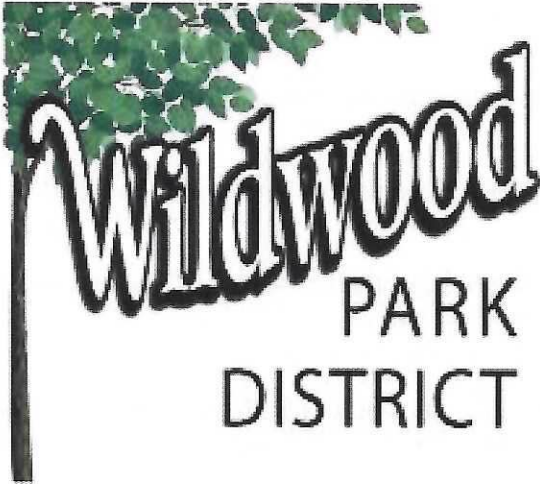


Wildwood Park District

2025 Phase 1 - Tree Inventory Report



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Introduction

In September of 2025, Certified Arborists from Great Lakes Urban Forestry (GLUF) began collecting data for the first phase of a comprehensive tree inventory for of all trees in mowed and managed areas in five of Wildwood Park District's (WPD) properties. These parks included Cove, Old Plank, Rule, Sunset, and Willow Point. This tree inventory report is a statistical overview of the inventory data and will address some of our observations, potential mitigation measures and other recommendations. GLUF is pleased to provide its tree inventory and GIS mapping services along with this report and analysis of the tree population. WPD is now equipped to use this valuable information to address short-term concerns, long term management considerations, and overall planning objectives.

Collection Parameters

The following is a detailed description of data that was collected for each tree.

PARK NAME

The name of the park for which the data was being collected.

TREE STATUS

For this inventory, the status field indicates that the site is home to an Active Tree or a Stump.

SPECIES

All tree species are listed using common and botanical names and were identified to the species level. Specific cultivars, hybrids, or varieties were not identified.

DBH

Trees were measured using DBH (Diameter at Breast Height, 4.5" above ground level), a standard forestry measure of tree diameter, using a forester's DBH tape.

CONDITION

Condition ratings are based on a normal standard distribution; we expect the greatest number of trees in the average category (3), fewer trees in the above average and below average categories (2 and 4, respectively), and the fewest number of trees in the specimen and very poor categories (1 and 5, respectively). Condition is a continuous variable, meaning that anywhere along the curve, you should be able to estimate the number of trees that are, for example, a 2.5 condition, even though condition was only recorded as whole number integers (see table below).

Condition 1	Specimen – Tree has no observable defects, wounds, diseases, and has textbook perfect form for the species. In addition, since young trees tend to be trouble free and homogenous, a Condition 1 tree must by definition be a minimum of 16" DBH. These are legacy trees, and as such are rare.
Condition 2	Above Average – Tree may have a small amount of deadwood, or a very limited number of minor defects. The overall form of the tree must be good, and consistent for the species in question. These trees should also be a minimum of 8" DBH. Often the difference between Condition 2 and 3 is form or growth habit.
Condition 3	Average – Tree has moderate but acceptable amounts of deadwood, wounds, or other defects, but is generally healthy. A wide variety of forms is acceptable for this group, which is meant to define the middle ground around which better or worse trees can be defined and identified.
Condition 4	Below Average – Tree has defects, deadwood, wounds, disease, etc. that have the potential to cause a need for removal. Very poor form or architecture can put an otherwise healthy tree in this category as well, due to the potential for tree or root failure.
Condition 5	Very Poor/ Dead – Tree must be removed. Physical or health defects are too far gone for the tree to be reasonably saved. Like Condition 1 trees, these are relatively rare, as generally trees that are getting to this level are removed before reach this stage.

ARBORIST RECOMMENDATION

Maintenance recommendations are provided to assist in managing the tree population. They are very general guidelines for pruning and care, and we find they are helpful for managing and prioritizing maintenance.

Prune- Cycle	Tree is in good health, and will require standard pruning or maintenance on a 3-5 year cycle
Prune- Train	Tree is within the 1-6 inch DBH range and requires structural pruning to establish good architecture
Prune- Priority	Tree has not been properly pruned during its developmental years, has suffered damage, is overgrown, has low risk deadwood, or for other reasons needs pruning sooner than a 3-5 year standard cycle
Prune- Dead Limb	Specific dead limb(s) not qualifying as moderate or severe deadwood by percentage
Remove- Standard	Tree must be removed, but does not pose an immediate elevated risk situation; should be removed within 1-3 years
Remove- Low Priority	Tree is recommended for removal as budget and time allows
Remove- Priority	Tree poses an elevated risk and should be removed in an expeditious manner
Risk Assessment- Standard	Level 2 - Standard Risk Assessment is recommended; an assessment without advanced tools or climbers
Risk Assessment- Advanced	Level 3 - Advanced Risk Assessment is recommended; an assessment using advanced tools, techniques and/or climbers
Monitor- Annual	Tree has a structural defect or other significant issue that requires yearly reassessment
Monitor- Long Term	Tree shows signs of developing issues or general decline and requires long term monitoring for further change or decline
Grind Stump	Stump is visible and should be removed
Maintenance- Other	Tree requires maintenance not related to pruning or removal. Typically used for situations such as leaning new trees, chemical treatment, mulching, girdling objects, etc

RECOMMENDATION REASON

Reasons for the arborist recommendations above are listed here. This is a limited list but includes the most common observed issues that justify the condition and arborist recommendation for that tree.

Clearance		Branches are blocking/ touching building, sidewalk, street, or sign
Dead		Tree is dead or nearly so
Deadwood	Large Limb	One or more larger dead limbs requiring removal but not moderate or severe deadwood by percentage
	Moderate	Tree contains estimated 11-30% deadwood
	Severe	Tree contains more than 30% deadwood
Decay Column		Tree has visible or audible decay in central trunk(s)
Defect	Other	Tree has other defect not listed, specifics noted in comments field
	Unobservable	Tree has a potential defect that is not observable from the ground
Dieback		Tree crown is dying back
Girdling Object		An object is girdling the tree or tree part
Hanger		Branches are hanging in crown, partially attached or free hanging
High Location Value		Justification for Risk Assessment; tree is in prominent location and has ecological value
Included Bark		Tree branches have tight V-shaped union(s) and have developed bark inclusions
Insects/Disease		Tree has observable signs or symptoms of pests or pathogens
Lean		Tree is leaning at undesirable angle
Mechanical Damage		Basal damage caused by landscaping equipment, or other physical damage
New Planting		Justification for establishment pruning, staking, mulching, etc
Other		Other notable observance not listed, specifics noted in comments field
Overgrown		Excessive branch or sucker growth requiring priority pruning
Poor Form		Tree has poor architecture, often due to limited growspace or improper pruning

Roots	Compacted	Observed or inferred signs of soil compaction
	Girdling	Observed girdling roots or severe trunk flattening
	Heaving	Observed evidence of root or soil heaving
	Multiple Issues	Two or more root issues
	Still BB	Roots confined to ball & burlap due to intact twine and basket, treated burlap, or other observed factor
	Wounded	Root damage from construction, hardscape, mowing equipment, or other factor
Rot	Heartwood	Observable internal decay; decay column, cavity, etc.
	Basal	Observable decay at the base of the tree
	Sapwood	Observable vascular tissue decay
	Other	Other signs of decay such as wetwood, root rot, etc.
Mushroom/Conk		Visible fungal fruiting bodies
Topped		Tree had its apical meristem or terminal leader removed; typically due to poor pruning practice, utility pruning, or storm damage
Weak Trunk Union		Weak union caused by included bark or poor branching angles that have compromised structural stability
Wounds	Crown	Scaffold or secondary branch wounds affecting tree health and/or stability
	Trunk	Trunk wounds affecting tree health and/or stability
Utility Conflict		Pruning required due to interference with wires, street lamp, traffic light, or other utility
Sign Conflict		Pruning required due to obstruction of signage
Storm Damage		Tree has recent damage due to storm or winds such as torn limbs

RISK LEVEL

This is the equivalent of a Level 1 Limited Visual Risk Assessment and denotes a condition observed by the Arborist that would appear, in their judgement at the time of the inventory, to pose possible risk to people or property. The specific condition would be reflected in the above Arborist Recommendations and Reasons.

