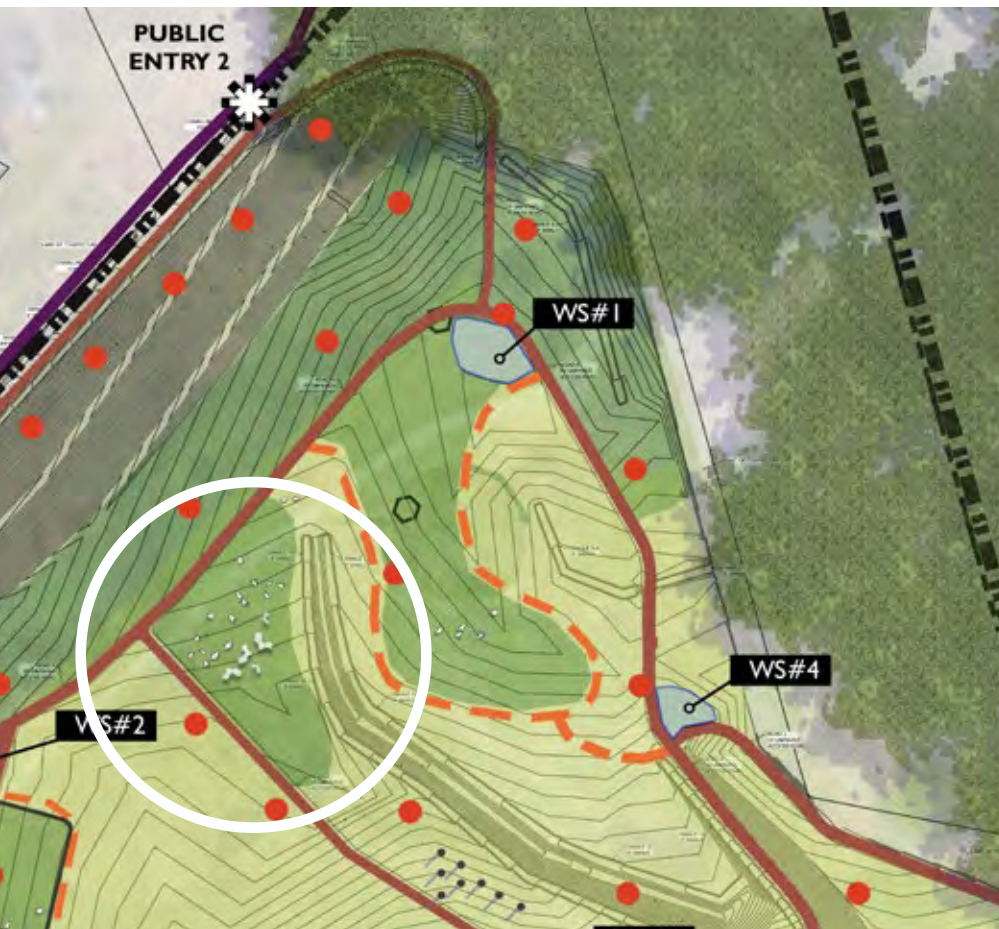
DESTINATION - CHILDREN'S NATURE PLAY



- **Designated Area**
- **Maintained Lawn / Mulched Area**
- **Easy to Access /High visibility**

- **Nature Inspired Play Elements**
- **Encourages Exploration**
- **Children Curate their Own Play Experience**

PLAN



BIRD HOUSES



MAGNIFYING GLASS



GAMES



DESTINATION - DOG PLAY OFF LEASH



- **Designated Area**
- **Fenced /Enclosed Space**
- **Maintained Lawn /Short Meadow**

- **Supervised /Off Leash Play**
- **Double Gated Entrance**
- **Separate Areas for Large and Small Dogs**

