



# FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



## M E M O R A N D U M

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

**VIA:** Jai Cole, Executive Director

**FROM:** Kim Eckert, Division Director  
Park Operations Division

**DATE:** September 20, 2024

### *Agenda*

**Park Operations Committee  
(Committee of the Whole)  
Wednesday, September 25, 2024 – 6:25 pm  
Board Room, Herrity Building  
Chairman: Linwood Gorham  
Vice Chair: Mike Thompson**

1. Lake Fairfax Park – Mastenbrook Grant Request – Great Falls Reston Soccer Club (with presentation) – Action\*

\*Enclosures



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Board Agenda Item  
September 25, 2024

## **ACTION**

### Lake Fairfax Park – Mastenbrook Grant Request – Great Falls Reston Soccer Club (Hunter Mill District)

#### ISSUE:

Approval of a Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant request from the Great Falls Reston Soccer Club in the amount of \$20,000 to help fund a project to install fencing for fields 1 and 4 at Lake Fairfax Park.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

The Park Authority Executive Director recommends approval of a Mastenbrook grant award in the amount of \$20,000 to help fund a project to install fencing for fields 1 and 4 at Lake Fairfax Park.

#### TIMING:

Board action is requested on September 25, 2024 in order to award the grant.

#### BACKGROUND:

The Great Falls Reston Soccer Club (GFRSC) is proposing to install fencing along the perimeter of fields 1 and 4 at Lake Fairfax Park (Attachment 1). The fencing will assist with containing balls within the field of play. Currently, soccer balls often roll downhill upon leaving the field. The lack of fencing has created safety issues ranging from balls interfering with vehicular traffic on the adjacent park road, close calls when players attempt to retrieve balls entering the roadway, and balls disappearing into vegetative areas where they are difficult to retrieve and are thus abandoned.

Currently there is no fencing around either field. If the project is approved, the new fencing will enclose both ends and one side of field 1, and both ends of field 4 (Attachment 2). The proposed fencing will achieve the Park Authority's preferred standard for athletic field fencing where needed. GFRSC will manage the project using an approved County contractor.

To help fund the project, GFRSC is requesting a Mastenbrook grant of \$20,000 (Attachment 3). The project budget is \$66,024. GFRSC funds are sufficient to cover \$46,024 of the cost. The grant, if approved, will serve to close the funding gap for this project.

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GFRSC has been a dedicated Adopt-a-Field partner for many years, having adopted fields at Baron Cameron Park, Great Falls Nike, and Grand Hamptons Parks. Over the years they have contributed funds towards maintenance and improvements at many park and school athletic fields. They have successfully leveraged the Mastenbrook Grant Program to assist in funding several improvements at Great Falls Nike Park. Their partnership has been further exemplified through their work on enforcement of field standards and installation of recycling stations at parks.

The Park Authority Board Member for the Hunter Mill District supports approval of the grant request. The project is anticipated to be completed by the Fall of 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The estimated total project cost is \$66,024. Funds are currently available in the amount of \$20,000 in PR-000147, Park Renovations and Upgrades-2020, in Fund 300-C30400, Park Bond Construction Fund; and \$46,024 in funds from GFRSC, resulting in total anticipated funding of \$66,024. Operational expenses will be managed by the Park Operations Division through existing resources.

Contingent on approval of this grant, the balance in the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Funds Grant Program will be \$577,910.

ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS:

Attachment 1: Aerial, Grant Project Area at Lake Fairfax Park

Attachment 2: Aerial, Proposed Fencing Placement

Attachment 3: Mastenbrook Grant Request, Great Falls Reston Soccer Club

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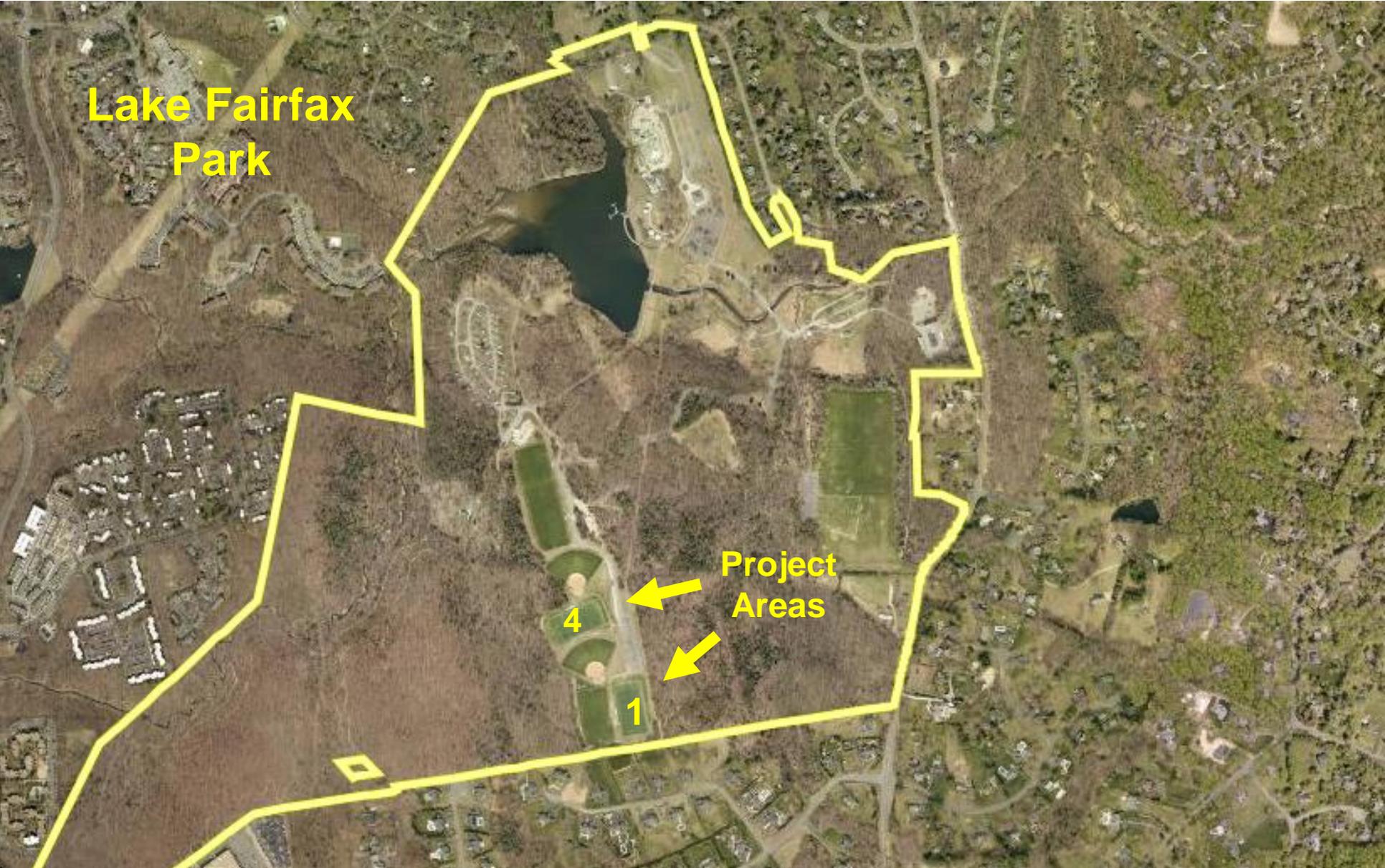
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**Lake Fairfax  
Park**

**Project  
Areas**

4

1

**Lake Fairfax  
Park**



**Field 4**

**Field 1**

**Black lines denote  
proposed fencing**

# Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grants Program Application Form

