



# FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



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**TO:** Chairman and Members  
Park Authority Board

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### *Agenda*

**Planning and Development Committee  
(Committee of the Whole)  
Wednesday, December 8, 2021 – 6:20 pm  
Boardroom – Herrity Building  
Chairman: Ken Quincy  
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1. Endorsement - Pickleball Study Report (with presentation) – Action\*
2. Scope Approval – Wakefield Park Skatepark Renovation (with presentation) – Action\*
3. Reallocation of Project Funds for Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center (with presentation) – Action\*
4. Update of Infrastructure Projects Impacting Parkland (with presentation) – Information\*

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## **ACTION - 1**

### Endorsement – Pickleball Study Report

#### ISSUE:

Endorsement of the final Pickleball Study Report.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

The Park Authority Executive Director recommends endorsement of the final Pickleball Study Report.

#### TIMING:

Board endorsement of the Pickleball Study Report is requested on December 8, 2021, in order to publish the results of the study for public reference and as a resource to FCPA staff for future pickleball planning, development, and operation.

#### BACKGROUND:

With the growing demand for pickleball opportunities in the County, the Park Authority initiated a comprehensive study to guide the planning and development of pickleball facilities. A cross-agency project team comprised of various FCPA functional areas such as planning and development, operations and maintenance, park services, as well as the County Department of Neighborhood and Community Services, was assembled. The study incorporated comparative research, data analysis, and engaged the public with an end goal of providing recommendations to better accommodate pickleball in the County.

The scope of the study was threefold:

- Gather existing data and provide analysis on the existing service level of pickleball in comparison to other comparable jurisdictions.
- Guide Park Authority decisionmakers in identifying, evaluating, and designing suitable pickleball locations and facilities; and
- Provide recommendations on strategies for future pickleball courts to serve the county's residents and enable the Park Authority to respond to community requests for pickleball courts.

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The draft study report's findings and recommendations were presented to the Park Authority Board at its regular meeting on July 28, 2021. Following this meeting, the draft report was made available on the Pickleball Study webpage for public and stakeholder review and comment. The draft report was presented at a virtual public meeting on September 14, 2021 and a public comment period was open from September 1 to October 1, 2021. Comments received were centered around the following:

- Recommendations for locations for adding pickleball courts
- Need for a pickleball complex with six or more dedicated courts
- Adjustments to pickleball court design standards

Staff reviewed and considered all public comments in the Final Pickleball Study Report.

The purpose of this Board Item is to request endorsement of the Final Pickleball Study Report. Upon endorsement, the report will be published on the Pickleball Study website (<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/planning-development/pickleball-study>) and will serve as a guiding document for future pickleball planning, development, and operation.

Enclosed for information is the complete Final Pickleball Study Report (Attachment 1), which includes an executive summary to quickly reference recommendations and key takeaways of the study.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

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Attachment 1: Pickleball Study Report

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# PICKLEBALL IN FAIRFAX COUNTY

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report on the Park Authority's Pickleball Study presents findings and recommendations on how to strategically respond to increasing demand for the sport. While these recommendations will need to be updated as courts are added, popularity of the sport changes, and FCPA conducts periodic Needs Assessments, they provide a framework on which to base the Park Authority's initial decision-making.

The study finds that the Park Authority's approach to providing pickleball facilities is comparable to similar jurisdictions, although other providers have employed different strategies in response to the demand. Current shared-use courts can satisfy most players with relatively minor improvements, yet opportunities exist to leverage the growing interest in the sport. These include creating more options for pickleball-only courts, providing pickleball-only and shared-use courts in groups (minimum 4) to facilitate drop-in play and larger group gatherings, and establishing standardized design and construction guidelines to maintain consistent standards across the park system.

Opportunities to provide new pickleball courts or modify existing tennis or basketball courts exist and should be explored using the following strategies:

- Existing shared-use pickleball courts sharing a central tennis net (1 on 1) should be updated to the recommended (2 on 1) layout with movable nets as recommended in this report. Converting these existing courts will create several locations with 4 pickleball courts to better facilitate group play.
- Using the 2024 Park Bond and other funding sources, consider the design and construction of at least two pickleball-only facilities suitable for large group drop-in play and tournaments (6 or more courts). Dedicated tennis court/s that are determined to be underutilized or shared-use courts that are primarily used for pickleball within the Park Authority's inventory should be prioritized for conversion to a dedicated pickleball-only complex prior to considering building a new complex.
- Use the County's existing public court inventory to create pickleball opportunities as part of the Park Authority's ongoing maintenance efforts.
- Plan for pickleball in new locations through the park master planning process.

This report will continue to be used as a guide for planning and development of pickleball courts throughout the County. Recommendations within this report should be considered alongside the need for ongoing community engagement with court users, park neighbors, and other interested stakeholders.

Specific plans for future pickleball court developments will be made available on the Park Authority's website for public review as funding sources for projects become available. The Park Authority values the contributions of the pickleball community and remains committed to ongoing dialogue as recommendations are implemented and new opportunities emerge to address demand.

## STUDY BACKGROUND

### Introduction

Pickleball has grown in popularity in recent years. To address the pickleball community’s desire for more courts in Fairfax County, the Fairfax County Park Authority (“Park Authority” or “FCPA”) undertook this study to address pickleball as part of the county’s suite of recreational facilities. The scope of the study was threefold:

- Gather existing data and provide analysis on the existing service level of pickleball in comparison to other comparable jurisdictions.
- Guide Park Authority decisionmakers in identifying, evaluating, and designing suitable pickleball locations and facilities; and
- Recommend strategies for future pickleball courts to serve the county’s residents and enable the Park Authority to respond to community requests.

While this study is comprehensive, it is not intended to serve as the sole source of information regarding pickleball. It is the intent that the study’s recommendations would be implemented collaboratively through the Park Authority’s Planning & Development, Park Operations, Park Services, and Resource Management Divisions.

### What is Pickleball?

Pickleball is a racquet-based sport that combines elements of tennis, badminton, and ping pong. It may be played outdoors or indoors and is suitable for both singles and doubles play. The play experience varies, with some players focusing on the social atmosphere of a casual game and others preferring the fast pace of tournament-style competition. Pickleball courts and nets are smaller than their tennis counterparts. Historically, pickleball first found popularity among active adults and retirees as a less physically demanding alternative to tennis; however, today the sport is enjoyed by all ages and skill levels.

An important aspect of pickleball is its social and community-based style of play. Also referred to as Drop-In play, a single or group of pickleball courts may draw as few as four – and in some cases up to 40 players at a time, some actively playing on the courts, while others are gathered nearby waiting for their turn. These sessions of drop-in play generally last between one and four hours. The ability to support Drop-In play is a significant preference voiced by Fairfax County’s pickleball community.

#### **What is Drop-In Play?**

**Where players “drop in” without advance reservation\* to play other drop-in players. Play follows a rotation system for those players waiting for court space.**

#### **Example Formats:**

- **2-3 hours reserved each morning, on all courts, for all players.**
- **A 2-hour block of time reserved on selected days, on selected courts, for Drop-In players of specific skill levels.**

*\* Courts may need to be reserved by a group or scheduled for drop-in play during specific times; the number of individual players attending a drop-in event varies.*

*Information from Fairfax County Advocates for Pickleball, July 2021.*

In terms of overall activity, required support infrastructure, playing time, and potential for conflicts with other sports, “Drop-In” pickleball resembles field-based sport more than it does other court sports, as participants include both players and spectators using a facility over a block of time.

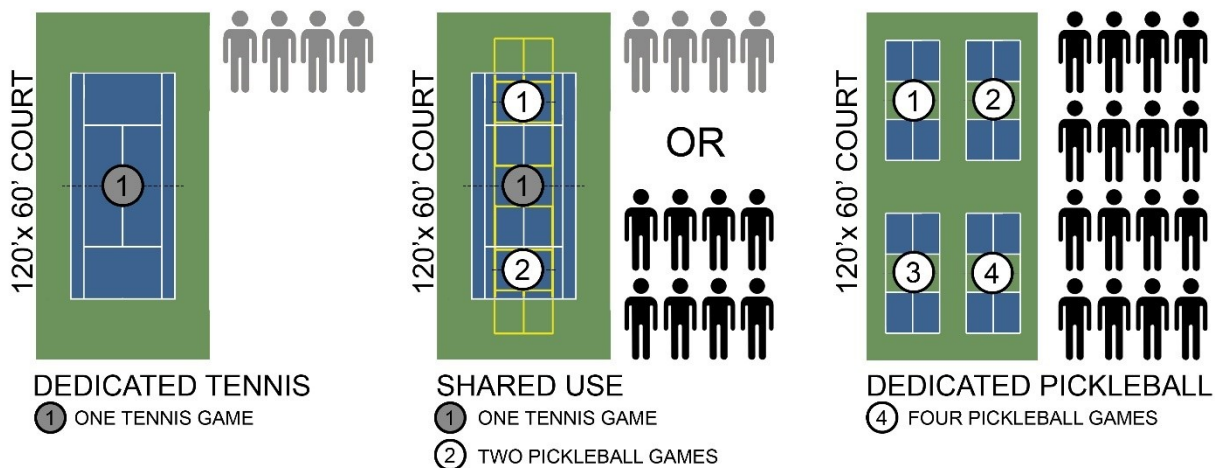
On a national level, USA Pickleball (formerly the U.S.A. Pickleball Association) promotes the growth and development of the sport by promulgating rules, regulations, tournament guidelines, and sponsorship opportunities. USA Pickleball has an organized network of regional and local ambassadors that advocate for the sport and assist recreational providers in developing the sport.

### Definitions of Court Configurations

This report often references various court configurations for tennis and pickleball. For clarity, the following definitions may be used. Figure 1 illustrates each configuration and the varying numbers of simultaneous games and players (see also the full layout recommendations on page 36) and highlights the need to provide amenities such as parking to support the number of users.

- **Tennis-Only or Dedicated Tennis Courts:** Court and net dimensions are intended solely for tennis use.
- **Shared-Use Courts:** Tennis or basketball courts that also provide for pickleball. These courts typically have a fixed central tennis net and employ portable pickleball nets. As described in the study’s recommendations, a layout of two pickleball courts per tennis court is preferred. The Park Authority also provides shared-use courts as one pickleball court per tennis court, with both sports sharing the tennis net; however, this is not an ideal layout as it accommodates fewer pickleball games and relies on the tennis net, which is taller than a regulation-sized pickleball net.
- **Pickleball-Only or Dedicated Pickleball Courts:** specialty regulation-sized pickleball courts and nets are constructed solely to provide for pickleball. The courts are used for no other sport. For reference to layout and sizing, four pickleball courts occupy an area similar to one tennis court.

FIGURE 1: EXAMPLES OF DEDICATED AND SHARED-USE COURT LAYOUTS



## Methodology

The pickleball study employed various methods of data collection and analysis. This study presents a holistic approach and is the result of collaboration through a cross-agency project team consisting of park planners, landscape architects, park operations, maintenance, and construction staff, Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS) community center staff, Park Authority Rec Center operators, and NCS court scheduling and programming specialists.

### **Research methods included:**

- literature review;
- industry best practices as well as practices of comparable recreational providers
- outreach to identified stakeholders;
- public community survey on pickleball play and preferences
- geospatial analysis;
- demand forecasting; and
- similar park planning methods courts, for all players.

## KEY FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This section outlines the study’s key findings and recommendations to provide pickleball courts in the County, which are discussed in more detail in the body of this report.

### Key Findings

- In general, use of the Park Authority’s outdoor courts is on the rise. Like other recreational amenities, parks have enjoyed increased popularity during the COVID-19 pandemic due to the role they play in public health, physical and mental wellness, and how they provide outdoor recreational and social opportunities during this unique time. Local trends mirror those at the regional and national levels.
- The Park Authority’s pickleball offerings are similar to comparably sized jurisdictions (i.e., serving similar land areas and number of residents), and generally on par with neighboring parks and recreation providers regarding the number of courts available on a per capita basis. The Park Authority however has fewer complexes of six or more dedicated pickleball courts when compared to these same providers.
- As of late Fall 2021, the Park Authority will have 50 outdoor pickleball courts on shared tennis courts, and two pickleball-only courts at Wakefield Park. In the 18 months prior to this report, 19 pickleball courts were added to existing tennis courts and the two pickleball-only courts were constructed, representing a 68 percent net increase in the number of pickleball courts.
- Of survey respondents, 62 percent indicated that they are willing to drive up to 20 minutes to access a court. As of late Fall 2021, 99.8 percent of county residents will be within a 20-minute drive of a Park Authority or NCS pickleball venue. Additionally, 77.3 percent of county residents are within a ten-minute drive of a Park Authority or NCS pickleball court. Public comments received during the study indicated that players may be willing to drive more than 20 minutes for groupings of four or more dedicated pickleball courts.
- Current court configurations generally suit small groups and casual use. The majority of locations where FPCA offers pickleball has one to two courts and these arrangements suit 65% of those surveyed.
- Options are limited for the 35% of those surveyed who prefer Drop-In group play (as described on page 7), tournaments, and pickleball-only courts not shared with other sports. Groupings or complexes of four or more dedicated pickleball courts or shared-use courts with reserved time blocks for designated drop-in play are lacking when compared to smaller arrangements of courts within the County.
- Provision of pickleball-only facilities, either through conversion of existing courts or construction of new courts, will require planning and funding for the courts as well as any necessary supporting infrastructure, such as Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant access, parking, court lighting, fencing, and ongoing maintenance.

## Study Recommendations

The study recommendations incorporate the study findings and planning strategies identified later in this report to put forth a consolidated set of action items to better accommodate pickleball in the County.

1. **Adopt site selection criteria** (see guidance starting on page 31) to provide a standardized evaluation method to determine whether introduction of pickleball at a park or site is appropriate and under what conditions.
2. **Adopt court layout and design specifications** (page 36) to guide the construction and maintenance of shared use and dedicated pickleball-only courts. The specifications detail court dimensions and standards, both for individual courts and groups of pickleball-only courts at given locations.
3. **Starting in Fiscal Year 2022, include pickleball in the Park Authority's existing court maintenance and renovation efforts.** Prior to scheduled maintenance, a court's potential for shared use or conversion to pickleball-only should be assessed. If introducing shared use, two pickleball courts per tennis court with movable nets should be implemented. Existing shared-use courts striped for one pickleball game with a shared net should be restriped to accommodate two pickleball games with movable nets per court. If converting from tennis-only to pickleball-only courts, consider four pickleball courts per tennis court area (see Design Best Practices and Standards on page 36).
4. **Designate specific times/days for pickleball or tennis use only on a first-come-first-serve basis at shared-use courts that offer 4 or more pickleball courts to reduce conflicts between different user groups.** These designated times should be posted on signage at selected courts and also be made available online for reference.
5. **Using the 2024 Park Bond and other funding sources, consider the design and construction of at least two pickleball-only facilities suitable for large group drop-in play and tournaments.** The facility should provide a minimum of six pickleball courts and consider lighting to extend the hours of use. Dedicated tennis court/s that are determined to be underutilized or shared-use courts that are primarily used for pickleball within the Park Authority's inventory should be prioritized for conversion to a dedicated pickleball-only complex prior to considering building a new complex. As discussed elsewhere in this report, the footprint of a tennis court can fit up to four dedicated pickleball courts. The locations of these two facilities should be responsive to drive times from populous areas and be spaced far enough apart from each other to strategically accommodate users from all areas of the County.
6. **In the 2026 Needs Assessment, consider whether a standalone countywide service level standard for pickleball courts is justified.** Any recommended standard should be based on an assessment of assets and grounded in a statistically valid public survey conducted as part of the Needs Assessment process, to identify existing and projected service gaps per the standards of the *Commission for the Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA)*.

## STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Targeted stakeholder engagement has been critical in informing the Park Authority of local and regional trends, preferences, and court usage of pickleball, tennis, and other racquet-based sports competing for limited physical resources. The following stakeholders provided input and subject matter expertise outside of the public survey:

- U.S. Tennis Association (USTA)
- USA Pickleball Ambassadors Program
- Fairfax County Advocates for Pickleball (FCAP)
- Northern Virginia Tennis League
- Fairfax County Athletic Council
- Fairfax Area Commission on Aging
- Individual county tennis players' groups
- Regional parks and recreation staff members
- Various homeowner and community associations

Community meetings with stakeholder groups allowed for dialogue early in the study and staff better understand the desire for pickleball, its unique play experience, and the potential impacts on other racquet sports and park activities. Staff held meetings via phone and videoconferencing software due to the restrictions on in-person interaction during the COVID-19 pandemic. Multiple calls, meetings, presentations, and extended email exchanges were conducted over the course of the study. In addition to the above organizations, staff routinely met with members of the Board of Supervisors and their staff, Park Authority Board members, and other county officials.

A draft of the study report was provided online for public review and comments were received from September 1 to October 1, 2021. The comments received were very comprehensive and were considered in final edits to this report.

### Public Survey Highlights

The public was invited to participate in a survey from December 2020 to January 2021. The Park Authority's Pickleball Study webpage hosted the study using Publicinput.com, a public engagement platform and survey software tool. Information about the survey helped FCPA better understand pickleball use, preferences, and concerns. Over 1,800 responses to the survey were received.

The results of the survey, considered along with other analysis and stakeholder input, helped inform the recommendations in this report. The following figures are derived from the survey results and provide a general understanding of pickleball use within Fairfax County. Approximately 78 percent of respondents indicated they have played pickleball within the last year. These survey results are used as a planning resource for future pickleball opportunities throughout this report.

This section presents highlights from the survey results; the complete survey results, as provided by PublicInput.com, are provided in Appendix A.

FIGURE 2: SURVEY RESULTS: LENGTH OF VISIT

### How long is your typical visit?

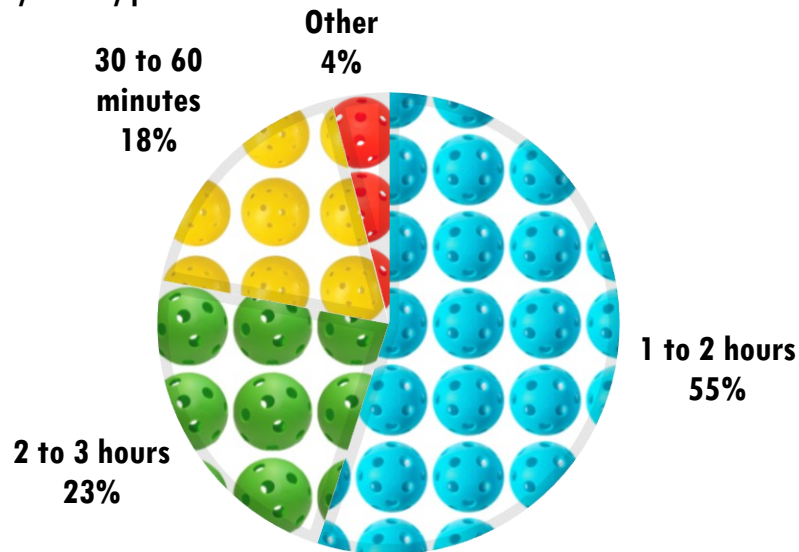


FIGURE 3: SURVEY RESULTS: FREQUENCY OF PLAY

### How often do you play?

1,395 respondents

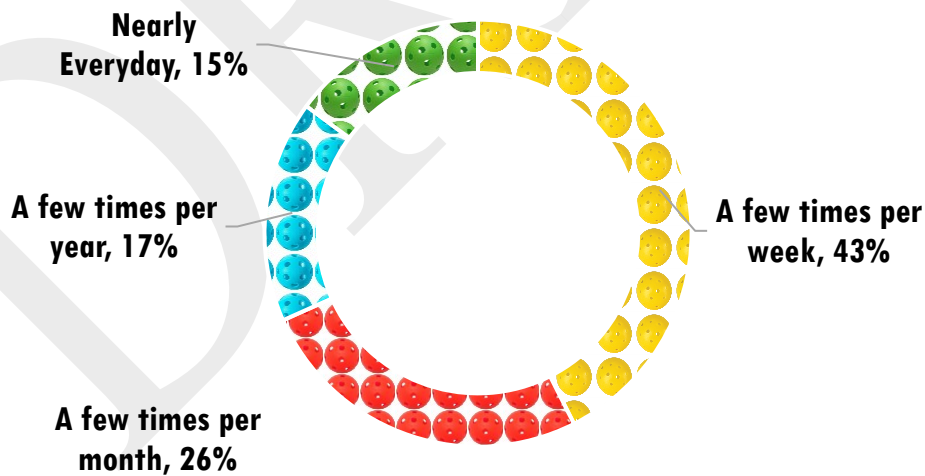




FIGURE 4: SURVEY RESULTS: WALKING VS. DRIVING TO PLAY

### Do you typically walk or drive? 1,323 respondents

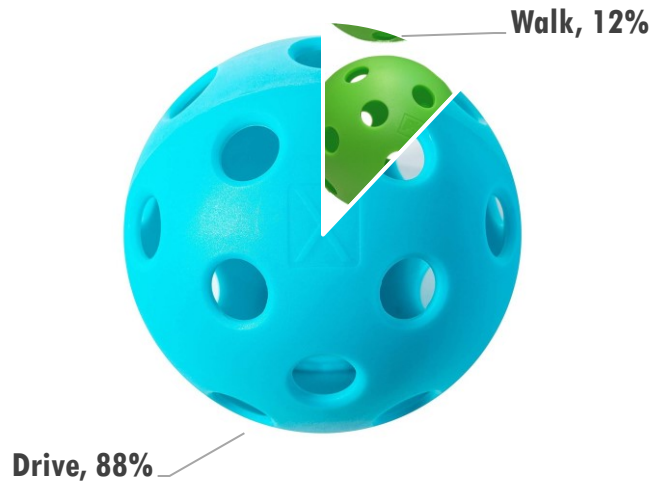
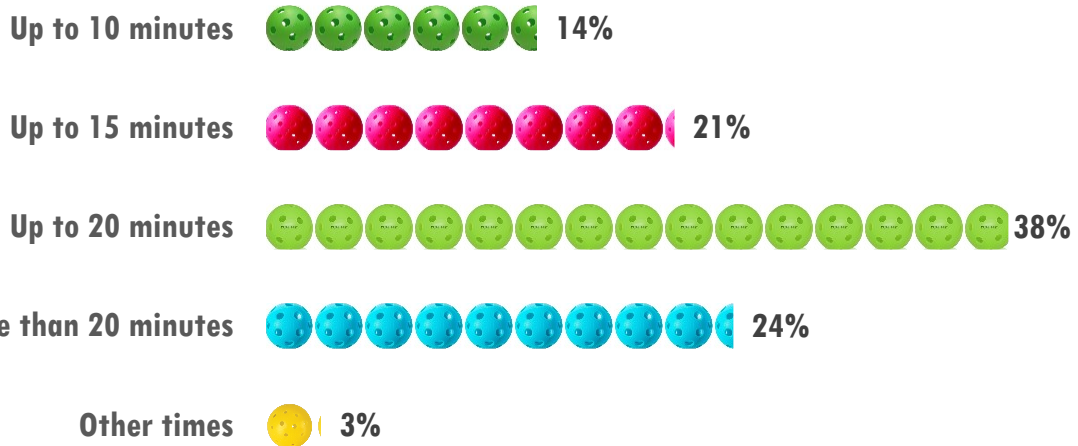


FIGURE 5: SURVEY RESULTS: HOW FAR PLAYERS ARE WILLING TO DRIVE

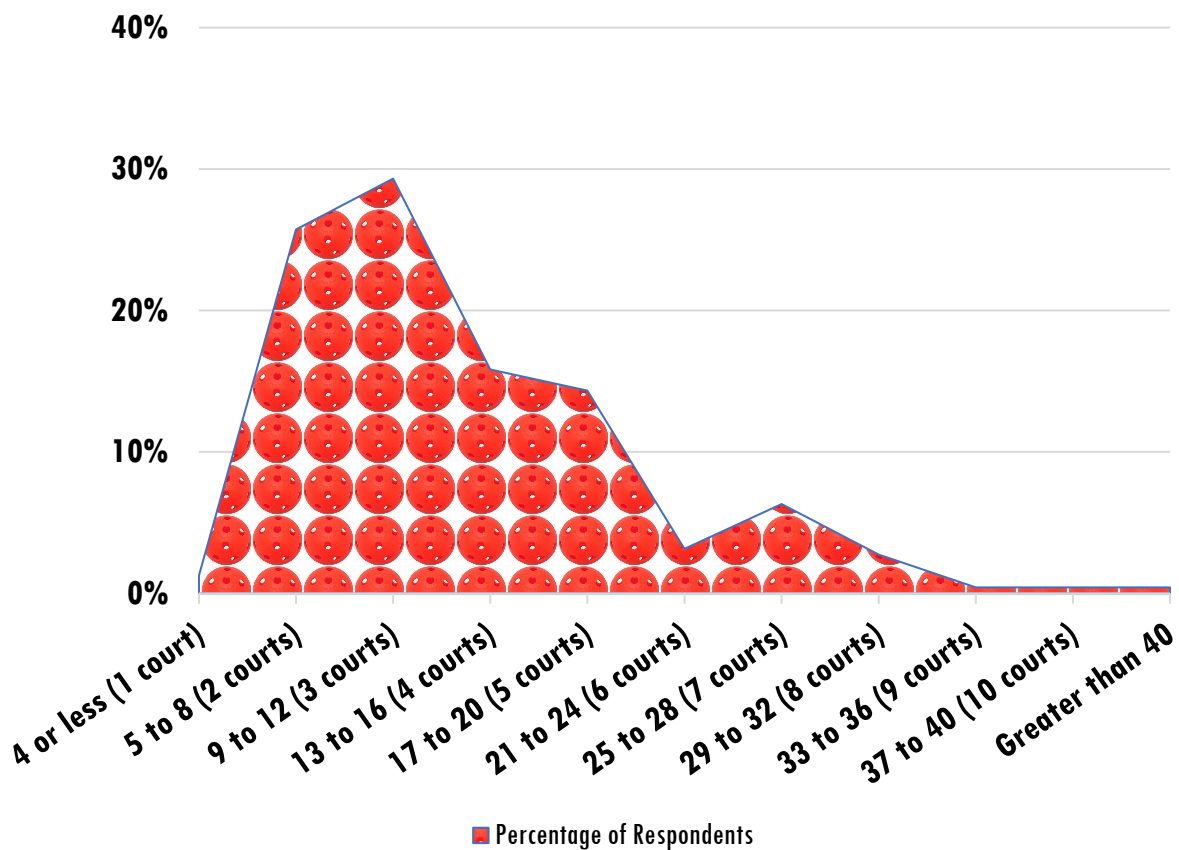
### We're willing to drive... 1,325 respondents



The survey yielded a key finding about driving access to pickleball courts. Of respondents, 88 percent indicated that they drove to play pickleball, and 62 percent would be willing to drive at least 20 minutes. It should be noted that players may drive more than 20 minutes for larger groupings of pickleball courts that are known in advance to be available. Accordingly, drive time to a court is a primary factor to consider when recommending the construction of dedicated pickleball courts. Given the high percentage of drivers, parking is necessary to accommodate a park’s current and planned uses, plus any additional spaces required for pickleball players. Driving access to the County’s current facilities is discussed in the Proximity and Access section on page 20.

FIGURE 6: DROP-IN PLAY GROUP SIZES

### When you play pickleball as part of a group, how many players are at a typical gathering?



The survey also sought to determine how many players attend a typical group or Drop-In session. As shown in Figure 6, 72 percent of respondents indicated that they typically play with 16 or fewer players when playing as part of an organized or social group. This would equate to four courts needed to accommodate simultaneous play. Input also suggested that four or more courts allow for players to divide games by skill levels, allowing for greater participation.

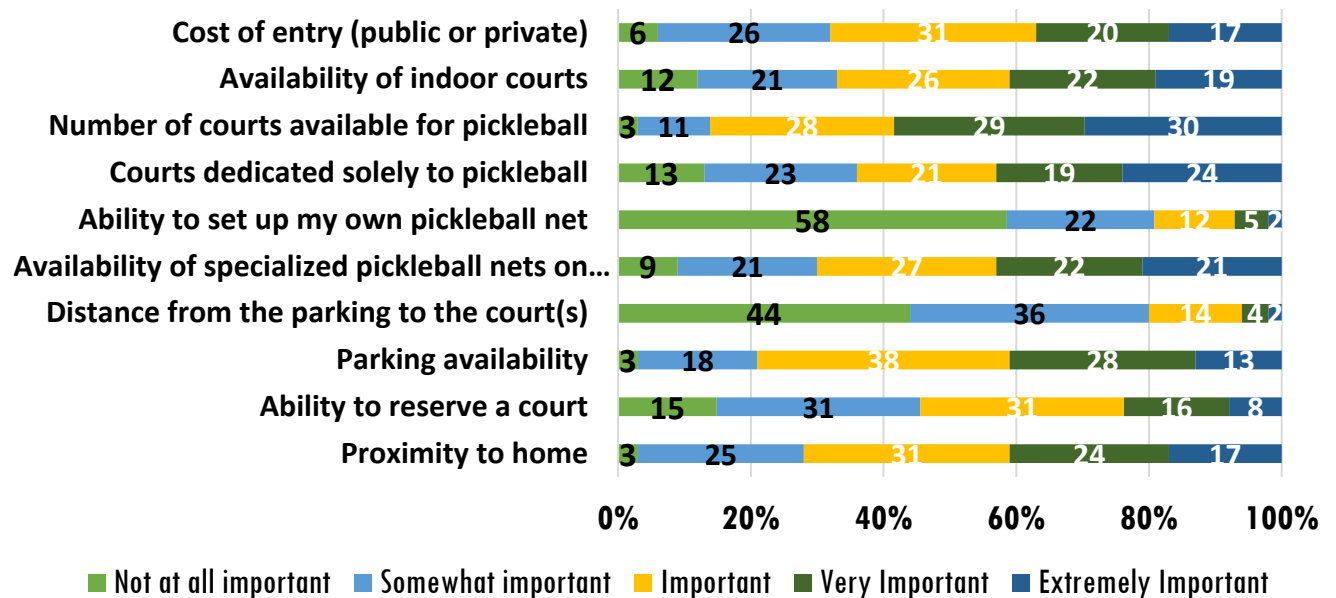
Survey participants were asked whether certain characteristics or support amenities were important to them, shown in Figure 7. Factors ranking most important included:

- the number of pickleball courts available for play;
- having specialized nets on site (versus utilizing a shared tennis net or bring-your-own portable net);
- availability of parking;
- availability of indoor courts; and
- availability of courts dedicated solely for pickleball.

Similarly, respondents indicated that while available parking was important, the distance from the parking lot to the courts was not; the ability to bring one’s own net did not rank as particularly important (that is, players prefer nets provided on site over bringing one’s own), nor did the opportunity to reserve court times in advance.

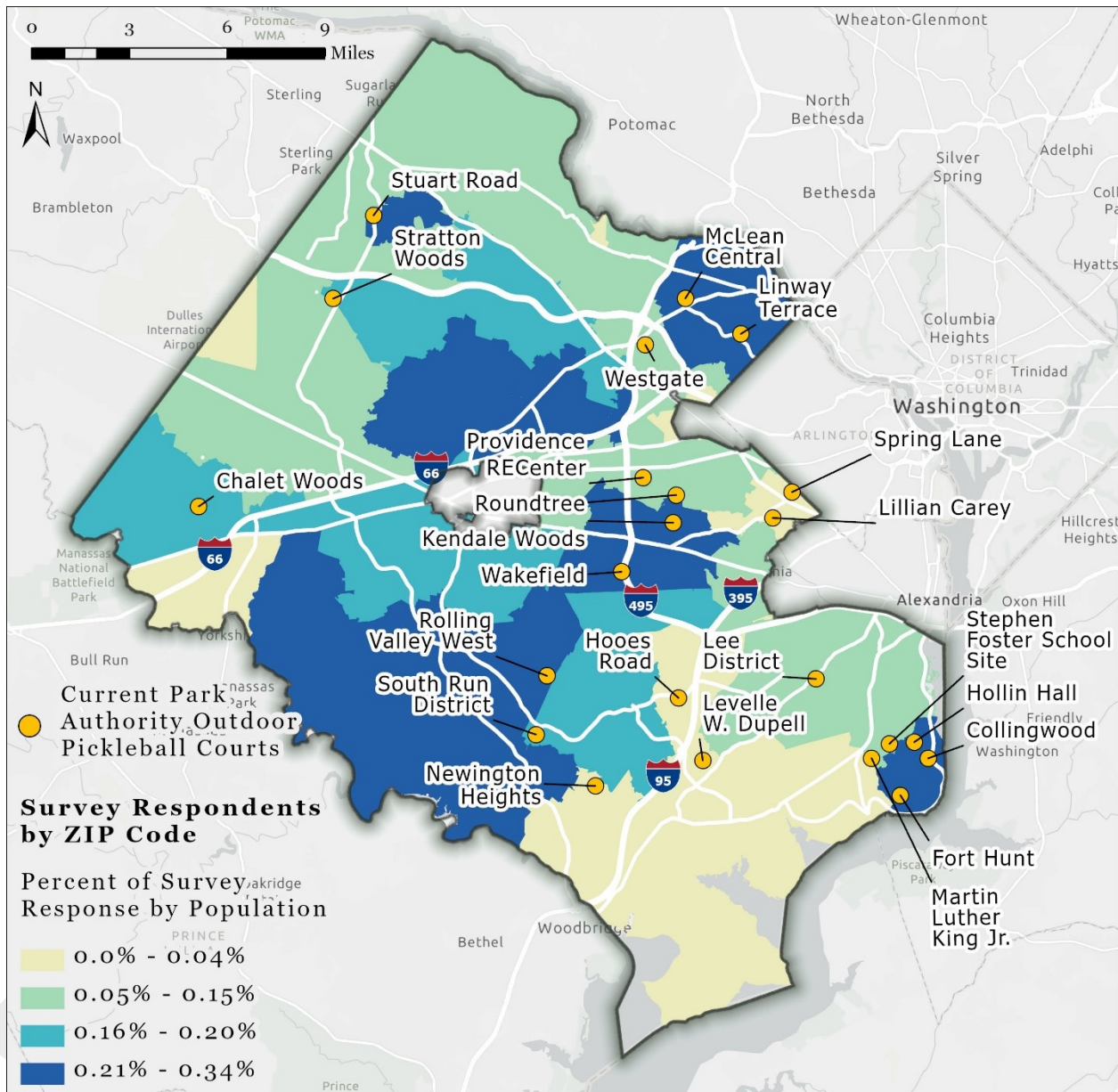
FIGURE 7: FEATURES OF IMPORTANCE TO PLAYERS

How important are each of these factors in your decision of where to play pickleball?



