

Constitution Beach Playground Renovation



DCR Public Information Meeting

Tuesday, December 19th 6:00-7:00 p.m.

CONSTITUTION BEACH PLAYGROUND RENOVATION

12/19/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Governor Maura T. Healey

Lieutenant Governor
Kimberley Driscoll

Energy and Environmental Secretary

Rebecca L. Tepper

Department of Conservation and Recreation Commissioner **Brian Arrigo**





DCR Mission Statement

To protect, promote and enhance our common wealth of natural, cultural and recreational resources for the well-being of all.



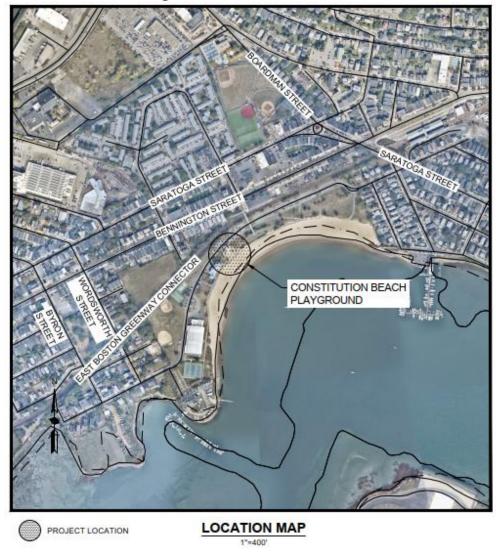
Meeting Logistics

- There will be a Q&A period after the presentation concludes.
- Two ways to ask questions during the meeting
 - Use chat feature
 - Raise your hand using the Zoom function, and you will be given permission to unmute and speak.

Please note that this public information meeting will be recorded; the recording will be a public record.



Project Location





Project Goals

- Improve safety and accessibility
- Increase number and types of play activities
- Add site improvements and furnishings
- Improve environmental impact
- Increase shade within playground
- Increase maintainability

