

Pleasant Valley Park NEWSLETTER#1

Preliminary Park Master Plan Offered at September 21 Presentation

Local residents gathered at meetings held in April and June of 2004 to provide ideas for a plan for the Pleasant Valley Community Park located next to the Pleasant Valley Schools on NE 50th Avenue. The site contains 40 acres and extends from NE 50th Avenue on the east to Salmon Creek Road on the west. Salmon Creek flows through the site along the western edge. Public input was integrated into two alternative concept plans for the park. After the presentation of the plans at the June meetings, residents shared ideas, concerns and favorite components from the designs.

These have now been combined to create a preferred plan for the park and will be presented at a public meeting on Wednesday, September 21, 7-8:30 p.m., at Pleasant Valley Middle School, Media Center, 14320 NE 50th, Vancouver, WA 98686. You are encouraged to come and talk with design team and Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Department staff members about the proposed plan.

Proposed components for the park

- Trail network connecting NE 50th Avenue, Salmon Creek Road, the neighborhood, the school, and the WSU campus.
- Existing lawn in drainage basins to be improved with trees, shrubs and groundcovers to create better habitat.
- Central activity area with pre-school age play ground, picnic shelter, tables and benches.
 Combination of asphalt, crushed rock, and natural trails.
- Restroom facility near central activity area.

- Boardwalk and interpretive signage near and along Salmon Creek.
- Management of invasive species.
- Tree and shrub plantings for screening.
- Retention of pole barn in natural area as a program element.
- Plan for future parking additions along Salmon Creek Road, NE 50th Avenue, and at the school.

Join us on September 21st!

You are encouraged to attend the presentation on September 21st and share your thoughts about the proposed plan for the park. For more information, call Terry Snyder, Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Department, at 619-1117 or email him at terry.snyder@ci.vancouver.wa.us.

Additional project information is also online at: www.clark.wa.gov/parkdesign