Furthermore, respondents were asked to provide their home ZIP code, and 87 percent responded. Mapping this data provided a general indicator of where interest in the survey was greatest. Figure 8 illustrates respondents per ZIP code provided, as a function of the total population of that ZIP code. For example, in the 22015 ZIP code, the total population is 44,250 and there were 90 survey responses. Thus, survey respondents represented 0.2 percent of the ZIP code’s total population. The level of participation shown in Figure 8 ranges from 0 to 0.34 percent.

FIGURE 8: SURVEY RESPONDENTS BY ZIP CODE AND PARK AUTHORITY OUTDOOR PICKLEBALL COURTS



The number of survey responses per ZIP Code range from 0 responses to 117 responses, for a total of 1,595 responses across the County. "Percent of Survey Response by Population" was calculated by dividing the total number of survey responses by the total population in that ZIP Code. Population data is the 2019 Integrated Parcel Lifecycle System (IPLS) data produced by the Fairfax County Department of Management and Budget.

## EXISTING CONDITIONS

### Existing Park Authority Outdoor Pickleball Courts

As of late Fall 2021, the Park Authority now offers two pickleball-only dedicated courts at Wakefield Park, 26 shared-use pickleball courts sharing a central tennis net (1 on 1), and 24 pickleball shared-use courts with portable nets (2 on 1) on tennis or basketball courts throughout the County. These facilities are identified in Table 1. It should be noted that the number of pickleball games accommodated could be increased if all existing shared-use (1 on 1) courts were either restriped to accommodate two pickleball courts per tennis court (2 on 1) as diagrammed in the *Shared Use Tennis/Pickleball Courts* section of this report on Page 36 or converted into dedicated pickleball courts as diagrammed on Page 38.

**TABLE 1: PARK AUTHORITY OUTDOOR PICKLEBALL COURTS**

<b>PARK</b>	<b># OF PICKLEBALL COURTS</b>	<b>SUPERVISORY DISTRICT</b>	<b>1 ON 1 SHARED USE</b>	<b>2 ON 1 SHARED USE</b>	<b>DEDICATED USE</b>	<b>LIT</b>	<b>CONDITION NOTES</b>
<i>Chalet Woods</i>	3	Sully	X			X	Faded Lines
<i>Collingwood</i>	4	Mount Vernon		X			Paving Cracks
<i>Fort Hunt</i>	4	Mount Vernon		X			Paving Cracks
<i>Hollin Hall (BOS Owned)</i>	2	Mount Vernon	X				Faded Lines, No Nets, No Fencing
<i>Hooes Road</i>	2	Lee	X				Blue Lines
<i>Kendale Woods</i>	2	Mason	X				Paving Cracks, Blue Lines
<i>Lee District</i>	1	Lee	X			X	Minor Paving Cracks
<i>Lillian Carey</i>	2	Mason	X				Blue Lines
<i>Linway Terrace</i>	2	Dranesville		X		X	Great Condition
<i>Levelle W. Dupell</i>	1	Mount Vernon	X			X	N/A
<i>Martin Luther King Jr.</i>	4	Mount Vernon		X			Great Condition
<i>McLean Central</i>	2	Dranesville	X			X	Faded Lines
<i>Newington Heights</i>	2	Mount Vernon	X				Paving Cracks, Faded Lines
<i>Providence Rec Center (Outdoor)</i>	1	Mason	X				Substandard Tile Surface & Net
<i>Rolling Valley West</i>	2	Springfield		X		X	Great Condition
<i>Roundtree</i>	2	Mason		X			Great Condition

<i>South Run District</i>	2	Springfield	X			X	Great Condition
<i>Spring Lane</i>	1	Mason	X				Good Condition
<i>Stephen Foster School Site (Walt Whitman)</i>	2	Mount Vernon		X			Good Condition
<i>Stratton Woods</i>	2	Hunter Mill	X			X	Great Condition
<i>Stuart Road</i>	1	Hunter Mill	X			X	Great Condition
<i>Wakefield</i>	6	Braddock		X (4)	X (2)	X	Great Condition
<i>Westgate</i>	2	Providence	X			X	Paving Cracks
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>52</b>		<b>26</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>2</b>		

### Offerings at Rec Centers

In addition to the existing 52 pickleball courts offered at parks, the Park Authority offers six indoor pickleball courts through Rec Centers as shown in Table 2. These offerings are dependent upon operating hours, scheduling, and the demand for other court-based sports.

TABLE 2: PICKLEBALL OFFERINGS AT PARK AUTHORITY REC CENTERS

	# OF PICKLEBALL COURTS	SCHEDULING	NOTES
<i>Lee District</i>	2	Classes only. Reservations planned for future.	Striping taped on floor. Could accommodate more for events.
<i>Providence</i>	Varies (Taped Lines)	Varies	Programming and Classes
<i>Spring Hill</i>	4	Classes only. Reservations planned for future.	Striping taped on floor
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6+</b>	

### Offerings through Fairfax County Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS)

While the Park Authority owns and maintains a system of public parks, Rec Centers, and other facilities, the Fairfax County Department of Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS) operates its own network of Community Centers (CC), Teen Centers, Senior Centers, and Neighborhood and Family Resource Centers. Both agencies provide recreational opportunities to the community. While NCS centrally schedules the County’s athletic fields and gyms at public parks and schools, the scheduling of tennis, pickleball, and multiuse courts is the responsibility of the individual sites. Table 3 details the current pickleball offerings available through NCS.

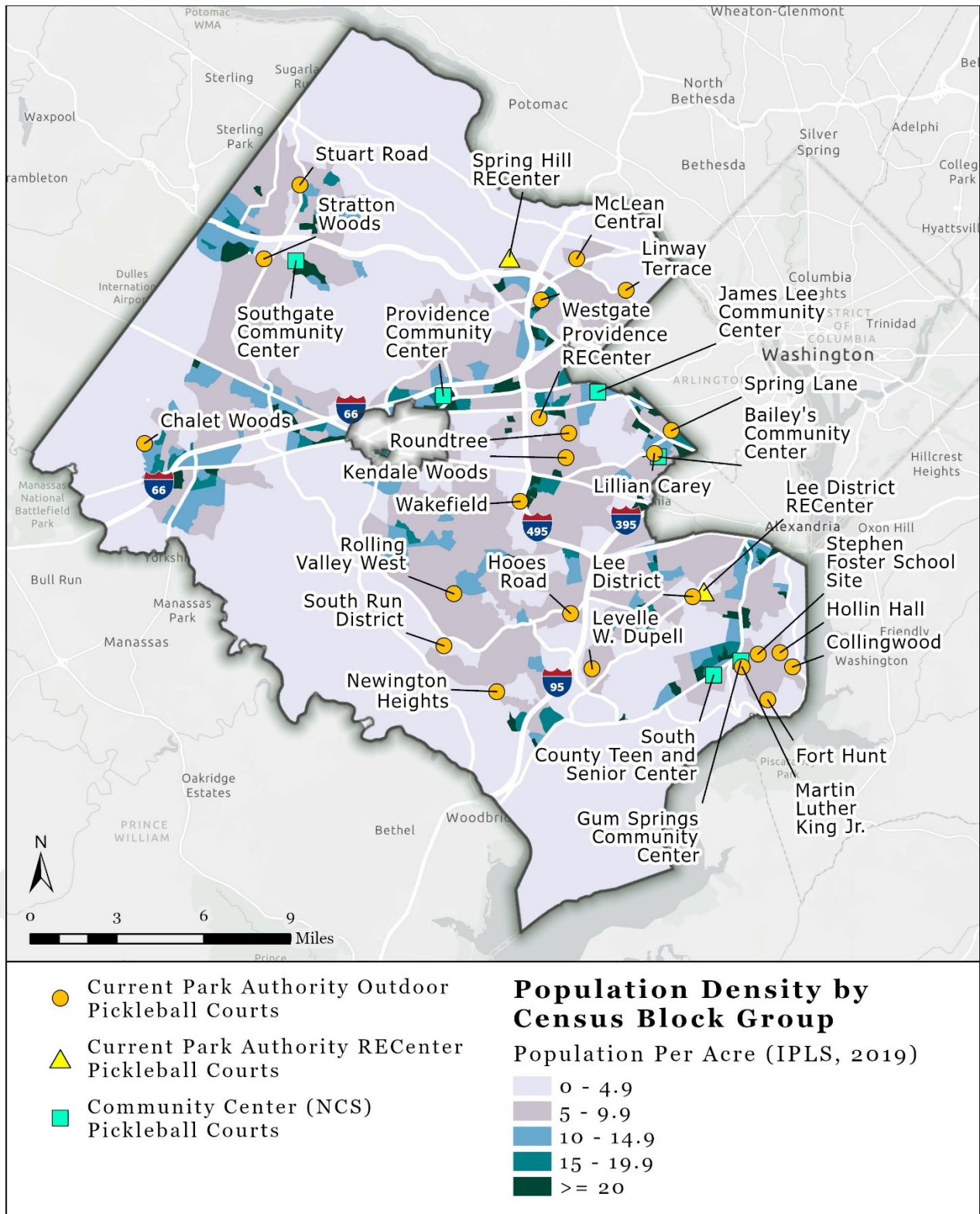
**TABLE 3: NCS PICKLEBALL OFFERINGS**

	# OF PICKLEBALL COURTS	SCHEDULING	NOTES
<i>Bailey's CC</i>	2 to 4	By appointment. Open play and classes planned	
<i>Gum Springs CC</i>	2	By appointment. Open play and classes planned	
<i>James Lee CC</i>	2	By appointment, no open play	Taped lines
<i>South County Teen and Senior Center</i>	3		No taped lines
<i>Providence CC</i>	2	By appointment, no open play	Taped Lines
<i>Southgate CC</i>	2	By appointment, no open play	Taped Lines
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13 to 15</b>	

Pickleball Facilities and Population: Proximity and Access

Figure 9 maps the locations of Park Authority and NCS pickleball offerings against the county's population density. In planning for parks, recreation, and other facilities, population density is often considered; locating facilities near population centers allows for a greater number of residents to easily access the service. Additionally, this population-based approach can be used to broadly determine any gaps in service based on proximity.

FIGURE 9: POPULATION DENSITY AND PARK AUTHORITY/NCS PICKLEBALL LOCATIONS



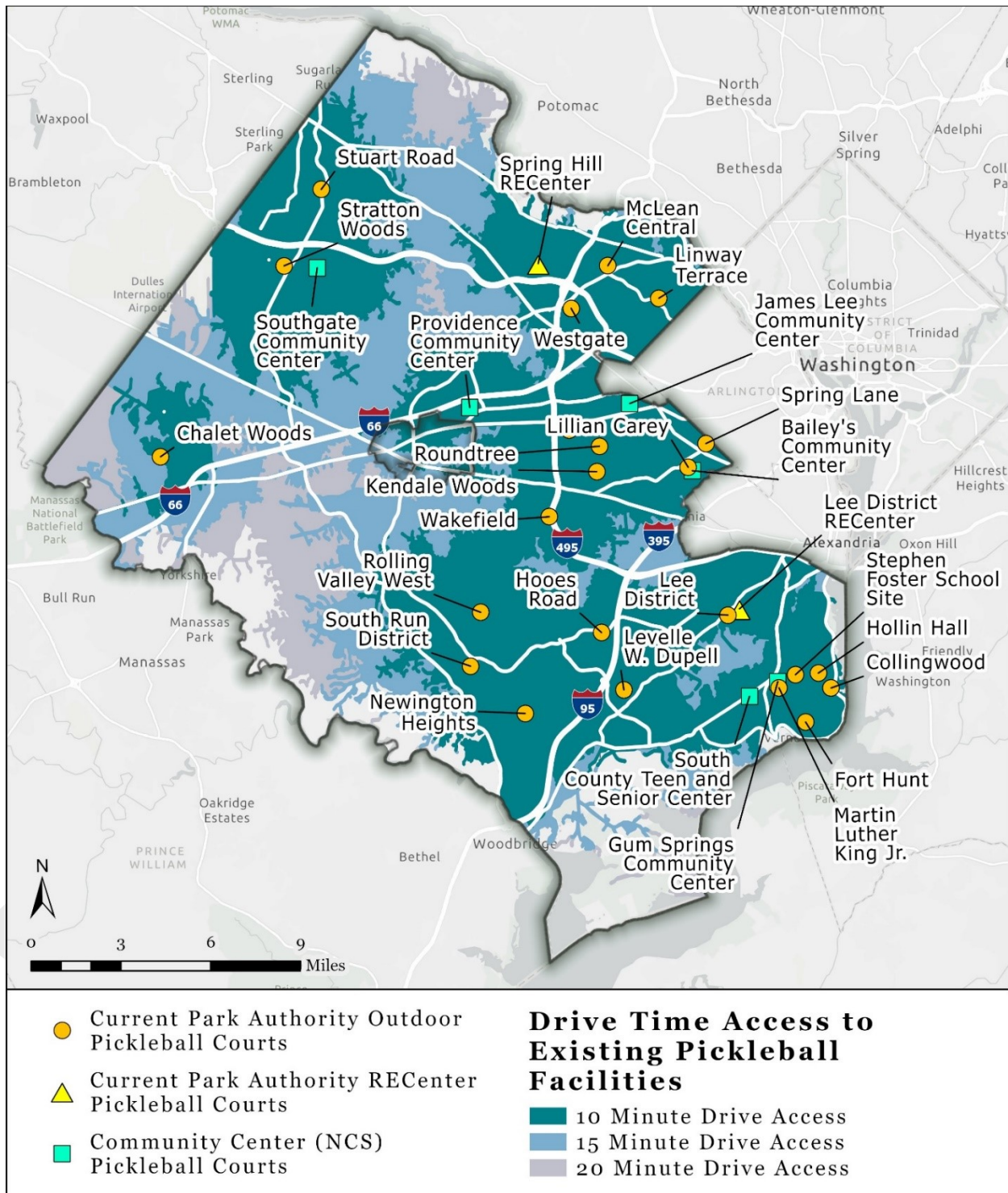


In the public survey, 88 percent of respondents indicated that they drive to their pickleball venue. Many are willing to drive 20 minutes or more to a venue that meets their needs, and high importance is placed on the availability of parking at a given location. Accordingly, drive access is one appropriate metric by which to analyze existing and potential pickleball locations. This does not discount the consideration of pickleball in parks accessible by walking or other means; however, it is anticipated that pickleball opportunities will continue to serve residents on a countywide or regional basis and that driving access should be planned for accordingly.

Figure 10 shows Fairfax County's existing public pickleball courts and the approximate drive time to a facility from within the County. An overwhelming 99.8 percent of County residents are within 20 minutes of a pickleball court, 96.5 percent are within 15 minutes, and 77.3 percent are within a 10-minute drive of an FCPA or NCS pickleball venue.

However, this near-ubiquitous coverage of the county's population does not account for whether the courts provide an optimal play experience for all players. Current court configurations generally suit small groups (65 percent of surveyed players) and casual use. Conversely, 35 percent of surveyed players indicated that they prefer playing in larger groups, with group sizes ranging from 4 to 60. Of these, 72 percent play in groups of 16 or fewer. This indicates a need for larger groupings of four or more pickleball courts to support group and Drop-In play.

FIGURE 10: DRIVE TIME ACCESS TO EXISTING PICKLEBALL FACILITIES



## Pickleball through other Organizations

Other pickleball providers, such as the Reston Association and private clubs, provide access to opportunities that are not included in this study as they are not available to the public without fees or membership.

Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) is a public provider of tennis and basketball courts in the County. FCPS courts maintained by the Park Authority were considered in this study. As with other public providers of recreational facilities, FCPS's courts and pickleball offerings may help meet community interest in the sport, and coordination with FCPS is appropriate to increase pickleball offerings.

## INDUSTRY TRENDS AND COMPARISON TO OTHER PROVIDERS

As part of this study, staff sought to benchmark nationwide trends and other jurisdictions' pickleball offerings to understand how Fairfax County's offerings align. This is a typical component of park planning studies and provides decision makers with additional context into how the industry is changing to address shifting recreational preferences and demographics.

### Trends in Tennis and Pickleball

As pickleball grows in popularity, many public parks and recreation providers have begun to provide pickleball offerings as an addition to tennis and other racquet sports. Where pickleball has been introduced, the courts have been provided as either shared-use or dedicated courts as described on page 8.

Tennis and pickleball trends are compared as part of this report since there are similarities between the sports and they often share court space within the County.

According to the Sports and Fitness Industry Association (SFIA), the sport of pickleball has 4.2 million participants nationally, representing a 1.1 percent participation rate in the United States (2019-2020). 63 percent of players are casual (1 to 12 times per year), while 37 percent are core players (13 times or more per year). Total participation has grown an average 7.1 percent over the past five years; 2020 saw a growth rate of 21.3 percent, attributed to overall increased parks and recreation using during the SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) pandemic.<sup>1</sup>

Comparatively, the sport of tennis had 21.64 million participants, representing a 7.1 percent participation rate in the United States. Participation in the sport has increased 22 percent from 2019 to

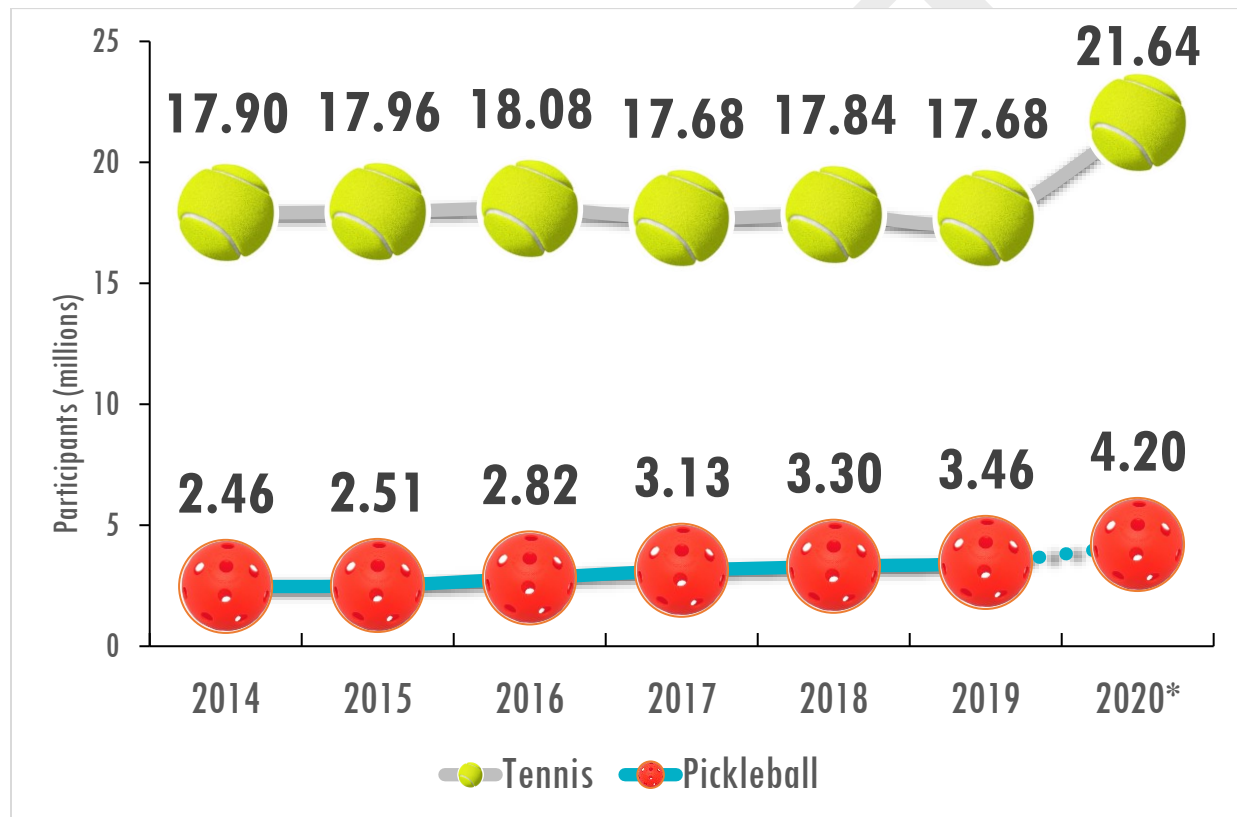
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<sup>1</sup> Sports & Fitness Industry Association (SFIA), Sports, Fitness and Leisure, Topline Participation Report, 2020. Data for pickleball in Calendar Year 2020 is provided by U.S. Pickleball, citing the 2021 SFIA Topline Participation Report which, as of this writing, has not been formally released. This study's authors relied on this data to estimate the change in participation in 2020 due to the SARS CoV-2 (COVID-19) pandemic. According to weekly park use surveys conducted by the National Recreation and Parks Association (2020), parks agencies saw increases in visitor numbers as public outdoor spaces played a heightened role in the public's physical and mental health and wellbeing in 2020.

2020.<sup>2</sup> This increase can also be attributed to COVID-19 activities; participation remained relatively steady at 17.68-18.02 million players in 2014-2020. While longer term tennis trends show declining or stable participation, the sheer number of participants demands the continued support of this sport.<sup>3</sup>

Figure 11 illustrates the estimated participation figures for both sports.

FIGURE 11: NATIONAL PARTICIPATION RATES OF TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL SINCE 2014



**7.1%**

**Tennis Participation Rate, 2020**

**1.1%**

**Pickleball Participation Rate, 2020\***

<sup>2</sup> Sports & Fitness Industry Association (SFIA), Sports, Fitness and Leisure Topline Participation Report, 2019.

<sup>3</sup> Fairfax County Park Authority Needs Assessment (2016), p. 104.

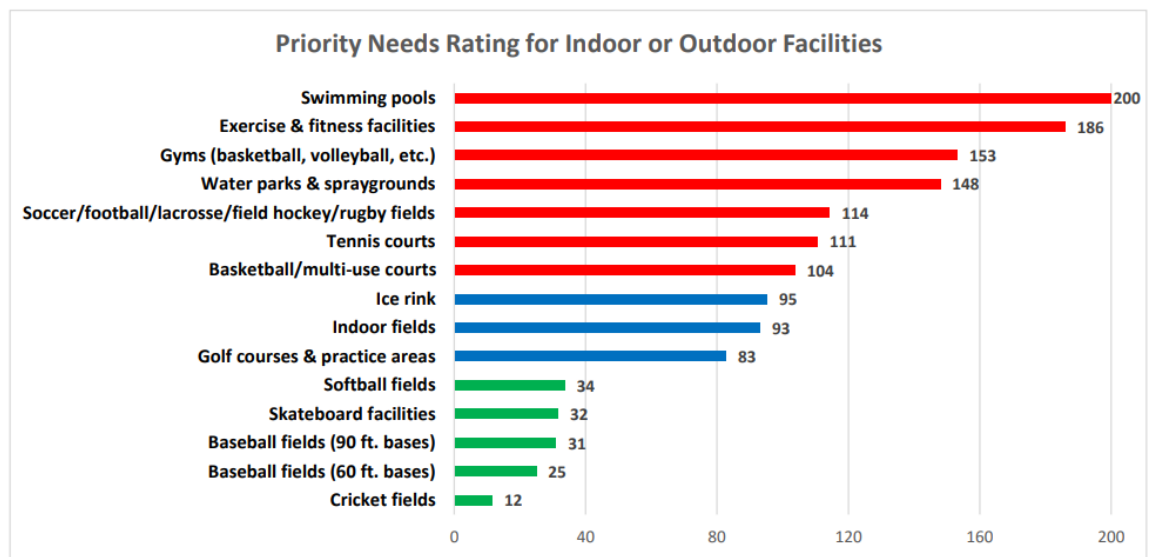
Applying national participation trends to Fairfax County (population 1.171 million<sup>4</sup>) allows estimation of the potential number of players for each sport. Not accounting for potential increases or decreases in play related to COVID-19, the County may have 12,881 pickleball players (1.1 percent), and 83,141 tennis players (7.1 percent).

### Findings from the Park Authority’s 2016 Needs Assessment

The Park Authority conducted a statistically-valid survey of county residents as part of its 2016 Needs Assessment. 38 percent of respondents (146,860 households) expressed a need for more indoor and outdoor tennis courts. As shown in Figure 12, tennis courts ranked as the #6 priority need in the County, between rectangle fields (#5) and basketball/multi-use courts (#7). The top priority need (#1) was identified as swimming pools. The Needs Assessment found a greater need for tennis courts in Fairfax County in 2015 (38 percent of households) than the national average (26 percent of households).<sup>5</sup> Further, the Needs Assessment found a higher than average local market potential for tennis instruction and classes, when compared to national averages.<sup>6</sup>

FIGURE 12: 2016 NEEDS ASSESSMENT (EXCERPT), PRIORITY NEEDS RANKINGS OF INDOOR OR OUTDOOR FACILITIES

#### 1.8.2 INDOOR OR OUTDOOR FACILITIES NEEDS ANALYSIS



<sup>4</sup> Fairfax County Office of Management and Budget, Demographic Reports, 2020.

<sup>5</sup> ETC Institute, Findings Report for a Statistically Valid Community Interest and Opinion Survey submitted to the Fairfax County Park Authority (2015), p. 24.

<sup>6</sup> Fairfax County Park Authority Needs Assessment (2016), pp. 6, 27, 84, 163.

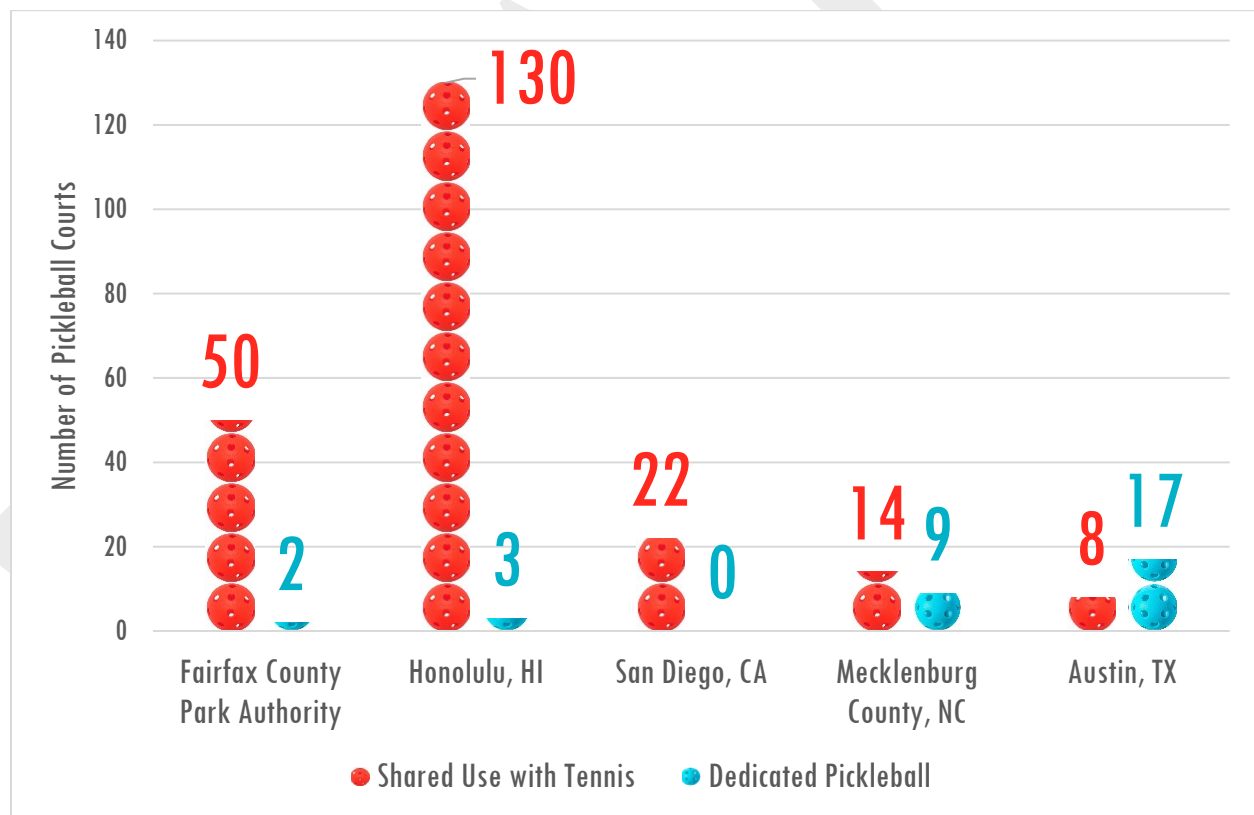
As an emerging sport in 2016, pickleball was not specifically polled and analyzed in the Needs Assessment; however, respondents voiced support for the sport and the Needs Assessment recommended adapting courts for pickleball in its service delivery strategies.<sup>7</sup>

The Park Authority conducts its Needs Assessments on a 10-year cycle, with the next scheduled for 2026. The Needs Assessment provides the basis for the Park Authority’s adopted population-based service level standards and those reflected in the Parks and Recreation Policy element of the County’s Comprehensive Plan. As part of the 2026 Needs Assessment, there may be an opportunity to evaluate pickleball, potentially recommending a needs-based service level standard like other recreational amenities, if warranted. Like the adopted standards, any recommended standard for pickleball should be based on an assessment of assets and needs to identify existing and projected service gaps per the standards of the *Commission for the Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA)*.<sup>8</sup>

### Benchmarking against Peer Jurisdictions

Fairfax County’s current inventory of pickleball courts was compared with parks and recreation agencies serving similar land areas and number of residents.

**FIGURE 13: PICKLEBALL COURTS IN PEER JURISDICTIONS (935,000 - 1.5 MILLION PEOPLE)**



Source: USAPA, Places2play.org, respective jurisdictions.

<sup>7</sup> Fairfax County Park Authority Needs Assessment (2016), p. 84.

Figure 13 includes permanent public outdoor pickleball courts in municipalities with population served between 935,000 and 1.5 million. Also researched and not displayed are Dallas, TX, which offers indoor courts at 6 community centers, and Indianapolis, IN, where no information on public courts could be found. It should be noted that this figure shows the total pickleball courts per jurisdiction and does not differentiate between groupings of courts at one location, such as a complex of eight courts. Several of these jurisdictions, such as Austin, have fewer overall pickleball courts than Fairfax County, but exceed Fairfax County in larger pickleball complexes that can support drop-in and tournament play.

## Benchmarking Locally

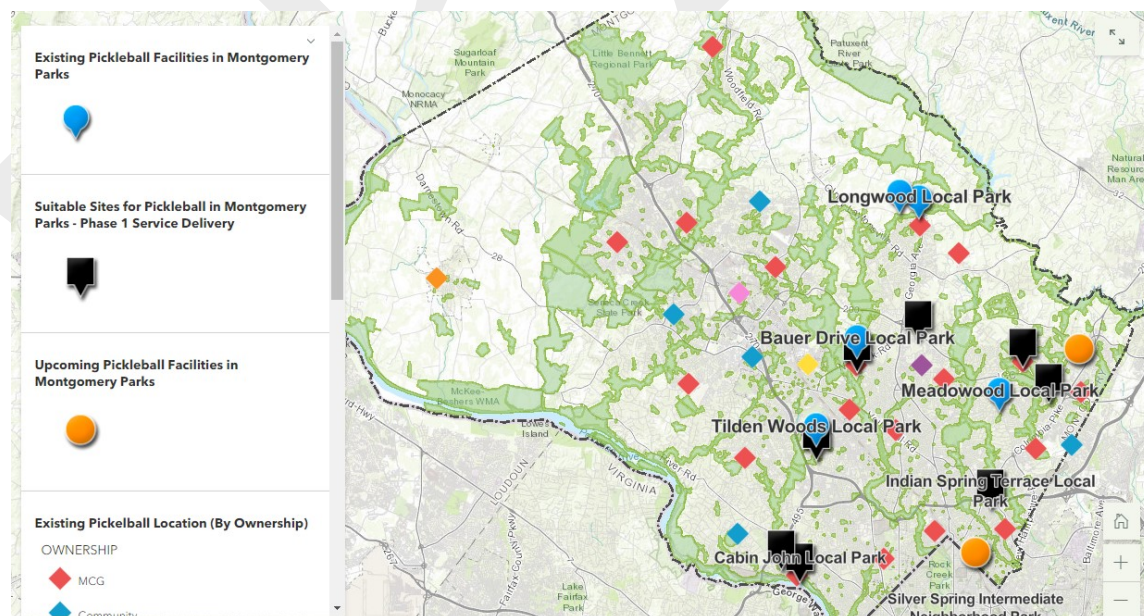
Public comments collected during the study expressed concern that Fairfax County may not be providing courts and facilities in a manner consistent with nearby jurisdictions. Accordingly, the study compared Fairfax County with other public parks and recreation providers in the region.