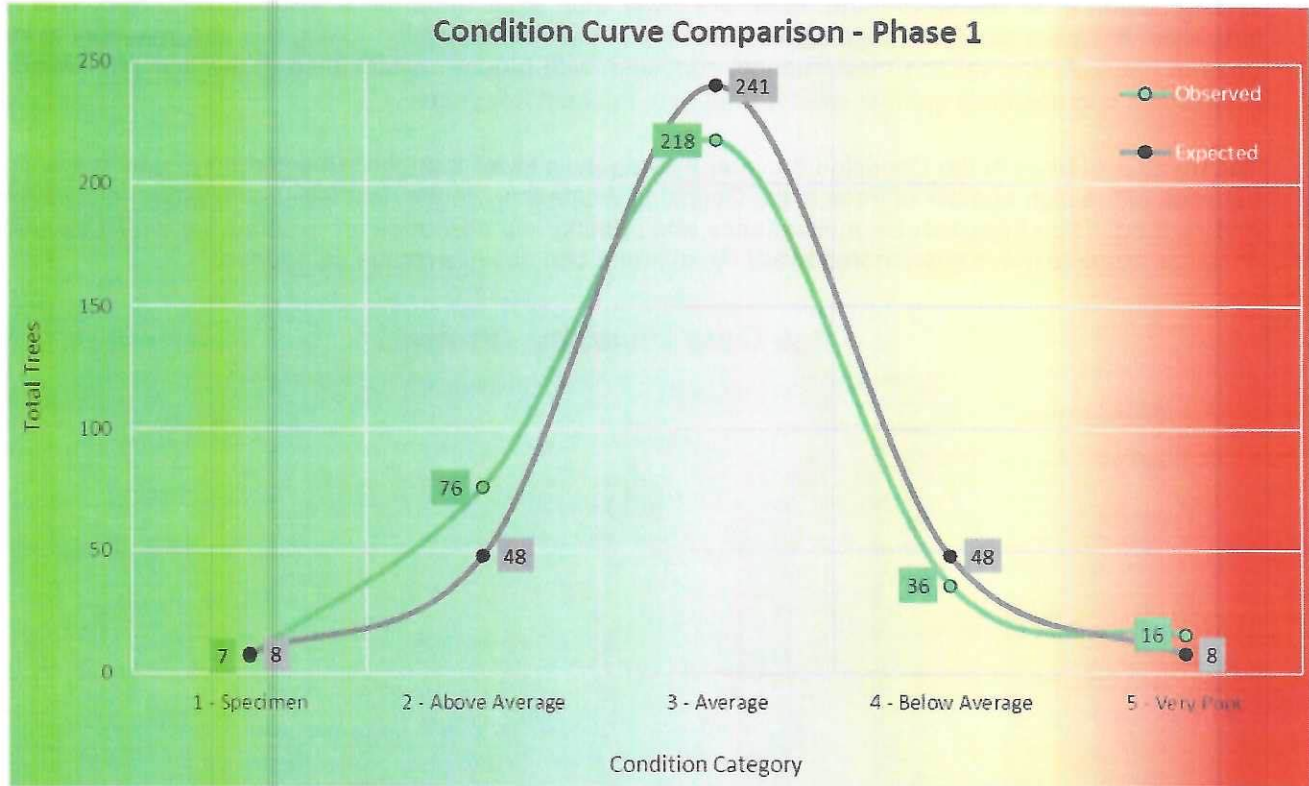
None Observed	No observable risk observed at the time of the inventory
Elevated	Moderate level of risk to people or property that should be investigated by the Owner/ Manager
Substantial	High level of risk to people or property that should be investigated by the Owner/Manager and mitigated as soon as practical
Critical	Extreme level of risk to people or property that should be mitigated by the Owner/ Manager as soon as possible

COMMENTS

Comments have been included as a courtesy to denote any conditions worthy of note. These comments will be standardized as much as possible, though certain situations certainly exist where nonstandard comments were utilized.

Statistical Overview

WILDWOOD PARK DISTRICT PHASE 1 TREE INVENTORY STATISTICS	
Total Number of Trees Inventoried	353
Total Number of Species	57
Total Diameter Inches	6,081"
Average Tree Diameter	17.23"
Average Tree Condition	2.94 (Above Average)



This curve represents the distribution of trees in each of the categories enumerated above for the inventory. As stated in the collection parameters section, deviations from the expected normal standard distribution can serve as a useful tool in analyzing the overall health of a tree population, and for this reason, we have included a theoretical curve representing a normal distribution so that comparisons can readily be made. The green line with green labels represents what we observed in the field, and the grey line with grey labels is the predicted normal distribution. The condition curve for this inventory indicates a tree population that is in overall above average condition.

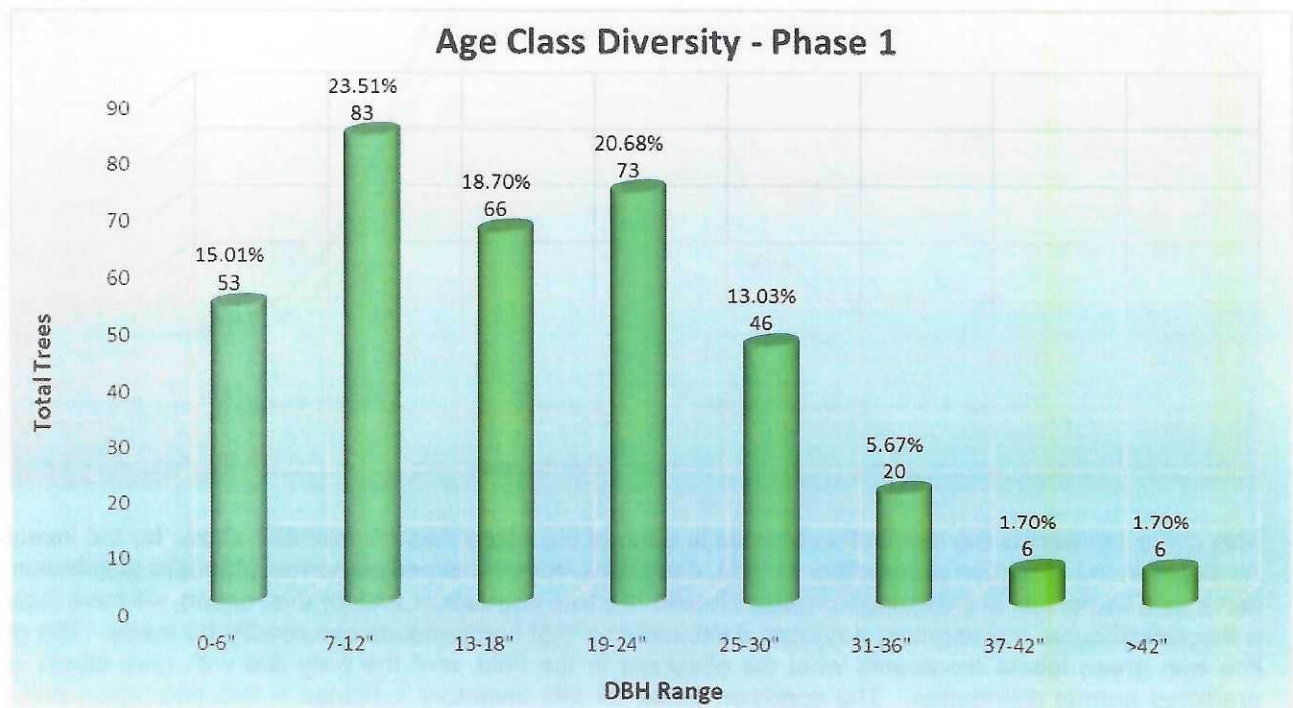
There were 7 Condition 1 specimen trees located during this data collection which is an excellent number for an inventory of this size. We generally expect that the specimen trees (and Condition 5 trees as well) will come in lower than their statistical norm because of their rarity. A Condition 1 tree must be at least 16" DBH, have textbook perfect architecture for the species, and have no observable defects. Over half of the inventoried trees have a DBH 16" or greater and meet the DBH minimum for the Condition 1 category, however for many, their structure, vigor, and/or defects prevent them from receiving this condition rating. As maturing trees are regularly maintained with cyclical pruning and as young trees are planted in sites with adequate growing space and are properly pruned and maintained, trees will develop with good structure and may become Condition 2 and eventually Condition 1 trees.

The Condition 5 very poor trees are higher than the expected norm. It is recommended that any Condition 5 tree be prioritized and removed in a timely manner.

The Condition 2 above average trees are nearly 60% higher than what statistical analysis would predict which is an exceptional statistic. Like the Condition 1 category, Condition 2 trees need to have good structure consistent with the species in question and be over 8" DBH. This higher-than-expected number may be because 8" DBH or larger trees make up 84% of the population and qualify for the Condition 2 status. In general, if site selection for the trees is well matched to the species, and trees are properly planted, mulched, watered, and established, and if they receive cyclical pruning and maintenance, trees will often mature with good form without significant defects. These trees can eventually become Condition 2 trees.

The Condition 4, or below average, trees are lower than what would be statistically expected. This is an indication that there has been ongoing maintenance of the tree population. Using this tree inventory to locate trees in need of removal and maintenance, combined with proper maintenance of the tree population, the District can decrease this number even further over the next few years.

The number of trees in the Condition 3 average category is lower than the expected norm and this is simply because of the high number of trees in the Condition 2 category. In the next few years, when below average and poor condition trees receive maintenance and pruning and new trees are planted, we would expect this condition curve to move even more toward the average and above average categories.



