

MetroParks Board Meeting 2024 Capital Improvement Projects

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Presentation Outline

- MetroParks Mission Statement
- Strategic Master Plan
- MetroParks Properties/Facilities
- Long Range Capital Planning
- Proposed 2024 Capital Improvement Projects
- Professional Consultant Services
- Comments/Questions









Mission Statement

The mission of Mill Creek MetroParks is to provide park, recreational, educational and open space facilities of regional significance. In fulfilling this mission our objectives are:

- To be responsive to community needs
- To be environmentally sound
- To be adaptable
- To be economically feasible

Link to Mission Statement:

http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/contact/about/mission-statement/





2024 Capital Improvements

Strategic Master Plan

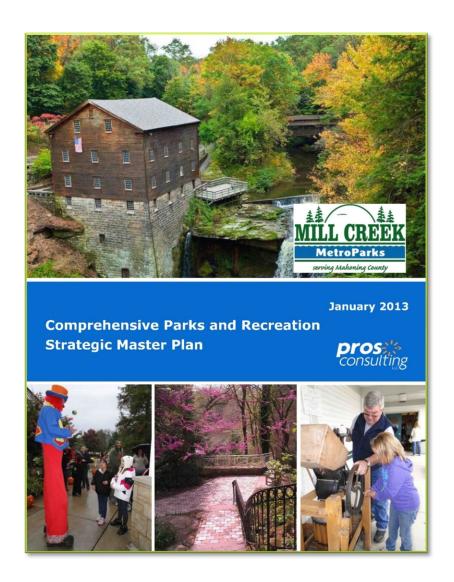
- Chapter 7: Implementation Plan
 - Infrastructure

GOAL: "Create an effective capital improvement and maintenance plan to preserve the historic aspects of Mill Creek MetroParks as well as provide a safe and enjoyable experience."

Link to Strategic Master Plan:

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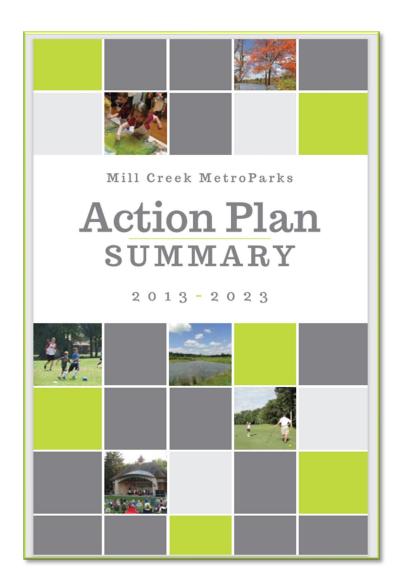
- Chapter 7: Implementation Plan
 - Natural Resources

GOAL: "Enhance Mill Creek MetroParks' management of natural resources through improved access of developed trails, opening new parks in the underserved areas of the County, and incorporation of a natural resources management plan."

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Planning & Operations Department Mission

Strive for excellence in all aspects of our work, with thorough attention to aesthetic, environmental, historical and economic considerations, through collaborative efforts, to produce highly successful and tangible results for current and future MetroParks' guests."