Like Fairfax County, other nearby jurisdictions acknowledge pickleball as a growing sport in needs assessments and planning documents. Montgomery Parks (Montgomery County, Maryland Department of Parks) completed its own pickleball study in 2019. That study investigated service needs and gaps, player preferences on location and design, and service delivery strategies. As of this study’s publication, the Montgomery Parks Pickleball Study is publicly available as an ArcGIS StoryMap, an example of which is shown in Figure 14:

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/1e5b9f424a714409b5ad3d2309de5829>

The study team regards Montgomery Parks approach for determining locations for dual striping or conversion to dedicated pickleball use as a best practice, and one that has demonstrated success in the Washington, DC metro region. This study finds that a similar approach may be appropriate for Fairfax County.

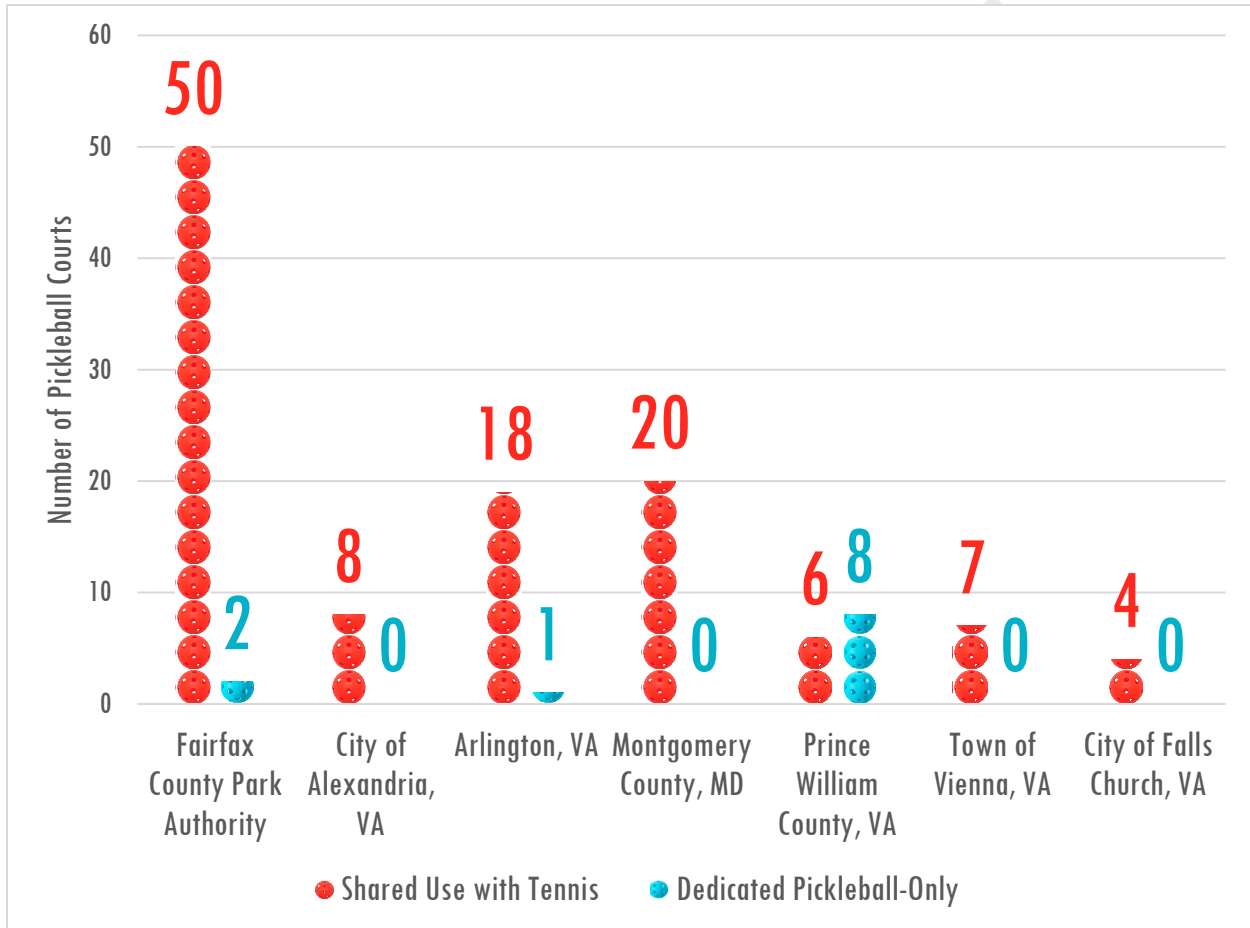
**FIGURE 14: EXAMPLE: MONTGOMERY PARKS' PICKLEBALL STUDY, PROPOSED LOCATIONS**



Source: Montgomery Parks, credit: Shubha Punase

By the numbers, the Park Authority’s 52 outdoor courts exceed that of other jurisdictions as shown in Figure 15, although there are many factors to consider when examining the actual capacity, demand, and service delivery.

FIGURE 15: NUMBER OF EXISTING OUTDOOR COURTS IN THE METRO WASHINGTON, DC REGION – JULY 2021



Source: USAPA, Places2play.org, respective jurisdictions.

Many of the Park Authority’s outdoor pickleball courts are shared with tennis: one pickleball court per tennis court sharing the tennis net. A second shared use striping scheme has been used to provide two pickleball courts per one tennis court, allowing for portable pickleball nets to be provided by players or the Park Authority at 12 courts systemwide. Shared use – with or without portable nets – is the industry’s predominant strategy for accommodating pickleball. Of area jurisdictions, only Prince William County has, to date, provided purpose-built, dedicated pickleball courts. This eight-court facility was often cited in the public survey as players’ preferred venue. Montgomery Parks is currently converting its tennis courts at Bauer Lane Local Park to six pickleball-only courts with lighting.



The number of courts in the region may also be expressed by population or per capita. This approach is often useful when comparing population-based service levels against adopted standards and is illustrated in Figure 16.

**FIGURE 16: REGIONAL NUMBER OF TOTAL PICKLEBALL COURTS PER CAPITA, 2019**

Arlington	1 per 12,465
Alexandria (City)	1 per 19,928
<u>Fairfax County Park Authority</u>	<u>1 per 24,700</u>
Prince William	1 per 33,595
Montgomery (MD)	1 per 37,536
 <u>Smaller Jurisdictions:</u>	
Town of Vienna	1 per 2,355
Falls Church	1 per 3,654
Fairfax (City)	1 per 4,003

Another consideration is how the Park Authority and other providers have approached the grouping of pickleball courts at a single location. Using the survey results as a guide, groupings of four pickleball courts would meet the playing preferences of 72 percent of respondents. The remaining 28 percent tend to prefer larger group, Drop-In play. Stakeholders have advised that groupings of six or more pickleball courts would facilitate these gatherings. At present, the Park Authority offers a maximum of four collocated courts (at Collingwood, Fort Hunt, Martin Luther King Jr. and Wakefield<sup>8</sup> Parks); two to four grouped pickleball courts are typical within the region, the more notable exceptions being the eight dedicated courts in Prince William, nine shared pickleball courts at Walter Reed Park in Arlington, and six shared pickleball courts at Olney Mill Neighborhood Park in Montgomery County.

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<sup>8</sup> Wakefield Park may offer six grouped courts if the shared-use Courts #9 and #10 are used in tandem with the pickleball-only Courts #12 and #13; the study acknowledges that the courts are not ideally positioned to fully accommodate Drop-In play at all six pickleball courts. Ideally, a six-court grouping would be sited within the same footprint.

## PLANNING FOR PICKLEBALL

When an emerging or new use is introduced into the park system, sites must be carefully planned to ensure the new activity's success, balance existing activities within the park system to provide an equitable experience for all park visitors, minimize any negative impacts on surrounding communities, and maximize the investment of the Park Authority's limited financial and staff resources.

Using the prior findings and information in this report, this section introduces site selection criteria to aid decision makers in identifying park sites most appropriate for pickleball. Opportunities to implement and provide additional pickleball courts should follow these strategies:

### Planning Strategies

- 1. Update existing (1 on 1) shared-use pickleball courts to the recommended layout (page 36):** Existing shared-use pickleball courts sharing a central tennis net (1 on 1) should be updated to the recommended (2 on 1) layout as recommended in this report. The Park Authority currently has 26 (1 on 1) shared-use pickleball courts that utilize a shared central net with tennis. Updating these courts to (2 on 1) courts would double the number of pickleball games within the same footprint that is already being occupied for pickleball use and create groupings of 4 courts at several existing locations to better facilitate group play. Additionally, movable nets will be at regulation height and eliminate conflicts associated with adjusting the height of the tennis net. The inventory of existing (1 on 1) shared-use pickleball courts should be prioritized for conversion to the recommended layout as maintenance or other funding sources are available.
- 2. Evaluate Existing Court Inventory:** Existing tennis-only and basketball-only courts should be evaluated using the site selection criteria. As appropriate, courts should be considered for shared-use with pickleball or conversion to pickleball-only. Under this option, court utilization should be evaluated, and courts repurposed only if conflicts with other sports can be minimized. If the amount of tennis or basketball play a specific court or courts have are unknown, a public meeting should be held to collect public input. This approach does not intend to convert every court to shared-use or dedicated pickleball use and rather seeks to repurpose underutilized courts not functioning at their full capacity. Regarding the existing pickleball inventory, shared-use courts should be periodically evaluated to determine whether conversion from a shared-use court to four pickleball-only dedicated courts (Figure 19 on page 39) is viable.
- 3. Use the Park Authority's Unbuilt Court Capacity:** The Park Authority's approved park master plans include many facilities that have not yet been constructed. The reason for this includes lack of available funding, site conditions, or changing community preferences. The study included an analysis of planned-but-unbuilt courts recommended in park master plans and whether such courts could be adapted for dedicated pickleball-only facilities of six or more courts according to the site selection criteria (Table 4 on page 36). Constructing these new facilities would provide greater opportunities for tournaments and Drop-In play without the time and resources required to amend a park master plan. It should be noted that repurposing existing underutilized courts to dedicated pickleball courts should be considered prior to building new.

4. **Plan for Shared Use and Pickleball-Only Courts:** Using the park master planning process as a vehicle, pickleball should be considered on an individual park basis, particularly in areas of the County that lack existing dedicated courts or feasible opportunities to leverage the Park Authority’s unbuilt court capacity. Although a master plan revision may not be required to introduce pickleball at a park, it may be appropriate to engage the community and solicit public feedback prior to construction.

The site selection criteria detailed below should be used to evaluate the Park Authority’s court inventory for pickleball suitability, as well as planned courts that have not yet been constructed. The resulting recommendations reflect those opportunities most aligned with the site selection criteria. Additional site-specific analysis, design, or engineering may be required to determine the feasibility and layout of a given location.

## Site Selection Criteria

Industry research and user preferences determined through the online survey led to the following recommended criteria for suitable pickleball court locations.

### Geography and Access Considerations



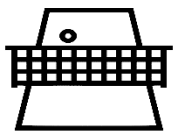
The pickleball survey indicated that over 50 percent of survey respondents are willing to drive up to 20 minutes to play pickleball. Future pickleball court planning should consider (a) the distance from existing pickleball courts, and (b) areas of the County that have fewer existing courts and/or higher population densities should be prioritized. In particular, the northern and western reaches of the County have fewer pickleball courts as shown on the Existing Pickleball Facilities Map (Figure 9). Building additional courts in these areas of the County will reduce the drive time required to access a court countywide.

### Tennis Use and Court Demand



A key finding of this study is that the potential for conflict between sport courts exists when providing shared-use courts or repurposing courts to sports for which they were not initially constructed, such as tennis or basketball. In the study’s stakeholder outreach and public survey, court users were generally supportive of multi-sport courts, yet expressed concern over the impact sharing facilities can have on the quality of play. Prior to the introduction of pickleball at a court, or prior to the removal of non-pickleball play at a court, decision makers should evaluate a facility’s current utilization, area service levels, and potential reasons for under-utilization such as demand, location, access, or maintenance. It is inappropriate to change the use of a court if such a change would result in a significant reduction of adopted service levels or conflicts between sports that cannot be minimized or mitigated.

### Layout/Spatial Considerations



Of survey respondents, 11 percent play singles (two players), and 55 percent play doubles (four players). Additionally, 35 percent of players are part of an organized group. Out of the respondents that play as part of an organized group, 72 percent indicated that they typically play with 16 or fewer players when playing. Thus, when

planning for courts, providing courts in groups of four will accommodate most players. As recommended in this report’s design specifications, a grouping of four pickleball courts accommodates 16 players at a time (four players per court). Accordingly, many larger groups of players could be accommodated through groupings of four to six pickleball-only courts, or a group of three or four tennis courts in a shared-use configuration with pickleball (of two pickleball courts per tennis court).

Most Park Authority tennis courts are provided in groups of one or two; groupings of three or more courts are generally limited to select Countywide parks such as Wakefield, Nottoway, Jefferson and Lee District Parks. This is due in part to how the Park Authority’s court system has evolved to meet the demand for tennis, basketball, and other court sports; many courts that now include pickleball were originally planned and constructed to serve smaller groups of players in local, neighborhood-serving parks, in groupings of one or two tennis courts. Smaller groups of players can be accommodated on one or two tennis courts, provided the park has the necessary conditions to support shared use of the courts. These conditions are detailed in the recommended pickleball site selection criteria.

### Availability of Parking



As indicated in the survey, the majority of pickleball players drive to the courts. Each pickleball court supports up to four players in a game and parking should be sufficient for one space per pickleball player. For parks that have two pickleball courts this equates to a minimum of eight spaces, with the amount increasing with the number of courts.<sup>9</sup>

When planning for future pickleball court locations, parking demands of adjacent facilities, such as athletic fields, should be considered. It should be noted that conversion of tennis courts to shared-use pickleball courts can double the amount of parking needed if the court is striped to accommodate two pickleball games. The location of parking should be within reasonable proximity to the courts to support accessibility and ease of play.

### ADA Accessibility and Connectivity



People of all ages and abilities play pickleball. New pickleball courts must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to be fully ADA accessible and reasonable efforts should be made to make existing courts accessible when restriping for shared-use or pickleball-only courts. A continuous accessible path of travel must connect the pickleball court(s) from public access ways and/or accessible parking spaces if parking is available at the site. The number of accessible parking spaces should comply with current county and ADA regulations.

The pickleball survey indicated that only 12 percent of respondents walk to play pickleball. Future sites for pickleball should consider proximity to urban areas, higher density housing, and public

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<sup>9</sup> While not adopted as an official standard for regulatory purposes, the recommendation of approximately 8 spaces per pickleball court was identified by Montgomery Parks. Similar conditions are expected in Fairfax County, where most players drive to play pickleball.

transportation connections. Targeting pickleball courts within these areas will help remove the barriers to the sport for individuals that may not own a vehicle or be able to walk or bike to a court.

### Court Lighting



Lighting increases the availability of courts by extending the hours of use. Survey results indicate that pickleball play is not concentrated during any particular time of the day or part of the week; therefore, the addition of lighting could accommodate one to three more playing sessions daily with sessions averaging two hours depending upon the time of year.<sup>10</sup>

Lighting courts will help support a greater number of games for both pickleball and tennis; and lighting courts should be prioritized for any courts that are shared-use for pickleball and tennis use. Lighting can also be considered for dedicated pickleball-only courts in groups of six or more to support evening tournament and Drop-In play. The potential for court lighting should be considered in the park master planning process.

The hours of park operation and adjacency of neighbors should be considered when planning for court lighting. Lighting should be high-efficiency LED and full-cutoff to reduce light pollution into surrounding neighborhoods and natural areas.

### Environmental Considerations



New dedicated pickleball-only or shared-use courts should not be placed in locations where there is abundant native vegetation, nor within Resource Protection Areas (RPAs), Floodplains, Environmental Quality Corridors (ECQs), or within prohibitive easements. Additionally, new court construction should consider low impact design (LID) stormwater best practices to accommodate the added impervious surface area within the park or mitigate any loss to natural resources from construction.

### Neighborhood Considerations



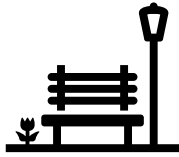
Pickleball is a social sport that can generate a moderate amount of noise and locations for play should consider the proximity to nearby residences. When siting a court near a residential area, screening (e.g., engineered barrier, vegetation) should be considered. The survey results and input from other jurisdictions found that pickleball tends to generate more noise than other court sports due to its larger group sizes and paddle and ball materials.<sup>11</sup>

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<sup>10</sup> Based on example Drop-In play scenarios provided on page 7.

<sup>11</sup> Noise potential and mitigation measures are considered when planning for new recreational facilities, and were included in Montgomery County's site feasibility criteria.

### Adjacency/Co-location Compatibility



New courts should not conflict with or displace other activities in the park. The location of dedicated or shared use courts should work in harmony with the overall park design and adjacent facilities. As pickleball is a social sport, planning pickleball courts in concert with other park facilities, such as shade structures or seating areas, adds to the overall character of the park.

### Pickleball Courts Planned for Development

These are planned dedicated or shared-use courts that are in different phases of development and approvals. These courts were planned for pickleball prior to the completion of this study. Future court development of additional sites should follow the recommendations for shared-use and dedicated courts in this section.

PARK	# OF PICKLEBALL COURTS	TYPE	NOTES
<i>Boyd A. &amp; Charlotte M. Hogge</i>	2	Dedicated	Undergoing Permit Approval
<i>North Hill</i>	2	Dedicated	Planned for construction with other park amenities.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>		

### Parks Potentially Supporting Six or More Dedicated Pickleball Courts, Based on Approved Master Plans

Park Authority master plans serve as long term guides for future development, subject to available funding. The master plan archives of approved plans can serve to estimate unbuilt capacity with how many courts have been planned in the park system but not yet constructed. Such locations may have the potential to support new pickleball courts without the need for a park master planning process or revision, provided they meet other site selection criteria. It should be noted as a strategy that underutilized existing courts should be considered for conversion to pickleball-only prior to constructing new courts.

This study researched approved park master plans to determine how many multi-use, tennis and basketball courts were approved. Then this facility data was compared with how many of these courts currently exist at the park. Table 4 identifies parks that could support six or more dedicated pickleball courts based on the number of unbuilt courts per the approved master plan. The number of dedicated pickleball courts supported per park assumes four pickleball courts can fit in the approximate space allocated for one tennis court (see page 39 for the recommended layout). If shared-use courts were built in lieu of dedicated pickleball-only courts the number of pickleball courts supported would be halved, since only two pickleball courts can be overlaid on a tennis court for dual-use. It should be noted that Table 4 only shows what is permissible according to the master plan and actual site conditions, such as parking availability.

In all cases with the exception of Braddock Park, park master plans were developed with tennis, basketball or other multi-use sport court and do not specifically consider pickleball, due to master plans predating the popularity of pickleball. Specific site planning and engineering will ultimately determine how many courts can be supported and what infrastructure may be necessary.

**TABLE 4: PARKS WITH APPROVED MASTER PLANS POTENTIALLY SUPPORTING 6+ PICKLEBALL COURTS**

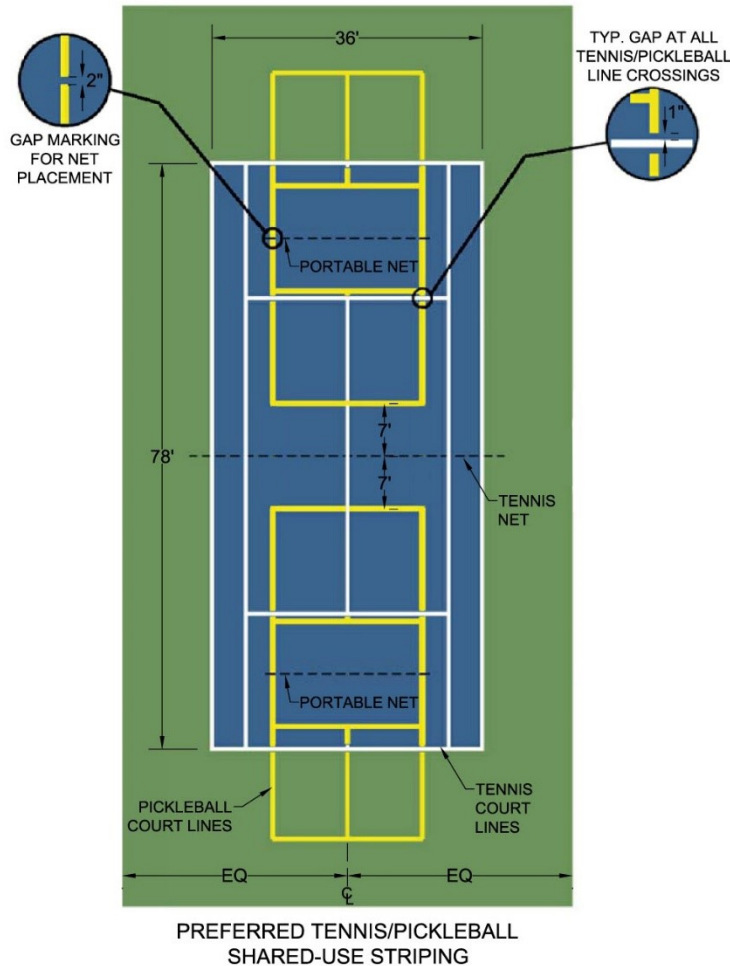
Alabama Drive	Arrowhead
Ashlawn	Blake Lane School Site
Braddock	Chapel Road
Fred Crabtree	Glasgow
Great Falls Nike	Greenbriar
Grist Mill	Hidden Pond
Jefferson Manor	Justice
Mount Eagle	Mount Royal
Mount Vernon District	Nottoway
Peterson Lane	Poplar Tree
Saratoga	Silas Burke
Silverbrook	Tysons Pimmit

## DESIGN BEST PRACTICES & STANDARDS

Equally important as the site selection criteria are the design of shared use and dedicated pickleball courts. The following recommended standards conform to U.S. Pickleball specifications and can be used for shared-use or dedicated pickleball courts.

### Shared Use Tennis/Pickleball Courts

FIGURE 17: PREFERRED LAYOUT FOR SHARED USE TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL



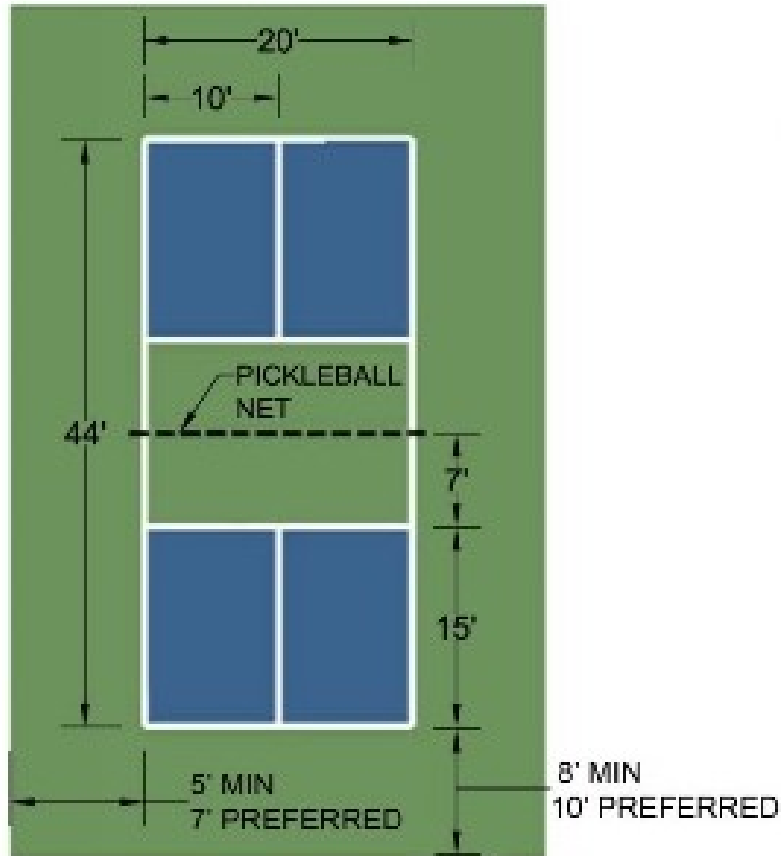
#### Shared Use Pickleball Court Layout (Figure 18 above):

- Dimensions for striping are to the outside of the lines, except for the center line.
- The preferred dual-use layout enables pickleball play via portable nets. Portable rolling pickleball nets are recommended.
- Shared-use pickleball striping shall be 2" wide light blue or bright yellow, as determined by the project manager and Park Operations Division representative. Shared-use tennis striping shall be 2" white.
- Court colors shall be U.S. Open green and blue per United States Tennis Association (USTA) unless otherwise specified.



## Dedicated Pickleball-Only Court Layout

FIGURE 18: PREFERRED DEDICATED PICKLEBALL-ONLY COURT LAYOUT



### Dedicated Pickleball-Only Court Layout (Figure 19 above):

- Dedicated pickleball striping shall be 2" white painted lines
- The dedicated pickleball net is to extend 1' past the center of the boundary stripe.
- Court colors shall be U.S. Open green and blue per Park Authority standards unless otherwise specified.

The dimensions for a standard pickleball court are 20' wide and 44' long for both singles and doubles. A total playing area 30' wide and 60' long is the minimum size recommended with 34' wide and 64' long to allow for the preferred surrounding clear margin area. Pickleball courts should be oriented in a general north-south orientation, such that the sun is perpendicular to the courts whenever feasible.

## Pickleball-Only Court Groupings

FIGURE 19: RECOMMENDED GROUPINGS OF DEDICATED PICKLEBALL-ONLY COURTS (4 AND 6-COURTS)

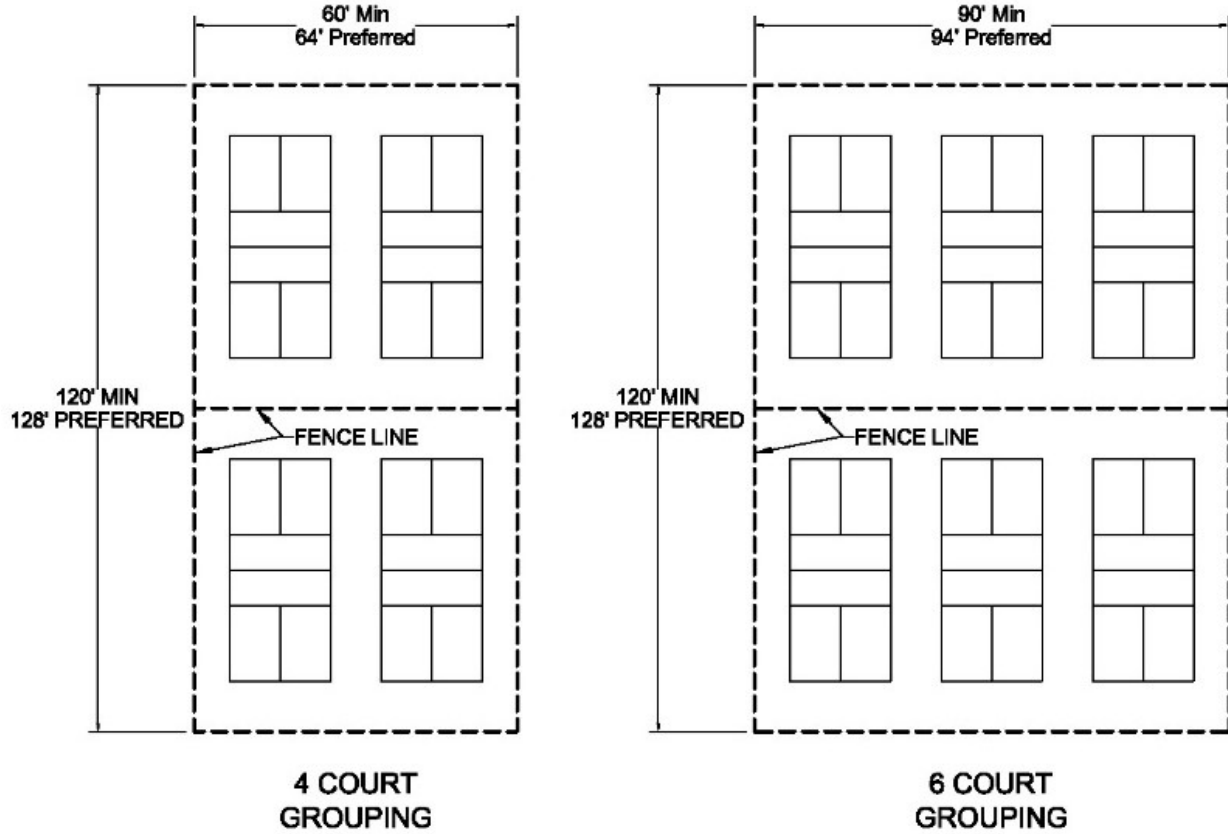
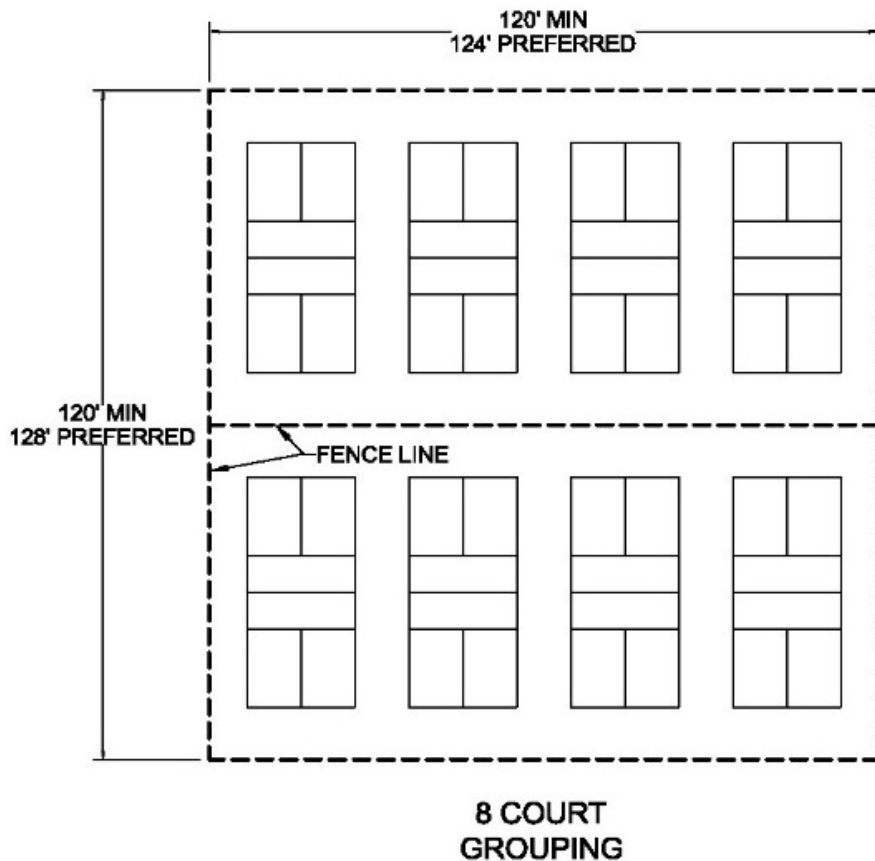


FIGURE 20: RECOMMENDED GROUPING OF DEDICATED PICKLEBALL-ONLY COURTS (8 COURTS)



Whenever feasible, dedicated pickleball courts should be built in groups of a minimum of four courts; however, groups of six or eight courts would better facilitate group play and to allow for the most efficient layout. Four pickleball courts fit within a 120' x 60' paved area, or the size of one tennis court if the surrounding clear areas are provided at the minimum requirement. Groupings of four or six courts, while not providing the same capacity as the eight-court configuration, may be more feasible given the site conditions, anticipated impacts, or overall project cost.

## Design Specifications

### Permanent Nets for Dedicated Pickleball Courts

Pickleball net length should be at least 21'-9" extended between two posts. Net posts should be 22'-0" from the inside of the posts and the maximum diameter of the net post should be 3." The net height from the bottom edge of the net to the top should be at least 30." A center strap is recommended for a permanent net and must be placed at the center of the net to enable easy adjustment to the 34" requirement at the center. The top edge of the net should be covered with a 2" white tape binding over a cord or cable running through the binding. The net may be made of any mesh fabric that will not allow

the ball to pass through. These specifications are for dedicated pickleball court nets and do not apply to central nets for shared-use tennis/pickleball courts.

### Movable Nets for Shared Use Tennis/Pickleball Courts

Two pickleball games can be supported per shared-use court utilizing movable nets. Movable nets can be portable nets brought by the players or can be an on court/off court rolling net that is put into place for pickleball games. Movable rolling nets are recommended and can be placed along the perimeter fencing and secured when not being used. This approach is recommended as it better accommodates players of different abilities.

### Fencing & Gates

Dedicated pickleball or shared-use courts should be surrounded by a galvanized or vinyl coated chain-link fence that is a minimum of 10 feet in height from the playing surface. The mesh size should be small enough (45 mm to 50 mm) to not allow the ball to pass through the openings. Fencing of 10-foot height can be considered for separating multiple pickleball courts within a cluster of courts. Fencing separating groups of two pickleball courts is recommended to reduce ball migration.

Gates should be placed at both ends of the court/s whenever possible and should be designed to meet ADA requirements to enable easy use of individuals of all abilities. Small maintenance gates that open vertically can be considered in portions of the court to allow for easy removal of leaves and other debris on the courts by operational staff or volunteers.

### Court Surfacing and Line Striping

Court surfacing should be a textured acrylic coating over an asphalt or concrete base as standard for Park Authority tennis courts. Court and line striping colors should be as specified in the layout diagrams within this report.

### Lighting

Should it be determined that the courts can support extended hours of use and is compliant with the master plan, high efficiency LED lighting should be considered. Lighting should be full-cutoff fixtures and placed to minimize light spillover into adjacent areas.

