

East Branch Enhanced Recreational Access Project Meeting: Thursday, April 26, 2012 at 7PM

Scope of Work Review

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1.2a – Team to create Scope of Work	Completed
1.2b – Set up Office Operations	Completed (Flood Affected)
1.2c – Complete Grant Contract	Completed
1.2d – Coordinate RFP Distribution/Review	Completed
1.2e – Hire Consultant	Completed
1.2f – Equip Office	Completed
1.3a – Conduct Meetings with Agencies/Committee	Ongoing
1.3b – Manage and Coordinate Consultant work, Project over-site of scope of work and deliverables	Ongoing
1.3c – Establish Task Force of Advisors	Ongoing
1.4 - Project team will coordinate with other parallel efforts	Ongoing
2.0 – Needs Assessment: Survey, public/private access and Collect data on signage, parking, amenities and map locations. Identify current recreational options and access points.	Data collected and updated as project develops
2.1b – List locations for remediation to improve current access such as Dry Brook, Bush Kill (Fleischmanns Park) Tremperskill – with community advisors	Ongoing
2.1c – Collect maps, agreement examples Use of Technical Assistance when necessary	Ongoing
2.2a – Identify additional access points for variety of uses. Needs assessment: public bathrooms, signage, parking. Consider potential networks of access points or activity Locations, improvements? Identify gaps in network.	Ongoing – Outline potential networks of points of access or activity locations. List sites/gaps and specific needs.
2.2b – Use of Planning and Technical Assistance	NYC DEP Mapping support ongoing
2.3a - Collect data on private lands and potential access points Identifying advantages to opening access and addressing key concerns.	Summary findings and draft Good Neighbor Policy for Public Access Use of Private Lands Draft submitted at meeting 4/26/2012
2.3b - Use Planning and Technical Assistance Consider history, access laws, insurance and Liability concerns	Draft submitted at meeting 4/26/2012 Current effort
2.4 - In coordination with WDC identify specific access points and viability of creating walkways, offer plan to develop site into 'Exploration' destination	Convened multiple meetings in consultation with WDC, proposed options for 'Exploration' hub/destination concept. Approved by WDC.
2.5 - Identify specific access points in and around Village of Margaretville for waterfront recreation for multi generational enjoyment.	Planning Phase – Central Catskills Great Outdoor Experience Festival is multi community effort to promote recreation: testing the waters Findings will be reported to gauge business impact. Kiosk Panel/Smart Growth project will be focused on East Branch & Pepacton Access
2.6a - Identify potential collaborating partners/businesses which support the recreational opportunities	See above and ongoing for months
2.6b- Coordinate with like-minded grant projects, so that Parallel efforts will be complementary and provide best use of information and results	Ongoing meetings with Esopus/Delaware project
2.7a - Provide for public review and comments	Continue to report to all and any meetings, Interest group and business association

- 2.7b - Planning and Technical Assistance
For Good Neighbor Policies, final production
Of maps, municipal policies, agreements and other.
- 2.8a- Update signage for ease of public information
and directions.
- 2.8b - Based on New Design Specs determine location
Informational kiosks, signage, brochures, website,
and amenities.
- 2.9 - Update access points
- 3.1a- Create final report and prepare Phase II grants
Submit report

Ongoing

Since the West Branch is establishing three new access points with signage it has been decided that we will coordinate design and content for county-wide clarity of message.

Website has been live for 9 months. Created by consultant and advisory group member it is updated regularly with docs/maps and project details.

Refurbish Landscapes

Collection of data and summer events should be included in final plan