



# *Detweiler Park Master Plan*

OFFICE OF PARKS AND RECREATION - DAUPHIN COUNTY

**PUBLIC MEETING 1**

**PROJECT BACKGROUND & BRAINSTORMING**

**02.03.2020**

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# MEETING AGENDA

1. Introductions
2. Master Plan Process
3. Project Study Area Review
4. Brainstorming Session
5. Questions and Answers
6. Next Steps



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# PROJECT TEAM

## Simone Collins Landscape Architecture

- Peter Simone, RLA, FASLA
- Sarah Leeper, RLA, ASLA
- Rob Gladfelter, ASLA

## Applied Ecological Services

- Michael McGraw, Wildlife Biologist
- Jessie S. Buckner, Ecologist

## Comprehensive Land Services

- Patrick Fasano, Forester

## Seiler + Drury Architecture

- Doug Seiler, Architect

## Patrick Stasio

- Certified Recreational & Park Professional



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# TEAM SCOPE

## Simone Collins Landscape Architecture

With the support of the Project Team SC will take the lead in Master Plan process:

- Purpose, Goals and Objectives
- Public Participation Process
- Background Information & Site Inventory
- Design Considerations, Process & Recommendations
- Cost Estimate & Phased Capital Development Program
- Maintenance and Operation Costs & Revenue
- Security Analysis
- Report Narrative and Graphics
- Trail Map Graphic
- Executive Summary

## Pat Stasio. CPRP

Pat Stasio will coordinate with County and SC in regards to Design Considerations & Recommendations, Cost, Maintenance and Security



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# TEAM SCOPE

## Comprehensive Land Services

### Forest Stewardship Plan.

- Field Work
- Forest Stewardship Plan: recommendations by forest stands

## Seiler + Drury Architecture

### Structural & Architectural Assessment:

- Inspect all (8) buildings / structures.
- Written Narrative:
  - Concerns and life expectancy of major building systems,
  - Define any demolition recommendations,
  - Prepare a preliminary maintenance management plan for each structure.
  - Depending on continued existing or conceptual use, outline code improvement requirements.
- Significant Historic Areas and Structures Review



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# TEAM SCOPE

## Applied Ecological Services

### Natural Resource Inventory

- Unlimited-distance, Single-observer Point Count for Birds (permanent plots)
- Vegetation Community Mapping
- Rapid Ecosystem Assessment
- Aquatic Communities
- Bioblitz
- Threatened and Endangered Animal Species Habitat Assessment
- Passive Insect Transects
- Timed Meanders for Botanical Diversity
- Wildlife Spotlight and Camera Trap Surveys
- Written Findings

### Report Narrative:

- Field (Meadow) Stewardship Plan
- Invasive Species Plan
- Waterways Plan

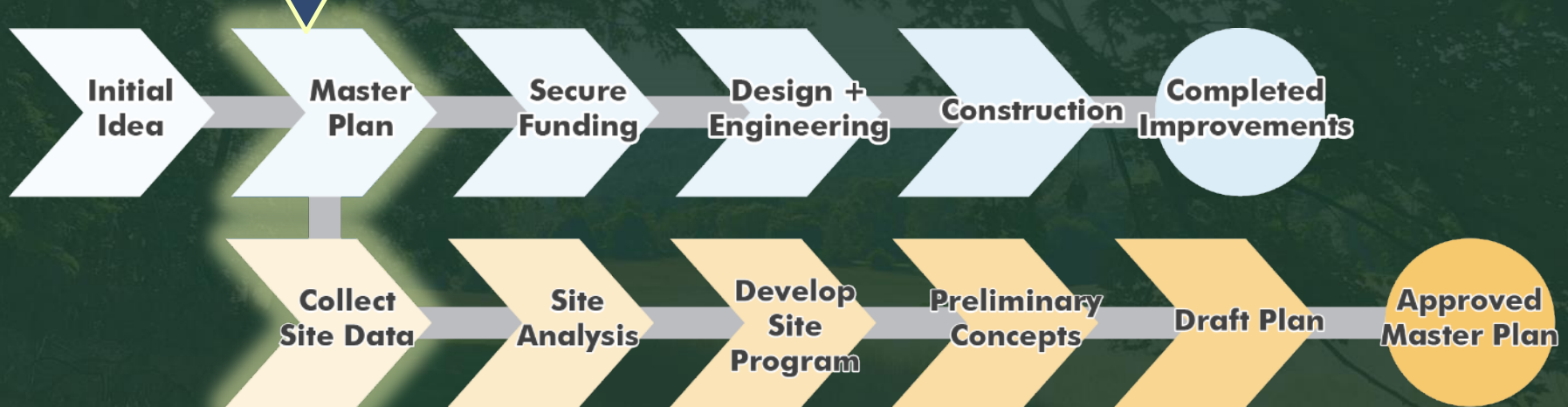


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# MASTER PLAN PROCESS

**We are Here**

*"All voices are heard and all ideas are honored"*




## Transparent Public Outreach Process:

- 4 Public Meetings
- 7 Study Committee Meetings
- 20 Key Person / Key Agency Interviews
- Web-based Public Opinion Survey
- Wiki Mapping – Web-based Interactive Public Participation
- Total Public Access to the SC Team During the Master Plan Process

