

Carkeek Park Play Area Renovation

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LOCATION, CONTEXT & SCOPE



Scope of work:

- Replace play area equipment, including the age 5-12 play structure, spring toys and swings. Add age 2-5 play structure. Install synthetic safety surfacing in the play area.
- Restore surfacing at salmon slide and nature play area.
- Improve accessible routes.
- Not included in project budget: internal renovation of restroom building to meet all current accessibility requirements (\$70,000 for design)

Budget: \$1,288,000

Schedule:

Planning **2021-2023**

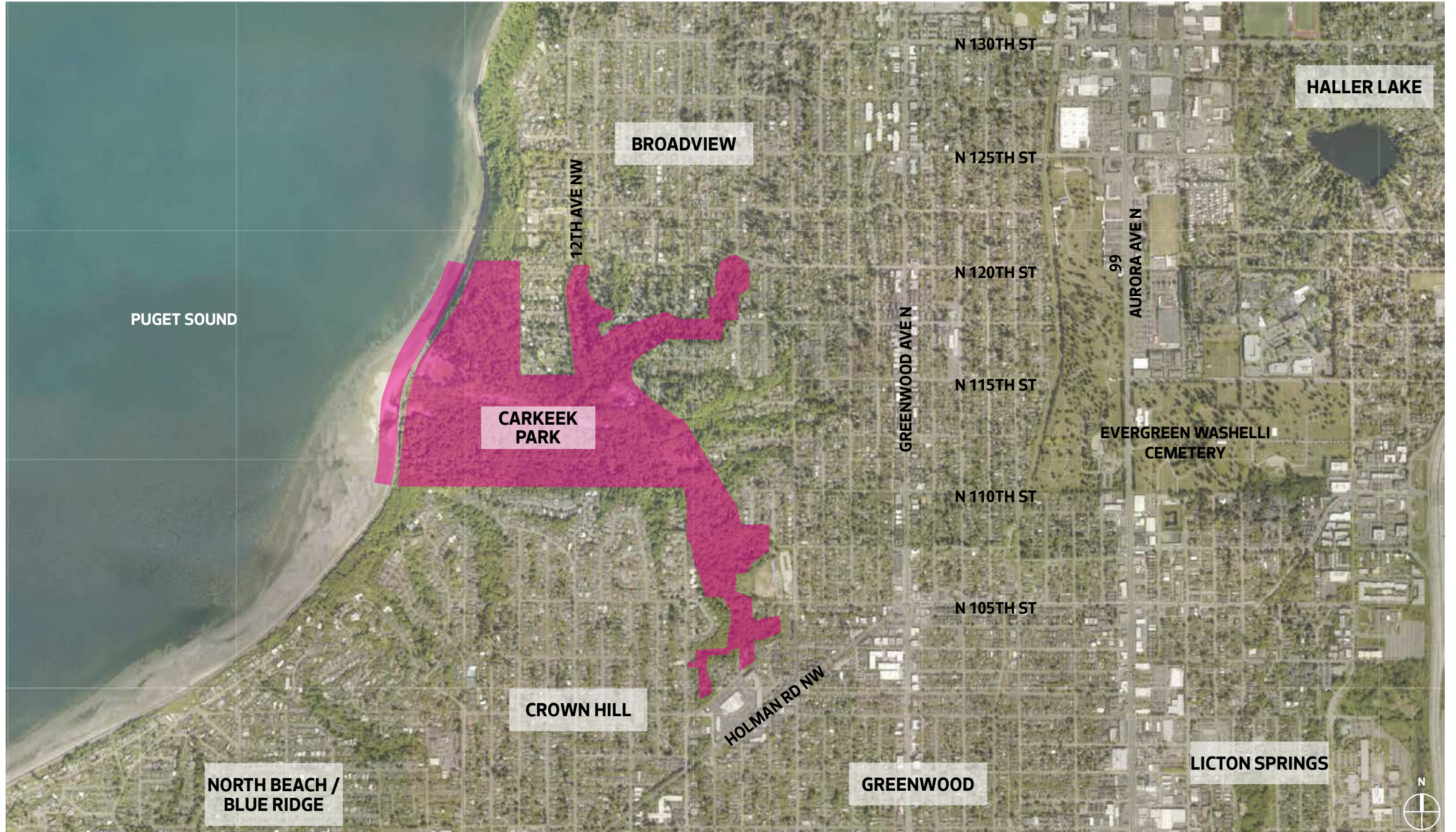
Design **2023-2024**

Construction **2024-2025**

Close Out & Opening **2025**



Neighborhood Context



Park Context



Project Location



Site Opportunities



BEAUTIFUL SETTING & VIEWS



UNIQUE & LOVED PLAY FEATURES



ART INTERWOVEN WITH PLAY



NATURE PLAY



SALMON & SHORE THEME CONNECTED TO PLACE



ADJACENT AMENITIES

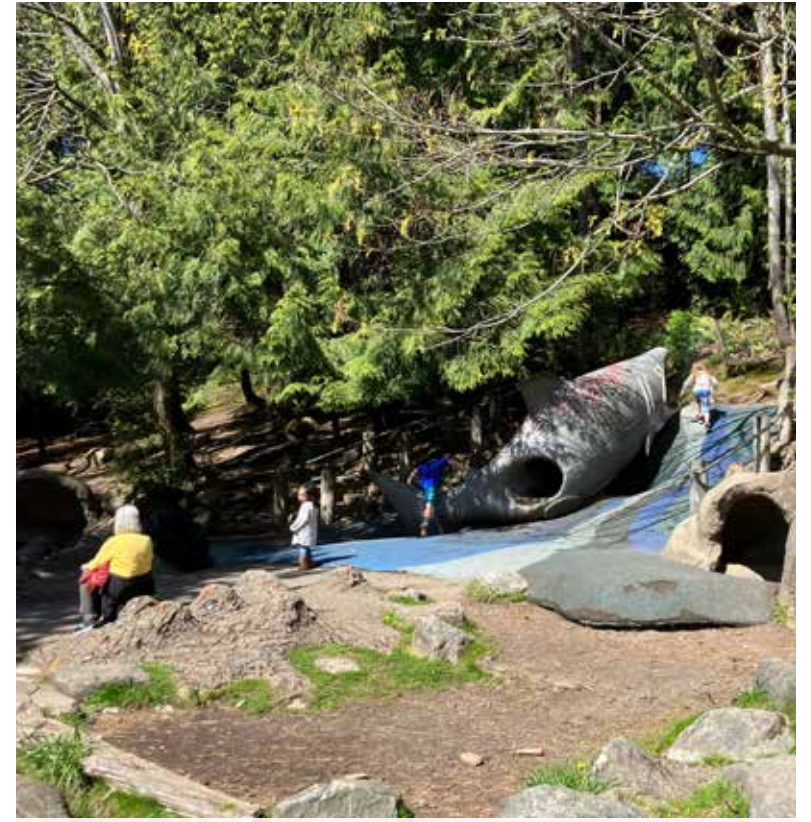
Site Challenges



