



Dallas Greening Initiative

Closing the park access gap in Dallas

Bushmills Community Meeting – November 28



Our mission

We believe everyone should have access to the outdoors.

Our mission is to connect everyone to the benefits and joys of the outdoors through the protection of land and creation of park, trails, and greenspaces, ensuring healthy, livable communities for generations to come.

From neighborhood parks to national parks, we've put more than

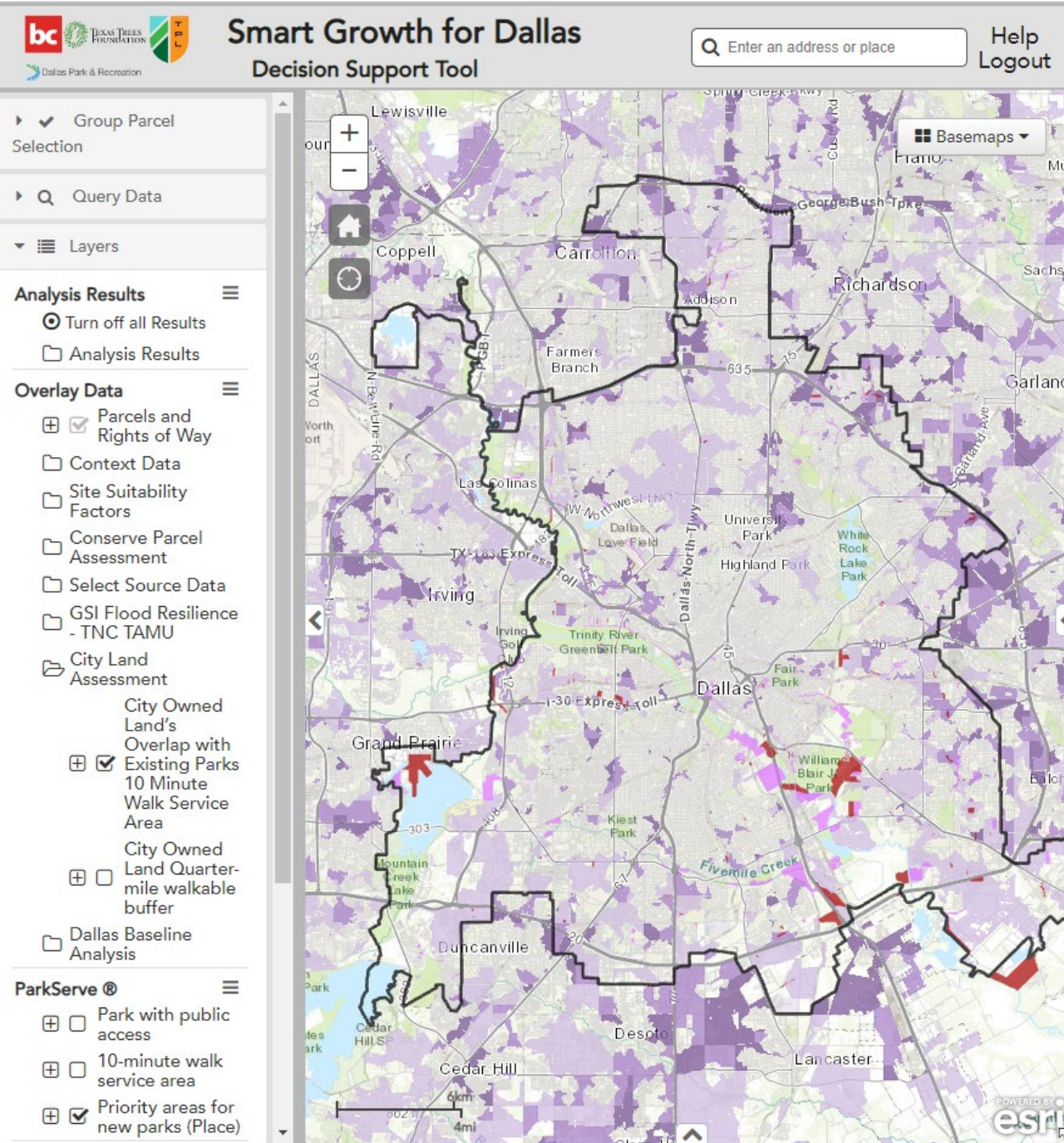
**9 million people
within a 10-minute
walk of a park.**