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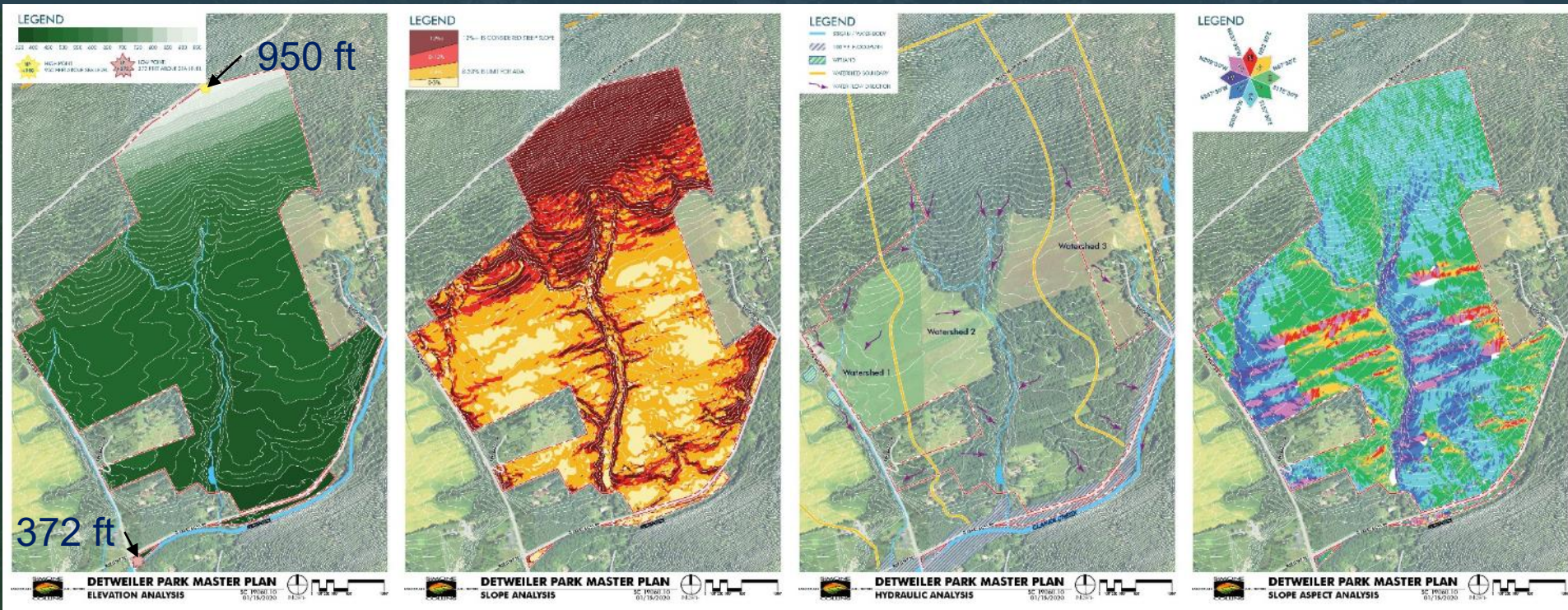


# PROJECT SCHEDULE

Meeting	Purpose	Date	Time
Committee Meeting 1	Kickoff Meeting / Brain Storming	Dec., 2019	6:00 PM
 Public Meeting 1	Project Background/Brain Storming	Feb. 3, 2020	7:00 PM
Committee Meeting 2	Review Public Meeting/Process Analysis	Feb., 2020	6:00 PM
Committee Meeting 3	Process Analysis/Initial Concepts	March, 2020	6:00 PM
Committee Meeting 4	Concept Review	April, 2020	6:00 PM
Public Meeting 2	Analysis and Concepts	May 11, 2020	7:00 PM
Committee Meeting 5	Concept Refinement	June, 2020	6:00 PM
Committee Meeting 6	Draft Plan Review	Sep., 2020	6:00 PM
Public Meeting 3	Draft Plan Presentation	Sep. 21, 2020	7:00 PM
<b>60 Day Review</b>			
Committee Meeting 7	Review Draft Plan Comments/ Plan Refinements	Nov., 2020	6:00 PM
Public Meeting 4	Final Plan Presentation	Dec. 7, 2020	7:00 PM

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# INITIAL ANALYSIS



## Elevation

- Topography
- High Point – 950 Ft
- Low Point – 372 Ft
- 578 Ft of elevation change