PLAY AREAS ARE SPREAD OUT, VEGETATION BLOCKS VIEWS BETWEEN PLAY AREAS



LACK OF CHALLENGE



POOR VISIBILITY INTO WOODED AREA



EXISTING PLAY EQUIPMENT IS IN POOR CONDITION



PLAY SURFACING NEEDS REPAIR



SPRING TOYS IMPACTING TREE ROOTS



NOT ACCESSIBLE

Existing Site Analysis



Salmon theme connected to place



Spring toys impacting tree roots



Beautiful setting and views



Play areas are spread out, sight lines not clear



Poor visibility into wooded areas



Play surfacing at salmon slide needs repair



Existing play equipment is in poor condition



Lack of engaging play activities for all ages

What we've heard from you...



The top activities at the park and play area are:

1. Playing at the beach (93%)
2. Playing at the play area (84%)
3. Gathering with friends (77%)



What activities would increase your enjoyment?

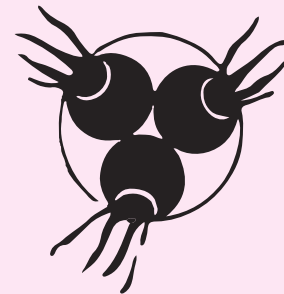
1. Play equipment for toddlers and young children (5-12)
2. Play equipment for toddlers and young children (2-5)
3. More benches and places for people to sit or gather.



