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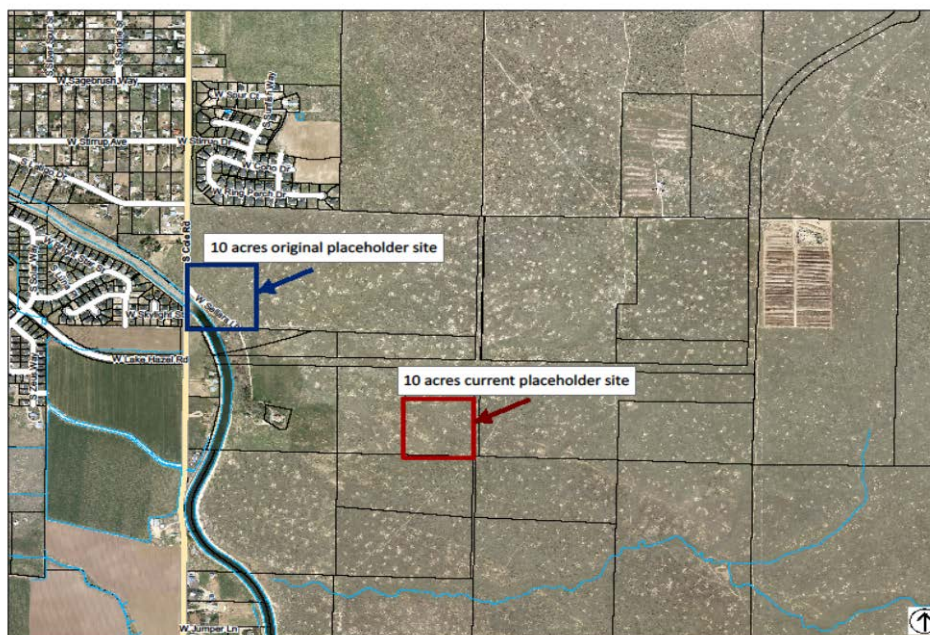
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SUBJECT: CAR15-00029, CPA15-00008

Boise Parks and Recreation (BPR) has been working with the applicants of the above listed application to find an appropriate location for a 10 acre neighborhood park that will serve residents of the area.

In 2006, BPR entered into a real estate agreement with Pleasant Valley LLC to obtain a “placeholder” site for a future park, with a final location to be determined upon entitlement of the larger site. In 2015 BPR agreed to an additional placeholder exchange to move the identified location in an effort to better layout their proposed development. BPR requested that the location of the park be central to the residential development to best serve the needs of residents in the area.



The Coughlin park site is intended to provide an amenity to area residents within ½ mile of the site. Neighborhood parks generally have facilities including: playgrounds, open turf areas, and trees, paved walking paths, sitting areas, restroom facilities and passive open space. They may also include sport courts, picnic facilities, plaza space and public art.

Timing for park development is largely based on the development of the adjacent uses, funding, and prioritization by the department. BPR develops parks according to the following timeline:

1. Acquisition-contingent on final site layout by the applicant
2. Master Plan development-notification of all property owners within a ½ mile radius of the site for input on how the park should be developed. The master plan will then be considered for approval by the Parks Commission.
3. Greenup-currently listed in the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for 2020-2024, but can change based on the rate of development in the immediate area. Greenup includes turf, irrigation, parking, paving and sidewalk needs and other infrastructure related needs.
4. Amenities-not listed in the CIP but includes play equipment, or other amenities identified in the master plan.

When determining the final location of the site, BPR requests that the neighborhood park is located in such a way that it is central to residents of the area, easily accessible, visible from the public right of way and with good street frontage.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 608-7637.