### Site Furniture and Amenities

Benches should be considered within courts outside areas of play to provide seating for players that are waiting for matches. Benches and other types of seating can also be considered outside of the courts if possible. If seating areas are provided outside of the courts, shade should be considered using trees or a shade structure.

Accessible portable or permanent restrooms should be considered for clusters of 6 or more pickleball courts to accommodate the larger groups of players. Drinking fountains should also be considered if a water line is accessible and there is funding to support construction and ongoing maintenance needs.

## Maintenance and Operational Considerations

### Scheduling/Hours of Operation

The hours of operation of shared-use or dedicated pickleball courts will be subject to the operating hours of the individual park or Rec Center. Both shared-use and dedicated pickleball courts are typically made available on a first-come-first-serve basis and should also be made available to reserve on an hourly basis per the terms and conditions of a park use permit with scheduling information and fees listed on the Park Authority's Use Permit Webpage.

Additionally, it is recommended that the Park Authority designate specific times/days for pickleball or tennis use only on a first-come-first-serve basis at shared-use courts to reduce conflicts between different user groups. These designated times could be posted on signage at selected courts and made available online for reference.

Given that the Park Authority's courts are not included in the county's centralized scheduling system as are athletic fields, a similar online scheduling solution may be considered to measure utilization, demand, and minimize competition for limited court space. An implementation plan may be developed, should such work be approved and funding identified for such an effort.

### General Maintenance Needs

Proper and regular maintenance of pickleball courts is critical for the usability and overall experience of the players. All outdoor Park Authority pickleball and shared-use courts are a textured acrylic coating over an asphalt or concrete base. This type of surfacing generally has a low maintenance requirement, but over time the colors fade, cracks appear on the surface and uneven areas begin to develop.

Courts should be resurfaced every five to eight years on average if the court is showing signs of stress. The resurfacing process includes surveying the court for damage and signs of wear, filling cracks, applying a coat of acrylic, and finally a coat of paint with new play lines.

### Cost Considerations

Dedicated and dual-use courts require funding for development, on-going maintenance, and operation. The development of newly dedicated pickleball courts will require funding to build the pickleball courts, and any park improvements to support the courts including but not limited to earthwork, parking, accessible walkways, signage, stormwater management, lighting, seating, and landscaping.

Prior to development of the courts, costs should be considered for reoccurring operations and maintenance needed after construction. This includes cleaning, resurfacing, restriping, net replacements, and labor performed by maintenance staff. Courts generally need to be completely replaced or renovated every 25 years which should be considered when fiscal planning. Table outlines general costs associated with the development and maintenance of courts for planning purposes. Although revenue may be used to offset a portion of these costs, specific revenue projections are not included in this report and should be evaluated if appropriate.

Funding should be explored from a variety of available sources such as park bonds for capital improvements, voluntary development proffers intended for park improvements, Park Foundation donations and matching grants, as well as community partnerships.

**TABLE 5: ESTIMATED DEVELOPMENT, OPERATIONS, AND MAINTENANCE COSTS OF PICKLEBALL COURTS (2021)**

New Pickleball Court	Averages \$60,000 to \$75,000 per pickleball court
Supporting Amenities	Cost varies based on site conditions. Includes development of non-court facilities such as parking, ADA accessibility, lighting, buffering, earthwork, access roads, stormwater management, and other work necessary for a site to meet the pickleball site selection criteria.
Resurfacing/Restriping	Averages \$4,000 to \$6,000 per court, including acrylic resurfacing, color coat, and striping
Complete Renovations	Averages \$60,000 to \$80,000 per court, including asphalt milling, paving, surfacing, fencing replacement, and new net
Cost of Permanent or Portable Pickleball Net	Averages \$200 to \$300 for permanent nets, \$500 to \$1,500 for portable nets
Annual maintenance costs, to include net replacement and other routine tasks	Varies
Insurance/Theft	Varies
Staff Time needed to administer purchasing of equipment, scheduling/permitting of courts, and other tasks	Varies

## SUMMARY

This report on the Park Authority’s Pickleball Study presents findings and recommendations on how to strategically respond to increasing demand for the sport. While these recommendations will need to be updated as courts are added and popularity of the sport changes, they provide a framework on which to base the Park Authority’s decision-making.

The study finds that the Park Authority’s approach to providing pickleball facilities is comparable to similar jurisdictions, although other providers have employed different strategies in response to the demand. Current shared-use courts can satisfy most players with relatively minor improvements, yet opportunities exist to leverage the growing interest in the sport. These include creating more options for pickleball-only courts, providing pickleball-only and shared-use courts in groups (minimum 4) to facilitate drop-in play and larger group gatherings, and establishing standardized design and construction guidelines to maintain consistent standards across the park system.

Opportunities to provide new pickleball courts or modify existing tennis or basketball courts exist and should be explored using the following strategies:

- Existing shared-use pickleball courts sharing a central tennis net (1 on 1) should be updated to the recommended (2 on 1) layout with movable nets as recommended in this report. Converting these existing courts will create several locations with 4 pickleball courts to better facilitate group play.
- Using the 2024 Park Bond and other funding sources, consider the design and construction of at least two pickleball-only facilities suitable for large group drop-in play and tournaments (6 or more courts). Dedicated tennis court/s that are determined to be underutilized or shared-use courts that are primarily used for pickleball within the Park Authority’s inventory should be prioritized for conversion to a dedicated pickleball-only complex prior to considering building a new complex.
- Use the County’s existing public court inventory to create pickleball opportunities as part of the Park Authority’s ongoing maintenance efforts.
- Plan for pickleball in new locations through the park master planning process.

This report will continue to be used as a guide for planning and development of pickleball courts throughout the County. Recommendations within this report should be considered alongside the need for ongoing community engagement with court users, park neighbors, and other interested stakeholders.

Specific plans for future pickleball court developments will be made available on the Park Authority’s website for public review as funding sources for such projects becomes available. The Park Authority values the contributions of the community of players and remains committed to ongoing dialogue as these recommendations are implemented and as new opportunities emerge to address the demand.

## APPENDIX A – COMMUNITY SURVEY DATA

The Fairfax County Park Authority conducted a public survey between December 2020 and January 2021 to inform the Pickleball Study. The survey was hosted via PublicInput.com, a cloud-based community engagement platform tailored to local governments. This appendix provides the full data output as it was generated from PublicInput.com. Specific analysis and conclusions of the survey are detailed throughout the main body of the study report.



# FCPA Pickleball Study

## Project Engagement

VIEWS  
4,016

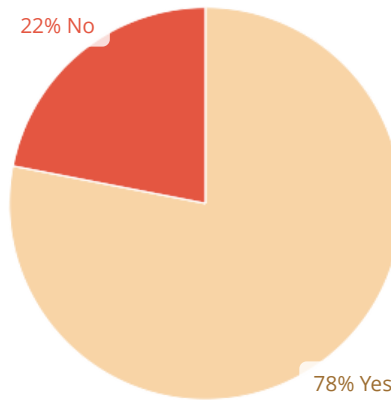
RESPONSES  
50,673

SUBSCRIBERS  
621

PARTICIPANTS  
1,803

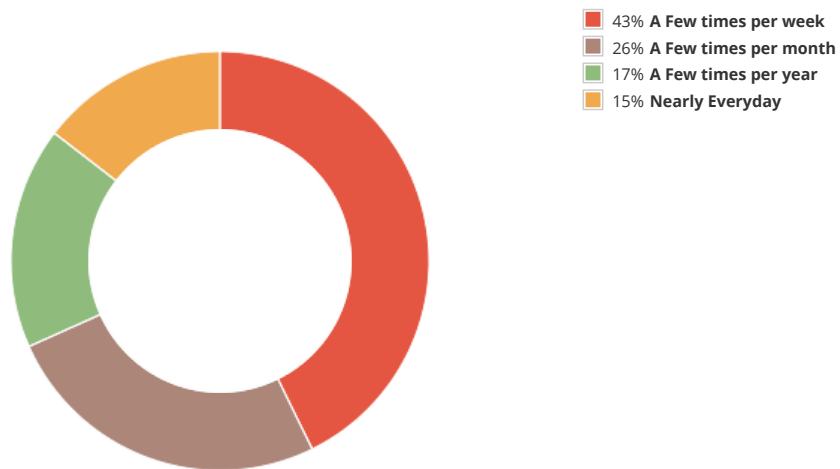
COMMENTS  
2,892

\* Have you played pickleball in the past year?



1,799 respondents

How often do you play pickleball?



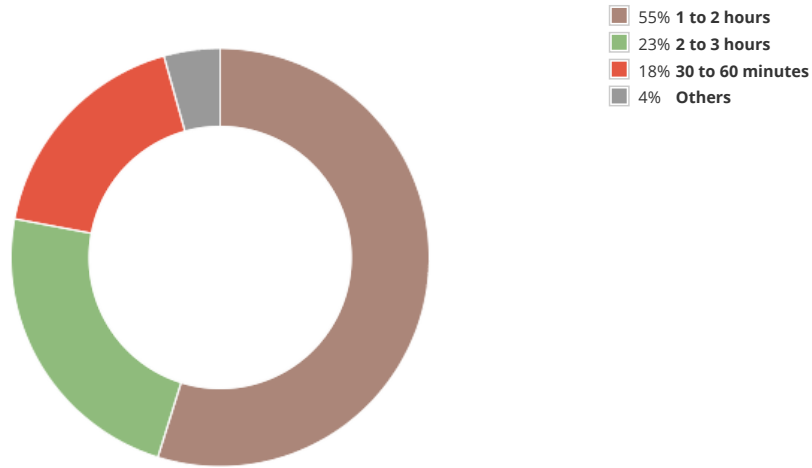
1,395 respondents

When do you typically play pickleball? (Please select all that apply)

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Weekday	34% Morning	34% Afternoon	32% Evening
Weekend	41% Morning	43% Afternoon	16% Evening

1,740 respondents

When playing pickleball, how long is your typical visit?



1,361 respondents

Where do you typically play pickleball? (Select all that apply)

37%	FCPA Courts	502 ✓
36%	Private Community/HOA Courts	488 ✓
26%	Other Jurisdiction Public Courts (i.e. Arlington, Alexandria, Loudoun County)	352 ✓
25%	Private Club or Gym	336 ✓
24%	Fairfax County Community Centers	330 ✓
16%	Fairfax County Public School Courts	222 ✓
16%	Other	216 ✓

1,352 Respondents

You previously indicated that you play pickleball at FCPA courts. Please provide the park or parks that you play pickleball at the most often.

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WAKEFIELD PARK

7 months ago

Local parks with tennis courts in Centreville

7 months ago

south run

7 months ago

Van Dyke Park

7 months ago

McLean community center

7 months ago

Van Dyck Park or sometimes Stratton Woods

7 months ago

Collingwood

7 months ago

Van Dyke Park

7 months ago

Sandburg

7 months ago

Van Dyke Park

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School, Hollin Meadows Pool

7 months ago

MLK courts

7 months ago

Audrey Moore Rec Center

7 months ago

Vienna, Falls Church, McLean

7 months ago

Autumwoods

7 months ago

Audrey Moore

7 months ago

Glyndon

7 months ago

Van Dyck Park, Glyndon Park

7 months ago

Chalet woods

7 months ago

Fox mill

7 months ago

Roundtree Park; John Mastenbrook Park (there are no official lines or nets here, but there is a concrete pad and fence, so we set up the court ourself and play)

7 months ago

Audrey Moore

7 months ago

Nottoway

7 months ago

Reston

7 months ago

Autumn Woods

7 months ago

Autumnwood

7 months ago

Midleridge

7 months ago

Newington Heights Park

7 months ago

Autumnwood tennis courts

7 months ago

Hooes Road park, Levell Dupelle Park

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Newington heights park

7 months ago

Wakefield

7 months ago

Audrey Moore Rex center

7 months ago

Dolly Madison/McLean library

7 months ago

McLean Library

7 months ago

Glendon park

7 months ago

Van Dyck Park (City of Fairfax), Wakefield Park, Roundtree Park, Walter Reed (Arlington), Ferlazzo (Woodbridge), Lubber Run (Arlington), Rolling Valley West, Glyndon Park (Town of Vienna), Cavalier Trails (City of Falls Church)

7 months ago

Audrey Moore

7 months ago

Original Mt Vernon HS indoor court

7 months ago

MLK

7 months ago

Sandburg Middle school

7 months ago

McLean Library Tennis courts, McLean Recreation Center

7 months ago

Newington Heights, Levelle Dupelle, Wakefield,

7 months ago

Van Dyke and several Burke community Courts

7 months ago

Van Dyke Park

7 months ago

Glyndon Park

7 months ago

Audrey Moore Rec Ctr

7 months ago

Springhill Rec Center and McLean tennis courts

7 months ago

Any McLean tennis courts and any of the few lined pickelball coirts

7 months ago

McLean tennis courts because there are not enough Pickelball courts in McLean

7 months ago

The park near st Leo's Catholic Church

7 months ago

NcLean Central Park

7 months ago

Old Mt Vernon school & Lee Rec Ctr

7 months ago

Hoes Road Park, Levell Duvell

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Hoes Road Park, Levell Dupell Park

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Van Dyke

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Hooes Rd Park, Levell Duoell Parl

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Hooes Rd; Levelle Dupell park

7 months ago

Fairfax

7 months ago

Meadow Lane Park--it might actually be a Vienna Town park

7 months ago

Knights of Columbus

7 months ago

Rolling Valley West Park

7 months ago

Audrey moore,hidden oak

7 months ago

Glyndon

7 months ago

Eleanor Homes Norver Park, Glyndon Park

7 months ago

Pohick courts (next to Pohick Library)

7 months ago

Wakefield park

7 months ago

van dyke chantilly high school

7 months ago

Van Dyke Park; Green Acres Senior Center

7 months ago

Green Acres Senior Center and Van Dyke Park

7 months ago

Van Dyck, Lee District, tried Wakefield Park not good

7 months ago

Fairfax City Van Dyke, Green Acres, Wakefield Center, Vienna Com. Center

7 months ago

Cranoke

7 months ago

Audrey Moore

7 months ago

van dyke

7 months ago

Audrey Moore Rec Center

7 months ago

Old Mt. Vernon High School and now because of Covid, Gum Springs Recreation Center (outdoors)

8 months ago

Old Mt Vernon HS; and Gum Springs

8 months ago

I was introduced to it from visiting relatives from Atlanta.

8 months ago

Old Mount Vernon High School

8 months ago

Little Rocky Run

8 months ago

McLean, Vienna

8 months ago

Glyndon Park

8 months ago

Spring Hill Rec Center

8 months ago

Audrey moore

8 months ago

Woodson. Rolling valley

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glyndon park

8 months ago

Falls Church High School, Tennis Courts near Broyhill Crescent (Annandale)

8 months ago

Westgate cts

8 months ago

Dolly Madison park

8 months ago

McLean community crnter

8 months ago

Wakefield, Alexandria Community Centers,

8 months ago

McLean Central Park; Westgate Park

8 months ago

Westgate, Reston, McLean Library

8 months ago

Newington

8 months ago

Stratton Woods Park, Bruin Park

8 months ago

Stratton woods

8 months ago

McLean, Glyndon, Westgate

8 months ago

Fairfax senior center & wakefield

8 months ago

I have played at a private club called Truro. Also it Audrey moore

8 months ago

I've played at TruroWhich is a private court. If I went to a public one I would go to Audrey more

8 months ago

Spring Hill Rec Center

8 months ago

Vienna

8 months ago

Martin Luther King, Ferlazzo Building in Woodbridge

8 months ago

Linway Terrace, McLean

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park Fairfax City

8 months ago

Chalet woods park. Centreville

8 months ago

Not sure

8 months ago

Mount Vernon High Martin Luther Park

8 months ago

Van duck

8 months ago

Springhill

8 months ago

Mlk park

8 months ago



Newington

8 months ago

Martin Luther King

8 months ago

Stuart Road Park

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Glyndon park

8 months ago

Wakefield, VAn Dyke, Green Acres

8 months ago

Chalet Woods, Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Stratton Woods Park

8 months ago

McLean Park

8 months ago

Little Rocky Run

8 months ago

Oops not fcps .. neighborhoods that lined it for pickleball as well

8 months ago

gleneden park in vienna

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Meadowlane and Glyndon Parks

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

closest one is in Centreville, but I live in Fairfax

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Westgate

8 months ago

Nottoway Park, Cunningham park

8 months ago

McLean

8 months ago

Anywhere I can find them - or tennis courts when I can't

8 months ago

Wakefield Chapel

8 months ago

Stratton woods

8 months ago

Newington heights

8 months ago

Cunningham Park Courts (court needs refurbishing to include pickleball painted boundary lines)

8 months ago

McLean

8 months ago

Westgate

8 months ago

Stratton Woods Park

8 months ago

Newington Heights

8 months ago

glyndon, centreville

8 months ago

SouthRun and Pohick Library

8 months ago

SouthRun, Pohick Library

8 months ago

Martin Luther King

8 months ago

Stratton Woods Park, Van Dyke Park, Glyndon Park

8 months ago

Falls Church High School tennis courts, McLean Central Park tennis courts

8 months ago

Nannie Lee

8 months ago

Nannie Ray

8 months ago

Nannie Lee Rec center,

8 months ago

Stratton Woods Town of Vienna courts

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

City of Fairfax Van Dyck Park

8 months ago

Not sure if Reston association is FCPA as well

8 months ago

Springhill

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Chalet Woods

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Chalet Woods in Centreville

8 months ago

Van Dyke & Green Acres

8 months ago

We've taken two classes so far at Audrey Moore Rec Center and Providence Rec Ctr. We plan to take more classes and would likely use outdoor courts near where we live. A. Moore Rec Ctr is closer to us.

8 months ago

Glebe Road Park, Autumnwood, Lubber Run

8 months ago

Wakefield and South Run

8 months ago

1) Glyndon Park in Vienna; 2) Meadow Lane Park in Vienna

8 months ago

Glyndon Park

8 months ago

Audrey Moore Rec Ctr, Providence Rec Ctr, Lee District Rec Ctr

8 months ago

Stuart Road, Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Wakefield Rec Center

8 months ago

Lewinsville Park, McLean

8 months ago

Glyndon, Westgate and Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Van Dyke Park

8 months ago

Audrey Moore Rec Center

8 months ago

Glyndon Park

8 months ago

South run

8 months ago

Autumn Wood Recreational

8 months ago

Westgate elementary school, Glyndon Park, McLean community center

8 months ago

Van Dyck, Glyndon

8 months ago

Glyndon Park, Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Glyndon Park in Vienna

8 months ago

Wakefield / Audrey Moore,

8 months ago

Autumn wood, Reston

8 months ago

Glyndon Park, Vienna

8 months ago

Dolley Madison Library

8 months ago

Autumnwood, Lake Newport, Lake Anne

8 months ago

Chalet Woods park

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Lee District

8 months ago

Fairfax City, Main Street

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Glyndon Park

8 months ago

Newington

8 months ago

Vienna Glyndon park, Reston Association courts, Herndon courts

8 months ago

broyhill crest

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Providence

8 months ago

Providence Comm Ctr, Falls Church James Lee Ctr, Van Dyke Park

8 months ago

Lee District Rec Center

8 months ago

South Run Rec, Rolling Valley West Park

8 months ago

Lee District

8 months ago

By Broyhill Crest

8 months ago

Basketball Courts near Broyhill Crest Recreation Center

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Woodbridge

8 months ago

Stratton Woods Park

8 months ago

South run

8 months ago

Lake Newport, Autumnwood

8 months ago

Ferlazzo, southrun rec, autumn wood

8 months ago

Westmore, Burke

8 months ago

Autumn Wood & Stuart Park

8 months ago

Van Dyck and Glyndon

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park , Glyndon Park

8 months ago

James Lee

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park Glyndon Park Cavalier Trail Park

8 months ago

Falls Church, Cavalier Trail. Arlington Glebe Road.

8 months ago

Stuart road park, Autumnwood, south lakes school tennis courts

8 months ago

autumnwood and stuart park

8 months ago

Autumnwood, Stuart Park

8 months ago

Westgate (McLean) and Springhill Rec Center

8 months ago

The lake Anne courts in Reston and the hunters woods court in reston

8 months ago

Westgate, Glyndon, McLean Central

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

McLean community park

8 months ago

stratton woods

8 months ago

Lewinsville

8 months ago

Reston and ARLINGTON

8 months ago

Van Dyke Park

8 months ago

Don't remember what it's called.

8 months ago

Providence Rec Center, Spring Hill Rec Center, Broyhill Crest public court

8 months ago

broyhill

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

The one next to Broyhill Crest Recreation Center

8 months ago

Franklin park

8 months ago

westgate

8 months ago

South Run. The courts are cracked and in terrible condition

8 months ago

Van Dyck, Autumnwood, Thomas Jefferson, Spring Hill, Green Acres, Ferlazzo, Stonewall, Glyndon

8 months ago

reston community center

8 months ago

reston

8 months ago

Audrey Moore Rec Center

8 months ago

Newington Heights

8 months ago

Providence Community Center

8 months ago

Walter Reed

8 months ago

Springhill - before COVID

8 months ago

Stratton woods park

8 months ago

Green Acres

8 months ago

Silverbrook

8 months ago

South run rec center

8 months ago

Southrun, newington heights, Audrey Moore/ Wakefield

8 months ago

Autumn Woods

8 months ago

south run. newington heights park

8 months ago

Walter Reed

8 months ago

Autumn Woods in Reston

8 months ago

Pouncey

8 months ago

Idylwood Park, Van Dyck Park, Glyndon Park

8 months ago

Idylwood Park

8 months ago

Woodbridge Govt Center

8 months ago

Stuart Road

8 months ago

Behind West Gate Elementary School FCPA courts.

8 months ago

Crossroads

8 months ago



SpringHill

8 months ago

Audrey Moore and Bailey's community center

8 months ago

Van Dyke

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park, Glyndon

8 months ago

Wakefield regional park

8 months ago

South Run

8 months ago

Westgate

8 months ago

Westgate, Linway,glyndon

8 months ago

Van Dyke, Cavalier, and Glendon parks. Also Green Acres outside...

8 months ago

Van Dyke, Cavalier, Glendon Park. Green Acres outside.

8 months ago

Spring hill

8 months ago

Kendall Woods

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Providence, Audrey Moore

8 months ago

The one on Braddock road and the one near Fairfax government buildings (sorry I can't remember the names)

8 months ago

Wakefield, meadow lane, Glendon

8 months ago

Linway Terrace, Courts behind Dolley Madison Library, next to McLean C.C.

8 months ago

Wakefield park

8 months ago

Spring Hill

8 months ago

Van Dyke

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

McLean Central Park tennis court

8 months ago

Vienna

8 months ago

McLean Park, west gate, Spring Hill.

8 months ago

McLean central park

8 months ago

Stratton Woods, bring our own net

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

McLean Community Center

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Van Dyke Park

8 months ago

South Run rec center

8 months ago

Lee District, Providence, Broyhill Crest

8 months ago

Van Dyke park---Glydon park in Vienna

8 months ago

MLK, Hybla Valley

8 months ago

Glyndon park inVienna

8 months ago

Van Dyck and Glyndon Park Falls Church Senior Center Providence Community Ctr

8 months ago

newington heights; MLK/Gum Springs; South County Rec Center; Old Mt. Vernon High School (indoor before pandemic)

8 months ago

Glyndon Park, Vienna

8 months ago

Westgate

8 months ago

Westgate and Linway

8 months ago

South Run and Rolling Valley

8 months ago

Walter Reed comm. Center, Green Acres Comm. Center, Van Dyke Field

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Glyndon Park, Spring Hill Rec Center

8 months ago

wakefield

8 months ago

Meadow Lane Park, Glyndon Park, Van Dyke

8 months ago

MLK park courts and Old Mt. Vernon HS center indoor courts

8 months ago

Chalet Woods Park

8 months ago

wakefield

8 months ago

Green Acres, South Run

8 months ago

Linway Terrace Park

8 months ago

Wakefield Rex Center

8 months ago

It would be great to paint pickleball lines on all the courts and fix the cracks on the courts. These cracks are "dead" spots and neither a pickleball or a tennis ball will bounce on them.

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Little Rocky Run

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Glydon Park

8 months ago

Glyndon van dyk

8 months ago

South Run, Burk Park,

8 months ago

Hoes Road Park

8 months ago

Glyndon Park

8 months ago

Equal

8 months ago

Broyhill Crest

8 months ago

Wakefield, ferzza courts

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park

8 months ago

Van Dyck

8 months ago

Pickleballzer

8 months ago

South Run, Wakefield, Rolling Valley West

8 months ago

Off Ox Road/Bennett Road?

8 months ago

Pohick

8 months ago

Tennis Courts at West Ox and Bennett Road.

8 months ago

VanDyke - on old tennis courts. We have our own nets

8 months ago

MLK, county courts outside of Carl Sandburg Middle School

8 months ago

Van Dyke

8 months ago

Vank Dyck Park, Glyndon Park

8 months ago

McLean

8 months ago

Bready

8 months ago

South Run

8 months ago

Meadow Lane Park

8 months ago

chalet woods park tennis courts

8 months ago

Westgate

8 months ago

Kendale Woods

8 months ago

Wakefield, but courts are not in good condition and hard to get pickleball court availability

8 months ago

Wakefield (outdoors), Southrun (outdoors), Spring Hill (indoors) (all pre-Covid, but will return when open again or weather permitting)

8 months ago

Van Dyke

8 months ago

Glendon Park, Westgate

8 months ago

Spring Hill Rec Center (pre-COVID), behind Dolly Madison Library

8 months ago

Lindsay Park

8 months ago

Walter Reed Community Center

8 months ago

Audrey Moore (formerly Wakefield)

8 months ago

Van Dyke Park, Wakefield Community Center

8 months ago

South run, newington heights

8 months ago

Audrey Moore (Wakefield)

8 months ago

Newington Heights

8 months ago

South run and burke courts

8 months ago

Rolling valley west courts, southrun rec

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Westpark

8 months ago

Coltsneck tennis court

8 months ago

Westgate Park

8 months ago

stratton woods

8 months ago

Westgate, linway terrace, Glendon.

8 months ago

Hidden pond, rolley valley west, Westfield park

8 months ago

Linway Terrace . Courts behind Dolley Madison Library

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Rolling Valley West Park, South Run Park

8 months ago

Vienna , Fairfax

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Martin Luthor King, Newington Heights

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Kemper (Fairfax CO), Glendon (Vienna) , Van Dyke (Fairfax City)

8 months ago

Springhill Rec Center

8 months ago

McLean Community Center park

8 months ago

Pohick Library

8 months ago

Spring Hill

8 months ago

Vienna

8 months ago

Vandyke park

8 months ago

Rolling Valley West

8 months ago

Autumnwood

8 months ago

I have difficulty finding courts and/or players to play with in FC, but when I do, I have played at Wakefield Park and South Run. I'm excited to play on the newly lined courts at Rolling Valley West Park as it is near my home.

8 months ago

South run

8 months ago

nottoway

8 months ago

Van Dyke Park

8 months ago

Glyndon, Van Dyke

8 months ago

Van Dyke Fairfax. Glyndon Park. Vienna.

8 months ago

Sosuth Run Rec center, Burke Landings and Burke Woods, Burke Racquetclub

8 months ago

Pohick zLibrary snd South Run Community Ctr courts

8 months ago

Pohick Library and South Run Community Courts

8 months ago

Chalet woods

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Westgate and McLean Central Park

8 months ago

McLean Central Park, Westgate Park, Glynden in Vienna

8 months ago

Near Pohick library in burke va

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Falls Church City and Fairfax City have done a great job providing pickleball courts for ALL Fairfax County Residents. Where are the County outdoor courts? Two horrible courts at Wakefield Park.

8 months ago

Van Dyke Cavalier Park Falls Church ...

8 months ago

Cascade

8 months ago

Van Dyke park, Glyndon park

8 months ago

Rolling valley west

8 months ago

Broyhill Crest, next to the pool

8 months ago

Van Dyke, Rolling Valley West

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park

8 months ago

James Lee, Kendale Woods, Broyhill Crest Recreation Asdociation

8 months ago

Briar Patch, Autumnwood

8 months ago

carl sandbeg/hollin hall

8 months ago

Vienna park

8 months ago

Chalet woods. Van dyck park. Chantilly field house

8 months ago

Vandyk, coves landing

8 months ago

Vandyk

8 months ago

Kendale Woods Park

8 months ago



Rolling Valley West, Burke Center, South Run

8 months ago

McLean Central

8 months ago

South Run Rec Center

8 months ago

Newington Heights

8 months ago

audrey moore

8 months ago

Glyndon, Cavalier Trail in Falls Church, Fort Scott, Gunston Middle School, Lubber Run, Glebe Road

8 months ago

South Run and Pohick

8 months ago

Pohick library and south run

8 months ago

Glyndon Park, McLean Park, Westgate Park

8 months ago

Providence Community Center, Green Acres Center, James Lee Community Center, Wakefield Community Center, Burke Cove Landing, Burke Woods Community Center

8 months ago

Kendale Woods

8 months ago

South Run Recreation

8 months ago

McLean Central, westgate, Notoway

8 months ago

Pohick

8 months ago

Pohick

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Pohick, South Run RECenter

8 months ago

McLean Community Center, Glyndon, and Van Dyke

8 months ago

Linway Terrace

8 months ago

Rolling valley west

8 months ago

Glyndon Park, Westgate Park, McLean Central Parkk, Westgate Elementary

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park, would like to play at Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Kendale Woods Park

8 months ago

Westgate, Glyndon

8 months ago

Kendall Woods Park

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Westgate, SpringHill, McLean, Old Glebe Park

8 months ago

Glyndon, Dunn Loring, Westgate Park, also like individual courts such As Kutner and Stuart Rd

8 months ago

Spring hill

8 months ago

Briar Patch Park, Sterling and Glyndon Park, Vienna

8 months ago

South Gate. Van Dyke, Green Acres

8 months ago

Autumnwoods, Burke

8 months ago

Glendon park

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Chalet woods in Centreville

8 months ago

Chalet Woods Park

8 months ago

South run rec center, rolling valley West

8 months ago

Nottoway Park, Glyndon Hill, Vienna Community Center

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Oak Marr - racquetball room - because we want to play inside

8 months ago

OakMarr - Raquetball room because we're desperate

8 months ago

vanDyck park

8 months ago

Newington Heights

8 months ago

Glendon park vienna

8 months ago

Autumnwood

8 months ago

Lee district , South run

8 months ago

Wakefield Rec Center

8 months ago

South Run Park, Rolling Valley West Park, Van Dyke Park

8 months ago

Glyndon, Westgate

8 months ago

Stuart Road

8 months ago

Spring Hill Rec

8 months ago

wakefield greenacre vandark park

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Rolling Valley

8 months ago

Reston autumnwood

8 months ago

Van Duck Park

8 months ago

Hi play in the morning and into the evening as well as during the afternoon.

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Spring Hill Community center, Westgate elementary

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Van dyke park

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Van Dyck, Chalet Woods

8 months ago

Van Dyke

8 months ago

Glydon courts, vienna. Van Dyke courts, Fairfax.

8 months ago

Van Dyck, Autumnwood

8 months ago

Audrey Moore Rec Center, Lake Braddock Secondary School, Van Dyck Park

8 months ago

Thomas Jefferson, Spring Hill, Green Acres, Ferlazzo, Manassas

8 months ago

Glyndon and Meadow Lane ( Vienna

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Wakefield, green Acres

8 months ago

South Run Rec Center

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Wakefield, Pohick, Roundtree

8 months ago

Wakefield, Van Dyke

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Audrey Moore, Rolling Valley

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Audrey Moore Recenter/Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Autumn wood

8 months ago

Primarily Wakefield, occasionally Rolling Valley West

8 months ago

Wakefield/Audrey Moore, which has one unusable pickle ball court, and another terrible pickleball court, but tons of tennis courts that are not always in use.

8 months ago

Tennis courts near pool on Early St

8 months ago

South Run Rec Center, Newington Heights Park

8 months ago

South run

8 months ago

South Run Rec Center; Newington Heights park

8 months ago

McLean Central

8 months ago

McLean Central Spring Hill Rec prior to covid in March

8 months ago

Old Mt Vernon High School, MLK Park, Carl Sandburg

8 months ago

Westgate Park, McLean Community Center, Spring Hill Rec Center

8 months ago

I want to play on courts that use a pickleball net - not a tennis net for pickleball.

8 months ago

Spring Hill RECenter (pre-covid), McLean Park, Westgate Park

8 months ago

Newington forest

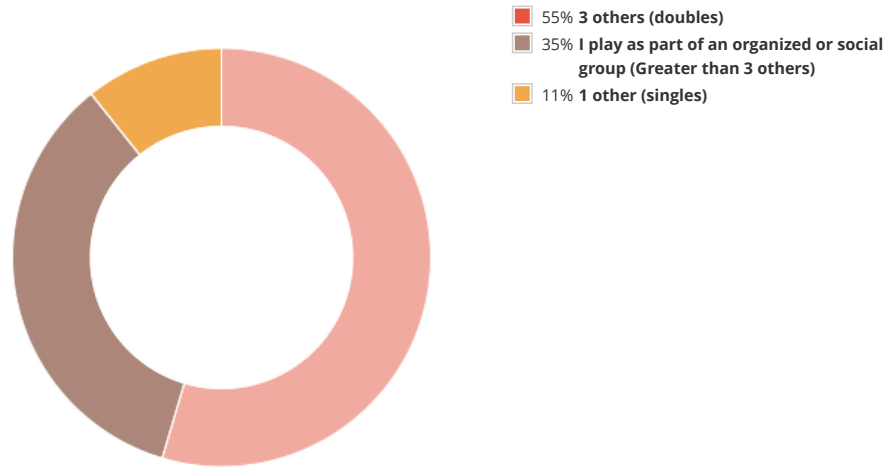
8 months ago

Chalet Woods Park

8 months ago

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When you play pickleball, how many people typically play with you?



