

How have we responded to your feedback?

Walking / Hiking Trails



Feedback: Very strong support for walking trails (top pick -25 dots). Loops were cited as important. Suggestion also received for exercise stations using natural features.

Plan elements/analysis:

1. Long loop hiking trail at perimeter of the site.
2. Primary connector trail from parking lot to the west to connect to the broader public trails on the adjacent DNR lands.

Question: Should certain walking paths be separate from bike paths, or allow bikes to use all trails?

Mountain Biking Trails



Feedback: Very strong support for bike trails (top pick - 25 dots).

Plan elements/analysis:

1. Bike loops for various skill levels based on topography.
2. Skills course for beginner riders, near the parking lot to provide graduated learning opportunities, easy access and safety for new riders.
3. Trails constructed specifically for mountain bikes using IMBA trail standards.

Wildlife viewing



Feedback: 9 dots.

Plan elements/analysis:

1. Interpretive signs proposed along pedestrian loop trail describing local flora and fauna, wildlife habitat.

Education / Restoration



Feedback: 9 dots. Comment board received suggestion for space for bus parking for field-trips.

Plan elements/analysis:

1. Bus parking could be accommodated along shoulder of W Ribary Way. On-site bus parking would take up too much space.
2. Interpretive signs proposed along pedestrian loop trail.
3. Potential for future phase of canopy-tour educational improvements.

Picnic Areas / Viewpoints



Feedback: 13 dots.

Plan elements/analysis:

1. Picnic shelter and picnic tables at the parking lot. Primary facility needs to be in close proximity to parking lot and restroom for ease of picnic use and gathering.
2. Secondary area with picnic table / benches at view spot for walk-in picnickers.
3. View area with limited clearing to provide a destination with Mount Si / territorial view.

Horse Facilities



(NOT PROPOSED)

Feedback: Comment board received suggestions for horse trails/ facilities.

Plan elements/analysis: The Parks Commission considered this comment but did not recommend developing horse specific facilities, as:

1. Cost and space for parking lot accommodating horse trailer stalls/unloading area would be disproportional to the likely small amount of horse use.
2. WA DNR doesn't have a plan for horse facilities on their adjacent lands.
3. Equestrians and mountain bikes may not be compatible, particularly in a smaller site such as this.
4. Equestrians remain welcome to use the shared trails.

Bouldering



Feedback: Comment received suggesting bouldering opportunities.

Plan elements/analysis:

1. Proposed trail is routed next to the large rock outcrop to enable informal bouldering use.
2. Additional boulder improvements or established climbing routes are not proposed, to maintain passive nature of the park.

Parking Lot



Feedback: Comment board received suggestion for space for bus parking for field-trips, group arrivals.

Plan elements/analysis:

1. Bus parking could be accommodated along shoulder of W Ribary Way. On-site bus parking would take up too much space.
2. Parking lot size to be determined partially on whether DNR also provides separate parking lot further up the road on their property.

Off-leash Dog Area



(NOT PROPOSED)

Feedback:

Comment board received suggestion for providing off-leash dog area at the park.

Plan elements/analysis:

1. The Parks Commission considered this, but do not recommend providing it, given potential for conflicts given likely high use, particularly with bicyclists.
2. Dogs will be welcome on-leash.