



Rossford Park Master Plan Inventory & Analysis

EXISTING SHELTER



CURRENT GRADING ZONE



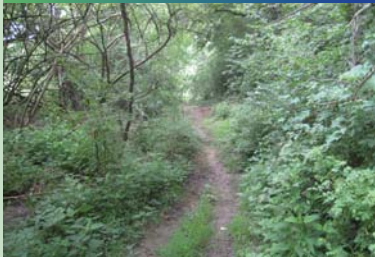
GREENBELT BUFFER



EXISTING PLAYGROUND



EXISTING TRAIL LINKAGES



EXISTING ATHLETIC FIELDS



OBSERVATIONS

- Current Grading is consistent with the 2001 Fort Thomas Parks Master Plan and availability of fill dirt.
- Northernmost park in Fort Thomas
- The existing park elements were placed over many years without consideration to overall park use.
- The park was originally designed for baseball, and additional sports have been worked into the program. Soccer and Football use the flat lawn area(s) for practice Monday thru Friday during their seasons, in addition to baseball use. This puts the fields in use 6hrs a day. The new design should take into consideration "resting" fields to reduce overuse of grass, a focus on fewer fields with higher quality, and the possibility of artificial turf.
- Visibility within the park is limited. Parents watching a baseball game have restricted views of many areas of the park.
- The current layout, size, and condition of baseball fields limits their use.
- The park is home to the Fort Thomas Junior Baseball League.
- Many of the existing park elements are malfunctioning.
- Limited parking very close to residences.
- The park is heavily vandalized.
- Player drop-off/pick-up zone is needed.
- Current woodland buffer to neighborhood should be preserved and enhanced.
- Stream erosion is prominent throughout the site, and the quality of existing vegetation is poor.
- Existing footpaths are overgrown and offer limited access/use.
- There are many "green" opportunities in the site, particularly for stormwater BMP's, stream restoration, reforestation, less grass for mowing, converted to wildlife habitat, sustainability designed structures, etc.

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONSTRAINTS DIAGRAM

