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TRAILS RE-DEVELOPMENT MASTER PLAN PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

GIANTS HEAD MOUNTAIN PARK | SUMMERLAND BC | JUNE 15, 2017





CONTEXT



WHAT'S THIS OPEN HOUSE ABOUT?

The District of Summerland is undertaking a trails re-development plan to assess and understand users' needs in Giant's Head Mountain Park.

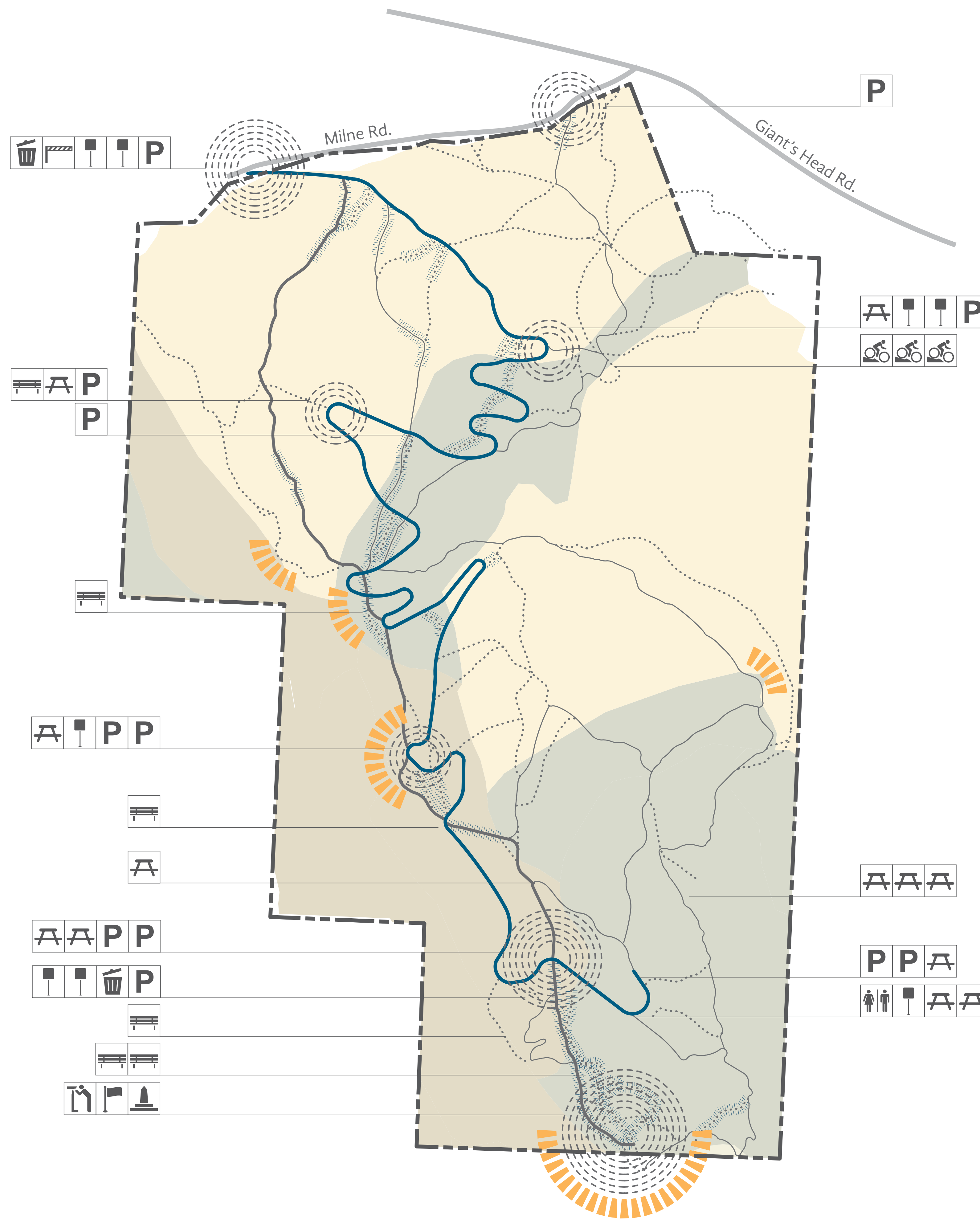
This Open House is looking for your input on the preliminary proposal and vision for Giant's Head Mountain Park - which takes into account the responsible augmentation of an environmentally conscious trail network, erosion mitigation, improving wayfinding, signage, amenities, and enhancing the overall experience of the user.

HOW CAN YOU GIVE FEEDBACK?

Please review the information panels; staff and consultants are present to respond to your questions and comments. If you wish to provide further feedback, please complete one of the questionnaires provided.

The questionnaire will also be posted on the District's website from June 15th to June 30th.
www.summerland.ca/parks-recreation

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SITE ANALYSIS

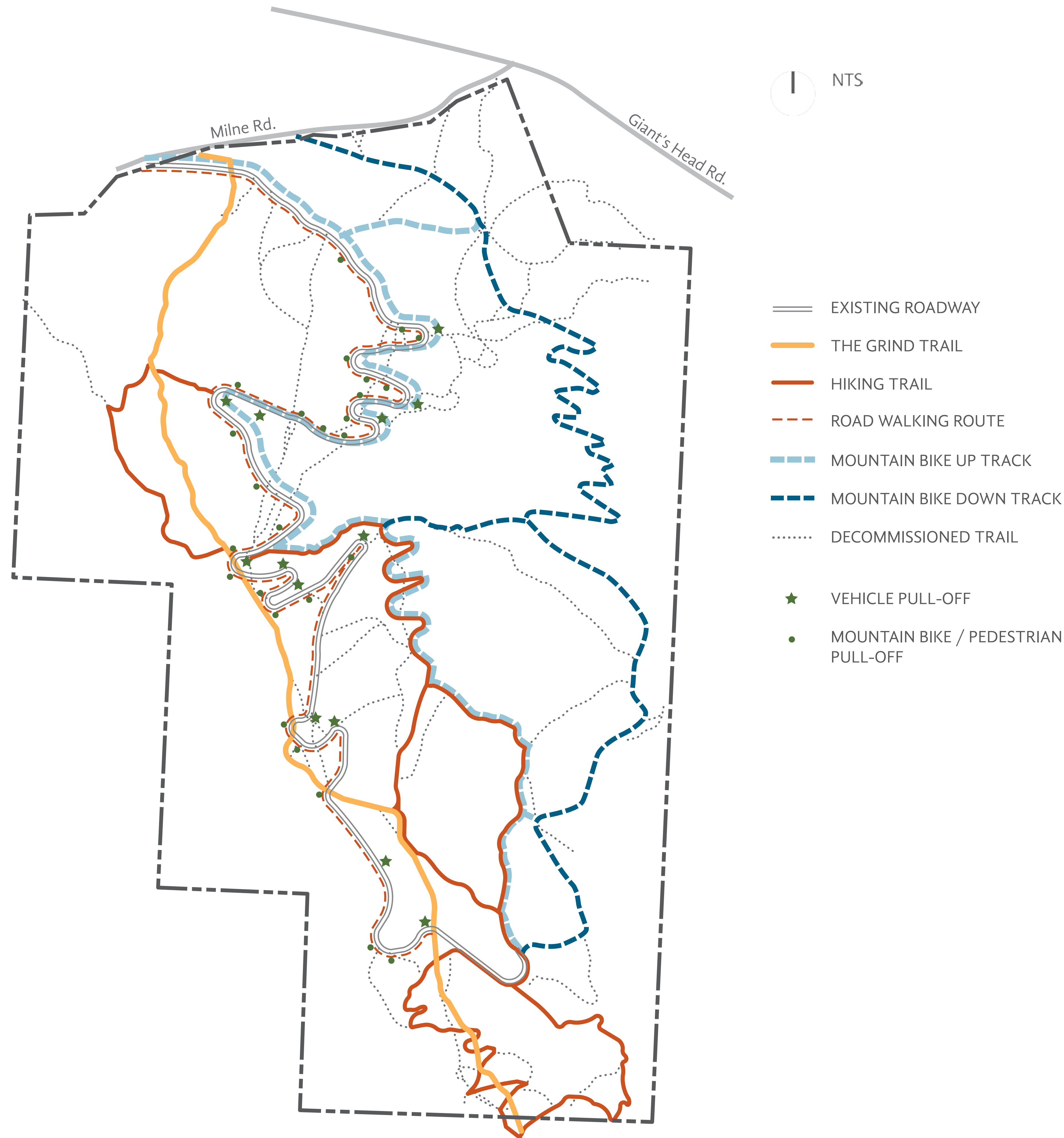
The key findings of an analysis of current park conditions are that:

