

Town of Poughkeepsie Soccer Club – Greenvale Park Field Renovation

GREENVALE PARK FIELD RENOVATION PROJECT

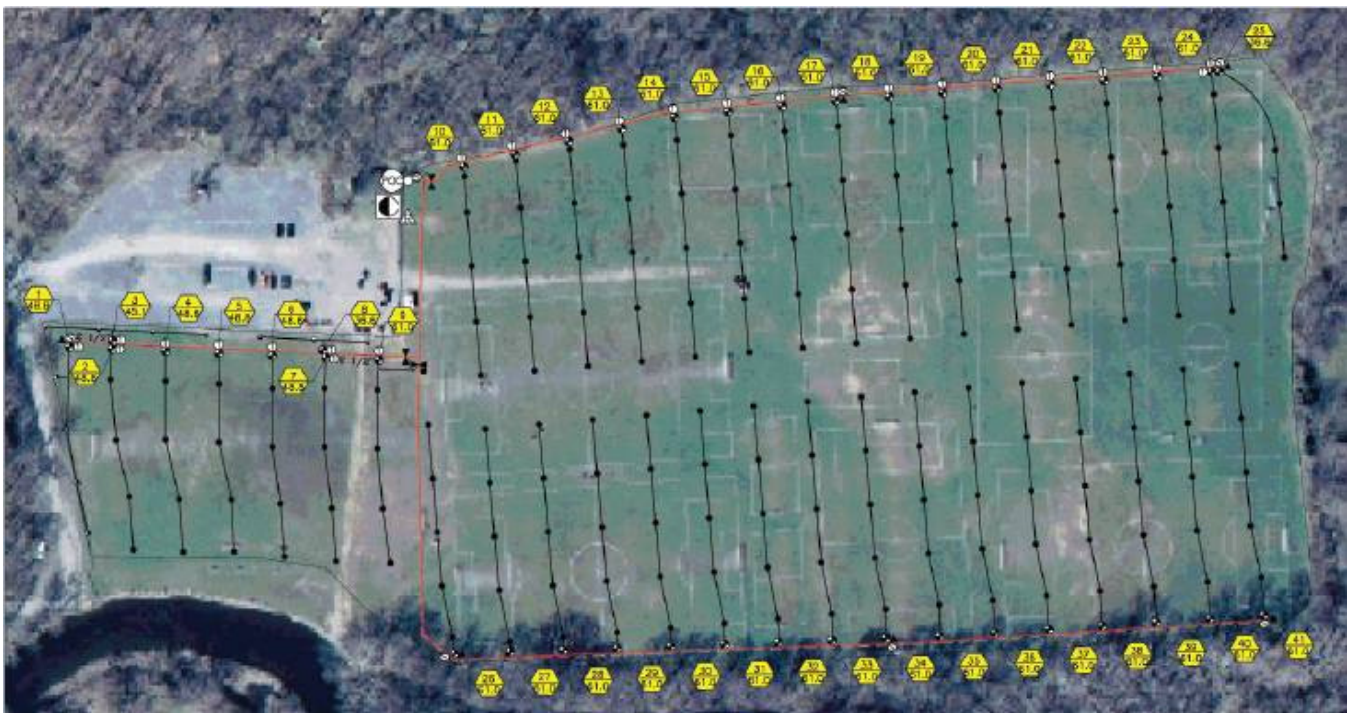
This project overview provides the details of a 17-day volunteer based effort that is currently scheduled to start March 26 and go through April 11. The purpose of this summary is to inform the Town of Poughkeepsie Club members of this effort and to elicit members to volunteer and/or provide access to equipment or resources they believe can contribute to the success of this project. A project plan and schedule is included for members to determine if and how they may be able to help.

