

Let's Play!

TO: Karlene Fine
Industrial Commission
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FROM: Greg Smith
Bismarck Parks & Recreation District, Operations Director

DATE: April 28, 2015

RE: OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND GRANT
Trailhead/Neighborhood Park Progress Report

Karlene,

The rough grading of the park is now complete, including the parking area, trail connection and general levelling of the site. The trail has now been paved as part of the larger project including funds from the T.A.P. and Rec Trails Program. The trail continues through the park area, and is now complete.

The playground project, including play areas for 2 – 5 year old and 5- 12 year children, as well as swings, is nearly complete. Once the concrete curb and gutter border has been poured and cured the geotextile fabric and Engineered Wood Fiber safety surfacing will be installed by Bismarck Park District staff. The surfacing material will not only reduce the risk of head injuries due to falls, if maintained properly it provides an accessible surface to users in wheelchairs, making the play opportunities inclusive to children of all abilities.






BPRD has also worked with a local community garden group, who has submitted for and received a Bismarck Parks and Recreation District matching grant to bring water from the street to the community gardens location so that the community gardens might have a close by source of water. Sealed quotes were opened on November 6, 2014 and the work awarded to Weisz & Sons. The water service installation should be completed prior to June 30, 2015. Installation of the vault that will house the water meter and backflow preventer has been completed as of this date.

BPRD bid out the remainder of the work at the Trailhead/Neighborhood Park in February, including all concrete and paving work, the installation of the pickleball courts and the addition of additional site amenities and interpretive signs. Bids were received on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 1:30pm. The bid was awarded to Weisz & Sons, Inc., who submitted the lowest bid, in the amount of \$307,192.55. This bid price includes all proposed alternates. The remaining project includes the following work:

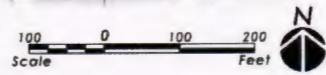
- paving of the pickleball court, court fencing, and all access paths
- pickleball court pavement surfacing
- playground curb
- four park benches
- a pedestrian bridge
- all landscape plantings and seeding
- lighting
- interpretive signs

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Legend

-  5-12 Age Playground
-  2-5 Age Playground
-  Picnic Shelter
-  Junior Tennis/
Pickleball Courts
-  Community Gardens

Fall 2014

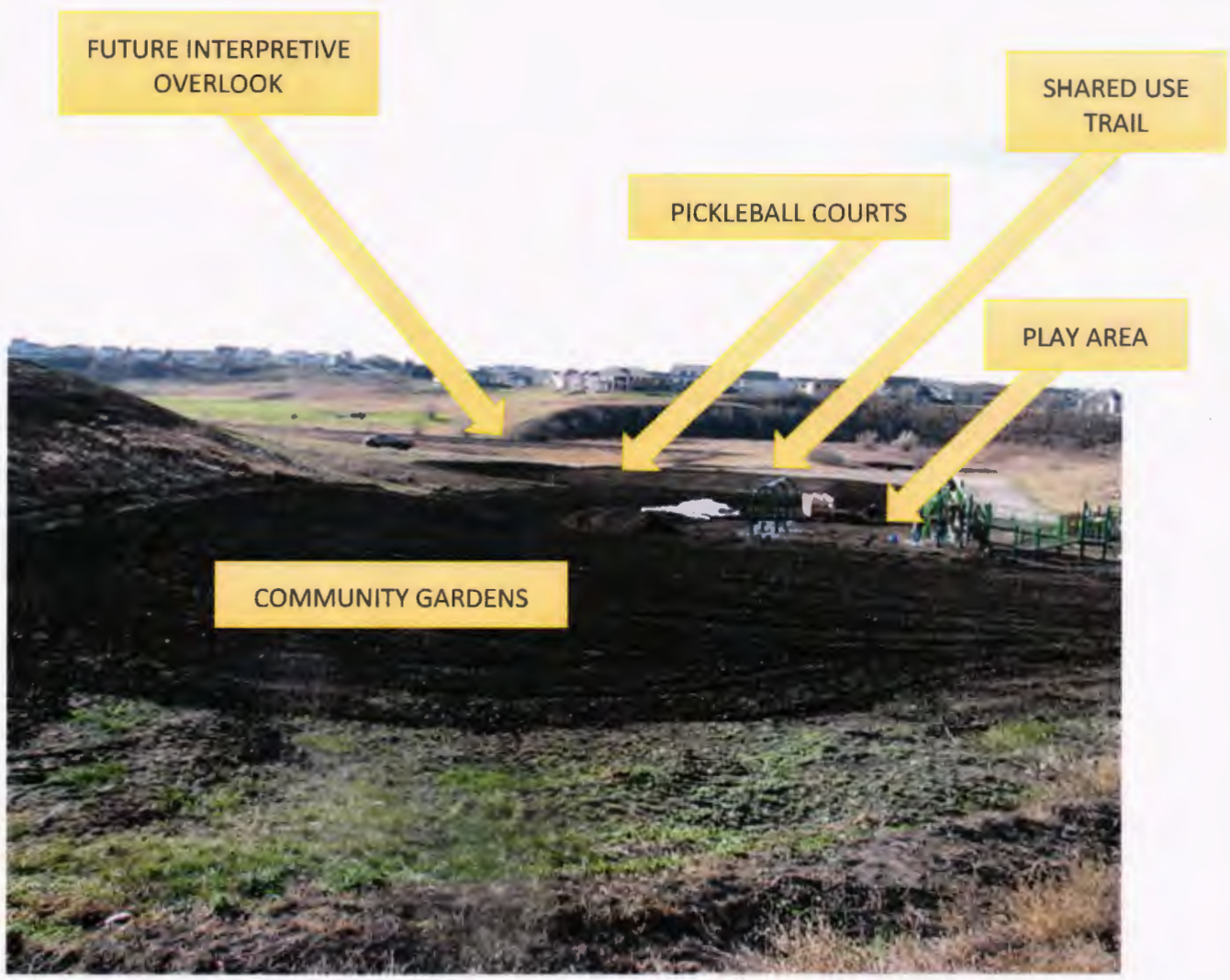


Trailhead/Neighborhood Park - Concept Plan

Bismarck, North Dakota

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View from the community gardens looking west toward conservation area



View from the trail looking back toward the community gardens and playground



View along the shared use trail looking toward conservation area and future overlook



Play Area