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Environmental Impact Assessment

Project Title: Jake's Law Inclusive Playground at David B. Crabiel Park

Date: February 3, 2023

Project Type: Removal of Old Playground and Surfacing and Installation of New Playground and Poured-in-Place Unitary Surfacing

Project Location: David B. Crabiel Park, 401 North Main Street, Milltown, NJ 08850 – Block 252, Lot 1.05

Applicant: Middlesex County

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Project Description:

Replacement of existing playground at David B. Crabiel Park with an ADA and Jake's Law compliant playground. The project includes the demolition and removal of play surfaces and structures within the existing 11,000 square foot playground area. The construction of the new ADA and Jake's Law compliant play surfaces and structures will occur in the same space as the existing playground. The playground will include play areas for children ages 6-23 month olds, 2-4 year olds, and 5-12 year olds. Poured in place resilient rubber safety surfacing will be used beneath and around all playground equipment. In addition, the new playground will feature typical swing sets, seating areas, and at least 20% of the square footage of the playground area will be shaded. Fencing will be provided around the playground. A quiet play area of about 650 square feet is available across the ADA compliant park pathway from playground location. Six (6) ADA Parking spaces already exist within 60 ft of the playground entrance and all pathways are already ADA compliant.

Phase 1 of this project will include the demolition and removal of the existing playground equipment and wood cushion. Phase 2 will include the site preparation and excavation for the new equipment and safety surface. Phase 3 will include the delivery, installation, and safety testing of the new playground equipment and poured in place resilient rubber safety surfacing. This safety testing will include G-max testing of safety surfacing for impact attenuation.



Description of the Environment:

The entirety of this project site is located within David B. Crabiel Park. The property for David Crabiel Park was acquired with Green Acres funding, Project #1200-00-064-06. The new playground will be constructed in the exact location and will be the same size as the existing playground area. No vegetation, wildlife, geology, water resources, or historic/archeological resources will be affected by this project.

David B. Crabiel Park is easily accessed by Route 1 and North Main Street in Milltown/North Brunswick. The park is surrounded by a residential neighborhood, Route 1, and an undeveloped field.

Environmental Impact Analysis of Proposed Action:

No impact is anticipated due to the proposed project.

Alternatives to the Proposed Action:

None

Mitigating Measures:

None required since no impact is anticipated.

