



DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING AGENDA

Date: January 11, 2022

Time: 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom (virtually):

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Or by telephone +1 669 900 6833 or +1 719 359 4580 (Webinar ID: 848 2642 2319 Passcode: 609417)

I. Call to Order

II. Action Items

- a. Approval of DAC Meeting Summary from December 14, 2022 (5:30 p.m. 5 min)
- b. Metro Local Share – Concord Community Park (5:35 p.m. 20 min)

III. Discussion Agenda

- a. Annual Goal-Setting Subcommittee Update (5:55 p.m. 10 min)
- b. Integrated Pest Management Plan (6:05 p.m. 10 min)
- c. Changes or Status Updates (Milwaukie Bay Park, Concord, SDC Methodology, NCPRD Funding, System Plan and CIP Timeline)* (6:15 p.m. 15 min)

IV. Public Comment** (The Chair of the District Advisory Committee (DAC) will call for statements from citizens regarding issues relating to NCPRD. It is the intention that this portion of the agenda shall be limited to items that need to be discussed by the DAC to conduct their NCPRD business. Comments shall be respectful and courteous to all) (6:30 p.m. 10 min)

V. DAC Member Reports (6:40 p.m. 10 min)

VI. District Monthly Report (6:50 p.m. 10 min)

VII. Future Dates

- a. February Agenda Submission No Later Than: Wednesday January 18 2023 by 5:00 p.m.
- b. Finalization of Agenda: Monday January 23, 2023
- c. Next DAC Meeting: Wednesday February 8, 2023
 - Planned agenda topics:
 - General Capital Project Timeline

**Standing Meeting Items*

***If you would like to provide a public comment during the meeting, please raise your hand when the chair opens up the public comment portion of the meeting. If you would like to submit a written statement during the meeting, you can put it in the Zoom chat, but it may not be read during the meeting.*



Meeting Summary
North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District
District Advisory Committee

Wednesday, December 14, 2022
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Location: Virtually (via Zoom)

DAC Members Present: Ben Johnson, David Gilman, Grover Bornefeld, Joel Bergman, Maureen Thom, Muciri Gatimu, Rafael Kaup, Ryan Stee, Katie Scott

DAC Members Absent: Anatta Blackmarr, Desi Nicodemus,

Staff and Officials Present: Paul Savas (Clackamas County Commissioner), Michael Bork (NCPRD Director), Heather Koch, Jessica Stead (NCPRD)

A video of this meeting is available on the NCPRD website at

<https://ncprd.com/public-meetings/meeting-minutes>

Call to Order

DAC meeting was called to order by Chair Bornefeld at 5:31 p.m. A quorum was present.

Action Items

- Approval of DAC Meeting Summary
 - The summary from the DAC meeting held on November 9, 2022 was approved with no edits.

Discussion Agenda

- Time Setting for Public Comments
- DAC Priority/Goal-Setting Planning for 2023
 - A subcommittee was formed to design the DAC goal setting meeting in 2023. The subcommittee consists of Grover Bornefeld, Ryan Stee, and Rafael Kaup.
- Changes or Status Updates (Milwaukie Bay Park, Concord, SDC Methodology, NCPRD Funding, System Plan and CIP Timeline)*
 - **Milwaukie Bay Park** – This project is still on the 90 day hold.
 - **Concord Project**– This project is close to a 50% design. The conditional use permit for admin staff to occupy the building was approved with conditions.
 - **SDC Methodology** – This is still on the 90 day hold.
 - **NCPRD Funding** – The budget requests submitted by District residents will be brought to the DAC at the January meeting.
 - **System Plan and CIP Timeline** – The first step is going through procurement. This is around a six month process. After the procurement process, we will do public solicitation, selection and a final negotiation of the contract.

Public Comment

- Jan Carothers (Subarea 1)

- Jan expressed concern regarding not knowing about the potential district governance change, and regarding the possible lease agreement with the library building on the Concord Property.

DAC Member Reports

- David Gilman (Subarea 4 representative)
 - David requested an update on the potential withdraw of the City of Milwaukie.
- Rafael Kaup (Subarea 3 representative)
 - Katie and Rafael are doing outreach options for subarea 3. They have created Facebook and Nextdoor groups.
- Joel Bergman (Community Center Advisory Board (CCAB) representative)
 - The CCAB is now fully staff. Joel encouraged DAC members to attend these CCAB meetings.
- Grover Bornefeld (Subarea 1 representative)
 - Grover attended the Thanksgiving dinner at the Milwaukie Community Center, and stated that it was delightful.
 - Grover attended the Jennings Lodge CPO meeting and passed on their concern with the lack of information regarding the Jennings Lodge project.

District Monthly Reports

Michael Bork provided the division reports.

- The District Monthly reports were included in the agenda packet.

Future Dates

- January Agenda Submission No Later Than: Wednesday December 21, 2022 by 5:00 p.m.
- Finalization of Agenda: Tuesday December 27, 2022 by 5:00 p.m.
- Next DAC Meeting: Wednesday January 11, 2023
 - Planned agenda topics:
 - Annual Goal Setting
 - Integrated Pest Management Plan

Adjournment

The DAC meeting was adjourned by Chair Bornefeld at 6:45 p.m.

Next DAC Meeting:

January 11, 2022

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom (Virtually)

Developing Local Share Priorities – Metro Parks and Nature Bond



What we will cover

- Recap from June DAC presentation
- Current Process
- Future Process
- Proposed Action Today



Metro Parks and Nature Bond

Quick facts

- Passed in 2019
- Major objectives
 - Connect with nature close to home
 - Protect clean water
 - Restore fish and wildlife habitat
- Overarching priorities
 - Racial equity
 - Resilience to climate change



Metro Parks and Nature Bond

Six Program Areas – including “Local Share”

\$475M bond measure	
\$155M	Protect and restore land
\$98M	Metro parks improvements
\$92M	Local Parks and Nature Projects
\$40M	Nature in Neighborhoods capital grants
\$40M	Walking and biking trails
\$50M	Large-scale community visions



