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with ideas**

Imagine you are building a park—
what would you build?
Who is the audience?

Student Feedback- What intensity human activity is appropriate for this kind of site?

Views from the site should be directed away from Northwest Indiana and pollution.

Questions about water-based ecologies (bog, e.g.) existing on top of a capped site.

Low to mid. Concerned about concert venue - while remoteness mitigates sound pollution, what about gentrification influences or park privatization from promoters /attendees?

Local vendors, artist and musicians

I understand the point about it not being suitable for growing food, but could it be space for a farmers market for example.

I've noticed some areas, such as the Volo Bog, have accessible paths to see areas that have low human interaction

the liminal zone of transition from the CDF site to the existing park is key in consideration. Want to convey the public nature and invite people in.

Curious about the fascination with slag -- would love to hear more about it - acquisition of material and safe integration.

Feedback on presentations

Medium to low intensity seems nice, an oasis from the hustle bustle, but with programming like at north park nature center

Funds for Calumet Park

low intensity to save fund to help calumet park beach area

nature space any big funding needs to help calumet park

Love native plant list. Like also linked circles -- reminds of walking labyrinths, which seems promising given more remote location. Perhaps something more serpentine/naturalistic in shape?

We need a mix between reclamation, nature and activities for children, families and seniors.

Low impact human activity

Low intensity - Cal Park is active and has parking. That would be nice as a more private area.

Activities

More programming on the grounds, outside the field house.

Events with music, food, kids games, educational, leagues

Negative
Comments in
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Positive
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Student Feedback - What do you think about the condition of the cul-de-sac? What is positive and what is negative about that condition?

Lower security as less foot traffic and less safety in numbers.

Less likely to be discovered by potential park users. "Oh, I didn't know that was down there!..."

Less proximate accessibility by car makes it less accessible to those dependent on car access or able to walk long distances.

Vehicular and access limitations. E.g., how some were thinking of farmers markets - vendors would have to drive through Calumet Park and through thin opening to get to park.

Obviously, a limitation on the contiguity of lakefront trail.

At confluence between river and lake, strikes me that site could be migratory bird Eden. Like 'Magic Hedge,' but more offset from competing uses as at Montrose.

Possibly fewer bikes on high-speed route north or south will make for less conflict between types of trail users.

The cul-de-sac makes me think of one of Chicago's best & most beloved parks, Promontory Point. Entirely different shape, but wonder what could be 'borrowed' from that site. See also, Northerly Island.

Cul-de-sac parks (see area NE of Belmont Harbor; Promontory Pt) have more a feeling of collegiality among users. Less "just passing through," but "at destination," neighborly.

More opportunity for isolation lending itself to contemplative, passive, or quiet activities.

Love that there's a 'corner' to the shoreline' i.e., eastern and northern shore. Lends opportunity for geographic exploration, moment of discovery.

For 'sculpture garden,' consider making it site-wide, to encourage discovery in breadth of space. See Skokie Northshore Sculpture Park, Governors State University, or Morton Arboretum.

Would like to know more about the process of environmental remediation and its opportunities to change topographic site conditions.

Other remediated parks: La Villita, Big Marsh, Steelworkers Park - what opportunities did remediation process afford to 'change' site conditions?

Re site topography - interventions possible on the straight hard edge of the shoreline? -appreciate curvilinear walks into lake in current scenarios.

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Other Comments

Lakefront trails are bringing gentrification.

Would like to see history of site, as portrayed at beginning of presentation, somehow acknowledged within the design.

Would like a little more info about facilities & usage at Calumet Park, so we have an idea about how the CDF-site park extension is complementary (& necessary).

Would like high opacity western edge to park (conifers possible?) to mitigate problematic view & buffer industrial and sound pollution. Some 'windows,' but largely buffered park site.

Idea for park name -- Delta Park. Shaped like a delta & at mouth of river. Delta also connotes 'difference,' and park is an about face conceptually from the CDF.

Park name idea - 'Windy Park,' not just because it certainly will be at site. But because at 'mouth' of river and Chicago is coined as 'windy' for its 'hot air,' or 'mouthiness.' Punny.

Love the idea of 'Calumet Dunes' although would like lower traffic. Consider hiking Paul Douglas trail for fantastic habitat transitions & transferable design 'moments.'

