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ROCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Highways & Parks

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Public Works Committee Meeting – Parks
Tuesday, May 11, 2021 – 8:00 a.m.
Public Works Department – Committee Room
3715 Newville Road
Janesville, WI 53545

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes Dated April 13, 2021
4. Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements
5. Parks Advisory Board Communications
6. **PARKS BUSINESS**

 - a. Resolution – Support, Renew and Fund the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program
 - b. Discussion and Possible Action – Approve Turtle Community Organization June 22-28, 2021, Celebration Fermented Malt Beverage Permit
 - c. Discussion and Possible Action – Moving Forward on Acquisition of Camp Indian Trails
 - d. Parks Manager Report – See Attached
 - e. Community Coordinator Report – See Attached
7. Next Parks Meeting Date: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at Department of Public Works
8. Adjournment

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Call to Order. Chair Richard called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 8:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present. Supervisors Richard, Mawhinney, Mulligan, Rashkin and Yeomans.

Committee Members Absent. None.

<u>Staff Members:</u>	Duane Jorgenson	Director of Public Works
	John Traynor	Parks Manager
	Amy Friend	Community Coordinator
	Amy Hartley	Secretary II

<u>Others Present:</u>	Floyd Finney	Parks Advisory Board
	Dean Paynter	Parks Advisory Board
	Tom Presny	Parks Advisory Board

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Mawhinney moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Yeomans. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes for Parks from March 9, 2021. Supervisor Yeomans moved approval of the minutes from March 9, 2021, second by Supervisor Mawhinney. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements. Supervisor Rashkin mentioned the recent media announcement regarding Indian Trails Campground. Mr. Traynor intends to research and discuss at future meetings.

Parks Advisory Board Communications. Mr. Presny presented a news article concerning Indian Trails Campground. All members of the Parks Advisory Board suggested Rock County research the process to obtain this property.

Mr. Finney announced a swap meet fundraiser, for the Gibbs Lake well project, Saturday, April 17, 2021, in Johnstown.

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HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Resolution – Designating the Week of April 26 Through April 30, 2021, “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week in Rock County”. Supervisor Mawhinney moved approval of the amended resolution, second by Supervisor Yeomans. Mr. Jorgenson amended lines 17 and 18 of the resolution to reflect 2020 statistics. Mr. Jorgenson reviewed advertising and promotional events for awareness week. The County Highway website will be updated. Supervisor Mawhinney suggested monthly promotional efforts. ADOPTED.

PARKS BUSINESS

Resolution – Authorizing Application with Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for Snowmobile Grant Funds 2021-2011 Snowmobile Season. Supervisor Mawhinney moved approval of the resolution, second by Supervisor Yeomans. Mr. Traynor explained the resolution. ADOPTED.

8:15 a.m. – Supervisor Richard departed due to technical difficulty.

Resolution – Authorizing Application with Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for Stewardship, Local Assistance, Federal Land and Water Conservation and Recreational Trails Grant Funds. Supervisor Mulligan moved approval of the resolution, second by Supervisor Yeomans. Mr. Traynor explained the resolution. ADOPTED.

Discussion and Possible Action – Volunteer Waiver Form. Supervisor Mulligan approved the form, second by Supervisor Yeomans. Mr. Traynor explained the new form. ADOPTED.

8:21 a.m. – Supervisor Richard returned.

Parks Manager Report – See Attached. Mr. Traynor provided information on the items listed in his report.

Parks General

Piers are in! – boat launch collection begins April 15.

Equipment Maintenance – preparing for the season.

Park Clean-up – trees, knocked down by high winds, required clean-up.

Seasonal Hire Update – two potential seasonal employees expected.

Conservation Grant Update

Lee Park Status – all grant work is completed.

Royce Dallman Park

Boomfest Event Correspondence – Mr. Traynor explained his discussion with Corporation Counsel. Mr. Traynor has a scheduled *After-Action Review* meeting with Milton Police Department.

Sweet-Allyn Park

Playground Replacement Work Update – playground arrival is expected April 26, 2021.
Rip Rap Project – Mr. Traynor is awaiting discussion with the DNR.

Gibbs Lake/Magnolia Bluff Parking Lots

CIP Improvement Updates – upgrades to the parking lots are almost completed.
Additional finish work will be completed soon.

Turtle Creek Access at 140

Boring Company – Mr. Traynor explained the contractor will repair the driveway damage done in fall 2020.

Sportsman’s Park

Deer Display – nine elderly does remain; will review plans of display at future meeting.

Turtle Creek and Sugar River Signs

Signing Project – mile markers on the waterways are complete.
Sherriff’s Department Rec. Team – Mr. Traynor extended gratitude to the Rock County Sherriff’s Department and the Highway Sign Shop. The signs were posted and have GPS coordinates. Information will be announced on social media.

Turtle Creek Parkway

Grant Update – Ms. Friend has successfully researched and completed information necessary for the reimbursement of the Turtle Creek grant applied for in 2012.

Community Coordinator Report – See Attached. Ms. Friend provided information on the items listed in her report and presented a PowerPoint for March’s leprechaun event in the parks.

Next Parks Meeting Date. Tuesday, May 11, 2021, at 8:00 a.m. at Department of Public Works.

Adjournment. Supervisor Yeomans moved adjournment at 8:51 a.m., second by Supervisor Mulligan. ADOPTED.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy J. Hartley, Secretary II

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Public Works Committee
Initiated by

Public Works Committee
& Parks Advisory Committee
Submitted by



John Traynor, Parks Manager
Drafted by

April 29, 2021
Date Drafted

SUPPORT, RENEW AND FUND THE KNOWLES-NELSON STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

1 **WHEREAS**, the Act creating the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program (KNSP), named for
2 Republican Governor Warren Knowles and Democratic Governor Gaylord Nelson, was signed into
3 law in 1989 by Governor Tommy Thompson; and
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5 **WHEREAS**, the KNSP was created to preserve valuable natural areas and wildlife habitat, protect
6 water quality and fisheries, expand outdoor recreation, and support Wisconsin’s timber and tourism
7 and industries; and
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9 **WHEREAS**, because of the KNSP, the Wisconsin DNR, local governments, and nonprofit
10 conservation organizations have received state funds which are matched with federal, local, and
11 private funds to purchase public land and easements for conservation and to support the maintenance
12 of Wisconsin’s waterways, parks, forests, and trails; and
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14 **WHEREAS**, the KNSP has significantly benefited Wisconsin both environmentally and
15 economically, by forests which sequester carbon and clean our air, wetlands which filter water and
16 buffer against floods, by allowing its residents to enjoy the outdoors and nature, which is shown to
17 improve health, and
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19 **WHEREAS**, a conservative estimate of the value of “natural infrastructure” on lands protected by the
20 KNSP is more than two billion dollars a year; and
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22 **WHEREAS**, even with the known benefits of the KNSP, that over the past three decades, KNSP has
23 been underfunded, especially when compared to other State investments and when compared to
24 similar outdoor investments by other states (Wisconsin invests less money in parks and outdoor
25 recreation than any other state with the exception of Alabama.); and
26

27 **WHEREAS**, planning and executing stewardship projects may take years, and, as such, landowners,
28 donors, nonprofits, and government agencies need certainty about the long-term future of the KNSP
29 program in order for projects to be as strategic and successful as possible; and
30

31 **WHEREAS**, a coalition of 58 groups representing environmental conservation, business interests,
32 local governments, hunting, fishing, forestry, agriculture, and recreation recognize the positive impact
33 that the KNSP program has on Wisconsin’s health, economy, and its priceless landscapes; and
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35 **WHEREAS**, surveys have shown that 93 percent of Wisconsin voters want to see the KNSP
36 continued; and
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38 **WHEREAS**, the County of Rock has benefited from the KNSP funds for many projects including
39 Beckman Mill, Happy Hollow Park, Turtle Creek Parkway, Sweet-Allyn Park, the Peace Trail, the Ice
40 Age Trail and many other parks and public properties including those in Beloit, Janesville, Evansville
41 and Edgerton; and
42

43 **WHEREAS**, the Governor’s 2021-23 Budget includes a ten-year reauthorization of the Stewardship
44 Program and that it be funded at seventy million dollars a year.