NCPRD Share:
\$4,508,386



Local Share Eligibility

Projects must be one of five types

Maintain or develop public access facilities at public parks and natural areas

Design and construct local or regional trails

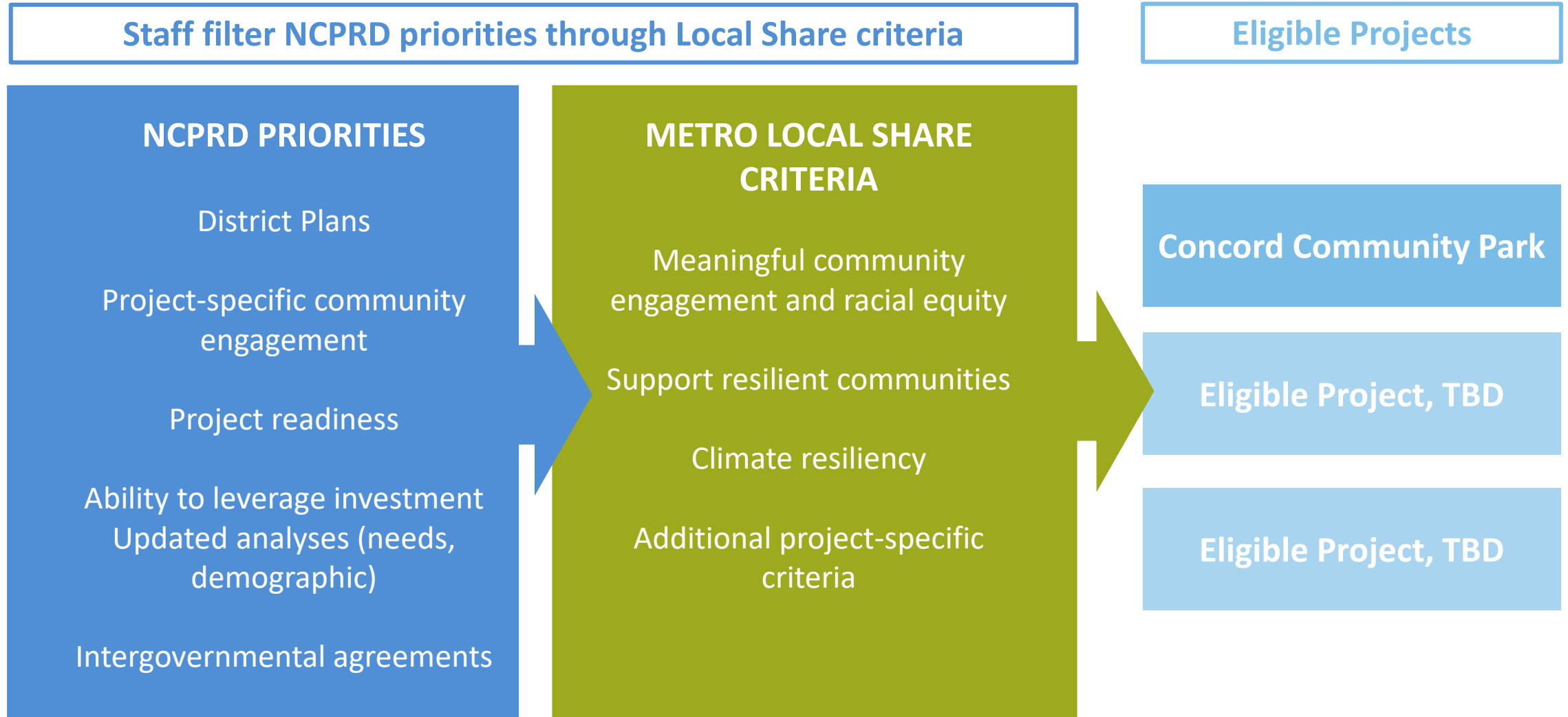
Acquire natural areas or park land

Create or enhance new learning/ environmental education facilities

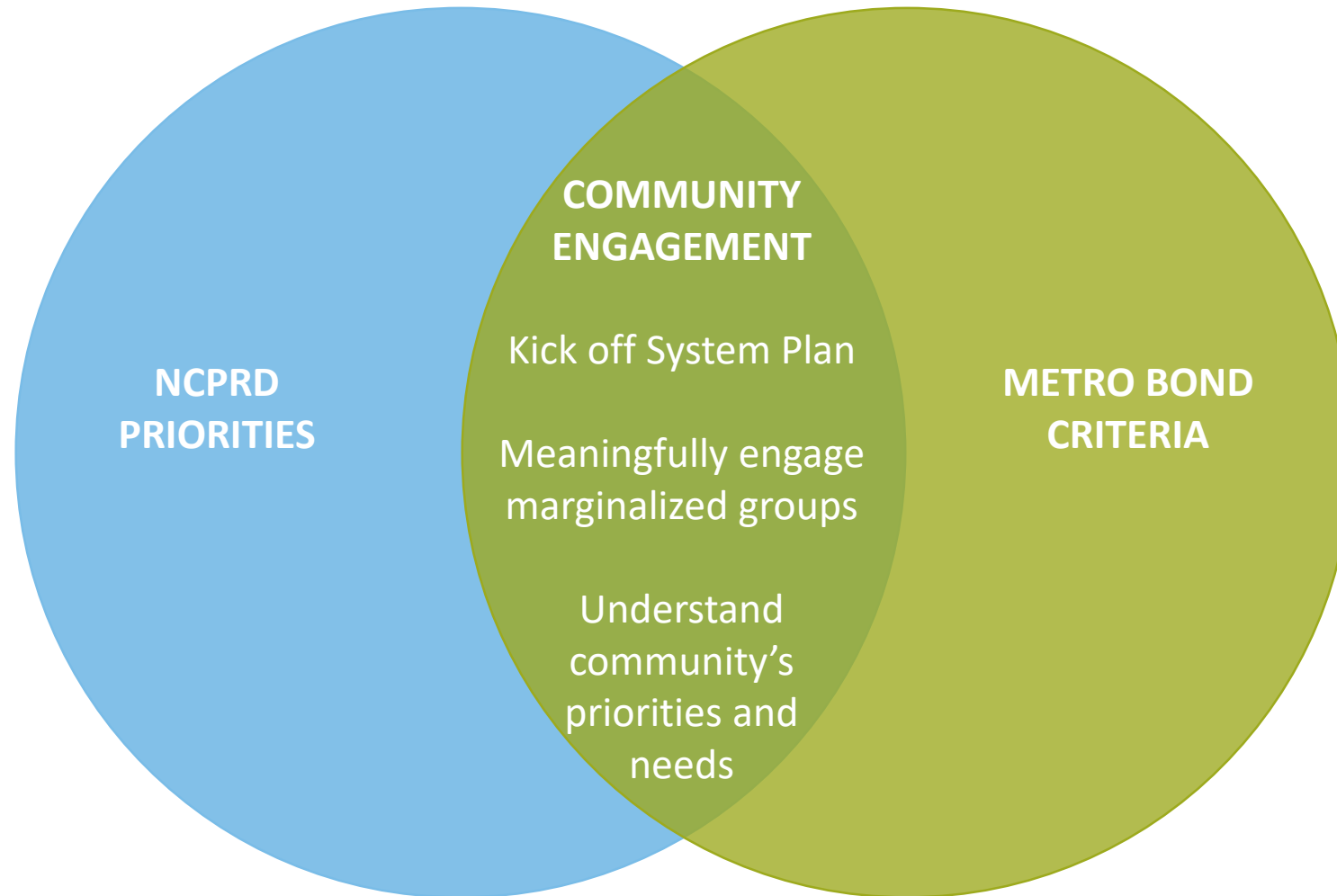
Restore fish and wildlife habitat, or enhance habitat connectivity



