

Draft Outline for East Regional Park Master Plan

What is a Master Park Plan?

A Master Park Plan is a guidance document to plan for future development at a specific location.

The goal of a Master Park Plan is to preserve the natural amenities and provide for the efficient use of public facilities through a better use of the land.

Why are we doing this?

- To provide city staff a management plan for maintenance conducive to both sensitive species and visitors
- Obtain public input, so the park can be a community space that citizens can utilize and enjoy
- Give city staff guidance on future development within the park
- To help develop a stable and reproductive Western Pond Turtle Population through management strategies

History of the Park

The land that is now East Regional Park was originally a gravel extraction area used during the construction of I-5.

The city, through donation and purchase, acquired all 56.42 acres by 1976. The parks current state is an example of nature reclaiming the land, and is now considered a natural resource area for the city.

Inventory

- Flora
- Fauna
- Park amenities

Park Use:

Primary recreational uses by public, and what the public would also like to be able to use East Regional Park for.

Timeline

The Master Plan will be written during the winter of 2006, and hopefully be ready for implementation for the next maintenance season.

The plan itself will incorporate guidelines for improvements for 1 year, 5 years, and 10 years.

Suggestions from the public, city staff, and cooperative agencies about what they would like to see happen with the park.