Created: **8/9/2024 12:00:00 AM**

Name of Individual or Organization: **Great Falls Reston Soccer**

Contact Person: **Mike Roth**

Phone Number: **703-945-0665**

Email: [vpfields@gfrsoccerclub.org](mailto:vpfields@gfrsoccerclub.org)

Project Title: **Lake Fairfax #1 and #4 Safety Fencing**

Funding Requested for this project: **\$20,000**

Project Description: **Photos of Lake Fairfax fields 1 and 4 depict the areas where fencing is required. The project calls for installing fencing in the following locations:**

## **Field #1**

- **120 LF of 20' high galvanized steel chain link fence (60' behind each goal on end line)**
- **240 LF of 10' high galvanized steel chain link fence (60' on each side of 20' high fence on end line)**
- **402 LF of 10' high galvanized steel chain link fence along sideline (backing to trees) to include three 4' wide openings with three 8' wide wings behind the openings**

## **Field #4**

- **120 LF of 20' high galvanized steel chain link fence (60' behind each goal on end line)**
- **240 LF of 10' high galvanized steel chain link fence (60' on each side of 20' high fence on end line)**

## **Name and Description of Photos**

**Lake Fairfax\_1\_1: Shows where balls run down the slope into oncoming traffic**

**Lake Fairfax\_1\_2: Shows the side hill where balls run down into the thicket. Kids often chase and trip down this hill.**

**Lake Fairfax\_1\_3: Shows where balls disappear into the thicket due to lack of fencing**

**Lake Fairfax\_2\_1: Shows where balls run down the slope into oncoming traffic**

**Lake Fairfax\_2\_2: Shows where balls disappear into the thicket due to lack of fencing**

Public Benefits:

**Simply put, soccer balls rolling down the banks of both Lake Fairfax #1 and Lake Fairfax #4 pose a safety issue not only to the children chasing the balls, but to those driving along the road where the balls end up. The lack of any type of barricade (fencing) on both fields has resulted in numerous close calls between children and cars over the years as well as leading to many balls being run over by oncoming cars. The fencing barricade will provide for a much safer experience for all participants on the two fields as well as keep the balls from deterring the natural traffic patterns of Lake Fairfax Park. Lastly, fencing will provide balls from littering the thicket, as often times the balls disappear, never to be recovered.**

Sponsor Commitment:

**Our club has extensive experience working with FCPA on numerous field issues from adoption of fields, enforcement of field standards, and installation of new recycling stations at parks.**

**The Great Falls Reston Soccer Club (GFRSC) points of contact for this project will be: Mike Roth, Vice President of Fields; and Rich Shelton, Executive Director.**

**We anticipate the work performed by Long Fence Inc to be monitored by both FCPA and GFRSC. After installation we anticipate maintenance to be performed primarily by FCPA as well as GFRSC volunteers on a weekly basis during the Spring and Fall soccer seasons, and less frequently during the off season.**

Proposed Budget: **See the attached for copies of quotes provided to FCPA by Long Fence Inc. The project budget includes the additional cost for utility marking.**