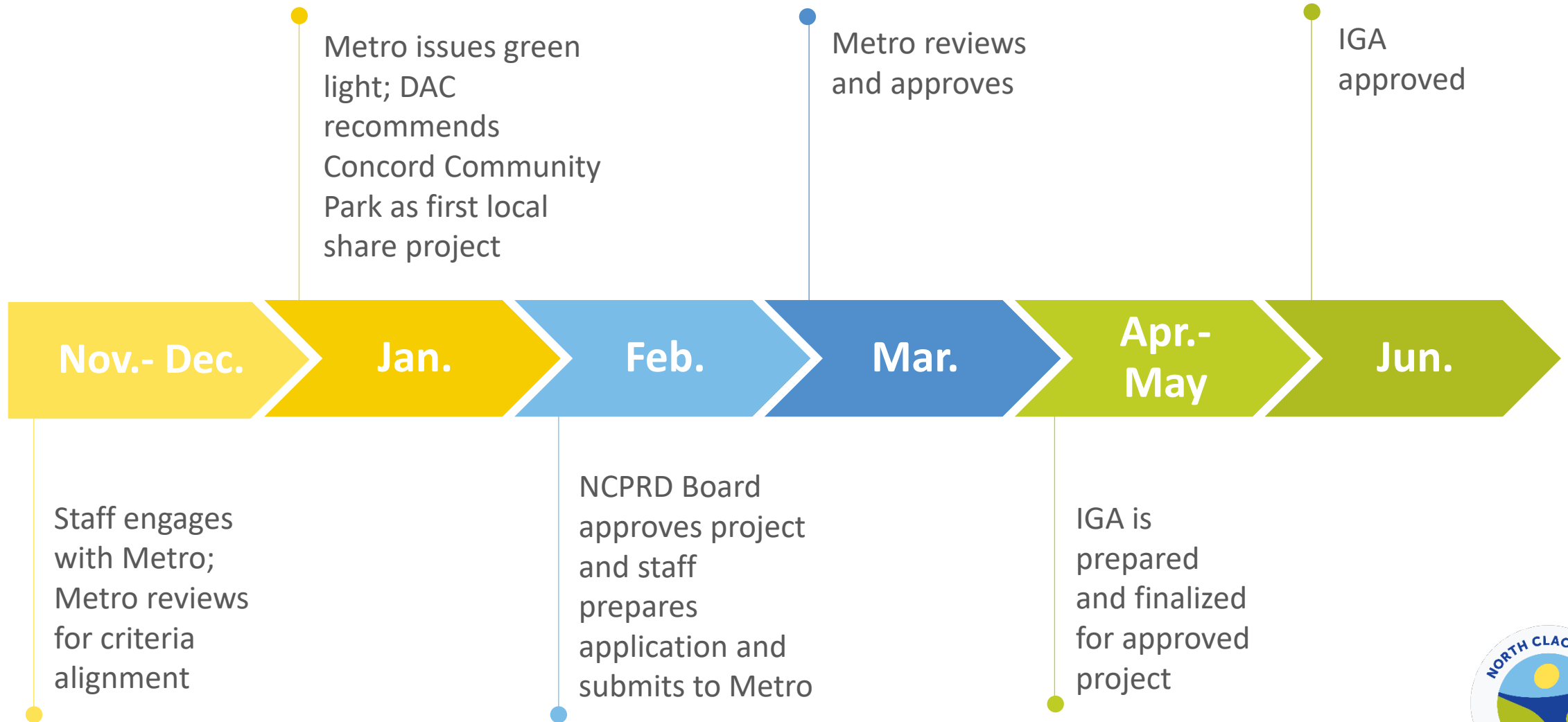
Current Process



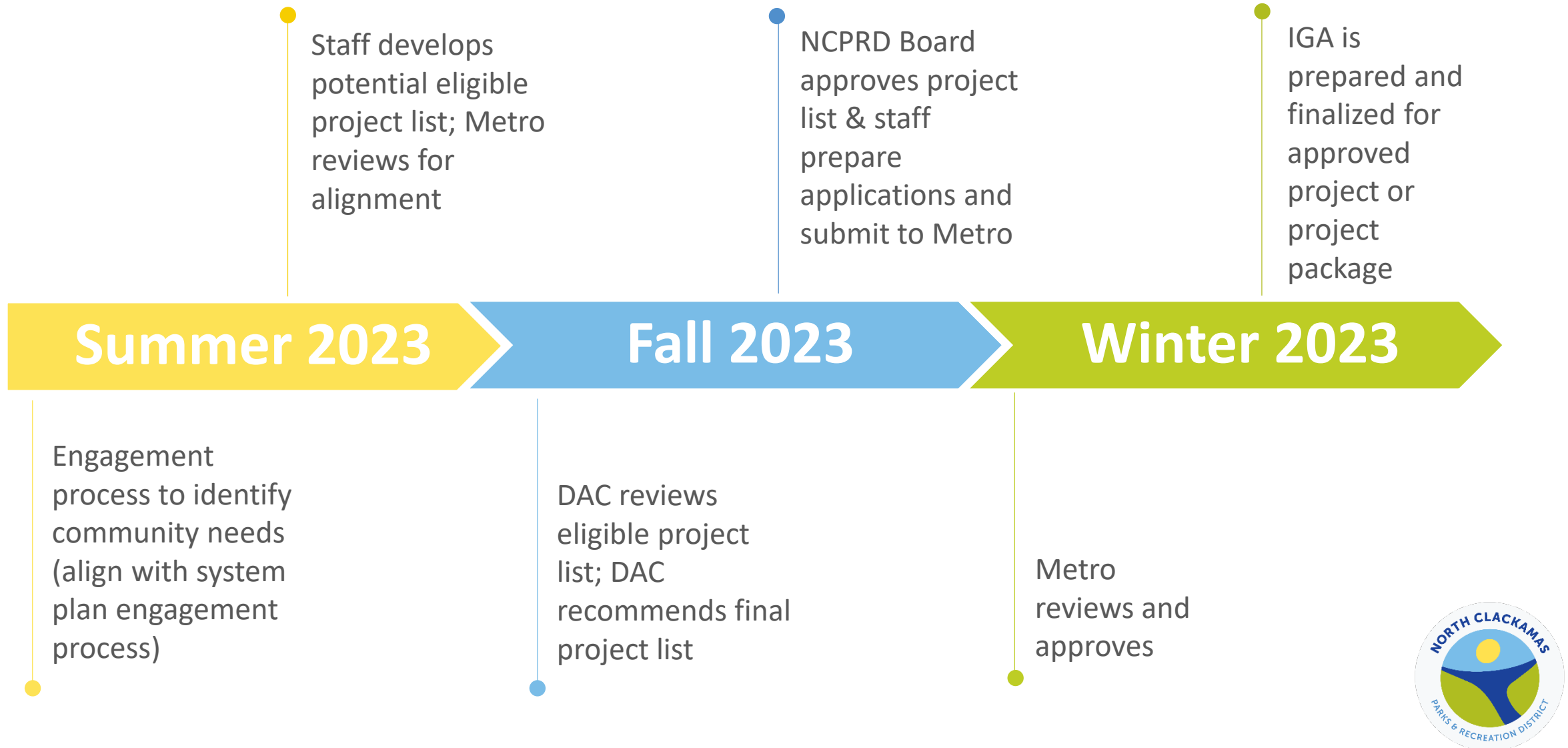
Future Process



Current Process - Timeline for Metro Local Share IGA



Future Process - Timeline for Metro Local Share IGA



Action Today



DAC to recommend Concord Community Park as the first NCPRD local share project



Thank you





Integrated Pest Management

January 2023

Integrated Pest Management

A progressive and sustainable approach to pest management using multi-faceted strategies that minimize economic, health, and environmental risks.



Trained & Experienced Staff

All NCPRD staff that are involved in our pest management are trained and licensed by the State of Oregon.

Staff follows research-based best practices:

- 4-County Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA)
- Clackamas River Invasive Species Partnership (CRISP)
- Clackamas Soil and Water Conservation District
- Oregon Department of fish and wildlife
- Xerces Society
- Institute of Applied Ecology
- Oregon Department of Agriculture
- Other partners and park providers



What are park pests?

Park pests consist primarily of:

- Unwanted vegetation and invasive weeds
 - Broadleaf Weeds
 - Himalayan Blackberry
 - Japanese Knotweed
- Insects
- Diseases
- Rodents
- Other organisms



Why is IPM needed?

- Pest Management makes it possible to responsibly care for the District's parks and recreational sites in our system, totaling hundreds of acres.
- As the park and natural area stewards, NCPRD is charged with maintaining these diverse park landscapes in a safe, attractive, healthy, and useful condition.
- Not properly addressing pests and weeds can have long-term negative impacts on natural areas and facilities, including athletic turf fields.



