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PARKS REPLACEMENT BOND

ANNUAL REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

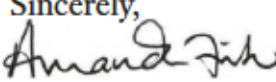
Dear Portlanders:


Thank you once again for demonstrating your commitment to fixing the most critical safety and repair needs in our parks by supporting the Parks Replacement Bond in November 2014. In this second year of Bond projects, we've seen Loos installed at Parklane and Wilkes Parks, extensive repairs completed at Matt Dishman Pool and Spa, and a new roof replacing 1920s cedar shingles on the much loved Sellwood Pool Bathhouse. As we write this, visitors to Washington Park's International Rose Test Garden are enjoying recently completed accessibility improvements, construction is happening across the city from Lents Park to Pioneer Courthouse Square, and design is underway for new playgrounds at Lynchview and Creston Parks.

In Phase 1 of the Bond, \$47.6 million was allocated to 34 projects across the city. An important milestone reached this year was determining how the remaining \$20.4 million of the Bond will be spent in Phase 2. After conducting an asset management study to determine the most necessary repairs in our parks system, we developed a proposed Bond Phase 2 Project List. We then asked you, our community, to review this list. We want to thank everyone who took time to participate in this process. Your insights were invaluable in finalizing the list.

As your Parks Commissioner and Parks Director, we know it is important to be transparent and accountable in how we are allocating the Bond funds and fulfilling our promises to Portland voters. In this Executive Summary and in the full Annual Report, you'll find details on the status of Phase 1 and 2 projects.

Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Commissioner Amanda Fritz


Portland Parks & Recreation Director Mike Abbaté


26
Projects underway

✓
8
Projects completed


19
Projects on
schedule

\$
15.9
million dollars
spent to date

Project Map

■ = Bond projects completed

■ = Bond projects under construction in 2017-18

□ = Bond projects breaking ground in future years

⊕ = Additional Investments



In Northwest Portland, students help design an inclusive playground

In Couch Park, an old wooden play structure was the domain of Max Nathe and other students at Metropolitan Learning Center, the neighboring public school. They'd eat lunch under the slide, collect horse chestnuts, and play games on the "top tower."

When Portland Parks announced it would replace the play structure, Max, then a sixth grader, and his mom Lauren got Harper's Playground and Friends of Couch Playground involved. Their goal: an inclusive play space for all ages and abilities in one of Portland's most densely populated neighborhoods...

[Read Max's story at parksreplacementbond.org](http://parksreplacementbond.org)

