FACILITY STANDARDS

Conclusions Based on DNR Development Guidelines

The following conclusions are based solely on comparison of Columbia's outdoor facilities with the "Goals for Development Projects" by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Deficiencies identified may be helpful for future grant applications.

Indicated deficiencies are based on the estimated population for 2013 and 2022. For comparison, the table below indicates if a need was also indicated in the 2002 Facility Needs Update. Information for 2013 and 2022 is based on revised development goals from the 2008 – 2012 State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP). Also note, as described in the Standards Overview, trail designations have been adjusted since the 2002 Facility Needs Update.

,	2002 Surplus or	2013 Surplus or	2022 Surplus or
	(Deficit/Projected	(Deficit/Projected	(Deficit/Projected
Facility	Need)	Need)	Need)
Exercise trail	(9.93) miles	(28.07) miles	(35.51) miles
Bicycle trail	(31.86) miles	(14.18) miles	(25.26) miles
Multi-Purpose trail	(12.38) miles	(25.84) miles	(32.73) miles
Nature trail	(24.20) miles	(12.87) miles	(18.91) miles
Jogging/Walking trail	(44.15) miles	(12.44) miles	(18.98) miles
Hiking trail	(22.07) miles	NA	NA
Total Bike/Ped			
Trail Deficiency	(144) miles	(93) miles	(131) miles
Equestrian trail	(14) miles	(24) miles	(30) miles
Picnic table	(289) tables	(453) tables	(680) tables
Picnic shelter	(4) shelters	(33) shelters	(55) shelters
Ball diamond	(36) diamonds	(35) diamonds	(53) diamonds
Campsites	(294) sites	(33) sites	(42) sites
Horseshoe court	(39) courts	(25) courts	(35) courts
Football field	(14) fields	(24) fields	(33) fields
Shuffleboard court	(43) courts	(26) courts	(33) courts
Playground	(33) playgrounds	0 playgrounds	(21) playgrounds
Basketball court	NA	(4) courts	(11) courts
Swimming pool	(11,975) sq. ft.	(6) pools	(10) pools
Soccer field	21 fields*	(1) field	(10) fields
Volleyball court	(2) courts	0 courts	(6) courts
Skateboard park	NA	(2) skate parks	(3) skate parks
Tennis court	9 courts	13 courts	0 courts
Ice rink	(2) rinks	(1) rink	(1) rink
Handball/Racquetball court	2 courts	3 courts	3 courts
Golf Course (9 or 18 holes)	2 courses	4 courses	3 courses
Playfields	NA*	43 playfields	39 playfields
Multi-use court	30 courts	39 courts	34 courts

*Inventory noted for 2002 soccer fields included multi-purpose playfields with goal posts on site. The 2008-2012 SCORP includes separate categories for both soccer fields and playfields. Of special note, playground facility inventory grew significantly from the years 2002 to 2013. This increase is due to the development of 19 playgrounds at 16 city-owned parks, as well as an increase in 9 school facilities. The estimated 2.5 percent increase in population per year will again create a need for 22 more playgrounds by 2022.

Columbia Parks and Recreation will continue to collaborate with DNR and other government and non-municipal/quasi-public agencies to provide a well-balanced park system that meets local community needs. The information in this chapter should not be used as an all-inclusive list of recreational facility needs, but rather as one of many indicators. Recommendations based on all factors considered for capital improvement projects can be found in Chapter 11 - Recommended Capital Improvements.



Barberry Neighborhood Park Development Scheduled 2015



Smith Community Park Phase 1 Development Scheduled 2014



Gans Creek Recreation Area (Regional Park) Phase 1 Development Scheduled 2013 - 2015