

Parks, Recreation and Cultural
Resources Department

Leesville Community Park and Strickland Rd. Neighborhood Park Site Improvements

PRGAB Presentation
February 15, 2024



Raleigh



Leesville Community Park and Strickland Road Neighborhood Park Site Improvements

- Permanent restroom facilities
- Additional outdoor amenities
- Bond funding: \$2 million



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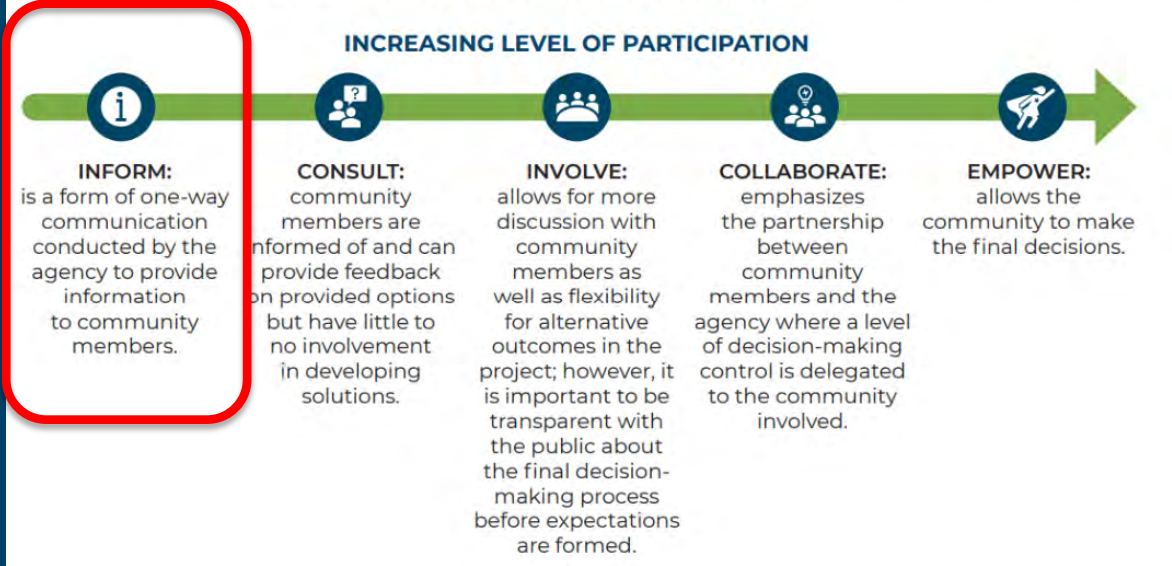
Project Schedule

- Summer 2023 – Present: Schematic Design
- Jan 27, 2024: Open House Meeting
- February 15, 2024: PRGAB Presentation
- Spring - Fall 2024: Final Design and Permitting
- Fall 2024 – Early 2026: Bidding and Construction

Public Engagement Pathway

IAP2 SPECTRUM

The IAP2 Spectrum was designed to assist with the selection of the level of participation that defines the public's role and the public participation goal that will drive the engagement process. Each level of public participation and the accompanying goal on the spectrum suggests that a commitment is being made to the public, and that the agency promises to take the identified action that will achieve the goal of the level selected.



Refer to <https://cityofraleigh0drupal.blob.core.usgovcloudapi.net/drupal-prod/COR22/CEPDPlaybook.pdf> for more detailed descriptions of the public participation pathways.

STRICKLAND ROAD
NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

LEESVILLE
COMMUNITY PARK

Raleigh-Durham
Airport (RDU)



Development of Schematic Design Options

- Summer – Fall 2023 - Coordination meetings Design Resource Team (DRT) reviews
 - PRCR and Stormwater staff
 - Scope development
 - Review of improvements options
 - Selection of Schematic Design plan
- Early 2024 – Continued collaboration with PRCR staff



Leesville Community Park

Credit: WithersRavenel



Leesville Community Park

- 5105 Country Trail, Raleigh
- 56 acres
- Original park development: 2007



Leesville Community Park

Existing Amenities:

- Wake County Library
- Playground with mulch surfacing and shade sail
- Restroom trailer
- Benches
- Walking trails in parking lot island
 - Cemetery
- Social trails, throughout wooded area
- Greenway (connects Country Trail and Whitley Drive)

Existing Conditions



INVENTORY & SITE PHOTOS



EXISTING TEMPORARY RESTROOM (D)



(A) EXISTING WELL



EXISTING SHADE SAIL (B)



EXISTING PLAY EQUIPMENT (G)



(G)



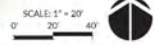
EXISTING TRAILHEAD (H)



CENTRAL PARKING ISLAND & HOMESTEAD SITE (E)