Mayor's Greening Initiative

- November 2022: Mayor Johnson requested inventory of unused city-owned land that could be turned into public greenspaces
- December 2022: TPL begins mapping potential properties for public greenspaces
- April 2023: Garrett Boone appointed as the "Greening Czar"
- May 2023: Mayor Johnson announces \$1.25 million in funding for project



Using TPL data to prioritize locations

- Using TPL's Smart Growth for Dallas tool, we have mapped every piece of vacant land owned by City of Dallas
- These locations have been cross-referenced against the following priorities:
 - Existing park access gaps
 - Urban heat islands
 - Health disparities
 - Equity indicators

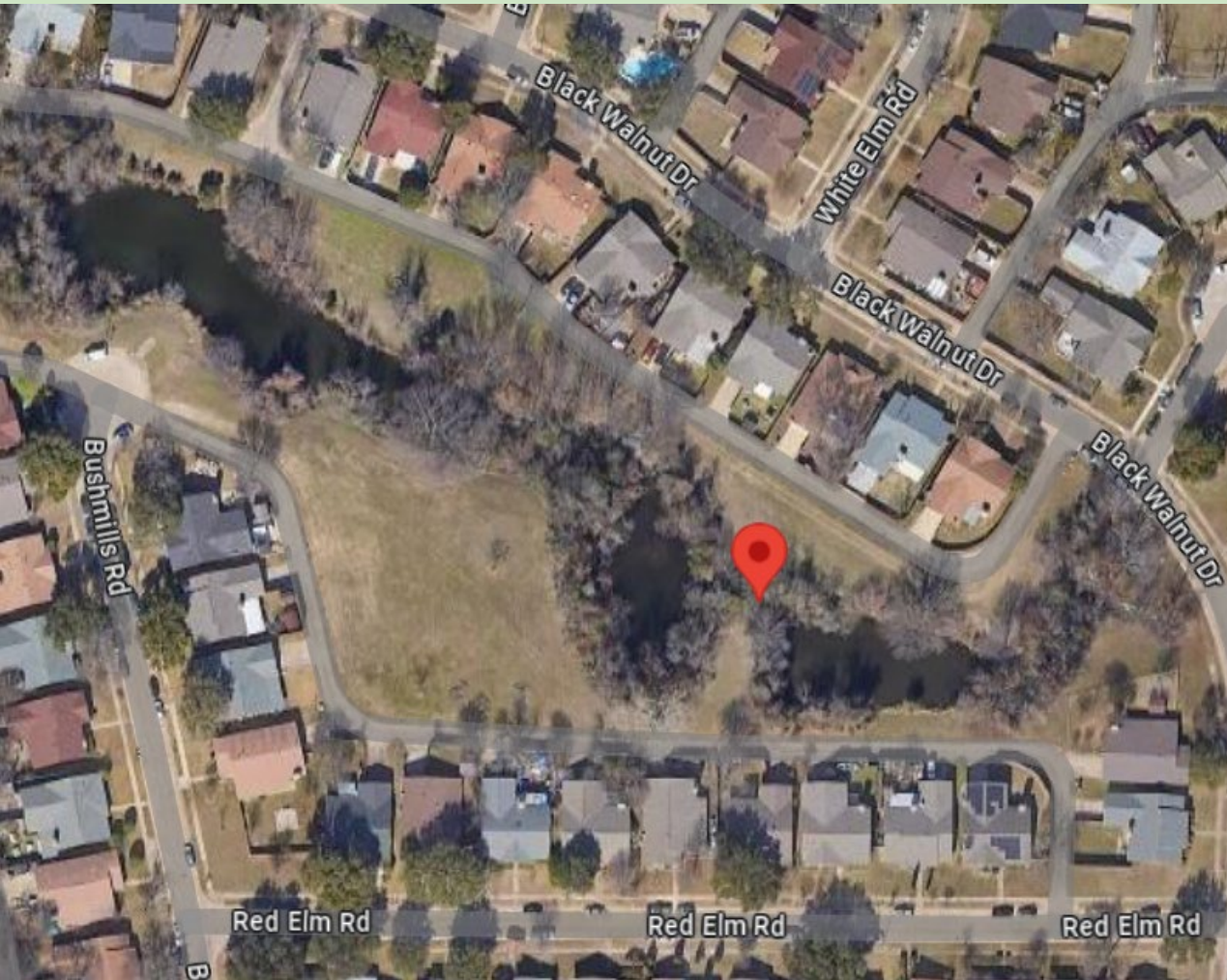
What is the Dallas Greening Initiative?