45
46 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Rock County Board duly assembled this
47 _____ day of _____, 2021, supports the reauthorization of the Knowles-Nelson
48 Stewardship Fund for ten years and seventy million dollars as stated in the Governor’s proposed
49 budget.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Rick Richard, Chair

Floyd Finney

Mary Mawhinney, Vice-Chair

Dean Paynter

Mike Mulligan

Tom Presny

Yuri Rashkin

Bob Yeomans

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §§ 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats.

s/Richard Greenlee

Richard Greenlee
Corporation Counsel

FISCAL NOTE:

No fiscal impact in and by itself.

/s/ Sherry Oja

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Matter of policy.

/s/Josh smith

Josh Smith
County Administrator

-EXECUTIVE SUMMARY-

**SUPPORT, RENEW AND FUND THE
KNOWLES-NELSON STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM**

The purpose of this resolution is to support the reauthorization of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant Fund. Rock County has been the recipient of these funds multiple times in the past and has utilized these funds on projects like the Peace Trail development and the rehabilitation of the Turtle Creek Parkway. But just like other grant funding, there is an expiration date on this program. This Resolution is to show support for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant program for ten years and seventy million dollars as stated in the Governor's proposed budget.

Therefore, it is recommended that reauthorization be made in support of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Fund for ten years and seventy million dollars as stated in the Governor's proposed budget.

ROCK COUNTY PARK AND CONSERVATION DIVISION
REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE
PERMIT

- I. These permits shall only be issued to civic groups for specific events.
- II. Only licensed bartenders shall be used.
- III. All Wisconsin Statutes in relation to the dispensing and consumption of fermented malt beverages shall be strictly enforced.
- IV. A. A uniformed law enforcement officer will be at the specified sales area to conduct any checking of identification to determine age as may be necessary, and will be continually present during operation of the beer sales area.

B. Permittee shall provide for checking and enforcement personnel to insure all these requirements are met.
- V. The Permit shall be valid for a single specified event and can be revoked with no notice if rules and requirements are not met.
- VI. No “carry-in alcoholic beverages” are permitted, only fermented malt beverages sold on site may be possessed or consumed on site.
- VII. Permittee shall furnish a “Certificate of Insurance” naming Rock County as an additional insured. This certificate must be in Rock County’s possession prior to the grounds being set up for the event.

An excerpt from Chapter 5 of the Rock County Ordinances, 5.02(16)(a)(b) Intoxicants Prohibited:

“No person shall consume or possess any fermented malt beverage or intoxicating liquor, as defined by 1987 Wisconsin Statutes, sec. 125.02, on any property owned by Rock County, except that portion of the county airport designated by the Public Works Committee. Such possession and consumption of fermented malt beverages on the airport premises shall be subject to all applicable State Statutes and local ordinances including licensing of the restaurant operation by the appropriate municipal authority. The consumption of fermented malt beverages and wine, in all parks, except the 4-H County Fair Grounds, is allowed under a temporary permit issued by the Public Works Committee. The consumption of fermented malt beverages and wine on the 4-H County Fair Grounds is allowed under a temporary permit issued by the Agriculture and Extension Education Committee. Such temporary permits shall be subject to local licensing requirements and such other restrictions as the respective Committees may deem to be in the public interest. The Public Works and Agriculture and Extension Education committees may establish fees for the issuance of the permits referred to in sub (a) above to help defray the costs of park clean up.

PERMIT

TURTLE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION is hereby authorized to dispense fermented malt beverages at Sweet-Allyn County Park from Friday June 25, 2021 through Sunday, June 27, 2021 subject to licensing and state and local laws. This Permit is issued by the Rock County Public Works Committee under authority granted in Chapter 5, Subchapter 2, of the Rock County Ordinances.

ROCK COUNTY
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

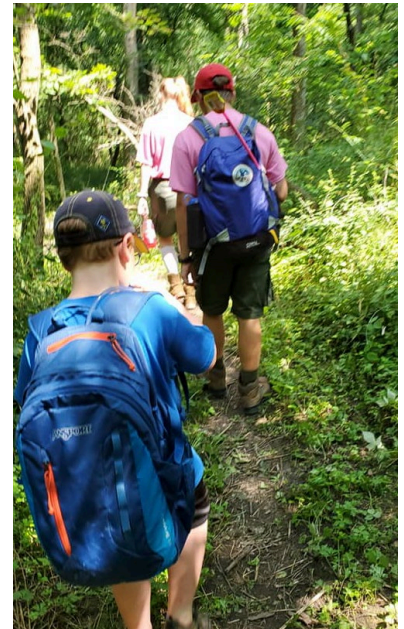
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REPORT: EVALUATING POSSIBLE ROCK COUNTY ACQUISITION OF CAMP INDIAN TRAILS

Produced in 2021 by: Rock County Parks Division, Parkitecture, and Vandewalle & Associates.



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Introduction

Due to impending financial hardship associated with the national lawsuit settlement and property loan obligations, on March 20, 2021, the Glacier's Edge Council of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) listed Camp Indian Trails for sale. Immediate interest was generated from private landowners, developers, and the public. On April 12, 2021, the Rock County Parks Division began looking into the site, possible acquisition, and discussing potential needs and options with the BSA. Following those discussions, the Rock County Parks Division decided to develop a report detailing what the site looks like today, what it could look like in the future, and what it would take to develop this site into a usable and functional amenity within the County's Park and Trail System. The following report is intended to be a guide for Rock County in determining whether to pursue acquisition of Camp Indian Trails and develop it into a new Rock County Park.



Section 1: What Does Camp Indian Trails Look Like Today?

Existing Conditions

Camp Indian Trails is a 180-acre site (three parcels) located northwest of Janesville on the eastern banks of the Rock River along North River Road. Due to its strategic location between prominent early river crossings in Indian Ford and Janesville, the site was home to Chief Blackhawk and his warriors' camp during the Blackhawk Wars in the 1830s. Several historic treaties were negotiated and signed in the campsites that make up Camp Indian Trails today. In 1946, the properties were acquired by the Boy Scouts of America and a camp was established to provide outdoor recreation, camping, and education for the Glacier's Edge Council and Indian Trails District of the Boy Scouts in Southern Wisconsin. Since that time, the camp has evolved and developed to now include trails, camp sites, lodges and cabins, a man-made lake, and many other amenities.



In 2019, the camp was utilized 163 days and hosted over 4,300 guests in 38 different events, with Cub Scouts camp attendance increasing by 40% between 2015-2019. However, over the years, general membership rates in the Boy Scouts have declined (nationally down 4%, Glacier's Edge Council down 8% between 2015-2019),

ongoing maintenance and personnel costs have increased, and some deferred maintenance has taken place. In total, current annual camp revenue is approximately \$40,000, while expenses are approximately \$100,000 annually. This has left the camp at an operating loss of between \$72,488 - \$115,846 each year since 2015. According to the BSA, the annual operating loss is mostly attributed to high staffing (\$50,000), insurance (\$4,636), and utility costs (\$22,794) far exceeding annual revenue (2019 figures).

In the summer of 2020, the camp passed the National Camp Accreditation Program Inspection (NCAP), which requires a thorough review of the site, correction or elimination of substandard practices, and confirms continuous improvements are being made. Accreditation requires standards to be met for programs, staff qualifications and training, health and safety, facilities, operations, and administration.