- user activities in the park include walking, hiking, viewing, mountain biking, and longboarding
- the park contains a valuable and intact grassland ecosystem that should be protected
- unsanctioned trail creation has caused extensive erosion and damage
- there is high potential for conflicts between hikers/walkers, mountain bikers, long boarders, and vehicles
- the park is lacking certain amenities, including seating, safety guardrails, wayfinding signage, and sufficient designated parking

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PROPOSED TRAILS

As a result of the site analysis and discussion with District staff and community stakeholders, the following key changes to the trail system and park amenities are proposed:

- reconfigure the trail network, as follows:
 - 400m of new trail
 - 5600m of existing trail to be restored
 - 6600m of redundant or environmentally damaging trails to be decommissioned
- repair and prevent future erosion by installing crib steps and timber stairs on steepest trails
- create 'The Grind,' a hallmark hiking trail
- separate mountain bike down track trails from hiking and walking trails
- improve parking areas, main entry, and viewpoint access
- provide kiosks at Milne Rd. and upper parking areas with trailhead and park information
- upgrade amenities throughout the park, including benches, wayfinding and educational signage, and safety guardrails

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UPPER CIRCULATION

Key changes to the upper end of Giant’s Head Mountain Road include:

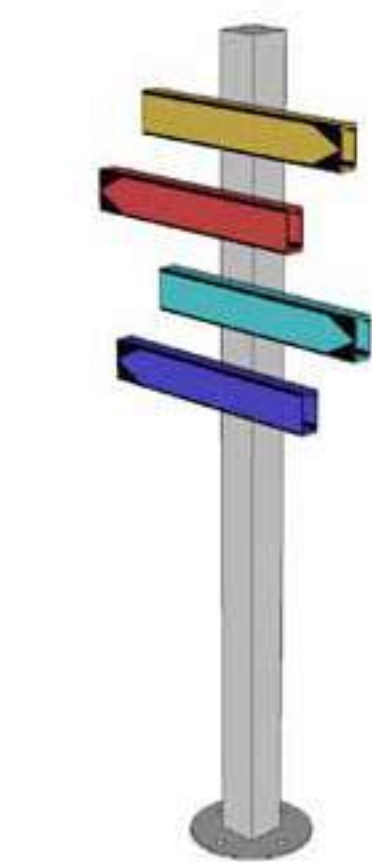
- providing separate parking and trailhead for mountain bikers at upper parking area
- improving parking and circulation with the use of a one-way road loop at the top of the mountain



