

# Franconia Park Master Plan Revision



**PUBLIC UPDATE MEETING**

**June 29, 2017**



# Tonight's Agenda

**Introductions:**            **Gayle Hooper, Park Planning Supervisor,  
Park Planning Branch, FCPA**

**Remarks:**                **Supervisor McKay, Lee District**

**Presentation:**           **Andy Galusha, Project Manager,  
Park Planning Branch, FCPA**



# Park Master Plan Time Line

 2013

 Public Information Meeting

 Compiled Comments

 Drafted Master Plan

 2014

 Public Comment Meeting

 Meet With Supervisor McKay & Public

 Revised Master Plan

 Public Comment Meeting

 2015

 Public Safety Meeting

 Observed Park & Safety Issues – 2 Years

 2017

 Meet with Supervisor McKay

 Meet with Police & NCS

 Update Public





# A Shift in Emphasis

## 1974 Plan



## 2017 Plan





# Police Activity & Calls to Neighborhood 2015-2017

-  **Trespassing – 10**
-  **Drugs – 6**
-  **Destruction of Property – 4**
-  **Disorderly Conduct – 1**
-  **Disputes & Assaults – 8**
-  **Theft – 6**
-  **Weapons – 1**
-  **Suspicious Person/Vehicle – 14**
-  **Subject Stop – 6**
-  **Public Service – 2**
-  **Animals – 3**
-  **Traffic Violation – 1**
-  **Parking – 2**
-  **Accident - 1**
-  **Noise – 0**
-  **Field User Groups - 0**