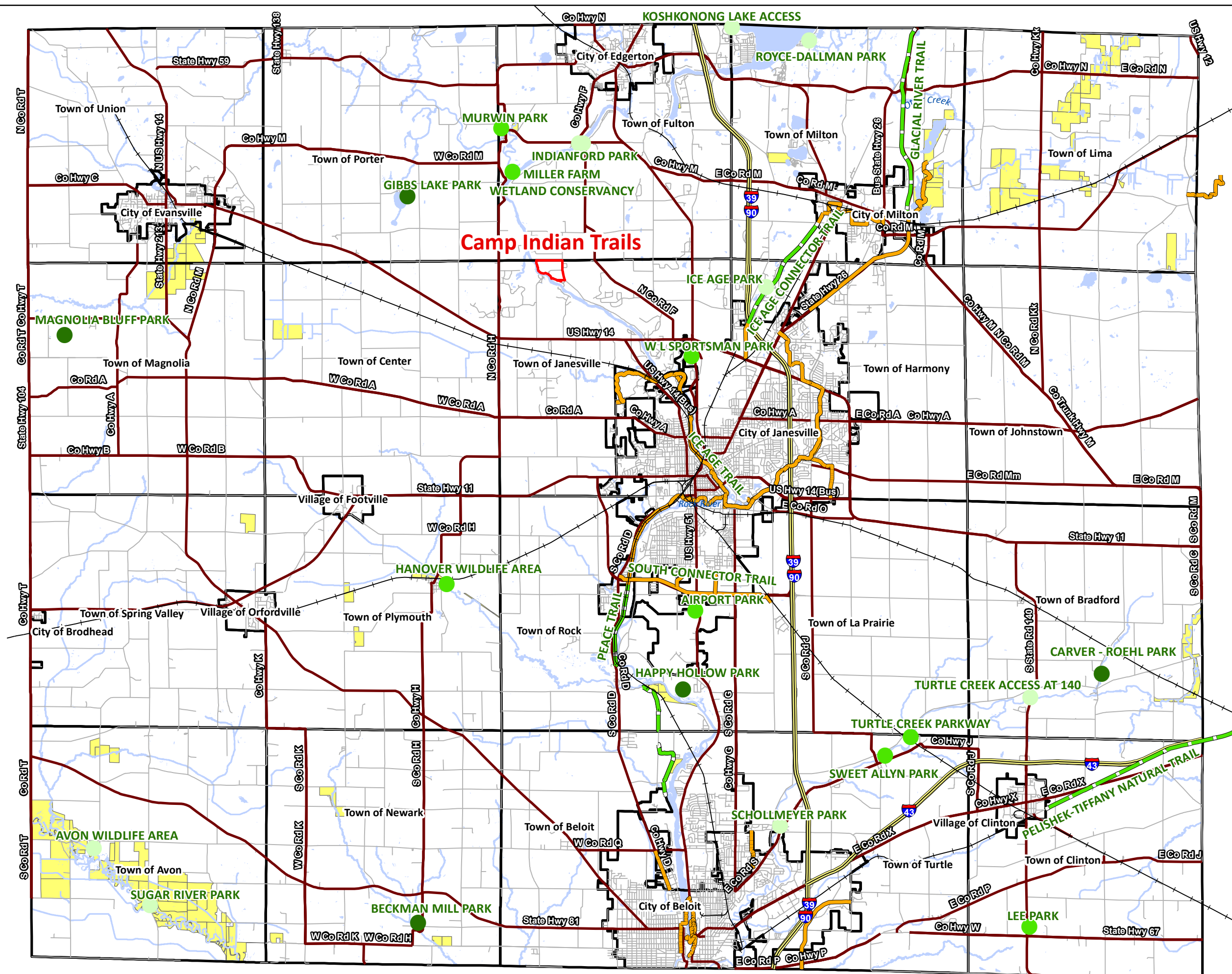
Source: Boy Scouts of America

The following table summarizes all amenities that are currently within Camp Indian Trails.

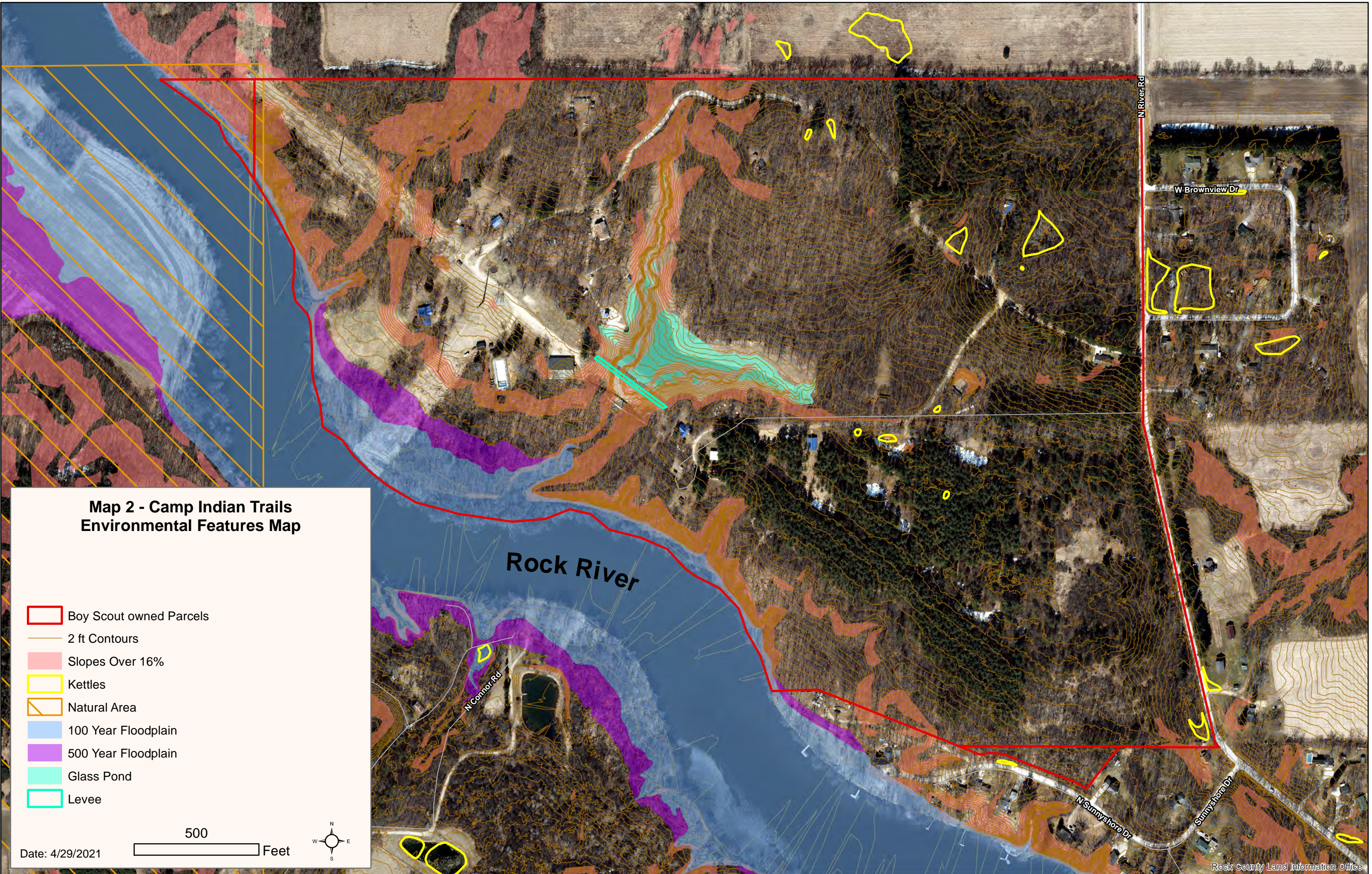
Amenity	Details
Water	Approximately 3,900 feet of Rock River Frontage Approximately 4-acre Glass Lake (maximum 30-foot depth)
Roads	Approximately 960 linear feet of Paved Roads Approximately 5,500 linear feet of Gravel Roads Approximately 14,000 square foot Gravel Parking Area
Trails	Approximately 3 miles of Dirt Trails
Buildings	2 Single-Family Houses 1 Maintenance/Workshop Building 5 Lodges 1 Dining Hall (Allen Hall) 11 Staff Houses 4 Changing Rooms 1 Shower House 2 Outdoor Shelters/Pavilion 1 Camp Store 1 Lifeguard Tower/Storage Building
Other Structures	1 Archery Range 1 Rifle and BB Gun Range 1 Approximately 3,600 square foot Swimming Pool 6 Water Wells and Multiple Septic Systems 1 Observation Tower 14 Camp Sites with Fire Pits (up to 525 campers) ATC Power Lines and Easement 1 Rock River Non-Motorized Boat Launch 1 Glass Lake Beach and Non-Motorized Boat Launch 1 Approximately 350-foot-long Metal Bridge (over levee) 1 Man-Made Dirt Levee 1 Outdoor Campfire Bowl (with seating) 1 Chapel 1 Winter Sledding and Recreation Hill 1 Rock Climbing Wall