In the play area, most respondents said they prefer a nature or cultural theme, exploring the indigenous history of the site.

The most desired elements for the play area are:

1. Sliding
2. Swinging
3. Net/Climbing
4. Balancing
5. Spinning



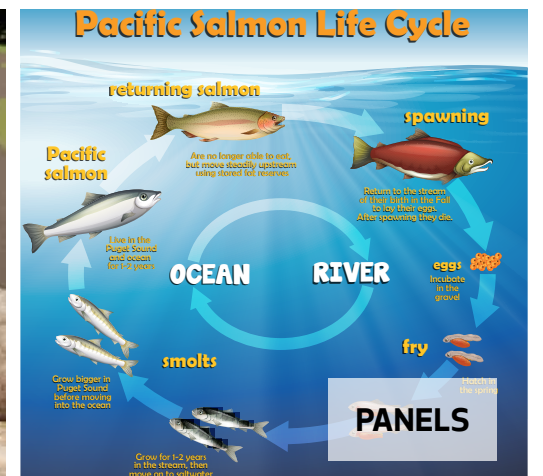
Indigenous design priorities (from Rising Tides):

- Intergenerational activities: playground and seating for all ages
- Natural materials, wood, stone
- Music or sound play equipment
- Zipline with climbing feature
- Keep 2-5 and 5-12 play areas near each other
- Improve and increase seating throughout; provide shade
- A traditional story or traditional ecological knowledge to guide theme of play area