1,334 respondents

\* When you play pickleball as part of an organized or social group, how many players are at a typical gathering?

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12

7 months ago

20

7 months ago

8

7 months ago

4+

7 months ago

10+

7 months ago

6-20

7 months ago

12-25

7 months ago

There's a group of 7 or 8, and the number showing up can be anywhere from 3 to 8. We rotate players or play some on another court if available

7 months ago

6

7 months ago

20

7 months ago

6

7 months ago

16

7 months ago

As many as 8-10 outside during the week nights outside (winter) and 15-20 during the warm months

7 months ago

8 or more

7 months ago

8 or more

7 months ago

12

7 months ago

5 to 6

7 months ago

20

7 months ago

8

7 months ago

6-8

7 months ago

10, 16, 22 sometimes 50

7 months ago

5

7 months ago

8

7 months ago

20

7 months ago

48

7 months ago

6 per court

7 months ago

4-8

7 months ago

20

7 months ago

10 to 20

7 months ago

8-16

7 months ago

20

7 months ago

12

7 months ago

25

7 months ago

8-12

7 months ago

6

7 months ago

20

7 months ago

8

7 months ago



6

7 months ago

6

7 months ago

30

7 months ago

30 plus

7 months ago

20

7 months ago

10

7 months ago

6

7 months ago

It depends on the park and how many courts are currently available..up to 24 or more, if the park has 4 pickleball courts, like Van Dyck

7 months ago

24

7 months ago

8

7 months ago

20

7 months ago

12

7 months ago

15

7 months ago

10-25

7 months ago

6-8

7 months ago

12-25

7 months ago

12

7 months ago

12

7 months ago

16

7 months ago

6

7 months ago

7-12

7 months ago

10 or more waiting for a turn to play

7 months ago

8

7 months ago

8-12

7 months ago

10-20

7 months ago

8 to 20

7 months ago

30+

7 months ago

8 to 16

7 months ago

16

7 months ago

20 to 25

7 months ago

7

7 months ago

20

7 months ago

38

7 months ago

8-12 outside, more than 12 inside

8 months ago

6-8 during Covid. Prior to March 2021, approx 14 + indoor at old HS used for various uses

8 months ago

12-20

8 months ago

16-30

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

6-10

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

10-14

8 months ago

20-30

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

12, 14

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

8-10

8 months ago

15

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

8-60

8 months ago

14

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

4 to 10

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

6-12

8 months ago

12 and more

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

8, 12

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

7

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

20-30

8 months ago

16-25

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

5-6

8 months ago

6-20

8 months ago

9

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

12-16, sometimes up to 20-24

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

10-12

8 months ago

I play with the Burke pickleball association. Typically we have 12-30 players.

8 months ago

We always have at least 4. Neighbors aWe made a court in front of our house on a cult de sac

8 months ago

"Gathering" might be changed to Court. One location has 1, another has 2 courts. It's players per court that best describes people count.

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

8-16

8 months ago

24

8 months ago

10-20

8 months ago

9

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

10-15

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

6-8

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

6-8

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

8 to 9 people

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

30

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

8-10

8 months ago

12-30

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

20 or more

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

15

8 months ago

6-8

8 months ago

8 - 25 players

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

pre-pandemic 20 or so. post pandemic - up to 10 at outdoor courts

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

6-8

8 months ago

8 or more players participate

8 months ago

4-16

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

8-16

8 months ago

14-20

8 months ago

14

8 months ago

20 30

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

15

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

4-8

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

12 to 30 people at times but usually there are 16

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

10

8 months ago



10-12

8 months ago

The average is over 25.

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

no

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

20-40

8 months ago

12-30 people

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

30

8 months ago

9

8 months ago

8-16

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

3

8 months ago

8-16

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

4

8 months ago

26

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

6 to 8

8 months ago

10-15

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

8-16

8 months ago

5

8 months ago

10-12

8 months ago

18

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

5-6

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

We were in a class through Providence Rec Center and we swapped phone numbers to continue playing

8 months ago

5 or 6

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

13

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

10-16

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

30

8 months ago

5

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

Between 4-8

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

30

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

6-8

8 months ago

30

8 months ago

20+

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

10 or pre-covid more

8 months ago

7

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

50

8 months ago

8 to 12

8 months ago

6 to 10

8 months ago

depends, I have two groups - one is smaller, the other larger

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

15-20

8 months ago

4 to 10.

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

12 or so

8 months ago

4

8 months ago

15 to 25 Outside

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

4-8

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

8-15

8 months ago

4-10

8 months ago

6-8

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

16-20

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

4 to as manyasc40.

8 months ago

It varies to as small as 4 players and as many as 40 players.

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

8 to 12 or more

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

4-8

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

25-40

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

10-20

8 months ago

Varies 16 to 30

8 months ago

16-25

8 months ago

40

8 months ago

10-20

8 months ago

8 to 12. There is usually a wait to get onto a court. A sign up sheet helps to organize play and flow.

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

16+

8 months ago

14

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

Varies

8 months ago

4-16

8 months ago

Usually more than 10 people.

8 months ago

10-15

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

20 or more.

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

We use all the courts at Sandurg Middle School when available. They have weeds growing on most of them and aren't used. Would love to see those refurbished and lined for both tennis and pickleball. Always people waiting to use them. We resort to drawing our own lines on the courts with chalk

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

8 to over 30. Average @ 20. Pickleball is over 30 years old. We in Fairfax are way behind the curve.

8 months ago

10 or more

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

4-6

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

14-20

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

7

8 months ago

6-8

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

Too many. 20plus

8 months ago

social group of 6-8

8 months ago

20 Plus

8 months ago

12-16

8 months ago

4-20

8 months ago



average 20 players

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

6-10

8 months ago

15

8 months ago

varies 8-20

8 months ago

24

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

The number varies depending on the venue. Westgate has only 2 courts, so 12-16 typically show there. Glyndon has 4 courts, they are almost always full, plus others waiting, so typically 20 to 30 people there.

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

30

8 months ago

Generally 8 - 20

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

12-20

8 months ago

the number playing varies mostly due to weather or court conditions or the group playing. numbers can vary from 8 to over 30 on occasion

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

10-30

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

12-25+

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

12-24

8 months ago

8-10

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

14

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

12 to 20

8 months ago

8-20

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

6 to 12

8 months ago

30

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

15

8 months ago

15-20

8 months ago

Any where from 12 to 25.

8 months ago

12-16

8 months ago

18

8 months ago

12+

8 months ago

Varies by season

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

8-20

8 months ago

>4

8 months ago

13

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

20 is the average. 30 in the summer 10 in the Winter

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

8-10

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

10-20 or more

8 months ago

4 to 5

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

Can be 8-20+

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

Multiple couples (playing doubles)

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

10-14

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

16-20

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

10 to 20

8 months ago

25-30

8 months ago

4 to 12

8 months ago

4-20

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

10-20

8 months ago

8

8 months ago

16 - 24

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

12+

8 months ago

8-10

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

4-8

8 months ago

8 or more players participate

8 months ago

8 or more

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

10 to 15

8 months ago

Varies from 12 to 35 plus depending on day and time

8 months ago

20-30

8 months ago

4-8

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

15

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

10-20

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

12-24

8 months ago

26

8 months ago

Sometimes 30 to 40 people.

8 months ago

10-20

8 months ago

Anywhere from 4 to 20.

8 months ago

12

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

15-20

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

15-40

8 months ago

6

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

At least 20 people

8 months ago

25-40

8 months ago

16

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

I will go to open play where it could be as many as 30 people

8 months ago

Twenty to thirty.

8 months ago

8-15

8 months ago

6 to 12

8 months ago

8-15

8 months ago

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8 months ago

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8 months ago

12

8 months ago

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8 months ago

8-15

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

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8 months ago

12

8 months ago

8-20

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

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8 months ago

12

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

10

8 months ago

20

8 months ago

8-12

8 months ago

The number of players ranges from 16 to 35

8 months ago

25

8 months ago

Typically we have 12-40 players play on three to four courts.

8 months ago

12-40

8 months ago

It can vary. Approximately 15 + pre covid. Answer to survey includes pre covid and answers are based on that

8 months ago

8-16 (varies by day)

8 months ago

Before COVID 20-35, since COVID 16-24

8 months ago

pre-COVID I would play at drop in sites with more players

8 months ago

7

8 months ago

Drop-in play is not as attractive during a pandemic. While I miss playing in a large drop-in group format, I am currently only playing in small groups with people I know (until it is safe to be around lots of people again).

8 months ago



20-30

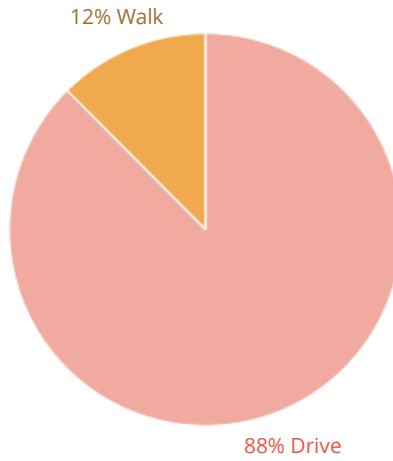
8 months ago

10-15

8 months ago

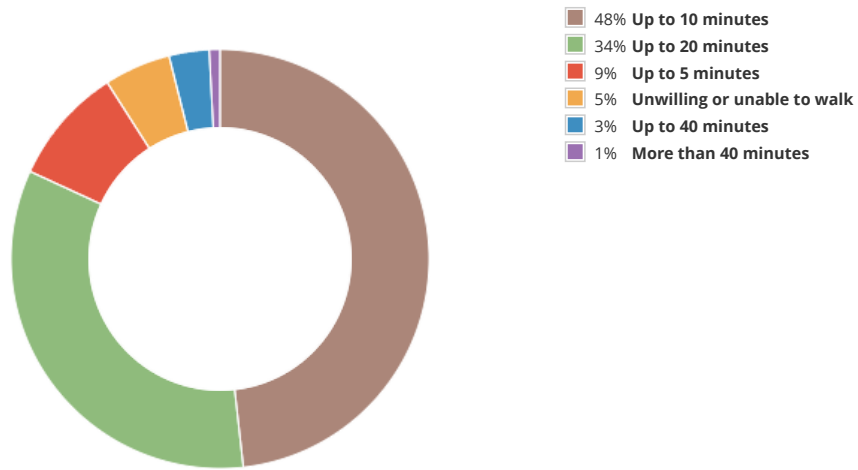
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Do you typically walk or drive to get to your pickleball location?



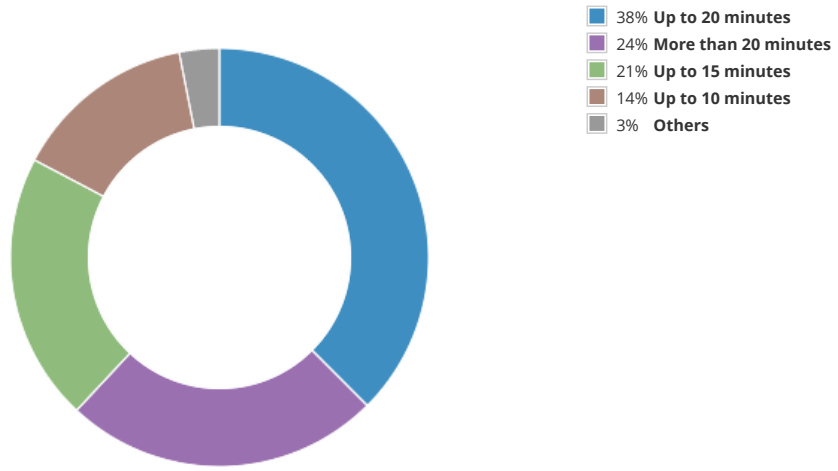
1,323 respondents

How far are you willing to walk to play pickleball?



1,323 respondents

How far are you willing to drive to play pickleball?



1,325 respondents

## How important are each of these factors in your decision of where to play pickleball?

	<b>Not at all important</b>	<b>Somewhat Important</b>	<b>Important</b>	<b>Very Important</b>	<b>Extremely Important</b>
Proximity to home	3% Not at all important	25% Somewhat Important	31% Important	24% Very Important	17% Extremely Important
Ability to reserve a court in advance	15% Not at all important	31% Somewhat Important	31% Important	16% Very Important	8% Extremely Important
Parking availability	3% Not at all important	18% Somewhat Important	38% Important	28% Very Important	13% Extremely Important
Distance from the parking lot to the court(s)	44% Not at all important	36% Somewhat Important	14% Important	4% Very Important	2% Extremely Important
Availability of specialized pickleball nets on site	9% Not at all important	21% Somewhat Important	27% Important	22% Very Important	21% Extremely Important
Ability to set up my own pickleball net	58% Not at all important	22% Somewhat Important	12% Important	5% Very Important	2% Extremely Important
Courts dedicated solely for pickleball	13% Not at all important	23% Somewhat Important	21% Important	19% Very Important	24% Extremely Important
Number of courts available for pickleball	3% Not at all important	11% Somewhat Important	28% Important	29% Very Important	30% Extremely Important
Availability of indoor courts	12% Not at all important	21% Somewhat Important	26% Important	22% Very Important	19% Extremely Important
Cost of entry (public or private)	6% Not at all important	26% Somewhat Important	31% Important	20% Very Important	17% Extremely Important

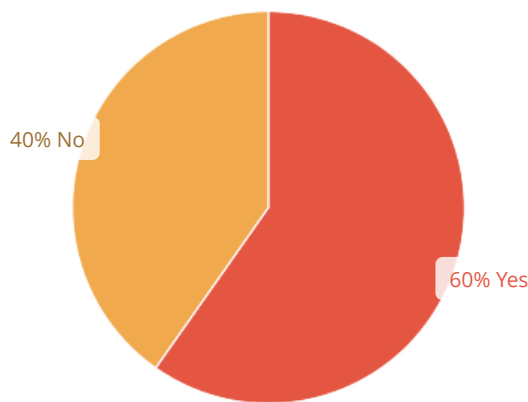
1,102 respondents

How important are these amenities when deciding where to play pickleball?

	<b>Not at all Important</b>	<b>Somewhat Important</b>	<b>Important</b>	<b>Very Important</b>	<b>Extremely Important</b>
Benches	37% Not at all Important	37% Somewhat Important	15% Important	7% Very Important	3% Extremely Important
Shade	22% Not at all Important	40% Somewhat Important	22% Important	10% Very Important	5% Extremely Important
Lighting (evening play)	12% Not at all Important	18% Somewhat Important	26% Important	23% Very Important	21% Extremely Important
Restrooms	13% Not at all Important	31% Somewhat Important	27% Important	16% Very Important	13% Extremely Important
Drinking fountain	54% Not at all Important	24% Somewhat Important	13% Important	6% Very Important	4% Extremely Important
Areas for socializing with others	36% Not at all Important	37% Somewhat Important	18% Important	7% Very Important	2% Extremely Important
Availability of other park amenities (playgrounds, fitness stations, etc.)	74% Not at all Important	19% Somewhat Important	5% Important	2% Very Important	- Extremely Important

1,114 respondents

Are there any barriers that prevent you from playing pickleball as often as you would like?



1,302 respondents

Which of the following prevents you from playing pickleball more often? (Select all that apply)

60%	Lack of indoor options in bad weather	468 ✓
59%	Courts are often occupied	465 ✓
40%	Courts are not close to where I live	311 ✓
24%	Family/work obligations	191 ✓
16%	Lack of playing partners	124 ✓
12%	Other	97 ✓
5%	Injury or illness	43 ✓

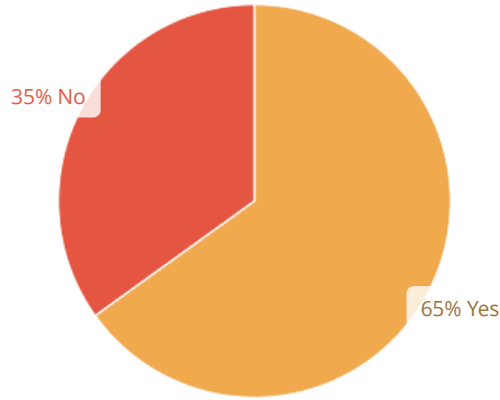
783 Respondents

Thinking about the reasons why you play pickleball, how important is each of the following to you?

	Not at all Important	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
For competition/challenge	19% Not at all Important	29% Somewhat Important	29% Important	16% Very Important	7% Extremely Important
To learn/improve a skill	5% Not at all Important	20% Somewhat Important	36% Important	27% Very Important	12% Extremely Important
To keep fit/stay active	- Not at all Important	4% Somewhat Important	20% Important	37% Very Important	39% Extremely Important
To meet others or spend time with family and friends	3% Not at all Important	13% Somewhat Important	32% Important	32% Very Important	21% Extremely Important
For enjoyment - it is fun	- Not at all Important	2% Somewhat Important	16% Important	33% Very Important	49% Extremely Important

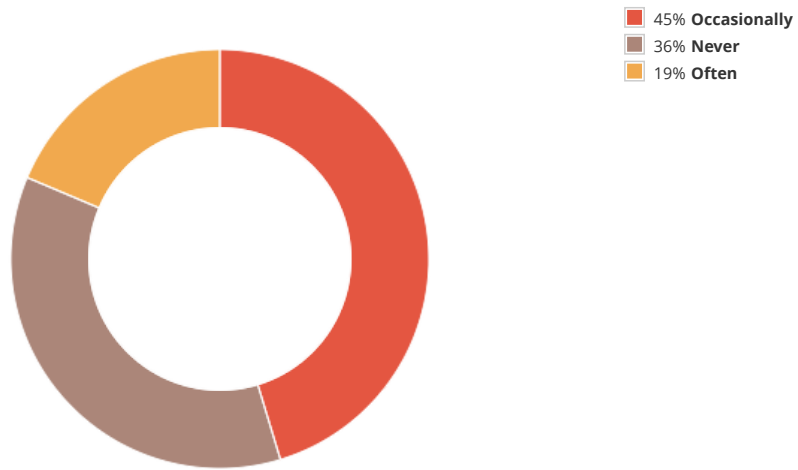
1,088 respondents

Are you interested in classes or instruction to learn how to play or improve your pickleball game?



1,283 respondents

How often have you tried to play pickleball on FCPA courts in the last year but were unable to because they were being used for some other recreational activity?



1,271 respondents

Please provide the park or place where you have experienced conflict between your pickleball use and another recreational activity.

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Carl Sandburg

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School

7 months ago

Local centreville tennis courts

7 months ago

rolling valley

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg MS, Collingwood Park

7 months ago

Stratton Woods

7 months ago

Vienna

7 months ago

Van Dyck or Stratton Woods

7 months ago

Lee Rec Center Tennis courts; our swimming club courts; Collingwood Park courts; Sandberg school courts

7 months ago

Lee District

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School

7 months ago

Sandburg Middle School

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg

7 months ago

Dunn Loring Park, Kilmer MS, Cunningham Park ES

7 months ago

Sanford middle school

7 months ago

The only courts I am aware of are at Van Dyke park. Which are actually Tennis courts, so there is often conflict with tennis players. It's such a shame to get all excited to play pickleball only to have no space to play.

7 months ago

Lake Anne!

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School, Hollon Meadows club, Charles Houston Rec Center

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg School

7 months ago

Sandburg Middle School

7 months ago

Sandburg middle school courts

7 months ago

Carl Sandberg Middle School

7 months ago

only 2 of the 6 courts at Carl Sandburg MS have line for Pickleball -they all should have these lines

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School

7 months ago

Sandburg ms

7 months ago

Sandburg Middle school

7 months ago

Don't remember the name

7 months ago

McLean

7 months ago

Herndon

7 months ago

Oak mar

7 months ago

Chantilly field house

7 months ago

All

7 months ago

Vienna community center

7 months ago

Carl sandburg Middle School

7 months ago

Audrey Moore

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School

7 months ago



Stratton woods

7 months ago

Stratton woods

7 months ago

Nannie Lee Outdoor courts. There are only 3 lined outdoor PB courts in the city of Alexandria and Fusbal as well as tennis- is being played on 2 of them

7 months ago

Greenbriar

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School

7 months ago

Reston browns chapel

7 months ago

Dont kniw name

7 months ago

Stuart woods

7 months ago

Chalet woods

7 months ago

Burke Swim and Racket

7 months ago

Wakefield/Audrey Moore

7 months ago

Fox mill

7 months ago

walter reed community center

7 months ago

Roundtree Park

7 months ago

Audrey Moore

7 months ago

Southrun

7 months ago

Nottoway

7 months ago

McLean Central

7 months ago

Van Dyke Park

7 months ago

Reston courts

7 months ago

Reston - no pickle ball courts

7 months ago

Autumn Woods, lake Newport

7 months ago

Stratton woods park

7 months ago

Autumnwood courts in Reston

7 months ago

Lake Newport tennis courts

7 months ago

Middleridge

7 months ago

Attempting to play pickle ball at Newington Heights Park sometimes conflicts with tennis players since the courts are dual-purpose.

7 months ago

Colts neck

7 months ago

Autumnwood tennis courts

7 months ago

Wakefield

7 months ago

Audrey moore

7 months ago

Wakefield

7 months ago

Wakefield

7 months ago

Linway park

7 months ago

We need more dedicated pickleball courts in ffx County. Thank you!

7 months ago

Wakefield

7 months ago

Walter Reed Community Center

7 months ago

Cavalier Trail Park

7 months ago

Van Dyck Park, Cavalier trails Park,

7 months ago

Wakefield, gave up on other locations because of courts being reserved for teams not recreational play

7 months ago

dowden terrace,

7 months ago

Have never had a problem

7 months ago

Old Mt Vernon HS indoor court

7 months ago

Sandburg

7 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School. The only 2 pickleball courts in our area of the courts ty and very busy with pickleball and tennis and becoming busier everyday as more and more people are playing pickleball. And with the private indoor tennis facility in Mount Vernon closing the tennis players are playing more outdoors. Please put more courts in the southern end Alexandria, Mount Vernon end of the country.

7 months ago

McLean Library

7 months ago

Wakefield, Newington Heights

7 months ago

Burke community courts

7 months ago

Pool grounds in Burke Center

7 months ago

Van Dyke park

7 months ago

Springhill

7 months ago

Glyndon Park

7 months ago

McLean Community Center

7 months ago

Lee Center Falls Church

7 months ago

Dolly Madison Library

7 months ago

Glyndon Park, Vienna

7 months ago

Walter Reed tennis courts

7 months ago

Tennis courts in mclean

7 months ago

van dyck park

7 months ago

McLean Central Park

7 months ago

Lee District Park

7 months ago

Hooes Road Park

7 months ago

Old Town

7 months ago

County tennis courts in Braddock District

7 months ago

Neighborhood park (Rollingwood, off Rolling Rd) has tennis courts rarely used for tennis, would like to see the, lined for pickleball

7 months ago

Meadow Lane. I don't even know of other places where there are courts. Pickleball courts should be separate from tennis courts. I love tennis and it's hard enough to get public courts to use without also competing with pickleball.

7 months ago

Rolling Valley West Park

7 months ago

Pohick

7 months ago

Green Acres Community Center

7 months ago

Glyndon

7 months ago

Eleanor Homes Knarver, Glyndon, Green Acres

7 months ago

Eleanor Homes Narver, Glyndon, Green Acres

7 months ago

Pohick

7 months ago

New Ig ton, south run

7 months ago

Wakefield park

7 months ago

Providence CC

7 months ago

Green Acres Senior Center; Van Dyke Park

7 months ago

Van Dyke Park

7 months ago

Recreation center

7 months ago

Cranoke, sometimes a tennis conflict. Not that often.

7 months ago

Fairfax City Van Dyke Wakefield

7 months ago

Green s

7 months ago

Van Dyck Park - Fairfax City

7 months ago

Audrey Moore

7 months ago

Wakefield park's pickleball court was in bad shape and we looked to other places to play. Plus it doesn't have a pickleball net, only the tennis net.

7 months ago

At Van Dyke Park, the tennis players often take the courts where we play pickle ball when they have two available tennis courts.

7 months ago

van dyke park

7 months ago

Audrey Moore -- competition for courts with tennis players

7 months ago

gum spring recreation center and old mt vernon high school

8 months ago

Linway

8 months ago

Rec center near Falls Church High

8 months ago

Old Mt. Vernon High School

8 months ago

Old Mt Vernon HS

8 months ago

South Run

8 months ago

Old Mt Vernon HS

8 months ago

Old Mt Vernon high school

8 months ago

Sandburg Middle Tennis and pickleball courts are available but tennis players stay on the courts.

8 months ago

McLean

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

n/a

8 months ago

Original Mount Vernon High School

8 months ago

Falls church

8 months ago

McLean Tennis/Pickleball courts

8 months ago

mclean library courts

8 months ago

Providence Rec Center - only have one small area - also used for basketball and summer camp and the surface is warped.

8 months ago

Spring Hill Rec Center

8 months ago

Non

8 months ago

McLean Central Park

8 months ago

Westgate, McLean library

8 months ago

Burke

8 months ago

Newington

8 months ago

Conflict is too strong a word, but occasionally have to change plans when courts are already taken by tennis players.

8 months ago

McLean Community center

8 months ago

My vernon high school

8 months ago

Hoa

8 months ago

McLean

8 months ago

Springhill Rec Center, Van Dyke, Glyndon, Westgate, McLean Central Park. We need many many more courts in Fairfax County!!!

8 months ago

MLK

8 months ago

Linway Terrace, McLean

8 months ago

Van Dyck

8 months ago

Field house

8 months ago

8 months ago

None. Usually play late morning

8 months ago

Alex

8 months ago

Zvienna community center

8 months ago

Centreville

8 months ago

Springhill

8 months ago

Mount Vernon high old school

8 months ago

Vienna community senior center

8 months ago

Lee Center, Collingwood Park,

8 months ago

Moore RECenter

8 months ago

?? Park, Delray section of Alexandria

8 months ago

Stuart Road Park

8 months ago

unk

8 months ago

Meadow Lane Park

8 months ago

meadowlane park in vienna

8 months ago

often times there are tennis players at the courts or now even soccer being played

8 months ago

Arlington Recreation Center

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Springhill Rec

8 months ago

Pickleball and tennis

8 months ago

Martin Luther King Jr.

8 months ago

Stratton Woods Park

8 months ago

McLean Park

8 months ago

Carl sandburg

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park, Fairfax; Meadowlane Park, Vienna

8 months ago

Local courts

8 months ago

South Run

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

cant remember

8 months ago



Newington Heights Park

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Meadowlane Park

8 months ago

Dunn Loring Park

8 months ago

all the courts in Vienna, VA

8 months ago

The problem with converting tennis courts is that many of us want to play tennis too and pickleball. Not enough courts for both.

8 months ago

Centreville

8 months ago

Wakefield Park, Falls Church HS, Jefferson District Park

8 months ago

LRR

8 months ago

Westgate

8 months ago

Glendon park Vienna and Herndon

8 months ago

Riverbend Country Club

8 months ago

Nottoway Park, Cunningham Park

8 months ago

Has only been hard during Covid when rec centers are closed and we are forced to play outside on the public tennis courts which are limited

8 months ago

Nannie Lee recreation center, Alexandria

8 months ago

N/a

8 months ago

Dolly Madison library

8 months ago

All over

8 months ago

Spring Hill Rec

8 months ago

Stratton woods

8 months ago

Newington heights

8 months ago

Cunningham Park, Meadowlane Park, Glyndon Park

8 months ago

Tysons Corner, Sport and Health.

8 months ago

Lee District Park

8 months ago

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8 months ago

Sourh Run Rec Center Tennis court & Pohick library park tennis courts

8 months ago

SouthRun and Pohick

8 months ago

Old MVHS

8 months ago

Glyndon Park

8 months ago

Falls Church HS tennis courts and McLean Central Park tennis courts

8 months ago

Nannie Lee

8 months ago

Alexandria area of Fairfax County

8 months ago

Nannie Lee Rec center

8 months ago

Jefferson

8 months ago

Stratton Woods / Town of Vienna

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School

8 months ago

Stratton Woods Park, Westgate Elementary

8 months ago

Autmnwood - Reston association

8 months ago

South Run Park (however, tennis takes precedence), Burke Center (tennis) courts...very crowded and not always available

8 months ago

Carl sandburg middle school

8 months ago

Lee District

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

van dyke

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Chalet Woods

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Rolling Valley West Park

8 months ago

Walter Reed, Thomas Jefferson, Glebe Road Park

8 months ago

Meadow Lane Park in Vienna (in particular when Glyndon Park in Vienna was closed for renovations)

8 months ago

Wakefield has under utilized paddle tennis courts, which I can teach paddle. This is not pickle. These courts are a gold mine for outdoor play, especially in the winter . Outdoor sport , played in a cage, The staff at Wakefield think they are pickle ball courts , but they aren't. This is the perfect outdoor sport in the winter. Again it's not pickle it's paddle or platform tennis. Very popular at congressional and Chevy chase country clubs. Please contact me, as I can teach both paddle and/or pickle. 571-332-1709

8 months ago

Note, from experience pickle is a bit noisy, and needs to be considered when picking location and hours of play, especially at night .

8 months ago

Jefferson park, and really hard to know where courts are. I have found by accident marked on tennis courts, and these courts used primarily for tennis.

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Autumn woods

8 months ago

Providence Rec Ctr

8 months ago

stratton woods, stuart road

8 months ago

I don't know. I have been playing at a club.

8 months ago

Van dyke park

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park

8 months ago

camelot elementary school

8 months ago

Wakefield Rec Center - tennis courts occupied

8 months ago

Lewinsville Park, McLean

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Audrey Moore Rec Center

8 months ago

South run

8 months ago

Glyndon Park, Vienna; Meadowlane Park, Vienna; Kemper Park; Vienna; Nottoway Park, Vienna

8 months ago

McLean Community Center -- tennis

8 months ago

Town of vienna

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School

8 months ago

Stratton Woods Park

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Wakefield, Glyndon Park in Vienna

8 months ago

Glyndon Park

8 months ago

dolly madison and westgate courts

8 months ago

FFX City adult center

8 months ago

has not happened as I mainly attend organized classes

8 months ago

Autumnwood

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Lee District

8 months ago

Vienna

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Westgate Elementary School

8 months ago

Park near Trott Lane, Vienna

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Carl Sandburg MS

8 months ago

Glyndon Park

8 months ago

Would like to be able to reserve a court in advance

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Lee District Recreation Center

8 months ago

newington

8 months ago

Reston Automwood, Lake Newport, Herndon, Vienna

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

providence

8 months ago

Leerec

8 months ago

Only go when pickleball is offered and hours/days are specified. Tennis play is the biggest obstacle.

8 months ago

I do not know of any outdoor pickle ball courts in Ffx Cty

8 months ago

Only one court is marked for pickleball at Lee District. We ended up playing on a regular tennis marked court.

8 months ago

I am not.

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

South Run REC, Audrey Moore Rec

8 months ago

Camelot Tennis Court

8 months ago

Tennis Courts near Broyhill Crest Recreation Club

8 months ago

Spring Hill

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

South run

8 months ago

In the warmer weather, the courts are often occupied by more experienced or tournament players. It would help if there were dedicated beginner/intermediate courts or court times. An organized way of moving on and off courts would help e.g. slots for paddles for different player levels so movement on and off courts is more orderly.

8 months ago

Private neighborhood club

8 months ago

Autumnwood

8 months ago

Southrun Rec, cove landing, the woods

8 months ago

Southrun rec center, cove landing, the woods

8 months ago

Van Dyke Park, Glynden Park

8 months ago

Irving MS

8 months ago

Autumn Wood

8 months ago

HOA Courts

8 months ago

Springvale

8 months ago

Hoos Rd

8 months ago

Van Dyck

8 months ago

Lee District

8 months ago

Glebe Road, Cavalier Trail

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park

8 months ago

Autumnwood

8 months ago

autumn wood and stuart park

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park

8 months ago

Westgate (McLean) and Springhill Rec Center

8 months ago

Hunters woods court, due to corona I will only play if my family is the only ones at the court. There's two courts and both are rarely full but we won't play if one is taken.

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Westgate and tennis

8 months ago

Reston

8 months ago

Community Center

8 months ago

Nottingham park

8 months ago

Just local tennis courts that are occupied by tennis players.

8 months ago

None

8 months ago

None

8 months ago

Rolling Valley West Park in Burke

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Reston Association courts

8 months ago

Springhill Rec Center

8 months ago

Marshall high school

8 months ago

FCps school court in use

8 months ago

there were just no courts available

8 months ago

centreville high school tennis courts, nottoway park tennis courts

8 months ago



Carl Sandburg Middle School tennis courts

8 months ago

boryhill

8 months ago

Spring Hill

8 months ago

Dunn Loring

8 months ago

Franklin park

8 months ago

many of the public parks

8 months ago

South Run

8 months ago

I'm from out of town but when visiting friends often, we have difficulty getting a court because it's either occupied or basketball is being played.

8 months ago

Van Dyck

8 months ago

dulles sports plex

8 months ago

wakefield

8 months ago

Van Dyke Park

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Ferlazzo Plaza Woodbridge

8 months ago

Newington Heights

8 months ago

Providence Community Center

8 months ago

Haven't experienced conflicts yet because I haven't tried to play at park yet.

8 months ago

Nottoway Park - There are no nets or painted lines

8 months ago

Van Dyke

8 months ago

Newington

8 months ago

Stratton woods

8 months ago

Fairfax Country Club. I arrived too early.

8 months ago

Spring Hill

8 months ago

stratton woods

8 months ago

Fairfax

8 months ago

South run rec center

8 months ago

Southrun & Wakefield (Audrey Moore)

8 months ago

south run. newington heights park

8 months ago

Carver center

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

South Run Rec outdoor courts

8 months ago

Lubber Run

8 months ago

Wakefield indoor

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park

8 months ago

Idylwood Park

8 months ago

Don't remember

8 months ago

Van Dyke

8 months ago

Glyndon Park, McLean (behind Library)

8 months ago

Spring Hill

8 months ago

Sorry, I cant think of the name of the park.

8 months ago

Providence

8 months ago

Lewinsville Park

8 months ago

Springhill

8 months ago

Spring Hill

8 months ago

Wakefield moore

8 months ago

Van dyke

8 months ago

Centreville High School tennis courts

8 months ago

Centreville High tennis courts

8 months ago

Green acers

8 months ago

glyndon park

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Van Dyck, Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Vienna community center

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

South Run Rec-Center, Pho Hick Regional Park, Audrey Moore Rec-Center

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Mount Vernon High School, James Lee Community Center, Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Southgate community center

8 months ago

Can't remember

8 months ago

Glendon, meadow lane

8 months ago

It is due to COVID and cannot play inside.

8 months ago

The courts behind the Dolley Madison Library, next to the McLean C.C.

8 months ago

Spring Hill rcenter

8 months ago

Courts behind Dolley Madison Library in McLean

8 months ago

Overcrowding of tennis/pickleball courts

8 months ago

McLean Central Park Tennis courts, Springfield Recreation Center

8 months ago

Old Glebe Rd

8 months ago

McLean park

8 months ago

Linway terrace and Dolly Madison park (by library)

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

mclean

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Fairfax City

8 months ago

van dyke park

8 months ago

Community court

8 months ago

Shares court

8 months ago

Spring Hill Rec Center

8 months ago

van dyke park

8 months ago

CSMS tennis courts

8 months ago

Wakefield park

8 months ago

Newington Heights

8 months ago

Green Acres

8 months ago

Gyndon

8 months ago

McLean central and westgate

8 months ago

McLean

8 months ago

South Run with tennis players. There are only two courts.

8 months ago

Van Dyke Park.

8 months ago

Meadow Lane Park

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Wakefield, Green Acres Senior Center

8 months ago

No conflict

8 months ago

Wakefield Rec Center

8 months ago

Wakefield Park, Meadow Lane Park

8 months ago

Green Acres

8 months ago

Idylwood Park

8 months ago

Linway Terrace Park

8 months ago

Stratton Woods

8 months ago

Providence Community Center

8 months ago

Wakefield Rec Center

8 months ago

Wakefield Park - not conflict with people, courts are full and you wait for a court to open up when someone leaves.

8 months ago

Burke racquet club

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Glyndon Park

8 months ago

local courts at Wakefield Chapel & Audrey Moore (courts in badly need of repair

8 months ago

Walter Reed Rec Center

8 months ago

South Run,

8 months ago

wakefield

8 months ago

Courts behind Mclean Library

8 months ago

South Run

8 months ago

Glydon Park, Vienna

8 months ago

McLean Park, Linway Terrace, Westgate Park

8 months ago

Behind Dolley Madison Library

8 months ago

The FC rec. center nearest Vienna Metro station

8 months ago

don't recall name

8 months ago

The Landings Burke Centre/The Woods Burke Centre

8 months ago

Can't remember.

8 months ago

Burke tennis cts.

8 months ago

McLean Community Center

8 months ago

South Run

8 months ago

forgot the place

8 months ago

Ox & Bennett Rd, Centreville HS (both are tennis courts)

8 months ago

Carl Sandburg Middle School

8 months ago

It was in Falls Church Lee District Park and Rec Center does not even have any pickleball courts.

8 months ago

Pohick

8 months ago

VanDyke, can't access the pickleball nets.

8 months ago

Green Acers

8 months ago

Vienna

8 months ago

MLK

8 months ago

Reston

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park, Glyndon Park

8 months ago

McLean

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

??? I haven't.

8 months ago

Meadow Lane Park

8 months ago

chalet woods

8 months ago

Camelot , woodburn, round tree and annandale community pqj

8 months ago

Westgate

8 months ago

Na

8 months ago

Unsure of name.....close to Fairfax city police HQ and catholic church

8 months ago

Numerous. Providence senior center

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Southrun, Spring Hill

8 months ago

Westgate Elem.

8 months ago

Westgate Elementary School

8 months ago

landings

8 months ago

Wakefield Park Tennis Courts

8 months ago

Linway

8 months ago

Spring Hill

8 months ago

Audrey Moore on weekends only

8 months ago

South Run

8 months ago

Newington Heights

8 months ago



Mantua swim and tennis club

8 months ago

South run Rex and rolling valley west

8 months ago

N/a

8 months ago

Vienna Community Center

8 months ago

McLean community center

8 months ago

Westgate used by tennis players; same for Meadow Lane park in Vienna.

8 months ago

The courts are in too bad condition to play there.

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Westgate, Linway Terrace

8 months ago

Hidden pond park

8 months ago

South Run Park

8 months ago

Tennis lessons in courts behind Dolley Madison Library

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Fairfax

8 months ago

no courts available

8 months ago

Old Mt Vernon HS

8 months ago

Newington Heights, South Run rec center

8 months ago

Kemper...tennis player told me tennis only and did not respect the fact we had 8 people vs their 2 and we had to squeeze on 1 court

8 months ago

McLean Community Center

8 months ago

South Run, Pohick Library

8 months ago

Does not apply so far

8 months ago

Autumnwood

8 months ago

Rolling Valley West

8 months ago

Vandyke

8 months ago

Spring Hill Rec Center, Vienna Community Center, HOA courts, McLean Community Center

8 months ago

Reston

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Springhill Rec Center

8 months ago

South Run Rec Center

8 months ago

nottoway

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Tennis

8 months ago

Pohick Library and South run courts

8 months ago

Providence Community Center

8 months ago

Chalet woods, van Dyke

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

McLean Central Park, Westgate

8 months ago

McLean Central Park, Westgate

8 months ago

Burke greenacres

8 months ago

Pohick library. Only one court painted for PB. Private lessons given for tennis without authorization from Fairfax parks

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

McLean Community Center

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

N/A: I don't play in Fairfax County, but would like to

8 months ago

Van Dyke park

8 months ago

Rolling valley west

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Parks within 15 min drive to vienna

8 months ago

Van Dyke

8 months ago

Closed due to covid

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Briar patch, autumnwood

8 months ago

Van Dyke

8 months ago

carl sandberg/tennis

8 months ago

Chantilly Field house

8 months ago

West Park

8 months ago

Rec centers

8 months ago

Kendale woods

8 months ago

not sure of the name

8 months ago

Neighborhood community center

8 months ago

Rolling Valley West, South run

8 months ago

Westgate

8 months ago

Carl Sandburg

8 months ago

south run park

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park, Glyndon Park, Glebe Road, Cavalier Trail

8 months ago

South Run and Pohick

8 months ago

South run, pohick library

8 months ago

Providence Community Center, James Lee Community Center,

8 months ago

Virginia Run

8 months ago

South Run Rec Center, Pohick park

8 months ago

Notoway, Mclean

8 months ago

Pohick

8 months ago

South Run

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Audrey Moore Rec Center

8 months ago

SouthRun

8 months ago

Van Dyke, Glendon, McLean Community Center

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park

8 months ago

Rolling valley west - conflicts with tennis

8 months ago

Idylwood Park, Van Dyck Park

8 months ago

Kendall Woods Park

8 months ago

Do not remember name of court

8 months ago

Conflict with Tennis or too many people during pandemic at these courts: Glyndon, Dunn Lorking, Kilmner, Stuart Rd, Kutner Park, Westgate

8 months ago

Glyndon, Dunn Loring Park, Kilmer Middle School, Stuart Rd individual court, Kutner Rd. Tennis Court, Westgate Park

8 months ago

Westgate

8 months ago

Vienna Meadow Lane Park

8 months ago

Meadow lane

8 months ago

Briar Patch Park, Sterling - courts used for tennis.

8 months ago

Van Dyck Park 3720 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, VA 22030

8 months ago

Spring Hill

8 months ago

Walter Reed Arlington

8 months ago

Chalet Woods Park

8 months ago

Chalet woods

8 months ago

South run rec center

8 months ago

Nottoway Park

8 months ago

Wakefield Park

8 months ago

van dyke park wakefield park

8 months ago

Courts behind west gate elementary school. Meadowland and Glyndon oark

8 months ago

Oak Marr

8 months ago

van Dyck park

8 months ago

Newington Heights

8 months ago

Spring Hill Rec Tennis Courts near McLean Library

8 months ago

Courts behind Dolley Madison Library in McLean

8 months ago

Wakefield Rec Center

8 months ago

Lee District

8 months ago

Rolling Valley West

8 months ago

Glyndon park vienna

8 months ago

Stuart Road

8 months ago

field house

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Wakefield—Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Green Acres

8 months ago

I play modified pickle ball with my wife at WSHS tennis court and also the tennis courts behind WSES usually after we play a couple sets of tennis. It would be nice to play at a real pickle ball court though

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Audrey Moore - Tennis Players

8 months ago

Westgate elementary, spring hill

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Almost all of them

8 months ago

Hooes Road Park

8 months ago

Franklin park, Glendon

8 months ago

Wakefield park

8 months ago

Nottoway Park

8 months ago

Providence Community Center before the pandemic

8 months ago

Tennis players at Van Dyke and Glyndon

8 months ago

Any tennis court lined for pickleball is subject to tennis takeover

8 months ago

Vienna Community Center

8 months ago

Audrey Moore Rec Center

8 months ago

Van Dyck

8 months ago

Glyndon

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Not sure

8 months ago

South run Rec center

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Van Dyke and Wakefield. Tennis players were using the courts. Pickleballers typically let me rotate in.

8 months ago

Wakefield discriminates against pickleball

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Audrey Moore

8 months ago

audrey moore rec

8 months ago

Audrey Moore Recenter/Wakefield Park

8 months ago

Autumn wood

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Autumnwood courts

8 months ago

Wakefield/Audrey Moore

8 months ago

Wakefield

8 months ago

Reston Association courts at Autumnwood

8 months ago

South Run

8 months ago

Stratton Woods Park; Navy Vale Firehouse Park; Westgate Elementary

8 months ago

Spring Hill Rec Center - gym is shared with basketball so not enough PB courts

8 months ago

Idylewood park

8 months ago



tennis players complaining about noise at newington heights park

8 months ago

South run- tennis

8 months ago

Wakefield Park, South Run

8 months ago

McLean Central but time slots were paid for during the summer time. Indiors at Spring Hill Rec where courts were divided up for basketball on one side and pickleball on the other.

8 months ago

Carl Sandburg

8 months ago

Wakefield tennis complex

8 months ago

Wakefield Park, McLean Park

8 months ago

wakefield

8 months ago

Thomas Jefferson community

8 months ago

Don't remember the name

8 months ago

Wakefield

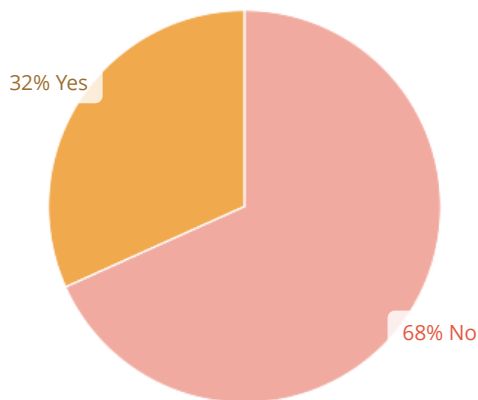
8 months ago

McLean

8 months ago

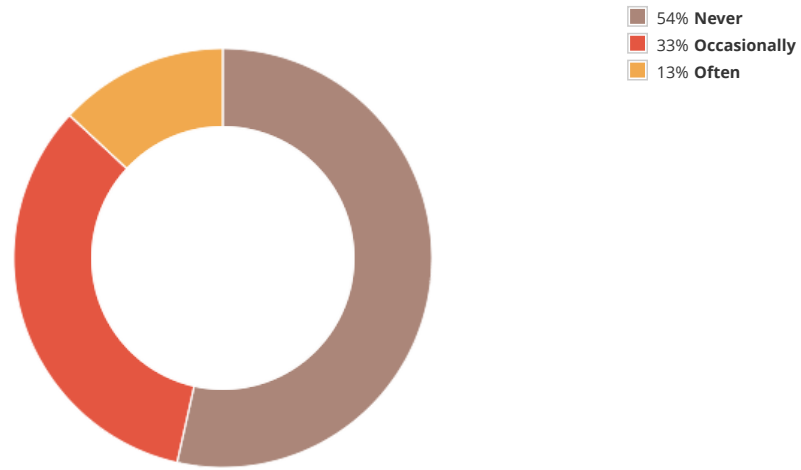
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Do you use FCPA courts to play tennis or another recreational activity other than pickleball?



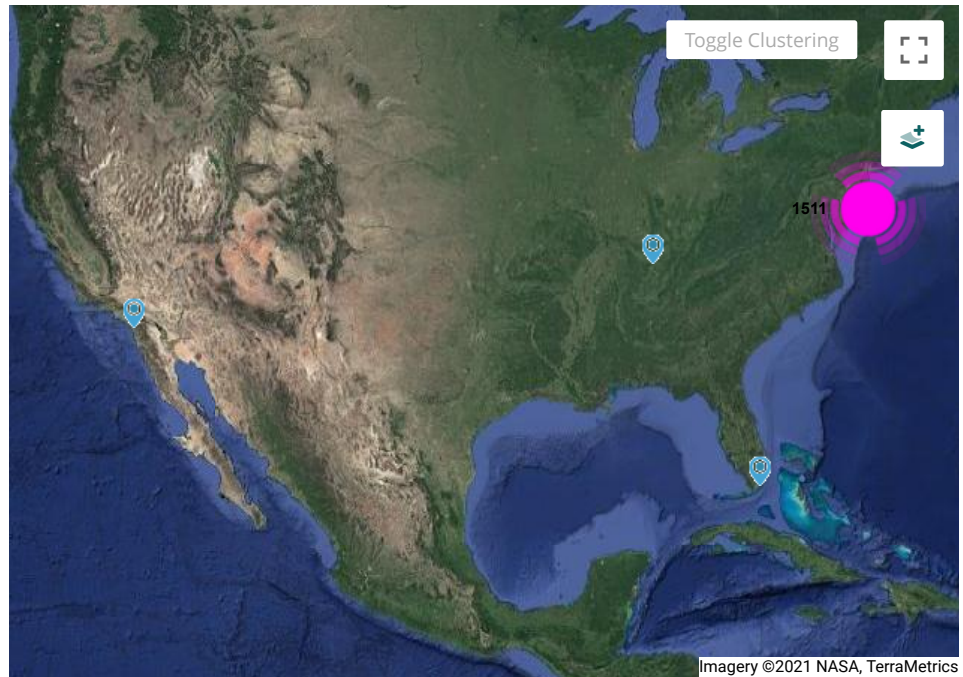
1,661 respondents

How often have you tried to use FCPA courts in the last year for tennis or another recreational activity but were unable to because they were being used for pickleball?



527 respondents

\* Your Zip Code (this helps us plan for accessible and convenient facilities where park visitors live)



What is your race/ethnicity?

77%	White	304 ✓
9%	I prefer not to answer	37 ✓
5%	Asian	21 ✓
4%	Black or African-American	17 ✓
3%	Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish	12 ✓
3%	Other	11 ✓
1%	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3 ✓
0%	American Indian or Alaska Native	1 ✓

395 Respondents

Which category best describes your annual household income?

50%	\$150,000 or more	120 ✓
30%	\$100,000 to \$149,999	72 ✓
11%	\$75,000 to \$99,999	27 ✓
6%	\$50,000 to \$74,999	14 ✓
3%	Below \$50,000	8 ✓

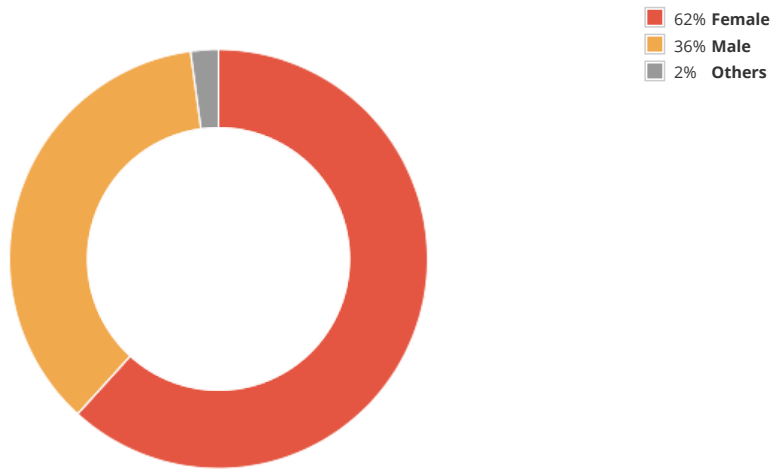
241 Respondents

What is your age?

36%	65 - 74	129 ✓
31%	55 - 64	113 ✓
14%	45 - 54	52 ✓
9%	75 and older	31 ✓
6%	35 - 44	20 ✓
4%	25 - 34	13 ✓
1%	18 - 24	3 ✓
0%	Under 18	1 ✓

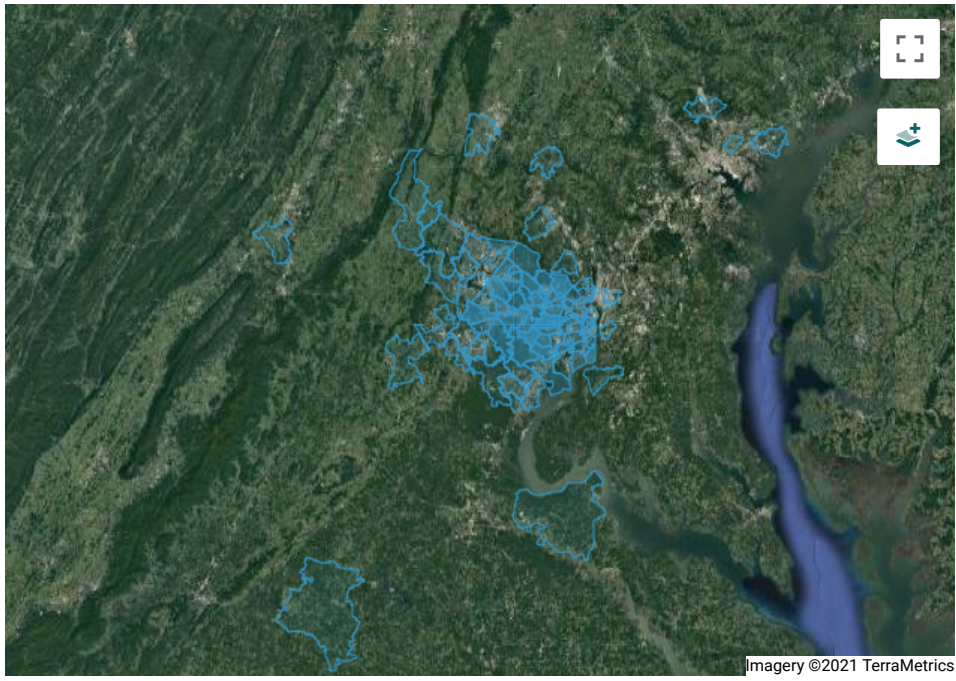
362 Respondents

What is your gender?



421 respondents

Participant Zip Code Map





# PICKLEBALL STUDY REPORT

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# Pickleball Study Scope



**Strategically respond to community requests for pickleball**

**Guide in evaluating and designing suitable pickleball locations**



**Recommend strategies for future pickleball courts**

# Report Contents

## Main Report

- Executive Summary / Background
- Key Findings and Recommendations
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Existing Conditions
- Industry Trends
- Planning for Pickleball / Site Selection Criteria / Strategies
- Design Best Practices / Standards

## Appendix

- Community Survey — PublicInput.com data output





# Recommendations

- **Adopt site selection criteria**
- **Adopt court layout and design specifications**
- **Include pickleball in the existing court maintenance & renovation efforts**
- **Designate specific times/days for pickleball or tennis at shared-use courts**
- **Consider the construction of at least two pickleball-only facilities in the 2024 Park Bond suitable for group play**
- **In the 2026 Needs Assessment, consider whether a standalone countywide service level standard for pickleball courts is needed**

# What's Next

- **Current Plans for Pickleball**

- Lewinsville Park

- Lee High Park

- North Hill Park

- Hogge Park

- George Washington Park

- **Reassess Pickleball Demand and Utilize Report for Identifying Future Opportunities**

- Update existing (1 on 1) shared-use pickleball courts to standard

- Identify two dedicated pickleball only complex locations

- Continue to restripe courts for dual-use as recommended in study

## **ACTION - 2**

### Scope Approval – Wakefield Park Skatepark Renovation (Braddock District)

#### ISSUE:

Approval of the project scope to renovate the existing modular ramp portion of the Wakefield skatepark.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

The Park Authority Executive Director recommends approval of the project scope to renovate the existing modular ramp portion of the Wakefield skatepark.

#### TIMING:

Park Authority Board approval is requested on December 8, 2021, to maintain the project schedule.

#### BACKGROUND:

In 2004, the Park Authority's first skatepark was opened to the public at Wakefield Park (Attachment 1). The average lifespan for a wooden skate park at that time was 15 years. The skatepark (Phase 1) has been repaired several times, but due to the age and make-up of the facility, it is no longer feasible or safe to prolong the use of the original equipment. Phase 2, constructed out of concrete, was opened in 2012 and is not part of this renovation project.

A project team comprised of representatives from Park Services, Park Operations, and Planning and Development Divisions was assembled to determine the project scope in May 2020. In conjunction with American Ramp Company (ARC), the original designer and installer of the Phase 1 skatepark, staff prepared and issued an online survey to gather input from skatepark users. Based on the feedback received, ARC prepared a conceptual design comprised of both modular metal ramps and concrete features (Attachment 2.)

The scope of work for the renovation at Wakefield Park includes:

- Design and construction of new skateable features to include concrete bowl, metal modular ramp features, and other amenities
- Shade structure and seating areas

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The scope cost estimate for design and construction is \$1,538,000 (Attachment 3.)

The proposed timeline for completing the project is as follows:

Planned Completion

Design	4th Quarter CY 2021
Construction	2nd Quarter CY 2022

FISCAL IMPACT:

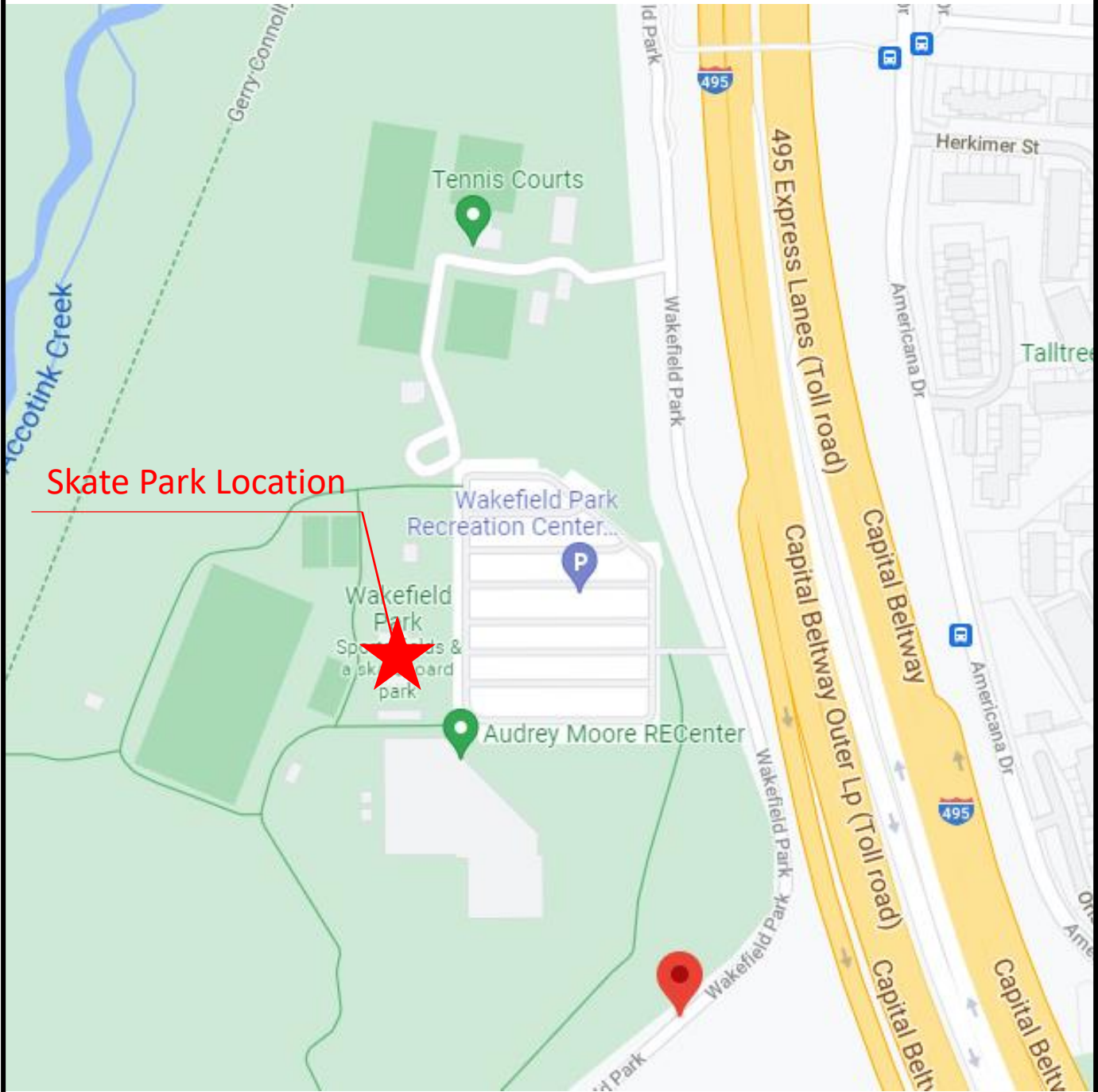
Based on the scope cost estimate, funding in the amount of \$1,538,000 is necessary to fund the design and installation for the skatepark expansion. Funding is currently available in the amount of \$350,000 in Project PR-000108-079, Audrey Moore Skate Park Improvements, in Fund 300-C30010, General County Construction Fund and \$1,188,000 in Project PR-000078-036, Audrey Moore Rec Center, in Fund 30400, Park Authority Bond Construction.

ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS:

Attachment 1 – Location Map  
Attachment 2 – Revised Skatepark Design  
Attachment 3 – Scope Cost Estimate

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Skate Park Location

Location Map

# Wakefield Skate Park





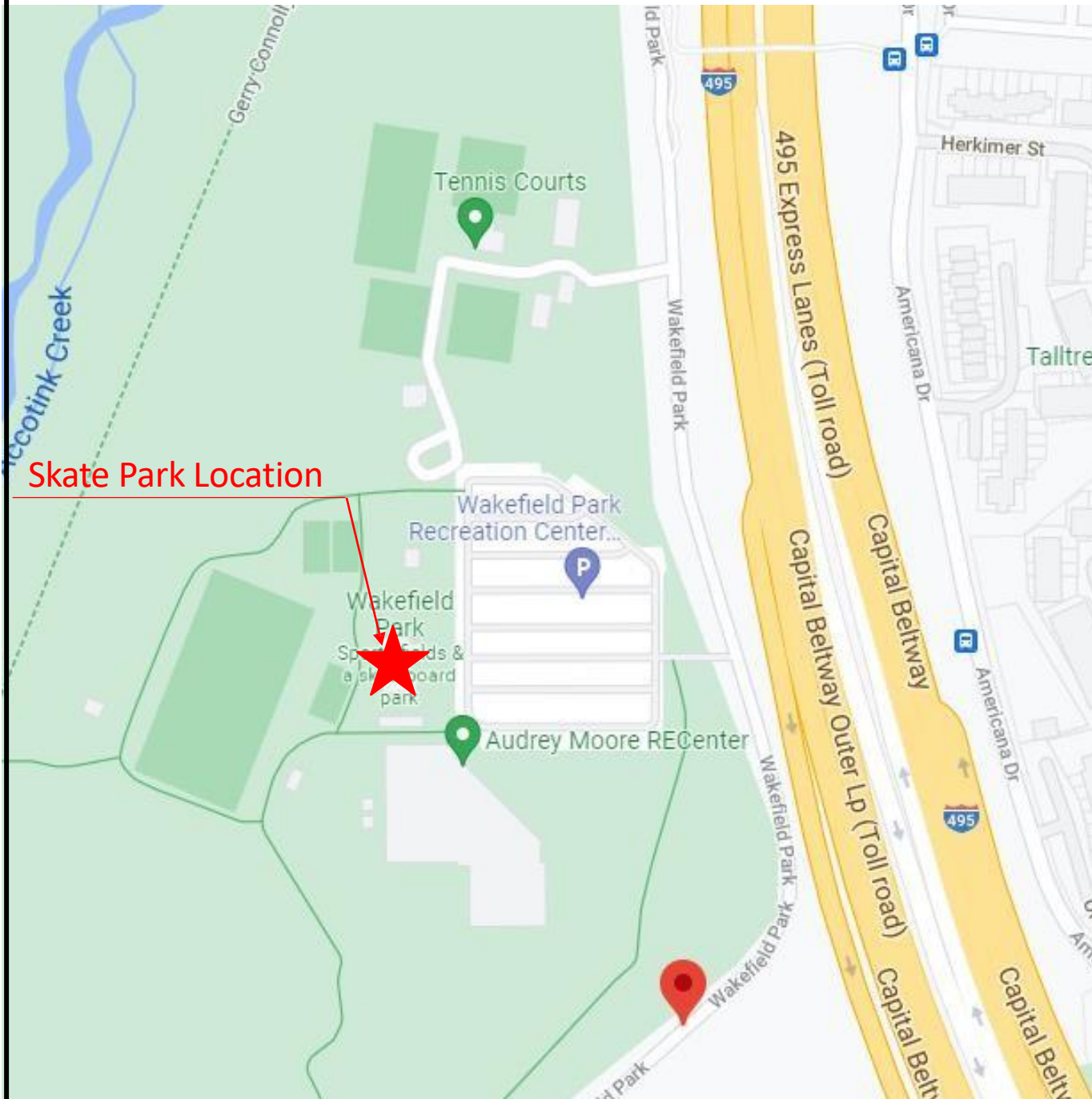
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a division of ARC

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7443, WAKEFIELD, VA

**SCOPE COST ESTIMATE - WAKEFIELD SKATEPARK RENOVATION**  
**December 2021**

Construction	
• Skatepark Elements	\$1,175,000
• Shade Structure	\$ 80,000
Permits	\$ 15,000
Inspections and Testing	\$ 15,000
Contingency	\$ 118,000
WPFO (12%)	<u>\$ 135,000</u>
<b>Total Project Estimate</b>	<b>\$1,538,000</b>



Location Map



Wakefield Skate Park

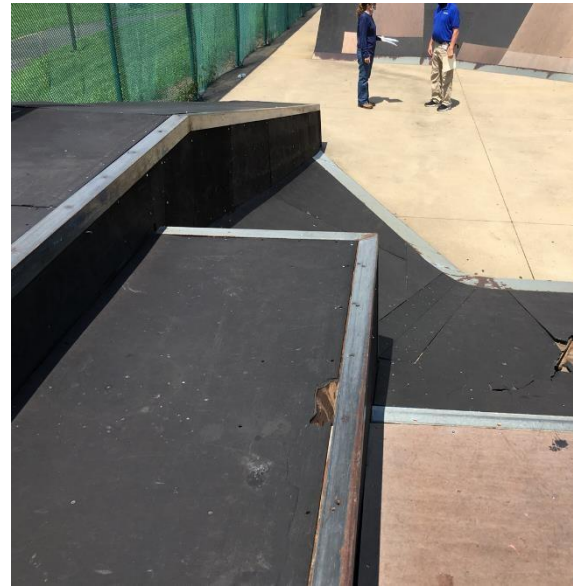


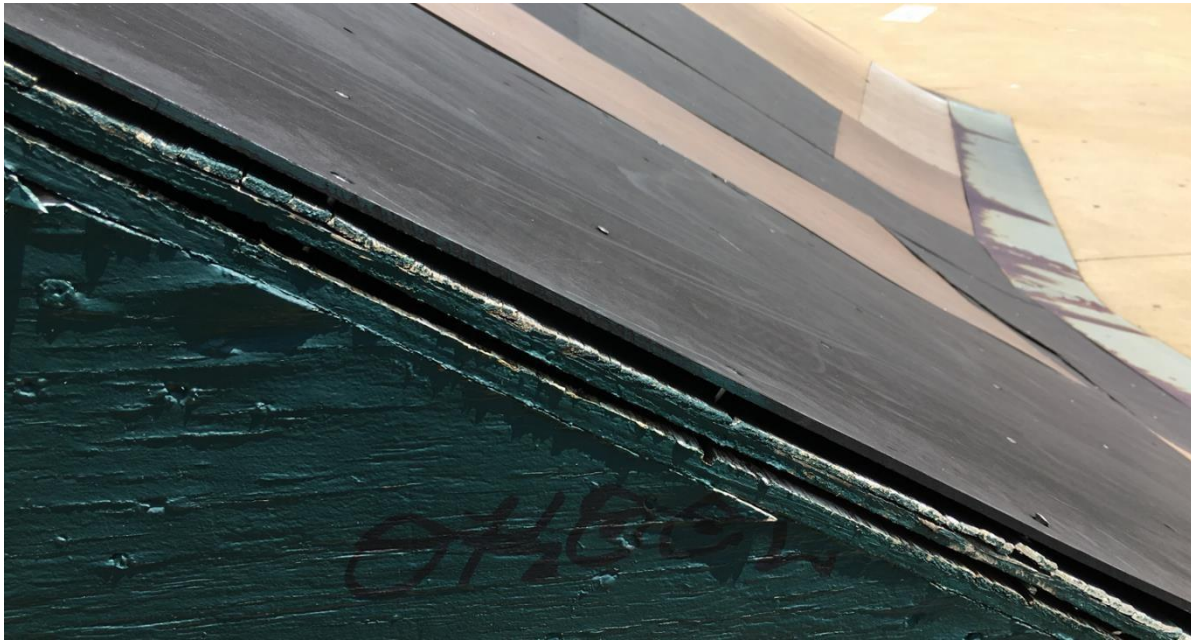


Additional  
Plaza  
Style  
Section

Competition Style Bowl Example

Expanded  
Concrete Bowl





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### **ACTION - 3**

#### Reallocation of Project Funds for Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center (Sully)

##### ISSUE:

Approval of the reallocation of project funds for construction of the Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center.