Map 1 - Camp Indian Trails Regional Context Map

- Camp Indian Trails
- Regional Open Space and Recreation Area
- County Open Space and Recreation Area
- Special Area
- Wisconsin DNR Owned Land
- Existing County-maintained Multi-Use Trail
- Other Existing Multi-Use Trail
- Interstate
- Other Highway
- Local Road
- Rail
- Municipal Boundaries
- Surface Water



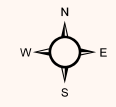
3 Miles
 Sources: Rock County, US Census Bureau, FEMA, Ice Age Trail Alliance
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**Map 2 - Camp Indian Trails
Environmental Features Map**

- Boy Scout owned Parcels
- 2 ft Contours
- Slopes Over 16%
- Kettles
- Natural Area
- 100 Year Floodplain
- 500 Year Floodplain
- Glass Pond
- Levee

Date: 4/29/2021 500 Feet



Map 3 - Camp Indian Trails Base Map

- Boy Scout owned Parcels
- Paved Road
- Unpaved Road
- ▲ Camp Sites
- ◉ Latrine
- P Parking Lot
- 🚰 Water
- Levee
- Bridge
- Trails
- Structures
- Major Electric Lines

CIT Building Key	
A	Allen Hall
B	Brace Lodge (Trading Post)
C	Chemokemon Lodge
D	Holt Lodge
E	Severson Lodge
F	Clark Lodge
G	Campmaster's House
H	Camp Ranger
I	Warehouse

500
Feet

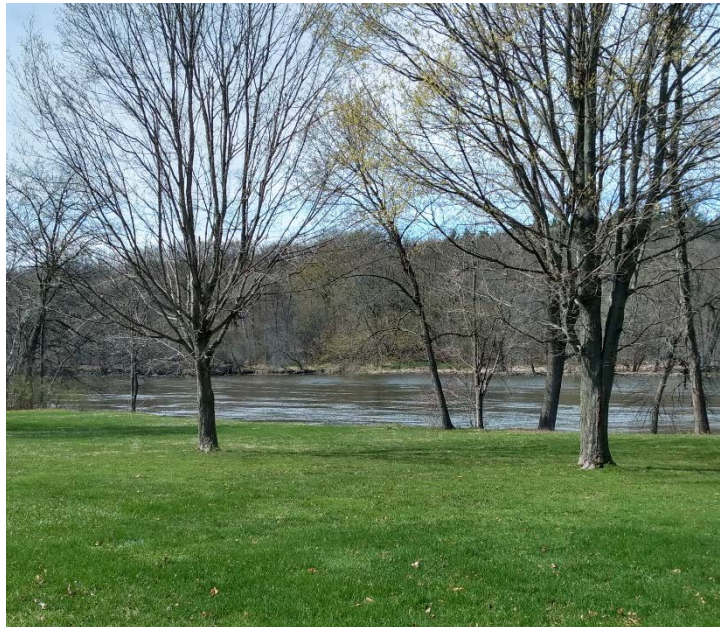


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Site Evaluation

Based on multiple site visits, research, and BSA provided information, the following evaluation of the site provides the existing issues and opportunities Camp Indian Trails currently offers.

Existing Site Issues	Existing Site Opportunities
Located on a Town Road approximately 3 miles from a State or U.S. Highway	Preservation of wetlands, riparian areas, wildlife habitat, and undeveloped woodlands
Lack of interior site signage	Developed trail network
Erosion problems	Strong volunteer base
Invasive species	Built-in users (BSA and other affiliated groups)
Some buildings in poor condition and appearance	Recent facilities evaluation completed
Pool, bathhouses, and staff cabins need to be removed (uninhabitable)	Over \$1 million put into the camp since 2015
River access improvements needed	Some buildings in good working condition
Poor interior road conditions	Banquet hall with full kitchen (max capacity 300)
Glass Lake water levels are very low, and it requires being filled using pumps	River and lake access
BSA operating at a loss each year	Existing utilities in place (wells, electric, septic, etc.)
	Property size and amenities would meet the needs of a future County Park serving the entire County



In 2020, the Glacier’s Edge Council completed a Camp Facilities Evaluation at Camp Indian Trails. This included a committee reviewing all facilities, past inspections, and the previous camp evaluation report in 2017. At a minimum, the BSA requires a full camp evaluation every other year. Grades, scores, and weights derive from the BSA’s standardized Camp Facilities Evaluation Tool (CTET). As of 2020, the overall facility score was a C+ with an average building score of 3.15. All facility grades and scores are listed below.

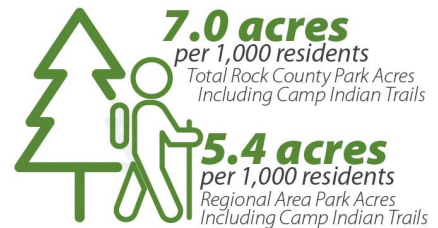
Facility	Grade	Score	Weight	Weighted Score
Camp Road to Allen Hall	C-	2.75	4	11
Clark Lodge	C+	3.5	2	7
Severson Lodge	C+	3.5	3	10.5
Holt Lodge	F	0	1	0
Campmaster House	C+	3.5	3	10.5
Climbing Area	C	3	4	12
Brace Lodge	C	3	2	6
Staff Area	D	2	3	6
Shop and Maintenance Area	D	2	2	4
Ga-Ga Pit and Pavilion	C	3	3	9
Allen Hall	B	4	5	20
Main Parking Area	C	3	3	9
Pool	F	0	1	0
Pool Changing Buildings	C	3	2	6
Glass Lake	B	4	5	20
Glass Lake Changing Structure	B-	3.75	5	18.75
Chapel	A-	4.75	3	14.25
Camp Road to Clayton Rice Area	B	4	5	20
Archery Range	B	4	4	16
Rifle and BB Gun Range	C	3	4	12
Showerhouse	A	5	5	25
Clayton Rice Pavilion	B+	4.5	4	18
Chemokemon Lodge	B	4	3	12
Latrines (collectively)	F	1	3	3
Campsites	B	4	5	20
Campfire Bowl	C	3	3	9
Averages	C+	3.15	3.41	11.81

Section 2: What Could Camp Indian Trails Become?

County Plans

Completed in 2020, the Rock County Park, Outdoor Recreation, and Open Space Plan (POROS) outlines the future vision, goals, objectives, policies, recommendations, and action items of the Rock County Parks System over the next 5 years. Several of the findings within this Plan align with possible acquisition of Camp Indian Trails and the future possible recreational opportunities on the site, including:

- Improving public health for the residents of Rock County.
- The property connects to the Rock County River Trail and is an identified gap in terms of County provided access to the river.
- Acquisition aligns with the Plan’s vision statement and the goals, objectives, and policies associated with park development and land acquisition.
- Rock County currently falls short on the number of existing park acres provided compared to other similar sized (population) counties in the state (total of 5.8 acres per 1,000 residents), the established park acres per resident standards (Regional Area standards = 4.5 acres per 1,000 residents, existing Regional Area acres provided = 4.27 acres per 1,000 residents), and meeting the number of acres needed to serve the projected population of Rock County in 2030 (68 additional Regional Area acres needed) and 2040 (91 additional Regional Area acres needed).
- Many of the most frequently utilized activities by residents within the existing park and trail system are reflected in the future recreational opportunities for Camp Indian Trails, as listed on the following page.
- Based on the evaluation tool (developed within the Plan) for possible future park land acquisition by Rock County, purchase of Camp Indian Trails scores a 65 out of 100, or within the range for recommended acquisition with further evaluation needed.



