Department of Conservation and Recreation Commonwealth of Massachusetts



ROXBURY HERITAGE STATE PARK SIGNATURE PARK PROJECT

COMMUNITY PLANNING WORKSHOP

Monday, March 24, 2014 – 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Roxbury Community College Student Center

"It is important that every community have access to great green space, that common space, around which community is built, is appropriate and accessible everywhere. That is why we have invested in 170 parks and open spaces, new ones and re-built ones all over this Commonwealth.

And it's time for the Roxbury Heritage State Park"
- Governor Deval Patrick

AGENDA

Workshop Purpose: To invite the community to help create a vision and refine the project goals and objectives for an improved Roxbury Heritage State Park.

- 6:00 Welcome and Introductions
- 6:15 **Presentation**

Purpose and Process
Project Background/Context

6:30 Visioning Questions and Goal Stations

Add Comments Prioritize

- 7:25 Report Back and Q & A
- 7:55 Closing and Next Steps

To view tonight's presentation, visit http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/public-outreach/public-meetings/. If you have comments regarding this project or wish to be added to an email list serv, please email DCR.Updates@state.ma.us, noting "RHSP" in the subject line or write to the DCR Office of Public Outreach, 251 Causeway St., 6th Floor, Boston, MA 02114.



The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) is grateful to our partner, Roxbury Community College, for hosting this event.

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PROJECT GOALS

Celebrate the rich and diverse history of Roxbury

Make improvements to the Dillaway-Thomas House and increase its use as a community resource

Include the community during all phases of planning and construction process

Restore and interpret the historic landscape at the Dillaway-Thomas House to promote public use and awareness

LONG-TERM ASPIRATIONS:

- Enhance a strong positive image for Roxbury, amplify neighborhood pride and reinforce community character
- Foster a culture of stewardship

DESIRED OUTCOMES OF THE PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

- Articulate a shared vision and related goals & objectives
- Community building
- Consensus regarding the future
- Improved working relationship among various constituents
- Shared understanding of concerns and desires
- Attention to process and enthusiasm for project
- Increased awareness and pride in the history and the place
- Inspire local residents to use the Park more
- Involve community in all phase

PUBLIC WORKSHOPS

DATE	LOCATION	PURPOSE
Public Workshop #1 March 24, 2014	Roxbury Community College	 Develop Vision & Goals Visioning Questions (Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities and Threats [SWOT] Analysis) Begin to prioritize
Patriot's Day April 21, 2014	At the Roxbury Heritage State Park house and park	 Increase awareness re: project Display alternatives & ask for feedback
Public Workshop #2 April 24, 2014	Location: TBA	Presentation of Alternative Scenarios
Public Workshop #3 May 29, 2014	Location: TBA	Presentation of Preferred Alternative

Also planned are smaller meetings with area youth, neighborhood & cultural organizations.