- An initiative to transform city-owned land into neighborhood greenspaces to:
 - Increase the number of Dallas residents who have a park within a 10-minute walk of their home
 - Improve the health, equity, and climate resilience of neighborhoods throughout the city through the creation of neighborhood public greenspaces located in Dallas' largest and highest-need park deserts
 - Ensure that the nearby residents are part of the process



Where will the greenspace be located?

- **Address: 10600 Black Walnut Dr, Dallas, TX 75243** (located at the end of Bushmills Rd.)
- Once open it will serve **2,135** people who live within a 10-minute walk
- We want to get your feedback in the stations around the room after the presentation!





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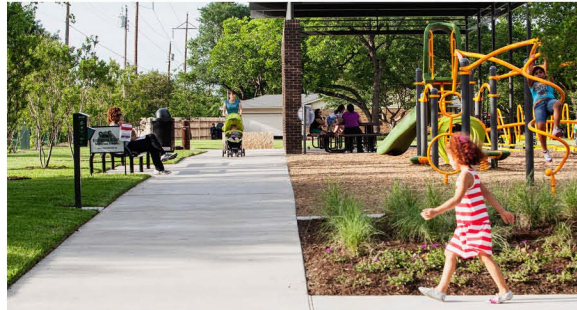
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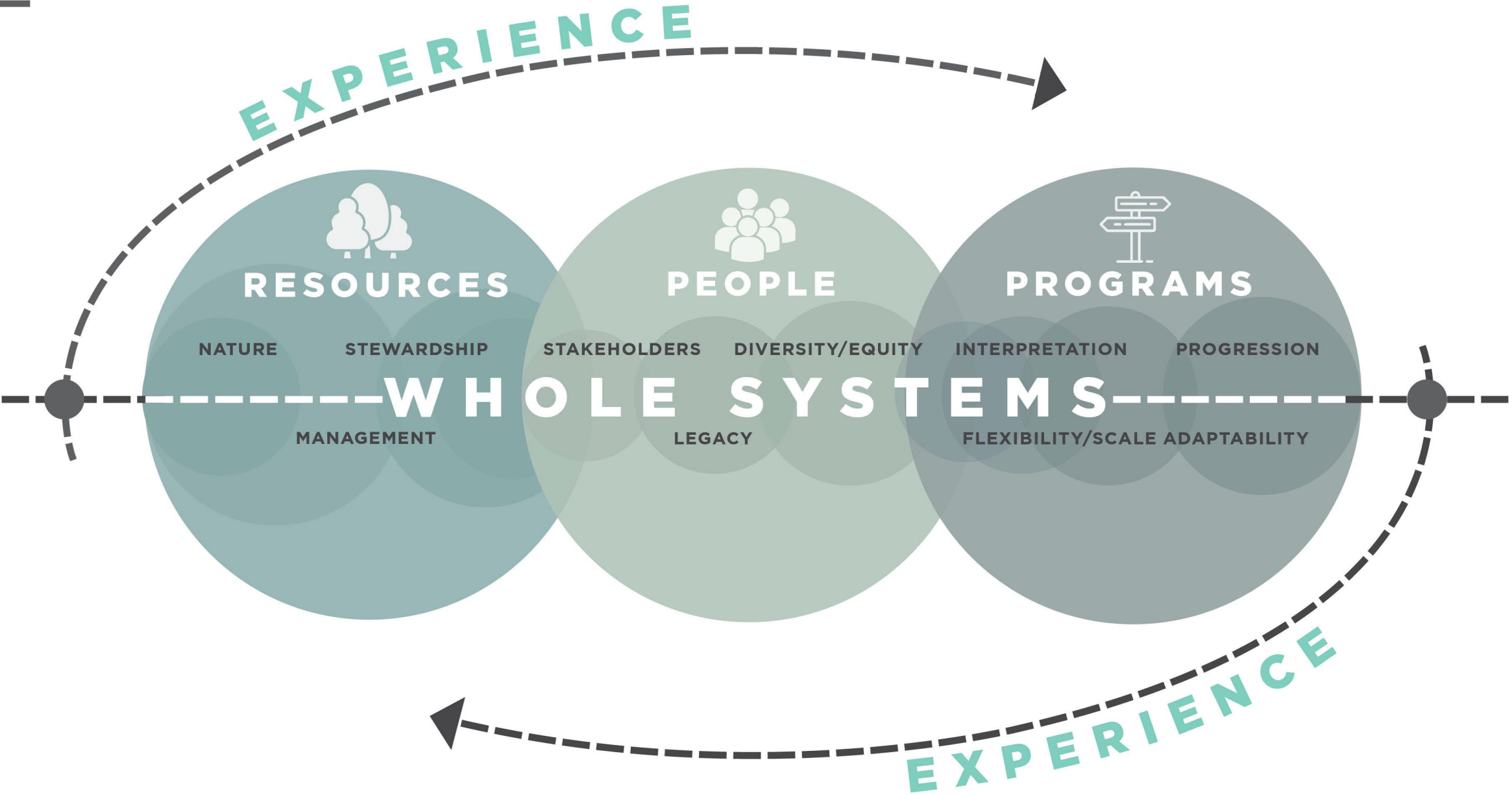


