



Monmouth County Park System Holmdel Park Activity Center

PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The existing activity center, formerly a residence, will be demolished. A new building with an enclosed program room and covered open area will be constructed to serve programming needs, provide group rental space and modern public restrooms. Support site facilities include walkways, amenities for outdoor programs, a rain garden, plantings, maintenance access, and utilities.

REASON FOR PROJECT:

The 1950s split level house has functioned as an Activity Center for 35 years, hosting nature and environmental programs. The building has outlived its useful life span and is no longer suitable for public use. Utilities need replacing and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) access to and within the building is problematic.

DESIGN APPROACH

Sustainability and public education are fundamental to the design of the facility. Orientation of the building will be into the park rather than facing out of the park. Storm water will be captured from the roof and directed to bio filtration basin to recharge to ground water and support environmental education programs. The restoration of the site with native plants and meadow will reduce turf areas, create a buffer from the adjacent road and attract native pollinators. The new building will be located in an area where ADA access is more easily achieved and that complies with NJDEP requirements

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Tributaries of the Ramanessin Brook surround the site. The Ramanessin and its tributaries are category 1 NJDEP designated waters and require a 300 foot buffer from development.

PROJECT STATUS:

Plans and specifications are complete and ready to bid. Awaiting funding.

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HOLMDEL PARK ACTIVITY CENTER SITE PLAN



HOLMDEL PARK ACTIVITY CENTER VIEW OF WEST SIDE



HOLMDEL PARK ACTIVITY CENTER VIEW OF SOUTHEAST SIDE