PROJECT SUMMARY

The overall project is to convert the Greenvale Park, home of the Town of Poughkeepsie Soccer Club, into a Premier level soccer facility that will serve the local community from the youth level up through the adult level with access to high quality soccer fields. When completed, the complex will be capable of providing a minimum of 2 FIFA approved playing fields per age group – U14 and up, U12/13, U10/11, U8/9, and U6/7. The main goal of the project is to provide: 1) a local water source for field irrigation, 2) an in-ground sprinkler system to irrigate the entire complex, 3) spot grading, leveling, and seeding where needed, and lastly 4) a turf management program that includes routine rolling, plug aeration, and fertilization throughout all playing seasons. The playing fields will be designed with flexibility in mind. We will be able to change and modify both the size and directions of any fields. This project will not have any impact on parking spaces, the concession stand, or the portable restrooms. They will remain as they currently stand today.

Figure 1 shows a top-down view on the finalized project showing a 41 zone irrigated sports complex with the potential to be developed into one of the area's top Premier level soccer complexes.

Figure 1 – Finalized Plan showing 41 Zone Irrigation Layout



The construction of this outdoor complex will be divided into 2 phases to help manage the cost and allow limited use of the complex during the renovation periods. Both phases are approximately equal in

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size. Phase I includes the design and planning of the project, drilling of the wells, installation of all pumping infrastructure for the completed project, installation of approximately ½ of the in-ground sprinkler system, and the creation of a turf management program. Funding for the complete project has come from both the Town of Poughkeepsie's Recreation Trust Fund and the Town of Poughkeepsie Soccer Club's Field Improvement Fund.

Phase II will include the purchase and installation of the remaining in-ground sprinkler system. Current estimates for phase II completion are Spring 2012.

In addition to the funding, which has made this project possible, the actual success of this project is dependent upon the volunteer efforts of the Top of Poughkeepsie Soccer Club members. Without a volunteer work force, we as a Club cannot afford this huge home improvement project. The main purpose of this summary is to update the Club members of this project and to elicit the members to sign-up and volunteer if they believe they can provide any needed resources to help complete Phase I of this project during the March 26 through April 11 timeframe.

CLUB AND COMMUNITY IMPACT

As a Club we must be devoted to promoting the game of soccer for our members and to help develop our youth as they mature into young adults. Many of life's lessons can be learned from this beautiful game and a few to consider are:

- Developing a healthy lifestyle that includes physical activity.
- Developing self-confidence and self-esteem.
- Developing personal integrity as one learns to play the game with honor.
- Learning the dynamics of working within a team.
- Providing a positive environment for our youth to develop healthy relationships with their peers.

We anticipate that this project will help us achieve these goals by providing a facility that will be second to none in the area. Currently we suffer as a club to promote these opportunities for our members due largely to the poor conditions of our fields. As our youth develop and play at the higher levels they are confronted with the frustration of not being able to properly learn and execute the advanced skills that are required to compete at these levels due to the poor field conditions. As a result, they either end up quitting the game early or leaving our Club to go play for one of the other nearby programs that have better fields to offer. With this new Soccer Complex our youth will have a facility that inspires pride of membership and a home where they can evolve from young capable soccer players into tomorrow's leading athletes and leaders.

In addition to our youth programs, this complex will provide a home field for the Town of Poughkeepsie Soccer Club to support the formation of Over 30 and Over 40 Adult teams similar to all the other local Clubs in the area.

PROJECT DETAILS

Provided below is a proposed Five-Year Plan for the project, including the execution of the Plan as well as how we intend to ensure maintenance of our facility.

Year 2010: Complete planning, secure funding and begin Phase I of the total project to include installation of 3 wells, purchase and installation of all pump related infrastructure and electric power to

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complete the project, purchase and installation of the in-ground irrigation system for ½ of the complex, and purchase of the field maintenance equipment. Develop an operating budget for the operation and maintenance of the complex.

Year 2011: Secure additional funding and continue field maintenance program for the entire complex.

Year 2012: Secure additional funding and complete Phase II of the project to include purchase and installation of the remaining irrigation infrastructure. Continue field maintenance program for the entire complex.

Year 2013: Secure additional funding and continue field maintenance program for the entire complex.

Year 2014: Secure additional funding - investigate possible funding from foundations, corporations and individuals, seek state and county recreational funding. Use revenues from tournaments and soccer camps for the continuous improvement of the fields through top-soil addition, grading, leveling and seeding. Continue field maintenance program for the entire complex.

