

Vision for North Beach Park

Topic: Improving Access & Connectivity

Goals:

- > Improve connectivity and access within the park and with local destinations.
- > Strengthen access to existing and future amenities for all visitors.
- > Create logical connections to manage additional parking for high use days.
- > Minimize impact of park activities, including parking in nearby neighborhoods.



Questions:

- > What connections within the park area could be improved or created for better access?
- > How might visitors be connected to downtown and other points of interest?
- > How could visitors be connected to existing parking options, such as those in downtown?
- > Would adding parking within the park lessen parking overflow?
- > What ways might visitors be able to help support improvements?

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Ideas for Access & Connectivity

Connecting Visitors to Parking

Parking Shuttle?



Investing in Beach Access for Everyone

Low-investment boardwalk?



Funding Park Investments

Pay for Parking?



Mass Transit?



High-investment boardwalk?



User Fee?



More ideas or thoughts to help us improve connections and access?
Share them with us!



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Topic: Improving Amenities & Design

Goals:

- > Craft an inspiring and environmentally-friendly park that attracts the public.
- > Utilize existing natural features while providing adequate facilities for days with high visitation.
- > Enhance the community characteristics with wayfinding design and public art.



Questions:

- > What would you like to see at your “Dream Beach”?
- > Consider the Oasis, does it provide everything you need?
- > Would the Oasis function better in another location in the park?
- > Are there other beaches that have facilities that you enjoy more?
- > What future amenities might make the park more attractive?



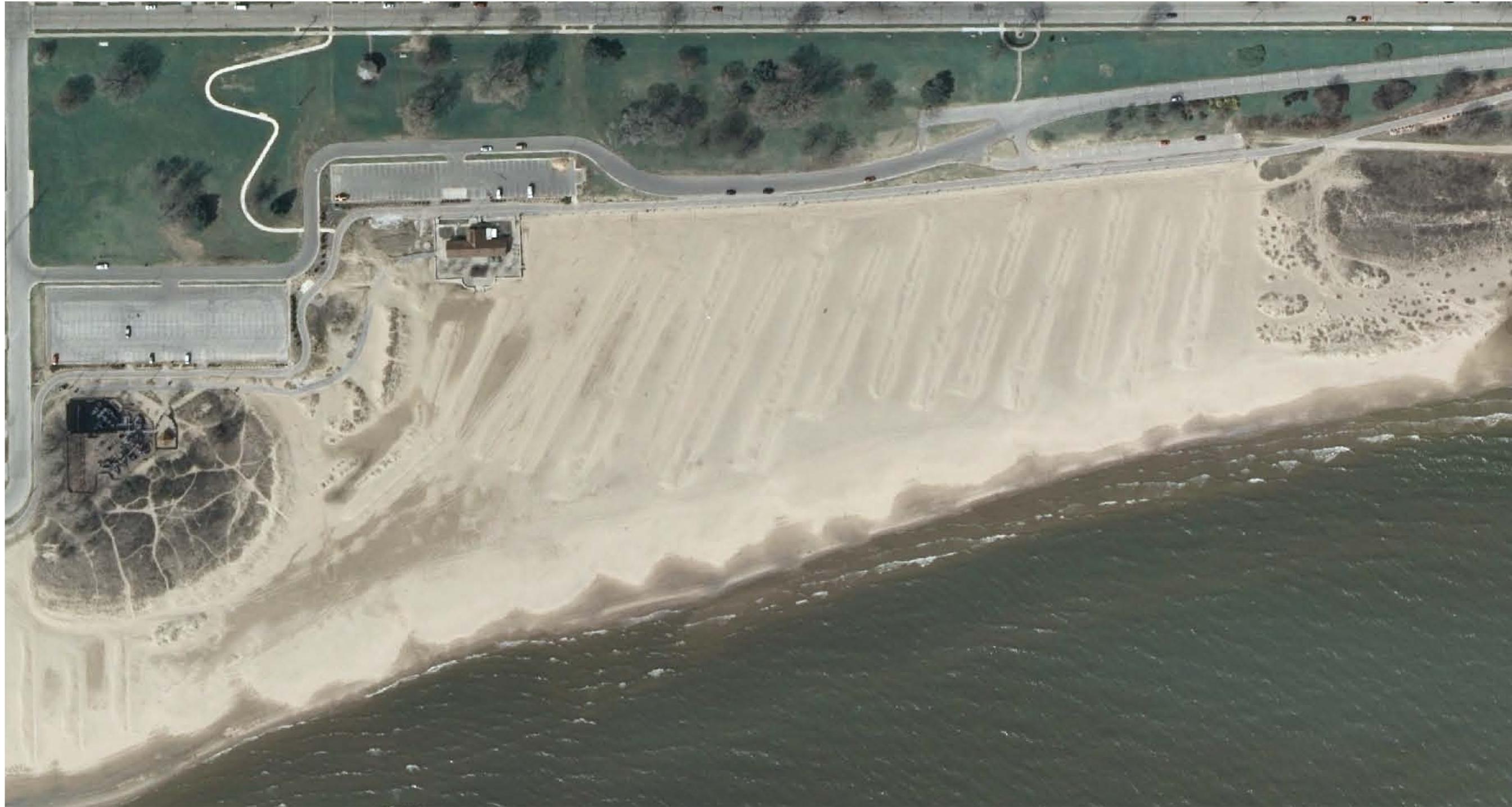
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Would the Oasis function better somewhere else in the park?

Would it be one building or two? Separate concessions and showers?