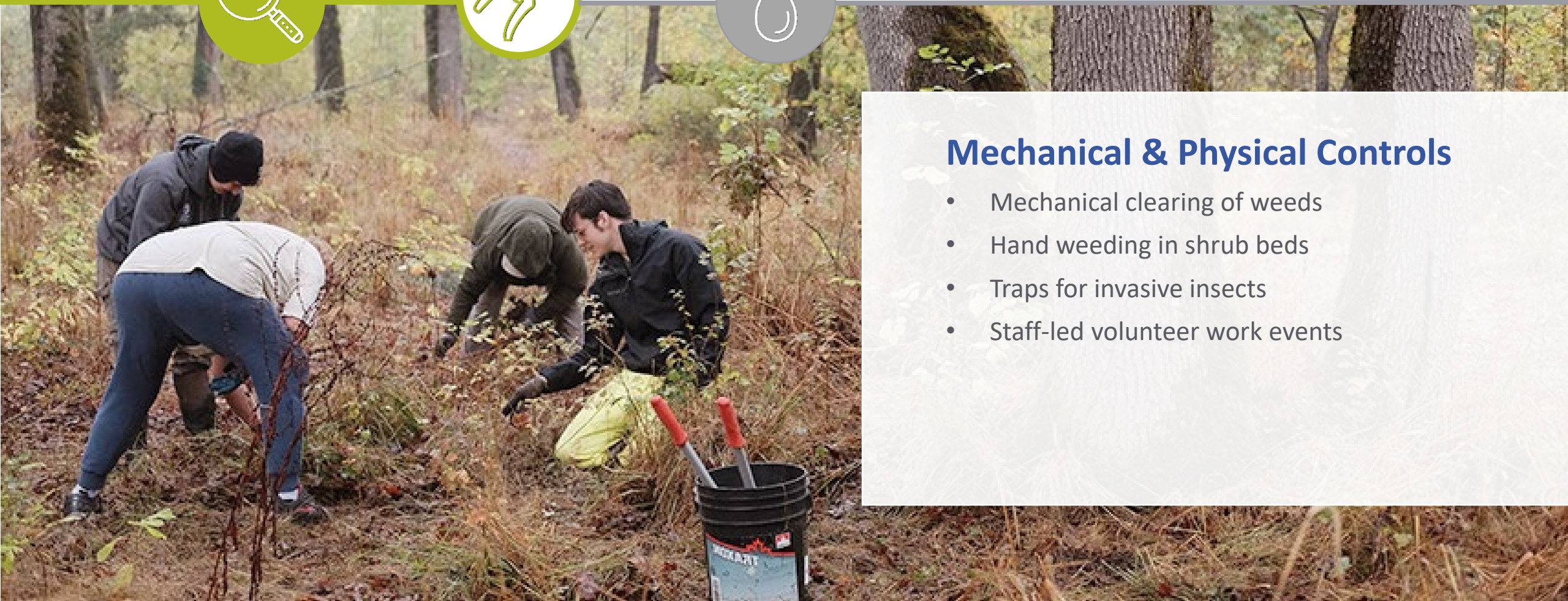
IPM Tactics



Pest Prevention

- Early detection and rapid response to control noxious weeds before chemical removal becomes the only method
- Mulching planting beds, mowing high grass and brush, and pruning plants
- Using the correct fertilization to encourage plant health and pest resistance
- Using plants with natural pest resistance
- Strategic weed-free park design

IPM Tactics



Mechanical & Physical Controls

- Mechanical clearing of weeds
- Hand weeding in shrub beds
- Traps for invasive insects
- Staff-led volunteer work events

IPM Tactics



Naturally or Synthetically Derived Herbicides/Pesticides

- Placement of pheromone traps
- Application of naturally and synthetically derived herbicides/pesticides
- Disinfecting equipment to prevent the spread of pests

Safety

NCPRD uses a robust, science and research-based IPM program to guide our treatment protocols, with safety as our top priority.

- Herbicides are only used when necessary to protect habitat, trees, plantings, and facilities
- Spot treatment only for targeted weeds; no area-wide application at neighborhood parks
- Limited amount of herbicide used as a vegetation management tool
- Completed only by State of Oregon-licensed personnel
- Notification signage used during and after application



Alma Myra Park Tree Assessment & Recommendations

A Study by Treecology Consulting Group



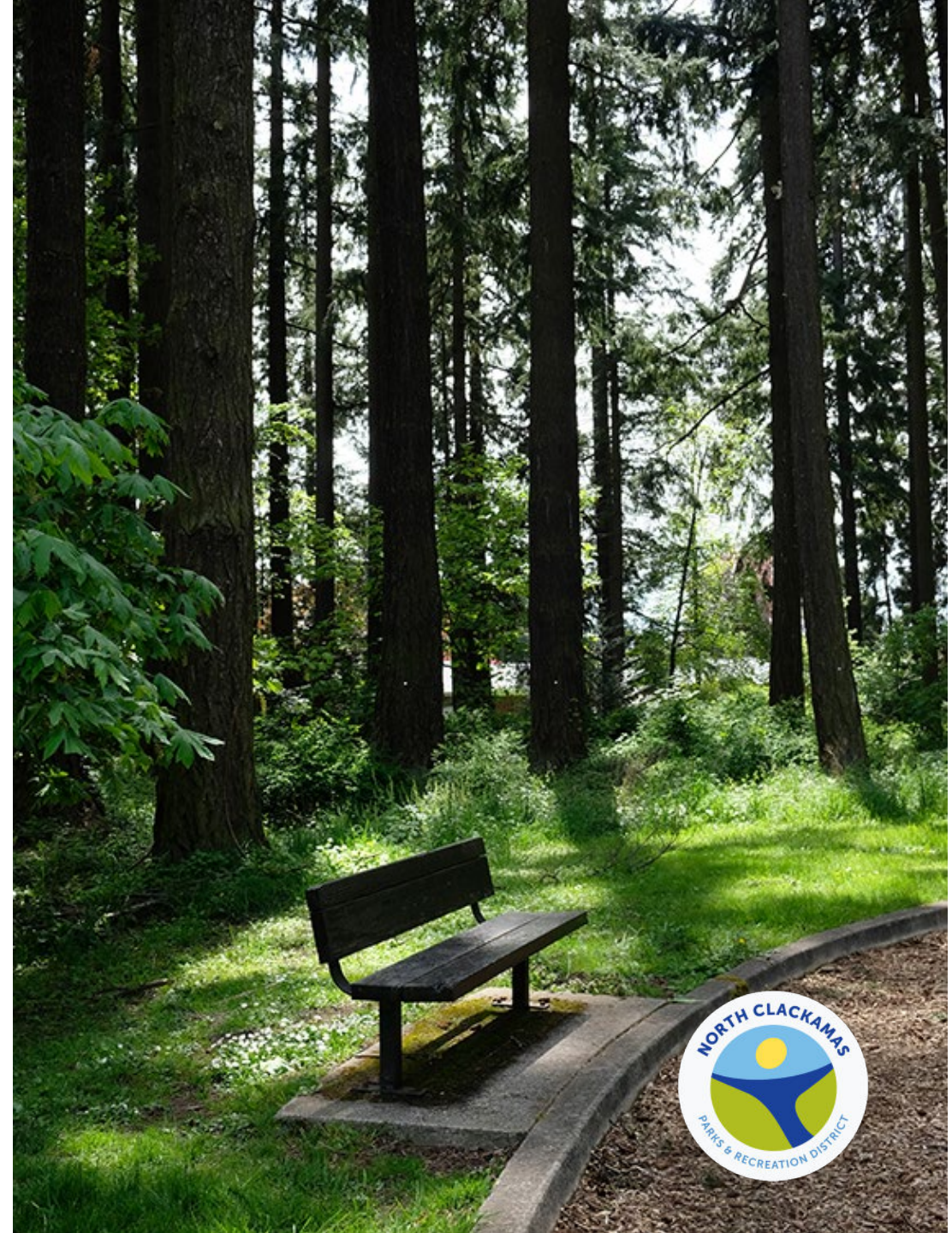
Assignment

To assess the park trees, evaluate the level of maintenance and care that has been provided to them, and make applicable recommendations for future care.



Not Found

- Evidence of herbicide damage
- Definitive evidence of laminated root rot
- Definitive signs of root impacts
- Plant nutrient deficiency



Recommendations

Site

- Mulch
- Arborist supervision of equipment site access
- Replace tree tags

Trees

- Additional future assessment
- Monitor



Conclusion

Level of Care

Above average

Signs of Site Contamination

Not observed

Overall Tree Health

Average



Questions?



Tree Assessment & Recommendations



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Disclaimer

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5. The consultant's role is only to make recommendations. Inaction on the part of those receiving the report is not the responsibility of the consultant.
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Assignment & Limits

The assignment for this report was to assess the park trees, evaluate the level of maintenance and care that has been provided to them, and make applicable recommendations for future care. TCG was also asked to assess trees and plants for visible signs of chemical damage. This ground-level visual inspection did not include root excavation, advanced structural analysis, or climbing to inspect potential defects which may only be visible from the canopy or scaffold branches.

Many factors can limit specific and accurate data when performing evaluations of trees, their conditions, and values. The determinations and recommendations presented here are based on current data and conditions that existed at the time of the evaluation and cannot be a predictor of future performance for the trees. At the time of assessment, some deciduous trees were seasonally dormant, so their foliage was not assessed.

Methods

On November 29-30, 2022, Board Certified Master Arborists with Treecology Consulting Group (TCG) assessed the trees and understory at Alma Myra Park. Trees were photo documented and viewed with a 360 degree visual trunk inspection. Only trees with noteworthy conditions of concern were specifically documented.

Findings

This assessment focused on evaluating the trees and understory for signs of stress or damage. The findings included branch dieback, pitch weeping, previous limb failure, trunk cavity and soil disturbance. The plants were assessed for herbicide damage, and none was found.

Site Observations

The site is a relatively flat remnant forest patch in a residential neighborhood. A children's playground and lawn area provide recreation opportunities to the north and a graveled walking path allows access to the forested area. The gravel path was installed in fall 2022, and some soil disturbance was documented. Nearly all of the understory plants are natives including ferns, western red cedars, native blackberries, and even poison oak (which is marked with interpretive signage). Several big leaf maples and hazelnut clusters are present. Small forb and grass seedlings were documented. A few magnolia trees grow within the understory.

Tree & Plant Observations

The primary overstory trees are established Douglas firs. Some branch dieback and unusual trunk swelling were documented. A fallen log from a previous failure had an under-sized root mass, leading us to consider there may be a pocket of laminated root rot in the center of the park. Several specific tree defects were documented:

- Tree #22 has unusual basal swelling (butt swell) and there was an adjacent basal failure.
- Tree #43 has hollows in the bark but the underlying wood appears sound.
- Tree #12 and one adjacent to #28 has pitch weeping with some associated lower dying branches.
- An untagged tree to east of playground (adjacent to #59) has red ring rot conks (fruiting bodies) from 8-60' with a low dead branch.

Evidence of routine and post-storm damage pruning were seen. The pruning work demonstrated knowledge of industry best practices for tree care. While some maples' pruning work appeared to include header cuts, these were likely post-storm cuts that are designed to reduce the size of wounded areas and decrease the spread of decay.

Defects Not Found

None of the trees or understory plants showed visible signs of herbicide damage, and the seedling recruitment in some sunnier areas indicates no evidence of pre-emergent herbicide. No plants showed nutrient deficiency. No ground-based fruiting bodies of parasitic wood-decay fungi were found. Those mushrooms observed were in the saprophytic classification (growing on already dead material), in contrast to fungus that acts more parasitic (causing aggressive rot in living trees). Areas of soil

disturbance were inspected for cut, torn, or construction damaged roots, and none were visible above grade, although it is possible some damage occurred below grade.

Recommendations

1. A Certified Arborist should inspect all trees for maintenance needs every 5-7 years and after any major weather events.
2. Any equipment site access should be conducted via the established paths or under arborist supervision.
3. Where tree inventory tags are missing, they should be replaced. This will facilitate clear communication of tree care needs, and aid monitoring over time.
4. A forest pathologist may provide additional evaluation for the possibility of beetle infestation or laminated root rot.
5. TCG recommends additional assessment for trees in the park with unusual basal swelling, and red ring rot which can be localized in pockets where previous branches arose. (See Appendix for photos.)
6. Planned mulch applications are beneficial to the forest ecosystem. One ideal option is composted or aged mulch as the dark color blends into existing forest floor landscapes, breaks down quickly to increase soil organic content that increases moisture retention, reduces temperature fluctuation, and reduces weed germination.

Conclusion

Level of Care Found: Above Average

Signs of Site Contamination: Not observed

Overall Tree Health: Average

Our findings included several common defects of established remnant forests. These issues may be addressed with routine maintenance, monitoring, and additional assessment. These issues are typical of the ecosystem type and do not indicate mismanagement or site contamination. The level of maintenance of the park was assessed as being above average for the Portland Metro Area due to the following factors: amenities and interpretive signage are well-maintained, trees receive post-storm and routine pruning by a Certified Arborist, soil is primarily uncompacted, and forest duff layer is adequate for natural areas, and overall tree risk is primarily low, although additional assessment may identify some moderate risk trees based on those findings.

Appendix



Pitch weeping and unusual basal swell



Unusual basal swelling



Minor branch dieback, some due to self-pruning as a response to shading from healthy branches above



Young establishing native understory



Soil disturbance likely associated with path installation



Broadleaf seedling recruitment



Tree #43 has pitch weeping and bark hollows but underlying wood appears sound.



Saprophytic fungal fruiting bodies near tree #43



Red ring rot (*Porodaedalea pini*) conks (8) on untagged tree adjacent to #59.



NCPRD Monthly Division Report

Prepared for the NCPRD District Advisory Committee (DAC)

REPORTING PERIOD: December 2022

DAC MEETING DATE: January 11, 2023

Asset Development

The purpose of the Asset Development program is to coordinate and manage current and long-range planning, the acquisition of park land, all aspects of the District's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), and the repair and replacement of capital assets in order to provide recreation facilities that serve District residents. *(Capital repair and replace will be included in Division Report for Parks, Trails and Natural Areas).*

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Jennings Lodge Elementary:** NCPRD worked with Clackamas County Procurement to issue the Request for Proposals to attract a design team for the Jennings Lodge Elementary School Recreation Improvements project. Staff is scheduled to review proposals received and select a consultant in January/February, and expects that the project team can kick off work in February.