# Address in the Master Plan Revision

## Park and Recreation Needs

## Expand Existing Features

 Field Capacity

 Garden Plots

 Plant Nursery

 Trails

## Parking & Circulation

## Protect Natural Areas

## Add New Facilities

 Permanent Restroom

 Dog Park

 Playground

 Support Facilities

## Connectivity









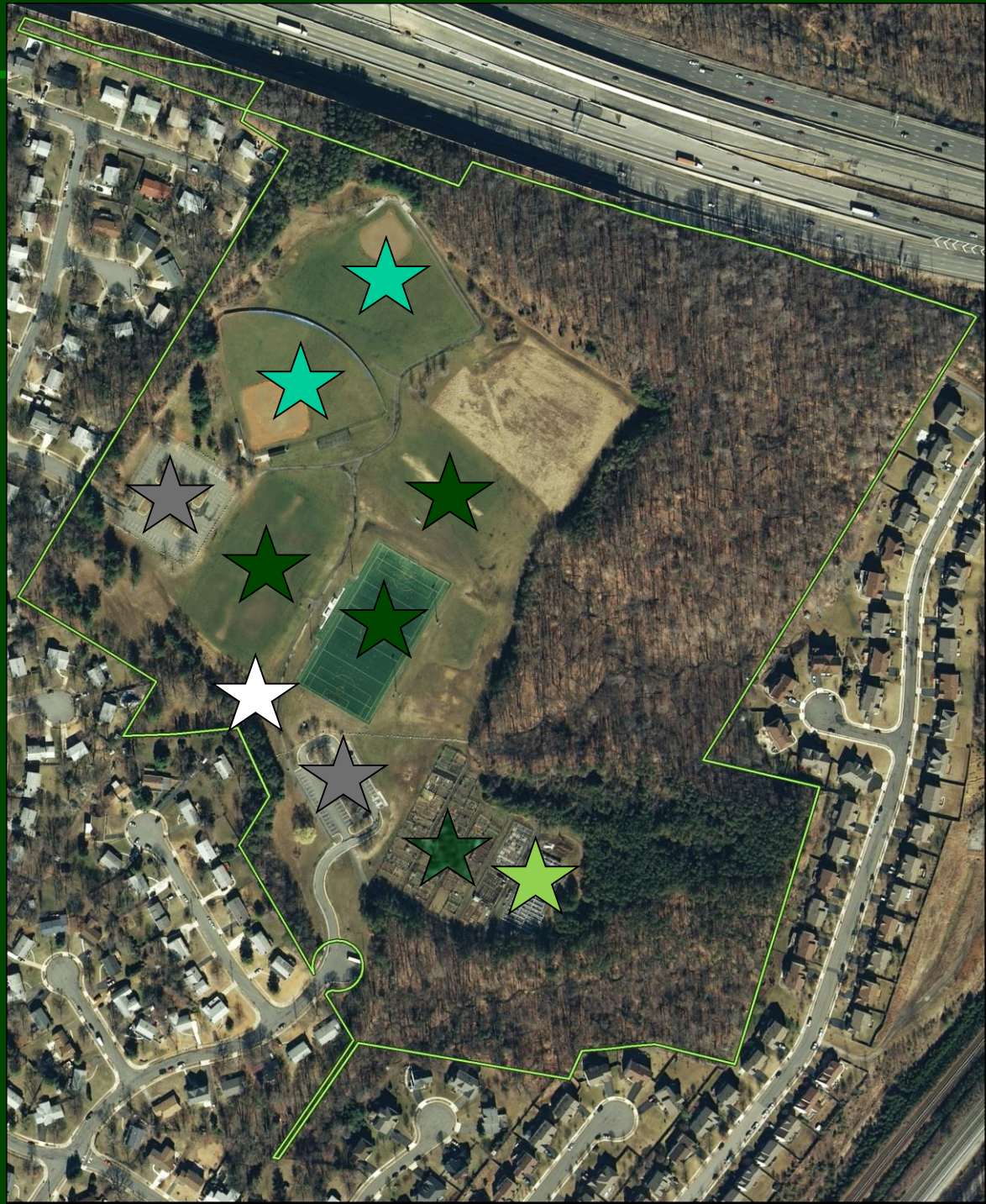
# Existing Facilities

## As per 1974 Plan:

- 2 Parking Lots 
- 3 Rectangle Fields 
- 2 Diamond Fields 
- Some Trails 









## Unplanned:

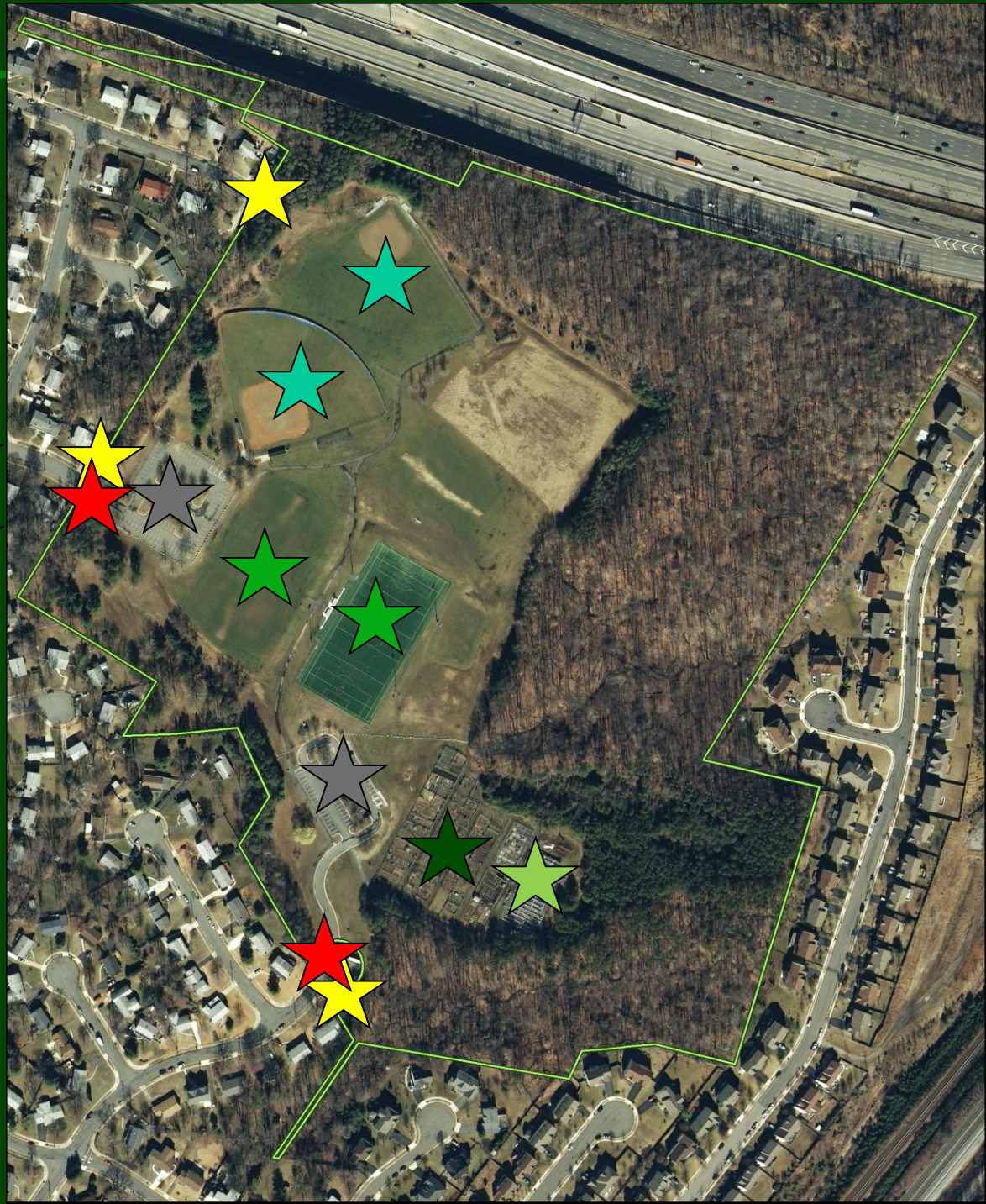
- Garden Plots 
- Plant Nursery 
- Trails 
- Sledding Slope (location) 