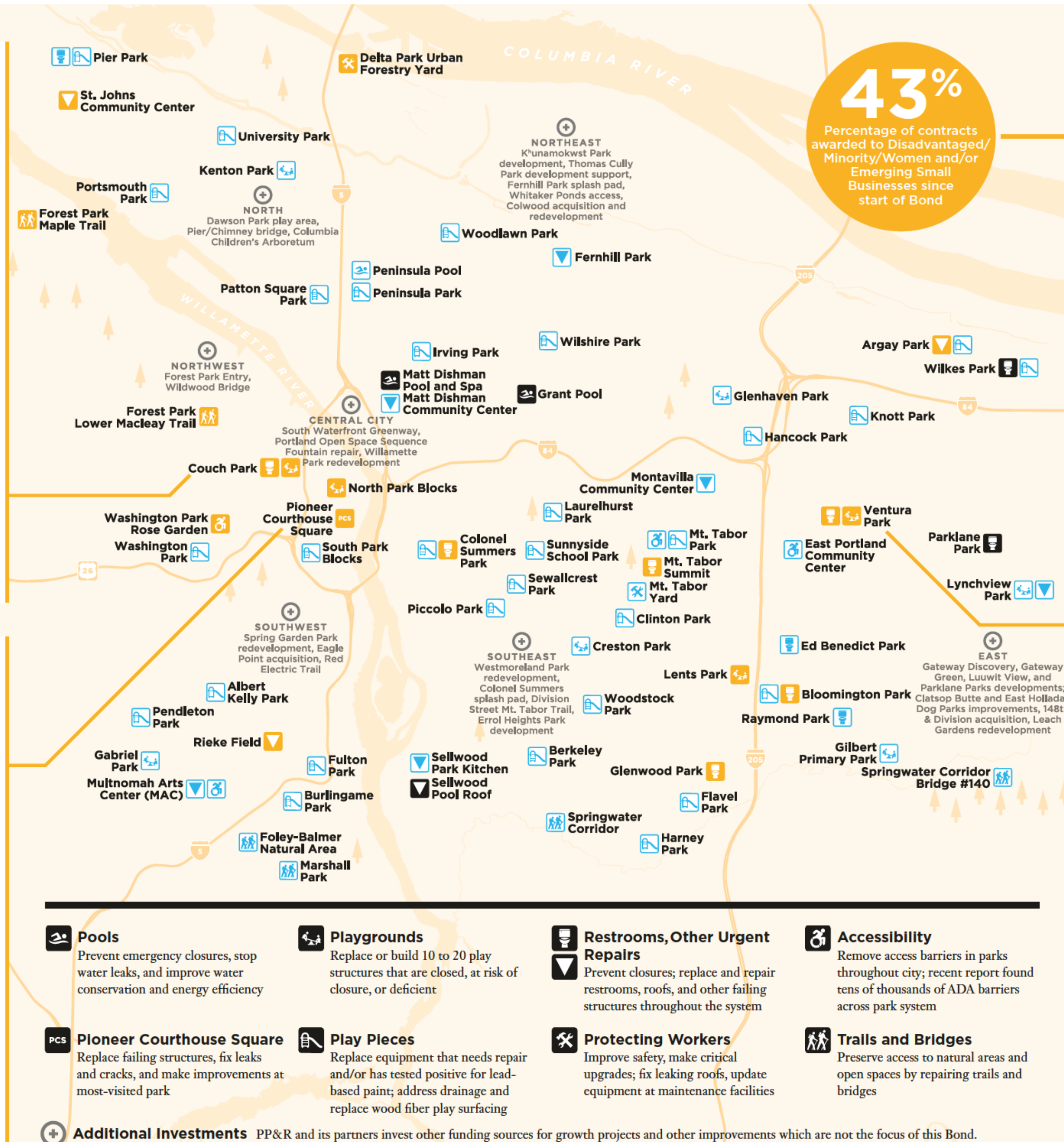


It's where the people are

Ten million of us visit Pioneer Courthouse Square each year to attend one of its 300-plus events, get travel information, or meet a friend. After 33 years of near constant use, Portland's living room, like all living spaces, needed repairs.

Harriet Cormack heads the Facilities Committee for Pioneer Courthouse Square, Inc., the nonprofit that manages the Square's nonstop docket of events. "The Square was decaying, and we could have lost it," Harriet says...

[Read Harriet's story at parksreplacementbond.org](http://parksreplacementbond.org)



The Bond opens doors for minority contractors

Nate McCoy, Executive Director of the local chapter of the National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC), works with small businesses often new to government contracting. Nate helps them navigate the process and connect with public agencies and large general contractors.

While large general contractors have 300 to 400 employees, the largest local minority contractor employs 50. "The Bond is a good fit for NAMC members because it gives them the chance to work on smaller-scale projects, while opening new doors for future work," Nate says...

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Much-used Ventura Park gets innovative improvements

