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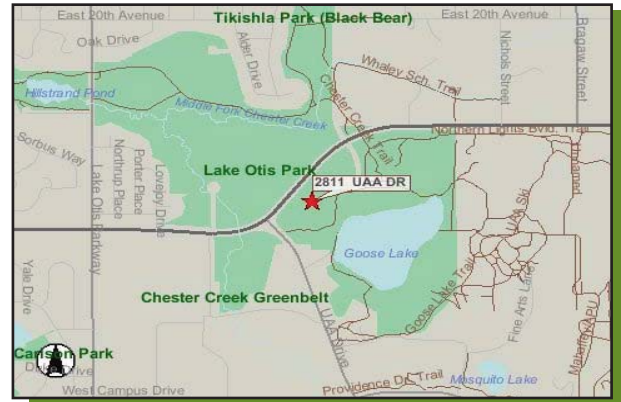


GOOSE LAKE PARK

2811 UAA Drive

Park History

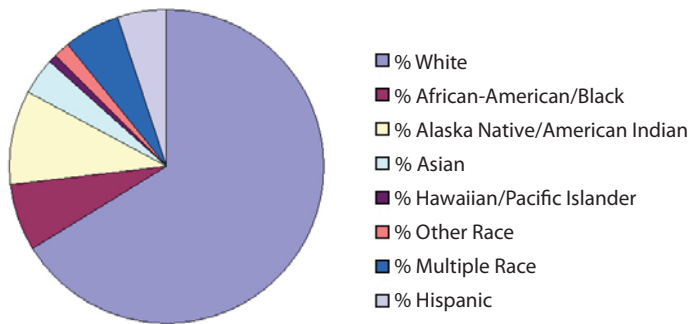
This parkland was deeded to the Municipality of Anchorage by the Army Corps of Engineers and the National Park Service in 1956. The city developed a municipal bathing beach and recreation site. By 1978, the city had fully repaid the land debt and adopted a resolution guaranteeing recreational use of the property in perpetuity. In 1988 an additional land exchange added further property to Goose Lake Park.



Neighborhood Statistics*

Population: 10,221
 Percent of Population under age 19: 31.2%
 Rate of referrals to Dept. of Juvenile Justice: Low

Ethnic Composition:



*2000 Census Data

Park Facilities & Equipment

- 67.81 acres
- ADA-accessible play equipment for 2-5 year olds
- ADA-accessible play equipment for 5-12 year olds
- Goose Lake is available for swimming in the summer and ice skating in the winter
- Basketball court and baseball field
- Running, hiking and cross-country ski trails
- Chester Creek trail access
- Picnic shelter



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Park Profile



REPORT CARD ON PARKS: GOOSE LAKE PARK 2008

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

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Active Recreation Areas

66

Green Spaces

85

Park Entry

70

Passive Recreation Areas

80

Pathways

72

Playgrounds

88

Scores were calculated on a 100 point scale

Goose Lake Park Findings

Participants at Goose Lake Park identified deficiencies in the active recreation areas, from standing water in the basketball court to poor quality turf in the baseball field. Pathways are uneven and cracked, and more picnic facilities are needed to serve this popular park. The parking lot is in poor condition and needs repair. There is a current park bond project working to improve the restroom facilities.



Neighbors expressed concern about the parking area

Fix It List

- Repair and clean play equipment; add swings
- Reseed and fertilize bare areas in baseball field turf
- Fix basketball court surface to address puddles
- Add more benches and picnic tables
- Add lifeguard chair at swimming beach area
- More sand needed on swimming beach
- Replace bollards surrounding parking area and repair cracked asphalt
- Add informational signs and repair existing signs
- Establish appropriate location(s) for dog station and install



More seating areas are needed for park users

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: