



METROPARKS SEEKS PUBLIC INPUT ON PROPOSED GRANT PROJECT AT DEXTER-HURON METROPARK

BRIGHTON, Mich. — February 24, 2020 – The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority (HCMA) is seeking public input on four projects being submitted to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Recreation Grants program. One of these projects is proposed for Dexter-Huron Metropark to make improvements to the kayak launch area. This project will help realize several goals identified in the Dexter-Huron and Delhi Master Plan adopted by HCMA Board of Commissioners in November 2018.

Dexter-Huron Metropark is one of thirteen Metroparks owned and managed by HCMA. It is a 120-acre park located in Scio Township. The park is situated on the Upper Middle Huron River and in a designated Natural River District.

The proposed project involves developing an accessible floating kayak launch and making updates to the surrounding amenities using universal design principles. If awarded, the project would include:

- Replacing existing benches with a total of three surface mounted benches that include wheelchair companion seating on side
- Shoreline improvements at kayak launch/take-out area including an accessible floating launch, sand launch area, rip rap protection, and boulders for sitting
- A total of three accessible picnic units with tables and grills
- Native tree plantings
- Accessible pathways
- Three accessible van parking spaces
- Four trailer parking spaces with two being accessible
- Bio-retention area center of asphalt turn-around
- Aggregate loading and unloading area
- Improvements to the historic West Picnic Shelter

The public is invited to review the conceptual site plan, posted on the Metroparks website at <http://www.metroparks.com/about-us/planning-department/> and input and comments will be accepted via email to Jay Bibby at Jason.Bibby@metroparks.com from February 24 through March 6, 2020. A project display will also be posted for the two-week public review period at the Hudson Mills park office at 8801 North Territorial Rd., and the Dexter District Library at 3255 Alpine, Dexter, MI.

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About Huron-Clinton Metroparks

One of America's premier metropolitan park systems, the Huron-Clinton Metroparks have served the people of Southeast Michigan since 1940. Managed by the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, the Metroparks are made up of 13 properties in Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw, and Wayne counties. Available activities include fishing, swimming, boating, hiking, nature study, biking, golf, winter sports and more. The Metroparks also provide educational resources on science, nature, history and the environment. Learn more at Metroparks.com.