## Slope

- Steep slope 12%+ shown in maroon
- Flat areas shown in yellow

## Hydrology

- 3 Small Watersheds flow to Clark's Creek
- FEMA 100 Yr. Flood plain
- Wetlands

## Slope Aspect

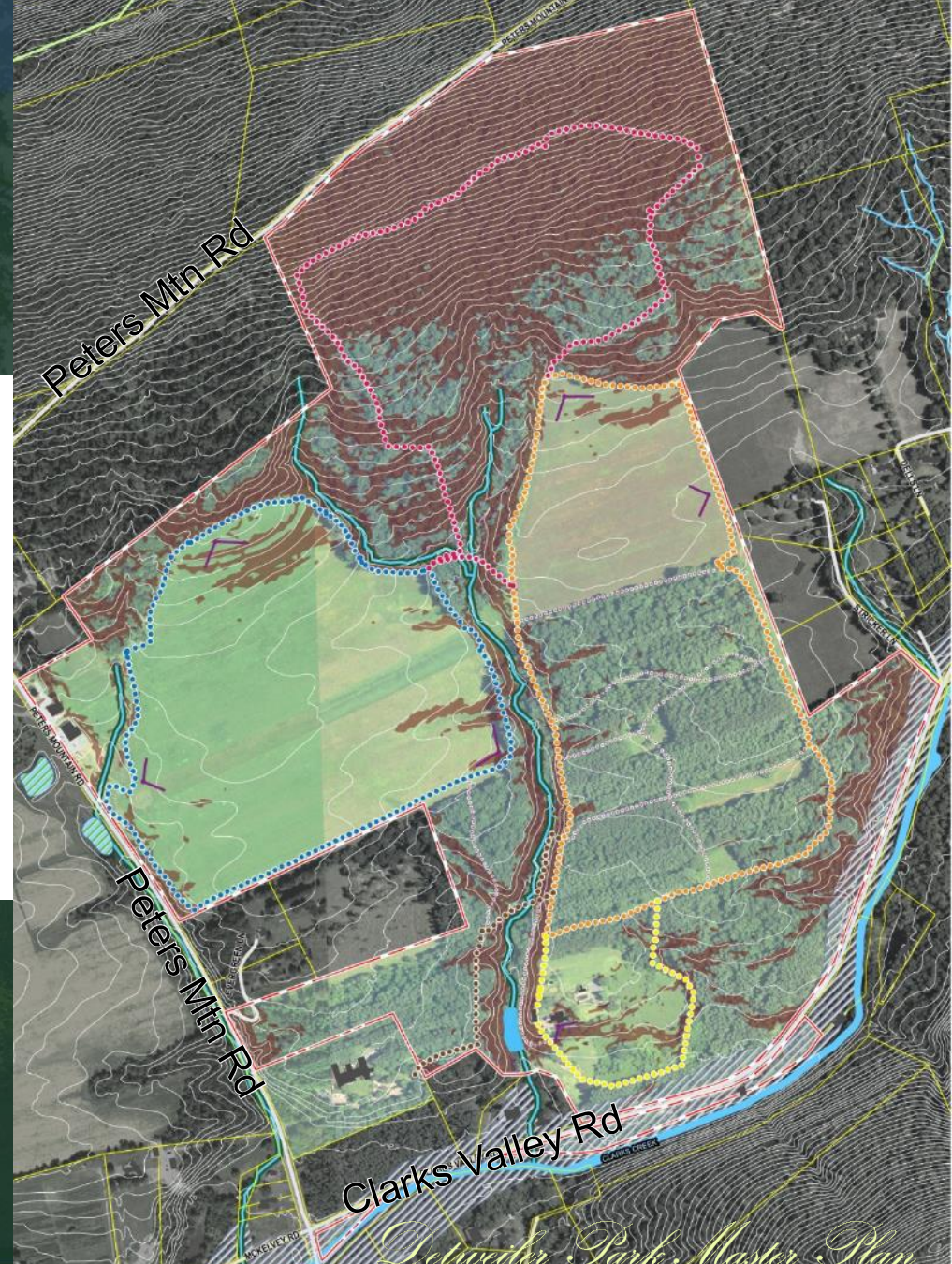
- Direction slope faces
- South facing slopes are sunnier

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# COMPOSITE SITE ANALYSIS

## LEGEND

- - Site Boundary
  - Parcel Boundary
  - 10' Contours
  - Roads
  - Buildings
  - Appalachian Trail
  - Stream
  - ▨ Floodplain
  - ▨ Wetland
- Site Trails:
- Stackpole Trail
  - Frankie's Dogleg Loop
  - David's Field Loop
  - Meade's Mountain Loop
  - Airstrip Loop
  - Secondary Trails
- Slopes < 12%
  - ▲ Viewsheds
  - Riparian Buffer