Property Evaluation Score
65 out of 100
*recommended acquisition
with further evaluation*

In total, the 2020 Rock County POROS Plan aligns positively with possible acquisition of Camp Indian Trails.

Additionally, the 2035 Rock County Comprehensive Plan, adopted in 2009, provides a County-wide vision, goals, objectives, and strategies for the future. Many components of this Plan also align with possible acquisition of Camp Indian Trails:

- The future vision statement addresses preserving the County’s natural and cultural resources and enhancing quality of life.
- Goals, objectives, and policies address preserving, protecting, and conserving natural resources and open space, educating the community on natural resource preservation, supporting efforts to protect water resources, floodplains, and floodways, and supporting and encouraging future land uses in rural areas that preserve natural resources and enhance scenic beauty.



In total, the 2035 Rock County Comprehensive Plan also aligns positively with possible acquisition of Camp Indian Trails.

Future Recreational Opportunities

Camp Indian Trails provides the rare opportunity where an existing property has already been developed into usable outdoor recreation space, making the possible transition from Boy Scout Camp to County Park much more efficient than other more challenging undeveloped sites. While the potential opportunities for the site are seemingly endless, the following are some passive and active recreational activities that could be accommodated at Camp Indian Trails:

- Hiking, walking, and running trail network
- Non-motorized boat launches
- Sledding hill
- Ice skating
- Swimming
- Fishing
- Cross country skiing
- Indoor or outdoor environmental education
- Indoor large event space in Allen Hall
- Dog park
- Equestrian trails
- Bird watching
- Off-road mountain bike course
- Rock climbing wall
- Wedding ceremonies and receptions
- Corporate retreats/events
- Indoor/outdoor camping
- Zipline or ropes course
- Indoor/outdoor group classes
- Youth camping and retreat space
- Picnic or group outdoor gathering space
- Indoor/outdoor shelters
- Playgrounds
- Hunting
- Snowmobile trails
- Geo-caching
- Archery range
- Playfields
- Paddle craft rentals
- Inflatable water course
- Sand beach
- Family reunions
- Outdoor concerts

Possible Revenue Generating Opportunities

The site and its numerous existing amenities also offer unique revenue generating opportunities that work in combination with many of the possible future passive and active recreational activities listed on the previous page:

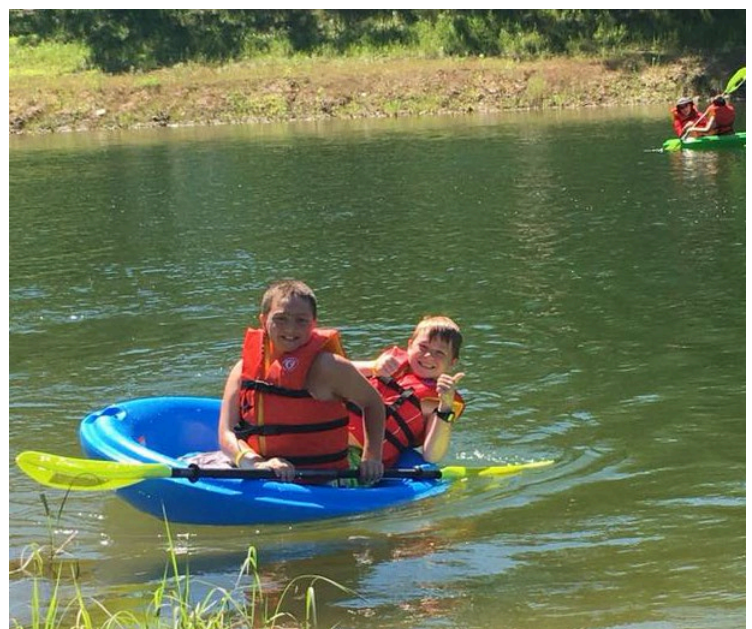
- Kayak, canoe, and paddle board/boat rentals
- Non-motorized boat launch
- Shelter rentals
- Sponsorships for new shelters, structures, equipment, or other facilities
- Large event space and commercial kitchen rentals (300 people)
- Corporate retreat or event rentals
- Concessions or food trucks
- Water course/aqua park
- Zip line course
- Rope or climbing course
- Rock climbing wall
- Bicycle rentals
- School field trips
- Ice Age Trail Annual Conference
- Concerts
- Boy Scouts of America and other youth group cabin, camping, and facilities rentals

For many of the revenue generating activities listed above to be feasible, increased Rock County Parks Division staff would be required to operate and maintain the activities and/or public-private partnerships would need to be established. Several of the existing buildings on-site could potentially house offices, operations, or storage related to these activities.

Additionally, through private donations, sponsorships, or public-private partnerships, Rock County could leverage the existing assets of Camp Indian Trails to help offset costs related to initial upgrades and repairs, ongoing maintenance, personnel, and other expenses. Utilizing this approach, Rock County can build on the time and money the Boy Scouts of America have already put into the properties to provide new revenue streams that otherwise would not be available without significant upfront investment by the County. It should be noted that rental fees would need to be determined and evaluated to remain competitive, but also high enough to cover the more significant costs associated with operating the park. This is a separate analysis that should be conducted as part of the Park Master Planning effort, following potential Rock County acquisition.

Youth Opportunities

Beyond just the possibility of a wide variety of new activities available on the site, one of the most significant prospects is increasing outdoor recreational opportunities for area youth. There are no publicly owned indoor camping spaces within Rock County. This site provides that opportunity. Leveraging the existing Boy Scouts of America organization, Boys and Girls Club, YMCA, and other local groups, Camp Indian Trails can serve a unique role in Rock County, providing camping, retreat, and day trip outdoor recreational opportunities. Leading by example, Rock County could utilize this facility for increasing equitable and inclusive outdoor recreation opportunities by engaging local youth groups and providing a low-cost space for them.



