Milwaukie Bay Park

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District and City of Milwaukie have refined the design to complete Milwaukie Bay Park. Let's build a special place to play, gather, and experience our riverfront.

What is the Milwaukie Bay Park Project?

Developing the park is a joint effort between City of Milwaukie and North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District. The project builds on a previous plan adopted in 2010 and past phases of work completed by the city. Now in the final phase to complete the park, planned improvements will create new amenities and recreational opportunities, including:

Children's Play Area • Gathering/Event Area • Interactive Water Feature • New Pathways & Trolley Trail Connection • Restrooms • Views • Public Art & Interpretive Elements • Redwood Tree Preservation • Geese Mitigation

The community has been integral in helping to shape the design, with over 1,300 community members providing feedback and preferences on park features. It was last presented in 2019, and has been the basis for developing an ambitious multi-partner funding plan. Now the design has been refined to ensure it fits the funding available, with the goal to start construction in 2023.

Where is the Park?

Milwaukie Bay Park is a scenic park property near downtown Milwaukie along the Willamette River. It is located just off SE McLoughlin Boulevard between Kellogg Creek to the south and Johnson Creek to the north. In addition to the river, the creeks, and a burgeoning downtown, there are several local parks and natural areas nearby and significant local and regional transportation connections such as the Trolley Trail, bike and pedestrian routes, TriMet MAX light rail and bus transit, and Oregon 99E/McLoughlin Boulevard.





Weren't designs for the park already completed?

A plan for the park was adopted in 2010, serving as the foundation for many agencies, community partners, and local residents to participate in shaping improvements over the years. Over the last decade, park visitors have seen many park enhancements, including the Klein Point Overlook, new boat launch and landing, auto and boat trailer parking, restroom facility, temporary Trolley Trail connection, a riverside path, riverbank stabilization and plantings, and an improved access bridge over Kellogg Creek.

In 2018-19, this final phase of the project began. The project partners worked with the public, revisiting the 2010 plan to update and revise amenities and recreational features that were not built in previous phases. The partners presented the new design in 2019, and have now refined and detailed that design to ensure it fits the funding package that has been developed during the past two years.

PROJECT SCHEDULE









JAN. – JUNE '22

Design Development

Update cost estimate & refine design

Community Engagement -April & June

JUNE - NOV. '22

Construction
Documents &
Land Use Approval

Update cost estimate and prepare construction documents

Submit land use application to city

DEC. '22 - FEB. '23

Permits, Approvals & Bidding

Submit to agencies for permits

Subcontractor bidding

Board consideration

MAR. '23 - MAR. '24

Construction

Estimated 12-13 months to completion

Who makes the decision on the design for the park?

NCPRD and City of Milwaukie make decisions on the design, with input from many partners and the public. The Project Team provides design updates to appointed members of the District Advisory Committee and Milwaukie Parks and Recreation Board, and provides updates and seeks all necessary approvals from elected officials from the City Council and the NCPRD Board. The City Planning Commission provides ultimate land use approval for the park, and NCPRD must obtain all necessary permits.

To find out more about the project, visit milwaukiebaypark.org.

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