

Recreational Resource Protection and Enhancement



Bathhouse

- Retrofit the bathhouse as an events venue with facilities for caterers, ADA accessible restrooms, upgraded utilities, and a large-scale pavilion that can accommodate up to 500 guests.



Bandshell

- Upgrade existing bandshell: rehabilitate structure, regrade area, and remove pavement to provide discrete performance space with visual separation from parking lot.



Parking

- Design and construct a new day-use area parking lot that incorporates green infrastructure elements.
- Expand the golf clubhouse parking lot to accommodate anticipated demand, including overflow.



Picnic Shelters

- Make improvements to picnic shelters; improve path from shelters to day use area, upgrade comfort stations and upgrade utilities.



Recreation Amenities

- Create a multi-purpose court at the former roller rink (for e.g. basketball, lacrosse wall, street hockey).
- Develop a disc golf course at the Freedom Road Property.
- Provide fishing access to the pond at the Freedom Road Property.



Trails

- Improve and repair the park's existing trail system.
- Develop an accessible, off-road, park-wide multi-use path.
- Add an accessible walking path near the playground with seating and shade structures.
- Groom selected trails at the Freedom Road Property in winter to accommodate cross-country skiing and snowshoeing.
- Add a walking route with exercise stations in the existing softball area.
- Designate a walking trail system at the Freedom Road Property and provide connections with existing trails.



Golf Course

- Improve golf practice facility and upgrade existing facilities.
- Develop a banquet facility for parties up to 50 in former golf pro shop.

Natural and Cultural Resources Protection



Rare/Endangered Species

- Expand and improve habitat management for Turtles of Conservation Concern (e.g. Blanding's turtles; Eastern Box Turtle (Special Concern)).



Habitat Enhancement

- Implement and expand natural resource protections for key species/habitats
- Investigate opportunities to implement riparian/streambank or wetland creation and expansion; enhance buffers and create connectivity.
- Construct a berm system between the golf course and day-use area to create provide pollinator habitat and visual/functional separation.
- Develop an invasive species management program to establish a more proactive approach.
- Implement habitat enhancement opportunities (e.g., grassland management, bird habitat) on former agricultural lands.



Cultural Resources

- Develop an interpretation program that tells the story of the park's establishment and the significance of its design.
- Develop an annotated bibliography with original design documents for historical elements at the park.

Operations, Infrastructure and Facilities



Circulation System

- Plan and implement traffic calming measures at the park.
- Develop a comprehensive, parkwide plan to improve signage, wayfinding, traffic, trails and interpretative signage.
- Improve accessibility to park and park entrances with a plan for clear signage, plantings, and arrival experience.



Management and Operations

- Develop a plan for management, operations and natural resource protections at Freedom Road Property.
- Create a staffing plan that addresses current and proposed activity at the park.
- Build a new park manager's house at the Freedom Road property.
- Implement a more efficient and functional maintenance area.
- Develop online and downloadable information on park amenities, activities and resources, including capacity of facilities.



Utilities

- Upgrade utilities parkwide to provide reliable service and accommodate new and expanded development.
- Upgrade water supply systems for current and future park operations.

