



# PARKER'S RIDGE PARK

Moncure, North Carolina  
Joint Public Meeting

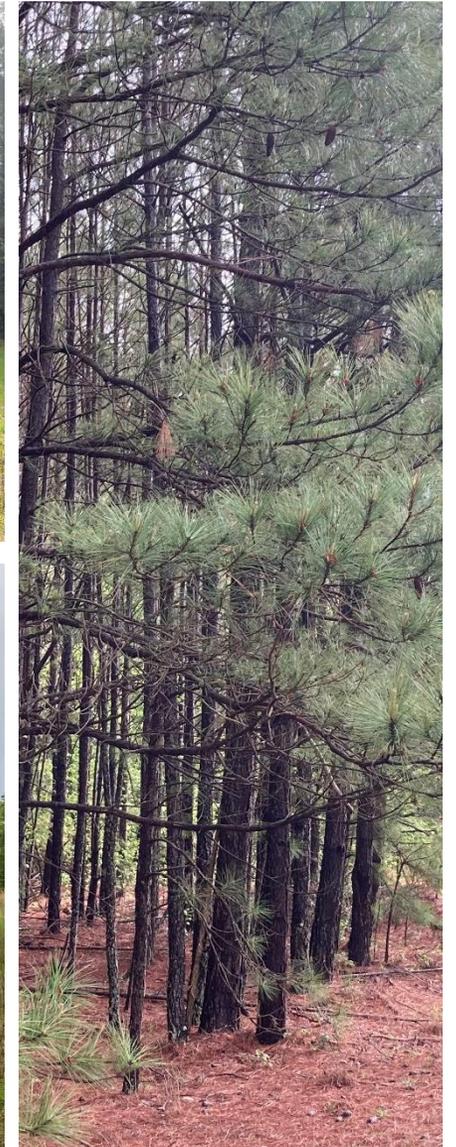
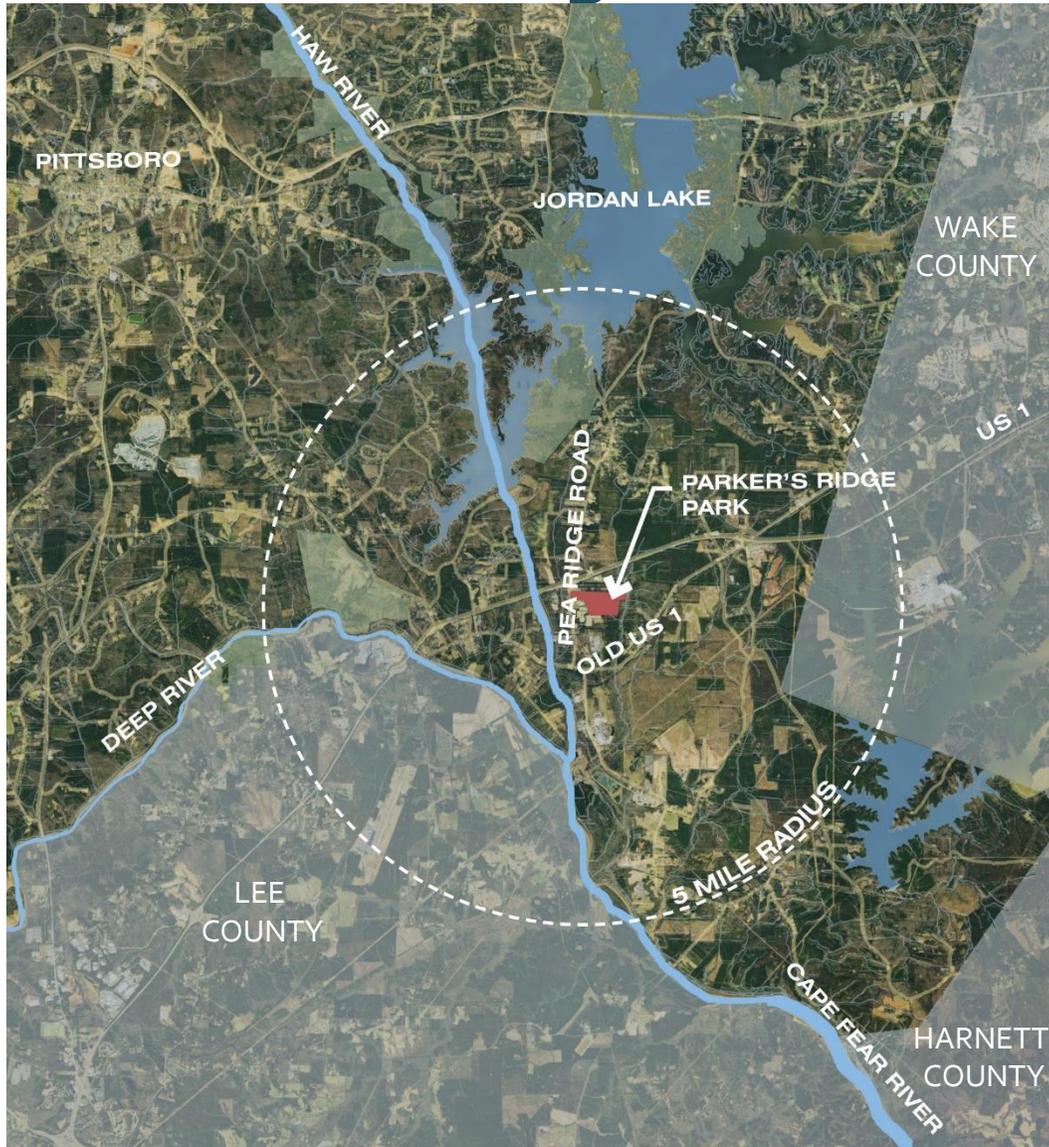