Volunteer Opportunities

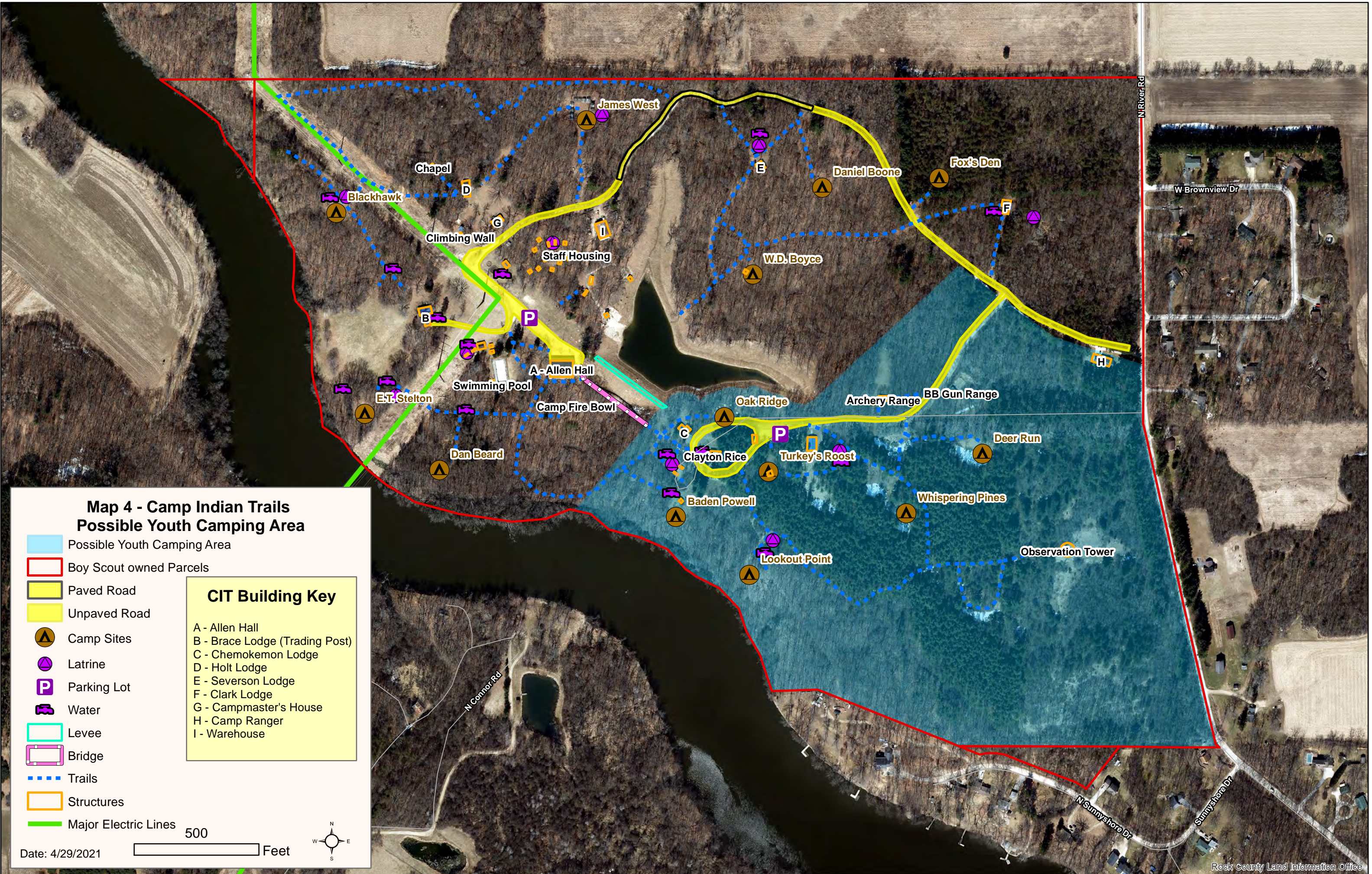
There are also many opportunities for volunteer and local group participation. The Rock County Parks Division already has an established network of Friends Groups that participate in organizing events in the parks and helping to maintain them. Further, the Boy Scouts of America already has an existing network of volunteers that can be leveraged to potentially form a new Friends Group for the park. Additionally, other local groups like the Friends of Rock County Parks, Rock Trail Coalition, Velo Bike Club of Janesville, and The Green Rock Audubon Society could further be engaged by Rock County to provide a volunteer base to help in organizing events and long-term property maintenance. People throughout Rock County have already invested time and money into Camp Indian Trails, in addition to the site having a strong connection to youth experiences for many community members. Overall, a similar approach to the one that Rock County has employed in other parks could prove fruitful in the development of Camp Indian Trails into a public park, and the long-term maintenance associated with it.



Collaboration with the Boy Scouts of America

While other private party purchase offers for Camp Indian Trails are likely to yield a higher sales value, the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) have expressed interest in keeping the site in recreational use. Additionally, one of the only avenues for the BSA to potentially continue utilizing the site long-term would be Rock County acquisition of Camp Indian Trails. Through active negotiation with the BSA, an informal set of shared use opportunities has emerged in exchange for a potentially reduced property acquisition cost. This includes:

- The BSA retaining long-term use of the southeastern portion of the site (approximately 68 acres as shown in Map 4) on an annual basis for a maximum of 35 days/nights per year at no cost to the BSA.
- The BSA would agree to schedule the 35 days/nights per year at least two years in advance, mirroring Rock County's existing park facility rental schedule.
- The BSA would agree to leave any portion of the property they utilize in good working condition following use.
- The Rock County Parks Division would handle all scheduling through its existing scheduling platform, procedures, and policies.
- Rock County would have the opportunity to leverage the BSA's existing volunteer network to assist with maintenance of the southeastern portion of the site and possible formation of a dedicated Friends Group for the park.
- Rock County would impose any/all rental fees for facilities located outside of the southeastern portion of the site (Map 4), if the BSA requested to utilize them (Allen Hall, other shelters, etc.).
- The remainder of the site would stay open to the public during the 35 days/nights per year the BSA uses the southeastern portion of the property (Map 4).
- A Shared-Use Agreement or Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Rock County and the BSA would be established. This agreement could be reevaluated at the discretion of either party, mirroring other Rock County Parks Division agreements.



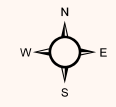
**Map 4 - Camp Indian Trails
Possible Youth Camping Area**

- Possible Youth Camping Area
- Boy Scout owned Parcels
- Paved Road
- Unpaved Road
- ▲ Camp Sites
- Latrine
- P Parking Lot
- Water
- Levee
- Bridge
- Trails
- Structures
- Major Electric Lines

CIT Building Key

- A - Allen Hall
- B - Brace Lodge (Trading Post)
- C - Chemokemon Lodge
- D - Holt Lodge
- E - Severson Lodge
- F - Clark Lodge
- G - Campmaster's House
- H - Camp Ranger
- I - Warehouse

Date: 4/29/2021 500 Feet



Case Studies

Throughout the State of Wisconsin and United States, there have been numerous prior examples of property transition from privately-owned youth-oriented camps into public recreation areas. Due to the number of examples where this transition has taken place, there are many different models for management, maintenance, and operations that can be further explored should Camp Indian Trails become a new Rock County Park.

Shaginappi Park: Fond du Lac County, WI

A former Boy Scouts camp located on the eastern shores of Lake Winnebago was acquired by Fond du Lac County in 1997 and turned into a County Park. It is approximately 100-acres in size offering hiking, cross country skiing, snowmobiling, an amphitheater, and lodge rentals.

Source: Fond du Lac County



Chippewa Moraine State Recreation Area: Chippewa County, WI

A former Girl Scouts camp located adjacent to the State Park was acquired by the DNR. Several cabins and other buildings that were no longer needed have been removed, but select lodges and shower houses remain, providing rental camping opportunities for anyone including the Scouts.

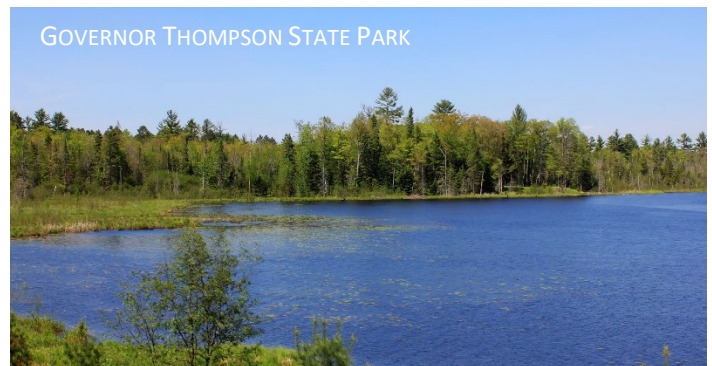
Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources



Governor Thompson State Park: Marinette County, WI

A former Scout camp was acquired by the DNR and developed into a State Park. The property is open for public use and contains several campgrounds, boat launch facilities, picnic areas, lodges, trails, and a swimming beach.

Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources



Hawthorne Hills County Park: Ozaukee County, WI

This 113-acre park was acquired by the County in the early 1960s from private landowners and developed into passive recreational areas, historic museum buildings, and a youth camp. Within the youth camp, it currently offers an enclosed meeting/event/cabin area, showers, and kitchen. The Boy Scouts and other youth groups rent the facility throughout the year.

Source: Ozaukee County



Upper Manistee Headwaters: Kalkaska County, MI

In 2019-2020, the Boy Scouts put the former Camp Tapico up for sale. The sprawling 1,300 acres site, located in northern Michigan, drew interest from many private parties and the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy. Through a fundraising campaign and large private donations, the Conservancy was able to purchase the property and is now developing it into a public outdoor passive recreational area.

Source: Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy



Kettle Moraine State Forest – Northern Unit: Sheboygan County, WI

The State Forest features developed cabins and indoor camping areas that are rented by Turning Rivers, a non-profit that offers youth camps each summer. The DNR owns and maintains the land and facilities, but leases the youth camping area to Turning Rivers.

Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources



El Rancho Cima: Hays County, TX

In 2019, Hays County and The Nature Conservancy partnered to purchase 530-acres of a former Boy Scout Camp called El Rancho Cima that was washed out by a flood in 2015. A portion of the property was sold to private parties, while the other 530 acres is being developed into a public park and nature conservancy.