- LEGEND**
- EXISTING UNPAVED TRAILS
 - EXISTING PAVED PATHS
 - EXISTING PLAY AREA
 - EXISTING TREES, TO BE PROTECTED
 - EXISTING UTILITY, WATER SERVICE LINE
 - EXISTING UTILITY, SEWER SERVICE LINE
 - EXISTING ALUMINUM FENCE
 - (A) EXISTING WELL, TO BE PROTECTED
 - (B) EXISTING SHADE SAIL
 - (C) EXISTING BIKE RACK
 - (D) EXISTING TEMPORARY RESTROOM
 - (E) EXISTING HISTORIC HOMESTEAD SITE
 - (F) EXISTING HISTORIC CEMETERY
 - (G) EXISTING PLAY EQUIPMENT
 - (H) TRAILHEAD TO SOCIAL TRAILS



- Expanded play area with shade and poured-in-place surface
- Permanent restroom
- Pedestrian circulation to library
- Reading & seating area

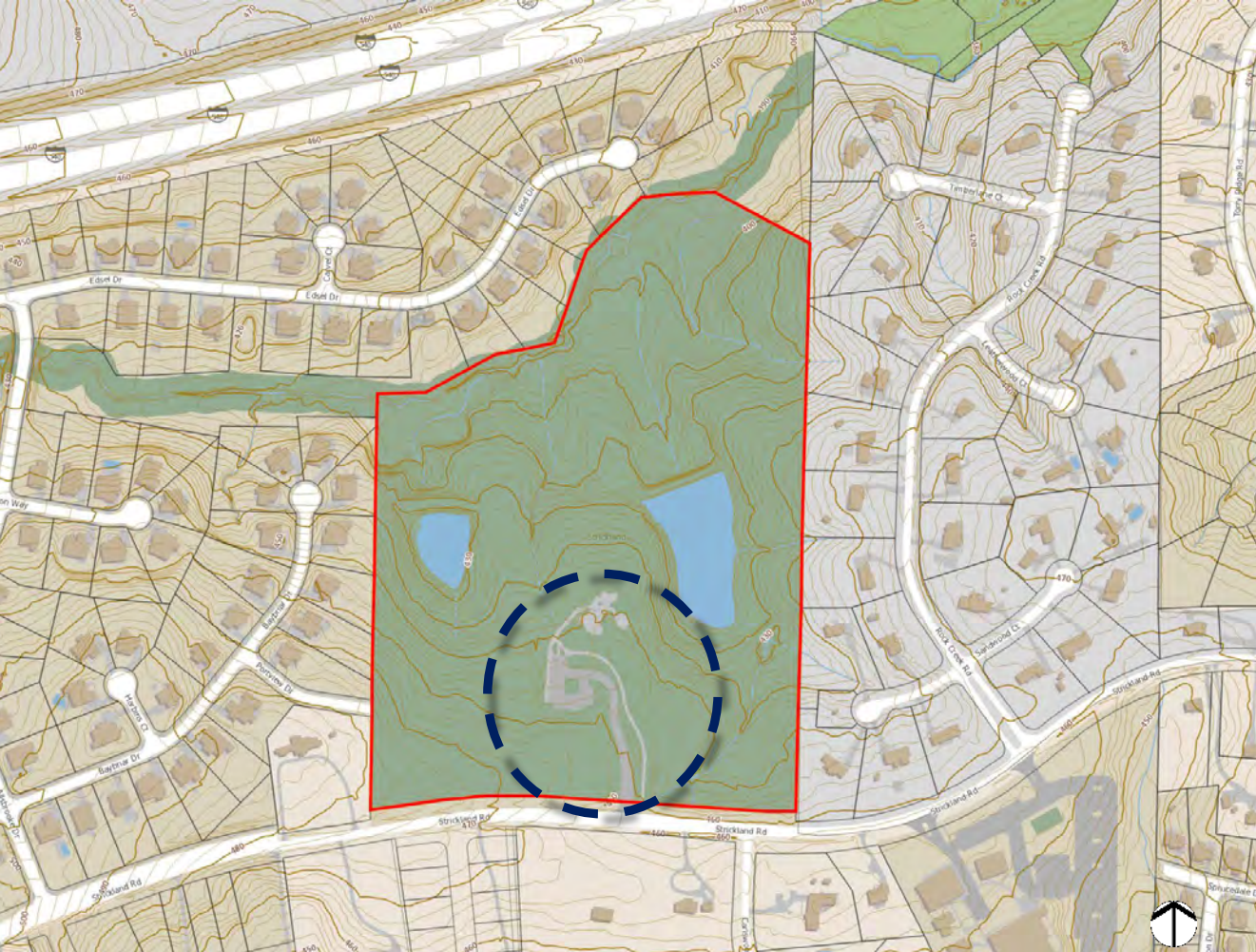


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Strickland Road Neighborhood Park

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Strickland Rd. Neighborhood Park

