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Meeting Notes

Project: Twin Lakes Park **Meeting Date:** March 2, 2016

Re: Public Meeting

Location: Adams County Parks Office

Date Issued: March 11, 2016

Present: Paul Thomas, Stream Design

Will Iadevaia, Stream Design

Marc Pedrucci, Adams County Parks Aaron Clark, Adams County Parks

Summarize meeting:

Aaron Clark (Adams County Parks) began the meeting by introducing the team, outlining the goals and objectives for the public meeting. Following the introduction, Will Iadevaia (Stream Design) presented the preliminary site assessment and the opportunities for improvement as assessed by Stream Design.

The assessment analyzed many of the current site issues which included:

- Restroom upgrade/ vandalization prevention
- Outdated Playground
- Eroded lake edge
- Neighborhood connection on the west edge of site
- Damaged portion of concrete trail at the southwest corner of site
- Lake peninsula improvements
- Natural vegetation restoration the small lake at the southeast corner of site

Topics Discussed:

Following the presentation, both Stream Design and Adams County fielded questions and comments regarding site improvement and current site issues.

- 1. Several attendees expressed that the crusher fines trail gets muddy and difficult to walk on when wet/snowy and would like to see this area converted to a concrete trail
- 2. Several attendees expressed concerns regarding the large cottonwood grove in the southwest corner of the site.
 - a. Drainage is poor; this area often gets flooded
 - i. Can we raise it? Drain it—into lake?
 - ii. Mosquitoes/Offensive odors in summer

- iii. Install bat houses for insect control
- iv. Many of these are old cottonwoods, ready to fall/safety problems
- v. Area is poorly lit, safety concerns, people hide back there
- vi. Visibility poor when cottonwoods are in leaf
- 3. Several attendees commented that the ditch riders leave debris/branches in park
- 4. Several attendees commented that the culvert Crossing needs to be replaced
- 5. Lighting doesn't work, entire park is dark at night. Vandalism concerns. Visibility and access issues for the Sherriff.
- 6. Several attendees desired improved access around smaller lake located in the southeast corner of the site with revegetation and "nature" trail. Area needs to be improved generally, lots of dumping and vandalism here.
- 7. An attendee expressed a desire for "age-diverse" recreation. Not just playgrounds for kids, but exercise equipment, possibly a basketball or volleyball court. (Note that this was not a popular suggestion, most people at the meeting seemed to want the park to remain focused on open space, pointing out that there is exercise equipment at a nearby school)
- 8. Several attendees expressed interest in providing pavilions on the lake peninsula.
 - a. Trail to these from parking lot?
- 9. Several attendees commented north side of park is steep, no shade—plant trees?
- 10. Several attendees commented that the entry from neighborhood needs improvement
 - a. gates
 - b. signage
- 11. Many of the attendees expressed the need for more trees/more shade.
- 12. Several attendees Concerns about park being closed during construction

Stream Design believes this report accurately reflects what transpired at the meeting. Please provide comment to the appropriate project manager if you have a different understanding of what occurred or would like to add specifics or additional information. Notification should be made within 5 working days of issuing this report, after which, it is assumed that all parties agree that this report is accurate.