PROJECTS/TASKS BEING WORKED ON

- **Strategy and Polling Solicitation:** Draft contract with County Procurement for strategy and polling services for potential governance and financing changes in the future. Staff expects to finalize in January and kick off work.
- **Metro Local Share Funding:** Coordinate with Metro on eligibility requirements and prepare for update to DAC.
- **System Plan:** Work with County Procurement to prepare a solicitation for a planning and engagement team for District-wide long-range plan; refine scope of work with expectation that Request for Proposals can be issued in January/February.
- **Asset Inventory and Management:** Revise and compile property data in preparation for system plan work and review software systems for streamlined geo-located asset management.
- **Trolley Trail Safety Audit:** Finalize contract with consultant for a safety audit; this work will also inform aspects of the trails planning in the upcoming system plan.
- **Concord Community Park:** Coordinate with project team to review 50% and 100% design development plans this winter, and begin planning spring meetings to review with public.
- *See also CIP FY 22-23 table*

LOOKING AHEAD

- Reorganizing planning work related to natural areas and trails due to staff changes.
- *See also CIP FY 22-23 table*

Capital Improvement Projects FY 22-23

Item	Current Activity	Next Steps	Timeframe
System Plan and Capital Improvement Plan	System Plan Request for Proposals preparation	Proposal review, consultant selection, contract award	Winter/Spring 2023
SDC Methodology	On hold	Pick up work when possible	Checkpoint Jan 2023
Milwaukie Bay Park	On hold	Pick up work when possible	Checkpoint Jan 2023
Ball Fields Study	Sequencing after System Plan kickoff to align study with SP	Begin scoping work aligned with System Plan	Summer 2023
Jennings Lodge ES Recreation Improvements	Request for Proposals - Issuance	Proposal review, consultant selection, contract award	February 2023
Concord Property Design and Engineering – park and site	Ongoing design	Review of 50% & 100% developed design	Winter 2023
Concord Property Design and Engineering – community center	Conditional use permit under review for NCPRD admin office use; defining scope of building improvements	50% schematic design	February 2023
Justice Property Master Plan	In the queue for staff	Review background information, prepare Request for Proposals	Apr-July 2023
New Urban HS	Preliminary meetings with school district	Outline potential agreement between NCPRD and school district	Winter/Spring 2023

Marketing and Communications

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Online Year in Review:** The online 2021-2022 Year in Review is nearly complete, providing a lookback at NCPRD's work and successes over the fiscal year. The District Advisory Committee is invited to read through the Year in Review and provide comments and feedback to info@ncprd.com by January 17, 2022, prior to NCPRD making final adjustments and promoting the online report. The 2021-2022 Year in Review is located at ncprdyearinreview.com.
- Lunar New Year:** Developed creative materials and began outreach to promote the Lunar New Year Celebration at the Milwaukie Community Center on January 22 from 12-2 p.m. Outreach tactics include distribution of a flyer, postcards, signage, and social media posts. More at ncprd.com/event/lunar-new-year.
- Pocketalk Article:** NCPRD distributed a press release on the new Pocketalk translation technology, resulting in an article in the Clackamas Review. [View the article here.](#)

- **Milwaukie Community Center Connection:** The January-February issue of the Milwaukie Community Center Connection has been completed, providing updates on the latest programs and events happening at the Center. The newsletter is available for pickup at the Center and online at ncprd.com/milwaukie-center/mcc-connection.

PROJECTS/TASKS BEING WORKED ON

- **Gift Shop Rebranding:** Coordinating with Milwaukie Community Center Foundation to rebrand the gift shop, recently named Artisan Gifts, and to develop marketing materials.
- **Volunteer Events:** Promotion of the February 4 volunteer event at Spring Park Natural Area, to recycle old Christmas trees into fish habitat. Development of flyer and digital promotional assets.
- **Year in Review Print Piece:** A truncated print version of the 2021-2022 Year in Review is being finalized, which will be distributed at NCPRD facilities and events.
- **Concord School Property Display Case:** Utilizing the empty display case at the Concord School Property entrance to share information on the building's history and future projects.

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Concord Property Community Engagement:** The NCPRD team is planning for community engagement surrounding the new community park project at the Concord Property.
- **Awareness Campaign:** NCPRD will be developing concepts for an awareness campaign, designed to increase engagement across all departments.
- **Trolley Trail Brochure:** The Trolley Trail brochure will be getting a refresh, with additional copies printed for distribution.

LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION



Usher out the old year and bring prosperity to the new year! Lunar New Year is an important holiday in China, Korea, Vietnam, Japan and other countries all over the world. Join us in celebrating Lunar New Year by learning about special traditions through activities, crafts, music and dance. Drums, cymbals and lion dancers will add to the excitement of this event.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22 FROM NOON-2 P.M.

ACTIVITIES | CRAFTS | LION DANCE PERFORMANCE | LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

Milwaukie Community Center
5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr., Milwaukie

.....
FREE FAMILY EVENT
.....

ncprd.com/lunar-new-year



Older Adult Services

The purpose of the Older Adult Services program is to provide coordinated nutritional, transportation, educational and social service programming to the community's older adults and persons with disabilities; assisting them in remaining independent and helping them thrive in their later years.

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- The Nutrition Program held a Holiday Brunch on December 21 for the patrons of the Milwaukie Community Center (MCC). Approximately 100 people enjoyed live music and brunch, including biscuits and gravy, bacon, eggs, fresh fruit and a warm cinnamon roll.



- In early December, items were collected at the MCC and distributed in stockings to the most vulnerable Meals on Wheels clients. Donations included a combination of both useful and fun items. The MCC foundation contributed funds to ensure that every meal recipient received a gift.



PROJECTS/TASKS BEING WORKED ON

- Two free healthy aging seminars will be offered in January. "New Wisdom, Life Lessons" will discuss the challenges of aging, and the benefits of developed wisdom. The other seminar, "Living Solo as a Senior," will address topics about living alone as an older person.