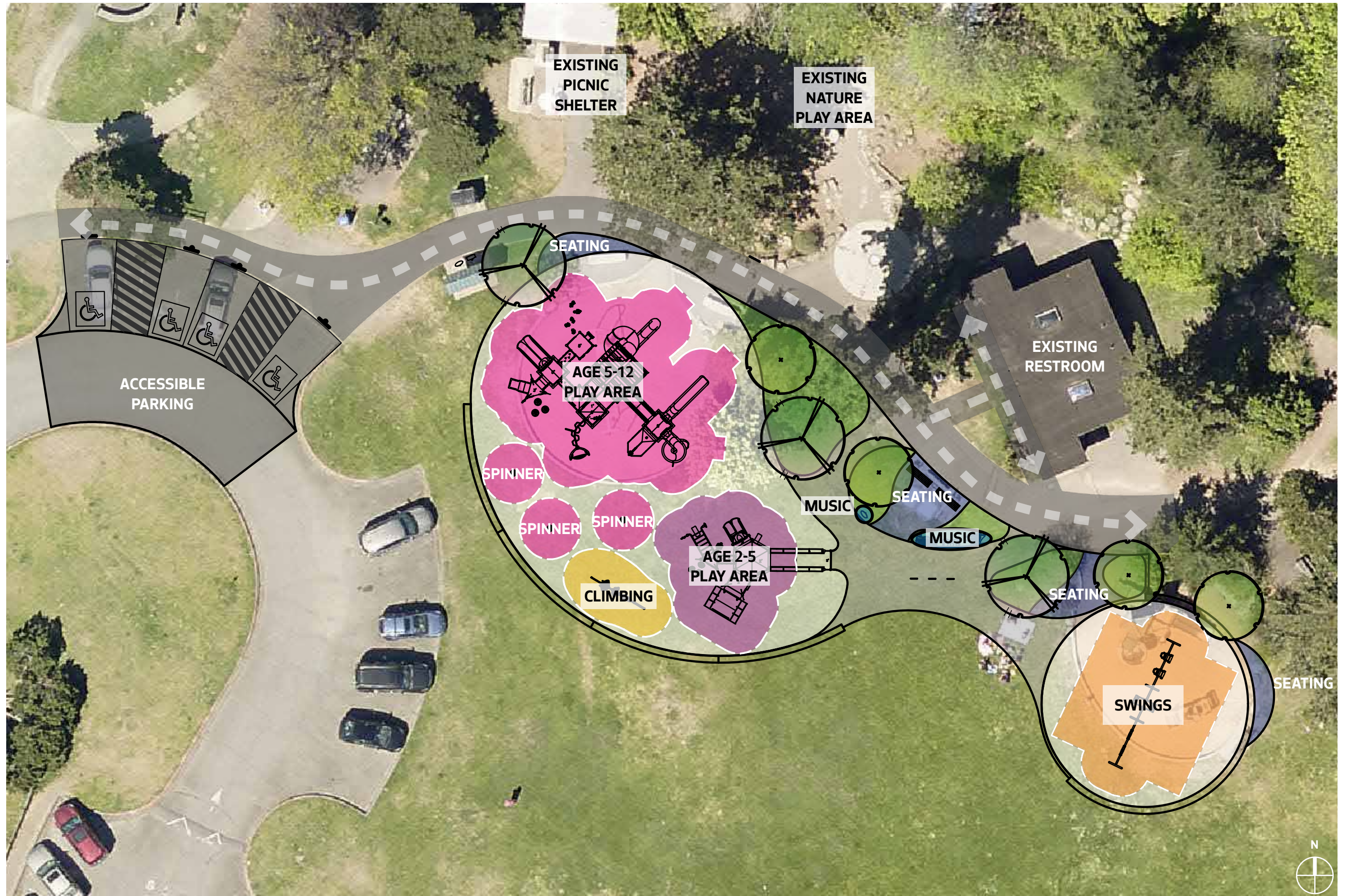
Option A



Option A | Play Elements



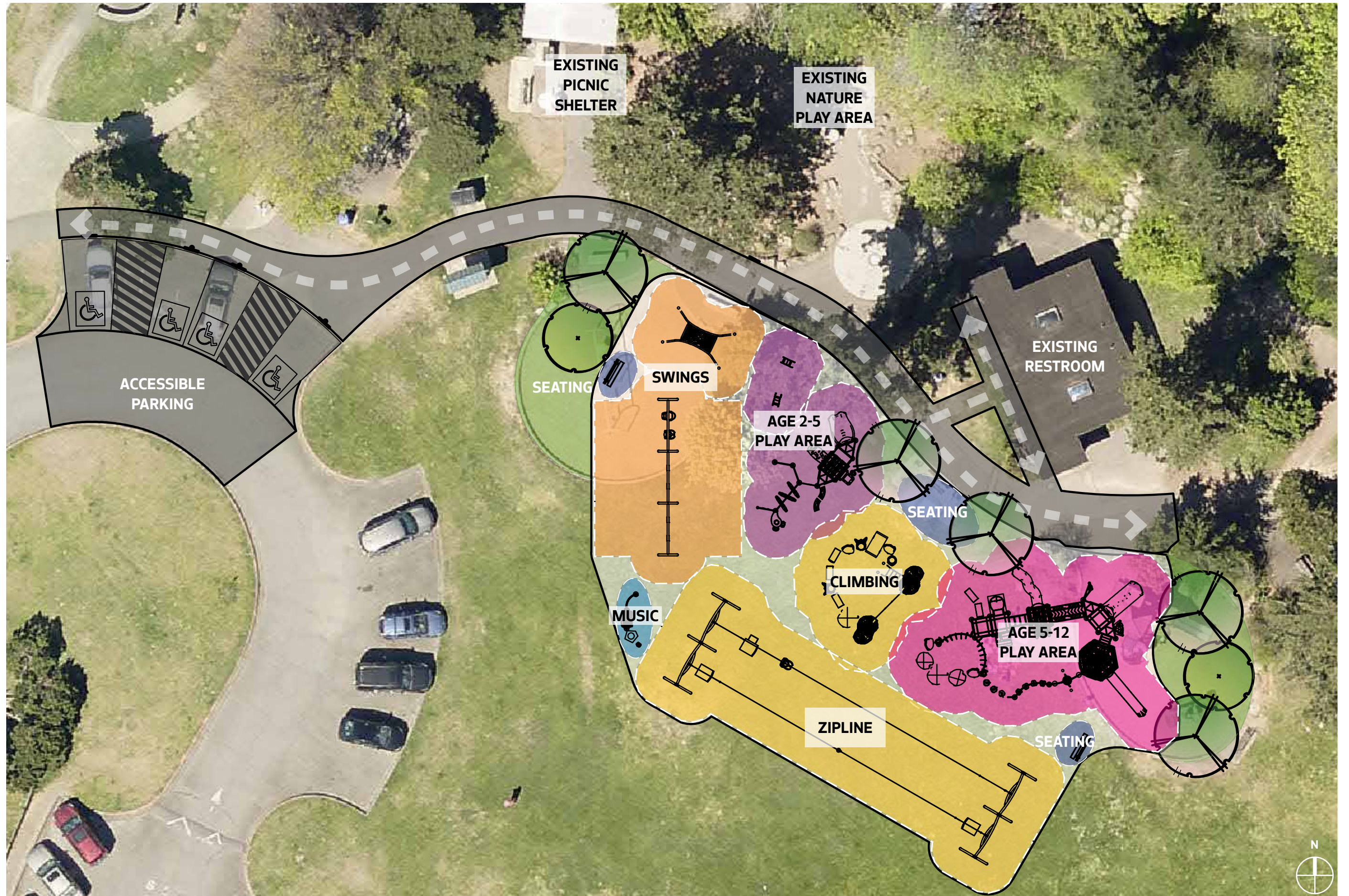
Option B



Option B | Play Elements



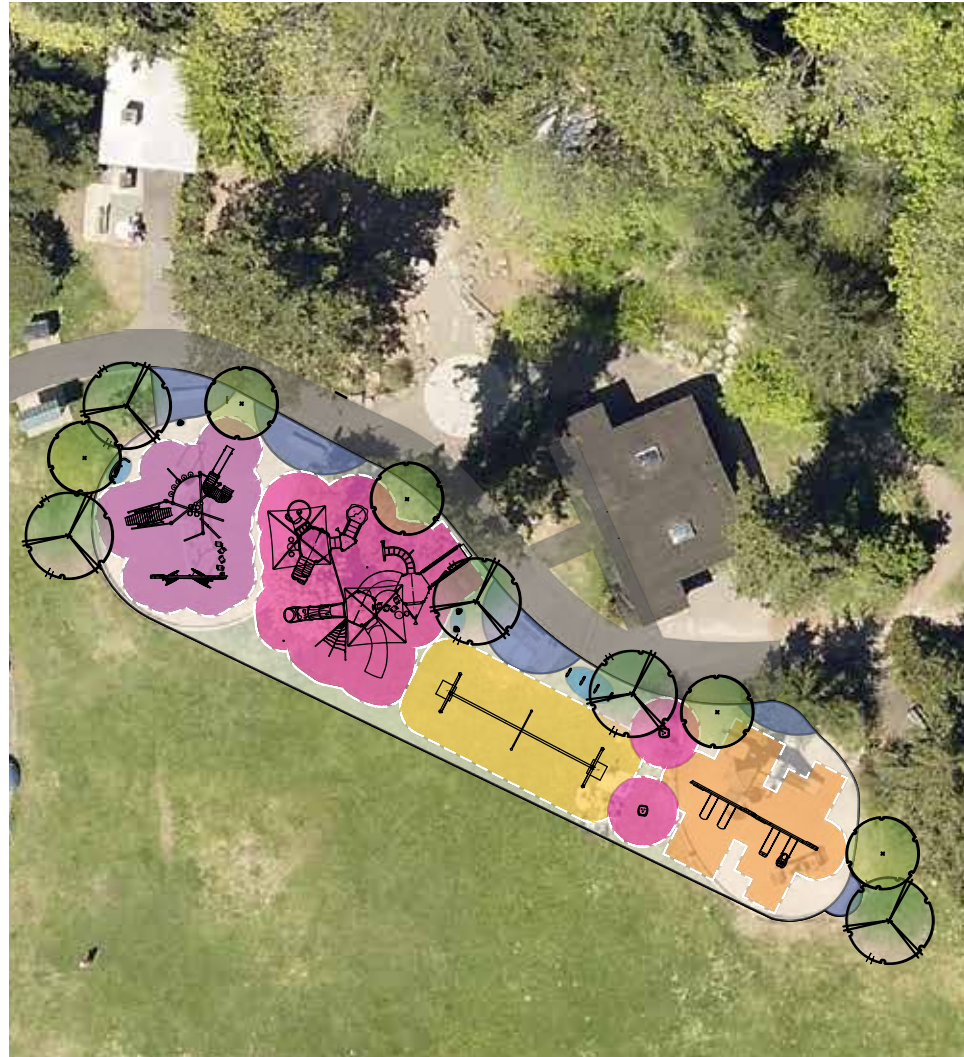
Option C