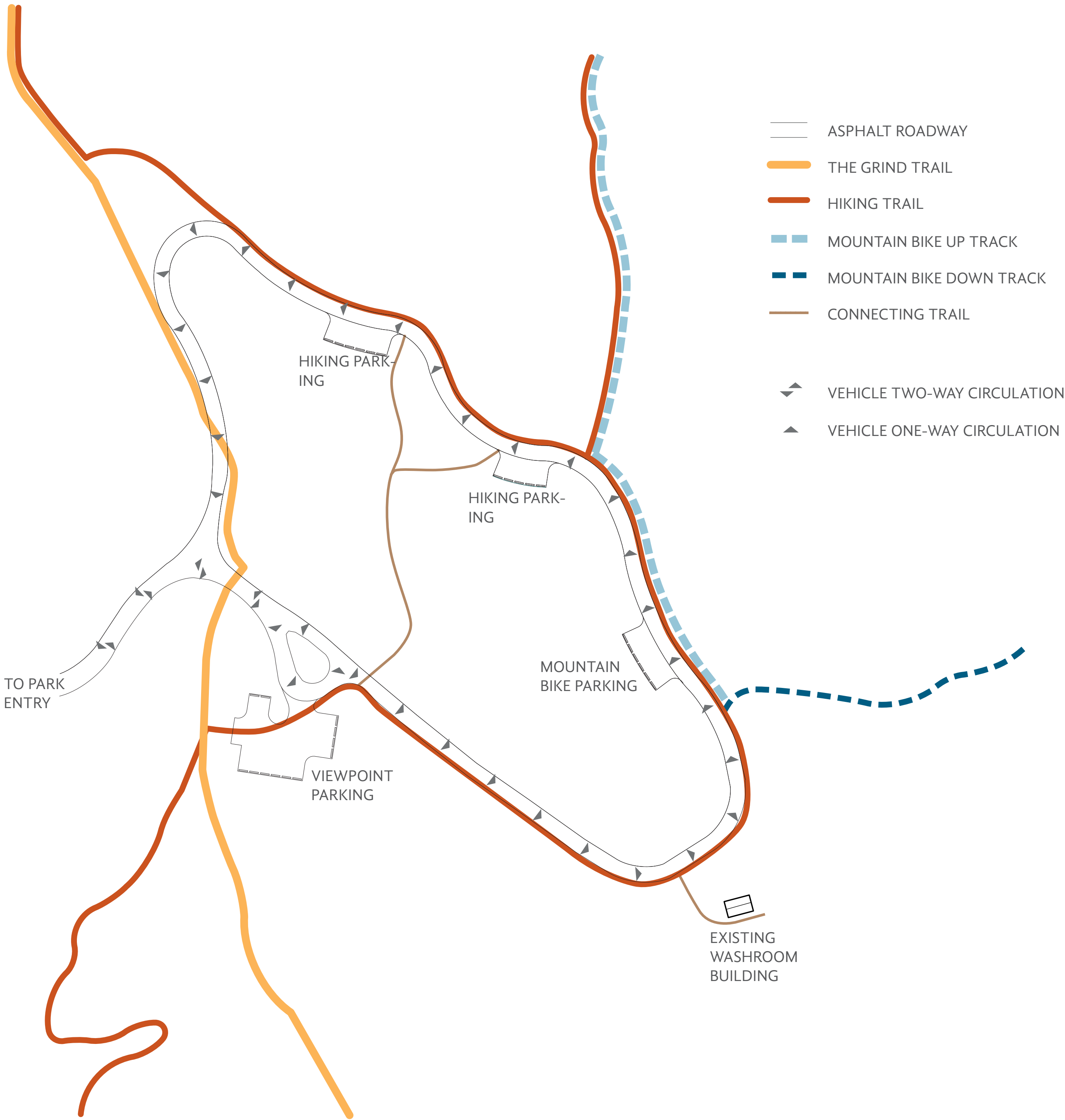
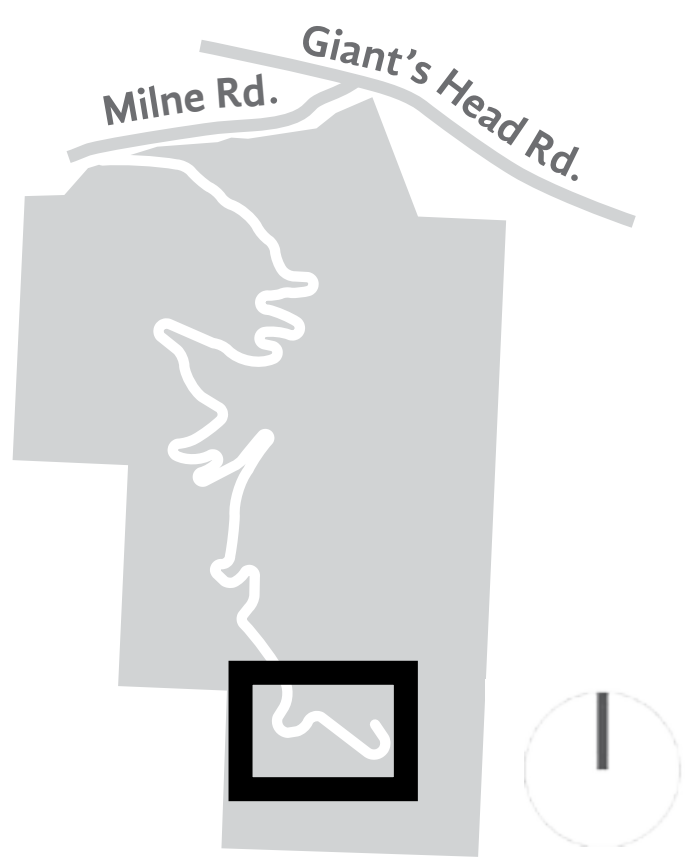
PARK BENCH



