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RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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Measure U Selection Team

Dear Colleagues:

Thank you very much for the time and energy you are devoting to this Measure U process on behalf of our community.

On behalf of the High Sierra Striders, we are very pleased to submit this application requesting Measure U funds in the first "Test" application process. We look forward to meeting with committee members to review our submission and answer all questions about the Mammoth Track Project.

While this application comes from the High Sierra Striders, Mammoth Track Project enjoys widespread support. We believe completion of it this summer will be a very positive step forward in these very difficult times.

We are ready to build it this summer!

Sincerely (with shovel in hand),



Elaine Smith
Treasurer, High Sierra Striders
Volunteer, Mammoth Track Project



2012 MEASURE U SPRING "TEST" APPLICATION FORM

PROJECT SUMMARY

Name of Project: Mammoth Track Project

Project Category: Recreation

Project Type: Construction

Measure U Funds Requested: \$523,000

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Organization

Name of Organization: High Sierra Striders

Type of Organization (non-profit, HOA, Govt.): Non-profit

Organization's Address: PO Box 5068, Mammoth Lakes

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SECTION A – PRELIMINARY QUALIFICATIONS

1. How does the project/program fit within the Town's adopted plans?

Throughout Mammoth Lakes' General Plan, Recstrats Strategy, and the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, overarching goals focus on creating an exceptional quality of life for residents and extraordinary experience for visitors by establishing a sustainable economy based upon our greatest asset, the majestic environment that surrounds us. We first see this tenet clearly encapsulated in the Community Vision that precedes the details of the General Plan:

"Surrounded by uniquely spectacular scenery and diverse four-season recreational opportunities, the community of Mammoth Lakes is committed to providing the very highest quality of life for our residents and the highest quality of experience for our visitors."

And it is further elucidated in a stated value of Mammoth becoming and being:

"a premier, year-round resort community based on diverse outdoor recreation, multi-day events and an ambiance that attracts visitors."

The Mammoth Track Project supports these ambitions.

Further, it is integral to achieving the specific goals, actions and policies elucidated in the 9 elements described in the General Plan. We point to the following elements in which the Mammoth Track Project will undoubtedly play a significant role:

Economy:

- E.1. Be a premier destination community in order to achieve a sustainable year-round economy.*
- E.2. Achieve sustainable tourism by building on the area's natural beauty, recreational, cultural, and historic assets.*

Land Use:

- L4. Be the symbolic and physical heart of the Eastern Sierra: the regional economic, administrative, commercial, recreational, educational and cultural center.*

and

Parks, Open Space and Recreation:

- P.4. Provide and encourage a wide variety of outdoor and indoor recreation readily accessible to residents and visitors of all ages.*

More thoroughly, the Parks and Recreation Master Plan clearly provides substantiation for how the Mammoth Track Project satisfies identified community needs in terms of recommended levels of service of parks and recreation facilities (the list of page and section citations is included in Attachment 1).

More recently, the Recstrats process defined the vision for recreation as being to establish Mammoth Lakes as "the best alpine recreation community in the country." In accordance with Recstrats three guiding principles (stewardship/management, economic development, and quality of life), one of the "tangible elements" critical to the achievement and implementation of this objective is creation of a "world-class high-altitude training center." Without dispute, the Mammoth Track Project is central to making this real. The Recstrats' core strategies also included creating great municipal facilities and supplying non-winter facilities, which are both achieved by the Mammoth Track Project.

To conclude, the Mammoth Track Project is the first significant and specific step toward achievement and implementation of the aspirations embraced by our Mammoth Lakes community.

2. How does the project/program align with goals and priorities established by the Town?

The Mammoth Track Project wholly fulfills all of the 'high level' goals and priorities approved by the Town at their March 21, 2012 Council meeting.

Specifically:

High Impact: For Mammoth, **high-altitude training**, especially running, can and will be 'the brand' sport in summer that snow sport (skiing/snowboarding) is in winter. Mammoth's nature-made attributes (majestic scenery, expanse, elevation) are the essential platforms for a premier high-altitude training center. Mammoth is getting more and more attention for its appeal to runners (see Attachment 2: LA Times article); Mammoth is slowly earning its reputation as the premier place for running and high altitude training; and, with completion of the Track Project, Mammoth can create the reality out of the clear visions and collaborative work of many in Mammoth.

Economic Stimulus: Mammoth's reputation as a perfect place for **high-altitude training** will continue to attract all types of endurance athletes of all levels to visit or choose to stay and live in Mammoth for what our setting offers now and in the future. The track, with all field events, and the synthetic turf infield will create opportunities for new and expanded business (e.g., event planning, lodging, restaurants and retail). The community will gain in reputation and brand awareness through the performances of Mammoth-trained athletes on the world stage.

Leverage: The Mammoth Track Project enjoys financial support from public and private sources of funding: grants (e.g., California Integrated Waste Management Board -- Recycled Tire Grant); local businesses (e.g., MMSA, Footloose Sports); local consultants to the project (e.g., Triad, ESLS, Sierra Geotech); individuals donors (e.g., McCoy and many, many others); corporations (e.g., ASICS); user groups (e.g., High Sierra Striders); local groups (e.g., Sunrise Rotary); community marketing organization (i.e., Mammoth Lakes Tourism); and our municipal government (Town of Mammoth Lakes).

Ready to Go: *The Mammoth Track Project is FIRED UP and READY TO GO!* The High Sierra Striders has led the Mammoth Track Project effort for almost 5 years. On December 8, 2012, the Mammoth Track Project secured a use permit from Mono County. On April 17, Los Angeles City Council will approve the new lease agreement that was renegotiated by the Town and LADWP to accommodate the project at the Whitmore site. Construction documents, specifications and contractor's bid form are complete. On April 27, after Town Council approval at its April 18 meeting, the project will begin advertising to general contractors. Bids will be opened the end of May and the project will be awarded in early June (at the Town Council meeting). The request for Measure U funding brings the project to 100% funding and will allow construction to begin in June 2012. That means SHOVELS IN THE GROUND!

Plan for the Future: The Mammoth Track Project is planned for construction in at least 2 phases (depending upon funding). After the first phase is successfully completed, we'll begin efforts to complete planning and funding the 2nd phase with the anticipation of securing future Measure U and Measure R funds, as well as other funding sources, for planning, design, construction and maintenance.

3. Describe the project's/program's conceptual plan including the size, scope, type, design specifications, use, and budget. (This should be an attachment to the application titled: "Project Concept Plan")

Please see Attachment 2: Project Concept Plan and Attachment 3: Construction Documents.

The complete budget for the Mammoth Track Project is under \$4 million. Based on the work of our architect, civil engineer and Town staff, the cost estimates for **Phase 1** ranges from \$1.7 to \$2 million. The actual cost will be determined once a bid by a general contractor is selected and the final scope of the facilities/amenities included are determined. Simply stated, this is a somewhat iterative process to hone in on what we can build for the funds available. The range in cost estimate reflects the approach to complete the project within the range of funds that will be available. (This can be more specifically reviewed at our meeting with the selection committee.)

4. Is this project/program a:

A multiple year project/program with a request for a single year of funding.

5. Identify all principles involved in this project/program and their responsibilities.

a. Applicant

The High Sierra Striders (Striders) initiated and has led the Mammoth Track Project for about 5 years. The Striders hired the landscape architect to develop plans for the track and field, and worked with the Town to select the most appropriate site and develop a master plan for the area. Throughout the process, the Striders has worked collaboratively with the Town of Mammoth Lakes but has held the responsibility for fundraising.

b. Affiliated parties/agencies

In partnership with the Striders, the Town of Mammoth Lakes has led efforts to secure the use permit from Mono County, renegotiate the site lease with LADWP, and work with the architect and civil engineer in concert with the Striders to develop the full set of construction documents for bidding the project. After review of bids and contractor selection with approval of the Town Council, the Town of Mammoth Lakes will serve as the contracting party and construction manager the project. Once completed, the Town of Mammoth Lakes will be the "owner" of the new facilities.

c. Consultant or other support

The consultants for the project include:

landscape architect: Brett T. Long;

civil engineer: Triad (Tom Platz);

geotechnical engineer: Sierra Geotech (Joe Adler);

surveyor: Eastern Sierra Land Survey (Guy Bien); and

botanical reports: LSA and Stephen Ingram.

Each provided professional expertise to the project.

SECTION B – PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. Project Location

- A. If your project/program is Development, Implementation, Maintenance or Acquisition what is the location of your project/program?**

The project site is the Whitmore Recreation Area at 575 Benton Crossing Road off of Highway 395 just about 5 miles out of Mammoth Lakes. The land is owned by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (DWP), and leased, maintained and managed by the Town of Mammoth Lakes in collaboration with Mono County.

- 2. Do you have owner and/or jurisdictional approval to use the location identified in the application? If Yes, please provide documentation of approval. If No, describe how and when you will secure the approval.**

Yes

Currently, the site is home to 3 ball fields and the Town of Mammoth Lakes leases use of the site from LADWP as an area for recreation.

