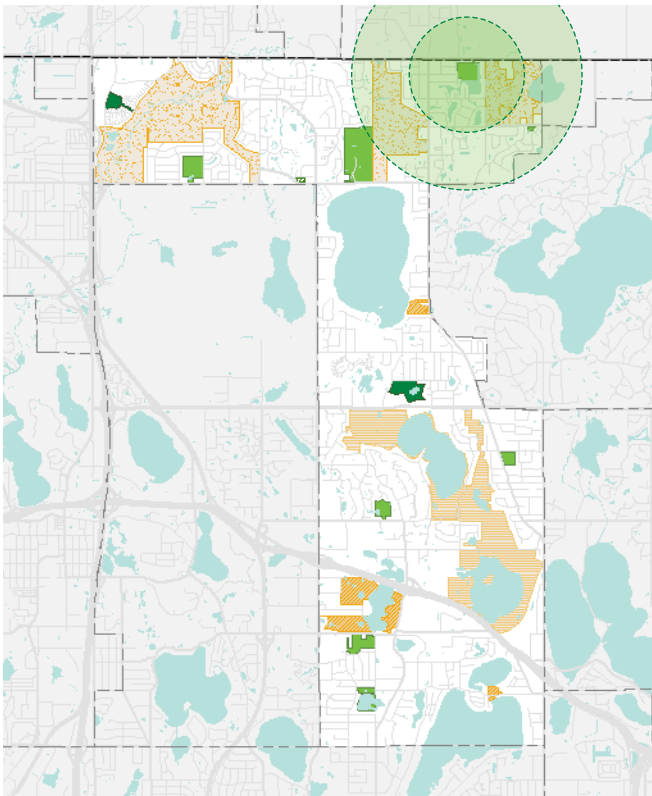
















Bucher Park *Existing conditions*



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Date established	1975
Acreage	25
Classification	Neighborhood park
Convenience amenities	 
Athletic amenities	 
Winter amenities	   
Informal summer amenities	   
Picnic + play amenities	 