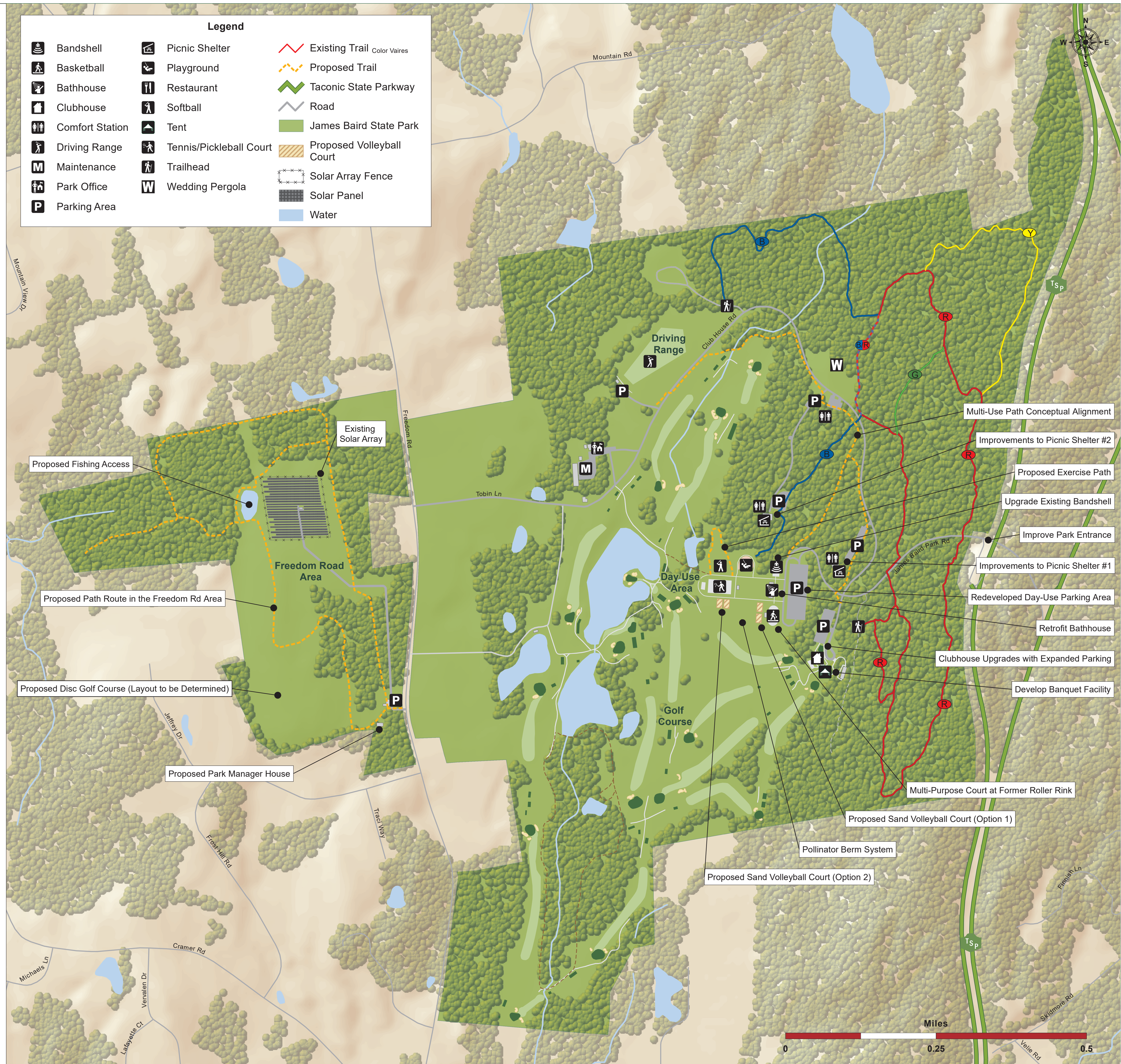


Education and Programming

- Develop new visitor activity programs (e.g. introduction to activities – e.g., Pickleball, golf, disc golf).
- Enhance environmental education and outreach, including publicity, programs, and partnerships, to encourage people to visit the park.
- Develop an interpretation program that tells the story of the establishment of the park and its design.
- Develop signage, podcasts, social media, and other technologies for self-guided educational content.
- Develop a general information resource about the park that describes amenities, resources, and capacity of facilities for organizing/planning events.

Legend

	Bandshell		Picnic Shelter		Existing Trail Color Vaires
	Basketball		Playground		Proposed Trail
	Bathhouse		Restaurant		Taconic State Parkway
	Clubhouse		Softball		Road
	Comfort Station		Tent		James Baird State Park
	Driving Range		Tennis/Pickleball Court		Proposed Volleyball Court
	Maintenance		Trailhead		Solar Array Fence
	Park Office		Wedding Pergola		Solar Panel
	Parking Area				Water



Proposed Fishing Access

Proposed Path Route in the Freedom Rd Area

Proposed Disc Golf Course (Layout to be Determined)

Proposed Park Manager House

Existing Solar Array

Driving Range

Day-Use Area

Golf Course

Multi-Purpose Court at Former Roller Rink

Proposed Sand Volleyball Court (Option 1)

Proposed Sand Volleyball Court (Option 2)

Pollinator Berm System

Clubhouse Upgrades with Expanded Parking

Develop Banquet Facility

Redeveloped Day-Use Parking Area

Improve Park Entrance

Upgrade Existing Bandshell

Improvements to Picnic Shelter #1

Proposed Exercise Path

Improvements to Picnic Shelter #2

Multi-Use Path Conceptual Alignment