On behalf of The Town of Mammoth Lakes, Ray Jarvis and Jen Daugherty, and as representatives of the High Sierra Striders, Elaine and Jim Smith, met with authorized representatives of DWP to fully review the project in 2010. DWP indicated its general approval of the project, and signed the use permit application submitted to the County, which was finally secured on December 8, 2011.

Ray Jarvis renegotiated the lease with DWP to accommodate this project, which included updating the existing agreement with current DWP language and extending of the contract period to 25 years. The renegotiated lease agreement is scheduled for approval by the City of Los Angeles at their meeting on April 17.

- 3. Based upon your project type, who is/will be (organization & person) responsible for maintenance and operation upon completion of the project/program? Please provide documentation of identified party's responsible for categories below.**

- A. **Ownership:** Town of Mammoth Lakes
- B. **Maintenance:** Town of Mammoth Lakes
- C. **Operation:** Town of Mammoth Lakes
- D. **Liability & Insurance:** Town of Mammoth Lakes

- 4. Will any Pre-Development/Design funds be required for your project/program? If Yes, please describe what is required, when it's required, the timeline/schedule and cost.**

The High Sierra Striders already secured funds for design and planning for phase 1 of the Mammoth Track Project.

5. Will any Implementation/Construction funds be required for your project/program?

If Yes, please provide the scope of work, timeline and budget.

Yes, the request for Measure U funds is for the sole purpose of construction of Phase 1 of the project.

Phase 1 of the project includes the running track, field events, and synthetic turf infield including earthwork, base work, parking pad, and utility and drainage systems.

Specific elements of the project are defined as possible options that will be included in the first phase of the project as funding allows. Those elements include terraced seating, fencing, certain pathways, an additional pole vault runway and the 9th lane of the track. Some of these items would be addressed in another manner or deferred to subsequent phases of the construction of the project, but some items would not be possible in future phases if not constructed in this phase (i.e., 9th lane of the track). This is the explanation for the range of estimated construction costs.

Phase 1 construction will take about 4 months. Construction must begin no later than July 1 to assure proper temperatures for the laying of the asphalt base for the track and pouring of the polyurethane track material.

Based upon the work of our architect, civil engineer and Town staff, the cost estimates for Phase 1 construction ranges from \$1.7 to a little over \$2 million. As stated previously, the actual cost of Phase 1 of the project will depend upon the bidding process to determine what contractor's costs actually will be and will depend upon the final funding available. The funds raised thus far total about \$1.5M, therefore our request of Measure U funds for \$523,000 serves to fill the gap to our cost estimate. The Measure U request would allow construction of all of the basic elements of the project as well as the items identified as possible options.

6. Will this project involve the purchase of equipment?

If yes, who will own it? Who will be allowed to use it? Who will maintain it? How will it be stored? What is the estimated replacement timeline and cost?

Yes.

The following table was developed by the Town of Mammoth Lakes (Dennis Rottner) to show what equipment is needed for maintenance of the track and synthetic turf and when it should be purchased. The bottom total line shows the expenditure amounts over a 3-year period during which all of equipment needed for the track would be purchased. The Town will own the equipment, maintain it and store it. As part of our volunteer commitment, the Striders could operate the backpack and push blowers (per Dennis).

Equipment Expenditures (over 3 years)

For use on:	FY 2012/13	FY 2013/14	FY 2014/15	Replacement years
Track	Push Blower \$1,500	Push Blower \$1,500		5
Synthetic Turf	Backpack Blower \$500	Backpack Blower \$500		5
All Town Fields		Utility Vehicle \$10,510		7
			Top Dresser \$11,710 **	15
Synthetic Turf	GroomerRight \$1,000 *			5
	Sweeper Right \$5,000 *			5
		Water hose (2) \$6,000		5
		Hand Tools \$1,000		2-3
			Sprayer \$1,000	5
Annual Totals	\$2,000	\$19,510	\$12,710	

*purchase amount is included in bid packet

**Top Dresser may not have to be purchased in year 3; or service through contract instead

7. Will any Maintenance funds be required for your project/program?

If Yes, please describe what is required, when it's required, the timeline/schedule and cost.

Yes.

The maintenance schedule below was developed by the Town of Mammoth Lakes (Dennis Rottner) to estimate the resources required for the annual maintenance of the track and field. With the track being completed at the end of summer and in the middle of the budget year, approximately 1/3 of the full budget will be needed for the first year of operation in FY2012/13. The annual budget of \$43,000 as proposed below would begin in FY2013/14. We assume a 9-month season.

Maintenance Routine Track & Field			
Daily	Trash & Recycle	1 Hr.	170
	Blow Track backpack blowers	1 Hr.	170
Weekly	Groom field	2 Hrs.	68
	Blow Track push Blowers	2 Hrs.	68
	Check Fence & Gates	1 Hr.	34
	perimeter maintenance	8 Hrs.	170
Monthly	Weed Control	8 Hrs.	72
	Safety inspection	1 Hrs.	9
	Irrigation maintenance	2 Hrs.	18
Seasonal			
Spring	Site clean up	120 Hrs.	120
Fall	Site clean up	120 Hrs.	120
Total cost = \$43,000		total hours for 9 months	1019

8. Will any Operational funds be required for your project/program?

If Yes, please describe what is required, when it's required, the timeline/schedule and cost.

The maintenance budget above will allow the facility to be fully operational throughout the season.

9. Will any Replacement funds be required for your project/program?

If Yes, please describe what is required, when it's required, the timeline/schedule and cost.

Yes.

Track: The life span for the track surface is about 12-15 years. The track can be resurfaced as least twice, maybe more, as long as the base is good, for a cost of about \$ 210,000 (today's dollars). Restriping of the track is performed about every 5 years at an estimated cost of \$7,500.

Turf: The life span for the synthetic turf infield is about 10-12 years. The warranty is 8 years. Replacement of the field is estimated to cost approximately \$400,000. The synthetic field does not require repainting (lines permanently inlaid).

10. Will there be Contractual Service hours used for any phase of your project/program?

If yes, please identify which task or phase, how many hours and the value of those hours.

No. (However, the turf vendor does offer a maintenance program that might be considered after the Town has some experience with care of the new facility at the site.)

11. Will there be volunteer hours used for any phase of your project/program?

If Yes, please identify which task or phase, how many hours and the value of those hours.

Yes.

The Striders' leadership team on the Mammoth Track Project is a cohort of volunteers that has been guiding the entire process for several years working hard to make this project a reality. We've developed community, business, individual and user-group support; prepared informational/promotion materials; selected, worked with and coordinated consultants needed to design, plan and eventually build the project; met with and made presentations to numerous groups and committees community-wide; led fundraising efforts and meetings, organized racing and other events, and wrote grant/funding applications to solicit funds; and collaborated with Town, County, DFG and DWP staff throughout the process to move the project forward. The volunteer hours invested in this project are equivalent to several full-time staff over several years.

Further, the High Sierra Striders will commit to provide 10 volunteer hours per month to maintenance of the facility.

12. Have any public (including Measure R and U) or private funds been previously committed, or is presently committed, to this project/program?

If Yes, please identify amount and year of funding or award.

Yes.

The project was awarded \$54,500 of Measure R funds in Spring 2009 and \$650,180 of Measure R funds in Fall 2009 (\$140,000) and Fall 2010 (\$510,180).

The Mammoth Track Project is supported by a wide breadth of sources:

Individuals/local groups:	\$655,000
Corporations:	\$ 25,000
High Sierra Striders:	\$ 30,000
Measure R Awards:	\$704,000
CA Integrated Waste Mngmt Grant:	\$112,000
Mammoth Lakes Tourism:	\$ 50,000
Town of Mammoth Lakes (in-kind)	\$ 99,000
Mammoth Mountain Ski Area (in-kind)	\$ TBD

The Striders continues to fundraise aggressively to cover the costs associated with the project. For example, we are awaiting a response that should come mid-April on an application for a \$50,000 grant from USAFootball and looking forward to a successful fundraising effort by AYSO (target: \$10,000), and, of course, we have ongoing discussions with other potential donors.

13. Was public or private funding in place for this project/program before June 8, 2010?

If Yes, please describe how you are enhancing or improving the project/program.

Yes, both public and private funding was secured prior to June 2010.

The only funds spent on the project thus far have been for costs associated with design and planning of the project.

The remaining funds secured so far will be spent on construction costs associated with the project.

14. Is Measure U the only funding source for your project/program?

If No, provide amount and source of additional funds (Note: proof of this funding will be required).

No.

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15. Is your project/program going to have an impact (positive or negative) on existing use in the location you have identified? Please describe:

The Mammoth Track Project was designed to complete the recreational area at the Whitmore Area to create a vibrant complex for multiple sports. The project complements existing facilities and uses (e.g., ball fields and pool, Fall Century and dog agility) without negatively affecting current activities.

SECTION C – PROJECT BENEFITS

1. Describe how the project/program provides a measurable community benefit (increased revenue, improved quality of life, etc.).

The benefits for residents and visitors of Mammoth Lakes are immediate, enduring and only limited by our imaginations. Consider just a few...