LOOKING AHEAD

- In January, the MCC will begin taking appointments for its annual tax preparation program. This is a partnership with the AARP, and provides free tax preparation appointments for elderly and low-income citizens. This program traditionally prepares over 1,000 tax returns each year.

Parks, Trails and Natural Areas

The purpose of the Parks, Trails and Natural Areas program is to provide management, maintenance and ongoing stewardship services to NCPRD residents and visitors so they can access safe, clean and well maintained parks, trails and natural areas both now and into the future.

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Finished up a late leaf clean up season.
- In December, NCPRD did weed control in the Natural Areas at James Abele Park, Rivervilla Park, Risley Park, Stringfield Park, North Clackamas Park, and the Territory Dr. Trail, mainly removing blackberry, invasive rose species, and English ivy.
- The weather event at the end of the month resulted in downed tree limbs and flooding at North Clackamas Park. The last week of the month was spent cleaning up limbs, flood debris and damage.



- The trail at North Clackamas Park was repaired after the ice storm on December 27.
- Trash/camp clean-ups at least once a week with a lot of time spent at Luther Rd.
- All facility fire extinguishers were annually inspected and, if required, recharged or replaced.
- Stump grinding of all trees that were removed due to storm damage or dead trees.
- Tree assessment at Alma Myra Park.

PROJECTS/TASKS BEING WORKED ON

- Started yearly playground inspections and repairs.
- Continuing taking down dead and hazard trees at various district sites.
- Picnic tables are in for repair and paint.
- Late season hedge trimming and pruning at all district sites.

- Working on winter equipment maintenance.
- Milwaukie Community Center generator repair.

LOOKING AHEAD

- NCPRD will be planting trees and plants at various parks throughout the district as part of the repair replace project.
- Painting and repairing picnic tables at the NCPRD maintenance shop.
- Weather permitting, drainage will be installed at Sieben Park to deal with standing water that can affect the sidewalk.
- Plant pick up coming in later this month to use on the repair replace projects and for volunteer events.
- On January 7, NCPRD is partnering with the North Clackamas Watershed Council to host a Christmas Tree Buy Back event at North Clackamas Park. The trees will be used on February 4, for the Christmas Tree Tie-Down event, also in partnership with the Watershed Council.
- Alma Myra Playground replacement project (contracting is under way).

Recreation

The purpose of the NCPRD Recreation program is to provide a variety of recreational and educational opportunities directly and in partnership with other providers to enhance personal health and the quality of life for all residents of the District.

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Winter registration began on December 6 for NCPRD residents. Over 80% of the swim lesson offerings were filled within a couple of minutes (with 369 registrations). Prior to non-resident registration opening a week later, 91% of the swim lesson program had been filled.
- The Aquatic Park partnered with Randall Children's Hospital to host a holiday recreational swim. The event was free to the public but required pre-registration. Approximately 250 people participated in the swim along with learning the importance of water safety, proper use of lifejackets and car seats, photos with Santa and each youth participant received a gift.
- The Aquatic Park offered a free American Red Cross lifeguard training course with 18 participants. Of those 18 students, 12 passed the class and all 12 have submitted applications to join the Aquatic Park team.
- Aquatic Staff also hosted another Water Safety Instructor course for the lifeguard team with five staff participating.
- Winter Celebrations drew over 400 attendees, 36 volunteers and 16 performers to the Milwaukie Community Center on December 3. Participants learned about Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, St. Lucia, Dongzhi and Las Posadas through activities, food and music.



- Mad Science Camp: Micro Scientist, for ages 4-7 years, was held during the Holiday break. The children learned about bugs, wiggle worms, dinosaurs, colors and other science facts.
- Fall adult classes and contracted youth dance classes wrapped up this month with 643 participants.
- Our first Adaptive and Inclusive Social on December 16 was a success with 29 participants and 14 caregivers attending. All who attended enjoyed pizza, decorating ornaments, and playing a variety of games.



- NCPRD's three-day Winter Dance and Tumbling Camp proved to be very popular with the 30 spots filling quickly and a waitlist of 28. The campers had a blast learning tumbling techniques and the latest dance moves. The campers showcased their new tumbling and dance skills before family and friends on December 30 in the Concord School Property gymnasium.



PROJECTS/TASKS BEING WORKED ON

- The Aquatic Park team has been conducting all staff in-services and annual refresher meetings this month since college staff returned during the holidays.
- The Aquatic Park is in the process of hiring more lifeguards and cashiers.
- The swim team season is going well with all local teams finding a balance to their allocated pool times. NCPRD staff has been working to help the local leagues in need of swim meet locations due to the Mt. Hood Community College pool being closed.
- Staff is preparing for a Lunar New Year Celebration. This event will take place on Sunday, January 22 from 12-2 p.m. at the MCC with activities, light refreshments and dancers for entertainment.
- Hoopers, Hoopers, Hoopers! NCPRD's youth basketball program has over 1,500 players ready to hit the hardwood on January 8. Our Hoopers coordinators are busy recruiting volunteers to coach the 170 plus teams.
- NCPRD's Cheer Starz Dance and Cheer winter program begins on January 16. The new format of the program has been well received as it is full!
- Shooting Stars Basketball, a league for persons with additional needs and cognitive disabilities, has 29 participants, a new record for the program. The athletes will begin sharpening their skills on January 9.
- Planning has begun for an Adaptive and Inclusive Spring Prom scheduled for May 20, 2023. This will surely be a special night for our adaptive and inclusive community, ages 15 and older.
- Staff is busy working through scheduling conflicts on the Adrienne C. Nelson High School ballfields with the community in preparation for NCPRD's spring adult softball season.
- NCPRD's Adult Open Gym Volleyball program will run on Sundays from 3-5 p.m. beginning January 8 in the Concord School Property gymnasium.
- Staff is preparing for the March 2023 opening of the North Clackamas Park baseball/softball fields.

LOOKING AHEAD

- The Aquatic staff is preparing for the return of their first local school for mini-weekday fitness, safety and fun in the water program, since the pandemic.
 - Staff is preparing for the hire and training sessions for incoming new staff members to be hired in January.
 - Planning for 2023 summer special events, activities and summer camps is underway.
 - Exploring weekday sports programming ideas for youth and adults.
 - Begin working on NCPRD's summer and fall adult softball league schedules.
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