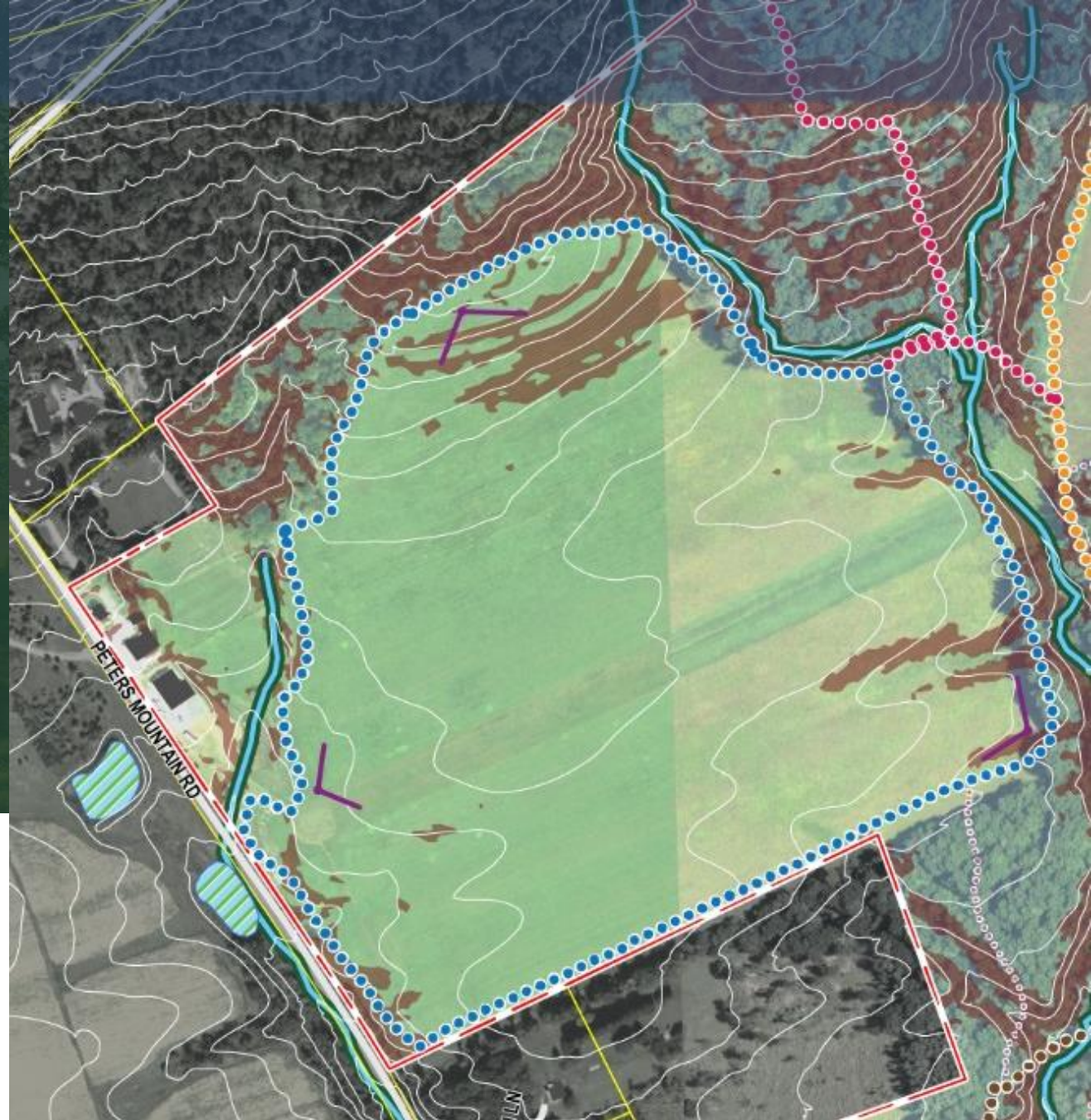


# AIRSTRIP FIELD

- **Airstrip Loop Trail**  
Distance: 1.5 Miles
- **Field Size: approx. 84 AC**
- **Former Airstrip**
- **Existing Driveway Entrance**
- **Area Buildings**
  - **Peter's Mountain House & Garage**
  - **Barn**
  - **Hanger**

## LEGEND

- |                      |                            |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| — Site Boundary      | ●●●● Site Trails:          |
| — Municipal Boundary | ●●●● Stackpole Trail       |
| — Parcel Boundary    | ●●●● Frankie's Dogleg Loop |
| — 10' Contours       | ●●●● David's Field Loop    |
| — Roads              | ●●●● Meade's Mountain Loop |
| — Buildings          | ●●●● Airstrip Loop         |
| — Appalachian Trail  | ●●●● Secondary Trails      |
| — Stream             | ■ Slopes <12%              |
| ▨ Floodplain         | ▲ Viewsheds                |
| ▨ Wetland            | — Riparian Buffer          |