Park overview

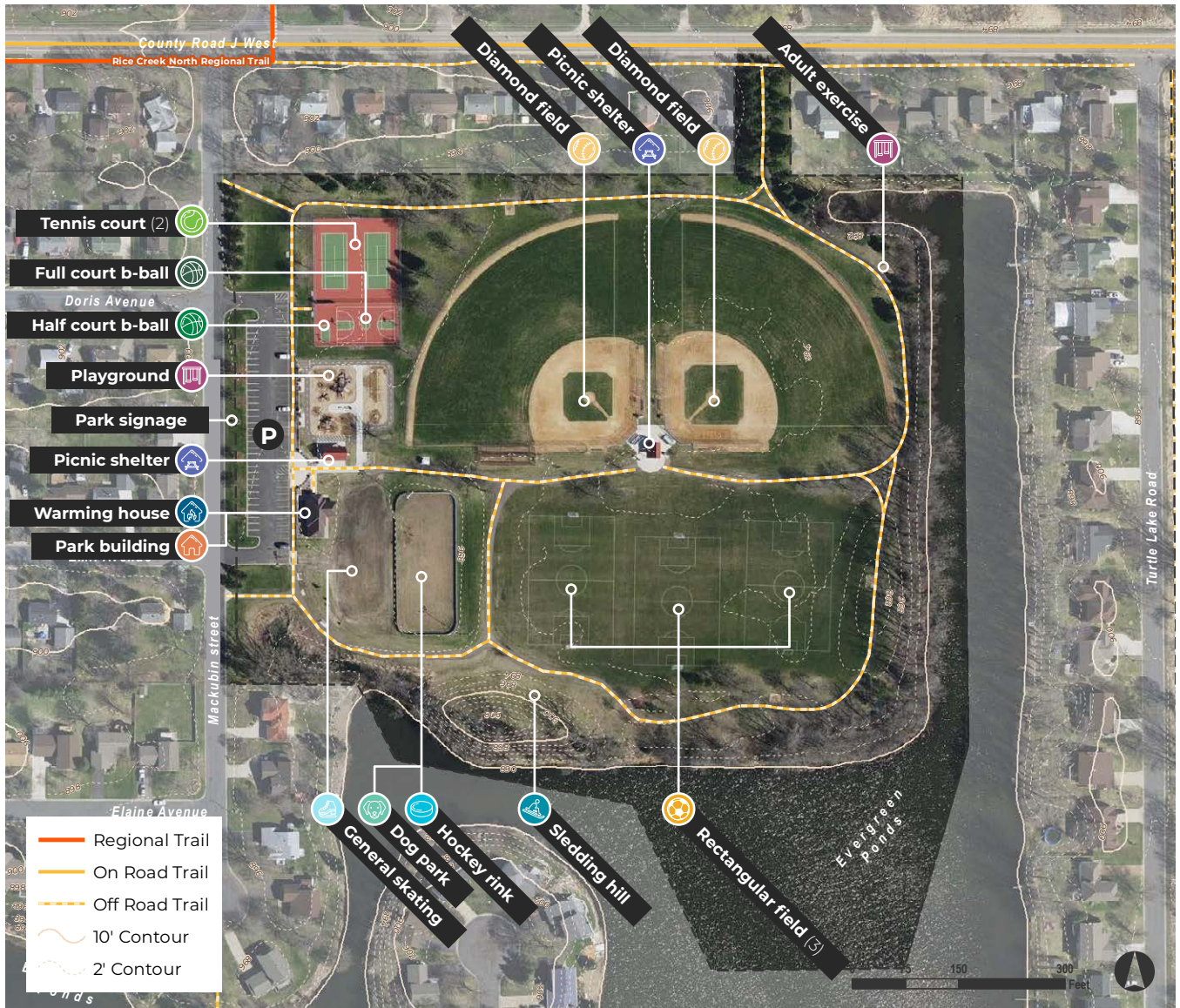
- One of Shoreview’s first parks – established in 1975 with a diamond field, playground, hockey and general skating rinks, and park building
- In 1988, 18 acres were added to the park
- In 1991 the park was redeveloped with two diamond fields, a full-sized rectangular field, tennis and basketball courts, relocated hockey and general skating rinks, and a picnic shelter
- In 1995 the original building was replaced with the current park building
- The sledding hill was created with discarded street sweepings, which were also used to fill holes from excavated top soil
- In 2003 the picnic shelter was relocated closer to playground

- In 2013 the playground/picnic shelter were replaced and an additional shelter was added by the diamond fields; the full-sized rectangular field split into three fields and were regraded to address drainage; new trails were constructed

Observations

- Building is out of date and needs restrooms.
- Hockey rink is used for off-leash dog park in summer months
- Playground, hard courts, and ice rinks are all very well used
- No current public access to the water, but there used to be a DNR-led fishing program
- Storage, scoreboards, and drain tile needed in diamond fields
- Exercise equipment on trails not well used

Figure 4.4 Bucher Park existing conditions



PARK CONCEPTS



Bucher Park *Proposed concept*



Informal water access point along Minnehaha Creek in St. Louis Park (photo from Jim Gehrz – Star Tribune)


















Dog park (photo from Camden Council)

“ Keeping rectangular fields promotes more activities in the park.

“ Covered rink is a great idea and will get a ton of use.

“ We like the use as a summer dog park

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Concept components

- A covered hockey rink with attached warming house/restroom building will increase ice quality in the winter and act as a shade structure for summer uses.
- A dog park south of the rink will serve the neighborhood.
- A small parking lot expansion will provide about 20 additional spaces.
- An informal water access point provides connection to Evergreen Ponds.
- Covered stands for spectators and dugouts for players provide shade.
- Loop trails provide alternatives for different length walks.

Figure 4.5 Bucher Park proposed concept



Key

- Existing trails
- Proposed trails
- Expanded parking lot
- General skating rink
- Park building with restrooms, warming house, & programming space
- Dog park
- Covered hockey rink/ flexible court
- Shade for spectators & players
- Informal water access (ada accessible)