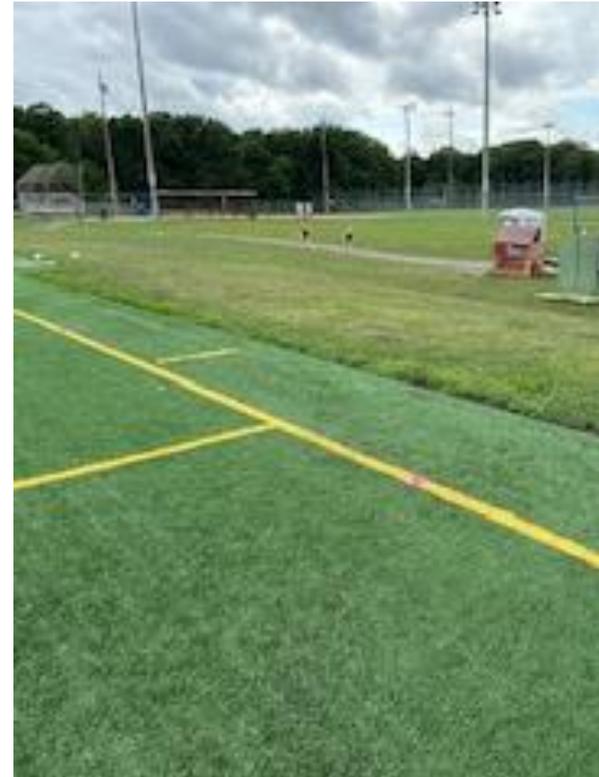
**Field 1 estimate: \$39,444**

**Field 4 estimate: \$26,580**

**TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$66,024**

Funding Process: **We understand that we will receive the grant funds from the Park Authority after we complete the project and furnish receipts with our letter requesting payment.**

# Lake Fairfax Park Athletic Field 1



# Lake Fairfax Park Athletic Field 4





42521 Little River Turnpike  
Chantilly, VA 20152  
703.471.0960

August 9, 2024

Fairfax County Park Authority

Re: Lake Fairfax

Subject: Backstop Field #1

Attn: Mr. Cardona

Fairfax County Contract Number: 4400011139

Below is the scope and quotes for the work on the above referenced project. Pricing are furnished and installed per Arlington County Agreement No. 20-172-ITB.

**Install**

- 120 LF of 20' high galvanized steel chain link fence (60' behind each goal on end line)
- 240 LF of 10' high galvanized steel chain link fence (60' on each side of 20' high fence on end line)
- 402 LF of 10' high galvanized steel chain link fence along sideline (backing to trees) to include (3) 4' wide openings with (3) 8' wide wings behind the openings

Qty.	Item	Price	Unit	Ext.
120	C-10, 20' high fence, 6ga	\$150.00	LF	\$18,000.00
642	A-13, 10' high fence, 9ga	\$32.00	LF	\$20,544.00
		Price		\$38,544.00

**Exclusions-**

**Marking private utilities not marked by miss utility, Add \$900.00**

**Rock Drilling if applicable**

We look forward to working with you on this project. Please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience if further clarification is required.

Sincerely,

*colin rooney*  
Colin Rooney

Project Manager



42521 Little River Turnpike  
Chantilly, VA 20152  
703.471.0960

August 9, 2024

Fairfax County Park Authority

Re: Lake Fairfax

Subject: Backstop Field #4

Attn: Mr. Cardona

Fairfax County Contract Number: 4400011139

Below is the scope and quotes for the work on the above referenced project. Pricing are furnished and installed per Arlington County Agreement No. 20-172-ITB.

Install

- 120 LF of 20' high galvanized steel chain link fence (60' behind each goal on end line)
- 240 LF of 10' high galvanized steel chain link fence (60' on each side of 20' high fence on end line)

Qty.	Item	Price	Unit	Ext.
120	C-10, 20' high fence, 6ga	\$150.00	LF	\$18,000.00
240	A-13, 10' high fence, 9ga	\$32.00	LF	\$7,680.000
		Price		\$25,680.00

**Exclusions-**

**Marking private utilities not marked by miss utility, Add \$900.00**

**Rock Drilling if applicable**

We look forward to working with you on this project. Please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience if further clarification is required.

Sincerely,  
*colin rooney*  
Colin Rooney  
Project Manager

**Mastenbrook Grant Request  
from  
Great Falls Reston Soccer Club**

PRESENTED TO:  
Park Operations Committee  
September 25, 2024

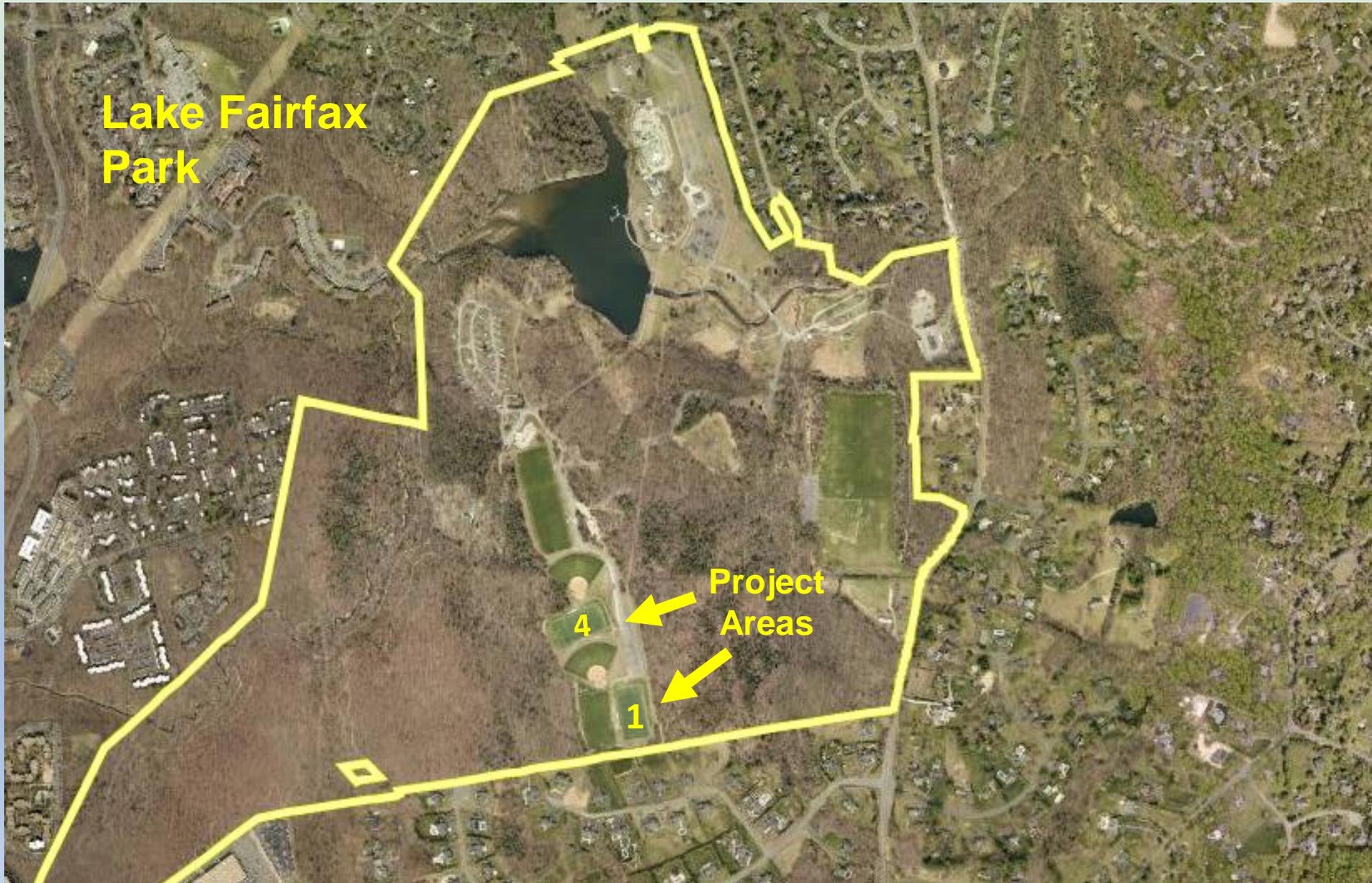




# PROJECT

Rectangular Field Fencing Project  
Lake Fairfax Park Fields #1 and #4  
Hunter Mill District