Option C | Play Elements

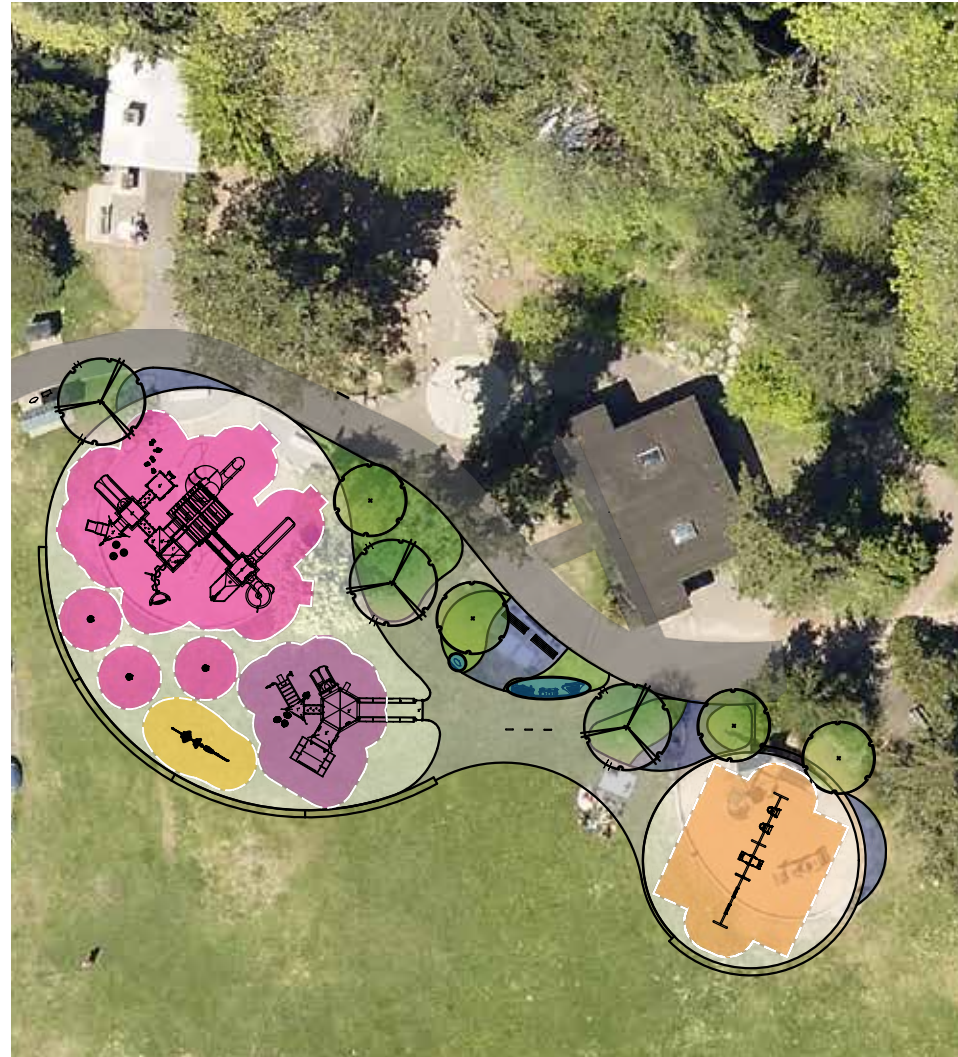


Play Area Layout Options



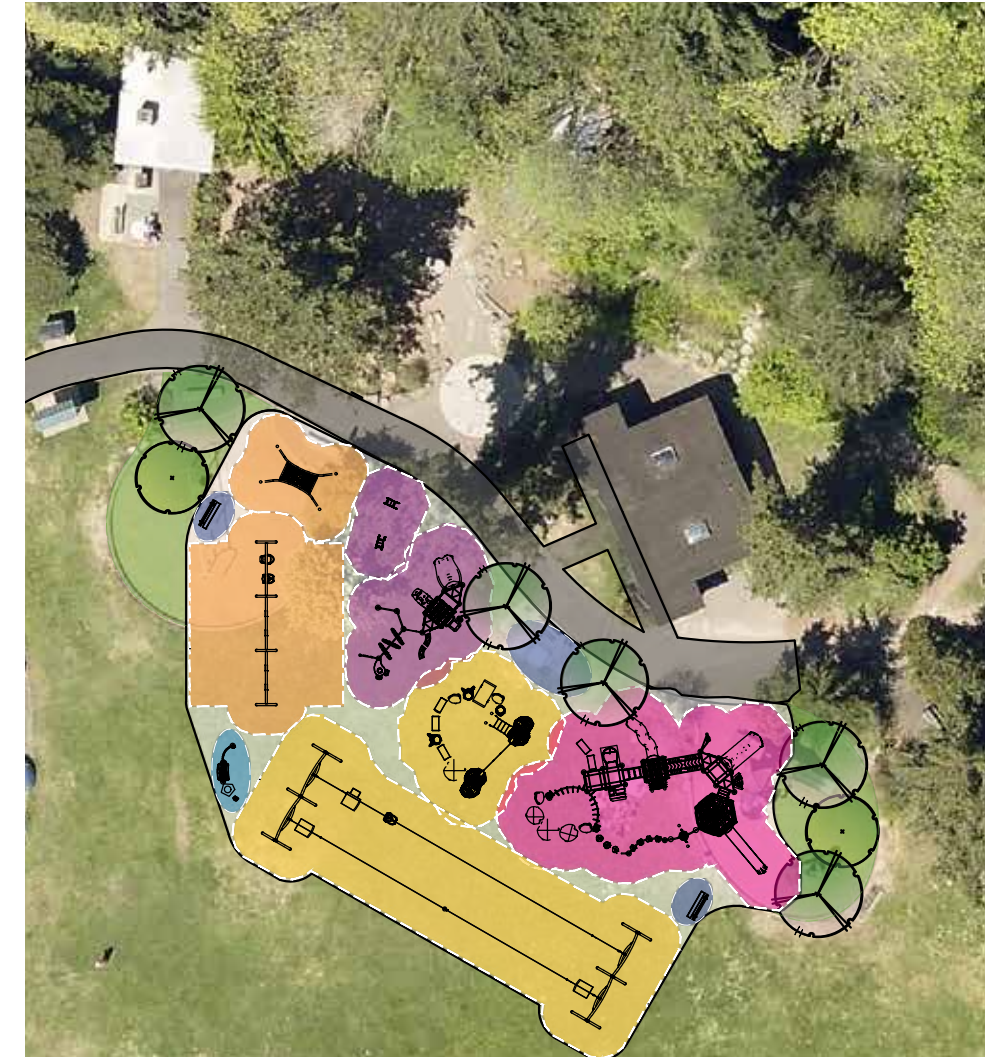
OPTION A

- + Age 2-5 play area and Age 5-12 play area are adjacent to each other and near entrance and existing nature play area for easy supervision of children of all ages.
- + Larger joint play area allows more flexibility for play equipment design.
- + Swings moved to east end of play area.
- + A potential zipline is shown in between swings and age 5-12 play area.
- + Music elements for people of all ages are shown throughout play area.
- + Seating for caregivers is shown throughout the play area.