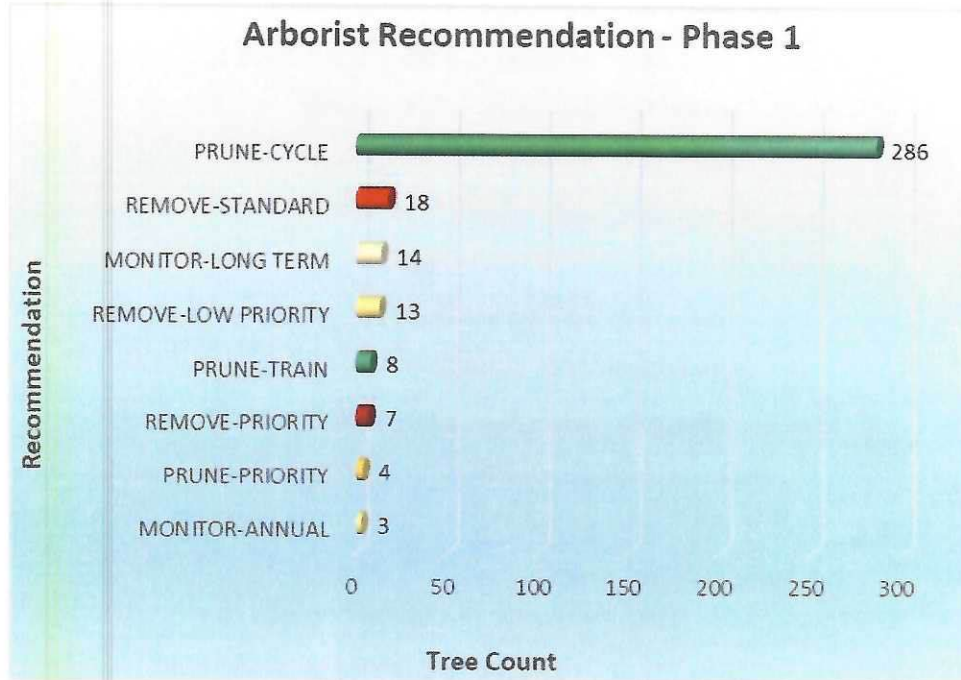
This illustrates an atypical trend in the age spread of tree populations in park settings where we usually see many young trees and progressively lower numbers of trees in older age categories. In WPD, we see that the 7-24" DBH categories are the population's largest. It is important to note that parts of the inventoried parks, particularly the lakefront parks, are home to mature Oaks and Hickories which explains this atypical chart. Once the District completes a comprehensive inventory of all its parks, a more representative diversity analysis can be conducted.

As shown above, 53 of WPD's inventoried trees have a DBH of 6" or less. It is assumed that most trees grow on average 1/2" per year, although that figure varies significantly depending on the species in question; we consider these trees to be less than 15 years old. About 23% of WPD's inventory has a DBH of 7"-12", these mid-size trees are approximately 15-24 years old. There were 66 13"-18" trees making up 19% of the

population, about 25-35 years old. The 73 trees (21%) in the 19-24" DBH category are mature trees approximately 35-45 years old.

The 78 trees in the 25"+ DBH categories are about 45-50+ years old and account for approximately 22% of the inventoried tree population. Most of the mature trees in these categories are still in average to above average condition, although others are nearing the end of their natural life. Often the number of trees in the 30"+ categories are lower due to the natural senescence and ensuing decline of trees in urban settings, though park trees are frequently longer lived due to the fact they usually have favorable growing conditions and adequate growing space.

The age spreads shown in this chart reveal that the District should focus on new plantings, as evidenced by the number of trees in the larger size ranges. WPD will continue to have opportunities to plant more trees as planting spaces are identified and as older trees age and are removed.

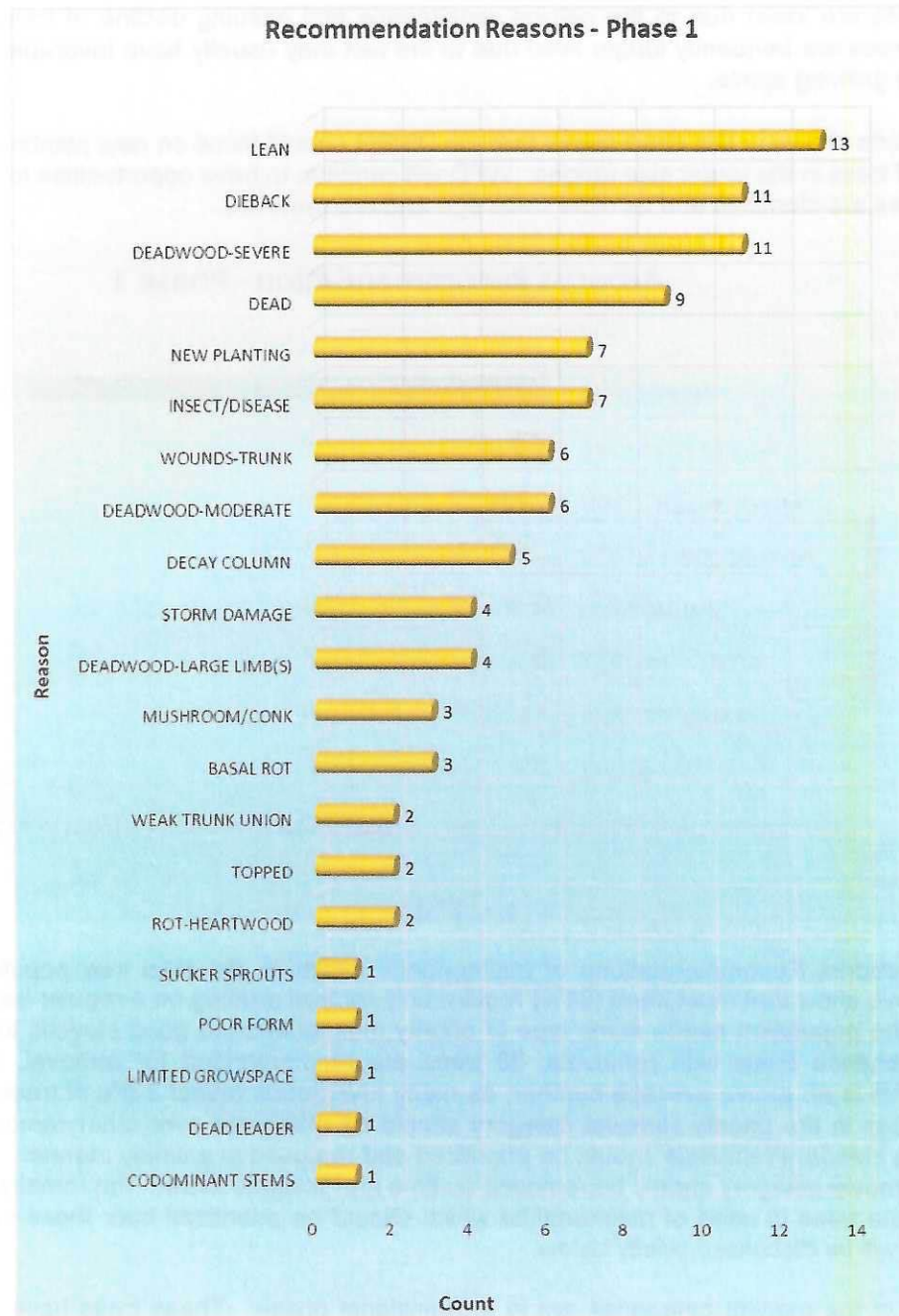


In terms of Arborist Recommendations of maintenance needs in the total tree population, the statistics displayed above show that most trees (81%) require only cyclical pruning on a regular basis; this means that only 19% of the population needs some type of priority maintenance, a good statistic to see. Most of the priority maintenance deals with removals; 38 trees are recommended for removal, this is 11% of the population. This is an above average number, as many inventories reveal 3-5% of trees requiring removal. The seven trees in the priority removal category should be prioritized over other removals. The 18 trees designated as standard removals should be prioritized and removed in a timely manner. The 13 trees in the low priority removal category should be removed as time and budgets allow. The remaining categories were used to indicate trees in need of maintenance which should be prioritized over those in the cyclical prune category and will be discussed briefly below.

The 17 trees in the monitor categories are in a transitional phase. These trees have defects or signs of developing issues or general decline which should be reassessed periodically and their maintenance status updated.

The 4 trees in the Prune-Priority group are trees which are simply overgrown or have parts which need to be removed promptly and should have pruning prioritized over the trees in the cyclical prune set. We consider that this work should be done within 1-3 years.

