



Park Entrance

- Mingo Creek Road / Sugar Run Road
- Mingo Creek Road / Little Mingo Creek Road

OBSERVATIONS:

- Entry announced at intersection of Sugar Run Rd and Mingo Creek Rd and at Little Mingo Creek Road and Mingo Creek Road
- Gateway signs are constructed of rough cut lumber and carved lettering
- Mingo Creek Rd runs along Mingo Creek, bisecting the park
- Most of Mingo Creek Rd is paralleled by a paved walking and biking trail

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Improve entrance aesthetics: Improve/enhance signage visibility, add plant material
- Consider connecting the paved trail to the park entrance to provide direct multi-modal access from Sugar Run Rd into the park



Restrooms

OBSERVATIONS:

- Most of the restroom facilities are dated and are in need of upgrades / repairs
- Distribution of restrooms throughout the park seems acceptable
- The architectural style is unique and is perhaps a relic of a past trend

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Improve current restroom facilities by upgrading fixtures and remodeling the facades
- Replace current restroom facilities and consider consolidating restroom structures in areas where proximity allows



Parking

OBSERVATIONS:

- Each cluster of park amenities (shelters, restrooms, playgrounds, etc.) has a designated parking area
- In all, parking is not centralized due to the linear layout of the park along Mingo Creek and the distance between each amenity.
- Some small, informal road side parking exists intermittently throughout the park where larger paved lots are not within close proximity.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Promote more pedestrian activity by centralizing parking when possible
- Where appropriate, implement sustainable stormwater management strategies to reduce runoff into Mingo Creek



Shelters

OBSERVATIONS:

- Most shelters are dated and are in need of remodeling or replacement
- The structures share the same unique architectural style as the restrooms
- Shelters are located in clusters throughout the park and are in reasonable proximity to restroom facilities and other park amenities (i.e., playgrounds)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Consider replacing or performing major renovation of existing shelters
- Consider new shelters with a more timeless architectural style
- Provide small shelters along hiking and horseback trails as a destination for hikers



Park Office

OBSERVATIONS:

- Park office has limited parking and isn't wide enough for 90 degree parking spaces.
- The building has a residential character and is primarily utilized for park staff office space
- Office does not have ADA access from Mingo Creek Rd.
- Often used for indoor programs or as a meeting location for program attendees

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Widen the parking area to improve its functionality
- Improve pedestrian access to the office to allow park visitors to access the office for information
- Consider expanding office to accommodate indoor activities or creating an additional structure elsewhere to alleviate space issues



Playgrounds

OBSERVATIONS:

- Three (3) formal playgrounds are located throughout the park
- All playgrounds are within a close proximity to shelters and restrooms
- All of the formal playgrounds utilize manufactured play equipment and structures

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Consider less formal play structures than encourage interaction with nature

