DeKalb County
Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs

Master Plan Update for Intrenchment Creek Park

## Public Meeting

March 31, 2021

### Today's Public Meeting

- All participants are muted by the host
- ► No live questions will be taken
- For any comments or questions please use the Q&A (Questions & Answers) function from your Zoom menu
- Questions will be answered at the end of this presentation
- Survey-polling for each of proposed amenity will follow at the end of this presentation

#### Introductions

- ▶ Wood Team of a scientist, a planner, and an engineer:
  - Jonathan Bourdeau, PWS
  - Gregg Hudspeth, ASLA, LEED AP, CNU-A
  - Mirsada Ilic, PE, PMP, LEED AP, BCEE
- ► Commissioner: Mr. Larry Johnson (District 3)
- Mr. Chuck Ellis, Director DeKalb County Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA)

#### **Project Timeline**

- ► In 2018, Blackhall Studios, presented the county with proposed land exchange
- Proposed exchange included Studio owned three parcels (55 acres) along Bouldercrest Road with
- DeKalb County owned 40 acres in Intrenchment Creek Park
- ► In 2021, DeKalb County BOC approved the propose land exchange

#### Project Timeline - cont.

- DeKalb County staff completed a comprehensive analysis to ensure the proposal provided equal to, or greater than, overall value to the county to include:
  - Evaluation of property characteristics
  - Land value
  - Ecological profile (tree protection/stormwater implications) and more

#### Project Timeline - cont.

- Amenities committed by Blackhawk Studios include:
  - Pavilion with restroom
  - Parking
  - New trail
  - Boardwalk and overlook
  - Remote control airfield
  - Signage
  - Access gate

### Purpose of Today's Public Meeting

- ▶ DeKalb County wants to develop a Master Plan for the Intrenchment Creek Park
- ► The Master Plan will include amenities committed by Blackhall Studios
- ► The Plan will also include amenities requested by the community and committed to by DeKalb County

### TODAY

Meeting Participants will provide their feedback on the proposed amenities

### Master Plan Proposed Timeline

- Stakeholders and Community Meetings
  - March 31, 2021
  - In 45-60 days draft Master Plan
- Final Master Plan Presentation
- Adoption by DeKalb County BOC

## Intrenchment Creek Park (before exchange)



## Intrenchment Creek Park (exchange parcels)



## Intrenchment Creek Park (after exchange)



## Intrenchment Creek Park (connectivity)



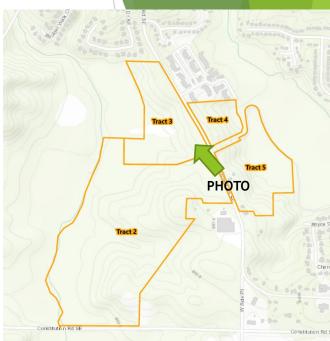








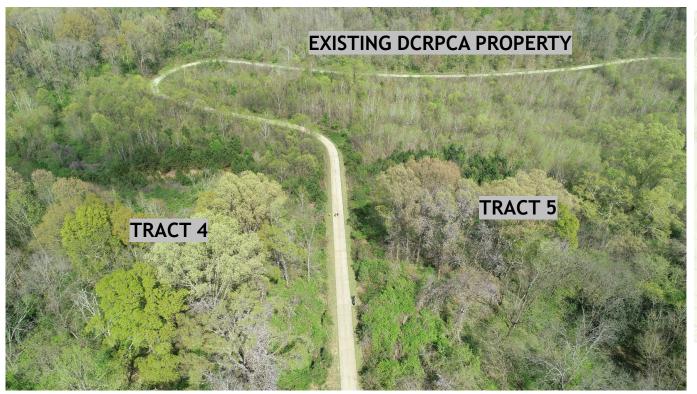
Aerial view of Tract 3 looking northwest from Bouldercrest Road



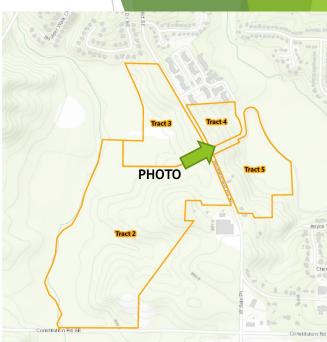


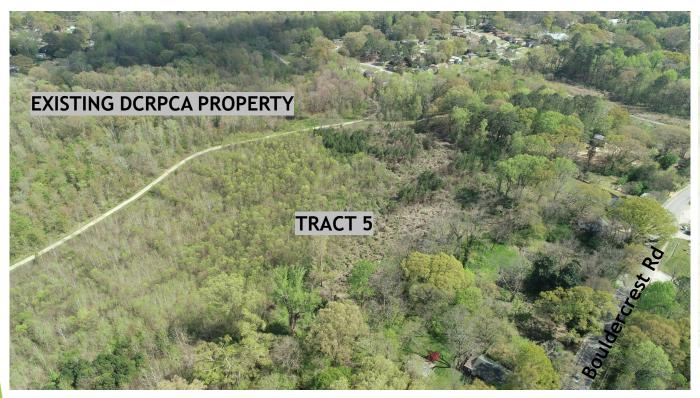














Aerial view of Tract 5 looking southeast from Bouldercrest Road



Sign along South River Trail



Tract 4 Woodlands



**Existing South River Trail** 



Area of kudzu on Tract 5 (location of proposed R/C airfield)