# SITE TOUR

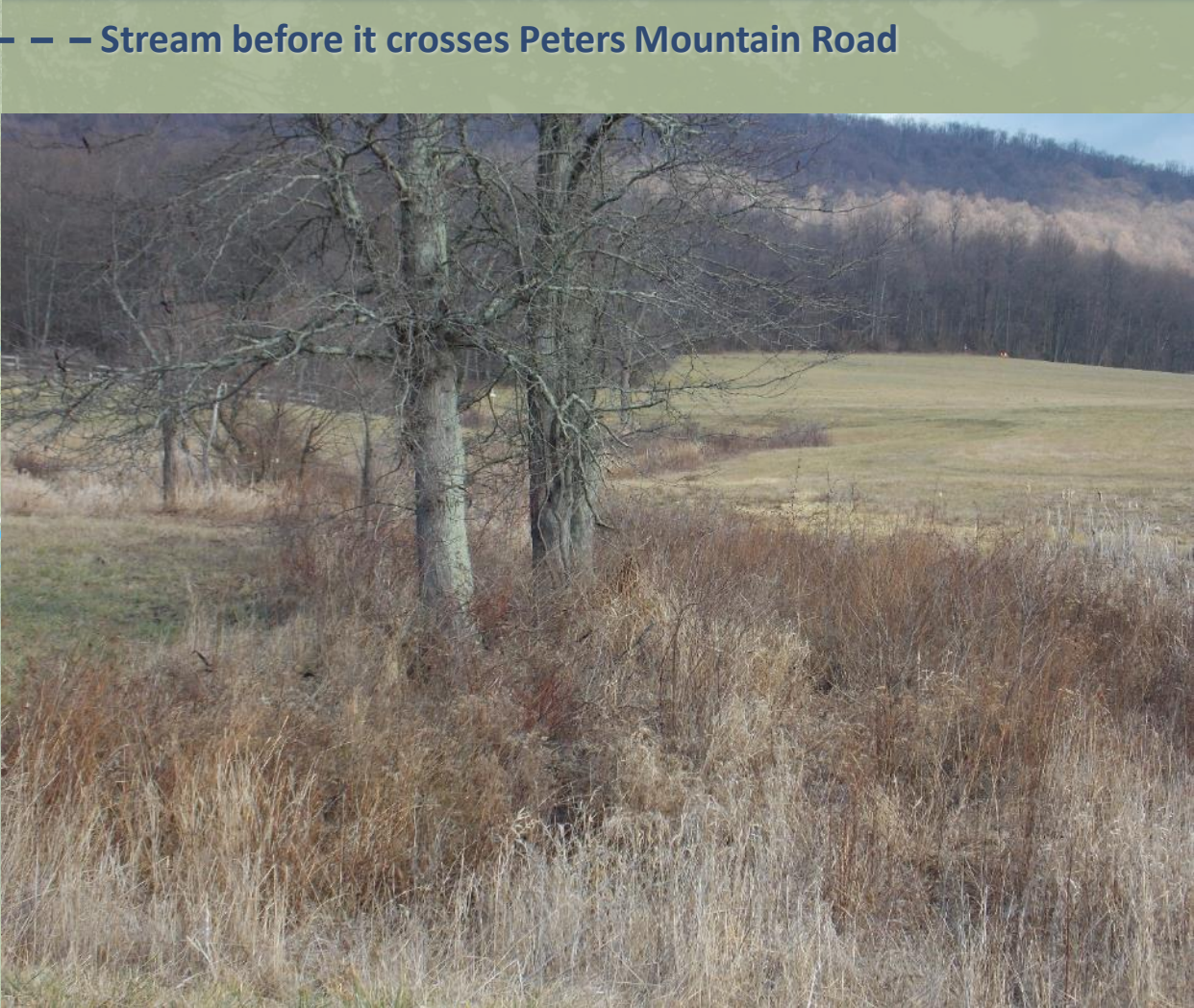


— — 1861 Peter's Mountain House and Barn along Peters Mountain Road



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# SITE TOUR



--- Stream before it crosses Peters Mountain Road

# SITE TOUR



--- Looking across the field northward towards the Hanger



# SITE TOUR



Looking across the field to the South



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# MEADE'S MT.

- Meade's Mountain Loop Trail Distance: 1.6 miles
- Acres Forest: approx. 127 AC
- Steep Slopes
- Natural Springs



## LEGEND

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| — Floodplain         | ■ Slopes < 12%             |
| — Wetland            | ∟ Viewsheds                |
|                      | — Riparian Buffer          |

# SITE TOUR



— — A welcoming sight after reaching the top of the Meade's Mountain Loop Trail



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# SITE TOUR



--- Hiking the Meade's Mountain Loop



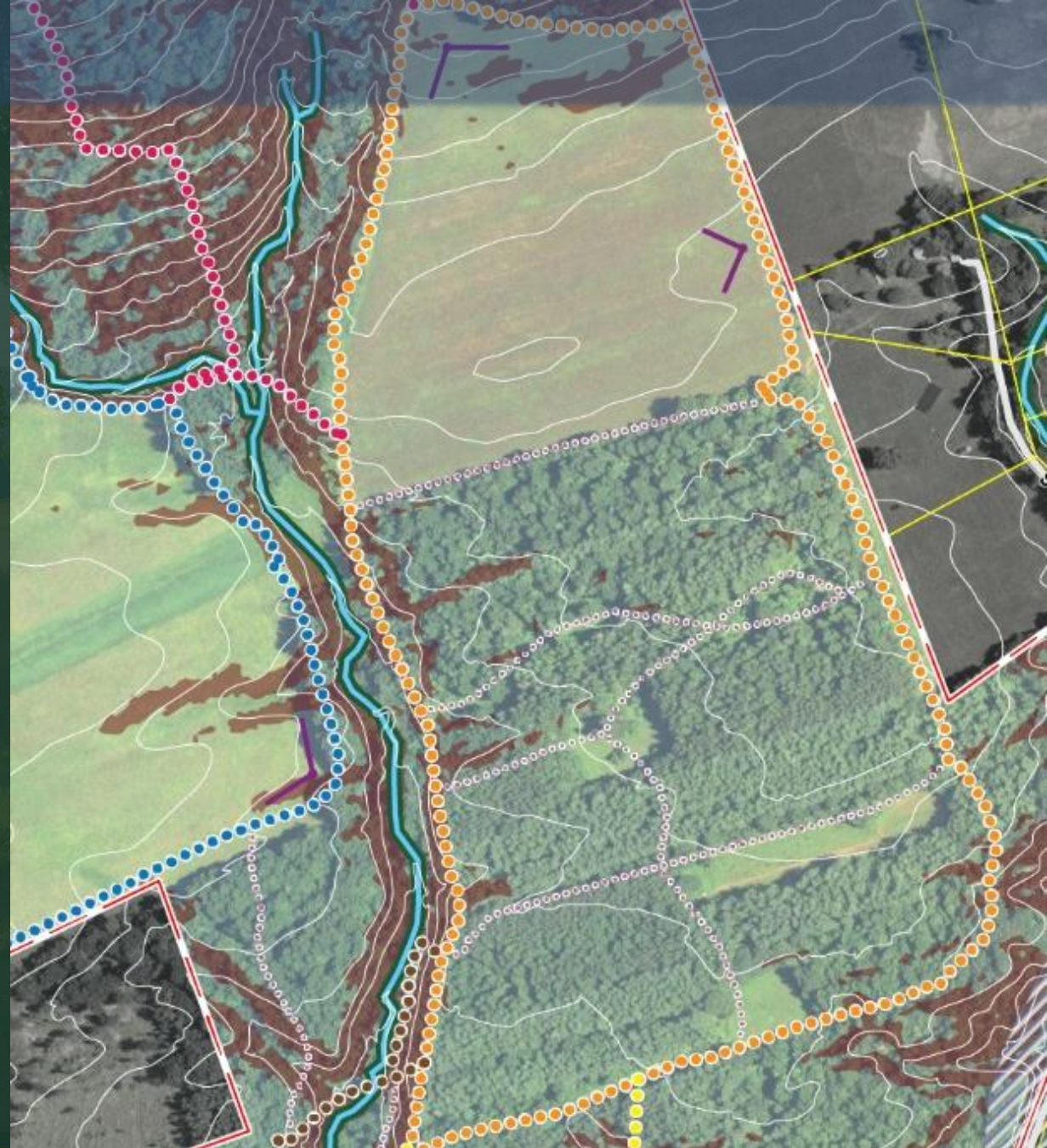
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# DAVID'S FIELD