# History of Parker's Ridge Park

- Farmed by the Parker family for over 70 years
- Sold to Chatham County by the Parker family in memory of Atlas and Lola Tart Parker
- Adopted in December 2019 by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners
- To be used for recreation and green space to preserve the rural beauty of the southeastern Chatham County
- Plan intends to preserve and highlight historical and cultural elements within the park

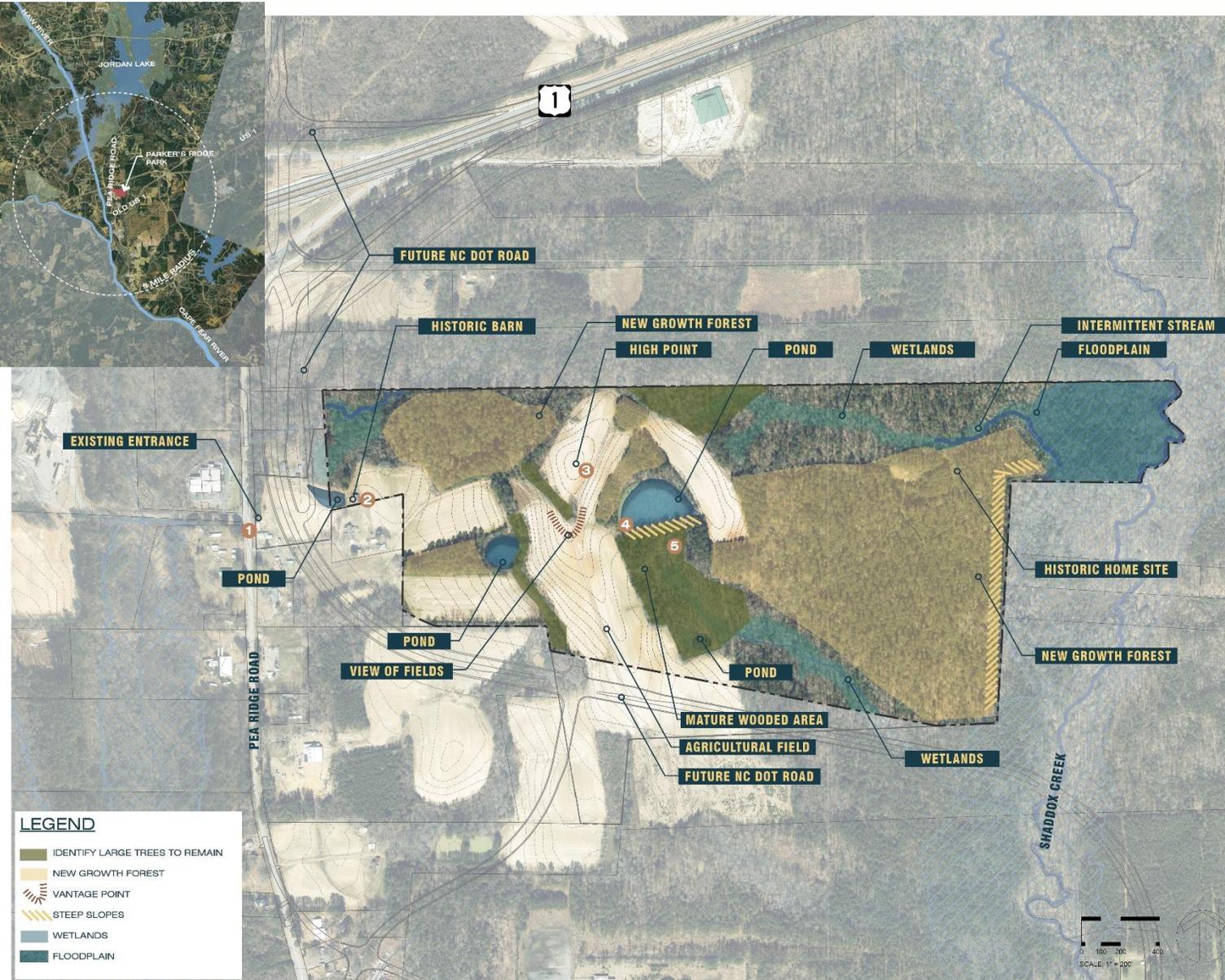
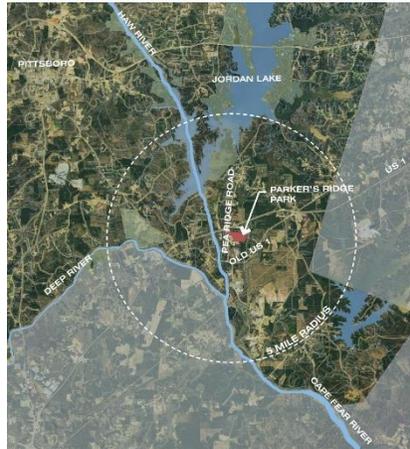


# Parker's Ridge Park - Context



# PARKER'S RIDGE PARK SITE ANALYSIS AND EXISTING CONDITIONS

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# Public Survey

**WE WANT YOUR IDEAS FOR CHATHAM COUNTY'S NEXT GREAT PARK!**

PLEASE SHARE YOUR INPUT WITH THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT ON THE PROGRAM OF **PARKER'S RIDGE PARK**

PLEASE USE THE QR CODE TO ACCESS THE COMMUNITY INPUT SURVEY TO SUBMIT YOUR FEEDBACK. FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT CHATHAM COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION AT [www.chathamcountync.gov/parks-rec](http://www.chathamcountync.gov/parks-rec)

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English Survey  
www.surveymonkey.com/t/PrkrsRidgeSurvey

Encuesta en español  
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**WHAT DO YOU WANT TO SEE?**  
PARKER'S RIDGE PARK MASTER PLAN