PARK SIGNS



INTERSECTION SIGN



UPPER PARKING AREA

Key changes to the upper parking area include:

- expanding the upper parking area to prevent erosion and vegetation damage caused by ad-hoc parking
- providing kiosk to guide users to trail types, park features, and regulatory information



GABION BASKET RETAINING WALL



CONCRETE RETAINING WALL



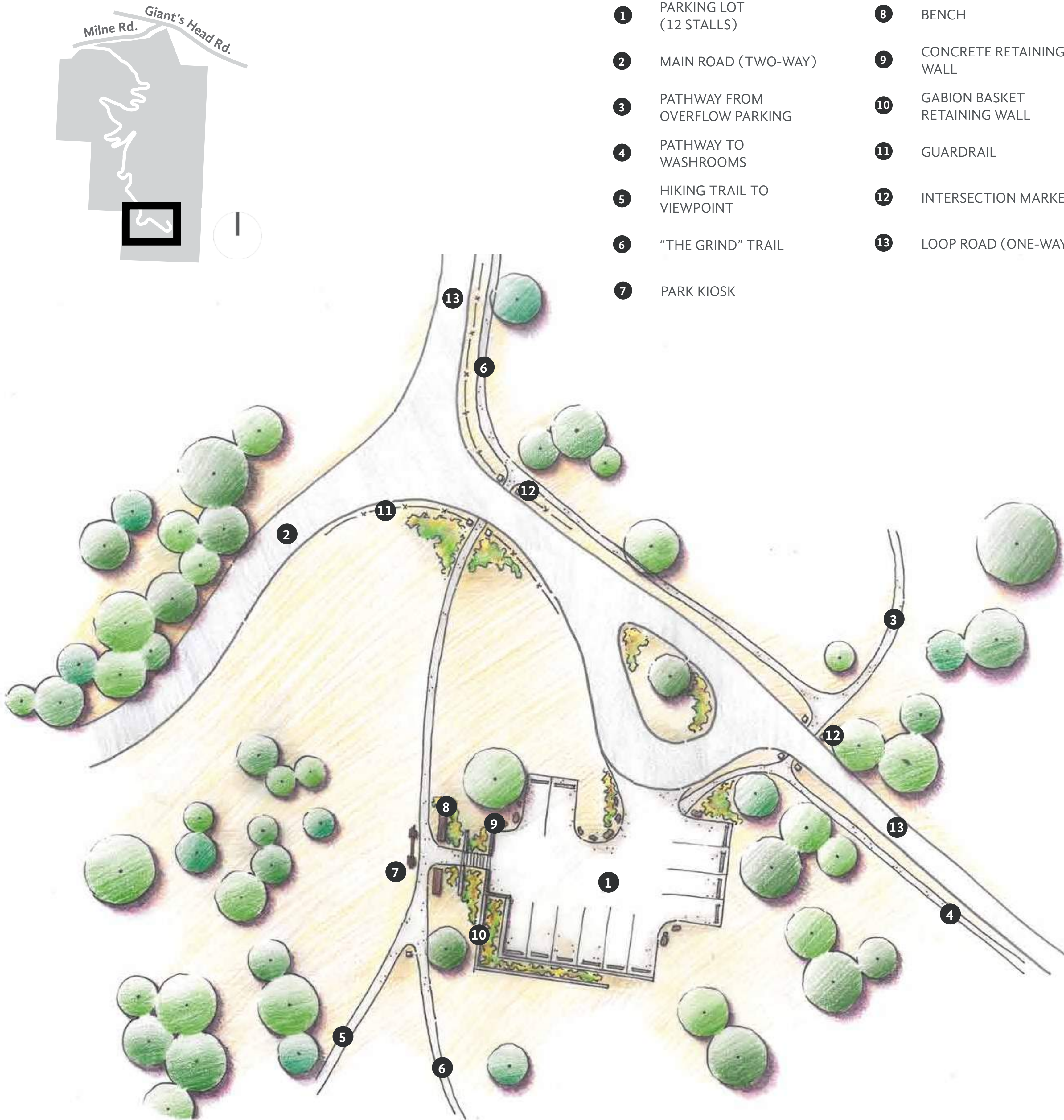
PARKING LOT



BOULDERS FOR VEHICLE CONTROL



PARK KIOSK



MILNE RD. ENTRY

Improvements to the park’s main entry include:

- improved park entry visibility and access
- designated parking spaces
- a new washroom
- a kiosk to guide users to trail types, park features, and regulatory information



PARK ENTRY STRUCTURE



PARK ENTRY SIGN & “THE GRIND” ENTRY WALL



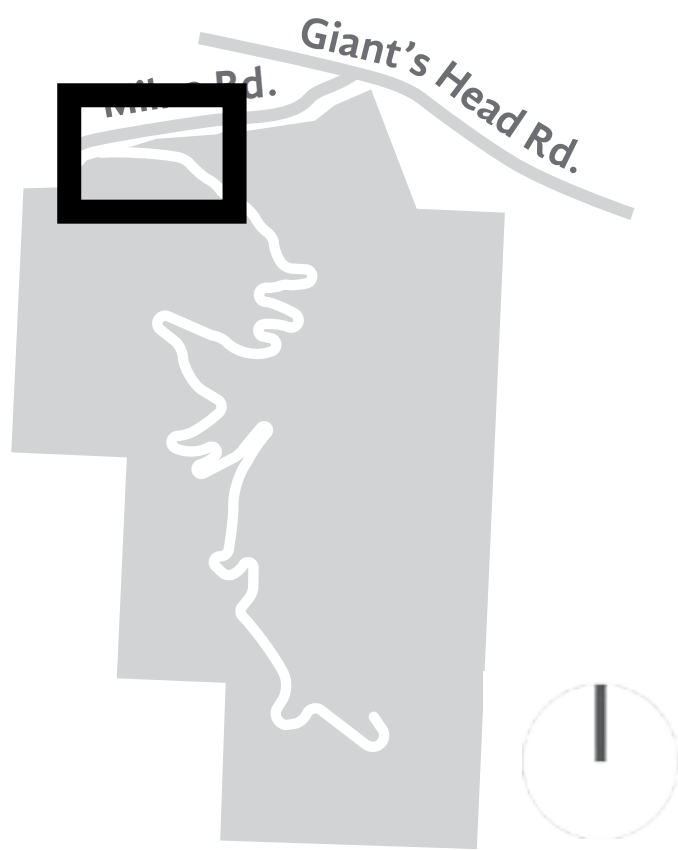
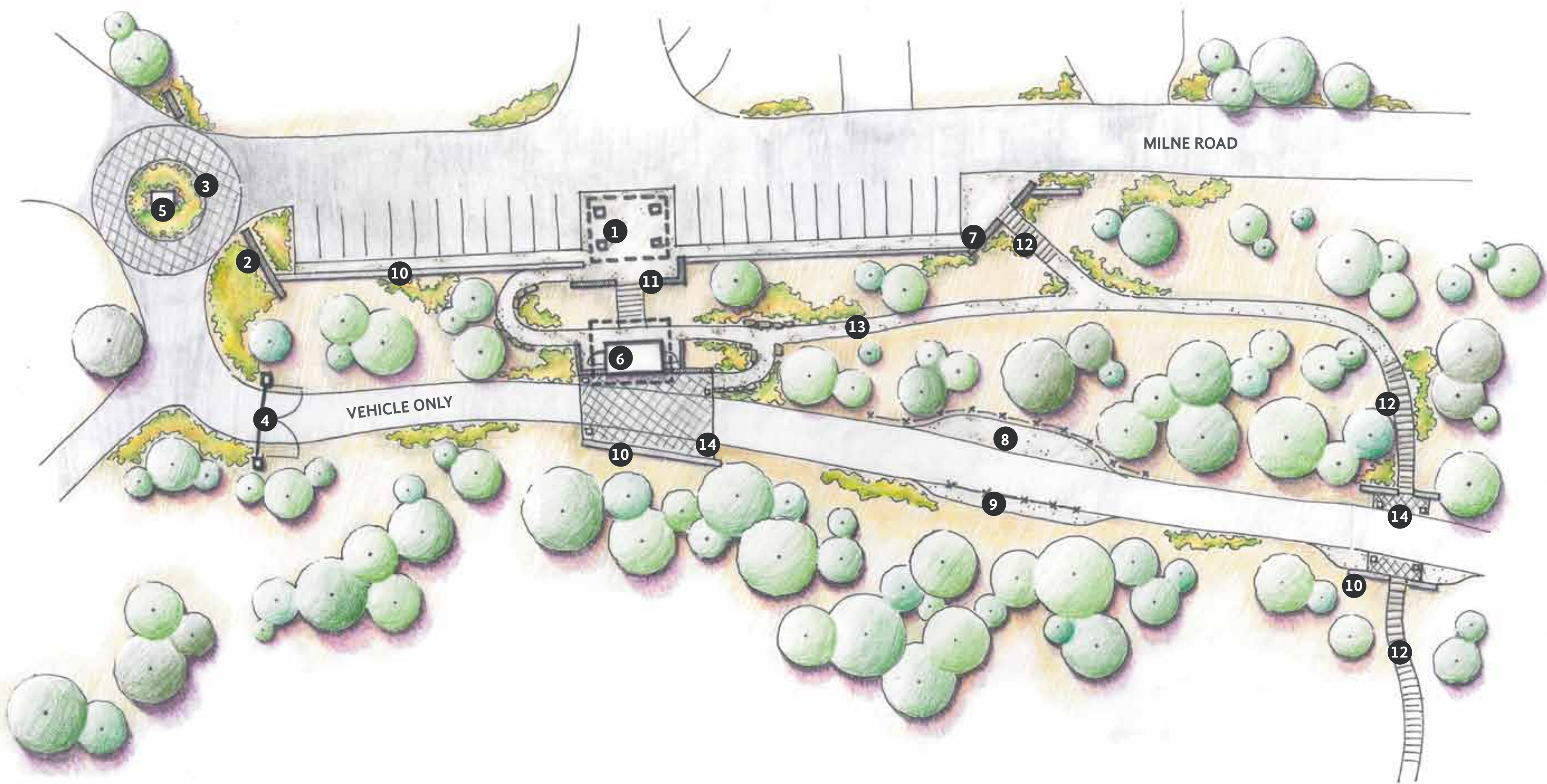
WASHROOM BUILDING W/ BIKE WASH STATION