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SEATING



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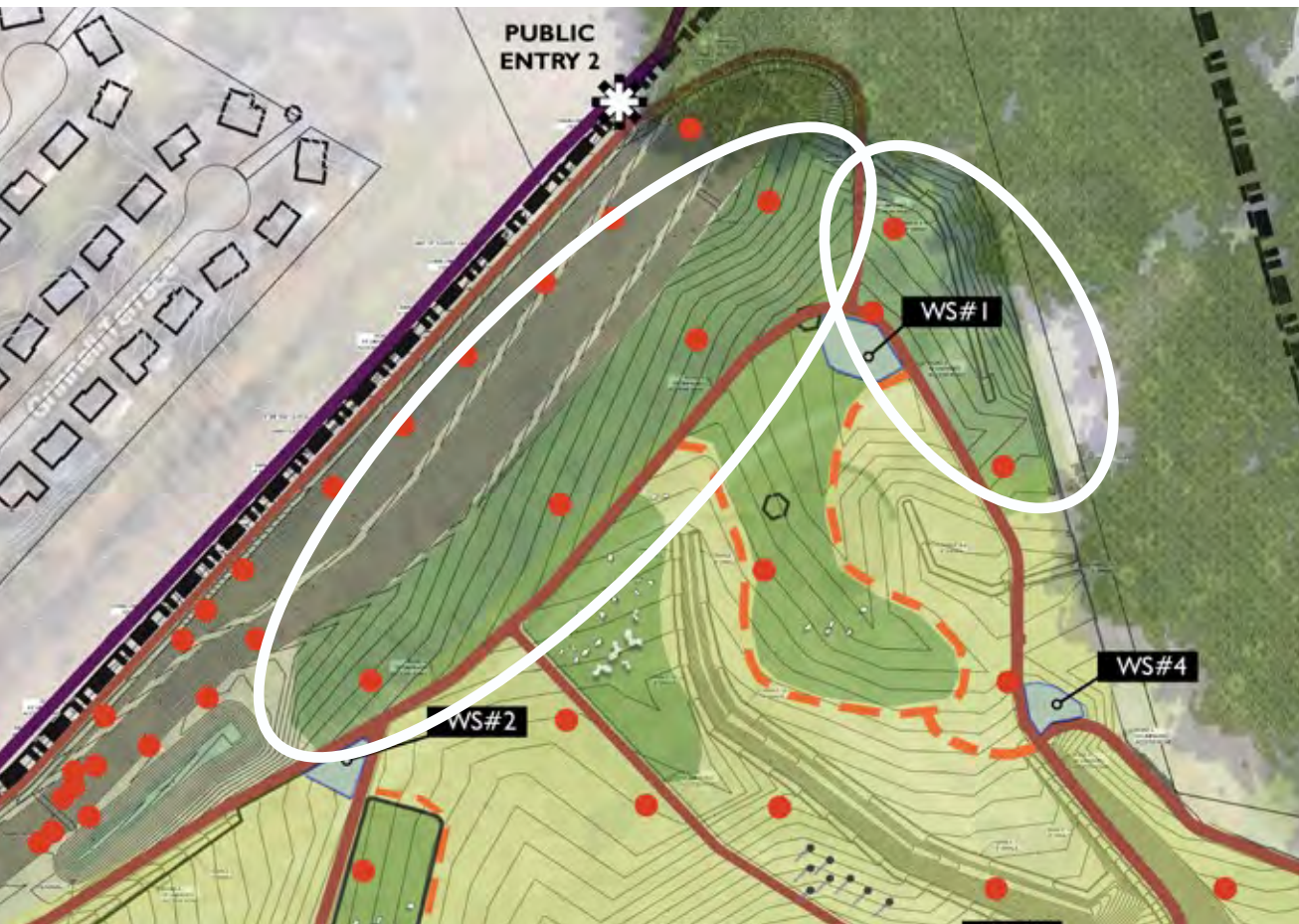