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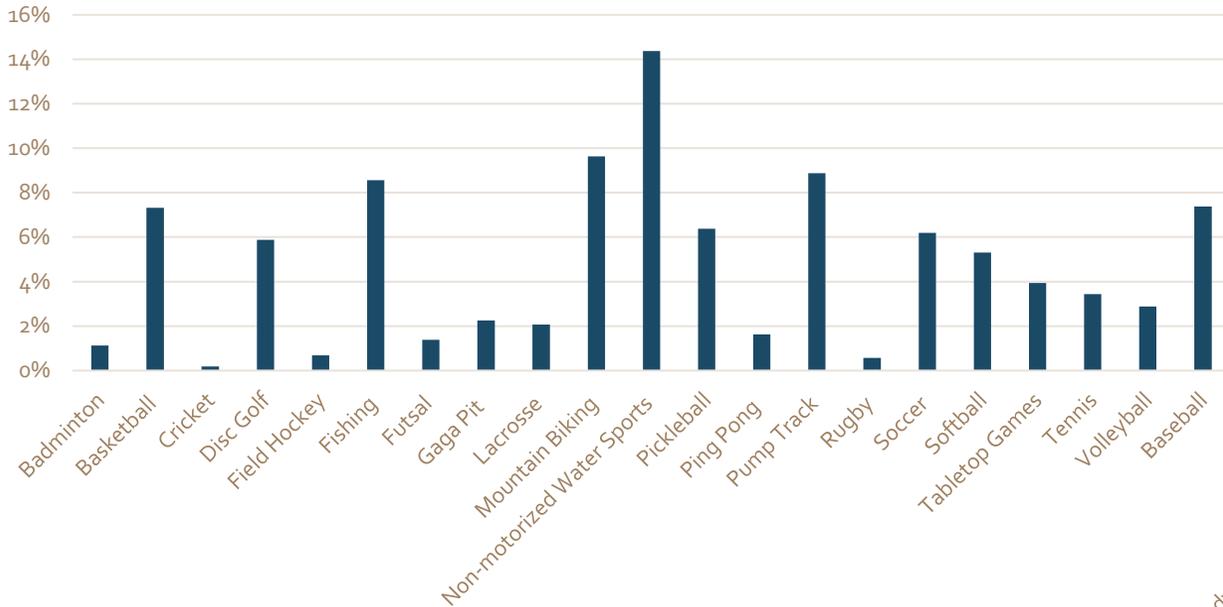
Outdoor Fitness

CONCERT VENUE

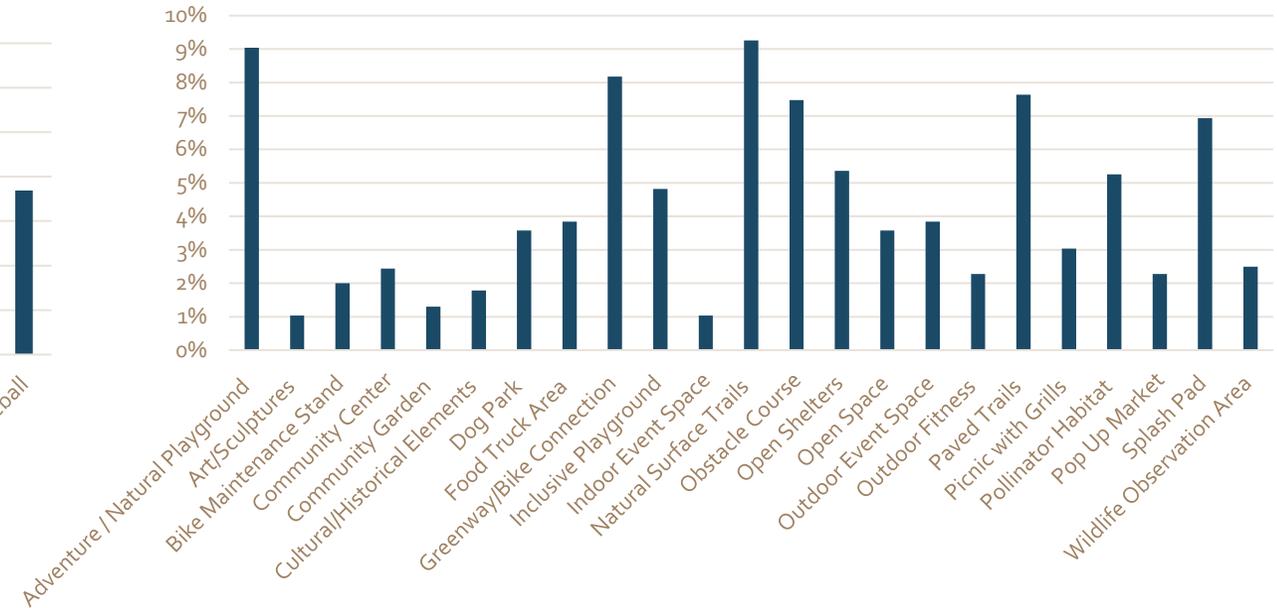
Pollinator Habitat Project

# Public Survey – Results from online survey and Spring Around the Loop

Sports and Activities



Facilities and Functions



Top 5 responses:

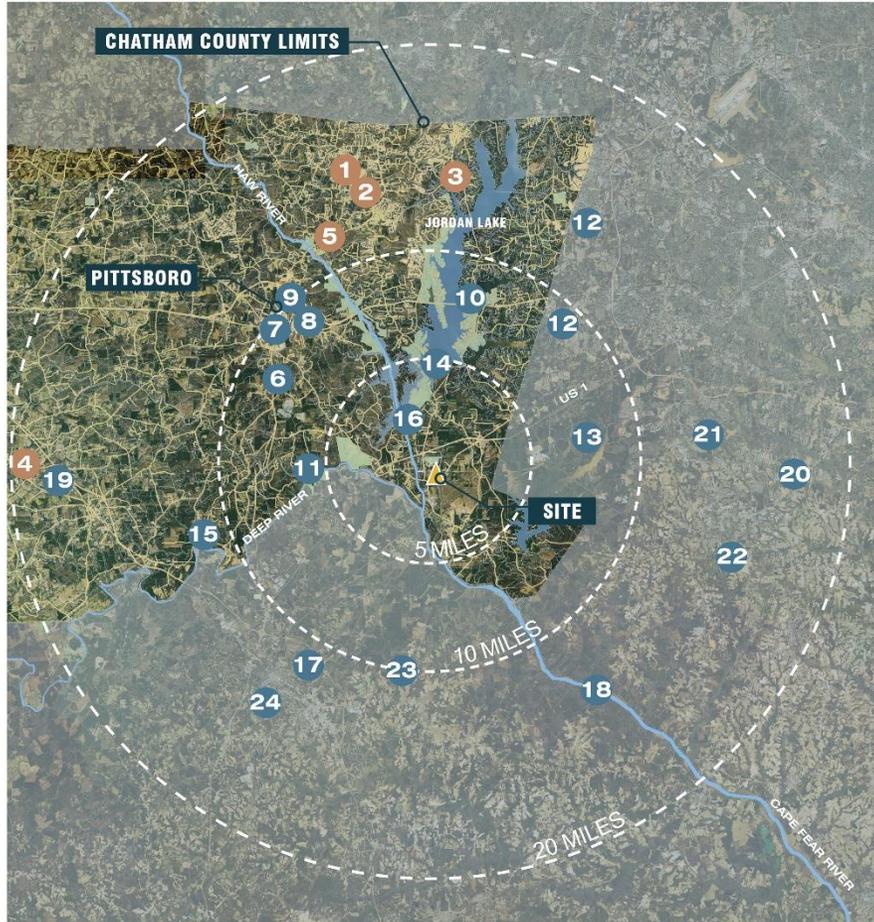
- Non-Motorized Water Sports
- Mountain Biking
- Pump Track
- Fishing
- Baseball/Basketball

Top 5 Responses:

- Adventure/Natural Playground
- Natural Surface Trails
- Greenway/ Bike Connection
- Paved Trails
- Obstacle Course