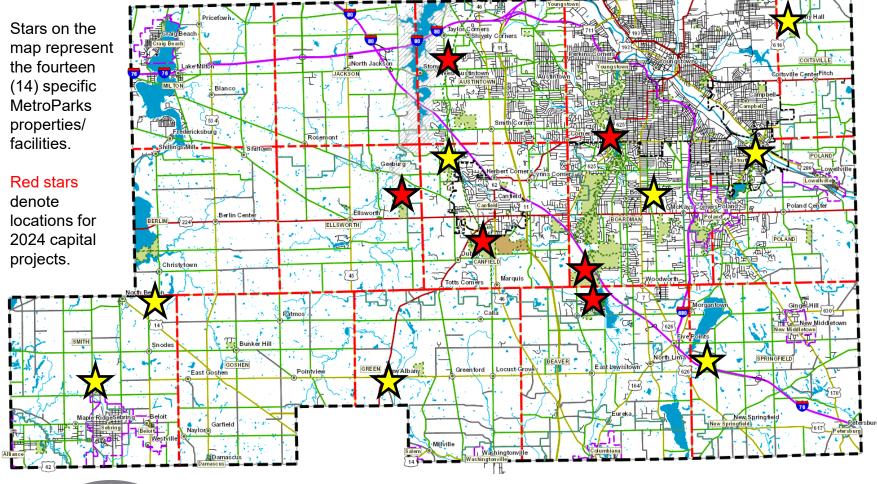






2024 Capital Improvements

<u>MetroParks Properties/Facilities – Mahoning County</u>





Mill Creek MetroParks

Properties/Facilities

- Fourteen (14) separate locations
- 9 Townships
- 3 Cities
- 1 Village

Land Uses

- Active Recreation
- Passive Recreation
- Preserves/Natural Areas
- Working Farm
- Bikeway
- Equestrian

Statistics

- 5,012.96 acres
- 20.37 miles of roads
- 9 vehicular and 9 stone arch bridges on ODOT inventory; 7 pedestrian bridges
- 20.92 acres of parking lots
- 32+ miles hiking trails
- 17.59 miles of paved multipurpose trails
- 226,117 square feet of structures
- 3 large lakes/dams; numerous ponds



- In 2022, MCMP reached the following milestones:
 - 5000+ Acres of MetroParks-Owned Property
 - 50+ Miles of Trails
 - 14 Mahoning County Jurisdictions



Long Range Capital Improvement Planning





Proposed 2024 Budget: Capital Improvement Projects

- Annual Road Improvements
- Annual Parking Lot Improvements
- Annual Trail Improvements
- Annual Pavilion / Structure Improvements
- Golf Course Improvements
- Vickers Nature Preserve Improvements
- Lanterman's Mill Site Improvements
- Wildlife Sanctuary Expansion Site Improvements
- Collier Preserve Improvements
- Fellows Riverside Gardens
 - DD & Velma Davis Center Improvements
 - Beeghly Rose Garden Improvements
 - Fellows Riverside Gardens Site Improvements

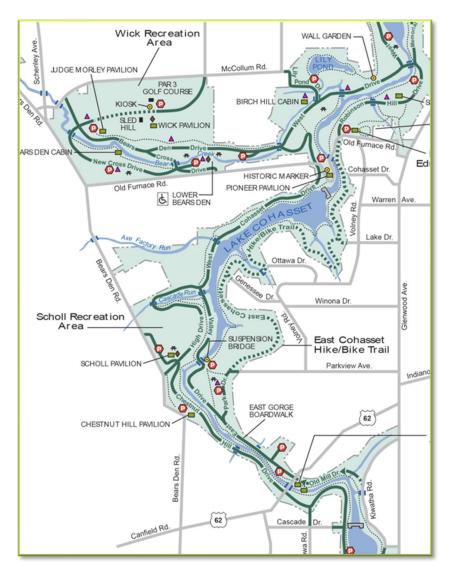
- Contracted Design / Contract Administration
 - Annual Pavilion Improvements Design
 - Vickers Nature Preserve Improvements Phase III CA
 - Annual Road Improvements Design & Environmental
- 2023 Carryover Projects
 - Wick Recreation Center Redevelopment
 - Vickers Nature Preserve Improvements Phase II
 - Hawkins Marsh Improvements

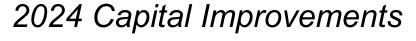


Annual Drive Improvements

- \$350,000 Budgeted
 - \$107,367 from ODOT/OPRA Park District Road Tax Biennium Allocation
- Valley Drive (Suspension Bridge to High Drive), West Cohasset Drive, Lily Pond Drive
 - Improve vehicular and bicyclist/pedestrian circulation
 - Improve stormwater management
 - Compliment recent trail and parking lot improvements
 - Work includes asphalt patching, planing and overlay paving, pavement markings, aggregate shoulders