- David's Field Loop Trail  
Distance: 1.6 miles
- Secondary Trails: 1.6 miles
- Acres of Field: approx. 28AC
- Acres Evergreen Stands: approx. 53 AC
- Stream

## LEGEND

Site Boundary	Site Trails:
Municipal Boundary	Stackpole Trail
Parcel Boundary	Frankie's Dogleg Loop
10' Contours	David's Field Loop
Roads	Meade's Mountain Loop
Buildings	Airstrip Loop
Appalachian Trail	Secondary Trails
Stream	Slopes < 12%
Floodplain	Viewsheds
Wetland	Riparian Buffer



# SITE TOUR



--- Looking across David's Field to the north

# SITE TOUR



Walking through a mixed hardwood forest



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# SITE TOUR



— — · A well defined trail through the evergreen forest stands



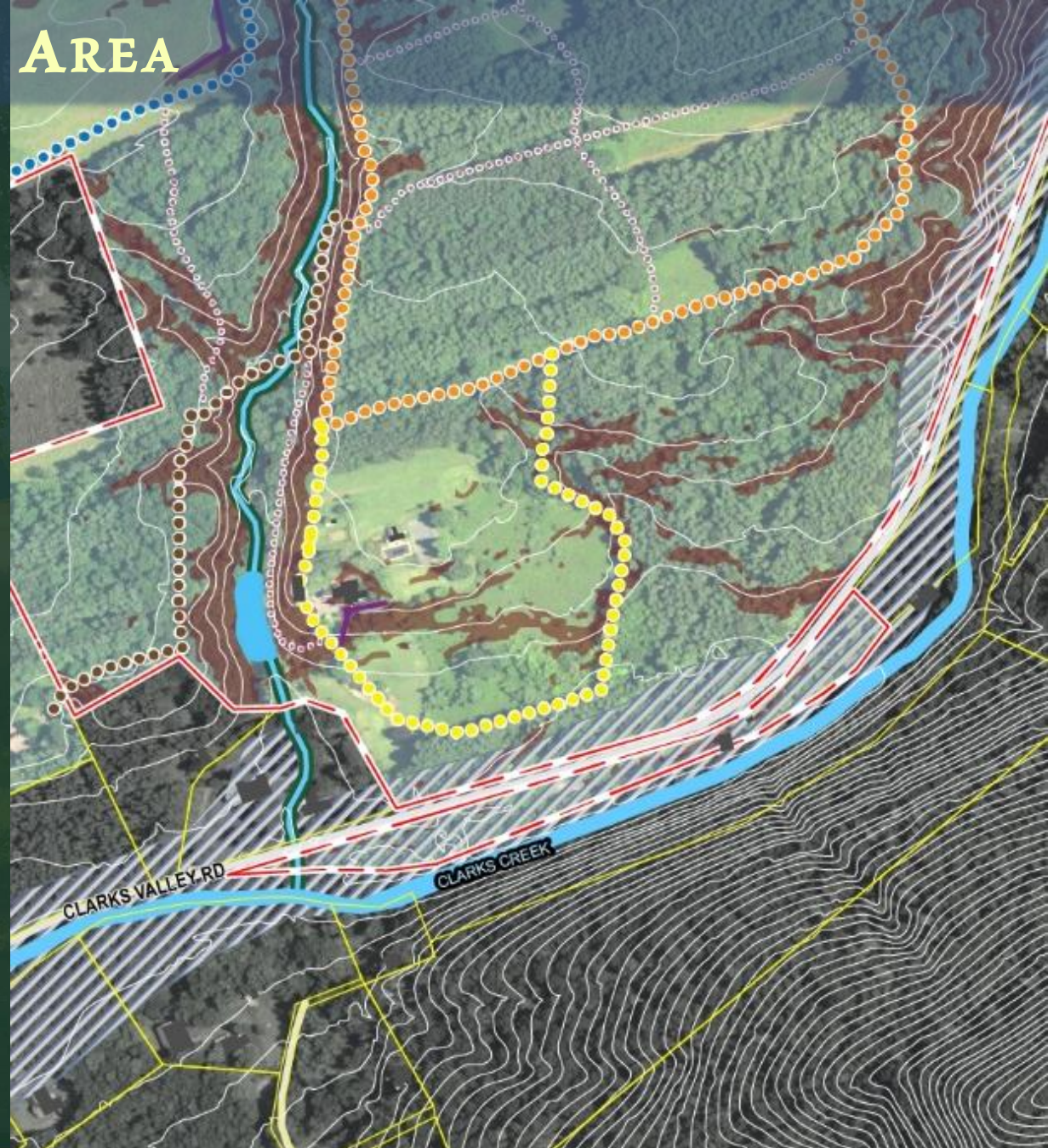
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# DETWEILER HOUSE AREA