OPTION B

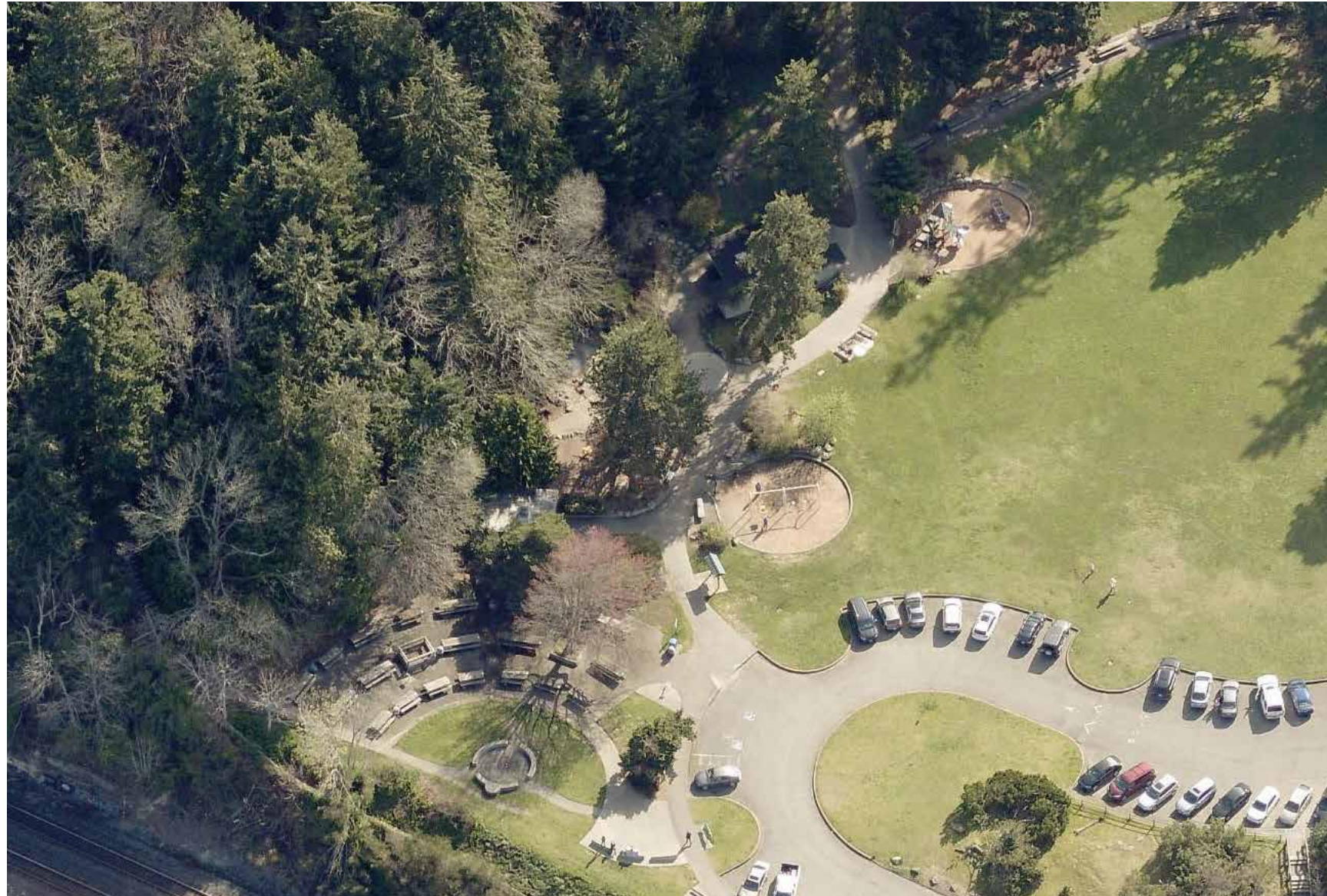
- + Age 2-5 play area and Age 5-12 play area are adjacent to each other and near entrance and existing nature play area for easy supervision of children of all ages.
- + Nature-inspired design features include a salmon climbing structure and reed spinners.
- + Swings moved to east end of play area, oriented towards the water.
- + Music elements are shown in central plaza area, along with interpretive panels.
- + Seating for caregivers is shown throughout the play area.



OPTION C

- + Swings and age 5-12 play area are shown in current locations, with expanded footprints.
- + Age 2-5 play area is added close to existing nature play area.
- + Climbing structures are proposed in the center of the play area.
- + A potential zipline is shown along south edge of play area.
- + A music element is shown on the west end of the play area.
- + Seating for caregivers is shown throughout the play area.

We'd like to hear from you!



Which play area layout do you prefer?

Are there equipment locations from the other play area layout options that you like?

What play equipment, in any of the options, do you like?

What elements are missing?

Other comments or feedback?



NEXT STEPS...