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Ideas for Design & Amenities

Bathroom Designs

How might the design of a new bathhouse reflect Racine?
What amenities should be part of the design?

Mothers' Beach, CA



South Shore Park, WI



Horseneck State Park, NH



Oceanfront Park, NC



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Topic: Strengthening Environmental Stewardship

Goals:

- > Educate public on coastal habitat, stormwater impacts, and water quality issues around the park.
- > Improve local water quality and minimize beach closures.
- > Reduce impact of high visitation and events through sustainable practices.



Questions:

- > How can we preserve the park's natural habitat and features?
- > How can we reach out to the community and visitors to improve awareness of the natural features?
- > How can we promote additional features and habitat within the park?
- > How might we balance the park's natural features with future programming and facilities?



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Consider the highlighted areas below,
Are there other areas of the park we could promote more natural features?



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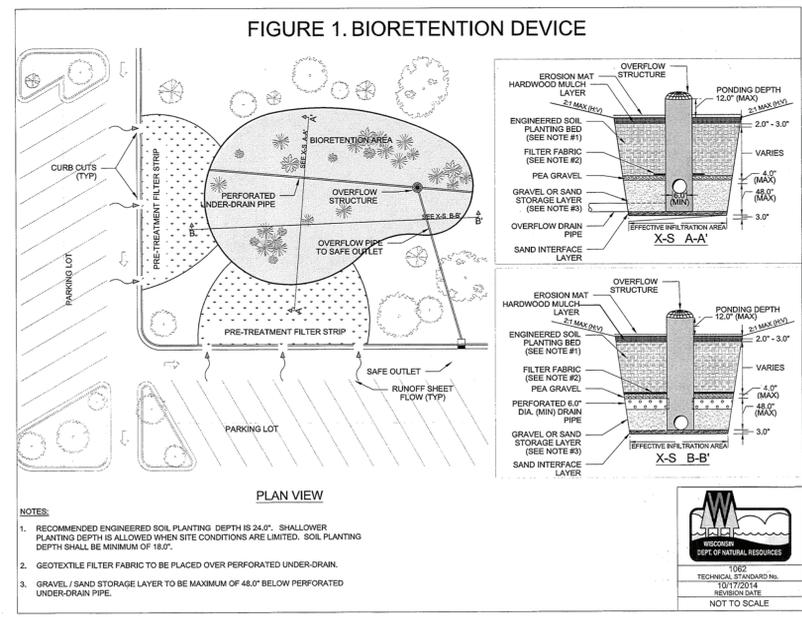
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Ideas for Environmental Stewardship

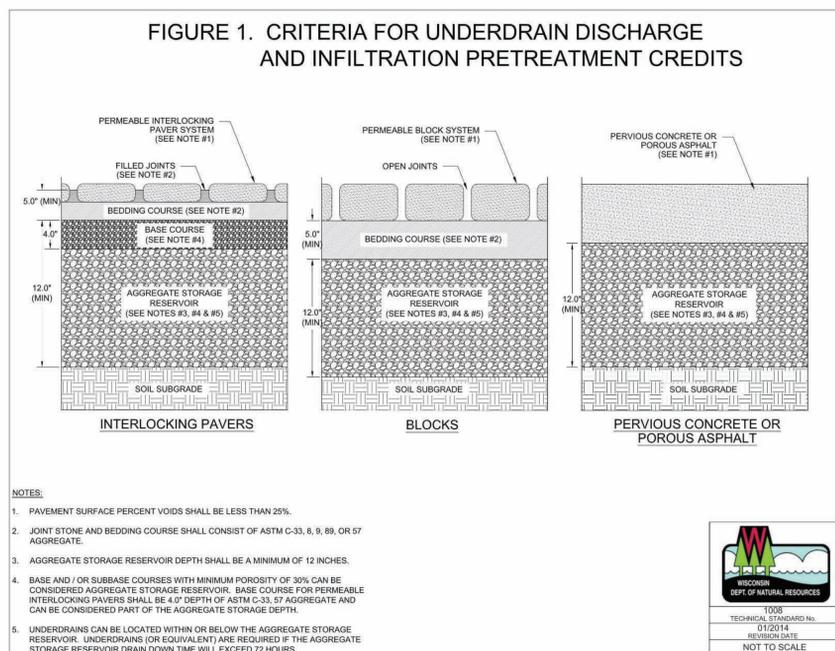
What ways can we continue to protect our valuable natural resources?



Bioswale (Greendale, WI)



Bioretention Basin (Rain Garden)



Permeable Pavement Types



Permeable Pavers (Egg Harbor, WI)

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Consider the highlighted area below,
Can we improve access to existing public parking in downtown? How?



P = Public Parking Lot or Structure **B** = Public Transit Stop



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Topic: Strengthening Public Health & Programming

Goals:

- > Promote community wellness by developing a year-round recreational opportunity.
- > Provide programming alternatives to activate park during off-season.
- > Promote a connection between City of Racine and local schools to establish educational opportunities within the park.

Questions:

- > What programming would you like to see available?
- > How could new programming be funded or supported?
- > How could the park better support the community's needs?
- > What barriers exist that would prevent people from participating in programming?
- > Are there examples of outdoor programming from other cities that you found influential or impactful on local youth?



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Ideas for Public Health & Programming

What would make you engage in more outdoor recreation?
What programming would support and improve youth development?

Outdoor Fitness Parks?



Outdoor Wellness Programs?



STEM Programming?



Outdoor Learning Centers?