Source: The Nature Conservancy



Beechwood State Park: Sodus, NY

This former Girl Scouts Camp called Genesee Valley Beech-Wood along Lake Ontario was abandoned by the Girl Scouts nearly 25 years ago and was eventually turned into a New York State Park. However, none of the buildings continue in operation due to being inhabitable, and now it is a passive recreational area.

Source: Uncovering New York and New York Upstate



Other Former Boy Scout Camps Turned to Private Use:

- Camp Strake in Houston, TX was turned into high-end homes with a portion being dedicated to a public park called Grand Central Park.
- Camp Aliquippa in Champion, PA was turned into a private resort called Roaring Run Resort.

Section 3: What Would It Take to Get Camp Indian Trails into a Usable Rock County Park?

There are three key financial factors to be considered when evaluating Rock County's possible acquisition of Camp Indian Trails: cost of purchase, cost of upgrades, and cost of long-term maintenance. Each is evaluated below based on information provided by the Rock County Parks Division and the Boy Scouts of America.

Cost of Purchase

All three parcels that make up Camp Indian Trails are currently tax exempt and have a combined appraised total value between \$750,000-\$1,200,000 (Source: Janesville Gazette). The Town of Janesville was contacted regarding these figures, and they could not provide an up-to-date appraisal number because the properties are all tax exempt.

As of April 2021, there are multiple private parties interested in acquiring the properties for greater than the appraised amount, based on BSA provided information. If a private party were to acquire the parcels, it would generate some new County tax base. However, if Rock County were to acquire the properties and turn the site into a public park, they would remain tax exempt.

To make any potential County offer competitive, the Rock County Parks Division has been actively negotiating with the Boy Scouts on terms of a possible long-term shared use agreement (as discussed above). At a minimum, an estimated competitive purchase offer, inclusive of the shared use agreement, is somewhere between \$1,200,000 and \$1,600,000, or between \$6,600-\$8,900 per acre.

The Boy Scouts of America listed the properties on March 20, 2021 and need to make a significant payment on behalf of their share of the national lawsuit settlement by August 2021. This means, they will be seeking to close on the sale prior to August 2021.

Due to the timing of possible acquisition, there are limited County options in terms of where the cost of purchase could come from. No form of grant money can be applied for, awarded, and distributed in said timeframe. Instead, if Rock County chose to pursue placing an offer on Camp Indian Trails, resources will need to come from the general fund reserves or other source of County funds, as deemed appropriate.



Cost of Upgrades

While there are a significant number of existing amenities within Camp Indian Trails today, to turn the site into a usable and functional Rock County park would require upfront investment. Most of these costs are associated with the first year following acquisition. This would include (at a minimum):

- Removal of the existing pool and bathhouses - \$20,000-\$30,000
- Removal of uninhabitable buildings (Holt Lodge and Staff Cabins) - \$20,000-\$30,000
- Internal roadbed replacement and paving - \$210,000 - \$250,000
- Expanding the parking lot near Allen Hall - \$30,000-\$40,000
- Running a pump to fill Glass Lake - \$30,000-\$60,000
- Developing a Park Master Plan - \$20,000-\$30,000
- Establishing a site marketing effort and plan - \$5,000-\$10,000
- Improving trails, signage, and water access - \$40,000-\$80,000
- Interior building upgrades and installation of efficient and renewable energy systems - \$50,000-\$200,000
- Developing public-private partnerships and agreements - (as needed)



The total estimated upfront upgrade costs could be anywhere from \$425,000-\$700,000. To note, cost estimates are simply approximate figures based on limited available information. More accurate and detailed cost estimates would be produced through the Park Master Planning process, following Rock County acquisition.

Cost of Maintenance

Like any other County-owned facility, there will be long-term ongoing maintenance costs to keep the park in operation, usable, and open to the public. It is estimated that a minimum of 60 hours would be needed per week during peak times (Memorial Day to Labor Day) to maintain the new park. To provide the needed hours, it is estimated that, at a minimum, the Rock County Parks Division would require one new full time maintenance employee (\$105,000 per year including benefits) and two part time seasonal maintenance employees (\$10,000 per year). The approximate total cost of these new employees would be \$115,000 per year. See the Appendix for a breakdown of estimated hours per week. The most significant hours will come during the summer associated with facility rentals, mowing, and other related maintenance, in addition to late

fall when winterization is needed. If the park were to be operational year-round, winter snow plowing would also be needed at an additional projected cost.

Outside of personnel costs, there would also be on-going expenditures for utilities, insurance, state permits, cleaning supplies, parts and materials, maintenance of equipment, maintaining Glass Lake water levels, and levee maintenance, among others.

Additionally, there are two existing single-family homes and a maintenance building on-site. These buildings could potentially be utilized for a park office and/or to house park maintenance equipment. This would provide efficiencies in ongoing park maintenance and adaptively reutilize existing structures.

The total estimated ongoing maintenance costs annually could be anywhere from \$150,000-\$250,000.

Management Scenarios

As noted, there are opportunities to take a different approach to the management of Camp Indian Trails. In particular, the possibility of incorporating revenue generating activities run by private entities within the new park. Based on feedback received from the Wisconsin DNR, the following management options could be utilized by Rock County following acquisition:



1. Rock County purchases the properties, but a lessee manages the site for public use. All operating expenses are paid for by the lessee, while Rock County receives an annual payment or percentage. However, the primary purpose of the agreement would be to allow the lessee to operate the site at their expense, while generating revenue for Rock County.
 - This approach will likely generate little revenue to the County (1%-5% of average lessee revenue). However, there would be little to no ongoing operational or maintenance costs for the County.
2. Rock County purchases the properties and maintains them long-term, but establishes concessionaire agreement/s. This allows the County to make a percentage of sales but likely most other operating expenses like property maintenance, mowing, cleaning, utilities, and others would be the responsibility of the County long-term.
 - This approach will likely generate enough revenue to cover a share of costs (10%-15% concessionaire average revenue), however it depends on facility usage and rental fees.
3. Rock County purchases the properties, operates the facilities, and maintains them long-term. This would provide Rock County with all revenue generated on-site, but increase overhead expenses associated with hiring staff, scheduling facility rentals, procurement of supplies, and maintenance.
 - This approach will likely not generate enough revenue to annually breakeven but has the potential to do so over time, depending on the type of recreational opportunities provided, facility usage, and rentals fees.

Other Possible Funding Opportunities

While it may not be feasible to utilize grant money or other kinds of alternative funding sources for acquisition, there are opportunities for the County to leverage alternative funding sources associated with park upgrades and maintenance. This could include:

Park Improvements:

- American Rescue Plan (infrastructure upgrades)
- DNR Knowles Nelson Grants
- Federal LAWCON Grants
- DNR Recreational Trails Act
- DNR Urban Forestry Grants
- DNR River Protection Grants
- Rock County Green Fund
- Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin
- Private donations
- Private sponsorships

Park Maintenance:

- Friends Groups
- Volunteer groups
- BSA and other affiliated organizations
- Local organizations
- School groups
- Rock County jail inmate laborers

Section 4: Who Benefits from Rock County Purchasing Camp Indian Trails?

Camp Indian Trails has served the Boy Scouts and hundreds of thousands of kids and adults over the past 70+ years. It is impossible to quantify the benefits that this site has provided to community members across Rock County and Southern Wisconsin over that time. Beyond that, there are many future quality of life benefits to all members of the community, if Rock County were to purchase the site. These include:

Natural Environment. Camp Indian Trails is home to abundant wildlife habitat, lush woodlands, wetlands, floodplains, riparian areas, natural river front, Glass Lake, and much more. Preserving the site's natural beauty, environmentally intact landscape, and immense natural resources are a benefit not only to the site itself and surrounding ecosystem, but also to both upstream and downstream communities along the Rock River.

