

To: Dr. Kennerknecht
From: Ruth Nelson
Re: Needs for WAEC/ WAHS Trail Development from WCSD
Date: 7/20/07

Per our conversation on 7/18/07, I am sending you the work that needs to be completed for the walking trail and cross country trail behind WAEC and WAHS. It is our goal to complete this in time for the 2007-2008 Cross Country season. I will be happy to walk this with staff to show what help we need in this project.

From WCSD staff:

- Dig 4 drainage ditches (8 ft. in length and wide enough for drainage pipe)
 - 1 at the top of the driveable entrance to the upper field
 - 3 along the lower path (10 ft. in length and wide enough for drainage pipe)
- Deposit gravel at each drainage ditch to support the pipes
- Dig shallow ditch along the driveable entrance so that the water will flow into the new drainage pipe.
- Spread gravel on the driveable entrance for approximately 35 ft. leading up to the drainage pipe.
- Deposit gravel to cover approximately 25 ft. (by 6 ft. wide) for the path and bridge leading through the upper path.
- Deposit gravel leading to bridge on lower path.
- Cut out 8 ft. sections from 4 large trees that are downed across path. These trees are marked with a fluorescent pink X. Remove from path.
- Down 4 very small trees that are in the way of the path safety. Remove from path.
- Level the running area between the southern end of the ball field and the wetlands making a safer 6 ft. wide path for the runners. The area is fine but quite rutted and uneven. This will be safer if it can be smoothed out with a bobcat.
- After the path/trail is laid out by volunteers, mow with a brush hog.
- Remove junk lumber by the old discus area that is on the field so that the runners can run up that trail.
- Remove junk from the end of the trail near the WCCC – screen, wire fencing, garbage

From Volunteers (Parents, students, Lowe's employees):

- Remove brush from trail.
- Cut down smaller trees, broken branches, etc.
- Lay out trail using landscape timbers.
- Build 4 bridges:
 - 1 on upper trail 6' x 22'
 - 1 on upper trail 6' x 9'
 - 1 on lower trail 6' x 12'
 - 1 on lower trail 6' x 12'
- Install drainage pipe in the 4 ditches.
 - Spread gravel in areas leading to bridges.

Funding:

- WAEC received a Lowe's grant for \$5,000. The PTO has committed additional funds if needed.
- Materials: 34 ft. drainage pipe
- Landscape timbers: 4400 ft.
- Materials for bridges

It is our hope that this project can be completed prior to the school year and cross country track season starting. Our volunteers are ready to begin work next week. We need to have the trees cut and ditches dug as soon as possible. Long range plans call for the students at WCCC to build seating areas for spectators to watch the cross country meets. It is also planned for WAHS to host Cross Country Invitationals on the beautiful property of WCSD with the fantastic view this area provides. In addition, Tina Toole, environmental teacher at WAHS, uses this area with her students. They will continue to expand the educational value of this area and work with WAEC students on environmental and ecology lessons.