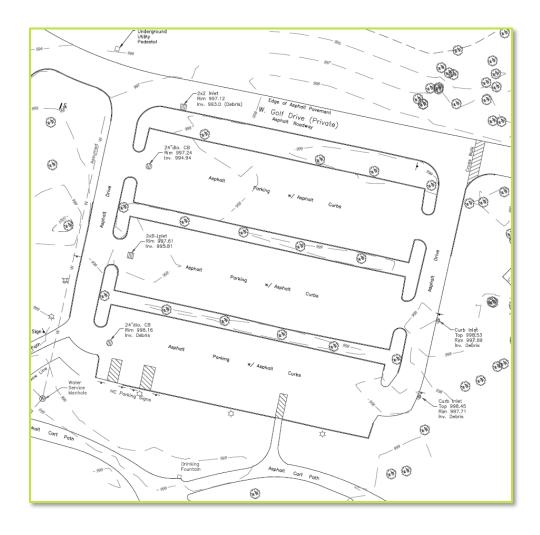






Annual Parking Lot Improvements

- \$350,000 Budgeted
- Mill Creek Golf Course South
 - Improve vehicular, pedestrian and cart circulation
 - Improve safety and trailhead amenities
 - Compliment recent trail and parking lot improvements
 - Work includes storm water infrastructure improvements, asphalt paving & pavement markings, curbing, signage, etc.





Annual Trail Improvements

\$250,000 Budgeted

\$29,000 in 3rd party funds

Mill Creek Park Hiking Trails

- Private philanthropy PENDING
- West Newport (Newport Dam to Covered Bridge)
- Improvement to trail surfacing, stormwater drainage and infrastructure, signage, access

Vickers Nature Preserve

- Funded through endowment funding
- Equestrian trail improvements
- Resilient aggregate surfacing
- Improvement to trail surfacing, stormwater drainage and infrastructure, signage, access

MetroParks Bikeway

- Pavement planing
- Regrading aggregate base
- Asphalt overlay
- Shoulder work / berming









2024 Capital Improvements

<u>Annual Pavilion / Structure</u> <u>Improvements</u>

- \$100,000 Budgeted
- Vickers Nature Preserve
 - Stable, office, pavilion improvements
- Bears Den Operations Service Facility
 - Building/Roof Repairs and Improvements









Mill Creek Golf Course Improvements

- \$11,000 Budgeted
 - 100% through Golf Course endowment
- Landscape Bed / Planting Upgrades
 - Improvements to existing landscape areas (formal beds, memorial beds, facility signage areas, etc.)
 - Additional of new landscape areas
 - Landscaping to enhance improves areas
 - Focus on native, low maintenance, plant species
 - Improved surfacing and bed delineation









Vickers Nature Preserve <u>Improvements</u>

- \$625,000 Budgeted
- Phase III Master Plan Improvements
 - Construction of new 4-season pavilion
 - Asphalt overlay for new public parking lot
 - Frontage Treatment/Curb Appeal
 - **Trail Improvements**

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- **Native Plantings**
- Pedestrian Circulation











Lanterman's Mill Site Improvements

- \$11,000 Budgeted
 - 100% \$ through Mill endowment funds
- Mill Entrance/Deck Improvements
 - Repair to Front Entrance into the Mill





Mill Creek Wildlife Sanctuary Expansion Improvements

- \$200,000 Budgeted
 - \$150,000 through Clean Ohio Conservation Fund Grant
- Site and Accessibility Improvements
 - New entry drive
 - New parking lot
 - New hiking trail network
- Habitat Improvements
 - Ecological Restoration
 - Planting Native Species
 - Vegetative Invasive Species Control
- Partnership w/ The Nature Conservancy
 - 30+ acre wetland restoration project









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Collier Preserve Improvements

- \$20,000 Budgeted
- Habitat and Site Improvements
- Vegetative Invasive Species Control
- Accessibility Improvements







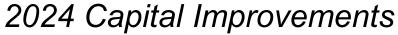
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Fellows Riverside Gardens Improvements

- \$316,000 Budgeted
 - \$116,000 through Endowment Funds
- Davis Education & Visitor Center
 - Redevelopment of Lower Terrace
- Rose Garden Improvements
 - Additional and replacement roses
- FRG Site Improvements
 - Restroom Upgrades
 - Parking Lot Enhancements









Professional Consultant Services: Contracted Design / Contract Administration

- Annual Pavilion Improvements Design
 - \$50,000 Budgeted
 - MetroParks Farm Pavilion
 - DD/Construction Document Preparation
- Vickers Nature Preserve Improvements
 - \$50,000 Budgeted
 - Construction Administration for Phase III Improvements
- Annual Road/Bridge Improvements Design
 - \$50,000 Budgeted
 - Slippery Rock Bridge (West Glacier Drive) Rehabilitation
 - Environmental Surveys & Reporting; DD/Construction Document Preparation



Comments or Questions?



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