- Frankie's Dogleg Loop Trail  
Distance: .6 miles
- Secondary Trails: .2 miles
- Homestead Acres: approx.  
16 AC
- Existing Driveway Entrance
- Area Buildings
  - Detweiler House
  - Horse Stable
  - Former Pool house
- Stream and Pond

## LEGEND

Site Boundary	Stackpole Trail
Municipal Boundary	Frankie's Dogleg Loop
Parcel Boundary	David's Field Loop
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Appalachian Trail	Slopes <12%
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# SITE TOUR



Walking along Frankie's Dogleg Loop



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# SITE TOUR



— — · The Detweiler House off of Clark's Valley Road



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# SITE TOUR



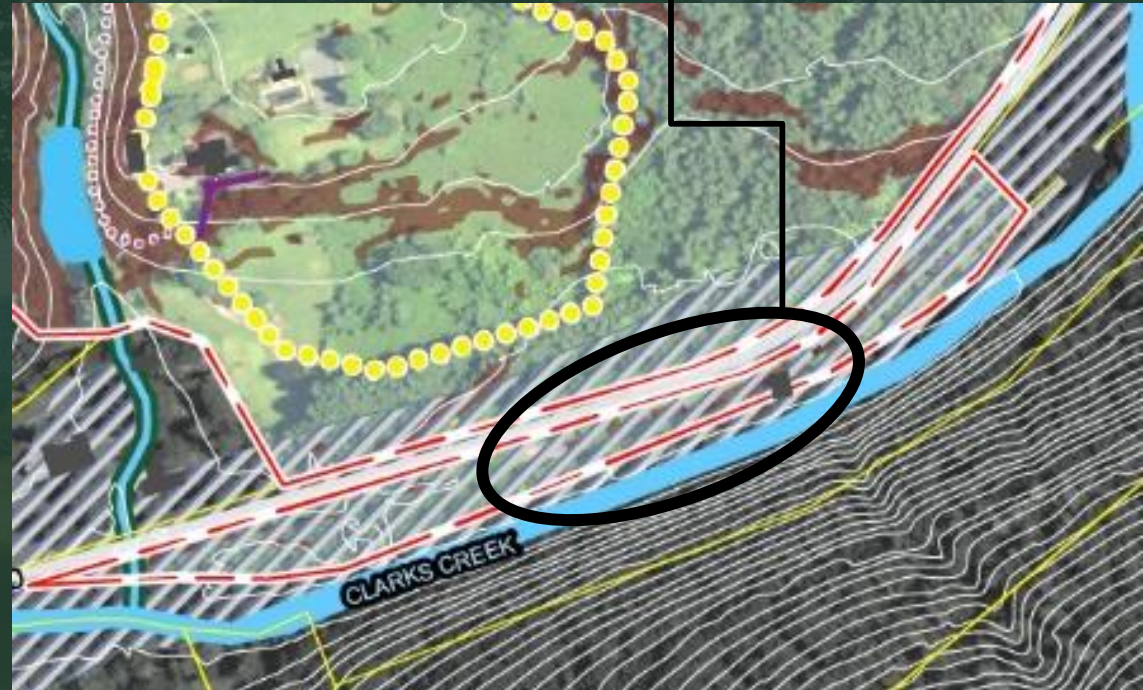
— · Pond by the Detweiler House site



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# STACKPOLE MEMORIAL TROUT NURSERY

- Driveway & Parking
- Building – home of Dauphin County Angler’s & Conservationists
- Clarks Creek – with access for children and disabled individuals
- Floodplain



## LEGEND

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# SITE TOUR



## E.J. Stackpole Memorial Trout Nursery



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# SITE TOUR



— — · Fishing access along Clark's Creek & facility buildings



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# DAUPHIN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

- Temporary Parking and Park Access
- Stackpole Trail  
Distance: .3 miles
- Secondary Trails: .2 miles

## LEGEND

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--- Crossing the stream on the Stackpole Trail