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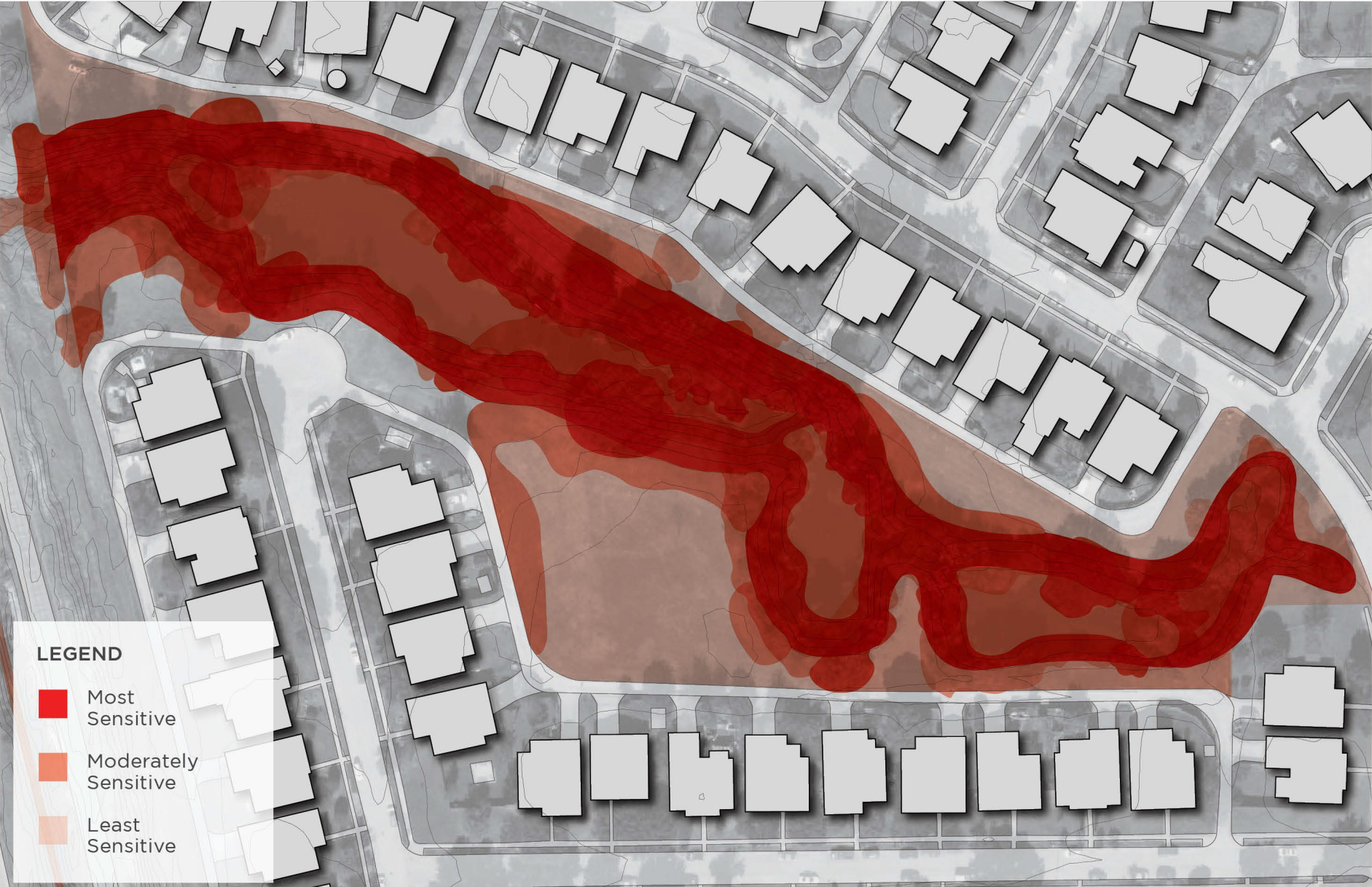