# PROJECT LOCATION

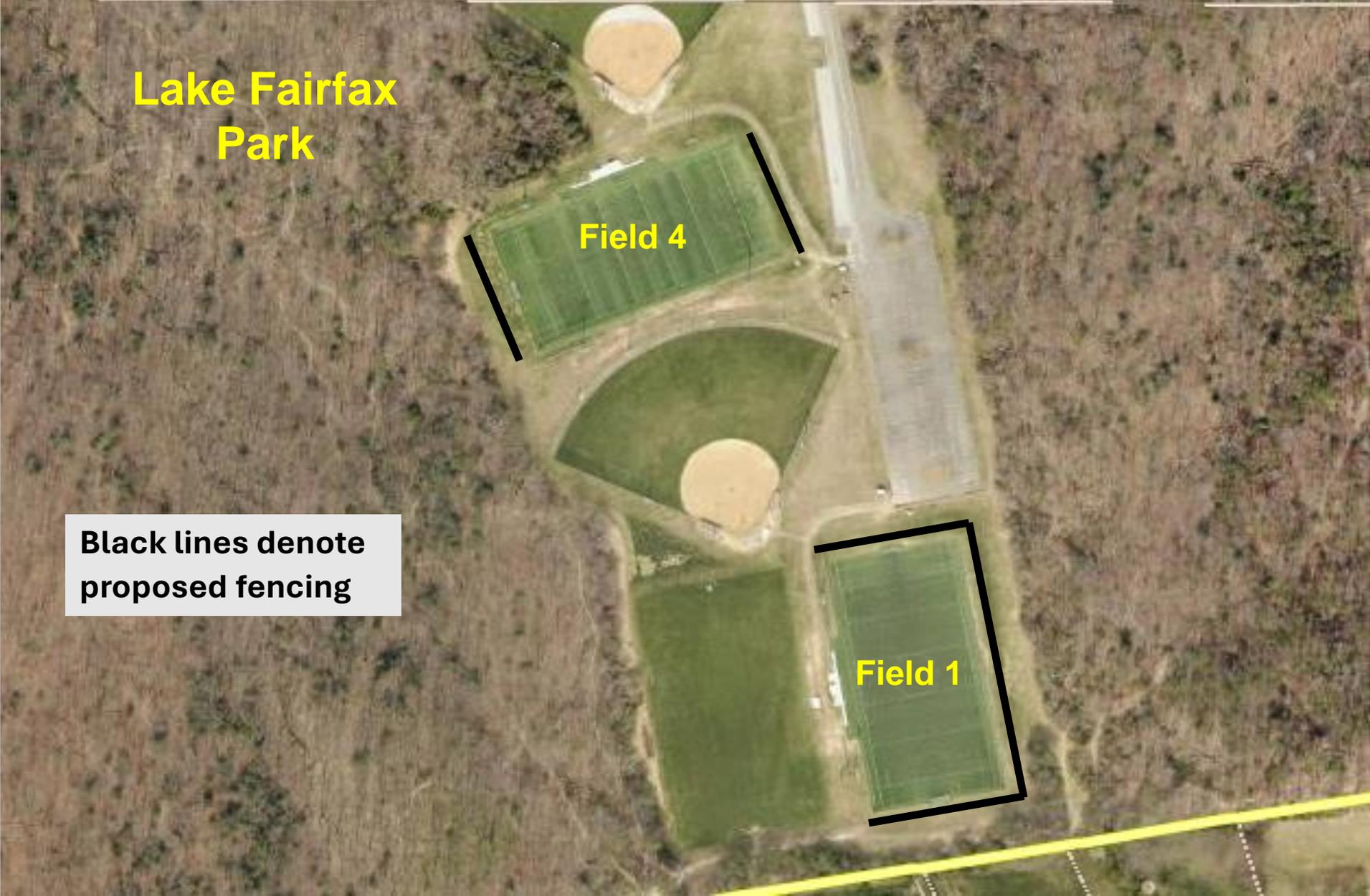


**Lake Fairfax  
Park**

**Field 4**

**Field 1**

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# PROJECT DESCRIPTION

## Field #4

- Install 120 LF of 20' high galvanized steel chain link fence (60' behind each goal on end line)
- Install 240 LF of 10' high galvanized steel chain link fence (60' on each side of 20' high fence)
- Utility location and marking

## Field #1 - Same as above, plus:

- Install 402 LF of 10' high galvanized steel chain link fence along sideline that backs to trees
- Provides access through three 4' wide openings with three 8' wide wings behind the openings



• Project will be managed by GFRSC



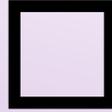
• Contractor/vendor: Long Fence

# PROSA Analysis

This project does not support the PROSA Strategy.



Analyze and prioritize recreation needs and projects with an equity lens



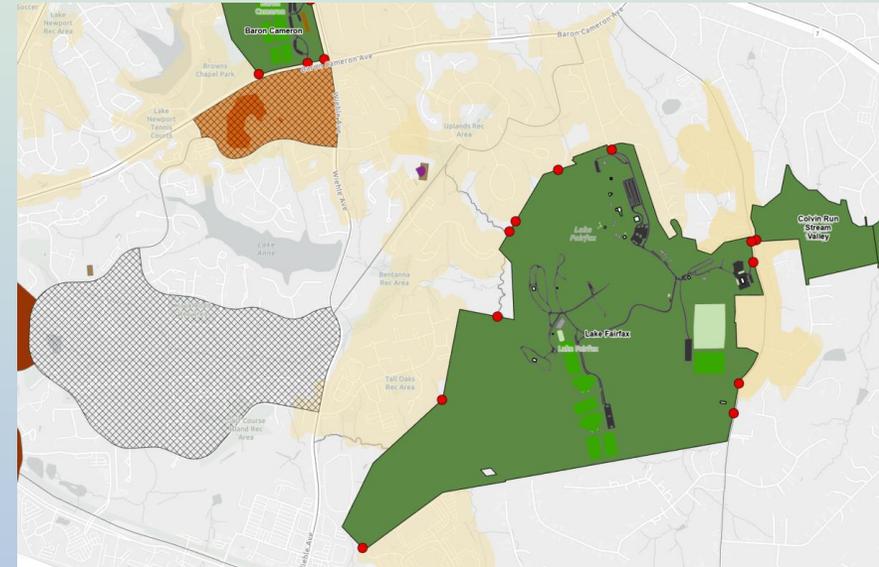
Improve 10-minute walk access to FCPA parks



Enhance access to complete park experiences



Enrich habitat connectivity between environmental corridors



## Legend



FCPA Parks



Opportunity Areas



10-Minute Walkshed



Very High Density



High Density



FCPA park entrance



# PROJECT BUDGET AND FUNDING

Grant Project Costs		
Project Breakout	Item	Cost
Field #4	120 LF 20' high fence	\$18,000
	240 LF 10' high fence	7,680
	Utility marking	\$900
Field #4 Total		\$26,580
Field #1	120 LF 20" high fence	\$18,000
	642 LF 10' high fence	\$20,544
	Utility marking	\$900
Field #1 Total		\$39,444
Grant Project Grand Total		\$66,024

Grant Project Funding	
Funding Source	Amount
Great Falls Reston Soccer Club	\$46,024
Mastenbrook Grant (proposed)	\$20,000
Grant Project Total Funding	\$66,024

# FISCAL IMPACT



- \$20,000 in WBS PR-000147, 2020 Park Bond - Park Renovations and Upgrades, Fund 30400, Park Bond Construction Fund
- Contingent on approval of this grant, the new balance in the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Funds Grant Program will be \$577,910

# RECOMMENDATION



Approve a Mastenbrook Grant in the amount of \$20,000 to Great Falls Reston Soccer Club to install needed fencing at Lake Fairfax Park fields 1 and 4.



# DISCUSSION