# PARKER'S RIDGE PARK EXISTING PARKS NEARBY

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## LEGEND

- CHATHAM COUNTY PARK
- OTHER PARK
- TOP CHOICE FOR PARKER'S RIDGE

| PARK   | DISTANCE IN MILES | FACILITIES AND AMENITIES |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
|--|-------------------|--------------------------|----------|--------|--------|------------|------------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|----------------|----------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------|----------------------------|------------|--------------------------------|---------|
|  |                   | Multi-Purpose Field      | Football | Soccer | Tennis | Pickleball | Volleyball | Basketball | Softball | Baseball | Disc Golf | Fitness Equipment | Amphitheater | Playground | Picnic Shelter | Dog Park | Indoor Event Space | Water Access | Bike Trails | Walking Trails | Outdoor Classrooms | Community Gardens | Fishing | Non-Motorized Water Sports | Splash Pad | Nature/Environmental Education | Gardens |
| 1 Pittsboro Community House                  | 12                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 2 The Park at Briar Chapel                   | 20                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 3 Northeast District Park                    | 17                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 4 Southwest District Park                    | 27                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 5 Earl Thompson Park                         | 16                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 6 Rock Ridge Park                            | 11                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 7 Town Lake Park                             | 11                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 8 Knight Farm Community Park                 | 13                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 9 McClenahan Street Park                     | 11                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 10 Jordan Lake State Recreation Area         | 9                 |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 11 White Pines Nature Preserve               | 13                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 12 American Tobacco Trail                    | 11                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 13 Harris Lake County Park                   | 11                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 14 New Hope Trail                            | 4                 |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 15 Deep River Park                           | 18                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 16 Trailrace Fishing Area                    | 2                 |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 17 Temple Park                               | 15                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 18 Raven Rock State Park                     | 27                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 19 Goldston Park                             | 23                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 20 Hilltop Needmore Town Park and Preserve   | 23                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 21 Bass Lake Park                            | 19                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 22 Carroll Howard Johnson Environmental Park | 20                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 23 San-Lee Park                              | 16                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |
| 24 Kiwanis Children's Park                   | 16                |                          |          |        |        |            |            |            |          |          |           |                   |              |            |                |          |                    |              |             |                |                    |                   |         |                            |            |                                |         |

# PARKER'S RIDGE PARK EXISTING PANORAMA

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## Anatomy of an Ecosystem

The flora and fauna found within the various landscape typologies across this site would benefit from habitat conservation and consideration for the natural systems currently at play. From dense woodland to open fields to pond and stream banks, each different area is comprised of notable species that need to be accounted for in the future planning of this site. Each element of the current site is intricately linked to another, with some of the more notable species illustrated below.



### Coyote

#### *Canis latrans*

Until the 1980s, coyotes in North Carolina were legally impounded for hunting. However, by the 1980s, coyotes started to move into western North Carolina from Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina. Coyotes are now established statewide in North Carolina.



### Northern Bobwhite Quail

#### *Colinus virginianus*

In North Carolina, bobwhite quail are most prolific in the eastern portion of the state and spotty but widespread in the Piedmont. (Quail commonly near clear cuts and farm fields.)



### Mature Canopy Trees

#### Species Varies

The canopy tree species found on this site, such as oaks, hickories, maples, beech, elm, sycamore, chestnut, pine, are native to the North Carolina Piedmont, as are the sub-canopy tree species, such as dogwood, pawpaw, and ash.



### Eastern Wild Turkey

#### *Meleagris gallopavo*

North Carolina's turkey restoration program was a monumental success, and turkeys are now found throughout North Carolina from the mountains to the coast. The range of the wild turkey, both wild and restored, is remaining intact with suitable habitat, are occupied by decreasing turkey populations.



### Piedmont Prairie

#### Species Varies

This term, Piedmont prairie, describes the grassland ecosystem that once covered a substantial part of the U.S. southeastern Piedmont region. The native grasses and wildflowers that once covered the southeastern Piedmont are today relegated to surviving under power line 'rights of way', roadsides and old field margins.

### Re-forested Area

This area is comprised of plant and animal species that are and would benefit from continuing to re-vegetated habitat that was once impacted.

### Red-Shouldered Hawk

#### *Buteo lineatus*

The red-shouldered hawk is a fairly common raptor in North Carolina. While most people cannot identify this hawk by sight, many are familiar with its two-part call. Populations of red-shouldered hawks were once much larger in North Carolina than they are today. Red-shouldered hawks still breed throughout the state along wooded rivers.



### White-tailed Deer

#### *Odocoileus virginianus*

No wild animals in North Carolina is as recognizable as the white-tailed deer. Whether a mature buck with splendid antlers, a graceful doe or a spotted fawn running with its mother, the white-tailed deer is one of the most popular of animals.

