

FRUTH WETLAND NATURE PRESERVE:

WETLAND EXPANSION

The H2Ohio Wetlands constructed in 2020 have worked so well, an expansion project is underway to accept more surface water from neighboring farm fields to aid in further water quality improvement for the area. Expansion is planned to be completed by the end of March.

NATURE EDUCATION CENTER

The RFP was sent out to the top three ranking firms (Adena, Alvada, and Clouse construction firms, listed in alphabetical order) following the January Board meeting with the deadline for submissions by noon on Jan. 24.

Submissions were reviewed, post-proposal meetings where held, and the topped ranked firm was contacted to discuss contract negotiations. The associated contract with Clouse Construction is included in the Board packet for review.

Tentative Schedule for design completion dates:

Schematic Design	February 21
Design Development	April 13
Construction Documents	June 8

Anticipated Construction Timeline:

June 22, 2023 – February 29, 2024

ZIMMERMAN NATURE PRESERVE:

The deteriorating flower boxes were removed with asphalt surface repair planned for this summer.



BOARD BYLAW AND POLICY UPDATES:

It is time for a review of current Board Bylaws and policies this year. One item in particular in need of development is policy regarding public comments during Board Meetings. There are many examples from other public agencies available, and may be assigned to the Governance, Policy, and HR Committee for further review and draft development to present to the Board for consideration.

PUBLIC PROGRAMS, PARTICIPATION, & PARTNERSHIP SUMMARY

FEBRUARY – MAY PROGRAM GUIDE is now available on-line.



Special Request Outreach Programs & Events

In addition to the regularly scheduled Park programs, listed below are other agencies who received programming opportunities from the Seneca Parks in January:

- Bellevue Preschool (2)
- ECI (1)
- GLCAP—Fostoria (2 classes)
- GLCAP—Tiffin (1), they cancelled due to staff shortage
- Seneca County Homeschoolers (1)
- Seneca East Preschool (2)
- Tiffin Developmental Center—Autistic Teens (1), they cancelled due to Covid
- Y Wonderland—Fostoria (1)
- Wesley Center—Fostoria (2)

GENERAL PROGRAM REGISTRATIONS:

	Jan (2022)	Total
Programs	26 (26)	26 (26)
Participants	283 (202)	283 (283)

View other upcoming programs at www.SenecaCountyParks.com