##### RECOMMENDATION:

The Park Authority Executive Director recommends approval of the reallocation of project funds for construction of the Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park.

##### TIMING:

Board action is requested on December 8, 2021, to maintain the project schedule.

##### BACKGROUND:

The Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center (SWSEC), to be located at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, will be a state-of-the-art interpretive center for natural and cultural stewardship. It will help facilitate educational opportunities, orient users to the parks in the greater Sully Woodlands, and the space will be available for rental to the public. The design of the facility as a Living Building Challenge project has at its core principle a “do no harm” approach to the surrounding natural resources and will do better by providing nature viewing and educational opportunities. To bring environmental awareness to users, the facility incorporates sustainable building techniques and materials, low impact development, and best management practices to the maximum extent possible.

Funding for design and construction of the SWSEC was included in the 2008 and 2012 Park Bonds. Additional funds were provided by the Stormwater Planning Division, the County Executive’s Energy Improvement Program (EIP), and proffer funding. The Park Authority Board approved the Scope for the SWSEC in June 2019 and the project was included in the 2019 Planning & Development Work plan with a project budget of \$4,987,297.09 (including Stormwater Planning Division, EIP, and proffer funding). The 95% Design Cost Estimate indicated an increase in cost and received PAB approval for \$761,000 additional funds in December 2020 increasing the project budget to \$5,748,297.09.

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Staff have since received construction bids for the project. Due to increased labor and material costs caused by nationwide supply chain shortages, the lowest bid received for this project was \$5.684 million, which is 46% higher than the consultant's construction cost estimate of \$3.9 million. This is a consistent problem that staff is encountering on projects entering the construction phase.

Total expenditures to date are \$1,213,383.35 for design and permitting, resulting in a balance of \$4,534,913 in the project. With the lowest contractor bid of \$5,684,000, funding in the amount of \$2,602,658 is needed to fund the project through construction. Staff recommends funding the \$2,602,658 shortfall from the following funding sources:

**Closeout of Completed Projects**

Bond Year	PR#	Description	
2016	PR-000079-003	Lee District Picnic Shelter	\$ 31,000.00
2016	PR-000078-023 and 024	Nottoway Field	\$ 24,820.00
2012	PR-000091-058	Bond Closeout Projects - Ecological Restoration	\$ 21,730.00
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>\$ 77,550.00</b>

**Transfer from Longer Term Projects**

Bond Year	PR#	Description	
2020	PR-000147	Lake Fairfax Per Master Plan	\$ 500,000.00
2020	PR-000147	Replacement of countywide outdoor restrooms	\$ 500,000.00
2020	PR-000147	Cub Run Childcare Room	\$ 500,000.00
2020	PR-000148	Phase I Collections Facility	\$ 525,108.00
2020	PR-000148	Riverbend Park Visitor Center Design	\$ 500,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>\$ 2,525,108.00</b>

**Total \$ 2,602,658.00**

The first group of projects above are completed and these reallocations will close out the projects. The second group are longer term projects for which it is anticipated that bond premium or a future bond referendum may be utilized to supplement the funding of these projects. Despite the current increase in construction cost, it is recommended that this important project be constructed now to avoid an additional backlog of unspent bond funding held in projects that are still in the design phase.

The schedule for this project is revised as follows:

Phase  
Construction

Planned Completion  
First Quarter CY 2023

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Based on the revised project cost, the following funding is available for SWSEC:

Fund 30400 Park Bond Construction:

\$350,608 in PR-000012-013, SWSEC;  
\$4,218,133.61 in PR-000093-032, SWSEC;  
\$166,760 in PR-000077, Land Acquisition Open Space Outdoor Recreation;  
\$288,240 in PR-000091, Existing Facility/Renovation Outdoor Recreation;  
\$106,147.95 in PR-000076, Natural & Cultural Resources;  
\$2,602,658 in various funding sources listed above.

Fund 30100, General County Construction:

\$50,000 in PR-000067-016, SWSEC Building Design.

Fund 30015:

\$250,000 in PR-000139-001 EIP FCPA SWSEC;  
\$70,000 in PR-000135, SWSEC Building Design.

Fund 80300 Park Improvements:

\$228,407.53 in PR-000058, Proffer Funds;  
\$20,000 in PR-000112 EC Lawrence Trust Project.

ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS:

Attachment 1: Bid Results

Attachment 2: Project Budget

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# FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



Planning and Development Division

## BID RESULTS

PROJECT: Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center

PM: Heather Lynch

OPENING DATE: Thursday, October 28, 2021

Contractors Name (Bidder)	Business Type, if any	Base Bid Price	Days	ALTERNATES		Total
				Add Alternate #1		
ESTIMATE		\$3,900,000	350	None		\$3,900,000
*Cooper Building Services, LLC	B=Small, Non-Minority Owned	\$5,684,000	350	None		\$5,684,000
JA Scheibel Inc.	Y=Large, Non-Minority	\$7,622,000	350	None		\$7,622,000
Marion Enterprises, Inc.	C=Small, Woman Owned	\$6,678,994	350	None		\$6,678,994
***Meridian Construction	B=Small, Non-Minority Owned	\$6,093,000	350	None		\$6,093,000
**Rainbow Construction Corporation of Waldorf	-	\$5,970,000	350	None		\$5,970,000
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	-					

\*Apparent Lowest Bidder

\*\*Second Apparent Lowest Bidder

\*\*\*Third Apparent Lowest Bidder

**PROJECT BUDGET**

Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center

Professional Services	\$837,000.00
Permitting	\$108,000.00
Construction Contract Award	\$5,684,000.00
Utilities	\$82,500.00
Inspections & Testing	\$72,484.00
Contingency (15%)	\$853,872.60
Administration (12%)	\$683,098.49
<u>Fixtures, Furniture, &amp; Equipment</u>	<u>\$30,000.00</u>
Project Budget	\$8,350,955.09



**A LIVING BUILDING CHALLENGE project**

- State-of-the-art interpretive center
- “Do no harm” approach to the surrounding natural resources
- Sustainable building techniques and materials
- Educational and rental opportunities



**Sully Woodlands Stewardship Education Center**

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## **INFORMATION - 1**

### Update of Infrastructure Projects Impacting Parkland (Countywide)

Staff continues to monitor ongoing transportation and other infrastructure projects that impact parkland throughout the County. An update to the Park Authority Board on the status of the projects occurs annually to provide the Park Authority Board information on the impacts and the benefits of these projects, which are at various stages of planning, design, and construction. The projects vary in size, scope, and impact to parkland. A full list of current transportation and infrastructure projects impacting parkland can be found in the attachment with details on their status. The following projects will be highlighted in the accompanying presentation to the board:

- I-495 Express Lanes NEXT
- Transform I-66 – Outside the Beltway (Trails)
- Shirley Gate Road Extension
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Attachment 1: Infrastructure Projects Impacting Parkland (January 2021 – December 2021)

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**Infrastructure Projects Impacting Parkland (January 2021 through December 2021)**

<u>Roadway Type</u>	<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Project Status</u>	<u>Lead Agency</u>	<u>Supervisor District(s)</u>	<u>Impacted / Adjacent Park(s)</u>
Interstate	I-495 Express Lanes Northern Extension (NEXT)	Design	VDOT	Dranesville, Providence	Scotts Run Nature Preserve
			A public information meeting was held on September 29, 2021; The Preliminary Section 4(f) letter executed in May 2021; Section 6(f) impacts and replacement land negotiations are ongoing		
	I-495 & I-270 Managed Lanes (P3) Project (Renamed "Op Lanes Maryland")	Environmental Review	VDOT/MDOT	Dranesville	Scotts Run Nature Preserve
			Currently no impacts anticipated to FCPA property; Staff continues to monitor the project		
Transform I-66 - Inside the Beltway	Construction	VDOT	Providence	Idylwood	
		Construction continues; A new W&OD Trail bridge was opened in March 2021; The new direct access ramp to West Falls Church Metrorail opened in July 2021; Major construction activity is nearly complete			
Transform I-66 - Outside the Beltway (and Associated Trails)	Construction (Hwy) Design (Trails)	VDOT	Braddock, Providence, Springfield, Sully	Briarwood, Random Hills, ECL, Cub Run SV, Towers	
		Roadway construction continues throughout the project corridor; Associated trail projects have moved further along in the design stages			
Primary Roads	Route 1 Widening - Jeff Todd Way to Napper Road	Design	VDOT	Mount Vernon, Lee	Pole Road, Vernon Heights, Little Hunting Creek
			Staff is coordinating with the VDOT project team regarding potential impacts to the existing access easements to Pole Road Park		
	Route 7 Widening	Construction	VDOT	Dranesville, Hunter Mill	Colvin Run Mill, Colvin Run SV, Great Falls Nike, Difficult Run SV
			Construction continues throughout the corridor; Rt 7 Interceptor project underway		
	Route 29 Bridge Replacement over Cub Run	Pre-Construction	VDOT	Sully	Cub Run SV
Construction is anticipated to begin in Spring 2022					
Route 29 Widening - Union Mill to Buckley's Gate	Land Acquisition	VDOT	Sully, Springfield	Willow Pond	
		Final Section 4(f) concurrence letter executed on June 22, 2021; Coordination between the VDOT project and the adjacent housing development is ongoing as the VDOT project transitions into the Land Acquisition stage			
Fairfax Co Parkway Widening & Popes Head Road Interchange	Land Acquisition	VDOT/FCDOT	Braddock, Springfield	Patriot, Popes Head	
		Final Section 4(f) concurrence issued on October 13, 2020; Adjacent zoning application for La Biblia Church was approved by the BZA in October 2021			

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Secondary Roads	Braddock Road Multimodal Corridor Improvements	Design	VDOT	Braddock	Wakefield, Howrey Field, Long Branch SV, Canterbury Woods
			The corridor study was reclassified as an improvement project in Summer 2020; VDOT has begun design work including preliminary survey work		
	Burke Road Realignment	Land Acquisition	FCDOT	Braddock	Pohick Creek SV
			Design review complete; Land Acquisition phase begun; A future public hearing is tentatively planned for February 2022		
	Hunter Mill Road Bridge Replacement over Colvin Run	Construction	VDOT	Hunter Mill	Lake Fairfax, Colvin Run SV
			Construction is underway; Scheduled completion is Fall 2022		
	Old Courthouse Road & Besley Road Realignment	Land Acquisition	FCDOT	Hunter Mill	Wolf Trails, Wolftrap SV
Design review complete; Land Acquisition phase begun; Early utility relocation work to begin Fall/Winter 2021					
Shirley Gate Road Extension	Design	FCDOT	Springfield	Patriot Park	
		Design Public Hearing held on September 21, 2021			
Snowden-Ashford Roadway Improvement	Land Acquisition	FCDOT	Mount Vernon	Laurel Hill	
		Design review complete; Land Acquisition phase begun			
Pedestrian & Bicycle Projects	ActiveFairfax (Countywide Trails Plan Update)	Study	FCDOT	Countywide	Various
			A two-phased updating of the Countywide Trails Plan; Phase 1 completed Fall 2021; Phase 2 will include specific trail plan recommendations and updates; FCPA staff involved in multiple working groups; Public input on the project's Draft Vision, Goals & Objectives held in 2021; Input on a "Safe Streets for All" program held in Nov 2021		
	Chesterbrook Road Walkway (Phase 2)	Design	FCDOT	Dranesville	Little Pimmit Run SV
			Design review underway		
	Cinder Bed Road Bikeway	Design	FCDOT	Lee	Island Creek
			Section 4f document for FCPA parcels executed April 2021; Public Meeting held May 10, 2021; Stormwater comments from DPWES submitted to FCDOT via FCPA		
Compton Road Shared Use Path	Design	VDOT	Sully	Cub Run SV	
		Design review and environmental impact review underway			
Little River Turnpike Walkway		FCDOT	Mason	Poe Terrace Park	
		Design review underway			

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Pedestrian & Bicycle Projects (cont)	Mount Vernon Highway Trail	Land Acquisition	FCDOT	Mount Vernon	Grist Mill
			Land Acquisition phase underway; Utility relocation work began June 2021; Trail construction anticipated in Fall/Winter 2021		
	Pleasant Valley Road Shared Use Path	Design	FCDOT	Sully	Elklick Preserve, Sully Woodlands
			Design review underway		
	Route 50 Walkway	Design	FCDOT	Providence	Towers Park
			Design review underway		



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Annual Update

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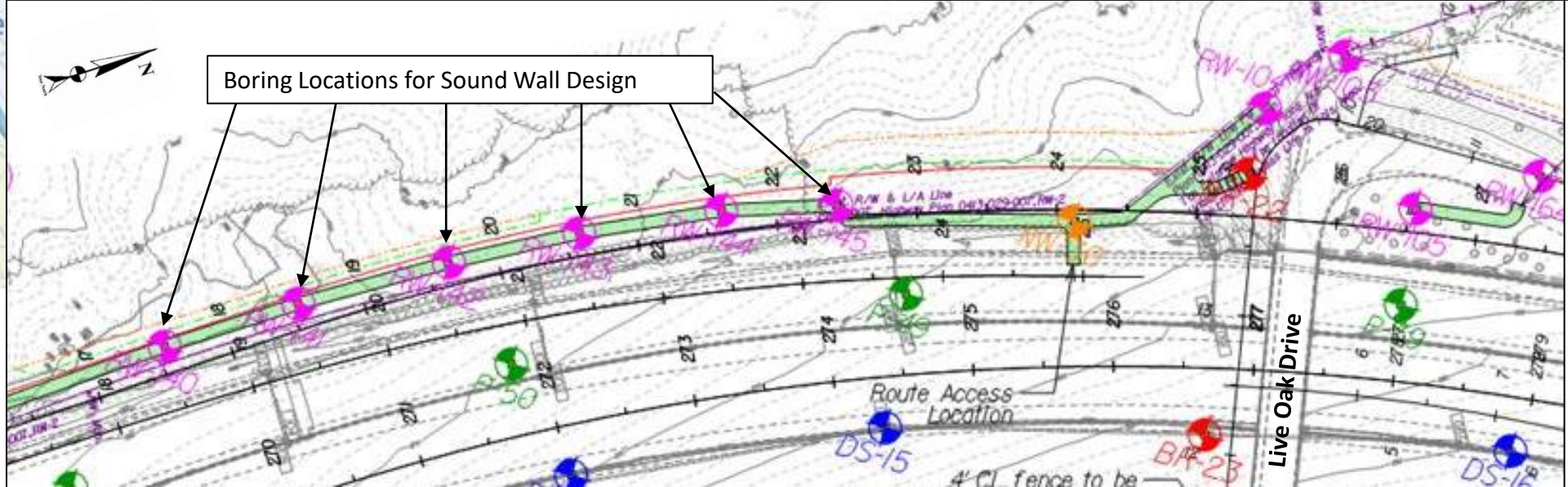
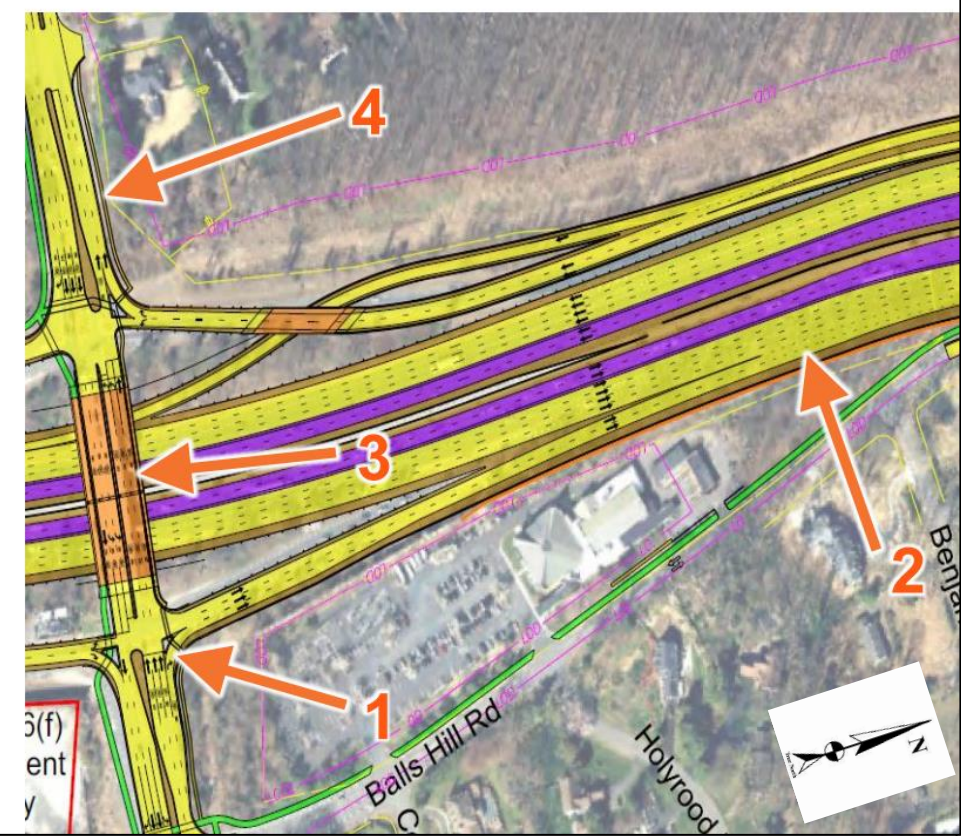
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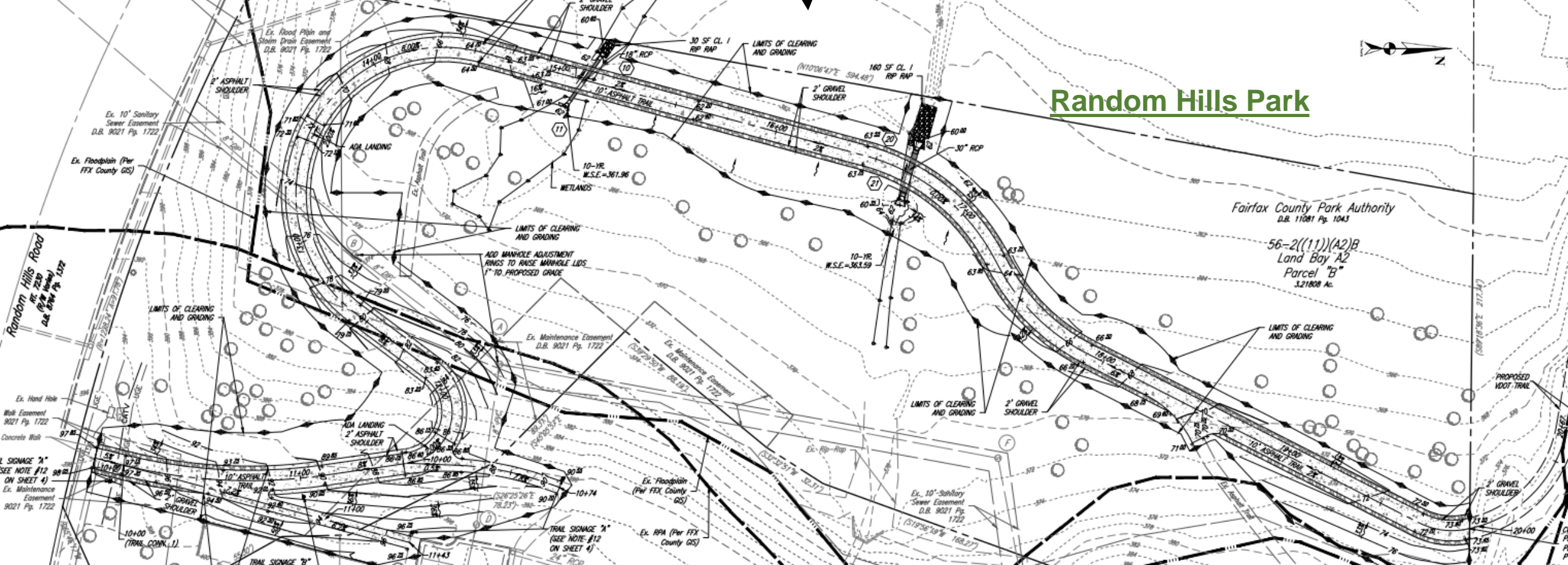
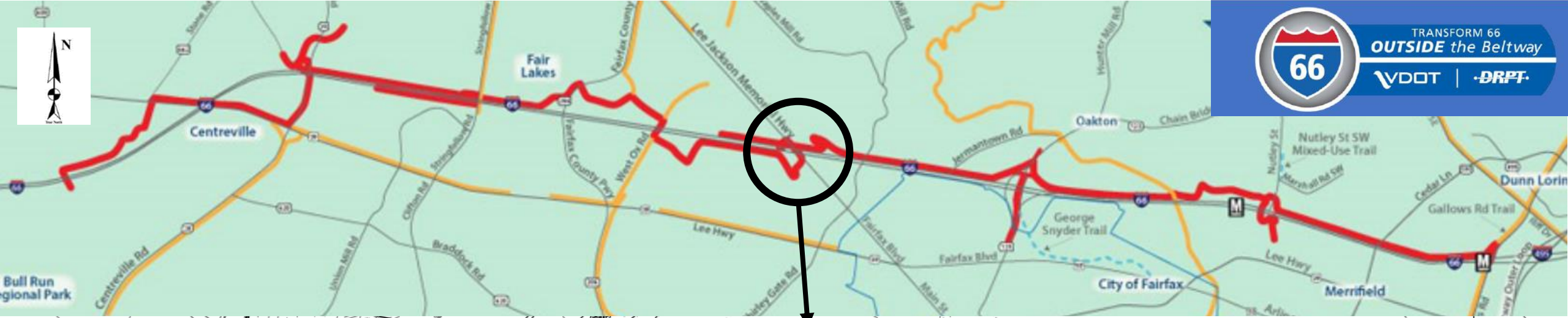
### Revised Georgetown Pike interchange ramps configuration:

1. Channelized free-flow right-turn from westbound Georgetown Pike to northbound I-495
2. Acceleration and merge lane with increased merge distance on northbound I-495 on-ramp

### Revised Georgetown Pike overpass typical section:

3. Wider bridge with six-foot-wide sidewalk on north side of bridge
4. Trail connection to Scotts Run Nature Preserve

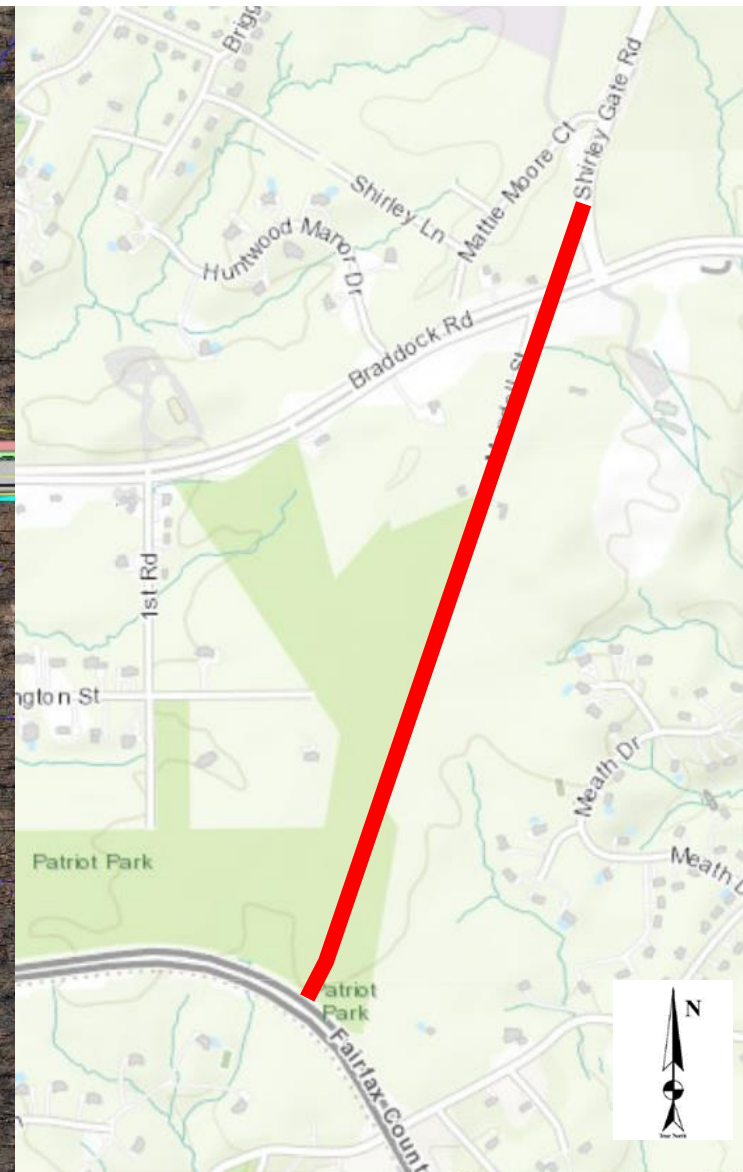
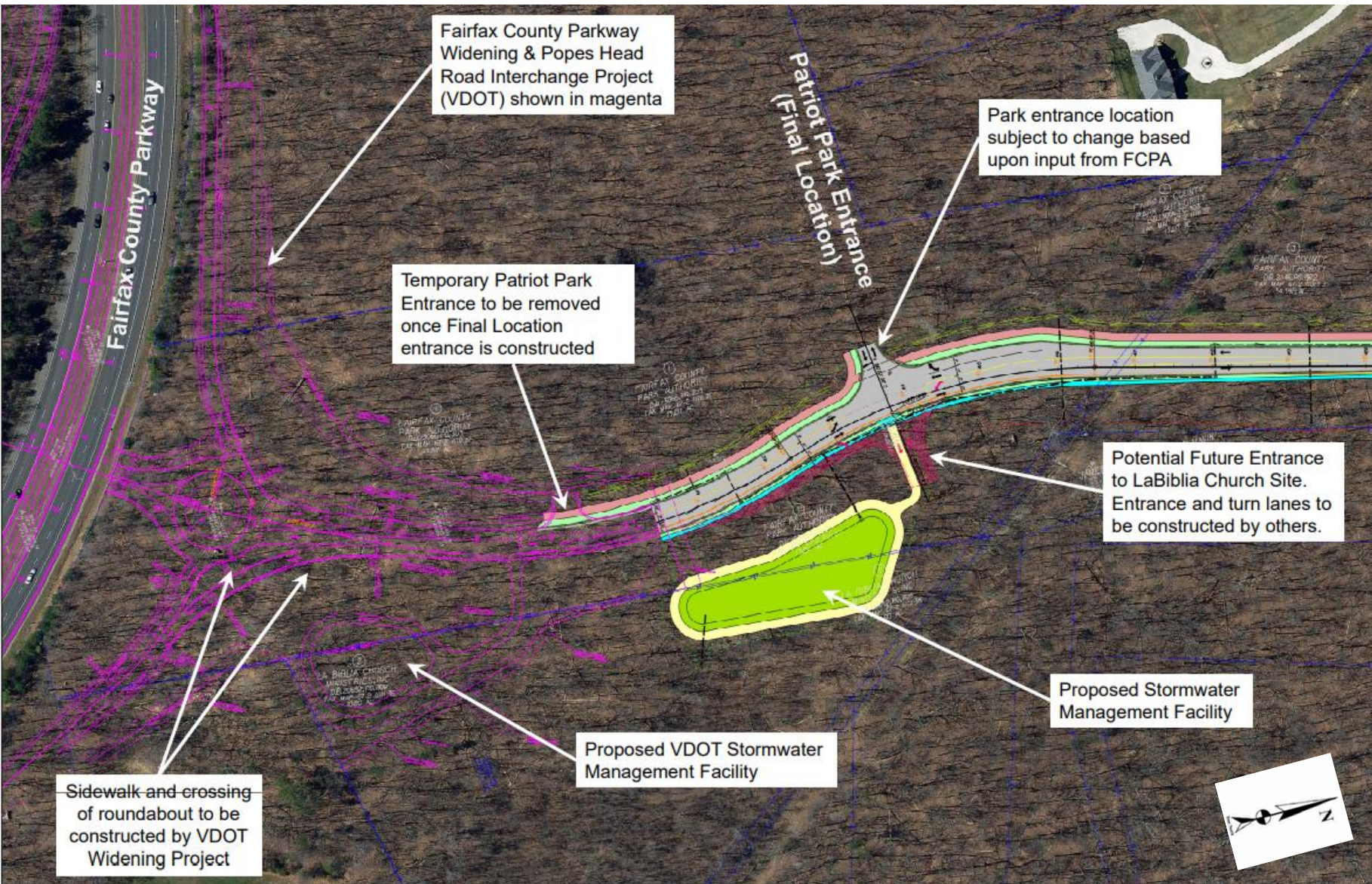






## Shirley Gate Road Extension:

This project will initially construct a 2-lane road, and ultimately a 4-lane road, that connects the Shirley Gate Road/Braddock Road intersection with the Fairfax County Parkway, giving drivers an alternative access to I-66 East.





## Snowden-Ashford Roadway Project:

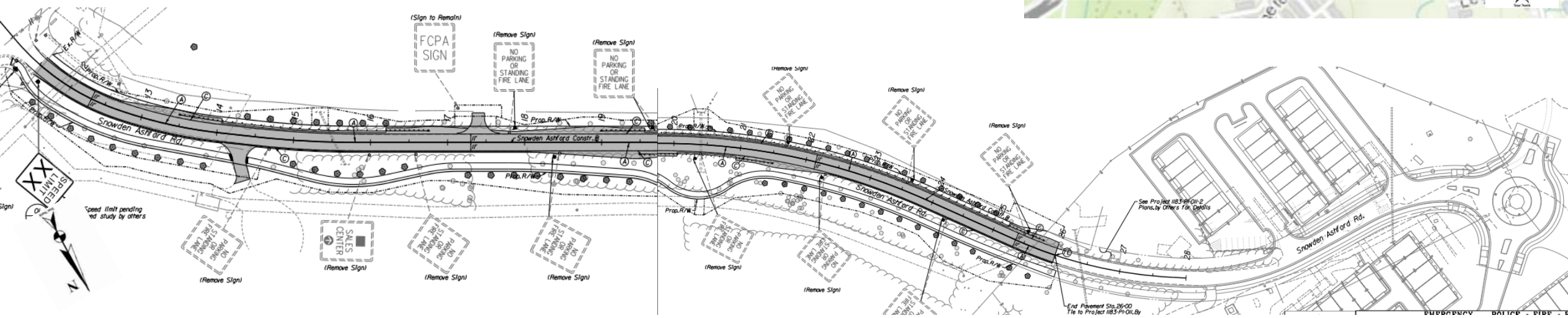
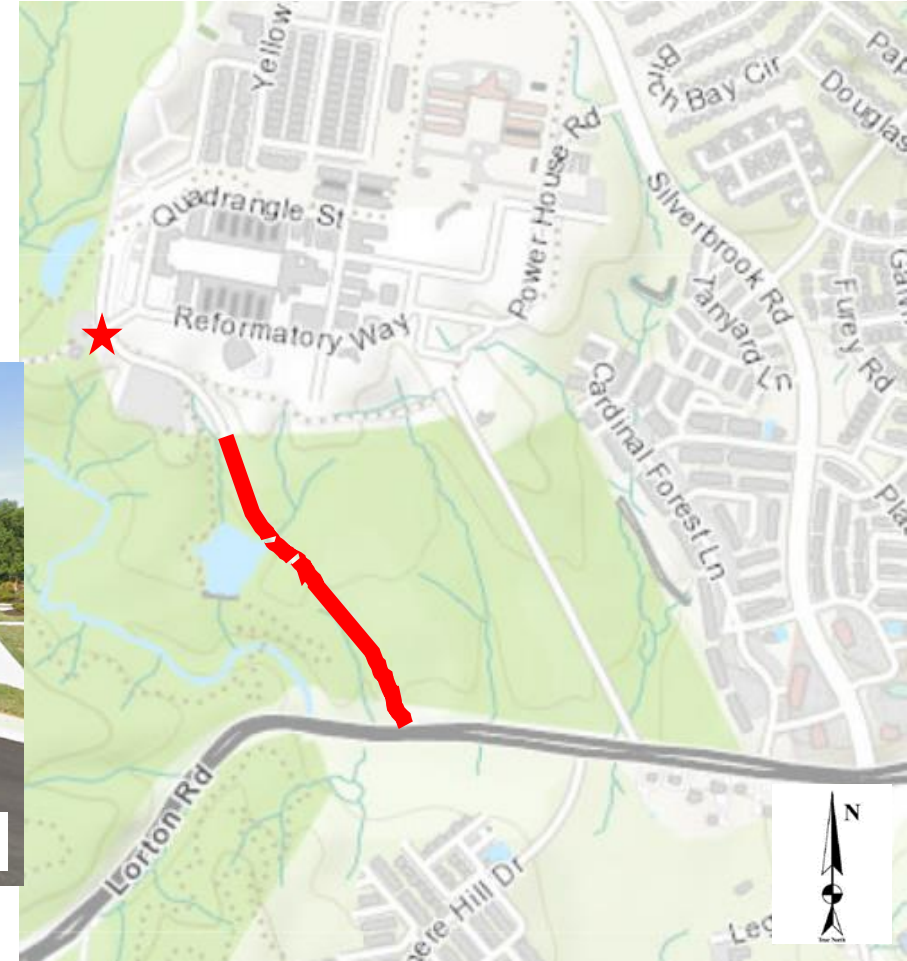
This project will construct roadway and drainage improvements including 1,500 LF of an 8-foot asphalt pedestrian facility along the connector road between Lorton Road and the Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse Development Area.



