



City of Monroe, Washington
Parks & Recreation Department

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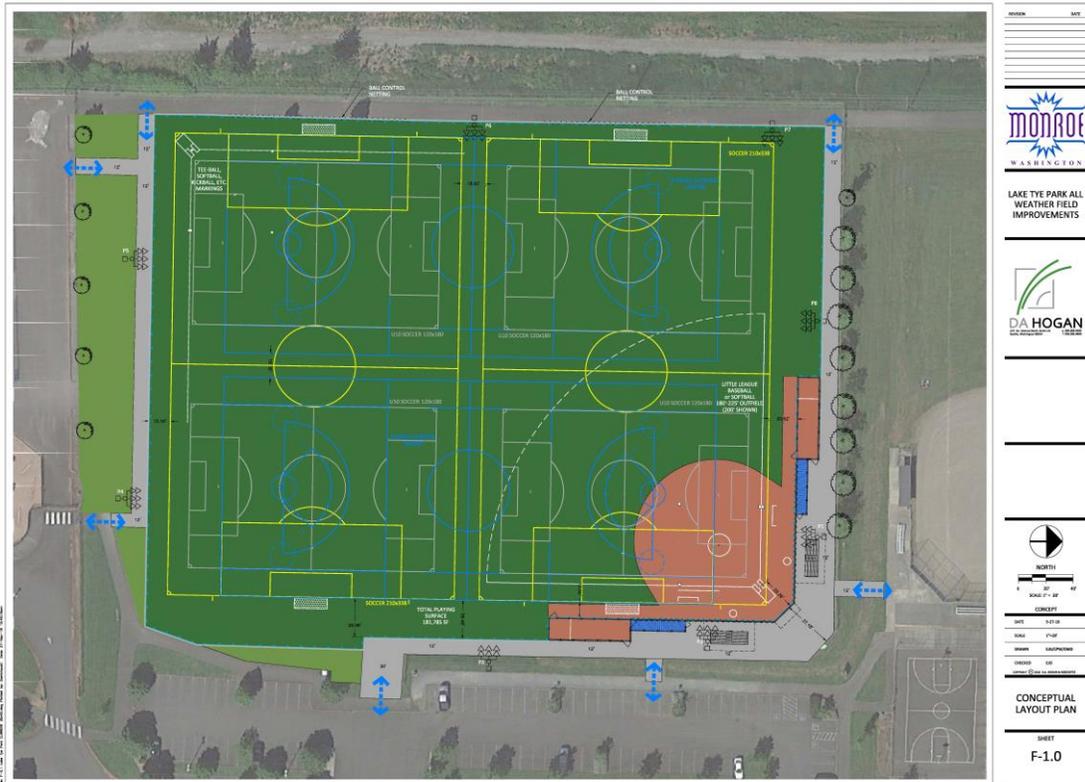
MISSION

Protect and enhance the natural beauty of Monroe through the development of a vibrant system of parks, open space and trails. Provide citizens of all ages positive recreational opportunities in clean, safe and accessible recreation facilities. Enhance health, quality living and the natural environment for future generations.

Department Update

Lake Tye Synthetic Fields Design Update

The City of Monroe is designing new synthetic turf lighted fields at Lake Tye Park and invited the public, including sports user groups to visit the Parks & Recreation booth at the National Night Out Against Crime event on Tuesday, August 7 and view schematic design layout alternatives up close, share ideas with our design team and vote on their preferred layout. The event drew many people and a preferred field layout was overwhelmingly chosen, with added feedback form user groups to include a north/south field orientation for two universal lacrosse fields, two full-size soccer fields with markings for smaller mod fields, and a softball/baseball field oriented at the northeast corner, along with youth baseball markings at the southwest corner. The public input was valuable for this stage of the design, leading to the layout shown below. This project is anticipated to be constructed in 2020.



Conceptual Field Layout Plan

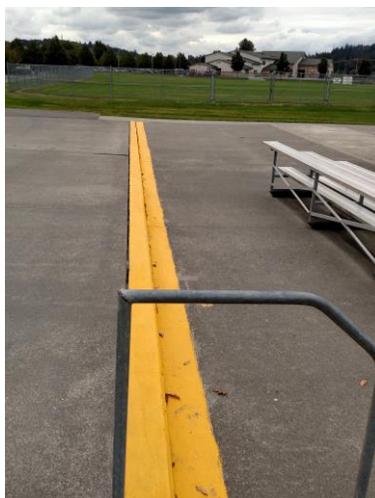
Operations

Parks and Recreation Department team members have been busy this fall with daily recreation use of our parks facilities and athletic fields, as well as scheduled maintenance, park improvements such as surface crack sealing at the Lake Tye Park athletic courts that will be pressure-washed and painted as weather permits, along with net replacements, and repair work on equipment and landscaped areas including a large tree removal at Lewis Street Park.

Staff are also beginning work on an aggressive tree-limbing and landscape pruning program of both Lewis Street Park and Al Borlin Park in order to open up river views and improve sight distances throughout both parks and the trails. Work shall include cleaning, pressure-washing and painting the on-site facilities as weather conditions allow through the fall and winter months.



Tree removal @Lewis Street Park



Curb painting @ Lake Tye Park



Filling cracks @ tennis courts



Park staff Dan Pestana & Tyler Reeves pruning the Centennial Garden area @ Sky River Park



New asphalt trail repair @ Wiggly Field

October events include:

- Oct 12 – Octoberfest Bingo, Brats & Beer @ Monroe Community Senior Center www.mcsc.org
- Every weekend – Evergreen State Fairgrounds events
- Oct 20 – Pancake Breakfast 8-10am @ Monroe Community Senior Center
- Oct 27 – YMCA's Sky Valley Classic fun run/walk @ Sky River Park <https://ymca-snoco.org/locations/monroesky-valley-ymca/>
- Oct 31 – Historic Downtown Trick or Treating & Trunk or Treat @ Lewis Street

City Parks Unmarked Trails Inspections

Last year, a weekly maintenance monitoring emphasis by park staff was initiated on unmarked trails at Al Borlin and Sky River Parks to identify and resolve, in cooperation with our Police Department, any unlawful encampments that may occur in City parks.

The following is a summary of data for the past month:

Locations: Al Borlin Park; Sky River Park

DATE	TOTAL LABOR HOURS	# BAGS OF LITTER COLLECTED	NOTES
9/20	10	3	No camps found.
9/24	12.5	4	1 camp discovered at Al Borlin Park and reported to Police.
10/5	10	3	Monroe Police canvassed Al Borlin Park on 10/2. No camps found on 10/4.
Avg.	10.8	3.3	
Running Avg.	8.2	7.5	

Volunteer Opportunities Join the City of Monroe team by volunteering your talent and time to support City programs, projects and events. Volunteering is an opportunity to learn about Monroe’s diverse community, understand how local government works and connect with other community members. The City offers on-going and one-time event volunteer opportunities. If you are interested in volunteering, or seeking additional information, please contact Pamela Baker at (360) 863-4524.

Visit the City website www.monroewa.gov for information on upcoming programs and events.