

December 10, 2001

Jim Kissell  
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Dear Jim,

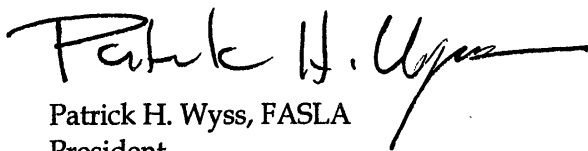
After meeting with the City Parks and Recreation Committee, it appears the Kiwanis and neighborhood residents agree on a great number of items. I believe there is a great opportunity to achieve the goals of the Kiwanis Club and benefit the neighborhood property owners.

The following suggestions for the park master plan are made for your review and comment.

1. Remove the platform viewing area around the spring and leave open for informal observation.
2. Substitute limestone chips for recycled asphalt that could serve as a base in the event hard surfacing is required in the future to enhance ADA accessibility. You may want to consider requesting donated services from a geotechnical engineer in reference to soil stability prior to the January 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.
3. The 6 ft. by 800 ft. interpretive trail location is an important site protection feature because it keeps classes and observers in a designated area rather than trampling through the wetlands uncontrolled. Future expansion of the trail would strictly be on an as-needed basis.
4. Reevaluate parking size and location to accommodate small vans and personal vehicles with ADA accessibility to the building. In the event buses require parking, it may be possible to arrange an agreement with nearby institutions that have large parking lots. It appears a 12 to 14-parking stall quantity on-site would be sufficient, which is a 40% reduction in size.
5. Delete the playground structure at this time for reconsideration at a later date as the need arises.
6. All trails should be designed to meet ADA standards.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,



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President  
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cc: Mayor Jerry Munson  
Sheri Zimmer, Parks & Recreation Committee Chairman  
Mel Dreyer, Rapid City Council Member  
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