VEHICLE GATE



GABION BASKET RETAINING WALL

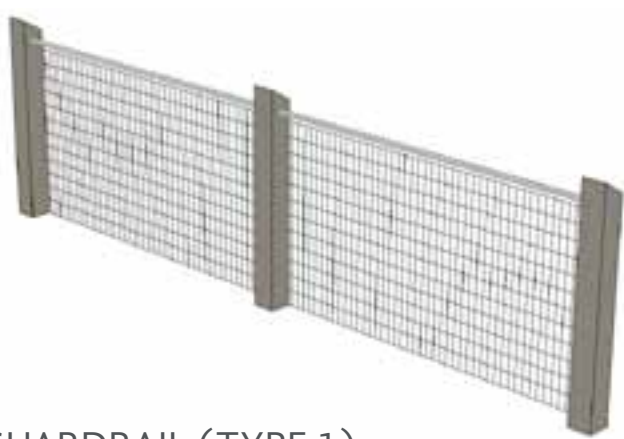
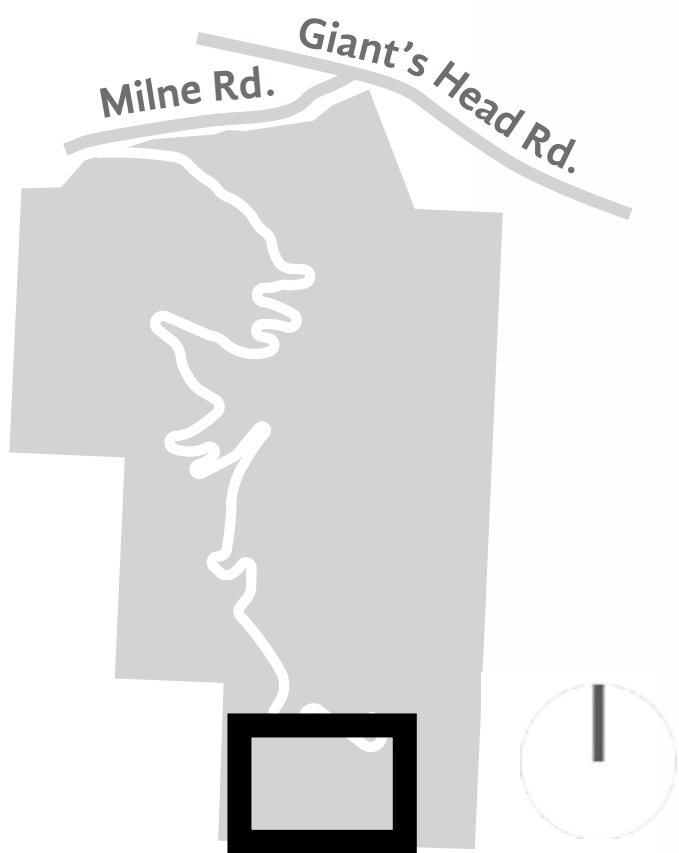