- The addition of the track and field will position Mammoth Lakes as 'the' place in the nation for high-altitude training, especially, but not only, for runners.
- Many more elite athletes will be able to put Mammoth on their list of training sites because of the addition of the track, bringing with them their full entourage of coaches and support crew, and media coverage to the town. (Two of the female marathoners who qualified for the Olympics are training in town right now with their team. They would definitely stay longer periods if Mammoth offered a track/field facility.)
- The Town receives valuable press through unpaid media stories covering the professional athletes who train here. (The recent LA Times article alone was worth \$300,000 had we had to buy the story and space.)
- By offering new training options to the significant number of schools/teams that already travel to Mammoth, it will enhance the training experience to ensure return trips by these athletes, and possibly extend stays, that generate revenue for all types of businesses, and TOT and Measure R & U Funds for the Town to the benefit our community.
- Running on a track is not just for runners; multitudes of other athletes use running as a core component to their training. Having the track will further open the door to these athletes -- at all levels of ability. For example, skiers and snowboarders will have a great place for off-season training and conditioning.
- The facility will offer a site for events and creates limitless opportunities for meets, events and tournaments (track & field, road races, triathlons, biathlons, etc) that residents will enjoy and will bring visitors to town.
- The synthetic infield, which may be used by all types of athletes, will allow a site soccer tournament play or multi-school football scrimmages not previously possible. AYSO will be able to host tournaments not possible now because we lack a regulation-size field and easily draw upon the existing membership that travels to Reno for such events.
- Mammoth Lakes' high school students will be able to join their school's track team and workout on a track for the first time in many, many years. These students, too, will be able to learn the many life lessons afforded through participation in sports. In fact, the athletic director at the high school anticipates over 30 kids using the facility **every day** during the school year. We also anticipate the students from Lee Vining and Bishop will be using the track for practices.
- Our young soccer players will not have to travel long distances (to Big Pine) to practice or play when snow covers existing in fields in Mammoth. And other the student-athletes from other local towns can travel to Mammoth to play on a regulation-size field.

- There is great potential for offering running camps for athletes of all ages – from grade-schoolers to retirees – who will be able to experience all that Mammoth has to offer and learn how to enjoy of their favorite outdoor endeavor here. Running camps are already being planned for this summer (by individuals inside and outside of Mammoth Lakes).
- Promising high school athletes, recently graduated and looking forward to joining college teams, would be able to train throughout the summer while taking credit classes at Cerro Coso Community College. Building upon the surge in running and high-altitude training in town, the College could offer new class programs with emphasis on study areas such as physiology, kinesiology, physical therapy, coaching, and event/athlete management.
- The High Sierra Striders plans on holding all-comer meets weekly, invitational track meets, and specialty programs, such as pole vault clinics, for locals and visitors of all levels of ability.
- Creating vital and varied recreation opportunities for all who live here will enhance the ability of our local businesses to recruit and retain employees.
- Mammoth Lakes will have the opportunity to become the premier high-altitude training center. Our community already has what cannot be bought or built – the perfect elevation for athletes to benefit from training at high-altitude; access to limitless expanses of inspirational and challenging terrain; the ability to live high, train high and low. Athletes of all sports who benefit from high-altitude training will be drawn by the Town’s reputation. (Please see Attachment 5: “For track athletes aiming for Olympics, finding a place to train can be a hurdle.”) Running will be the stepping-stone to welcoming a wide variety of sports to our high-altitude training destination. And in countless ways that build exponentially, the Mammoth Track Project will enhance the economic viability of our community and the many existing and nascent organizations in town.

2. What is your target market - residents or visitors or both? What is the estimated number of users/participants/attendees?

Residents and visitors alike are the target markets – athletes at all levels and recreation enthusiasts who seek health and fitness are targeted users of this completed project. Runners, soccer and football players are targeted more specifically but the facility will be used by all types of athletes for all types of recreation and training.

On a national level, running/jogging continues to show strong and consistent growth annually as running total participation was up almost 13% overall in the last year and has increased by 57% in the last 10 years, according to the Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association. SGMA also projects running/jogging as a sport on the increase from 2010 to 2015 with an estimated growth rate of 31%.

Despite the slow U.S. economy, the running boom continued in 2010 with an estimated 13 million road race finishers nationwide, an all-time high, and the largest annual percent increase (10%) in finishers that ever reported by Running USA. Fueling this growth is the increase in half-marathon, 5K and marathon finishers, female finishers, the increase in charity running and a growing interest in the sport from the general population according to Running USA.

Nationally, soccer trails only basketball in the number of participants (Time magazine). According to a recent poll by ESPN, soccer is the second most popular sport among Americans ages 12-24 and the most popular sport among Hispanics. Certainly, we see these trends reflected in Mammoth Lakes.

Locally, we have many who participate in the specific sports (as groups or individually) that would use the facility: High Sierra Striders with 80 members, Mammoth Track Club with 15 members and high school cross-country and track teams with 20 members; AYSO with 470 members, high school soccer teams with 45 players, and club soccer; and high school football and youth football with over 100 athletes. Of course, athletes from the triathlon club (50 members), and skiers and snowboarders (60 athletes) in the off-season would use the track and the field for general conditioning and specific training.

Coming from beyond our boundary, countless visitors to Mammoth also enjoy the same sports and good portion of the 1 million plus visitors to town will use the facility. Week-end soccer tournaments, football passing leagues or track invitational meets could easily draw a several hundred participants and their families to town that may not otherwise visit Mammoth.

Professional athletes will also be the target of recruitment to the new facility, be it either professional runners, or professional soccer/football teams.

3. Is the project/program a one-time or recurring activity?

The Mammoth Track Project is a major capital investment paid through public and private funding with ongoing costs associated with maintenance and long-term replacement.

4. Please provide any additional information you would like the Measure U Committee to consider when reviewing your application.

The Mammoth Track Project enjoys widespread support through out the community from Town Council to many individuals, to local business, to our schools, and to local groups (Please see Attachment 6: Letter of Support from Mammoth Lakes Tourism) for a number of reasons enumerated in this document -- from the most fundamental (i.e., the lack of such municipal facilities) to the most visionary (i.e., the realization of a premier high-altitude training destination).

The Mammoth Track Project will also provide the first demonstration that our community can successfully complete a significant capital project through a partnership between public and private entities with support from public (Measure U & R) and private funds. It has reached this point only through the collaboration of 'public' resources with 'private' efforts and resolve.

We believe that the Mammoth Track Project presents a positive step forward in times when we may seem to see only obstacles in our path.

SECTION D – PROJECT FEASIBILITY

Feasibility studies will be required for 'top tier' projects in order to clearly identify the level of funding required for the life of a project. It is in the best interest of the applicant to complete the feasibility section of the application. For any clarification regarding the questions or degree of detail that needs to be provided, please contact Town Staff.

1. Competitive Supply Analysis

- A. Provide a review of both direct and indirect competition and the strengths and weaknesses of the competition (SWOT) – identification of where the proposed project fits within the marketplace.**

The Mammoth Track Project includes a high-performance, polyurethane 8-lane (or 9-lane) running track with field events, a synthetic turf infield and other amenities.

From Ridgecrest to Reno, there is no other running track of an equivalent standard. Similarly, the synthetic turf infield is the only perpetually green, regulation-size soccer field and football field in Mammoth Lakes (or from Big Pine to Reno). (A "green" field that's ALWAYS green.)

In terms of supply, there's little to no competition. There is every expectation that this situation will continue for the foreseeable future given the human resources and capital investment required to match this project.

2. Identification of Market Opportunity

- A. Identify the long-term opportunity that the project/program presents.**

As stated previously, the Mammoth Lakes community through its General Plan, Parks and Recreation Master Plan and RecStrats Strategies and Goals, solidified its commitment to the goal of becoming a premier destination for high-altitude training. As the initial step, running will carry the torch to create of the tangible reality from the stated vision, with other sports following in stride. This project, too, will be a top-notch municipal facility for all -- residents and visitors alike -- to use and enjoy.

3. Describe the targeted users of your project/program (include the number of participants).

The Mammoth Track Project targets athletes of all levels in all types of sports. While specifically catering to runners, soccer players and football players, the new facility will readily serve countless types of outdoor recreation and training activities.

Locally, we have many athletically minded individuals and organized groups of athletes (runners - High Sierra Striders, Mammoth Track Club; soccer – AYSO, High School Teams and Adult club play; Football – High School Teams) that will use the new facility. Other athletes, such as triathletes and off-season skiers/snowboarders/Nordic and alpine, will be able to expand their training regimens.

Just in our own backyard, here's a sampling of users:

High Sierra Striders	80-members training 2 -3 times per week all-comers meets weekly during summer special clinics during the summer running camps & activities track meets (250-300 participants)
Mammoth Track Club	15-member team training 4-5 times per week
Mammoth High School all sports	30 students training daily during school year Host football camps (Passing League) for 250 kids
Mammoth Youth Football League	60 members training periodically Host Take-Off Bowl for over 200 kids
AYSO	470-member organization daily practice 4 hrs/day during season 2 local tournaments per season 2 divisional tournaments per season with 250 kids
Triathlon club	50 club members training 2-4 times per month

Regionally, athletes of the communities of the Eastern Sierra will travel to Whitmore to train on and compete at our new facility. Moreover, the new facility will be a bright beacon for all of the Southern California athletes who already flock here in the thousands during the summer and for those who may not yet.