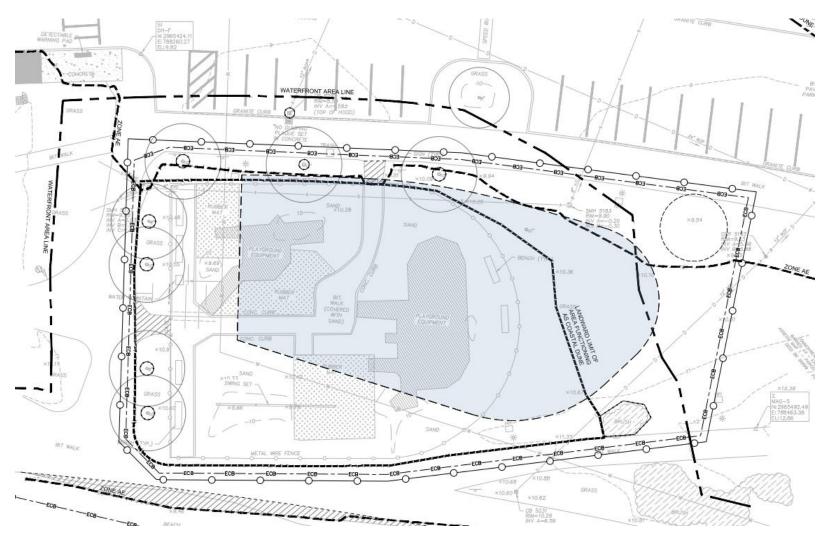


Current Playground





Existing Plan with Proposed Play Area

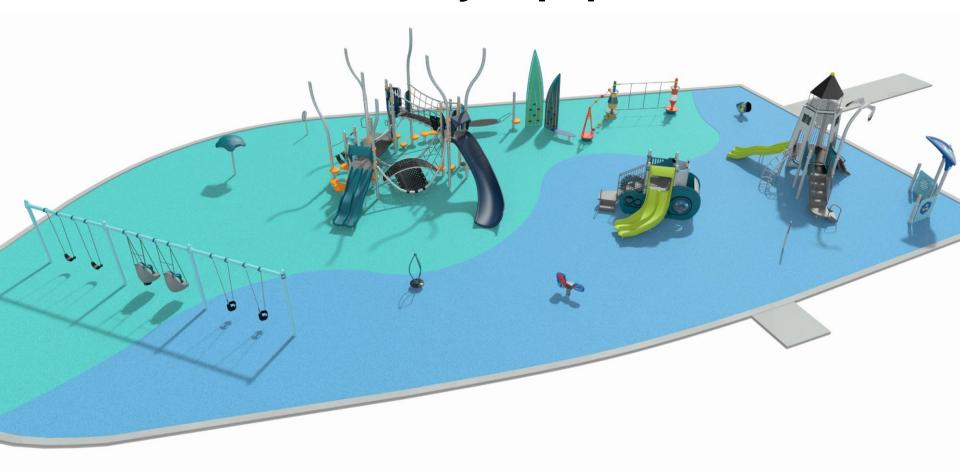




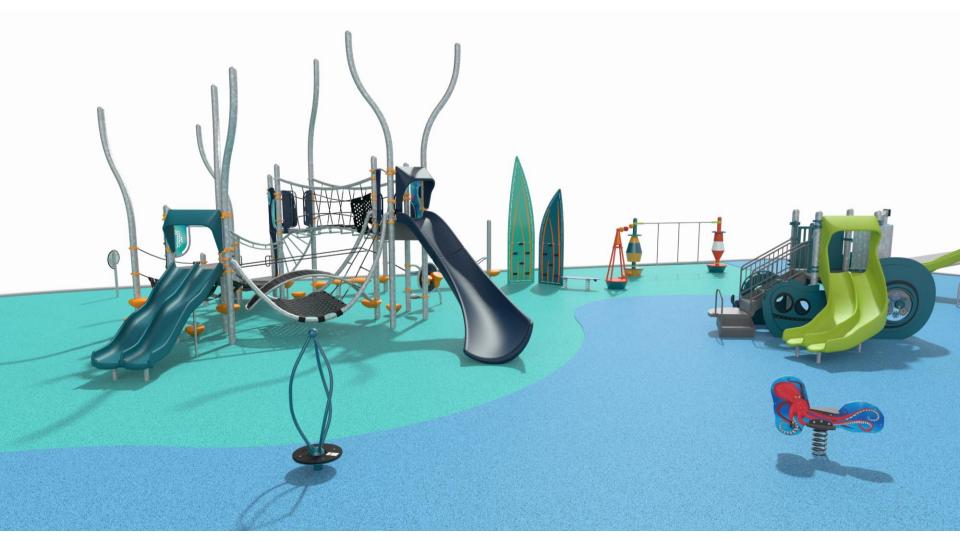
Proposed Plan







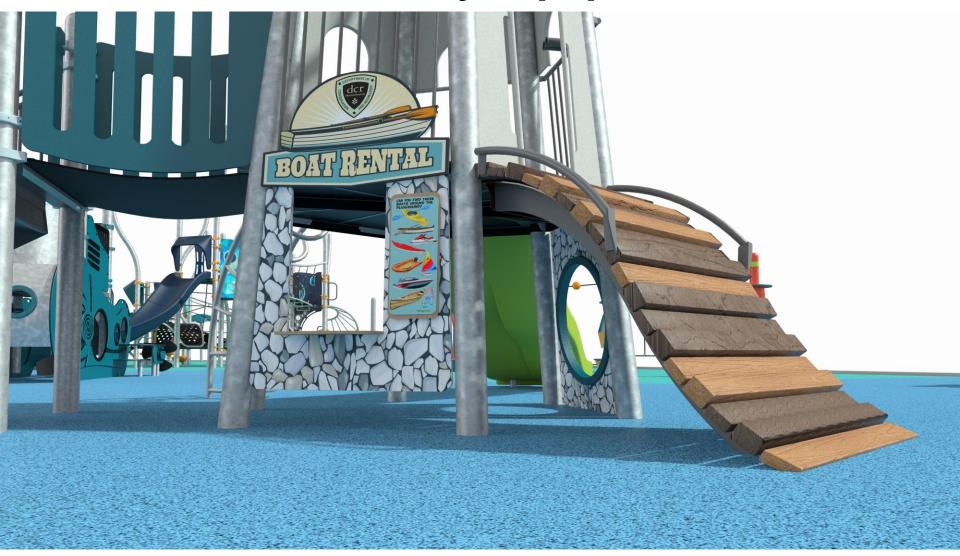












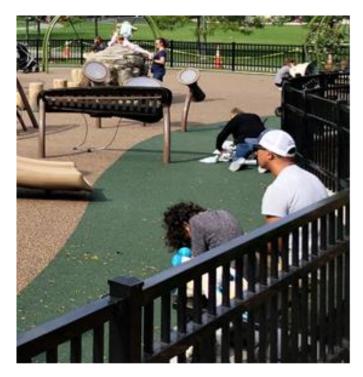








Play Surfacing and Fencing



Poured-in-place rubber and fence example



Poured-in-place rubber layout



Project Benefits

- Enhancing play value with additional options including spinning, rocking, fine motor manipulatives, balancing, spatial awareness, problem solving, coordination, and agility
- Installing play equipment and play surfacing for ages 2-5 and 5-12 that meet current safety standards and offer higher accessibility
- Incorporating as many types of play as possible with a coastal nature theme
- Providing bike racks, bottle filling/drinking fountain, and seating areas
- Adjusting playground location and adding native plants to enhance landscape, beach, and dune restoration
- Increasing shaded areas within playground



Project – Next Steps/Timetable

- Permitting completed in fall of 2023
- Construction plans complete winter 2023-2024
- Playground equipment ordered spring 2024
- Construction estimated to begin late summer 2024
- Anticipate playground opening late fall 2024



Q&A





Additional Information

- Recording and tonight's slide deck will be available at:
 - www.mass.gov/dcr/past-public-meetings
- If you wish to subscribe to a DCR general information or project-related listserv:
 - contact DCR's Office of Community Relations via email at mass.parks@mass.gov