

## Santa Clara Community Park Expansion Area Fact Sheet

### What is the Santa Clara Community Park?

To fulfill a longstanding need for a community park in the Santa Clara area, the City Council will consider expanding the current urban growth boundary (UGB) by 35 acres for a new park adjacent to Madison Middle School (between Wilkes Drive and River Loop 2).

### Why a new park in Santa Clara?

Historically, the Santa Clara neighborhood has been underserved by parks. Aware of this need for some time, the City has actively searched for the most suitable property to serve the area. After an exhaustive study of suitable land within the urban growth boundary, the City found none. Because of the lack of available land, an expansion of the urban growth boundary is necessary to bring in land for a community park to serve the Santa Clara community.

### Why would the property have to come into the urban growth boundary?

Community parks are intended to provide recreational opportunities, accommodate large group activities, and, typically, include children's play area, basketball courts, open play areas, picnic areas, restrooms, ball fields, pathways and trails, natural areas, on-site vehicle and bicycle parking and transit access. To develop these uses, community parks require urban levels of utilities (including water and sewer) which means they need to be inside the urban growth boundary before utilities can be extended to the site.

### QUICK FACTS

- City Council will consider adding 35 acres to the UGB to provide a much needed community park in Santa Clara
- Although the timing of development is not yet known, bringing this site into the urban growth boundary would be the first step in developing a full service community park
- Zoning will be considered to protect streams and water quality
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## Proposed Santa Clara UGB Expansion Area



- Proposed UGB Expansion for Future Santa Clara Community Park
- UGB Expansion Boundary
- Urban Growth Boundary (2012)
- Water Bodies

0 500 1,000 Feet



*Note: This map is based on imprecise source data, subject to change, and for general reference only.*

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## How would the property be designated and zoned?

The City's long-range land use plan, the Metro Plan, includes land use designations that indicate the planned use of land throughout the city. The park site is proposed to be a Parks and Open Space designation. At time of UGB expansion, the property would be zoned AG Agriculture with the /UL Urbanizable Land Overlay Zone, and the /WR Water Resources Conservation Overlay Zone and will remain zoned as such until the City receives approval for annexation (when development can actually occur). Upon annexation into the city, the site would be rezoned to PL Public Land, the /UL Urbanizable Land Overlay Zone will be removed, and the /WQ Water Quality Overlay Zone will be applied.



## When would the park be developed?

Timing of park development would be dependent on funding availability. The City is currently updating our Parks and Recreation System Plan, which will determine projects and priorities for park development throughout the city, including the Santa Clara Community Park. For information about this process, please visit <http://www.eugparksandrec.org/>. Once both construction and maintenance funds are secured, the City will engage neighborhood residents for input for the actual design of the park.

## How do I give feedback on the proposed UGB expansion?

*Spring/Summer 2017:* The proposed UGB adoption package is continuing through the formal adoption process. In January 2017, this process started with a series of work sessions, followed by a public hearing and deliberations with the City of Eugene and Lane County Planning Commissions, resulting in an updated Planning Commission Recommendation version of the UGB Adoption Package. In late spring/early summer, both the Eugene City Council and the Lane County Board of Commissioners will review this updated UGB Adoption Package through work sessions before holding a joint work session and joint public hearing on June 27. This public hearing will be the final opportunity for community members to speak in favor of or in opposition to elements of the adoption package before the elected officials make a decision. After the public hearing, each elected body will hold deliberations to consider public testimony, along with legal requirements, technical analysis, and the various components of the UGB proposal. These bodies will make a decision on the UGB adoption package, which will then need to be acknowledged by the state.

## Need more details?

- Visit [www.envisioneugene.org](http://www.envisioneugene.org) and see the ***Adopting Our Urban Growth Boundary*** page for specific components of the UGB adoption package and fact sheets and see the ***Get Involved!*** page for the latest timeline of events, other opportunities for comment, information and videos
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