Potentially, the new track and infield could be the high-altitude training grounds for all types of professional athletes, especially runners and soccer players.

4. Projected Multi-Year Demand Analysis

A. Provide the projected demand with assumptions.

The High Sierra Striders and the Town of Mammoth Lakes in collaboration with Mammoth Lakes Tourism are developing a long-range plan for multi-disciplinary use of the facility.

5. Projected Multi-Year Revenue Projections

A. Projected revenue with pricing assumptions.

As a municipal facility open to all, the Town will set the fee schedule for reservation of the new amenities.

6. Cost Analysis – Provide the estimated one time or annual costs for each phase of your project/program (where applicable):

PHASE 1 ONLY

1. **Land acquisition costs:** none (renegotiation of existing lease with LADWP)
2. **Equipment acquisition:** estimated year 1 - \$2000; year 2 - \$22,200; year 3 - \$26,013
3. **Site preparation/demolition and site prep costs:** included in construction costs

4. **Entitlement costs:** CEQA & use permit processing provided by town staff
5. **Architect and planning costs:** approximately \$60,000
6. **Construction costs:** estimated cost in the range of \$1.7M to \$2M.
7. **Operational costs:** included in maintenance costs
8. **Maintenance costs:** estimated cost of \$43,000 annually
9. **Programming costs:** Town to determine

Feasibility Analysis

1. Project and Financial Assumptions

A. Please state assumptions which are the basis of the pro forma development.

As the Town of Mammoth Lakes will be the "owner" of this new facility, it would be the entity to develop a pro forma. Basic assumption would be that as a municipal facility, open to all, there would be no revenue assumptions. There would be a fee for reservations to cover operating and maintenance costs.

2. Multi-Scenario Pro Formas

A. Provide one or two pro forma scenarios to understand the project's/program's financial feasibility. Within this element it is recommended that a 5-year operating budget be developed.

As the Town of Mammoth Lakes will be the "owner" of this new facility, it would be the entity to develop a pro forma. Basic assumption would be that as a municipal facility, open to all, there would be no revenue assumptions. There would be a fee for reservations to cover operating and maintenance costs.

3. Risk Analysis

A. Identify project/program risks.

The major risk of this project is not having sufficient funds to maintain the facility. Additionally, the project would lose grant funding of \$112,000 from the CA Integrated Waste Management Board if we do not build this summer; grant funds are required to be spent by March, 2013.

4. Project Schedule

A. Identify the necessary implementation tasks required for your project/program.

The Mammoth Track Project has only a few more hurdles to cross prior to being ready to begin construction. Securing the final funding through Measure U is one of the key steps. Without these funds, the project will not put a shovel in the ground this summer.

Other key steps include:

Secure LA City approval of the new lease with the Town of Mammoth Lakes for the Whitmore site. This step is a formality and we do not anticipate any issues to securing approval.

Complete construction documents (almost 100% now), secure Town approval to advertise, advertise the project, open bids, review and select bidder, secure Town approval and award contract.

5. Quality of Life Analysis

A. Identify positive and negative project/program effects on the quality of life for the community of Mammoth Lakes.

The majority of effects on the quality of life for our community are overwhelmingly positive (and many of them have been described above). In the day-to-day lives of members of our community, the Mammoth Track Project provides facilities that do not exist in this town nor in the corridor of towns along the base of the Eastern Sierra. In numerous ways, we would be able to enjoy outdoor recreation and training opportunities that are not options now but would use if available.

Most significantly, the Project opens the door to positioning Mammoth Lakes as the premier place for high-altitude training; it supports the creation of a long-lasting reputation for Mammoth that will support Mammoth's tourism economy. High-altitude training, especially for running, will be 'the brand' sport in summer that skiing and snowboarding are in winter. For the entire community, the Project expands and provides new opportunities for commerce that support our ability to live and work in the majestic environment in which Mammoth is nestled.

Please note all attachments that follow:

Attachment 1: Page and sections pertinent to the Mammoth Track Project from the Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Attachment 2: LA Times article "US distance runners get in tip-mountaintop shape for Olympics"

Attachment 3: Project Concept

Attachment 4: Construction Documents

Attachment 5: Washington Post article: "For track athletes aiming for Olympics, finding a place to train can be a hurdle."

Attachment 6: Letter of Support from Mammoth Lakes Tourism

**Attachment 1: Pages and Sections of Parks and Recreation
Master Plan pertinent to the Mammoth Track Project**

The Mammoth Track Project (MTP) is a multi-use facility that clearly satisfies many needs identified within the Parks and Recreation Master plan -- from its overall vision, values and goals to specific recommendations of the plan -- as enumerated by the list below.

The many ways in which the Mammoth Track Project fulfills multiple needs is revealed in Tables 9 and 10 (pp 46 and 47 in the plan) that identify existing levels of service of parks and recreation facilities and the recommended levels of service (LOS) for 2006 and 2025. A running track and field is an identified need as of 2006. Two additional soccer fields were recommended to meet LOS requirements in 2006 and 2 more fields were recommended for 2025 LOS requirements. Strikingly, 11 event venues were identified as lacking as of 2006 and still 5 more locations would be needed to adequately serve our community as of 2025. This facility could serve as one of the needed venues. Upon review of these tables, it is quite apparent how the Mammoth Track Project satisfies many of the recommendations outlined in the Master Plan.

Page and Section of Parks and Recreation Master Plan pertinent to the Mammoth Track Project:

- 1) Page 5: Values, Vision, and Goals
- 2) Page 6: Goal 4
- 3) Page 6: Tasks (Bullet 3, 4 & 5)
- 4) Page 8: Community Vision (items 1, 2, & 4)
- 5) Page 8: Parks and Recreation Vision
- 6) Page 12: Changes for Parks and Recreation Since 1990
- 7) Pages 27-28: Community Setting, Values, and Needs: Summary of Demographic, Environmental and Economic Context
- 8) Page 29 Table 5: Summary of comments received at public meeting
- 9) Page 29: Summary of Other Stakeholder Input: Other Agencies
- 10) Pages 35-39: Goals and Policies: Goal 4 & Goal 6
- 11) Pages 46-47: LOS comparison and recommendations: Table 9 and Table 10
- 12) Page 51: Table 11: Exist and potential locations of recreation activities for General Plan Policy 4B
- 13) Page 52: Table 12: Recommendations for existing parks and recreation facilities.
- 14) Page 55: New Facilities: Event and performance venues
- 15) Page 56: New Facilities: Multi-use Recreation/cultural facility
- 16) Page 57: New Facilities: Sports Fields and Courts
- 17) Page 60: Implementation - Partnerships
- 18) Page 62: Implementation - potential funding sources
- 19) Page 66: Table 15: Potential Implementation schedule for parks and recreation facilities

Attachment 2: LA TIMES article: "US distances runners get into tip-mountaintop shape for Olympics"

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U.S. distance runners get into tip-mountaintop shape for Olympics

Meb Keflezighi and other U.S. distance runners have found a high-altitude mecca in Mammoth Lakes and have pushed the country's Olympic hopes higher and higher.

By Kevin Baxter

6:15 PM PDT, March 24, 2012

Reporting from Mammoth Lakes -- Meb Keflezighi has been to the mountaintop.

And he liked it so much he decided to buy a house there.

That was 11 years, three daughters, one American record and an Olympic medal ago. Now Keflezighi is as comfortable at high altitude as the Abominable Snowman — and that, he says, is what made a lot of those other things possible.

"We had a vision to be able to change U.S. distance running by coming here," says Keflezighi, the Olympic trials marathon champion and a medal hopeful at this summer's Games in London. "And the vision came true. This was a distance runner's heaven."

Near the summit of the eastern slope of the Sierra Nevada, Mammoth Lakes is certainly a lot closer to heaven than Keflezighi's former home in San Diego. But Keflezighi, a Christian who blesses himself twice and says a silent grace before every meal, wasn't lured here by faith. He was drawn by science.

Physiologists long ago concluded that the thin air at high altitude causes the body to produce more oxygen-carrying blood cells, making athletes more efficient in endurance activities at lower levels. That also explains the dominance of East African marathoners, many of whom were born and raised in Kenya's Rift Valley or the Ethiopian capital of Addis Ababa, both of which are more than 7,500 feet above sea level.

"When you anecdotally look at how many people are getting the medals and are training at altitude, there is enough evidence that most people shouldn't overlook" it, says former UCLA track coach Bob Larsen, who has been coaching Keflezighi since he won four national titles for the Bruins in the late 1990s. "You have to conclude that if your red blood mass increases dramatically when you've been at altitude for a while, you're going to have an advantage when you get to sea level."



But since Keflezighi moved to this idyllic resort, he and Larsen have been pushing a corollary to that theory, one that says living above 7,500 feet and training anaerobically at about half that altitude will produce even better results. And few places are better suited to such a test than Mammoth Lakes, which sits at 7,880 feet and is just 35 miles from Bishop, which is only half as high.