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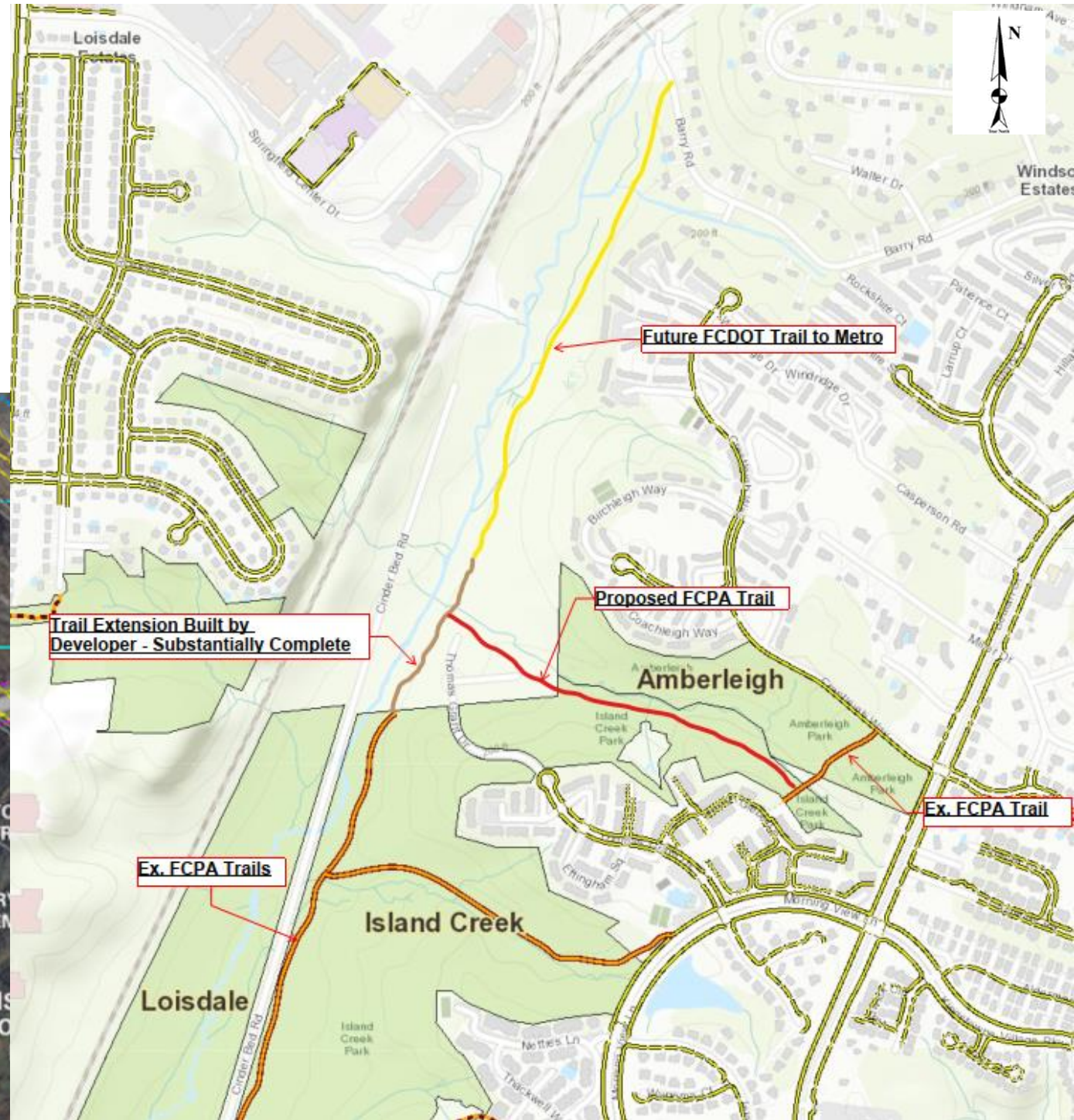
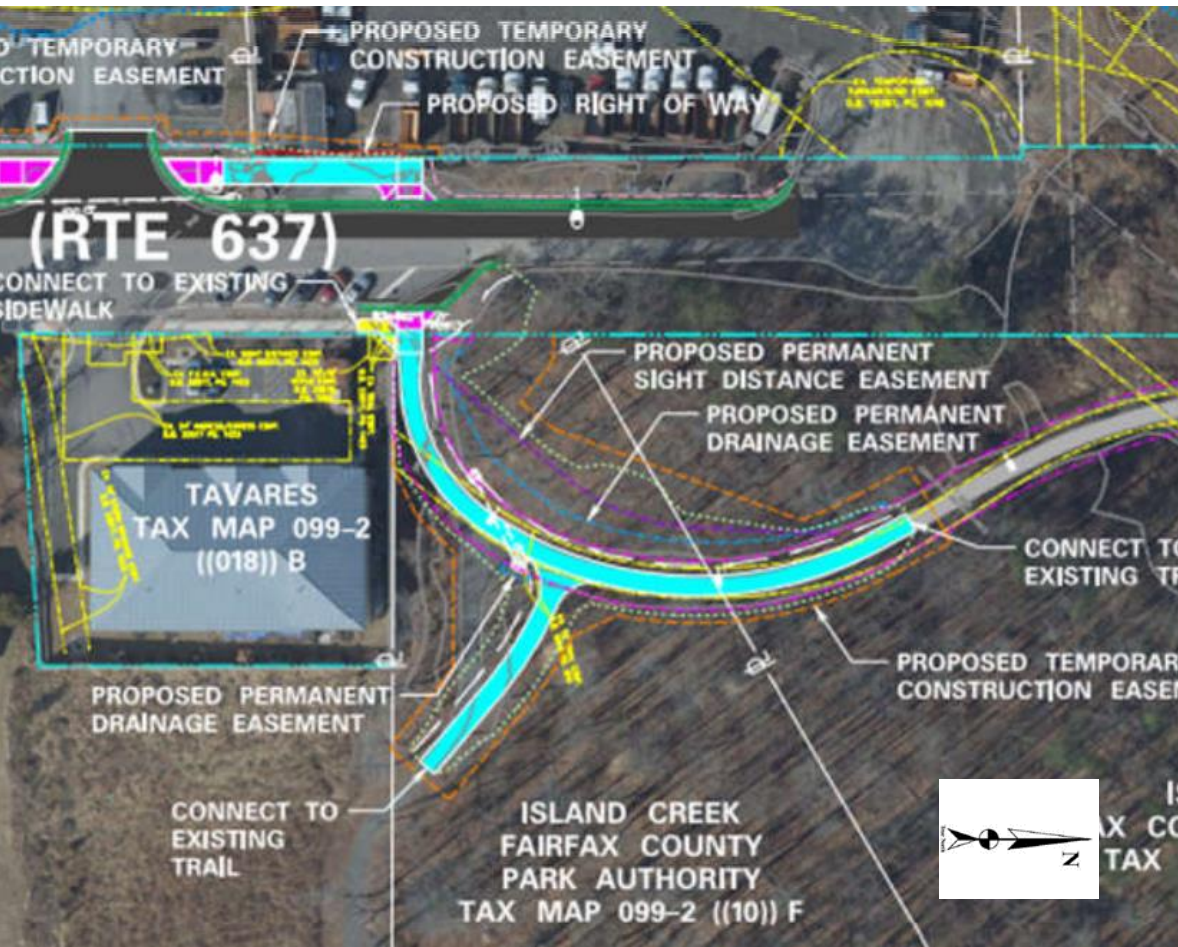
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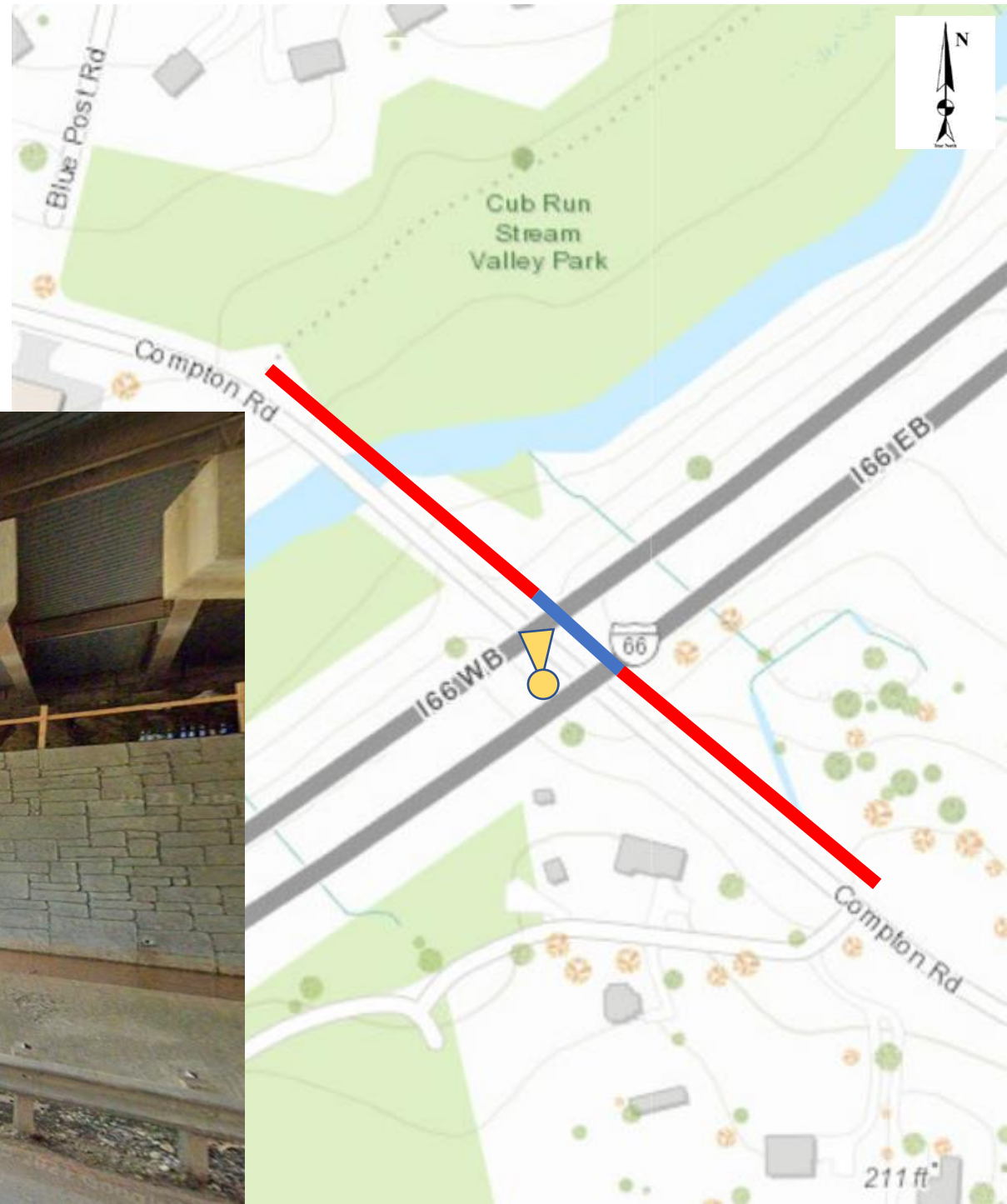
This project will construct a continuous shared use path On Cinder Bed Road between Newington Road and the Franconia/Springfield Metro Station.





### Compton Road Shared Use Path:

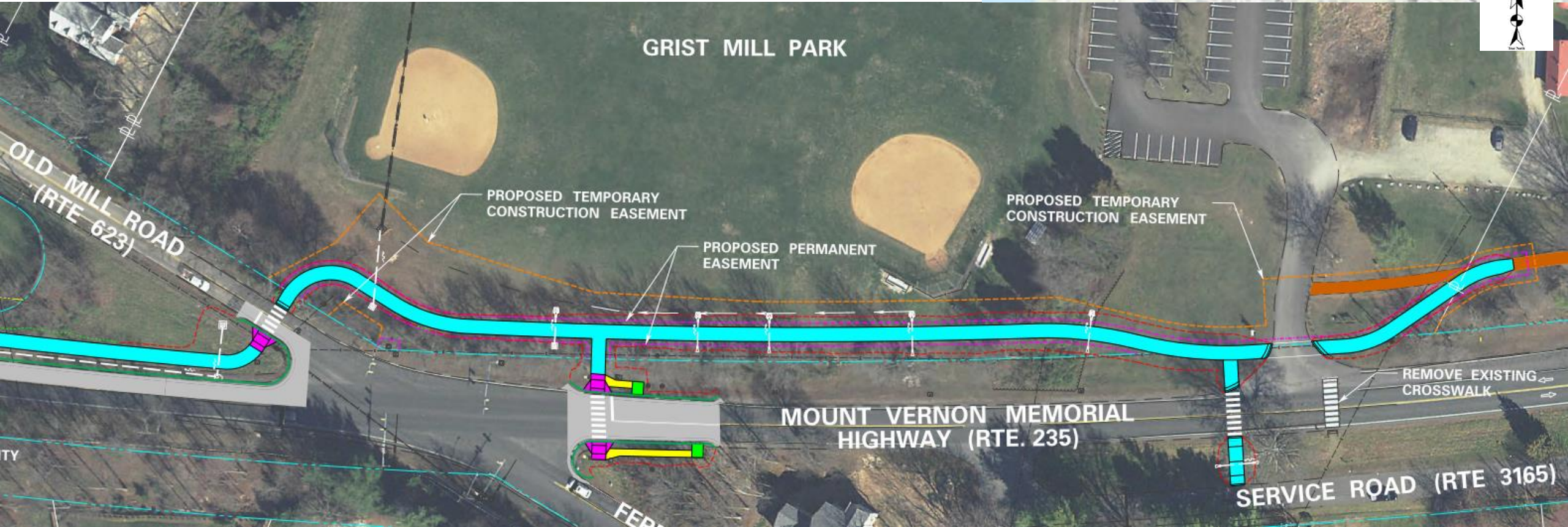
This project will construct a 10-foot-wide shared-use path along NB Compton Road from the Bull Run Special Events Center Access Road to just south of the I-66 bridge, and from just north of the I-66 bridge to a connection with the existing FCPA Cub Run Trail.





## Mount Vernon Highway Walkway:

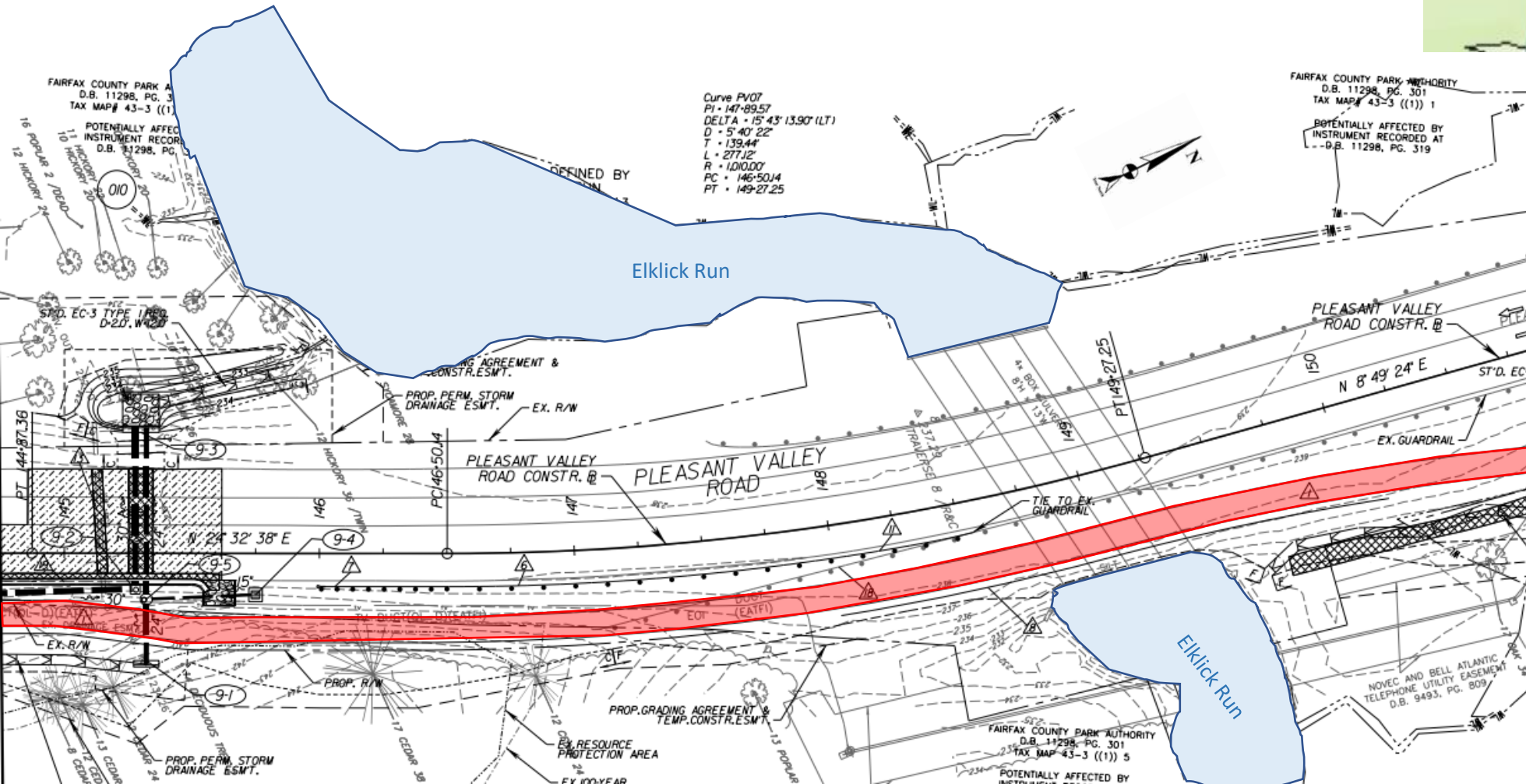
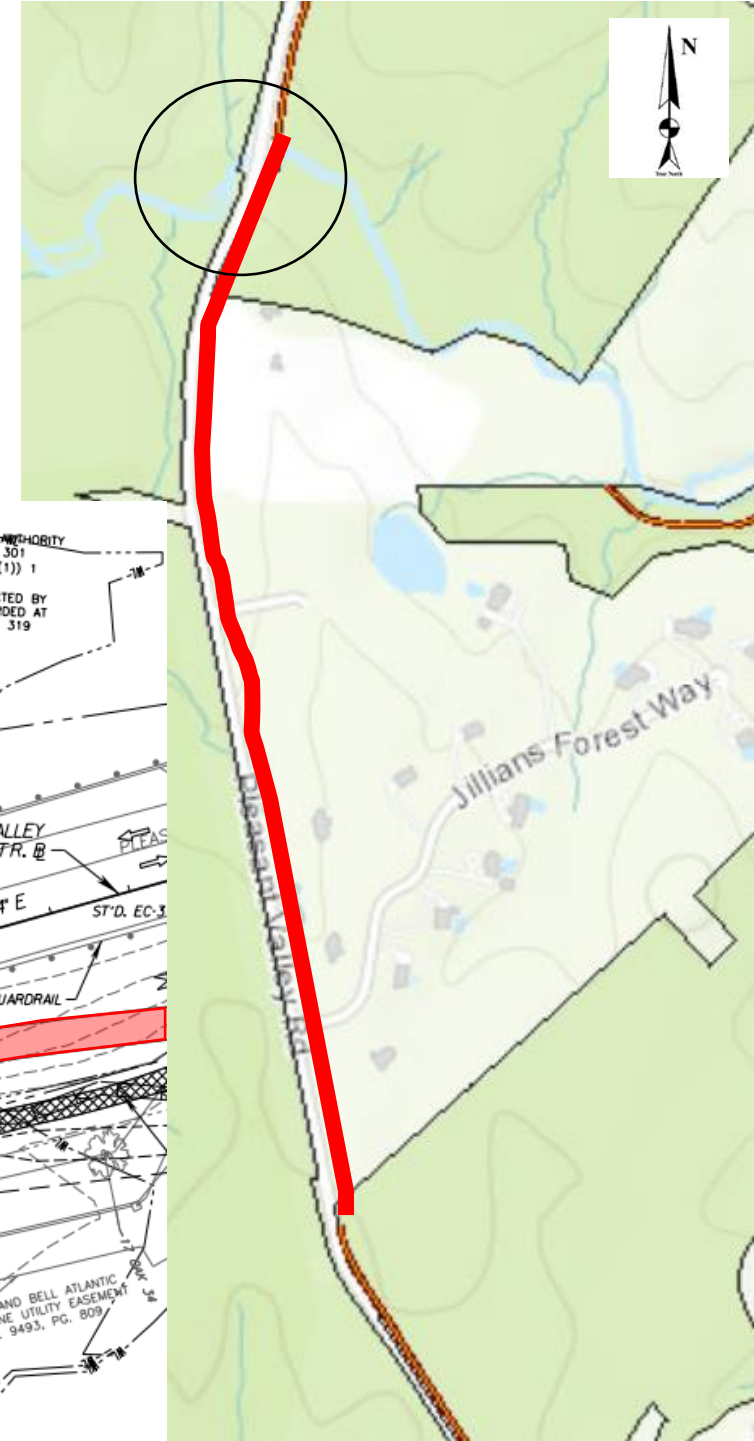
This project will complete missing segments of the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail between Richmond Highway (Route 1) and Southwood Drive for a length of approximately two miles.





## Pleasant Valley Road Shared Use Path:

This project will construct approximately 1 mile of the missing pedestrian facility along the east side of Pleasant Valley Road. The project will include stormwater improvements along the roadway that will impact parkland on both sides of the corridor.

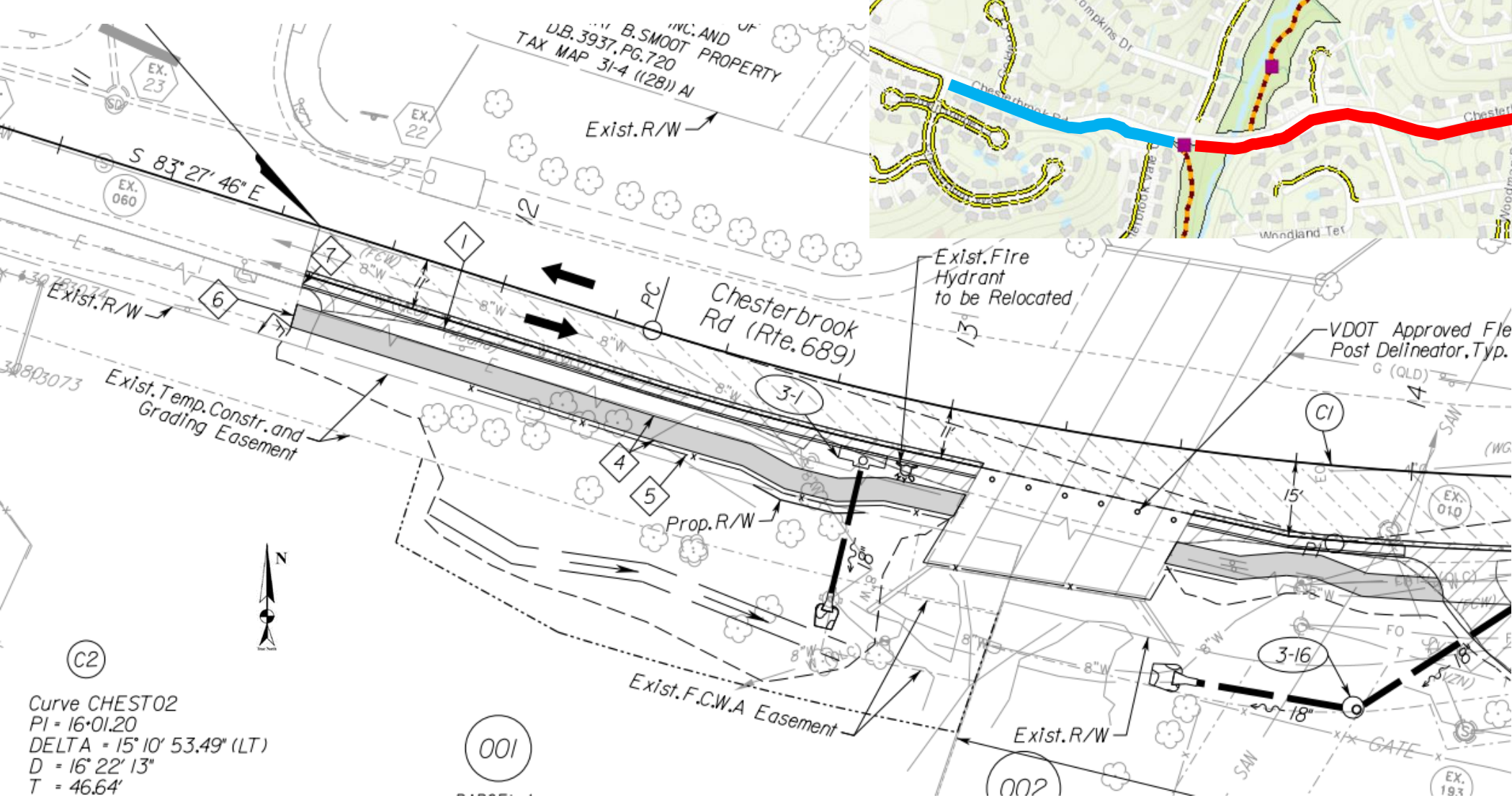
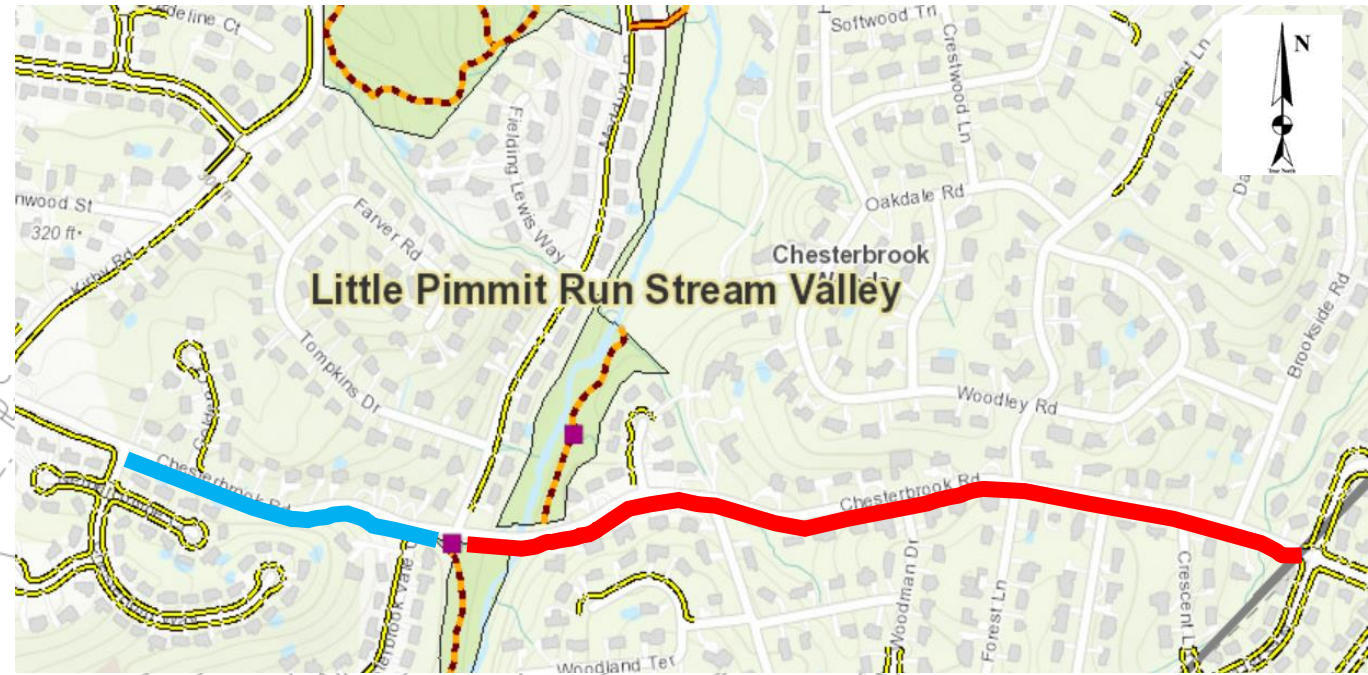






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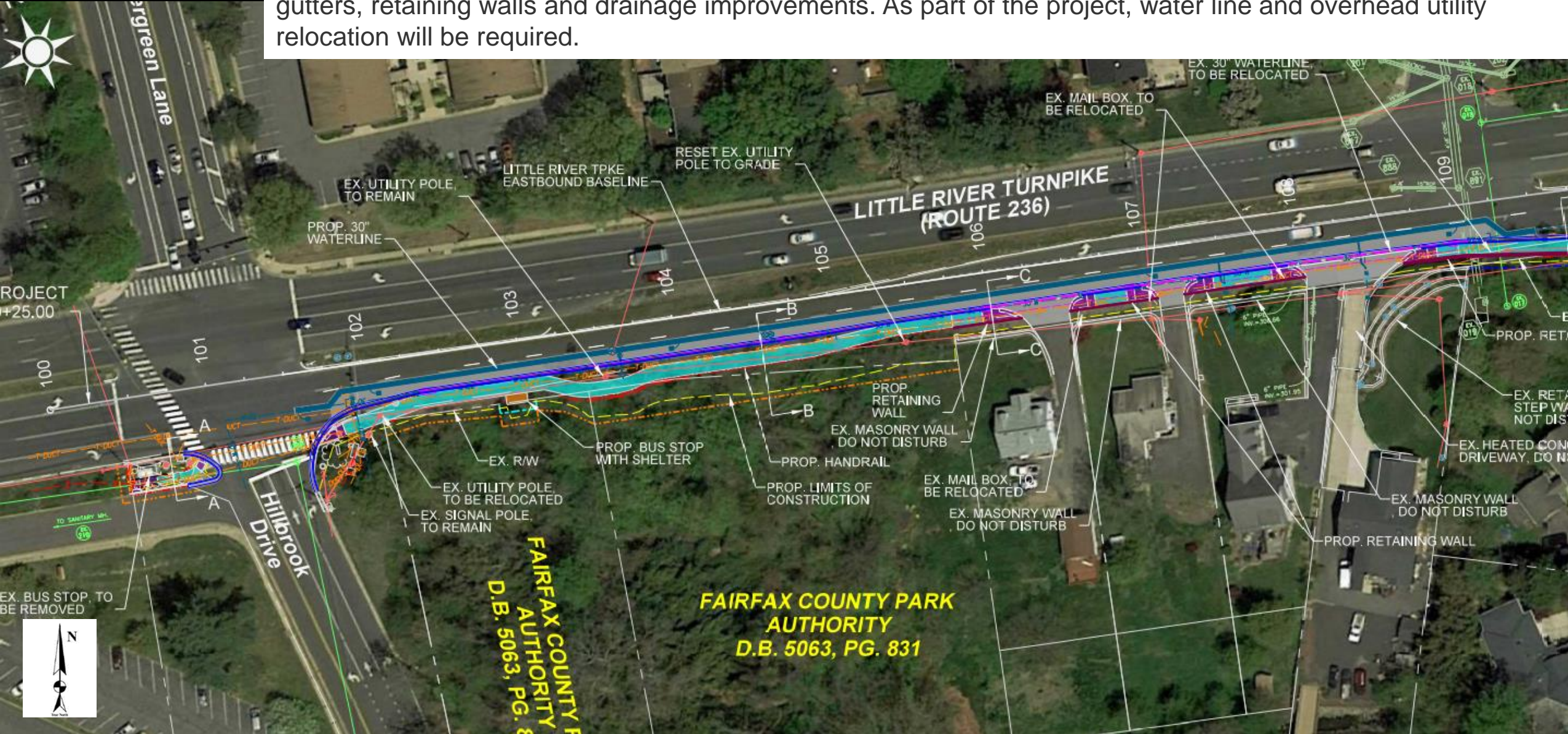
This project will construct the missing pedestrian facility along Chesterbrook Drive from Maddux Lane to 41<sup>st</sup> Street (Arlington County border).





## Little River Turnpike Walkway:

This project will construct 1,550 linear feet of 9-foot wide curb abutted sidewalk between Hillbrook Drive and Little River Run Drive on the eastbound side of the road. The project features new pedestrian signalization (a Walk/Don't Walk sign at Little River Turnpike and Hillbrook Drive), bus stop loading pads, curbs and ramps, gutters, retaining walls and drainage improvements. As part of the project, water line and overhead utility relocation will be required.





**Route 50: Blake Lane to Stonehurst Drive:**

This project will construct a 10-foot wide shared use path on the north side of Route 50 from the existing 8-foot wide asphalt walkway to the existing service drive west of Stonehurst Drive