# Existing To Remain

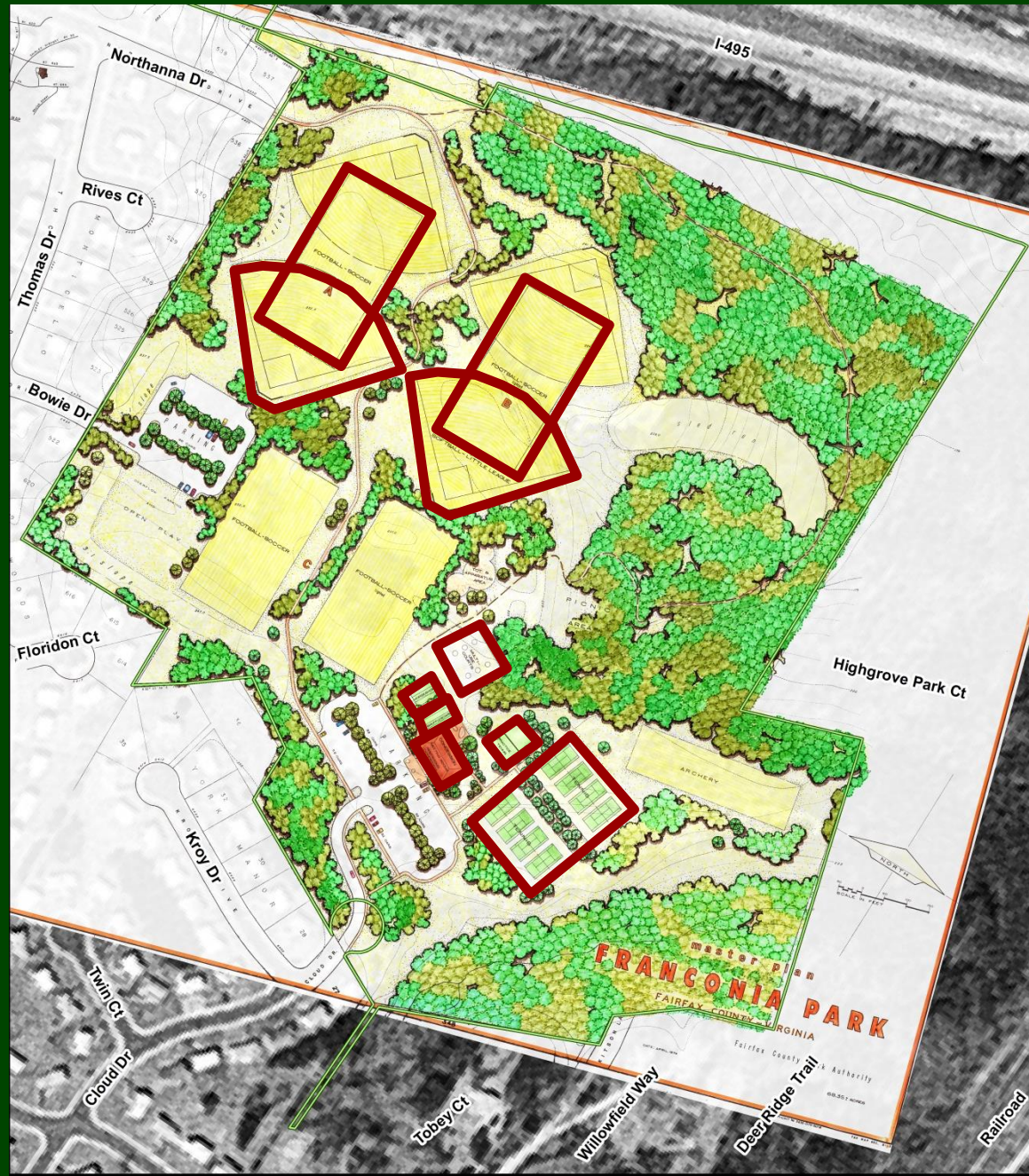
- 2 Parking Lots 
- Pedestrian Entrances 
- Vehicular Entrances 
- 2 Rectangle Fields 
- 2 Diamond Fields 
- Garden Plots 
- Plant Nursery 
- Trails 





# Elements Removed from 1974 Plan

- 🏆 Tennis Courts
- 🏆 Tennis Practice Courts
- 🏆 Concession Building
- 🏆 Shuffleboard
- 🏆 Horseshoes
- 🏆 Multiuse Courts
- 🏆 Diamond Fields
- 🏆 Overlay Rectangles





# Elements Retained From 1974 Plan

- Additional Parking
- Archery
- Tot Lot & Playground
- Picnic Area
- Sled Run
- Lighted Diamond Fields
- Lighted Rectangle
- Loop Trail


