"The beauty of Mammoth is the high-low," says Keflezighi, who broke the U.S. record at 10,000 meters less than a year after moving to Mammoth. He then saw training partner Deena Kastor destroy the women's national record in the same event the next spring. "For me, it's been very successful."

The area has long been a mecca for West Coast distance runners — Larsen, who skied here in the 1960s, used to bring his UCLA cross-country runners up for a week each summer. And Kastor, 39, visited with her Agoura High team in the 1980s.

"I've been traveling the world since I was 15 competing for this sport, and I haven't found a place I like better," says Kastor, a three-time Olympian who broke six national records and won a bronze medal in the Athens Games after moving to Mammoth from Alamosa, Colo., in 2001. "I love my job, I love where I live, and I think the combination is what allows me to be successful."

Others have tried to copy that success, abandoning previously favored high-altitude haunts such as Boulder and Fort Collins, Colo., and Flagstaff, Ariz., swelling this city of 8,000, which is now home — at least part of the year — to more than a dozen national-caliber distance runners as well as cyclists, race walkers and triathletes. The U.S. Rowing team talked about moving its training camp to Mammoth, and runners from Japan, Hungary Kenya and Ethiopia have visited.

"This place is on the map on the elite side," says Terrence Mahon, a former national-class runner who now coaches Kastor among others in the Mammoth stable. "We're definitely getting more international."

Partly because the air isn't the only thing in Mammoth that's breathtaking. The views are postcard perfect year-round, with snow-capped mountains jutting up on all sides in the winter. And in the summer, when the snow melts, it gives way to pristine running trails that wind around crystal-clear lakes.

"The scenery is amazing," Keflezighi says. "Sometimes you just say 'wow.'"

The community has embraced the athletes. Health-conscious restaurants serving vegetarian meals dot the strip malls along Main Street and Old Mammoth Road while just about everyone who lives here runs, bikes, skis or does a combination of the three. Even Dave McCoy, who founded the Mammoth Mountain Ski Area 70 years ago, was riding a mountain bike well into his 90s.

Then again with just one movie theater — versus three fitness clubs — there's not much to do in Mammoth Lakes besides work out.

"There's really not much going on," says Morgan Uceny, the world's top-ranked woman at 1,500 meters who splits her time between Mammoth and San Diego. "That allows you just to focus on what you're doing in training and recovery and not a lot on outside factors."

Call it a mountain high. But the elements can be as challenging as they are beautiful. On a recent March morning, the temperature had dropped below freezing, and the leading edge of a powerful storm had already

dropped a blanket of snow on the ground by the time Keflezighi steered his three-year-old Infiniti — the one with the license plates that read RAN2WIN — into the frozen parking lot at Mammoth Creek Park.

Keflezighi, Kastor and about a dozen other brightly-dressed runners — including Uceny, former U.S. record-holder Anna Pierce, 10-time All-American Amy Hastings, Mahon, and his wife, three-time Olympian Jen Rhines — gather here at 8:30 most weekday mornings before dividing up and driving down the mountain to train. And it's often the weather that separates the serious runners from those who see altitude as a shortcut to success.

"We all have lofty goals," says a shivering Kastor, who is battling a cold but has shown up nonetheless. "We can't let the weather stop us."

Keflezighi, dressed in a long-sleeve white T-shirt tucked into black knee-length spandex shorts and wearing white gloves and a blue wool hat, climbs into the back seat of Larsen's Jeep SUV and heads to a desolate stretch of flat pastures intersected by narrow paved roads and rocky dirt paths. No one in the group can keep up with Keflezighi on his tempo runs, so a coach on a mountain bike leads him through a pair of mile intervals followed by five one-kilometer repeats.

Keflezighi's silver in Athens eight years ago is the only Olympic medal won by a U.S. male at a distance longer than 800 meters since Frank Shorter finished second in the 1976 marathon. Yet his lifetime best of 2 hours 9 minutes 8 seconds, run in January's Olympic Trials, isn't even among the 500 fastest marathons of all-time. It's a subject that grates on Keflezighi, so as he lies on the pavement stretching after his workout, he calls out the names of faster marathoners whom he has beaten head to head. It's a long list.

"People don't care how fast you run. They want to know whether you medaled at the Olympics or won New York," says Keflezighi, who has done both.

In Athens, for example, Keflezighi was the 38th fastest runner at the starting line but the second one across the finish line, beating world record holder Paul Tergat, among others. A week earlier, Kastor had finished third in the women's race, making 2004 the only time Americans had medaled in both marathons.

Shalane Flanagan, who won the women's trials, trains in Mammoth part of the year while Ryan Hall, who finished second in the men's race, lived around the corner from Keflezighi until just recently. Hastings, meanwhile, finished fourth in the women's race, making her an alternate for London while Kastor, who finished sixth, could still make the U.S. team in the 10,000 during this summer's track trials. Uceny and Pierce will also try to qualify at the trials.

If everything breaks right, Mammoth Lakes could have seven of the 24 U.S. Olympians running flat races between 1,500 meters and the marathon.

And for Keflezighi, who escaped war-torn Eritrea when he was 10, it would be the realization of the goal he set when he first climbed the mountain in 2001: thanking his adopted homeland by raising the level of its distance runners.

"I have been very fortunate to achieve what I have achieved," says Keflezighi who, at 36, is likely preparing for his last Olympics. "Running's tough. It's hard work; a lot of things have to go your way."

"My dream was to just have them elevate to the next level, the international level. It's much stronger than it was."

In fact, you might say they've reached new heights.

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Attachment 3: Project Concept Plan

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The view of Mammoth Lakes, California from nearby the Mammoth Track Project site.

m a m m o t h **TRACK PROJECT**



The **Mammoth Track Project** is the effort, led by the **High Sierra Striders**, to bring a running track with field events and associated amenities to the incomparable setting of Mammoth Lakes, California.

High Sierra Striders

THE running club for the Eastern Sierra.

As a non-profit, the club's mission is to promote health and wellness and support athletic and academic achievement through running.

In addition to weekly training sessions, the club hosts running races each season.

Components of the Program

The Mammoth Track Project will build a high-performance, all-weather track and field meeting USATF and NCAA standards.

9-lane polyurethane 400m standard (single radius) track with field events

Synthetic infield for field events, soccer and football

Locker room/storage area/concessions building

Covered, open-air pavilion

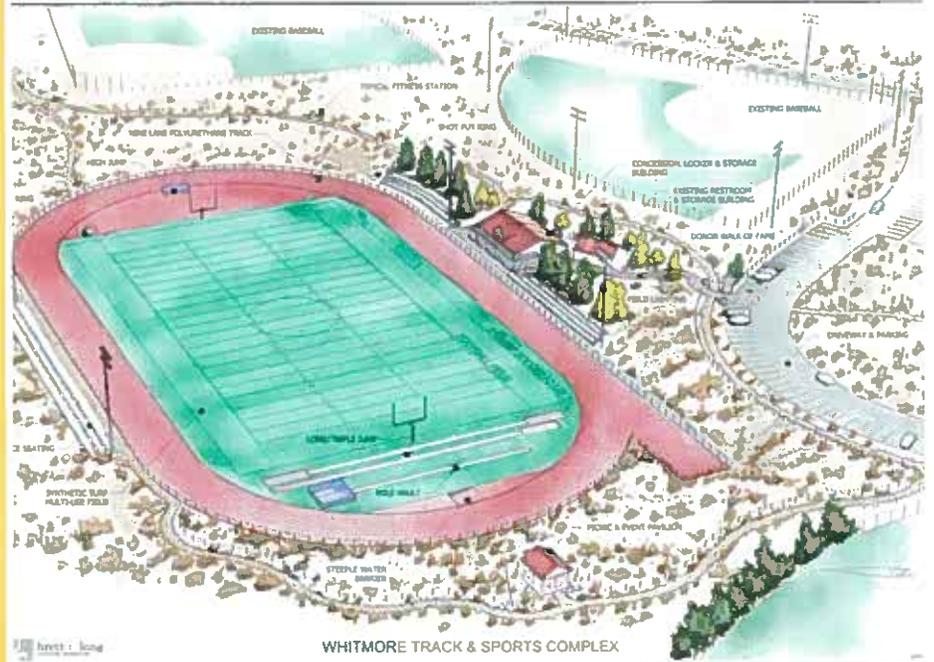
Fitness trail with workout stations

Signage for recreation park & surrounding trails

Paved parking & pavestone donor walk and concessions plaza

Field and parking lighting

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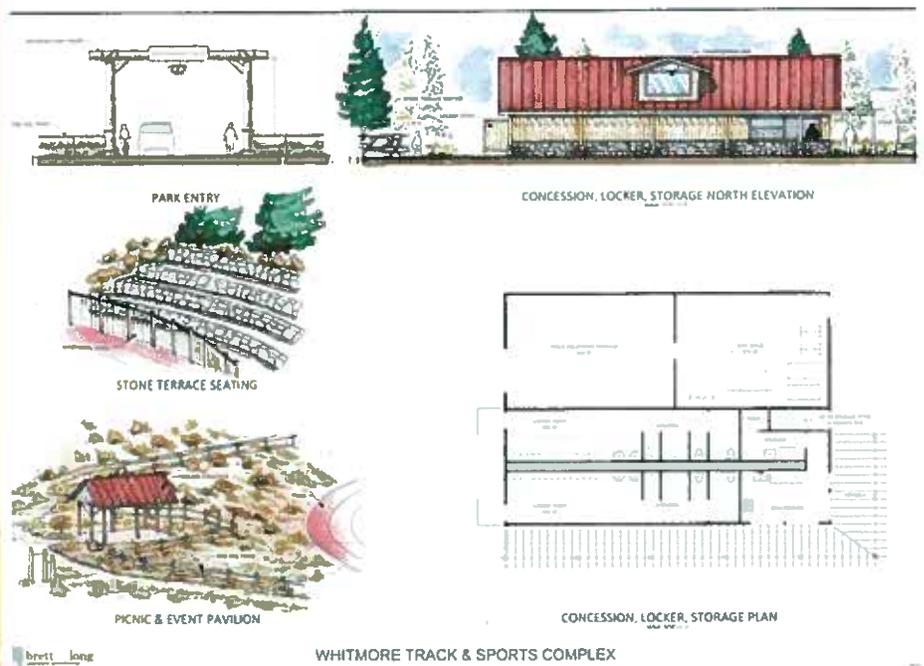