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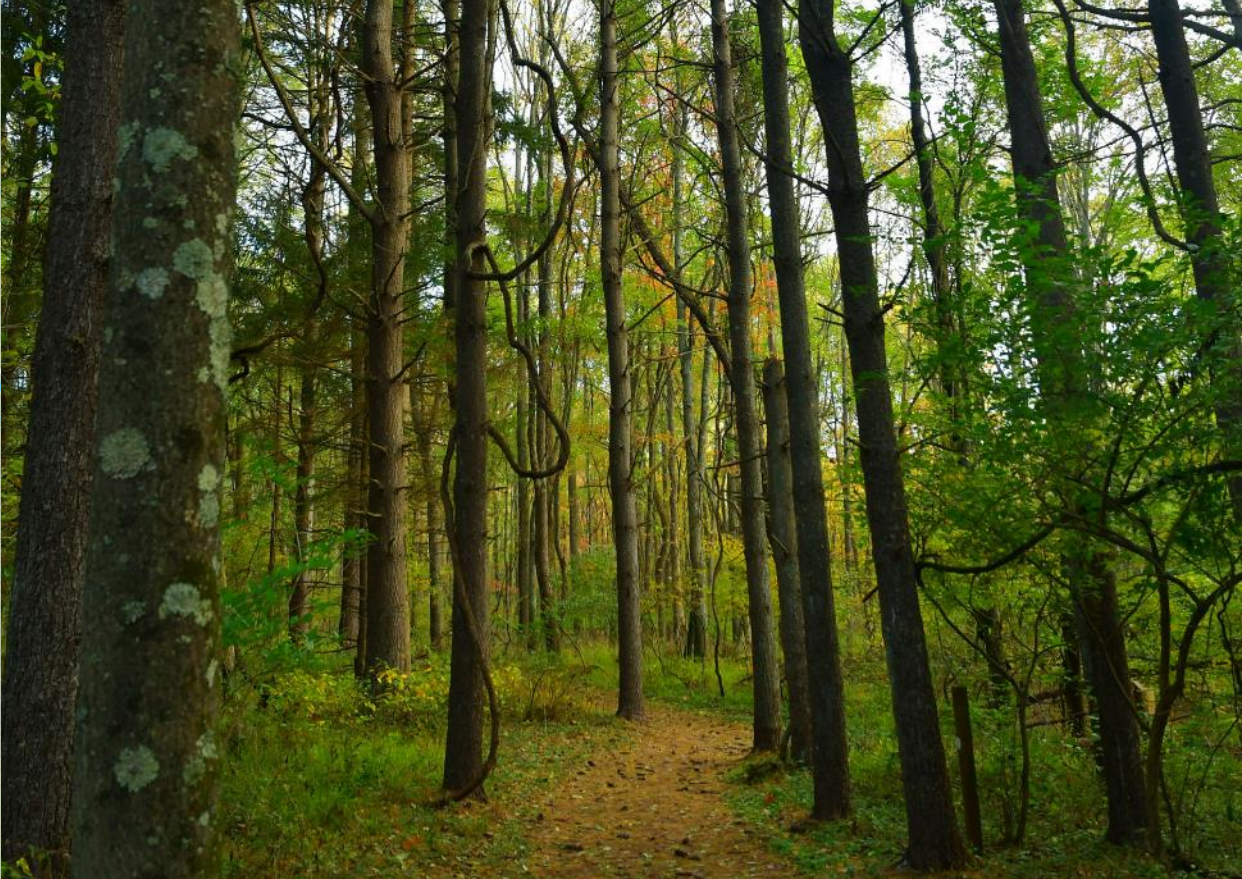




# SITE TOUR



Walking through the pines on the Stackpole Trail



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# SURVEY AND WIKIMAPPING

## Public Opinion Survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DetweilerPark>

## Wikimapping

<https://wikimapping.com/detweiler-park-master-plan.html>



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PERMANENT  
Parks & Recreation

We would like to know what you know and what you want in the Detweiler Park Master Plan. Use the map to place points, comments, and photographs.

Click "Draw Routes" to draw existing and desired trails and more.

Click "Add Points" to note locations of existing features, destinations, desired improvements, and more.

Detweiler Park Master Plan | About & Help | Draw routes | Add points | Share | jcollins@simcollins.com | Draft Project

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# BRAINSTORMING – CARD TECHNIQUE

## GOALS

### Goals and Priorities for the Project:

Initially broad, then specific: “Develop a Park Master Plan” or “Enhance Habitat”

### Facts:

Existing land use, site conditions, outstanding natural resources, adjacent properties, existing trails, nearby open space sites, potential partners.

## FACTS

### Ideas for Attaining Project Goals:

Can be basic needs “Provide Bird Blind” or larger ideas “Link to key Nearby Sites”, “Create Destinations within the Preserve”

## CONCEPTS

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# BRAINSTORMING – CARD TECHNIQUE

## GOALS

## FACTS

## CONCEPTS

## PARTNERS

Master  
Site Plan

411 ACRES

PLAYGROUNDS

DCNR

Improve Public  
Access

EXISTING TRAILS

ENVIRONMENTAL  
EDUCATIONAL

MIDDLE PAXTON  
TOWNSHIP

Forest  
Management Plan

PRIMARY ACCESS  
FROM DCCD

“50 FOOT  
TALL WATER  
SLIDE”

DAUPHIN COUNTY  
ANGLERS &  
CONSERVATIONISTS

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# NEXT STEPS

- Continue site analysis
- Tell Friends about the Public Meetings / share the flyer on Social Media.
- Take survey and visit wikimapping website
- Upcoming Meetings:

**Public Meeting 2:  
Analysis and Initial  
Concepts  
Monday, May 11, 2020 at  
7:00 PM**



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