



INTERESTED PARTIES MEETING

Date: 8-24-23

Meeting Location: Gans Creek Cross Country Cross

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

While Columbia has some great opportunities for mountain biking, we have never had a super beginner friendly mountain bike trail. With the growth of mountain biking in the Midwest over the past decade and the recent addition of Missouri NICA, this seems like a perfect time to construct a green level trail to help beginners get into the sport and to host NICA races.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

I AM AGAINST THIS FOR

A NUMBER OF REASONS.

I WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION

~~THE~~ THAT THE AREA'S SOUTH PART

WAS TO BE ~~BE~~ LEFT UNTOUCHED.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

~~FEATHER~~ FURTHERMORE, ~~OTHER~~ I

THOUGHT THE MASTER PLAN LEFT

THIS UNTOUCHED. MY UNDERSTANDING

IS THAT THIS IS PRIMARLY FOR

BIKES! - ITS FINE FOR HIKING

RIGHT NOW. WE DONT  
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NEED OR WANT MORE DEVELOPMENT.

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

- Excited for more trails, NICA Races
- Potential for trail races like Rhett's Outdoor Challenge + Grindstone 7K
- Preserves the habitat
- Glad to see the 200# protection for heron rookery.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

I LOVE additional natural surface trails. Having more single track near town and having access to beginner-level mountain biking and hiking trails!

Also, the playground would be amazing for kids who are stuck watching their parents race at Lions Roar.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

If at all possible, it would be great to have running water available. That would be huge for NICA races and also for my own thirsty self.

Thank you for trying to get us more trails!

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

I like the idea of adding a NJICA/Adaptive Trail and then trail to the Columbia area

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

Make both trails directional to avoid user conflict

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

The use of exciting terrain features with little impact on the eco system.

Having 7 or so miles is great to make the trail worth visiting, but not too long it will scare people off.

Getting people outside is always a positive, healthy boost to minds.

I want to stay in town to spend more while riding w/ my family.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

Maybe add a mtb skills park or at the min a section with jumps.

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

More places to ride mountain bikes esp. targeted towards youth.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

Make the trail directional  
Access the south side of the creek  
~~Lead~~  
Add to existing trail in the future

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

I have been riding bikes in Como since @ 1995 in that time I have had several interested friends (@nd a wife) who did not stay with MTB because of a lack of entry level areas to learn bike skills. I now have a son who is riding with me and we very much realize how important it is to have an entry point for any athlete to grow into an activity.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

N/A

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

Overall, I support construction of a trail that is specifically developed for child + youth riders. So long as lighting is in compliance w/ best practices, I also support the proposed surface improvements on Gaus Road.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

The city apparently would not recover much money per user, and apparently the funds would go into a general recreation fund. I feel that for events + races, the park should recover at least \$10/participant, and those funds should be directly invested in this property + remediating the erosion + creek damage caused by the event races.

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Hello, please also see the written comment I submitted online  
-Robin Rotman

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

*Love the addition of mountain biking trails with the accompanying trailhead shelter, parking, & bike service stations.*

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

*Trailhead shelter needs at least a gender-neutral bathroom & a water bottle filling station. The addition of a charcoal grill at the trailhead would be great.*

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

I support the first phase of the bike trail / bike race trail. I understand that this is a popular sport. I recognize the City of Columbia serves many different sports and interests for the Columbia citizens. You have many remarkable parks. Thank you.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

I am particularly concerned about the second phase of the bike trail / course! Park Bridge Memorial State Park needs to be protected from environmental (light / etc.) pollution. A decade or two ago the city planned for a green belt around the city. That plan has hardly been followed at all. Park Bridge park is a gem for our city, as well as the county & state. I am very concerned about protecting the designated wild area in the park.

Harold R. Mera & Susan M. Lillman

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

Like that utilizes land around MDC facility.  
Like that most events occur in fall outside the breeding season.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

Enlarge heron rookery protection zone to 300+ feet as recommended by Washington state & Vermont state guidelines

Require dogs on leash - esp in south section

Protective buffer along length of Gans Creek 150'?  
Important since it is a state outstanding water. Needs protection during construction, maintenance + use.