Mammoth Track Project at Whitmore

The Mammoth Track Project will complement the sports amenities at an existing recreation area – the Whitmore Regional Park - just 5 miles from downtown that is home to three ball fields and a swimming pool. The project amenities are listed to the left.

Environmentally friendly design

The Mammoth Track Project is a multi-use facility incorporating the best technology for performance while providing for green and sustainable recreation concepts. Creating an elite training and competition facility in keeping with the beauty of the High Sierras is the driving goal. The project will reuse thousands of tires for the track as well as lay a synthetic infield so irrigation is not necessary. The western theme and low profile of the project will make this Track and Field Complex an extraordinary place while respecting the surrounding environment.



Welcome to the Eastern Sierra and the community of Mammoth Lakes



Future site of Mammoth Track Project



Mammoth Lakes, at 8000 feet, is located on the eastern slopes of the Sierra Nevada mountain range.

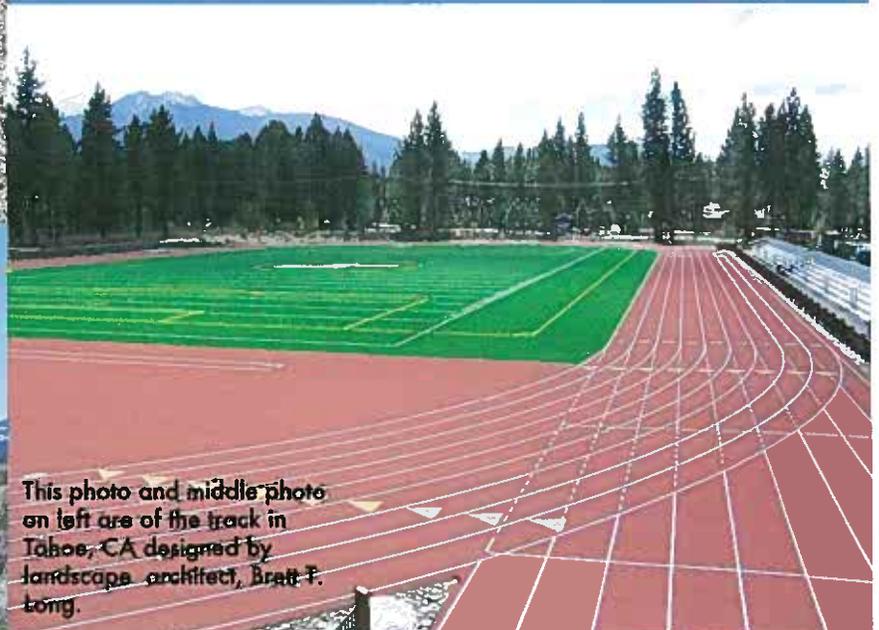
Covering only 4 square miles, our small-town community is the perfect portal to the surrounding terrain – from majestic high peaks to open valleys of scrub brush and dirt paths.

Mammoth Lakes serves as home base for any type of recreation pursuit offering a wide range of accommodations. While home to about 7,500 residents, Mammoth opens its doors to over 1,500,000 visitors in the winter and even more in the summer.

Commercial air service makes it easy to get to town and free transportation makes it easy to get around in town.



Leading to Mammoth Lakes, Hwy 395 is next to track project site.



This photo and middle photo on left are of the track in Tahoe, CA designed by landscape architect, Brett F. Long.

In Mammoth Lakes...

...running is what happens each summer.

Each summer, the Town of Mammoth Lakes is home to fun-filled and inspirational events to challenge all. The High Sierra Striders running club hosts the Freedom Mile on Independence Day, the highest 10K/5k road race in the nation in August and planned for September is an ultra-marathon on Mammoth Mountain.

...running is what happens each summer.

Each summer, Mammoth Lakes draws thousands of high school and collegiate level teams seeking the special advantages high-altitude training offers endurance athletes. Like many college coaches, the head coach at UC Irvine Track and Field in southern California has been bringing cross-county athletes to kick-off the training season. Coach O'Boyle says, "With the addition of the track, it will make training at Mammoth that much better...it will give top distance runners chance to train at altitude."

And more running is what will happen each summer with the Mammoth Track Project...

just take a look below...

Mammoth's complementary support services

Sports Medicine

SPORT Clinic...is the medical team for the US Ski & Snowboard Teams and the Mammoth Track Club. The clinic also offers a human performance lab specializing in physiological testing to enhance athletic performance.

Healing Arts

Local therapists provide specialized services (massage, acupuncture and chiropractic) to athletes for recovery, injury prevention and treatment of injury.

Sports Club

Athletic club offers ancillary training for building core strength to optimize athletic achievement (facility includes pool, weight room, racquetball and basketball courts).

Programming Opportunities	camps & tournaments	special events	new school programs
The future is full of opportunity for programs designed for and around the new facility.	Multi-day adult & youth high-altitude running, soccer and football camps	Weekly All-Comers Meets for All Ages	Middle School and High School Track Team
Planning and development for a multitude of recreational programs has already begun so that we may initiate these as soon as the track project is completed.	AYSO week-end soccer tournaments	Sanctioned Track and Field Meets Throws Competition Vault Competition	Community College Track Team New courses and degree programs
Just some of the possibilities include:	Spring 'Base Camp' Marathon Training Off-season skier/snowboarder training	Staging area for current and new events (Fall Century Bike Race and mountain to track triathlons)	High School Graduate Athlete Summer College Course and Training at Altitude

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The Mammoth Track Project is the first step in the vision of Mammoth as a world-class high-altitude training destination for a multitude of sports.

As the training headquarters for Mammoth Track Club, coach Terrence Mahon acknowledges, "The installation of a track will make the high-performance training center in Mammoth Lakes the complete package. This epic mountain town will become the beacon for all long-distance runners searching for the ultimate place to live and train in the United States."

Dr. Peter Clarke, a specialist in high-altitude adaptation and a Mammoth local, says, "The Mammoth Track Project ties together two important goals: health, through aerobic exercise to improve the quality of life and prevent cardiovascular disease, and the production of world-class athletes. As a magnet for high-caliber athletes of all types, Mammoth Lakes has lacked a uniform training surface with which to work on base fitness...the beauty of this venue is that it can be many things to a diverse population."

For many years, Mammoth Lakes has lured people who are awed by its natural beauty and challenged by its rugged terrain. Rusty Gregory, CEO of Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort, reiterates the setting's unique aspects by emphasizing: "Mammoth has long been associated with world-class athletics and is the perfect four seasons' environment to train and compete with that extra margin of inspiration provided by Mother Nature."

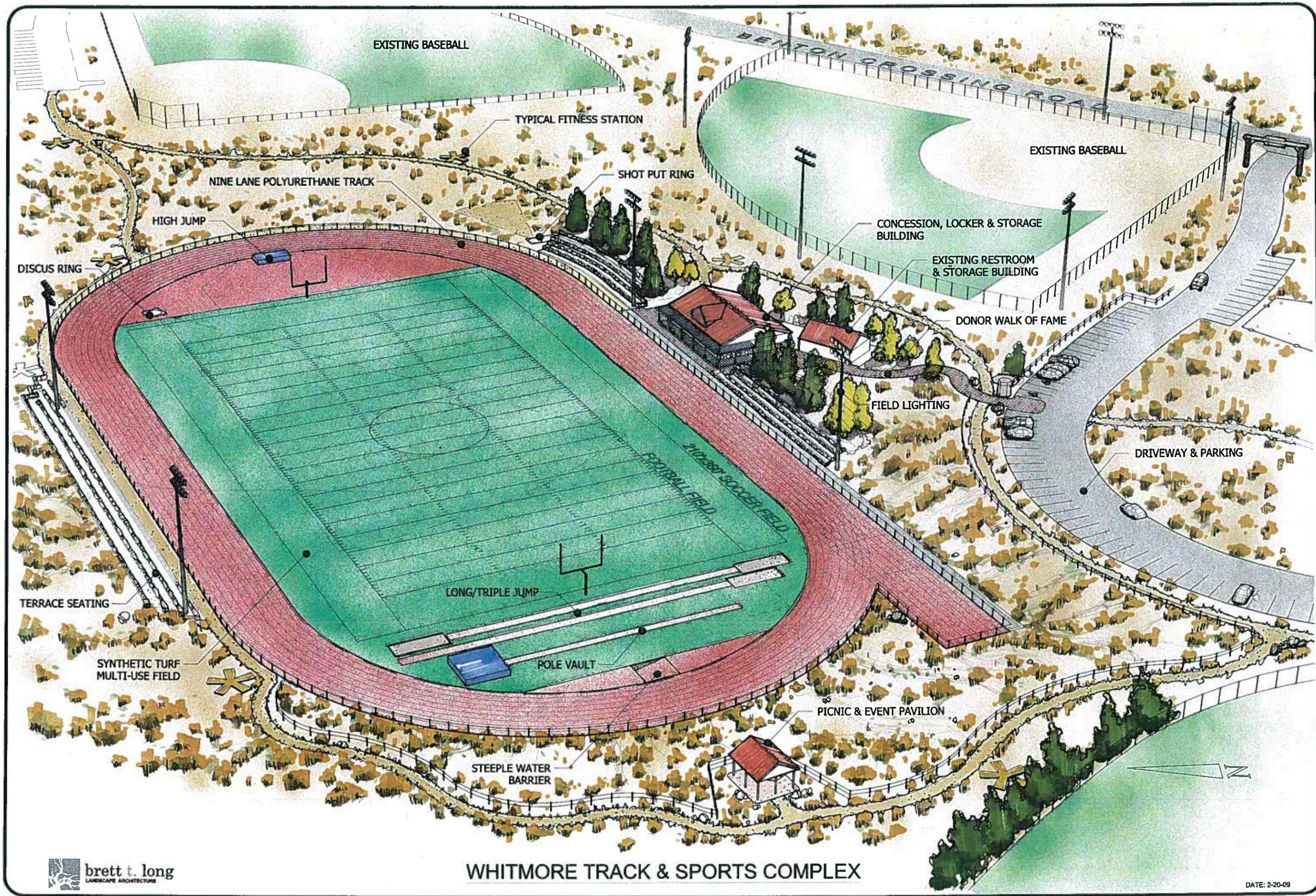
The Mammoth Track Project will solidify Mammoth Lakes as the high-altitude training center for elite and amateur athletes for distance running but it is also the key stepping stone to establishing Mammoth as the high-altitude training destination for all sports that benefit from aerobic conditioning. Running is the perfect platform to support a comprehensive high-altitude training center because so many sports incorporate it as a key training component. The vision begins here.

"The grounding you get from sport gives you the right attitude, knowing there is another distance out there: the rest of your life."

Andrea Mead Lawrence

2-time Olympic Gold medalist & track project supporter
Mammoth resident from 1968 - 2009





