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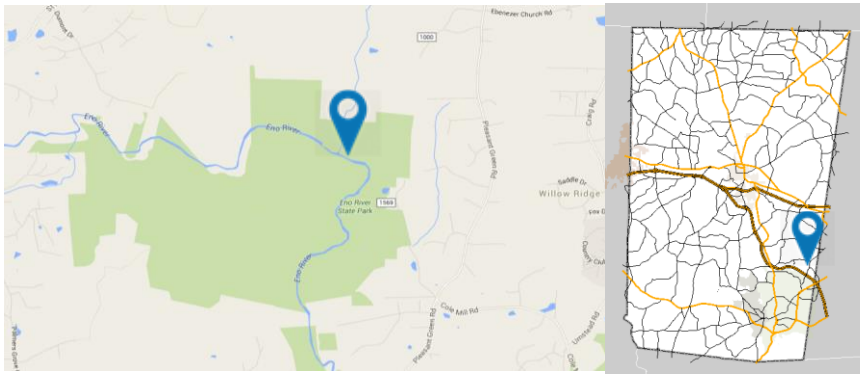
Upper Eno Nature Preserve

Project Status	Parking lot survey- January. Parking lot and trail work to be completed in Spring/Summer 2016.
Start Date	Parking lot bid award expected April '16
Expected Completion Date	Fall 2016
Size of Project	400 acres
Total Cost	$125,000

Location: Upper Eno Nature Reserve



Project Photos: https://flic.kr/s/aHskvGGXLV

Project Description:
Public access is envisioned at the Seven Mile Creek Natural Area and McGowan Creek Natural Area. Upper Eno Preserve would also include a portion of the future NC Mountains-to-Sea Trail. Initial work using existing staff resources occurred in FY 12-13 to create initial loop trail, & continued into FY 13-14 to identify parking and signage. The project is anticipated to begin in with completion of the Seven Mile Creek Natural Area, wildlife viewing areas, and primitive camping.

Public Record Chronology:

Public Records are searchable here.

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County Capital Projects
Fiscal Years 2016-21

Project Name	*Upper Eno Nature Preserve - Public Natural Areas*	**Project Status**	*Approved*
Functional Service Area	*Community Services*	**Starting Date**	*7/1/2015*
Department	*DEAPR*	**Completion Date**	*7/1/2020*

Project Budget	**Prior Years Funding**	**Current Fiscal Year 2015-16**	**Year 1 Fiscal Year 2016-17**	**Year 2 Fiscal Year 2017-18**	**Year 3 Fiscal Year 2018-19**	**Year 4 Fiscal Year 2019-20**	**Year 5 Fiscal Year 2020-21**	**Five Year Total**	**Year 6 to Year 10**
Appropriation									
Land/Building									-
Construction/Repairs/Renovations		100,000		100,000		400,000		500,000	
Equipment/Furnishings		25,000		10,000		30,000		40,000	
Total Project Budget		**125,000**	**-**	**110,000**	**-**	**430,000**	**-**	**540,000**	**-**
General Fund Related Operating Costs									
Personnel Services			40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	47,000	207,000	235,000
Operations			10,000	10,000	12,000	12,000	22,000	66,000	110,000
New Debt Service			12,000	12,000	22,560	22,560	63,840	132,960	319,200
Total Operating Costs			**62,000**	**62,000**	**74,560**	**74,560**	**132,840**	**405,960**	**664,200**
Revenues/Funding Source									
Transfer from General Fund			50,000	50,000	52,000	52,000	69,000	273,000	345,000
Transfer from Other Capital Funds									
General Fund - Debt Service			12,000	12,000	22,560	22,560	63,840	132,960	319,200
Future Debt Issuance		125,000	-	110,000		430,000		540,000	-
Total		**125,000**	**62,000**	**172,000**	**74,560**	**504,560**	**132,840**	**945,960**	**664,200**

Project Description/Justification

There is no funding request in FY2016-17 for the Upper Eno Nature Preserve. The requested funding in FY2017-18 will include a portion of the future NC Mountains-to-Sea Trail (MST) as it runs northeast from Saxapahaw to Occoneechee Mountain State Natural Area, and waystation amenities at Seven Mile. The requested funding in FY2019-20 is for the McGowan Creek Natural Area for the road redesign on US 70. Grant funding would be pursued for this project. The Upper Eno Nature Preserve includes approximately 400 acres of sensitive natural heritage lands, wildlife habitat and prime forests along the Eno River and its main tributaries west of Hillsborough. Public access occur at two locations, 1) the Seven Mile Creek Natural Area (adjacent to the Moorefields Local Landmark protected lands) and 2) McGowan Creek Natural Area (near US 70 West). Construction of trails, primitive camping and a parking area is underway at the Seven Mile Natural Area using current year funds.