# PARKER'S RIDGE PARK

## MISSION, GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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**MISSION STATEMENT: PARKER'S RIDGE PARK WILL BE A DESTINATION PARK EMBLEMATIC OF THE NATURAL CHARACTER OF THE RURAL LANDSCAPE AND SUPPORTIVE OF THE COMMUNITY'S CULTURAL IDENTITY.**

### HISTORY / HERITAGE

- PRESERVING EXISTING DESIRABLE FEATURES NATURAL OR MAN-MADE
- INCORPORATING THE CULTURE OF THE COMMUNITY AND REGION THROUGH STORYTELLING (COMMUNITY, LAND, PEOPLE)

### NATURAL RESOURCE PRESERVATION

- CELEBRATING THE NATURAL FEATURES AND BEAUTY PRESENT ON THE SITE
- BY PROTECTING SENSITIVE AREAS FOR PLANT AND ANIMAL HABITAT

### REGIONAL EDUCATION

- HIGHLIGHTING EXISTING CULTURAL PRACTICES AND TRADITIONS
- CREATING MOMENTS TO CONNECT WITH THE PAST (LANDSCAPE, PEOPLE, AND PRACTICES)
- PROMOTING STEWARDSHIP OF THE PROPERTY AND NATURAL SYSTEMS

### HEALTH & WELL BEING

- INCLUDING AMENITIES THAT SUPPORT ACTIVE USES FOR ALL AGES, ABILITIES, AND NEEDS
- INCLUDING AMENITIES THAT SUPPORT PASSIVE USES FOR ALL AGES, ABILITIES, AND NEEDS
- ENGAGING DEMONSTRATION AREAS

### ADAPTIVE STRATEGIES

- DESIGNING ACTIVITIES AND SPACES WITH CLIMATE-ADAPTABLE PLANTS, FEATURES, AND MATERIALS
- ENCOURAGING COMMUNITY RESILIENCY THROUGH THE INCLUDING OF PROGRAM ELEMENTS AND COMMUNITY BRAND THAT REFLECTS v IDENTITY (PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE)
- USE OF MATERIALS, TECHNOLOGY, AND METHODS TO CREATE A DURABLE PARK

### SUSTAINABLE ECONOMICS

- BEING THOUGHTFUL OF AFFORDABLE USE OF SPACES FOR THE COMMUNITY
- ESTABLISHING CREATIVE CAPITAL INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES NEEDS TO SUPPORT THE LIFE CYCLE OF PROGRAM ELEMENTS AT THE PARK

### IDENTITY & CHARACTER

- INCORPORATING ART WITHIN THE LANDSCAPE AS A MEANS FOR DISPLAYING THE COMMUNITY'S IDENTITY

### CONNECTIVITY

- CREATING IMPORTANT CONNECTIONS TO THE REGION THROUGH GREENWAY AND TRAIL SYSTEMS
- CREATING A COMPREHENSIVE AND EFFECTIVE SIGNAGE AND WAYFINDING PLAN
- IDENTIFYING AND PRESERVING IMPORTANT VISUAL QUALITIES UNIQUE TO THE SITE

# PARKER'S RIDGE PARK FINAL CONCEPT

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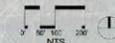


## GRAPHIC LEGEND

..... MIXED-USE PATH

## LEGEND

- 1 FIRST PHASE ENTRANCE
- 2 SECOND PHASE ENTRANCE
- 3 EXISTING HISTORIC BARN
- 4 PROPOSED TRAILHEAD
- 5 PROPOSED MAIN SHELTER
- 6 PROPOSED SHELTER
- 7 PROPOSED PARKING
- 8 PROPOSED BASKETBALL COURT
- 9 PROPOSED TENNIS/PICKLEBALL
- 10 PROPOSED PUMP TRACK
- 11 PROPOSED DOG PARK
- 12 PROPOSED MAINTENANCE SHED
- 13 PROPOSED INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND
- 14 PROPOSED NATURAL PLAYGROUND
- 15 PROPOSED BOAT HOUSE
- 16 PROPOSED ADA KAYAK LAUNCH
- 17 PROPOSED HAMMOCK AREA
- 18 PROPOSED PICNIC TABLES
- 19 PROPOSED MULTI-USE PATH
- 20 PROPOSED FITNESS EQUIPMENT
- 21 PROPOSED MEADOW
- 22 PROPOSED FOOD TRUCK AREA
- 23 PROPOSED OPEN FIELD
- 24 PROPOSED AMPHITHEATER
- 25 PROPOSED DISC GOLF COURSE
- 26 FUTURE COMMUNITY CENTER











# Next Steps



- SUP APPROVAL
- TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS
- COST ESTIMATE AND PHASING
- CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS
- CONSTRUCTION