DESTINATION - DISC GOLF



- Designated Area
- 9-hole Course
- Maintained Lawn /Short Meadow

PLAN



SIGNAGE

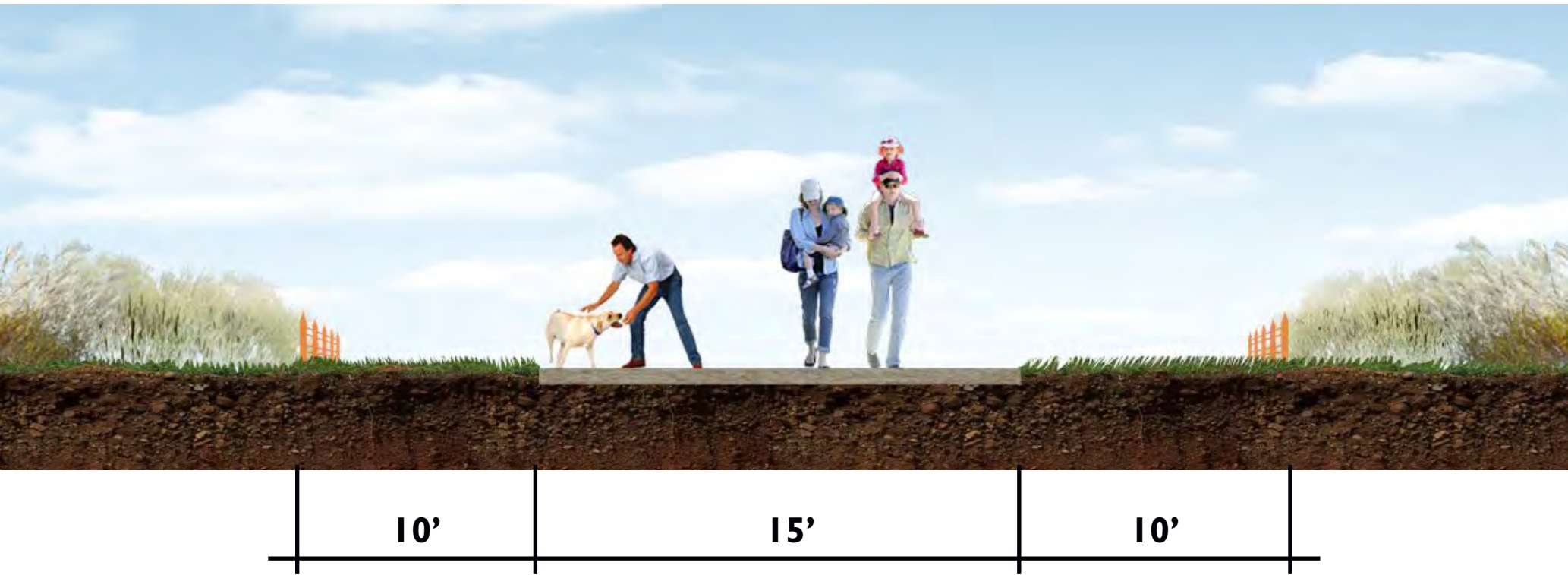


TEE BOX



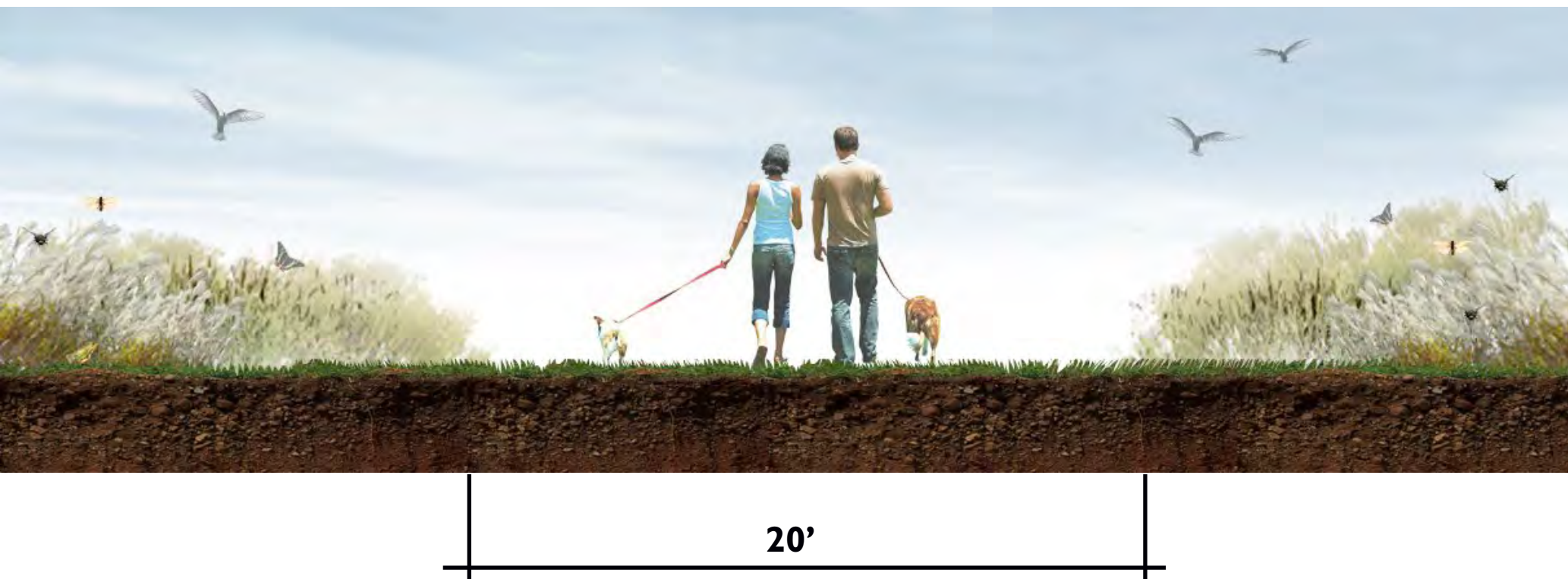
RECREATION TRAIL NETWORK

GRAVEL PUBLIC ACCESS



- **Multi-functional, serves both recreation access and monitoring well access**

GRASS PUBLIC ACCESS



- **Serves recreation access**

WAYSTATIONS and ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION



- Waystation #1 - Weather Station**
- Waystation #2 - Stormwater / Drainage**
- Waystation #3 - Environmental Art**
- Waystation #4 - Pollinator and Avian Habitat**