County Residents. Through the pandemic, there have been an increased number of visitors to nearly all outdoor recreational spaces, including the Rock County Park and Trail System. Now that new and renewed users have experienced more of these opportunities and have a better knowledge of what they have to offer, it is anticipated that this trend will continue. Camp Indian Trails could help accommodate this increased demand. In addition, the site is located within a short drive of Rock County's largest population center

(Janesville) and the State's fastest growing county (Dane County). Both provide potential users that would benefit from the site being developed into a Rock County Park. Further, this site provides the opportunity for new amenities and recreational opportunities in the Rock County Park System's portfolio. This includes an entire lake, winter activities, educational components, historical museum, youth camping, and indoor banquet-sized event space. Due to time constraints, a new survey of user group's interest in Camp Indian Trails cannot be completed at this time. However, many of the site's possible recreational uses align with the 2020 POROS Plan's survey results. In particular, the existing most frequently used recreational amenities



and many of the most prioritized future recreational opportunities. Finally, the site is located within an identified gap between two existing public river access locations in Indian Ford (4.6 miles north) and Rock River Park (3 miles south). Camp Indian Trails could provide an additional public river access point for fishermen and non-motorized boat users. Overall, there are many ways that Rock County acquisition of Camp Indian Trails benefits the County's residents as-a-whole.

Youth and Local Groups. Not only do the benefits of a possible new Rock County park include adult recreational opportunities, but it also can directly change the lives of young people in the community. Nowhere else in Rock County is there an opportunity like this to provide the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, school aged-children, low-income, and minority populations with indoor camping. As many Boy Scouts who have participated in events at Camp Indian Trails will tell you, the memories, lessons, and skills gained from experiences within the camp have made them into the person they are today. Rock County can continue that legacy for the generations to come through the acquisition of Camp Indian Trails.

Local Economy. This site has never fully been open to the public. However, through Rock County acquisition, Camp Indian Trails can be the new cornerstone recreational facility in central Rock County. The pristine natural resources and abundance of amenities and activities within the site are expected to generate significant new interest and visitors from across Rock County and Southern Wisconsin. These new visitors will need a place to eat, shop, and rest, subsequently benefiting local businesses in nearby communities. Overall, a new park at Camp Indian Trails could play a key role in the local economy's resurgence from the pandemic.

County Budget. Camp Indian Trails provides a unique opportunity to adjust the Rock County Parks Division model in terms of activities and usage. If acquired and improved, it would not solely rely on the Parks Division budget to operate. Instead, it could generate some of its own revenue to help supplement other portions of the Parks Division budget. While the costs associated with purchase and development are significant, there are possible benefits to the County's budget long-term through public-private partnerships, corporate events, shelter and facility rentals, volunteer groups, and sponsorships. However, a new County Park at Camp Indian Trails must be viewed as a significant quality of life asset and not as a profit center for Rock County.



Conclusion

In conclusion, this report aims to provide context, possibilities, issues, and benefits. As noted earlier, there are no shortage of interested private parties which can be directly attributed to the fact that there are so few properties like this in Rock County. While there may be many opportunities and potential benefits associated with Camp Indian Trails becoming a new Rock County Park, there are also significant costs. However, it is unlikely that any similar opportunity will present itself for decades to come. Overall, the possible acquisition of Camp Indian Trails is a once in a generation opportunity for Rock County.

Appendix

Proposed Maintenance Requirements

Below are the potential hours it may take to maintain Camp Indian Trails with its current amenities. This estimate considers the seasons in which more/less staff time would be needed based on peak usage. These numbers are purely hypothetical for the purposes of this report.

Mowing

- 24 hours per week during peak growing season
- 16 hours per week during off peak season

Trimming and Spraying

- 4-6 hours per week

Bathroom Maintenance

- 4-8 hours per week (depending on usage) inclusive of checking/cleaning facilities

Event Preparation

- 2-8 hours per week based on rentals and which amenity is rented

Trail Maintenance/Checks

- 1-4 hours a week (this does not include storm events in which additional hours would be required)

Misc. Repairs

- This item's hours are unpredictable and are reserved for those unforeseen events that happen from vandalism or routine maintenance issues like changing a light bulb (estimated at 4-8 hours per week)

Winter Maintenance Items

- Plowing 2-4 hours based on snow events and rental needs

Winterizing Water Sources

- 8-12 hours in the spring and the fall for the 12 campsite hydrants

Overall, these figures are simply estimates based on existing conditions. As noted, staffing projections would require a minimum of one new Parks Division full time employee and a minimum of two part time seasonal employees during peak usage times (between Memorial Day and Labor Day).

Existing Site Conditions

Below are several photos showing the existing condition of the Camp Indian Trails site.











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May 2021

Parks General

- Maintenance Update
- Park Clean-up

Grant Update

- Lee Park Grant Payment Received April 15th - \$5,000
- Stewardship Grant Applied for – Peace Trail
- 20-21 Snowmobile Trail Aids Grant – Final Payment Requested

Beckman Mill Park

- Volunteer Day – Blackhawk Tech

Sweet-Allyn Park

- Playground Replacement Work Update
- Turtle Rehabilitation

Gibbs Lake and Magnolia Bluff Horse Trails

- Horse Trails are open – Work Still Needs to be Done
- May 15th Event at Gibbs Lake

Magnolia Bluff Park

- Installation of Last Two Aldo Leopold Benches – Bailey Langton
- Traffic Incident – April 26th

Ice Age Park and Ice Age Trail

- Water Level Update
- Eagle Scout Project – Aldo Leopold Benches

Parks Advisory Committee

- Tom Presny and Floyd Finney Re-Appointments



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Community Coordinator Report

April 2021

- Update Rock County Parks Website.
- Post Daily on Rock County Parks Facebook Page – 1,128 Followers & 1,038 Likes.
- Post Daily on Rock County Parks Instagram – 823 Followers.
- Contact with Friends groups about any issues with parks.
- Turtle Creek Parkway showing for rentals.
- Daily visits to various Rock County Parks to check conditions, traffic, and litter. Take pictures of activity in parks and staff working.
- Prepare Purchase Orders for Parks expenses.
- Plan, Promote and Coordinate Rock County Parks I-Spy Egg Hunt & Eggs-ercise at Carver-Roehl Park Event 4/1 – 4/5.
- Plan, Promote and Coordinate Rock County Parks Earth Day Trash Pick-Up Challenge Event 4/17-4/24.
- Meet Bailey Langton at Magnolia Bluff Park for final installation of 2 Aldo Leopold benches she donated and post picture of her with bench on Facebook.
- Meet Dave Hoffman from Midwest Prairies, LLC to discuss work at Magnolia Bluff to complete County Conservation Aids Grant CC-18-54WM.
- Meet Scott Steurer at Beckman Mill and discuss volunteer work on the Oak Savanna.
- Complete and Submit County Conservation Aids Grant CC-20WM Payment Request for \$5,000 for Lee Park Clean. Received payment 4/15.
- Complete and Submit Snowmobile Trail Aids Grant S-5522 Payment Request for \$18,930. Advance payment of \$33,270 was received on 8/26/2020. Total Grant \$52,200.
- Complete and Submit Stewardship Local Assistance, Federal Land & Water Conservation Fund, & Recreation Trail Program Grant Application for \$331,860 to pave 3.63 miles of the Peace Trail from W. Tripp Road – Duggan Road.
- Correspondence with Orfordville Public Library and Edgerton Public Library for StoryWalk ideas and book donations.
- Correspondence with Carl Lange – FORCP Bike Ride – May 22nd – Beckman Mill Park.
- Rock County Snowmobile Alliance Meeting. (4/7)
- Rock County Parks Committee Meeting. (4/13)
- Friends of Rock County Parks Meeting. (4/14)
- Wisconsin Parks & Recreation Association (WPRA) Monthly Membership Meeting. (4/14)
- Attend Virtual Ice Age Trail Annual Conference. (4/15-4/17)
- Camp Indian Trail Meetings. (4/16) (4/20) (4/27)
- Rock County Chapter Ice Age Trail Meeting. (4/27)
- Work day at Beckman Mill Park with volunteers from Blackhawk Technical College Radiology Program, Friends of Beckman Mill and Scott Steurer. (4/29)