SITE ANALYSIS- VEGETATION



SITE ANALYSIS- SLOPE





HYDROLOGY



VEGETATION



SLOPE



SITE OPPORTUNITIES DIAGRAM



Timeline

Fall 2023 –
Winter 2023

- TPL and the City of Dallas studied location options
- Neighbors shared their desire for Bushmills to become a public greenspace
- This site was selected as Cohort 1 site
- Community engagement begins!

Spring 2024 –
Summer 2024

- Community engagement meetings continue to design the space
- Finalize the design
- Determine construction plans

End of 2024

- Construction led by Dallas Park and Recreation Department
- Dates & construction schedules TBD based on community-led design

2025

- Ribbon Cutting & Grand Opening
- Routine maintenance by Park and Recreation Department
- Friends of Group activities can commence!

Community Meetings

Meeting 1

- **November 28th, 2023**
- **Topic:** Program Introduction + Site Overview & Feedback



Pop-Up Park: Meeting 2

- **Spring 2024**
- **Topic:** Design Options + Stewardship



Meeting 3

- **Summer 2024**
- **Topic:** Design Unveiling + Creative Placemaking





Park Safety

- Park safety is our top priority
- Park will be regularly visited by Park Rangers and Park Marshals
- Construction budget includes funding for safety enhancements including lighting and security cameras
- Events and activities in park will also help keep park safe



Maintaining your new greenspace

- Dallas Park and Recreation will provide additional maintenance to the new amenities after they are open to the public
 - The City of Dallas is already providing baseline maintenance to these sites since they are City property
- TPL is exploring options to establish a long-term maintenance fund



Become a Friend of your future greenspace

- We need YOU to help us keep your greenspace beautiful!
- TPL will help establish a “Friends of” made up of neighbors & resident leaders
- Friends of Group activities can include:
 - Organizing park clean-ups and beautification days
 - Hosting events like community walks, coffee in the park meet-ups, neighborhood meetings, etc. to activate the park space
 - Advocating for park improvements

Find a TPL staff person to learn more!



What's next?

- **We need your input!**
- Visit our breakout stations and talk to our team to share what you would like your future greenspace to look like
- Scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/dallasgreeninginitiative> to:
 - Join our email list to stay up to date
 - Access our survey and participate in our picnic kit giveaway! **Survey closes on January 2nd.**
 - Visit our Facebook page or the Bushmills website to share your ideas
 - Please share with your neighbors and friends!

Thank you



Trust for Public Land (TPL) is a national nonprofit that works to connect everyone to the benefits and joys of the outdoors. As a leader in equitable access to the outdoors, TPL works with communities to create parks and protect public land where it is needed most.

Since 1972, TPL has protected more than 3 million acres of public land, created more than 5,000 parks, trails, schoolyards, and iconic outdoor places, raised \$84 billion in public funding for parks and public lands, and connected more than 9 million people to the outdoors.

Connecting everyone to the outdoors™

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