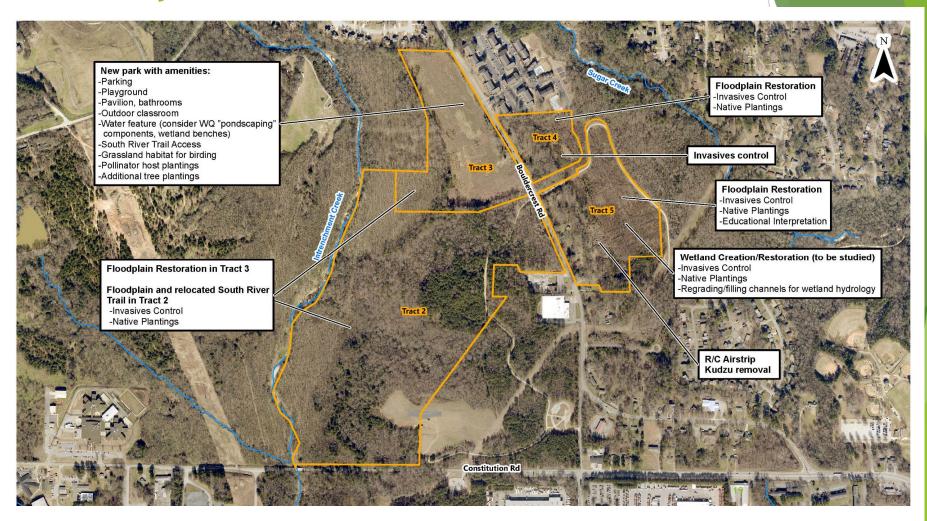


Floodplain in Tract 3



Floodplain in Tract 5

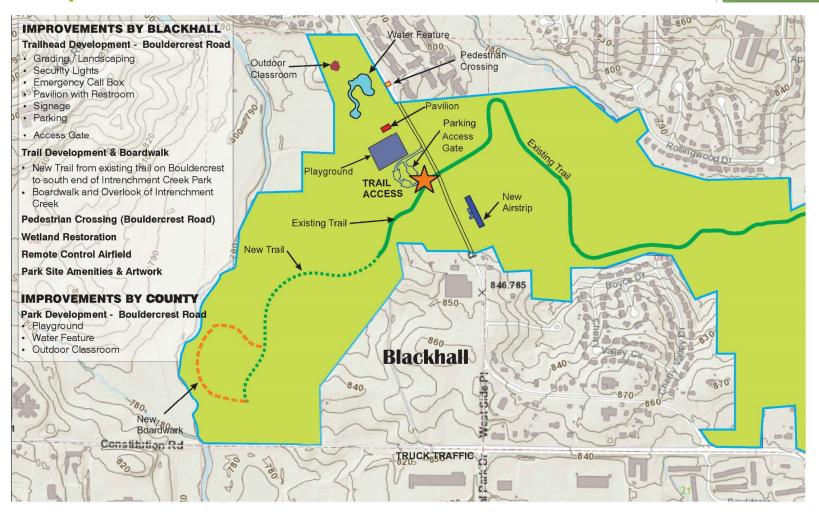
## **Summary Recommendations**



## Proposed Amenities/Improvements Opportunities for Each Tract

- ► Tract 2: New Trail, Boardwalk and Overlook, Invasives Control, Floodplain/Wetland Restoration
- ► Tract 3: Parking, Pavilion with Restroom Facility, Playground, Outdoor Classroom, Water Feature (creek theme, spray pad, shade sails), Landscaping, Security Lights and Emergency Call Box, Signage, Invasives Control
- ► Tract 4: Invasives Control, Floodplain/Wetland Restoration
- ► Tract 5: Remote Control Airfield, Invasives Control, Floodplain/Wetland Restoration

#### **Proposed Amenities**



# Enhanced Amenities Proposed by DeKalb County

- Water Feature (creek theme, A.D.A spray pad, shade sails)
- A.D.A. Compliant Playground





# Enhanced Amenities Proposed by DeKalb County

- Trailhead Entrance
- Outdoor Classroom





## Proposed Amenities Community Survey - Polling

- 1. Pavilion with restroom
- 2. New trail from existing location at Bouldercrest Rd to south end of park
- 3. Boardwalk and overlook along Intrenchment Creek
- 4. New airstrip
- 5. Playground
- 6. Water Feature
- 7. Outdoor classroom

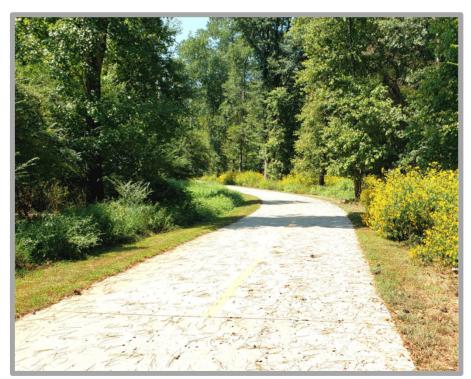
1. Pavilion with Restrooms

On a scale of 1 to 10 - how essential is this amenity to you?



2. New Trail (shown on tract 2)

On a scale of 1 to 10 - how essential is this amenity to you?



3. Boardwalk and Overlook along Intrenchment Creek
On a scale of 1 to 10 - how essential is this amenity to you?



4. New Airstrip
On a scale of 1 to 10 - how essential is this amenity to you?



5. Playground
On a scale of 1 to 10 - how essential is this amenity to you?



6. Water Feature (creek theme, A.D.A splash/spray pad, shade sails)
On a scale of 1 to 10 - how essential is this amenity to you?



#### 7. Outdoor Classroom

On a scale of 1 to 10 - how essential is this amenity to you?



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Q&A