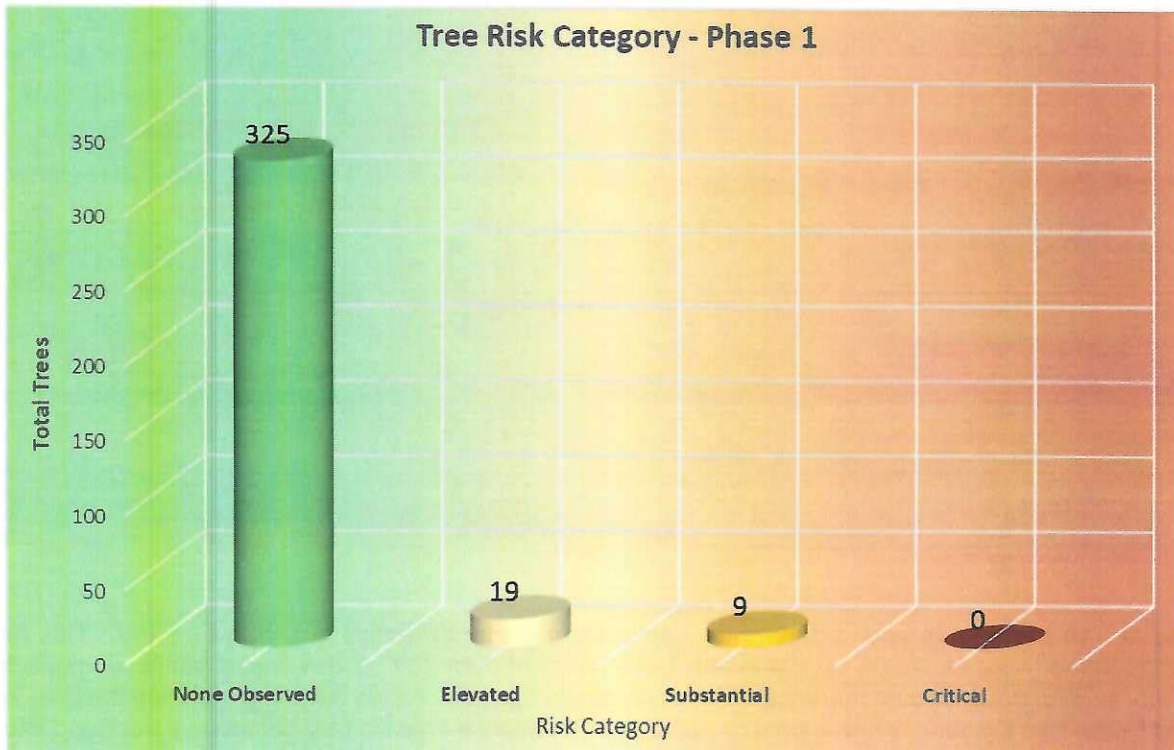
The eight trees categorized as Prune-Train are typically trees smaller than 8" DBH which have structural issues or are overgrown and require selective pruning to establish better architecture in the future. Establishment pruning, or the pruning of young trees to establish proper branching habit and structure, is one of the least expensive, yet most effective, maintenance items that can be performed on a young tree.



The arborist recommendation reasons summarize the field observations into the main factors that justify the arborist recommendation, the condition, and the risk rating of each tree. Some trees may have more than two factors, but the two most prominent issues that directly pertained to the maintenance recommendation or condition were noted. WPD can use this inventory data to query specific defects and prioritize mitigation actions. This chart illustrates an interesting overview of the health, defects, and maintenance needs of WPD's tree population.

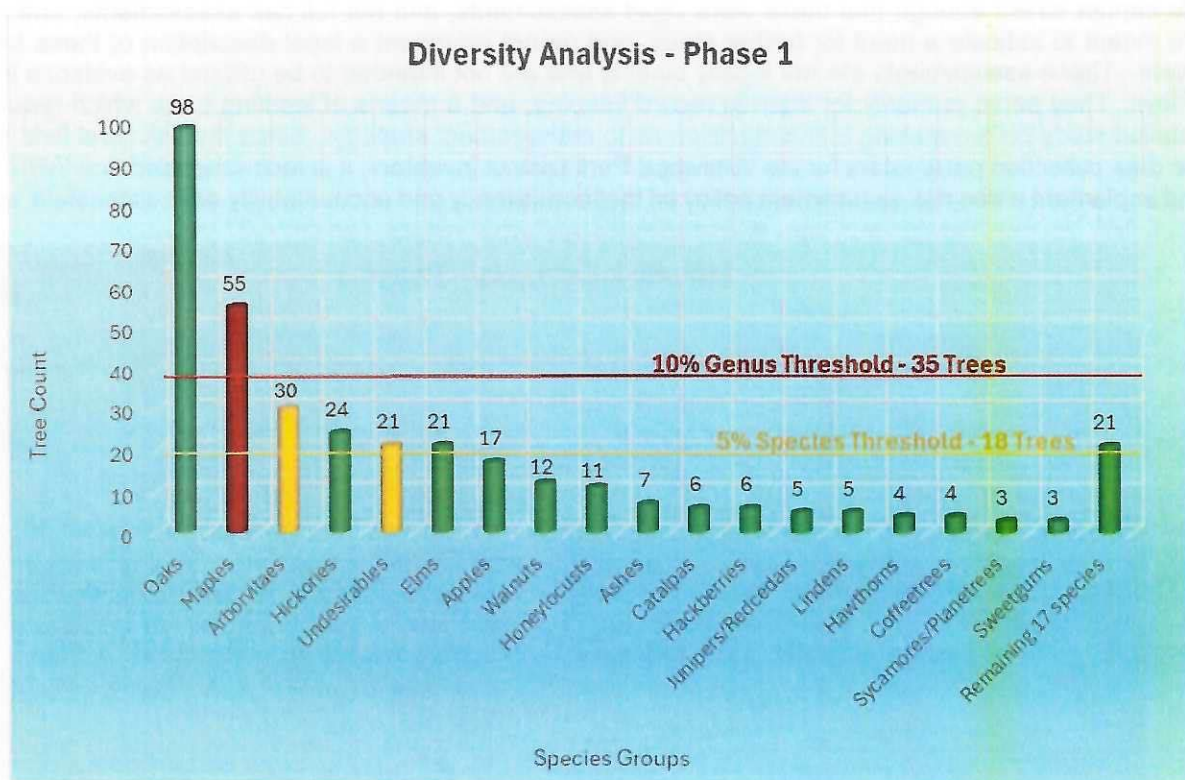
Risk Level Summary

We cannot stress enough that these were rapid assessments, and not full risk assessments, and as such, are meant to indicate a need for further study, and do not represent a legal description of these trees' risk levels. These assessments are not legally binding and are not intended to be utilized as evidence in a court of law. They serve primarily for internal record keeping, and a means of locating trees which require more detailed study before making a final decision as to management strategy. Since the risk level field is part of the data collection parameters for the Wildwood Park District inventory, it is recommended that WPD develop and implement a tree risk assessment policy so that consistency and accountability are successfully achieved.



As illustrated in the chart above, the majority of the inventoried park trees were found to have no observable risk level. However, 28 trees were found to have some degree of risk, about 8% of the inventoried population. There were no trees that fell into the Critical risk category, if there were, these would receive immediate mitigation actions. Trees in the Substantial Risk level category should receive a Level 2 or 3 Risk Assessment and/or mitigating action. Any tree found in the Elevated risk category should be monitored and/or inspected by District staff and a threshold of risk tolerance be established. Some elevated risk level trees may also be considered for a Level 2 Risk Assessment and/or mitigating action. Great Lakes Urban Forestry would be pleased to assist the Park District in any aspect of developing or managing a tree risk assessment policy or performing Level 2 Basic Risk Assessments or Level 3 Advanced Risk Assessments.

Diversity Statistics



The “20-10-5” rule has been adopted as a Best Management Practice in Urban Forestry. This rule simply states that a tree population should ideally have no more than 20% of any single family, no more than 10% of any single genus, and no more than 5% or any single species. As we have learned from the EAB infestation and Dutch Elm Disease, when a pest or pathogen that attacks specific tree genera is introduced into a region where those specific genera are overrepresented, tree populations can take a devastating hit. We have included 10% Genus threshold and 5% species threshold lines on the diversity analysis graph above. The above diversity analysis graph illustrates the composition of the inventoried tree population.

The inventory reveals that the Oak genus in this population significantly outnumbers all other species groups. In addition, most of the Oaks are mature trees, 80% are 16” and over. While the District does not need to entirely discontinue planting Oak trees, they should be used in limited numbers, with the purpose of maintaining the future character of the parks. It should be kept in mind that the mature Oaks at Rule, Sunset, and Willow Point Parks have skewed the diversity analysis. A full inventory of all the District’s properties will result in an accurate diversity analysis.

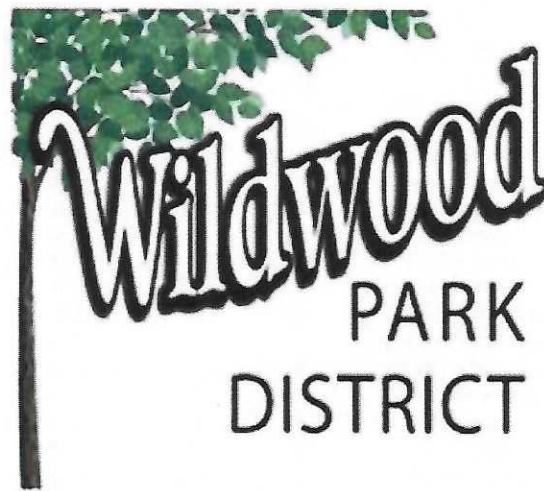
Maple species are the next highest represented species at 16% of WCPD’s inventoried tree population. Arborvitae trees are also currently over the recommended 5% species level in the population. The District should considering limiting these genera in future plantings.

The data gathered in this inventory shows moderate species diversity, with 57 species represented, and many of these species are represented in very low numbers. For instance, the three most highly represented genera, Oaks, Maples, Arborvitae, and Hickories, make up nearly 60% of the inventoried population, with other genera represented in small quantities. The 31 trees in the Undesirables category are species such as Mulberry, Boxelder, Willow, Black Cherry, Black Locust, and Ailanthus. These trees are notorious for being fast growing, weak-wooded and/or invasive, weedy trees that often develop a variety of structural defects as they mature.