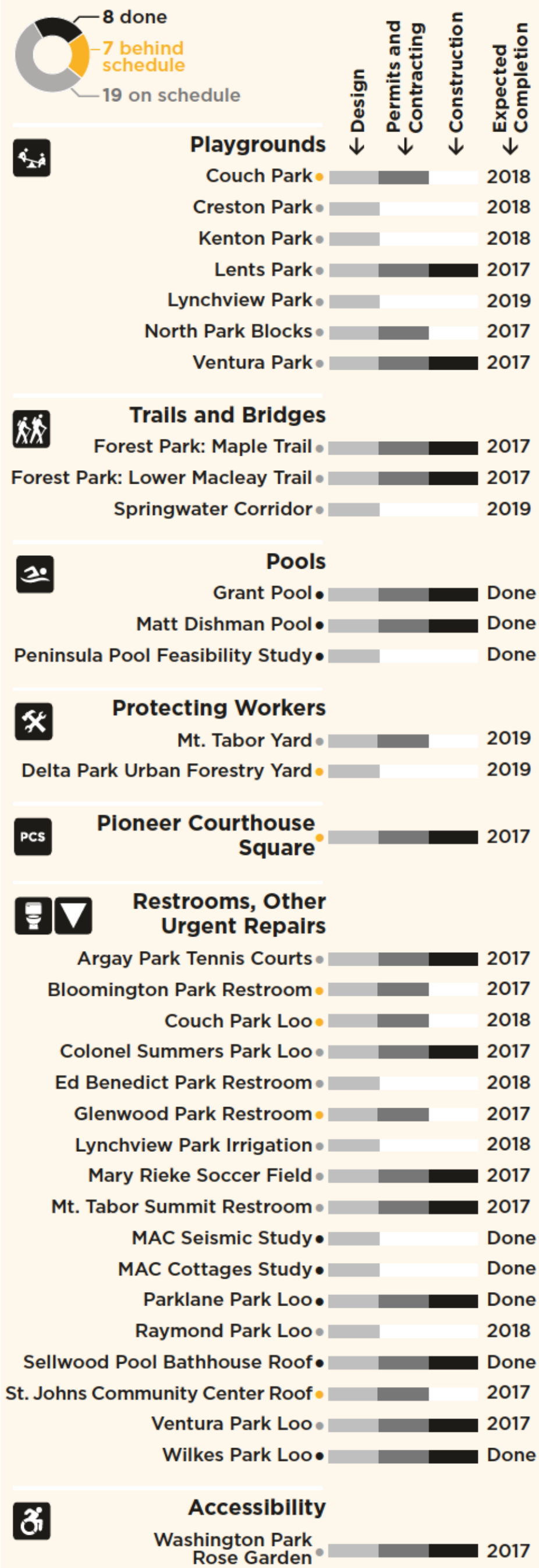
"More and more things are happening at Ventura Park," says Arlene Kimura, Chair of East Portland's Hazelwood Neighborhood, as she ticks off its many uses: the Free Lunch + Play program, the Portland Slavic Festival in July, and an August concert series.

Arlene joins her neighbors in their excitement that the playground will be seeing upgrades. "Ventura is a well-used park that's worthy of investment. With the Bond improvements, residents really feel like they are getting something for their tax dollars"...

[Read Arlene's story at parksreplacementbond.org](http://parksreplacementbond.org)

Performance

PHASE 1



PHASE 2

In Phase 1, PP&R allocated \$47.6 million of the \$68 million Bond to 34 projects across the city. This year, with input from the community, we developed the Phase 2 Project List to spend the remaining \$20.4 million of the Bond:

Playground Renovations: Gabriel, Gilbert Primary, Glenhaven Parks

Play Piece Repairs and/or Replacements: Albert Kelly, Argay, Berkeley, Bloomington, Colonel Summers, Flavel, Fulton, Hancock, Irving, Knott, Laurelhurst, Mt. Tabor, Pendleton, Piccolo, Sewallcrest, University Park, Washington, Wilkes, Wilshire, Woodstock Parks

Play Pieces—Address Drainage and Replace Engineered Wood Fiber: Burlingame, Clinton, Harney, Patton Square, Peninsula, Pier, Portsmouth, South Park Blocks, Sunnyside School, Woodlawn Parks

Trails and Bridges: Foley-Balmer Natural Area, Marshall Park, Springwater Corridor Bridge #140

Pool Mechanical Upgrade: Peninsula Pool

Accessibility Improvements: East Portland Community Center, Mt. Tabor Park, Multnomah Arts Center

Restrooms, Other Urgent Repairs: Fernhill Park, Matt Dishman Community Center and Pool, Montavilla Community Center and Pool, Multnomah Arts Center, Pier Park, Sellwood Park Kitchen Roof



LOOKING FORWARD
In the coming year, we will be working toward completion of the Bond Phase 1 Projects and starting on critical projects on the Bond Phase 2 Project List.

Visit portlandoregon.gov/parks/67638 to find more details about project schedules.