

# State Bonding Request: La Lake Park Restoration and Development Project



## Project Overview

La Lake, a 77-acre park, is uniquely positioned with regional benefits due to its proximity to other cities in the area. La Lake Park is located in the southwest corner of Woodbury. Over time, the use of La Lake Park has continued to increase. Despite its use, the site lacks a number of features, such as drinking water, restrooms, and enhanced trail access with both paved and natural surface trails.

The project aims to develop a new vision for the park with design principles reflecting priorities to boost the area's ecological health, park facility needs, trails, mobility, and connectivity. The new paved trail (on the south side of the park-separate project) and trailhead will provide better access to natural resources and recreational opportunities, expanding access to outdoor experiences for all residents, including those with mobility issues.

## Project Priorities

The following items have been identified as project priorities after taking input from community engagement sessions, the comprehensive planning process, facility and park assessments, and the city's natural resource management planning.

- ★ Natural resource restoration
- ★ Improved lake water quality
- ★ Stormwater Management
- ★ Large open-air picnic shelter
- ★ Lake viewing terrace
- ★ Children's playground area
- ★ Supporting infrastructure
- ★ Enhanced trail loop

## Advocating for Funding

We are requesting a \$2 million state bonding allocation for the La Lake Preservation and Park Facility Development Project. This initiative aims to improve access to La Lake Park, a 76.62-acre park, in alignment with the city's adopted Capital Improvement Plan, which prioritizes natural resource preservation, park facility enhancements, trails, connectivity, and mobility.

## What will the funding cover?

The requested funding will cover half of the estimated project cost of \$4 million. The project focuses on restoring the natural resources of the open space to the entire region and the construction and equipment for related facilities and infrastructure components. Funding will support the final design and construction of a large open-air shelter with restrooms, picnic areas for large and small groups, spaces for multigenerational gatherings, play amenities for children, and supporting infrastructures.

## La Lake Park Restoration and Development Project Renderings