For safety, aesthetic, and ecological reasons, it is recommended that WPD set a goal of gradually removing poor condition trees, over-mature trees, and undesirable tree species in this population, and replanting them with a diverse set of tree species. This will increase overall diversity and create an even more healthy, stable tree population. Proper planning will help WPD protect the investment in each new tree and create a future tree population that is more resilient and diverse. WPD should have a targeted approach when it comes to choosing new species to plant and should focus on planting a wide variety of tree species and genera.

Conclusion

It has been a pleasure for Great Lakes Urban Forestry to provide this Phase 1 tree inventory, data analysis, and report to Wildwood Park District. We look forward to the next phase of the tree inventory, and we would be happy to perform tree risk assessments or assist in any other tree or natural resource related initiatives. Thank you for the opportunity to partner with you, and we look forward to continuing to serve as your tree, natural resource, and geospatial data experts.

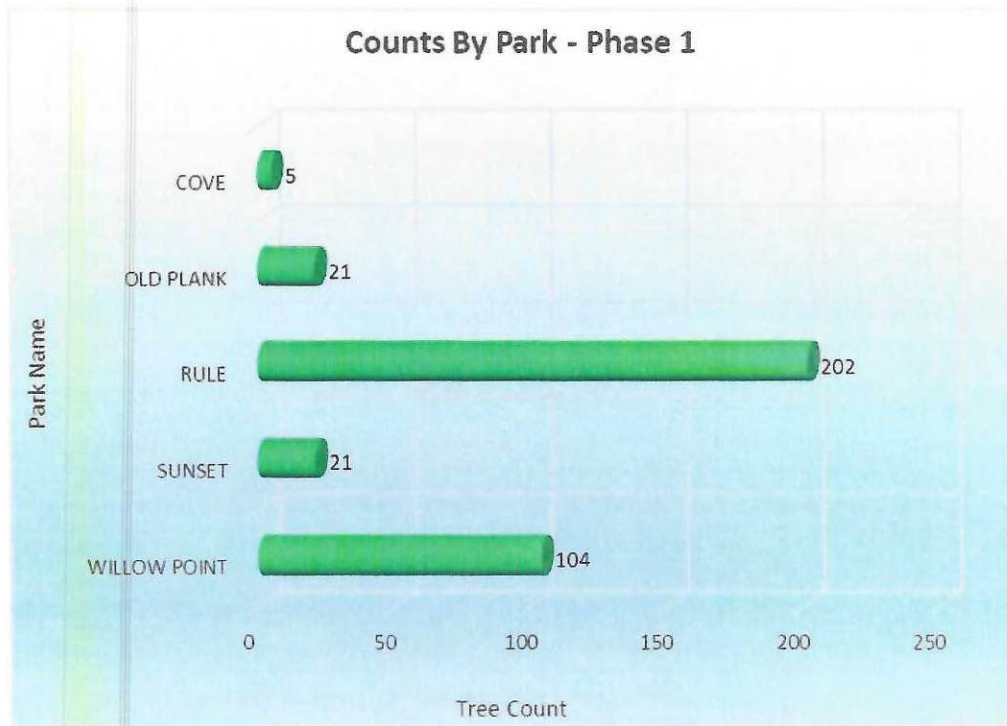


Appendix A: Phase 1 Trees

The table below is an itemized list of all tree species present in WPD's phase 1 tree population, along with average DBH, and average condition for each species. The average condition ratings can be used as a guide as to what species are growing well in the parks.

SPECIES	COUNT	% OF TOTAL	AVG DBH	AVG COND
OAK-BURR	56	15.86%	26.71	2.71
ARBOR VITAE	30	8.50%	9.97	3.03
OAK-WHITE	24	6.80%	22.54	2.96
HICKORY-SHAGBARK	21	5.95%	17.14	2.38
ELM-HYBRID	14	3.97%	17.21	2.86
APPLE-CRAB SPP	13	3.68%	7.77	3.62
WALNUT-BLACK	12	3.40%	27.42	2.42
HONEYLOCUST	11	3.12%	21.00	2.64
MAPLE-FREEMAN	11	3.12%	9.18	3.27
MAPLE-NORWAY	11	3.12%	19.64	3.09
MAPLE-SUGAR	11	3.12%	16.36	2.73
MAPLE-SILVER	10	2.83%	26.80	3.50
OAK-NORTHERN RED	8	2.27%	28.25	2.75
ELM-AMERICAN	7	1.98%	12.57	3.14
MAPLE-AMUR	7	1.98%	9.57	3.14
MULBERRY-SPP	7	1.98%	20.29	3.43
OAK-SWAMP WHITE	7	1.98%	12.29	2.43
ASH-GREEN	6	1.70%	10.50	3.67
BLACK LOCUST	6	1.70%	22.00	3.17
CATALPA-NORTHERN	6	1.70%	19.83	3.50
HACKBERRY-COMMON	6	1.70%	8.17	2.67
MAPLE-RED	5	1.42%	6.00	3.20
APPLE-EDIBLE	4	1.13%	7.25	3.50
HAWTHORN-SPP	4	1.13%	7.00	3.75
JUNIPER-COMMON	4	1.13%	4.00	3.00
KENTUCKY COFFEETREE	4	1.13%	12.75	2.75
HICKORY-BITTERNUT	3	0.85%	12.33	2.67
LINDEN-AMERICAN	3	0.85%	11.67	2.67
OAK-PIN	3	0.85%	1.00	3.00
SWEETGUM	3	0.85%	16.33	3.00
AMUR CORKTREE	2	0.57%	21.50	3.00
BOXELDER	2	0.57%	16.00	3.00
CHERRY-BLACK	2	0.57%	17.00	3.00
DOGWOOD-CORNELIAN	2	0.57%	7.50	3.00
DOUGLAS FIR	2	0.57%	9.00	3.00
GINKGO	2	0.57%	7.00	3.00
LINDEN-LITTLELEAF	2	0.57%	9.00	3.00
SYCAMORE	2	0.57%	24.00	3.00
WILLOW-WEeping	2	0.57%	23.50	3.00
AILANTHUS	1	0.28%	8.00	3.00
ASH-WHITE	1	0.28%	22.00	3.00
BALDCYPRESS	1	0.28%	2.00	3.00
BEECH-AMERICAN	1	0.28%	18.00	2.00
BIRCH-RIVER	1	0.28%	16.00	2.00
BIRCH-WHITE	1	0.28%	14.00	2.00
CHERRY-SPP	1	0.28%	4.00	3.00
CHESTNUT-CHINESE	1	0.28%	14.00	3.00
EASTERN REDCEDAR	1	0.28%	5.00	3.00
HAZELNUT-TURKISH	1	0.28%	11.00	3.00
LONDON PLANETREE	1	0.28%	16.00	3.00
PEAR-CALLERY	1	0.28%	4.00	3.00
PERSIMMON-COMMON	1	0.28%	8.00	3.00
REDBUD-EASTERN	1	0.28%	14.00	2.00
SPRUCE-COLORADO	1	0.28%	10.00	5.00
SPRUCE-NORWAY	1	0.28%	14.00	3.00
TULIPTREE	1	0.28%	15.00	3.00
WILLOW-WHITE	1	0.28%	4.00	3.00

Appendix B: Tree Count by Inventoried Park



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Website

- Routine Maintenance- keeping website up to date with current announcements, events, news, and programs, as well as removing old content.
- Updates
 - Continued updating of Board of Commissioners page:
 - Meeting agendas and minutes.
 - Continued updating of Gages Lake Conservation Committee page:
 - Meeting agendas, minutes, and events.
 - Removed past Special Events and Programs.
 - Added all upcoming November and December events and programs to homepage slider.
- Metrics (last 30 days)
 - Sessions: a session is the browsing session of a single user to our website
 - 1,376- down 40% from previous 30 days.
 - Decrease is likely due to the end of summer season when kids go back to school and programs and events slow down.
 - Pageviews: a view of a page on our site that is being tracked by the Analytics tracking code.
 - 2,082 – down 37% from previous 30 days
 - Most Popular Times: most popular days/times we have website visitors.
 - 1. Wednesdays at 10am
 - 2. Thursdays at 11am
 - 3. Tuesdays at 3pm
 - Average Session Duration: total duration of all sessions, in seconds
 - 23 sec – down 11% from previous 30 days
 - New vs Returning Visitors
 - New- 96%, Returning- 4%
 - Device Breakdown
 - Desktop- 68%, Tablet- 0%, Mobile- 31%
 - Top Referrals: the top websites that send your website traffic, known as referral traffic.
 - 1. Facebook
 - 2. ChatGPT
 - 3. Instagram
 - 4. Apple Maps
 - Top Pages
 - 1. Home
 - 2. Trick-or-Treating Event/Details
 - 3. Calendar
 - 4. Special Events
 - 5. Harvest Fest
 - 6. Board of Commissioners

- 7. Invitation to Bid Shoreline Stabilization Project Willow Point Park
- 8. Parks & Facilities
- 9. Program Guide
- 10. Pavilion & Room Rentals

