

November 7, 2006

Mr. John Boyd
Park Manager
Maryland National Capital Park and Planning
8900 Meadowbrook Lane
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

Dear Mr. John Boyd,

On Tuesday, November 7, I met with Todd Johnson and Tom Nelson about the condition of the park land along Kingston Road between Saul and East Bexhill. I want to thank them for their time and attention. They spent over one hour going over concerns we had on the conditions of the park land in this area, as well as alerting them to several public safety issues along the park land between Saul and Littledale Roads. The Rock Creek Hills Citizens' Association truly appreciates you and your staff's attention. We also understand our concerns translate into dollars and resources needed to complete the tasks. This letter is to outline the requests and priorities for the Association. If we need to officially submit a request for CIP dollars, please let me know.

The Board is requesting improvements to the park land area adjacent to the Kingston Road. The grassy area is in complete disrepair. We asked your staff to consider how best to restore, perhaps using gravel, CR6, in areas where no grass can grow due to vehicle traffic. We are requesting the paved pathway be repaved and widened to a more appropriate walking width. We are requesting that dead, dying trees and vines be removed. This also would include invasive species that have taken over growth at the streams edge. We are requesting that new native trees be replanted when dead or dying trees are removed.

As for the public safety issues, there is a pipe, perhaps WSSC, that lays in the creek. I have tried to contact WSSC about this, but I need your help. I can not connect with the appropriate office.

The other issue is the bridge that crosses the creek and leads up to the Retirement home. The bridge structural attachment to the parkland was washed out during the June storms. The area is extremely eroded. We need this fixed.

Lastly, but not least, we have had a park sign at the corner of Kensington Parkway and Beach Drive for years. The sign has been removed and we would like that replaced as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Shannon Hamm
Vice President
Rock Creek Hills Citizens' Association

cc: RCHCA Board members