- 12804 Strickland Rd, Raleigh
- 36 acres
- Original park development: 2009

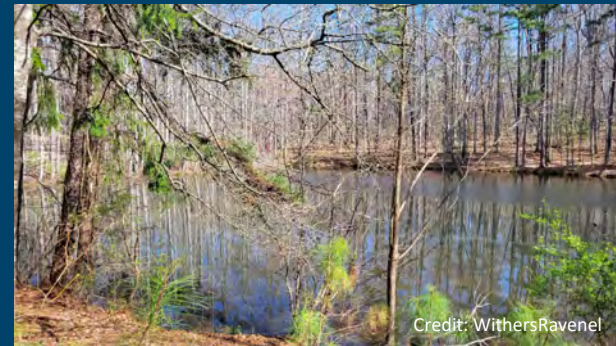
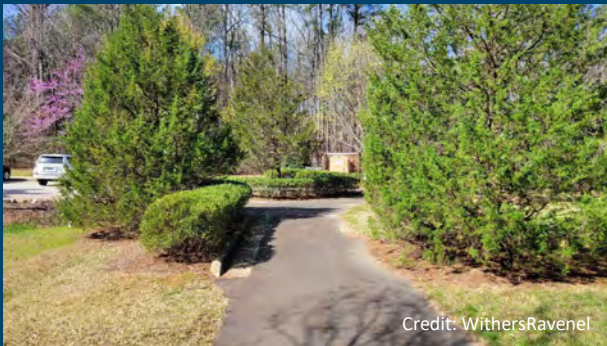


Strickland Road Neighborhood Park

Existing Amenities:

- Playground with poured in place surfacing
- Portable restroom
- Benches & picnic tables
- 2 existing ponds
- Social trails throughout wooded area

Existing Conditions



INVENTORY & SITE PHOTOS



EXISTING TEMPORARY RESTROOM (A)



EXISTING PARK ENTRANCE (I)



EXISTING PLAY EQUIPMENT (D)



(H)



POND VIEW FROM PICNIC AREA (G)



EXISTING PLAYGROUND SEATING (F)



- LEGEND**
- EXISTING UNPAVED TRAILS
 - EXISTING PAVED PATHS
 - EXISTING PLAYGROUND SEATING AREA
 - EXISTING PLAY SURFACING
 - EXISTING SANDBOX
 - EXISTING TREES, TO BE PROTECTED
 - EXISTING TREES, TO BE REMOVED
 - EXISTING UTILITY, WATER SERVICE LINE
 - EXISTING DRAINAGE
 - (A) EXISTING TEMPORARY RESTROOM
 - (B) EXISTING TRASH RECEPTACLES
 - (C) EXISTING PRE-K PLAY AREA
 - (D) EXISTING 5-12 YEAR OLD PLAY AREA
 - (E) EXISTING SWING SET
 - (F) EXISTING PLAYGROUND SEATING AREA
 - (G) EXISTING PLAYGROUND PICNIC AREA
 - (H) EXISTING SITE DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE
 - (I) EXISTING PARK ENTRANCE

SCALE: 3" = 20'
0 20 40'

Credit: WithersRavenel

STRICKLAND ROAD NEIGHBORHOOD PARK - EXISTING CONDITIONS

- Poured-in-place play surface
- Permanent restroom
- Security gate at park entry
- Reconfigured parking area
- Walking loop with overlook
- Bioretention area



GREEN STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE (GSI)



PROPOSED POND OVERLOOK



PROPOSED ENTRY SIGNAGE



PROPOSED RESTROOMS

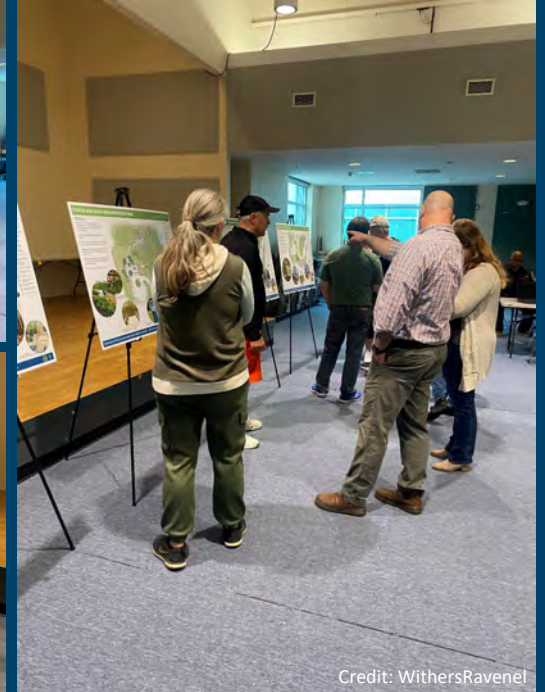


PROPOSED SEAT WALL

Credit: WithersRavenel

Community Engagement

- Public open house
January 27, 2024.
 - Lake Lynn Community Center
- Design plans on project website
- On-site signs and flyers, Parks News, and social media advertising



Next Steps

- Topographic and subsurface utilities survey underway
- **Final Design and Permitting:** Spring – Fall 2024
- **Bidding and Construction:** Fall 2024 - Early 2026

Questions