Social Media

- Routine Maintenance- checking social media pages daily for comments, messages, etc. and responding accordingly.
- Posting weekly to drive program registration, event attendance, engagement, follows, and to remain visible in people's newsfeeds.
 - Created Facebook events for:
 - Touch-A-Truck
 - Glow in the Dark Scavenger Hunt
 - Chili Cook Off
 - Trunk-or-Treat
 - Board Game Night
 - Cookies & Milk with Santa
 - Master Gardener Class
 - Adult, Child, & Infant CPR/AED Training
 - Pumpkin Decorating Event
 - Fall Cookie Decorating Event
 - Gingerbread House Decorating event
 - Kids Slime Making Class
 - Adult Bingo Night
 - Marketing post for all October events (tagged Facebook events).
 - Post to let Harvest Fest attendees know that Alyssa Sanchez photos would be available shortly.
 - Promoted Gagewood Lions Club lawn mower winterization project.
 - Safety post about open Benadryl being found at Old Plank Park.
 - Harvest Fest post-event survey.
 - Pumpkin Decorating Class promotion.
 - Posted Harvest Fest floating volunteer photos.
 - Announcement of new Old Plank Park park entry sign
 - Alyssa Sanchez Harvest Fest gallery post.
 - Promoted Trunk-or-Treat
 - Post to gather feedback from residents regarding new events/programs they'd like to see.
 - Preschool field trip photos and post.
 - Monthly e-newsletter landing page to push sign-ups.
 - Gagewood Lions Club thank you post for Old Plank Little Free Library.
 - Focus Group Meeting promotion.
 - Adult Bingo Night promotion.
 - ADA Accessibility and Inclusion survey.
 - Weekly event/program promotion:

- Focus Group Meeting
 - Kids Slime Making Class
 - Adult Bingo Night
 - Gages Lake Conservation Committee thank you post for fish stocking.
- Analytics
 - Facebook
 - Total page followers: 2,115- up 5 followers in last 28 days
 - Total Views- The number of times your content was played or displayed.
 - 23,307- down 63% from previous 28 days.
 - Content Interactions- the number of likes or reactions, saves, comments, shares and replies on your content, including ads.
 - 283- down 67.3% from previous 28 days.
 - Audience: 25% men, 75% women
 - Instagram
 - Total Views- 665. Down 60% from previous 30 days.
 - Interactions- 3. Down 9 from previous 30 days.
 - Accounts Reached: 51. Down 36.3% from previous last 30 days.
 - Total followers: 308. Up 1 from previous 30 days.

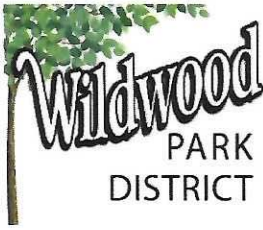
Monthly E-Newsletter

- We are up to 532 subscribers to our monthly e-newsletter.
- November E-newsletter included:
 - Minor re-design.
 - Inside this Issue highlights.
 - Mark Your Calendars
 - All upcoming November and December programs, events, office closures, and board meetings.
 - ADA Accessibility & Inclusivity Survey
 - News & Announcements
 - 10/30 Focus Group Meeting
 - Halloween Trick-or-Treating in Wildwood
 - Sunset Park Boat Launch Update
 - Monthly Staff Report
 - Sponsorship Opportunities
 - Harvest Fest
 - Alyssa Sanchez photo gallery now available.
 - All upcoming November and December event and program details.
 - Preschool open enrollment and info.
 - Pavilion and Room Rentals

Miscellaneous

- 2026 Winter/Spring Seasonal Program Guide

- Internal planning for program guide with Executive Director, marketing, and admin departments.
- Continued creation of program guide.
- Collaborated with Grayslake Park District and Gurnee Park District to establish co-op programs to offer our residents due to facility spacing/equipment constraints.
- 2026 Sponsorship Guide
 - Began updating general event sponsorship guide for 2026.
- 2026 Summer Camp and Preschool Guide
 - Began internal discussions and brainstorming sessions with Executive Director, marketing, preschool, and admin department to create a separate (digital only) 2026 Summer Camp and Preschool program guide.
 - Will be available first week of February.
 - Early bird registration for February-May 22nd.



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TO: Board of Commissioners
CC: All Staff
FROM: Brandon Magnini, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Willow Point Park Shoreline Stabilization Sealed Bid Opening 11.14.2025 and Recommendations
DATE: November 17th, 2025

Good afternoon, Commissioners,

The Wildwood Park District held a Public Sealed Bid Opening for the Willow Point Park Shoreline Stabilization Project on Friday, November 14th, 2025 at 2pm. Public opening was held at Rule House. Park District Staff (Executive Director Brandon Magnini) handled the opening of the bids and announcement of bid amounts and compliance details in front of the prospective bidders saved verbatim through the voice recorder along with the bid tabulation during the Bid Opening. Commissioner Becky Jante was also in attendance to assist in overseeing the proceedings.

Attached is the sign-in sheet of vendors that attended the Bid Opening on 11/14/2025. Also attached is the non-mandatory pre-bid meeting vendor sign-in sheet from 11/3/2025. A separate bid tabulation sheets summarizing the bid price, contents, and compliance areas/any irregularities of the opened bids is also attached from the 11/14 Public Bid Opening.

Notice of the public bid opening and Request for Proposals (RFP) was disseminated through the Daily Herald, posted on the Park District website, and physically posted at the Park District office. Proof of publication attached. A list of prospective vendors and plan holders that the RFP was originally sent out to is also attached along with addendum information for the RFP that was sent out to all bidders on 11/11.

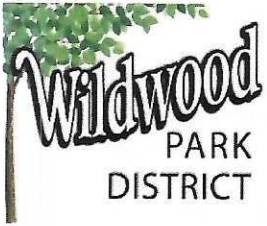
Our recommendation is to go with the lowest responsive bidder which in this case would be Balanced Environments, Inc. at a grand total of \$55,795.00 (if the 24"-36" size boulders are chosen). References will be contacted and checked prior to any notice of bid award given to the chosen bidder. Please review the following packet for the recommended action to review and take at the Monday, November 17th, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

Sincerely,

Brandon Magnini

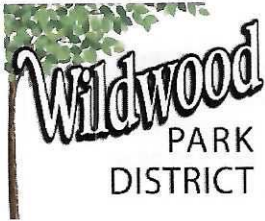
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**Willow Point Park Shoreline
Stabilization Project Board
Evaluation Packet**

Willow Point Park Shoreline
Stabilization Project
Board Evaluation Packet
Date: November 17th, 2025
Prepared for: Wildwood Park District Board



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Executive Summary:

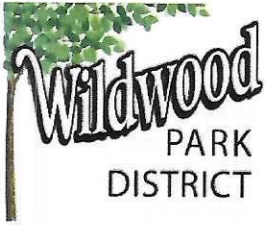
The Willow Point Park Shoreline Stabilization Project received nine sealed bids from qualified contractors:

- CK Contractors, Inc.
- TIGRIS Aquatic Services
- ENCAP Incorporated
- ShoreWerks
- RES Environmental Operating Company
- ILM
- Balanced Environments, Inc.
- Copenhaver Construction
- D Land Construction LLC

Each bid was manually opened and was evaluated based on a standardized scoring system covering responsiveness, experience, references, timeline, and cost reasonableness.

Recommendation:

Balanced Environments, Inc. is recommended as the preferred bidder. Their proposal represents the best overall value and meets the criteria for the lowest responsible bid under Illinois procurement guidelines.



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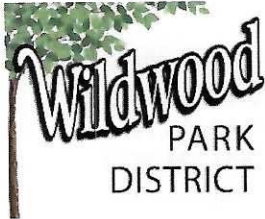
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Evaluation Criteria (Scored 1-5):

- 1 - Poor: Does not meet requirements or expectations
- 2 - Fair: Meets some requirements but has notable deficiencies
- 3 - Good: Adequately meets requirements
- 4 - Very Good: Exceeds requirements in some areas
- 5 - Excellent: Fully meets or exceeds all requirements

Criteria:

- Bid submitted on time
- All required forms completed
- Bid complies with specifications
- Experience with similar projects
- References
- Timeline Proposed
- Insurance/Bonding
- Financial Stability
- Project Execution Capability
- Past Performance
- Cost Reasonableness



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Bid Evaluation Summary:

Bidder: CK Contractors, Inc.

Score: 51/55

Bid Amount: \$59,623.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$56,263.00 with 18"-24" boulders.

Strengths: Met with me at pre-bid meeting on 11/3. Clear plan, itemized cost breakdown, low cost. References provided that display history of working with shoreline regrading and stabilization projects.

Concerns: No project timeline provided.

Bidder: TIGRIS

Aquatic Services

Score: 50/55

Bid Amount: \$90,150.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$87,750.00 with 18"-24" boulders.

Strengths: Clear itemized cost breakdown. Clear plan and timeline given. COI provided. References given. Met with me at pre-bid meeting on 11/3.

Concerns: Higher Cost.

Bidder: ENCAP Incorporated

Score: 48/55

Bid Amount: \$165,840.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$165,840.00 with 18"-24" boulders

Strengths: COI provided. Good references with shoreline stabilization work provided.

Company profile provided. Brief project plan and timeline provided. Clear itemized cost breakdown provided

Concerns: Very high cost

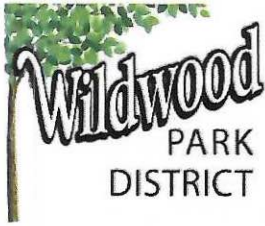
Bidder: ShoreWerks

Score: 40/55

Bid Amount: \$134,750.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$134,750.00 with 18"-24" boulders

Strengths: Previous project experience working with the Wildwood Park District. Clear itemized cost breakdown provided. References provided.

Concerns: Very high cost. No written plan or timeline provided.



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**Bidder: RES Environmental
Operating Company**

Score: 48/55

Bid Amount: \$74,500.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$75,500.00 with 18"-24" boulders

Strengths: Company profile included. COI. Good references with strong history with shoreline stabilization projects. Good plan, and timeline provided.

Concerns: Concerns: Mid-range to higher cost. Lack of clear itemized cost breakdown.

Bidder: ILM

Score: 49/55

Bid Amount: \$72,163.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$64,855.00 with 18"-24" boulders

Strengths: COI, company profile, included project plan (albeit brief), brief project timeline provided, strong previous shoreline stabilization experience and references.

Met with me at pre-bid meeting on 11/3.

Concerns: Mid-range to higher cost.

**Bidder: Balanced
Environments, Inc.**

Score: 51/55

Bid Amount: \$55,795.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$53,902.00 with 18"-24" boulders

Strengths: Lowest overall cost. Subcontractor Lurvey Landscape supply local and known entity. Provides clear plan. Good references. Prior given work with shoreline stabilization projects and rip rap.

Concerns: Lack of submitted itemized cost breakdown/turbidity curtain, timeline.

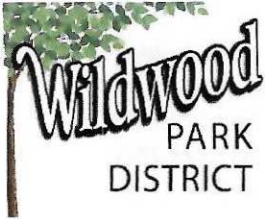
**Bidder: Copenhaver
Construction**

Score: 48/55

Bid Amount: \$75,900.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$62,150.00 with 18"-24" boulders

Strengths: COI included, strong history with shoreline and rip rap work with larger projects and reference, general itemized cost list.

Concerns: No plan or timeline included, medium-higher cost overall.



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**Bidder: D Land Construction
LLC**

Score: 44/ 55

Bid Amount: \$90,615.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$93,265.00 with 18"-24" boulders

Strengths: Strong public works history, listed out plan timeline, provided COI, company profile, references.

Concerns: No given history on shoreline stabilization projects, higher cost, no itemized cost breakdown of specific materials/labor/turbidity curtain.

Recommendation:

After evaluating all nine bids for the Willow Point Park Shoreline Stabilization Project Balanced Environments, Inc. is recommended as the preferred bidder based on the provided above criteria and being the lowest responsive bidder.

Board approval is recommended to proceed with Balanced Environments Inc.

Legal Justification for Not Selecting the Lowest Bidder:

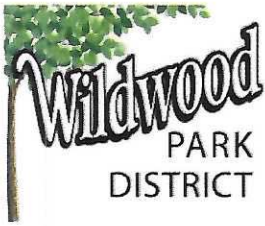
Under Illinois law, public contracts exceeding \$20,000 must be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, not necessarily the lowest bidder (Illinois Statutes Chapter 50 20/20)

A responsible bidder is defined under 30 ILCS 500/30-22 as one who:

- Complies with all applicable laws and wage requirements.
- Maintains valid insurance coverage.
- Participates in registered apprenticeship and training programs.
- Demonstrates financial stability and reliability.
- Has the capability to fully perform the contract.

Additionally, Illinois law requires that the winning bidder be responsive, meaning they must submit all required documents and comply with bid instructions (IML Legal Brief)

In the case of the Willow Point Park Shoreline Stabilization Project: Balanced Environments, Inc. is the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with Illinois procurement law.



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Board Resolution:

Resolution No. 2025-SHORELINE STABILIZATION-01

WHEREAS, the Park District has solicited bids for the Willow Point Park Shoreline Stabilization Project;

WHEREAS, nine bids were received and evaluated based on responsiveness, responsibility, and cost;

WHEREAS, Balanced Environments, Inc. submitted the most complete and responsible bid; WHEREAS, Illinois law requires contracts to be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Wildwood Park District:

1. That the contract for the Willow Point Shoreline Stabilization Project be awarded to Balanced Environments, Inc. in the amount of \$55,795.00 for the 24"-36" boulders option OR \$53,902.00 for the 18"-24" boulders option;
2. That the Executive Director is authorized to execute the contract and take all necessary actions to proceed with the project.

Approved and adopted this 17th day of November 2025.

Board of Commissioner Signatures:

Name: _____	Title: _____
Signature: _____	
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Signature: _____	
Name: _____	Title: _____
Signature: _____	
Name: _____	Title: _____
Signature: _____	
Date: _____	Title: _____

WILDWOOD PARK DISTRICT

Bid Tabulation Sheet for Willow Point Park Shoreline Stabilization Project

Manual Bid Opening: 2 PM Friday, November 14th Wildwood Park District Conference Room

Bidder Name	Date & Time Bid Received
CK Contractors, Inc	11/11/2025 12:00pm
TIGRIS Aquatic Services	11/12/2025 11:30am
ENCAP Incorporated	11/14/2025 9:30am
ShoreWerks	11/14/2025 11:00am
RES Environmental Operating Company	11/14/2025 1:20pm
ILM	11/14/2025 1:28pm
Balanced Environments, Inc.	11/14/2025 1:30pm
Copenhaver Construction	11/14/2025 1:50pm
D Land Construction LLC	11/14/2025 1:50pm

Total Bid Amount
\$59,623 with 24"-36" boulders and \$56,263 with 18"-24" boulders.
\$90,150 with 24"-36" boulders and \$87,750 with 18"-24" boulders.
\$165,840.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$165,840.00 with 18"-24" boulders.
\$134,750.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$134,750.00 with 18"-24" boulders.
\$74,500.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$75,500.00 with 18"-24" boulders.
\$72,163.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$64,855.00 with 18"-24" boulders.
\$39,627.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$37,734.00 with 18"-24" boulders. Rip Rap \$16,168.00 for both options
\$75,900.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$62,150.00 with 18"-24" boulders.
\$90,615.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$93,265.00 with 18"-24" boulders.

Itemized Costs

65 tons of 11,978 (18"-24"), job setup \$5,300, RR \$4,260 reshape shoreline \$6,150.00 Stone placement \$20,980.00. Bigger boulders are \$15,338.00. Smaller Bo

\$22,800 with 24"-36" boulders and \$20,400 with 18"-24" boulders. 6-12 4RR Rip Rap \$3,600. Labor \$36,000.00. Turbidity Curtain \$6,800.00. Site restoration

\$53,625 with 24"-36" boulders and \$53,625 with 18"-24" boulders. Site Restoration \$6,350.00. Turbidity Curtain \$19,250.00. 6-12 4RR Rip Rap \$28,500.00.

\$17,500.00 with 24"-36" boulders and \$17,500.00 with 18"-24" boulders. \$60,000.00 equip. Labor \$48,050.00. 6-12 4RR Rip Rap \$9,200.00.

Material is \$16,800.00 Labor \$41,300.00. Equipment \$16,400.00

Material is for 24"-36" boulders \$34,503.08 and 18"-24" stone 18 \$27,195.08. Equipment \$8,076.92. Labor \$29,583.00.

No itemized cost

Material is for 24"-36" boulders \$38,500.00 and 18"-24" stone \$24,750.08. Labor \$17,525.00. Rip Rap \$7,500.00. Turbidity Curtain \$12,375.00.

Material is for 24"-36" boulders \$27,787.00 and 18"-24" stone \$30,528.00. Labor and excavation \$60,738.00. Turbidity Curtain \$12,375.00.

Director Becky Jante WPD Board President

Irregularities
Nothing about turbidity curtain or site restoration
Nothing about turbidity curtain. Did not do itemized cost breakdown, but provided plan
No plan included
no plan included nor info about turbidity curtain

WILLOW POINT PARK SHORELINE STABILIZATION BIDDER LIST

Wildwood Park District

Bid Opening: 11/14/2025 2pm

CONTRACTOR	CONTACT PERSON	PHONE
Bob Rohrs and Son, Inc.	Bob Rohrs	847.514.7765
Balanced Environments, Inc.	Jason Seebacker	224.610.6276
ILM Environments, Inc.	Debbie Budyak	847.244.6662
Pizzo and Associates	Hanna Danecker	815-495-2300
Rock Solid	Mark	866-613-4903
CK Contractors	Chris CK, Josh Monson	262-206-5009
Lake County Grading Company LLC	Dave Meservey	847.362.2590
ShoreWerks	Will Hazen	815-403-5508
ConstructConnect	Scott Jonas/Lori Demko	513-458-5892
Viking Dredging	Tom Cooper	832-808-2264
TIGRIS	Jennifer Biancalana	224-202-5808
ENCAP Incorporated	Brett Suhayda	815-748-4500
Resource Environmental Solutions, LLC	Travis Lanser	262-895-9005
V3 Companies	Tom Foster	630-675-7333
Copenhaver Construction	Livia Nelson	847-428-6696
Laborers' District Council - LMCC	Anthony Wallk	630-688-8973
Dodge Construction Network	Brenda Cusack	
Dodge Construction Network	Marie Brown	844-326-3826 ext. 7346

Bid Addendum regarding turbidity curtain requirements/clarification sent to all plan holders via e

Scott Jonas with ConstructConnect, Livia Nelson with Copenhaver Construction, and Tony Wallk wit

EMAIL	ADDRESS
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brenda.cusack@construction.com	
marie.brown@construction.com	

mail on 11.11.2025.

h Laborers' District Council – LMCC confirmed addendum receipt via email on 11/12/2025.

RFP Sent

10/28 4:17pm

10/28 4:19pm

10/28 4:20pm

10/28 4:22pm

10/28 4:36pm

10/28 4:34pm

10/28 4:24pm

10/28 4:25pm

ConstructConnect downloaded RFP from WPD website

10/31 10:02am. They reached out initially for RFP via email on 10/30 4:02pm

Requested via email 1:35pm on 11/3 to be added to addenda list

Company found RFP online

Requested RFP via email 11/5 at 10:03 am

Downloaded RFP from WPD website

Confirm email rec'd

Confirmed receipt of 11/11/2025 addendum on 11/12/2025 at 2:38pm but did not confirm receipt of initial RFP email sent out 10/28.

10/29 7:10am via email

10/28 4:26pm via email

10/29 8:32 via email. Indicated they would be attending pre-bid meeting

11/2/2025 8:34PM via email

Emailed back 10/31 10:40am. Sent addenda info

Emailed me directly 10/31 3:20pm indicating they would be at pre-bid meeting and intended to bid on project

11/6 9:15am via email

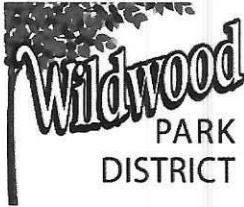
11/6 2:27pm via email

Downloaded RFP from WPD website, confirmed via email 11/7. 2:56pm

Requested confirmation of bid opening on 11/14/2025 at 2pm. Sent email back confirming 11/10 12:49pm

Requested estimated project cost, plan holders list, and to be added to addenda list. Emailed info 11/7 and 11/11

Requested estimated project cost, plan holders list, bid award timeline, and best time for bid award follow-up.



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Bid Addendum

Date: November 11, 2025
Project: Shoreline Stabilization Project – Willow Point Park Wildwood Park District
Subject: Bid Addendum – RFP Clarification Regarding Turbidity Curtain

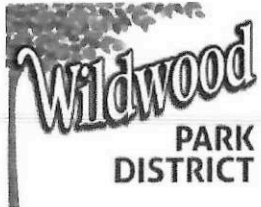
To all bidders,

This addendum serves to clarify requirements related to the installation and maintenance of the turbidity curtain for the above-referenced project. Please note the following changes and clarifications:

1. Turbidity curtain management as listed on Page 2 under item 3 'Project Overview' of the RFP shall be clarified to require the contractor to supply, install, manage, and remove the turbidity curtain upon completion of the granite boulder installation. The curtain will be placed to protect the main waterbody from the construction reshaping of the peninsular shoreline and the installation of the granite boulders per the design drawings and the site development permit requirements of Lake County, IL. Turbidity curtain to cover the 275' linear feet of area where new granite boulder installation will take place per the design drawings. This curtain does not apply to the 300' linear feet of rip rap installation in the inner cove as per the design drawings. Type 1 DOT turbidity curtain or similar is acceptable. Please include this in your itemized cost estimate.

All other terms and conditions of the original RFP remain unchanged. Please acknowledge receipt of this addendum and incorporate these clarifications into your proposal.

Sincerely,
Brandon Magnini
Executive Director
Wildwood Park District
bmagnini@wildwoodparkdistrict.com



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Invitation to Bid Shoreline Stabilization Project Willow Point Park

The Wildwood Park District is requesting sealed bids to for Shoreline Stabilization work at Willow Point Park. Please click the link below for the bid packet and for additional information!

[Willow Point Park Shoreline Stabilization RFP Bid Packet Wildwood Park District](#)



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**INVITATION TO BID
SHORELINE STABILIZATION INSTALLATION
WILLOW POINT PARK**

The Willow Point Park District, Willow Point, Illinois requests sealed bids to re-shape existing shoreline and install rip rap and boulders along the shoreline of Willow Point Park for erosion control per the permitting requirements of the US Army Core of Engineers and Lake County, IL.
Bid packets are available at the Park District office located at 33325 N Sears Blvd, Willow Point, IL, and online at www.willowpointparkdistrict.com. Specific questions may be directed to Brandon Maggini, Executive Director via email at bmaggini@willowpointparkdistrict.com or phone at 847.223.7275.

In order to receive Addenda and any other communications regarding this Project, all Bidders must acknowledge receipt of the bid package by sending an electronic confirmation to Brandon Maggini bmaggini@willowpointparkdistrict.com. The District has no duty to send or otherwise notify a Bidder of any Addendum or other communications regarding this Project who has not complied with this requirement. All bids must be received sealed on the Park District-provided bid form no later than Friday, November 14, 2025, by 2 PM regardless of postmark date. A public bid opening will be conducted at the Willow Point Park District office, 33325 N Sears Blvd, Willow Point, Illinois, on this day beginning at 2 PM.
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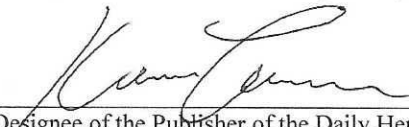
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Corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Illinois, DOES HEREBY CERTIFY that it is the publisher of the **Lake County DAILY HERALD**. That said **Lake County DAILY HERALD** is a secular newspaper, published in Libertyville, Lake County, State of Illinois, and has been in general circulation daily throughout Lake County, continuously for more than 50 weeks prior to the first Publication of the attached notice, and a newspaper as defined by 715 ILCS 5/5.

I further certify that the **Lake County DAILY HERALD** is a newspaper as defined in "an Act to revise the law in relation to notices" as amended in 1992 Illinois Compiled Statutes, Chapter 715, Act 5, Section 1 and 5. That a notice of which the annexed printed slip is a true copy, was published 10/30/2025 in said **Lake County DAILY HERALD**. This notice was also placed on a statewide public notice website as required by 5 ILCS 5/2.1.

BY


Designee of the Publisher of the Daily Herald

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**WILDWOOD PARK DISTRICT
TAX LEVY ORDINANCE NO: 2025-11-01
Annual Levy Ordinance for the Tax Year 2025**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (“Board”) of the WILDWOOD PARK DISTRICT (“the District”), LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS as follows:

Whereas, the Board of Park Commissioners established an estimate of levy, in compliance with section 18-60 of the Property Tax Code, at its meeting on November 17, 2025; and

Whereas the estimate of levy determined that the proposed aggregate levy represents a 3.6% increase over the Tax Year 2024 extension of the corporate or special purpose taxes that were levied or abated.

Be it Ordained by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Wildwood Park District, Lake County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. The sum of Five Hundred Ninety-Three Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$593,500), or so much as may be authorized by law, is hereby assessed, and levied, for the anticipated objects and purposes specified, against all taxable property within the limits of the Wildwood Park District as the same is levied, are exclusive of the amounts previously levied for the payment of bonded indebtedness and interest thereon.

General Corporate Fund (70 ILCS 1205/5-1; 5-3 and Public Act 97-974)	\$349,000.00
Recreation Fund (70 ILCS 1205/5-2; 5-3a and Public Act 97-974)	\$154,100.00
Special Recreation Fund (70 ILCS 1205/5-8)	\$63,500.00
Liability Insurance Fund (745 ILCS 10/9-107)	\$14,900.00
Audit Fund (50 ILCS 310/9)	\$6,000.00
Paving & Lighting Fund (70 ILCS 1205/5-6)	<u>\$6,000.00</u>
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED FOR ALL FUNDS	\$593,500.00

Section 2. Pursuant to Section 4-4 of the Park District Code (70 ILCS 1205/4-4) neither the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of the District for the current fiscal year beginning May 1, 2025, and ending April 30, 2026, nor any other Budget and Appropriation Ordinance is intended or required to be in support of the tax levy made in this ordinance.

Section 3. The unexpended balance of any item or items levied in and by this ordinance may be expended in making up any deficit or any item or items in the same general appropriation and levy made by this ordinance. The unexpended balance of the tax for general corporate purposes from the preceding year may be accumulated and set aside for the purposes of building repairs and improvements in a capital improvement fund, provided that the balance of such fund does not exceed 1.5% of the aggregated assessed valuation of all taxable property within the district.

Section 4. That forthwith upon the passage of this ordinance, the Secretary of this Board is directed to file in the office of the County Clerk of Lake County, Illinois, a copy of this ordinance properly certified by said Secretary as to its enactment accompanied by the certificate of the presiding officer as to compliance with the Truth-In-Taxation Law, and said County Clerk is hereby directed to extend taxes sufficient to produce the amounts levied herein in accordance with applicable law.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption as required by law.

Adopted on this 17th day of November 2025, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstentions:

Absent and Not Voting:

President
Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Secretary
Board of Commissioners

SEAL:

Wildwood Park District
33325 N Sears Blvd
Grayslake, IL 60030

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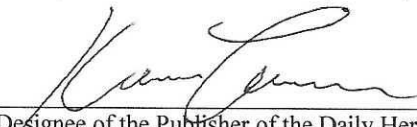
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