PROJECT SCHEDULE – PHASE 1

Figure 2 shows a top down of the proposed Phase 1 region (yellow shade) along with the Spring 2010 field layout. The current plan is to complete Phase 1 by the end of April 2010, and then allow the turf to grow and develop during the Spring/Summer 2010 seasons. Phase 1 should be ready for use by the Fall 2010 season.

Figure 2 – Spring 2010 Field Layout

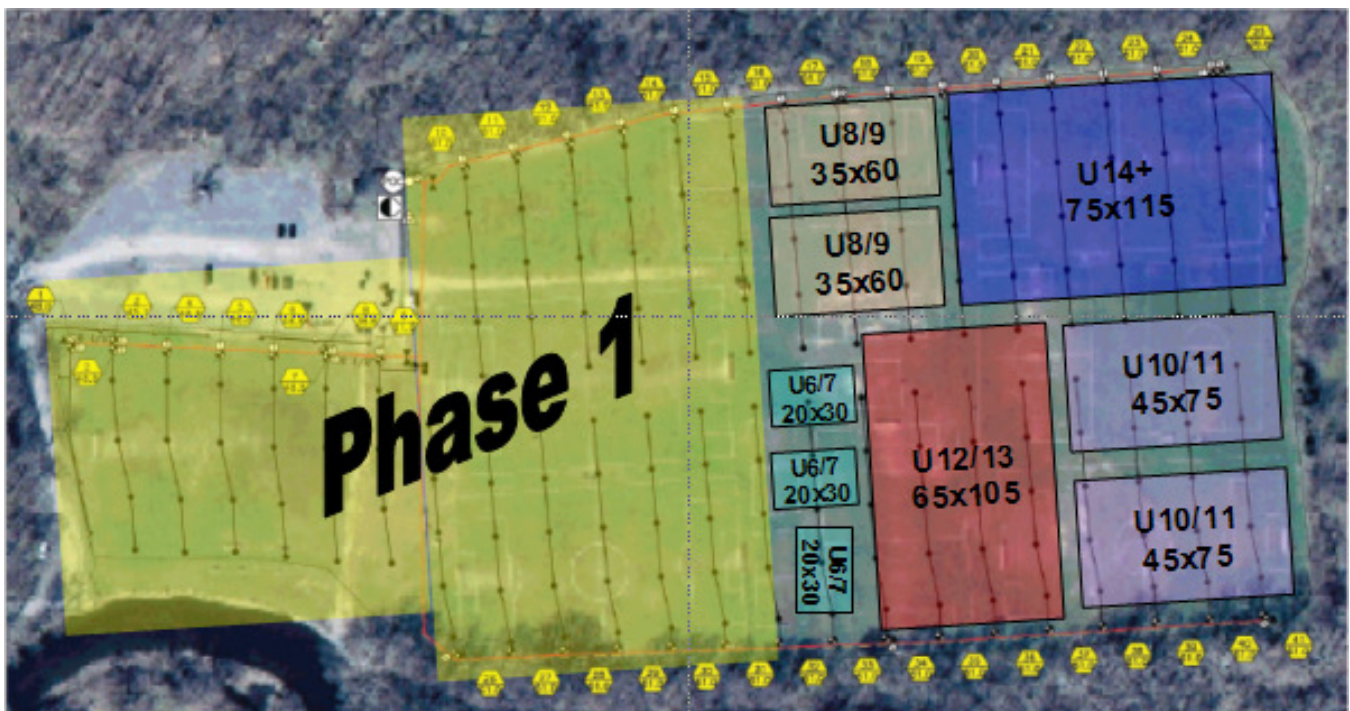


Table 1 shows the proposed 17-day project plan for the installation of the irrigation system. All tasks shaded yellow are open for Club members to volunteer and/or provide access to equipment which might help contribute to the completion of the project. Ideally we are looking for volunteers with direct experience but will be grateful to all who are able to find the time to help.