# Elements Relocated on 2017 Plan

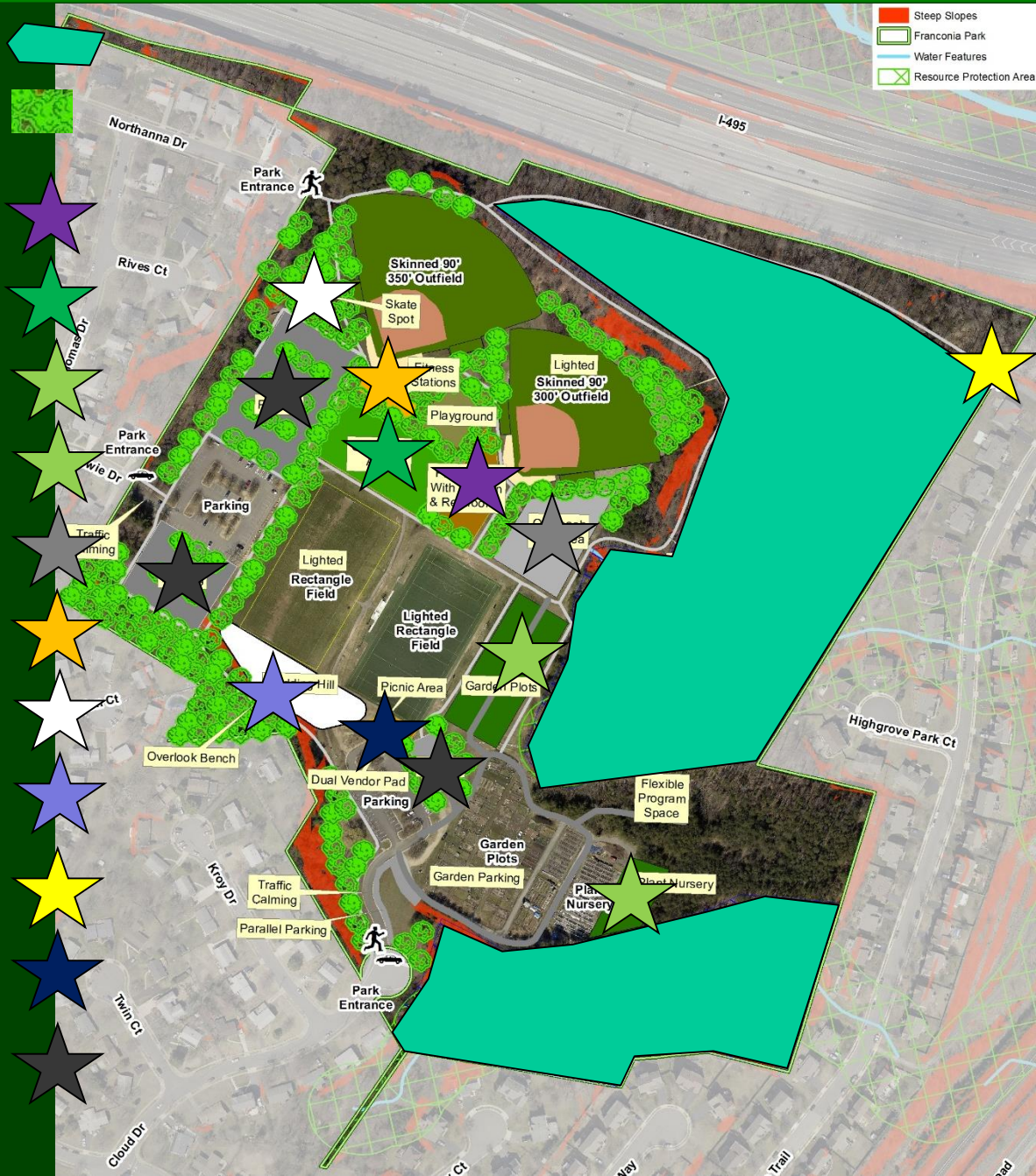
- ⦿ Athletic Fields
- ⦿ Tot Lot & Playground
- ⦿ Picnic Area
- ⦿ Additional Parking
- ⦿ Archery – Flex Program
- ⦿ Sled Run
- ⦿ Loop Trail





# Conceptual Development Plan 2017 Additions

-  Resource Protection
-  Revegetation
-  Restrooms in Picnic Pavilion
-  Open Play Area
-  Expand Garden Plots
-  Expand Plant Nursery
-  Off Leash Dog Area
-  Fitness Stations
-  Skate Spot
-  Overlook
-  Added Pedestrian Entrance
-  Vendor Pad
-  Expanded Parking





# Pedestrian Connectivity to Nearby Parks

- 🏡 Franconia
- 🏡 Monticello Woods
- 🏡 Trailside
- 🏡 Trail





# Next Steps in Planning Process

- Project website:
  - <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/franconia.htm>
- e-mail: [parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov)
- Present to Park Authority Board For Action – Fall 2017
  - <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/board/>





# Next Steps in Planning Process

- 2232 Public Use Determination

- Funding

  - Park Bond

  - Capital Improvement Plan





**“Great things are not done by impulse,  
but by a series of small things brought together.”**

Vincent van Gogh

