

# CHENEY LAKE PARK

### 2245 Baxter Road

## **Park History**

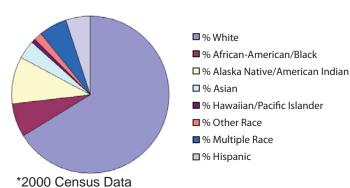
This area was a gravel extraction site that was converted to a man-made lake in 1972. State funds were used to purchase additional land for this park in 1975. Support from the Land & Water Conservation Fund was used to build trails and landscape the area. The lake is named after Roy Cheney, who came to Alaska in 1942 to supervise military construction.

## **Neighborhood Statistics\***

Population: 24,262

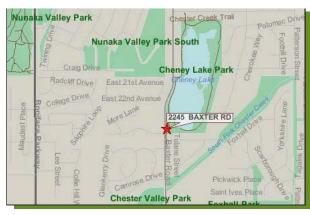
Percent of Population under age 19: 32.9% Rate of referrals to Dept. of Juvenile Justice: Low

## Ethnic Composition:



## Park Facilities & Equipment

- 45.25 acres
- · ADA-accessible play equipment for 2-5 year olds
- ADA-accessible play eqipment for 5-12 year olds
- Lighted ice skating on the lake in the winter and boating in the summer
- The lake is 34 acres in size and has a depth of 3' to 15'; no motorized crafts are allowed
- Parking lot with 30 spaces





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### Report Card Background

The Anchorage Parks Report Card utilized community volunteers to create a comprehensive picture of the condition of our neighborhood parks, reflecting the Anchorage community's opinions, preferences and ideas. Almost 1,000 citizens along with APRD staff evaluated 53 neighborhood parks based on 6 different settings. Parks were surveyed based on cleanliness, safety, structure, appearance, and function. APRD will use this information to strategically employ its funding and volunteer resources to better meet the needs of the Anchorage community.

## **OVERALL GRADE**

**Active Recreation Areas** 

**Green Spaces** 

Park Entry

Passive Recreation Areas

**Pathways** 

Playgrounds

Scores were calculated on a 100 point scale

## **Cheney Lake Park Findings**

While Cheney Lake Park received a high score, participants expressed concerns about cracks in paved pathways, broken picnic tables and benches and litter problems in the play areas and green spaces.

## Fix It List

- Repair cracks in pathways
- Repair or replace tables and benches
- Review number of trash cans; determine if more are needed and install



Benches are old and unattractive



Additional trash cans are needed

For a complete directory of Report Card results for neighborhood parks, go to www.AnchorageParkFoundation.org/projects/reportcard.htm

The Anchorage Park Foundation developed the Anchorage Parks Report Card in partnership with the Eppley Institute for Parks and Public Lands at Indiana University, and community volunteers, thanks to a generous grant from the Rasmuson Foundation. The APF has raised over \$15 million dollars since 2004 to improve public parks, trail and recreation areas. To make a contribution or volunteer, please visit us at: