DTE Site Open Space

Parks & Recreation ideas for utilizing the space if it were to become available: the majority of these ideas are pulled from existing master plan documents such as the PROS plan. Livery ideas are more recent ideas and result partly from a year of experience with the Argo Cascades and the increased usage in the area.

Livery Functions:

1. Parking – approximately 100 spaces
2. Van turnaround/service drive for van/trailer drop offs
3. Small Livery building – approximately same size as the Argo Livery building
4. Fenced storage area for approximately 50-80 canoes as well as tubes and whitewater boats
5. Access to river for boats – a dock/walkway area connecting the livery building/storage area to water edge
6. Livery infrastructure should include running water for drinking fountain and a spigot on the building, electricity, restroom, phone, internet, etc.
7. Concessions – similar to Gallup Park – coffee shop, ice cream, patio area for tables and chairs.
8. Whitewater amenities in main stem of Huron River, along with viewing areas for the public and whitewater/general boat launching for private boaters to park and launch their own boats.

Events:

1. Picnic shelter with enough capacity to schedule large events such as weddings
2. Restrooms, running water, drinking fountain
3. Overlook near river, (space for gathering/photos, etc.)
4. Parking adequate for large events
5. Open space to accommodate events

Access:

1. Pedestrian bridge across Huron River, connecting to the Argo Livery
2. Pedestrian bridge across the Allen Creek drain outlet into the river, and connecting to the Border to Border trail
3. Potential access from Main St. area – overhead – entering on the west side of the site
4. Potential access from Depot St. under the Railroad into the site, and connecting to the proposed path system
5. Path along the river edge, connecting to Broadway Park on the south and to the Border to Border trail on the north.

Passive Recreation:

1. Picnic tables and benches
2. Some non-programmed open space