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| 1 | PARK ENTRY STRUCTURE | 8 | VEHICLE YIELD PULL-OFF |
| 2 | PARK ENTRY SIGN & WALL | 9 | ROAD WALKER / MOUNTAIN BIKE UPTRACK PULL-OFF |
| 3 | VEHICLE TURN-AROUND | 10 | GABION BASKET RETAINING WALL |
| 4 | VEHICLE GATE | 11 | CONCRETE RETAINING WALL |
| 5 | SCULPTURE / PUBLIC ART | 12 | CRIB STAIRS / TIMBER STAIRCASE |
| 6 | WASHROOM BUILDING W/ BIKE WASH STATION | 13 | GRANULAR TRAIL |
| 7 | “THE GRIND” ENTRY WALL | 14 | INTERSECTION MARKERS |

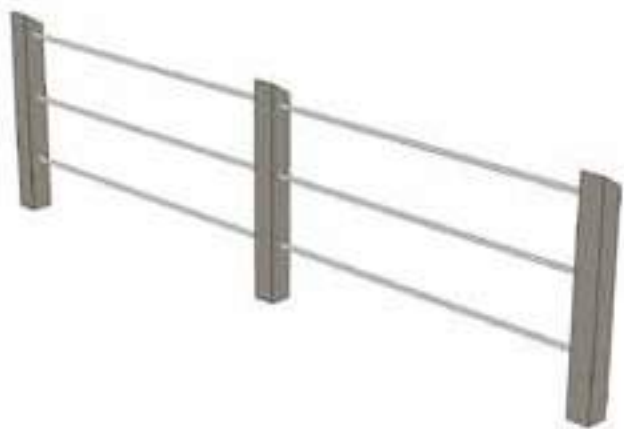
UPPER VIEWPOINT

Improvements to the upper viewpoint include:

- repairing or decommissioning eroded and damaged trails
- constructing crib steps and timber stairs on steepest parts of the main viewpoint trail
- providing a less-steep and stair-free trail to the viewpoint
- installing safety guardrails at viewpoints
- refurbishing existing viewtube features



GUARDRAIL (TYPE 1)



GUARDRAIL (TYPE 2)



GUARDRAIL (TYPE 3)



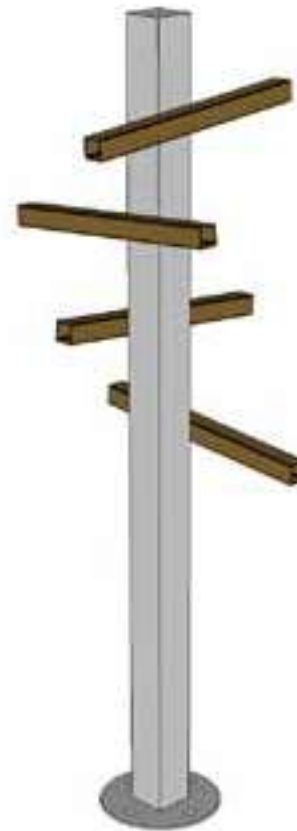
HANDRAIL



CRIB STAIRS



TIMBER STAIRCASE



PROPOSED VIEWTUBE FEATURE