Written guidance or policy that there will be no construction, races or other disturbances during breeding season Feb-Aug. in the south section & minimized in north section.

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Use more of the eastern open land for the bike trail and less crowded around creek ~~and~~ riparian zone

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Allow public input on final trail design. Good to have alternatives to compare.

Signage: "Don't ride when wet"

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This project is awesome! Love seeing new trails being built, especially for the newer, beginner rider. Also the potential to host a NICA race would be the best thing ever. These provide such incredible experiences to kids & adults. More multi-use trails for the community.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

- water fountain with a bottle filling spot
- two bridges would be cool if possible on the trail crossing the creek
- bathrooms with an "all genders sign"
- bathrooms • charging station at trailhead

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

We need more green beginner friendly trail in Columbia for mountain bikes & hiking. It would be great to have more trail, 4-5 miles, on the south side of the creek. Having the trail professionally designed but built by either volunteers or professionals. Riding through the creek by bikes & hiking. Making the trails off leash dog friendly would be great & take a load off of Rock Bridge.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

More trails on south side of creek. One direction trail for the trails on the north side of the creek. Also allowing the north side trails to be adaptive friendly would be wonderful.

It would be terrific to have the trails connect to Gans Wild area. One big trail system would be great.

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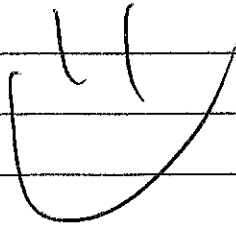
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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

We need safe beginner trails for introductory Mountain biking and youth trail sports including NGA. Ours is a perfect space to build and expand trails for expanding numbers of trail users. As we realize how important connection to the outdoors, nature and the earth are to overall health and well-being, we should continue to invest in access points for trail use.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

Off leash dog access. Doggos need wild spaces too.



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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

I really support getting kids out on trails

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

Allow off-leash dogs on the trail

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

I love the idea of developing beginner friendly trails. This will surely expose more kids to the benefits of nature.

I love the idea of more advance trails as well

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

off leash dog trails

night usage (trail riding) would be cool!  
Perhaps just until a reasonable time like 10pm

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

I think adding more outdoor opportunities to Columbia is never a bad idea. This particular project ~~is~~ will get more kids out in nature via MO NICA Scholastic Cycling. It will also be great for anyone who enjoys the outdoors and is looking for another place to go. Since the pandemic our trails are seeing much more traffic, a sign that we need more.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

I think this location would be a great leash free dog area. ~~It~~ We need more areas where dogs can be off leash besides just dog parks. Dogs and dog owners love to get out in the woods

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

Super support in more multi use trails,  
especially getting more kids in nature  
which is what this will do.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

would love to make this an  
off leash dog area

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Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

I love the proposal for more trails for hiking

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

An off-leash dog area would be amazing. I love bringing my dog with me on the trail.

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## Concerns about Gans Bike trail plan



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Reminder that public input meeting is tomorrow, Thurs. Details below.  
Some thoughts from Kevin Roberson, president of Friends of Rock Bridge :

All,

I am very much concerned about the 3 mile Southern Course. The majority of this race track is set in the area around Gans Creek that was specifically set aside as "Creek buffer and Natural Preservation Area" in the Gans Creek Recreation Area Masterplan. Gans Creek is a Missouri Outstanding Waterway and deserves to be protected, as the City had originally "promised" in their planning to get acceptance of this Park. I see no reason to allow this egregious incursion into what has previously been protected to allow for a mountain bike race track that is not protective in the least of this area. Please attend the meeting tomorrow or at least leave comments on the Beheard link.

Please stop by Thurs Aug 24, 5-7pm open house at Gans Creek Recreation Area 3100 Gans Road and say what you think about plans for a 7-mile mountain bike/walking trail (3 miles of which is on the north side of Gans Creek bordering Rock Bridge State Park.)

Maps are available at <https://beheard.como.gov/gans-creek-recreation-area> where you can also leave comments.

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