



GREAT PARKS, GREAT COMMUNITIES

Park Authority Master Plan

A 10-year Plan for the Fairfax County Park System

Fairfax County Athletic Council Update

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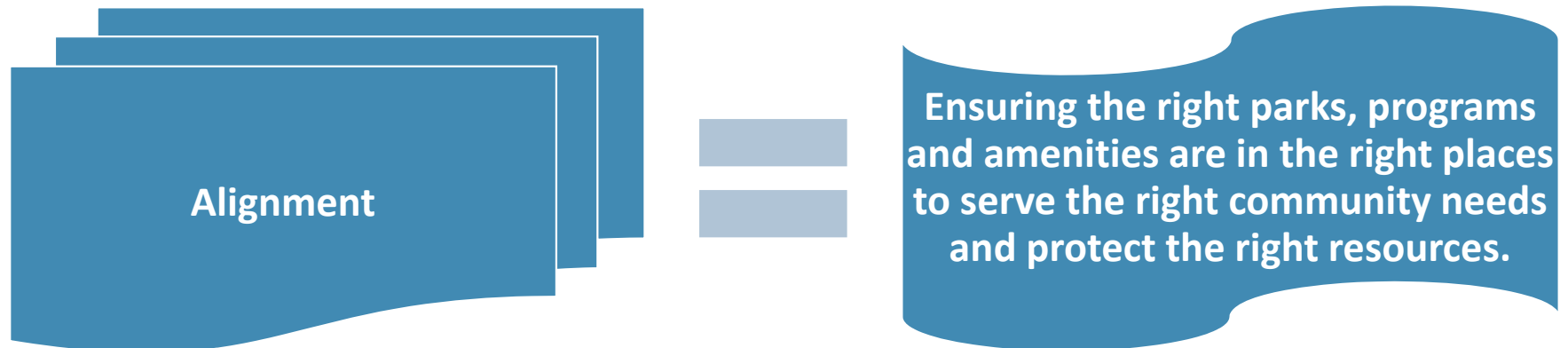


Agenda

- Park System Master Plan Overview
- Timeline & Milestones
- What's Next
- Q & A

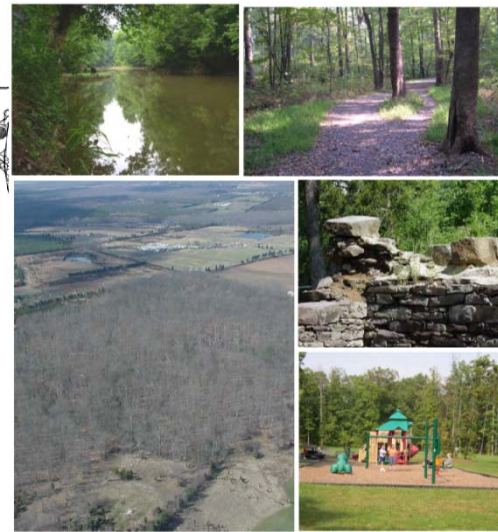
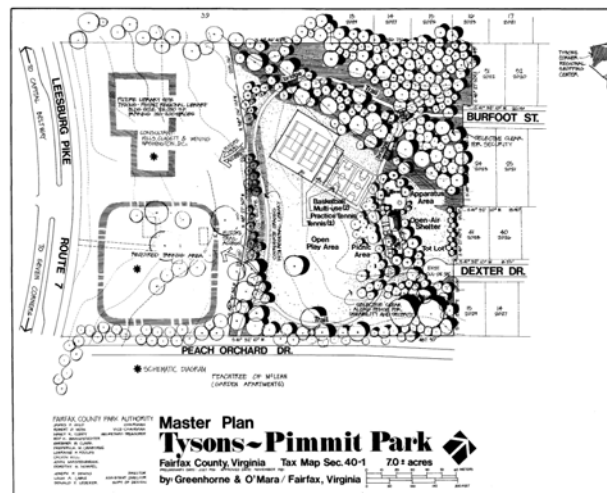
WHY CREATE A PARK SYSTEM MASTER PLAN?

- Align major plans across the agency into an updated master plan with a 10 year horizon
- Seek alignment on agency direction, goals and priorities
- Incorporate updated data and information
- Meet CAPRA accreditation standards by early 2018



PARK SYSTEM MASTER PLAN OVERVIEW

• THE PLAN IS NOT....



SULLY WOODLANDS
REGIONAL MASTER PLAN
FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY

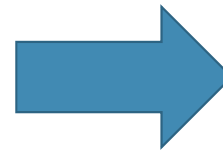
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PARK SYSTEM MASTER PLAN OVERVIEW

- **Big Picture**

- Considers the entire park system & includes all plans, programs and initiatives

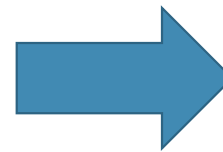


For Example:

- *Service level standards analysis for entire park system based on future population*

- **Community-Driven**

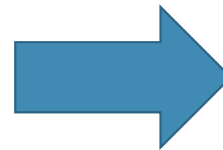
- Builds on the community input & analysis of Parks Count Needs Assessment



- *Community emphasized maintenance - Review and enhance maintenance practices for athletic fields/facilities*

- **Long-Term**

- Builds from our past to plan for where/what we want the park system to be in 10 years



- *Guides decision-making to meet countywide needs for baseball and softball diamonds (60ft, youth) & rectangle fields*

TIMELINE & MAJOR MILESTONES

2014 – July 2016

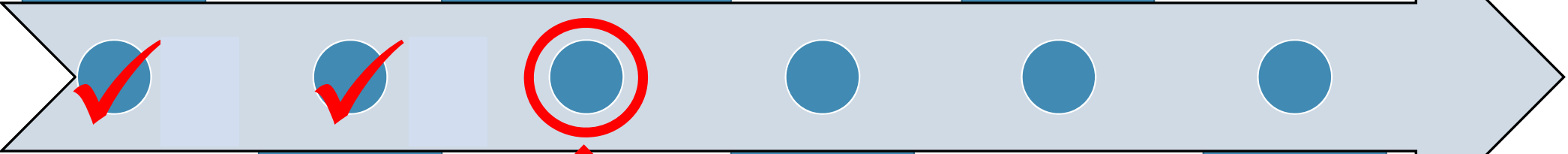
Needs Assessment
+
Community Outreach

January – June 2017

Data Analysis
+
Goals & Recommendations

Fall 2017

Public Comments
+
Revisions to Draft Plan



Guiding Principles
+
Plan Alignment

August – December 2016

**WE ARE
HERE**

Draft Plan Authorized
+
Published

Summer 2017

Final Plan Approved
+
Published

Winter 2017

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Inspire a Passion For Parks
- Advance Park System Excellence
- Meet Changing Recreation Needs
- Be Equitable & Inclusive
- Promote Healthy Lifestyles
- Strengthen & Foster Partnerships
- Be Great Stewards

PRELIMINARY DRAFT GOALS

- Expand access and opportunities for healthy and active lifestyles
- Enhance park system quality and condition
- Improve and promote natural resource management
- Ensure continued protection, conservation and interpretation of cultural resources
- Advance a culture of organizational agility and progress
- Ensure financial sustainability

WHATS NEXT

- Share feedback w/ leadership & incorporate into planning
- Draft master plan published mid/late-summer
- Open house series being schedule for late summer



QUESTIONS?



THANK YOU!

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