Elements included at waystations:

- trail marker and directional signage
- wayfinding map
- educational signage
- seating

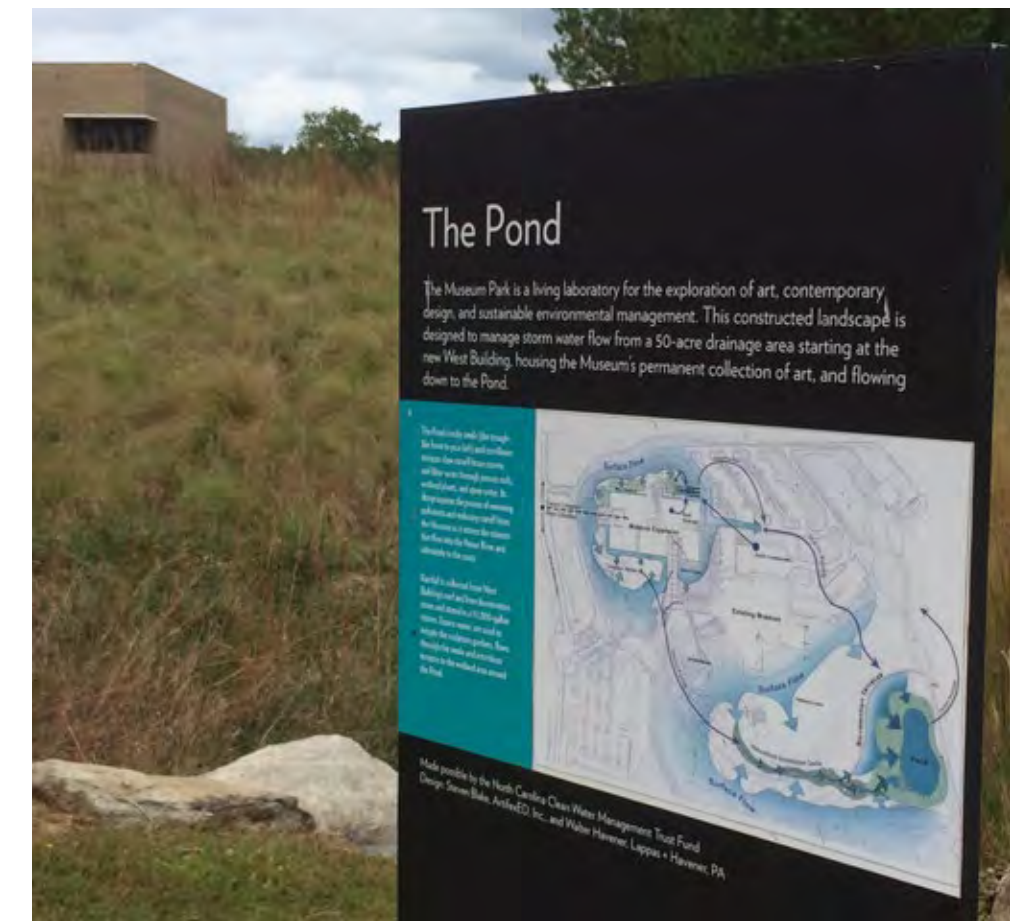
ENVIRONMENTAL ART



SEATING



EDUCATIONAL SIGNAGE



HABITAT CREATION and ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS



- **Open Field**
- **Native Meadow Planting**
- **Avian Habitat /Bird Boxes**
- **Educational Signage**

EDUCATIONAL SIGNAGE

NATIVE MEADOW

AVIAN HABITAT



NEXT STEPS

- **INCORPORATE DESIGN OF RECREATION USES INTO THE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS**
- **INVESTIGATE AND INVENTORY EXISTING AVIAN SPECIES TO INFORM HABITAT RESTORATION**



GUDE LANDFILL BIRD COUNT

Facilitated by: FLOURA TEETER LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

In partnership with: MONTGOMERY BIRD CLUB

When: Sunday, October 20, 2019 7am - 10am

Where: 600 E. Gude Drive

What: Investigate and inventory avian species

Why: Inform habitat restoration and reuse of Gude Landfill