EXISTING BASEBALL

TYPICAL FITNESS STATION

BENTON CROSSING ROAD

EXISTING BASEBALL

NINE LANE POLYURETHANE TRACK

SHOT PUT RING

HIGH JUMP

CONCESSION, LOCKER & STORAGE BUILDING

EXISTING RESTROOM & STORAGE BUILDING

DISCUS RING

DONOR WALK OF FAME

FIELD LIGHTING

DRIVEWAY & PARKING

FEDERAL SOCCER FIELD

LONG/TRIPLE JUMP

TERRACE SEATING

POLE VAULT

SYNTHETIC TURF MULTI-USE FIELD

PICNIC & EVENT PAVILION

STEEPLE WATER BARRIER

Attachment 4: Construction Documents

WHITMORE TRACK & SPORTS COMPLEX

MAMMOTH LAKES, CALIFORNIA

CONTRACT NO. PW-G-11/12 -22
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 LAND LEASED BY TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES
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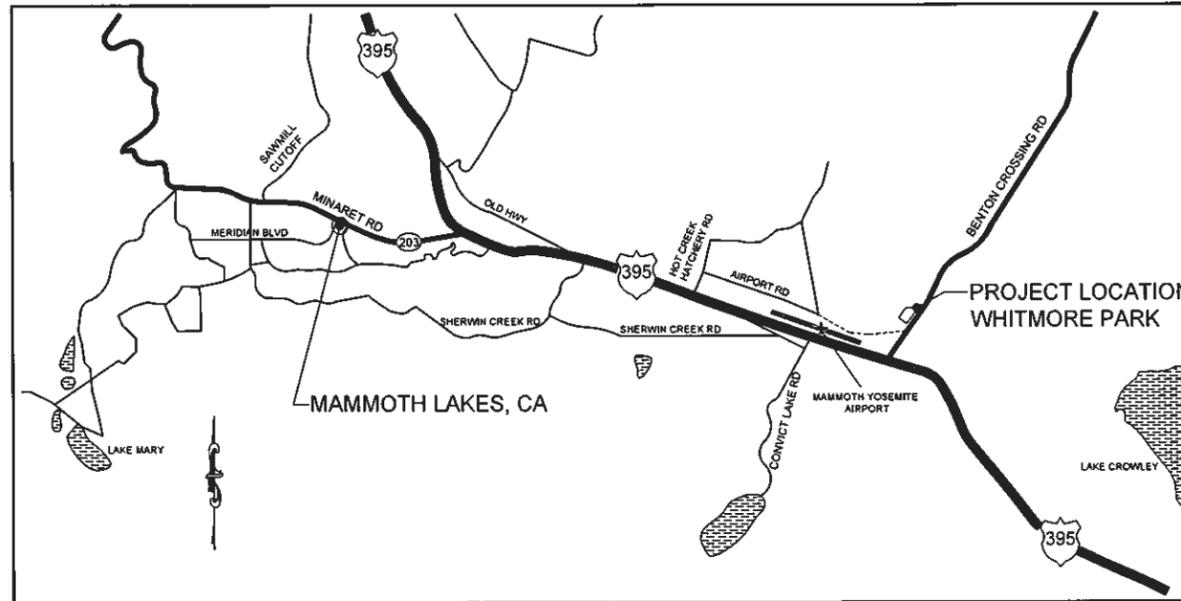
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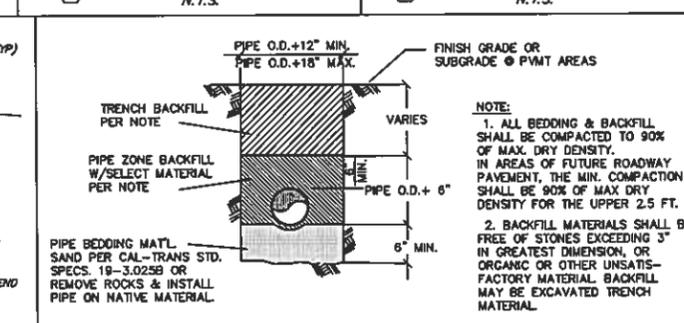
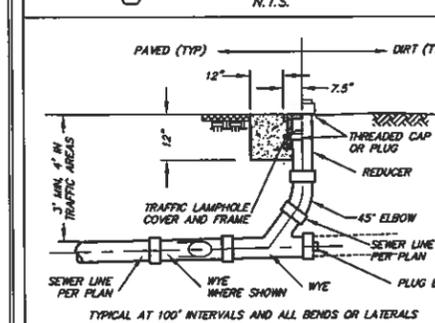
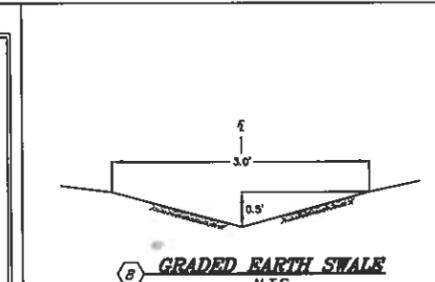
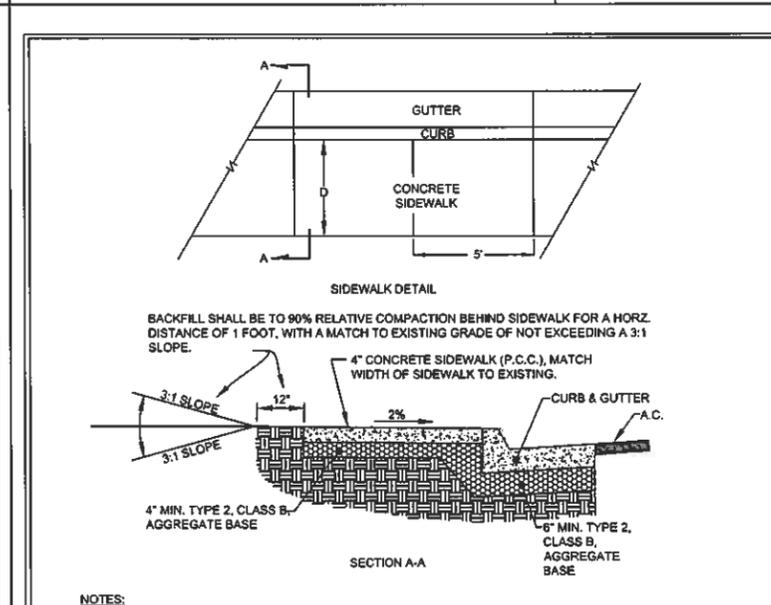
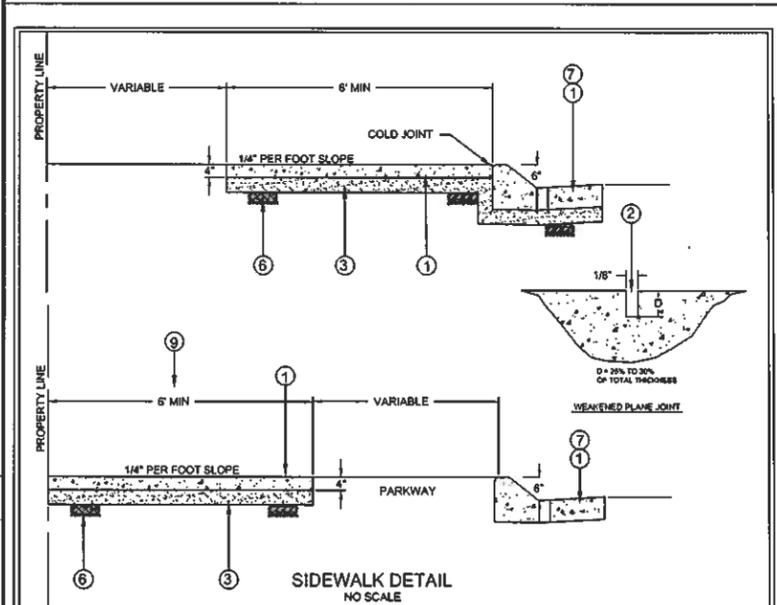
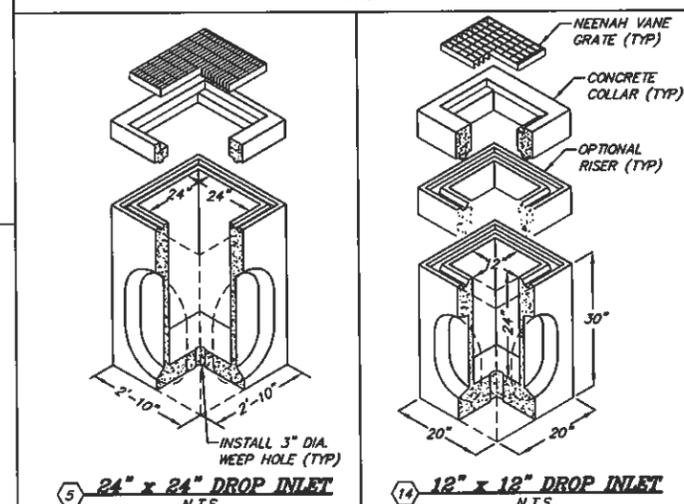
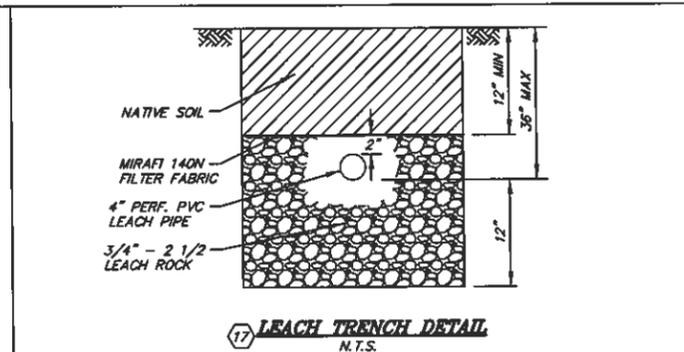
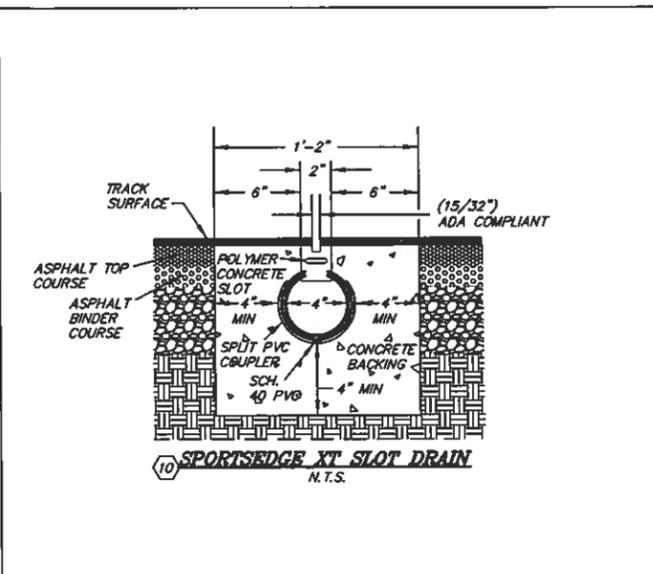
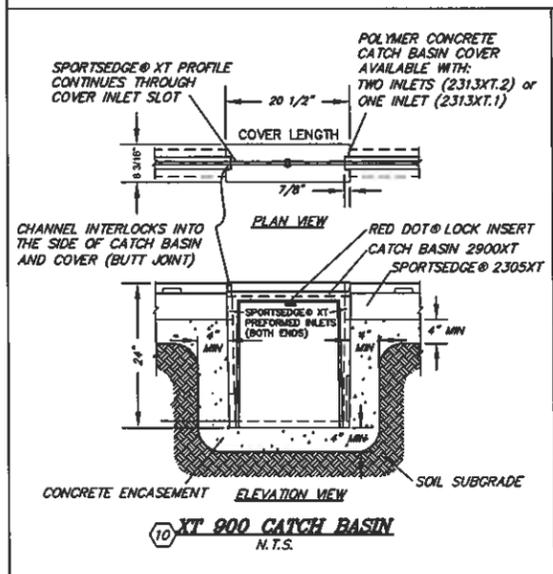
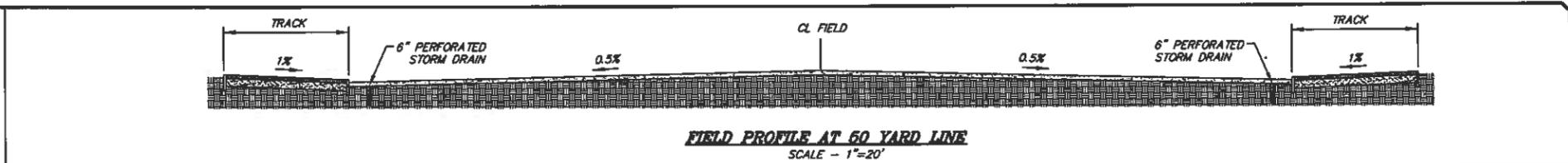
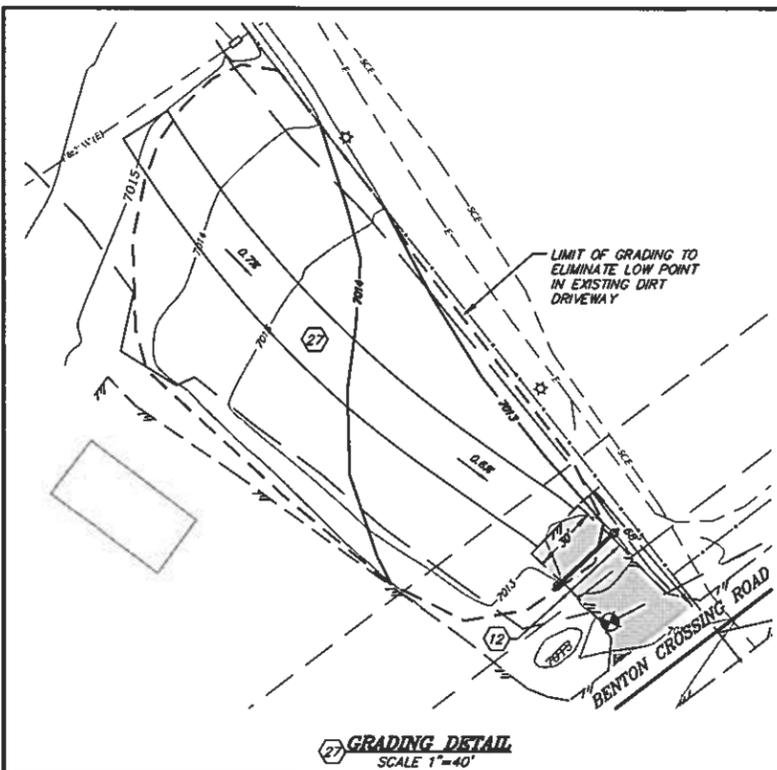


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CONSTRUCTION NOTES FOR SIDEWALK STANDARDS

- CONCRETE SHALL BE PER TOWN STANDARD 004, AND AS APPROVED BY PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR.
- PLACE EXPANSION JOINT AT 20 FOOT INTERVALS AND WEAKENED PLANE JOINT AT 5 FOOT INTERVALS.
- 4 INCH CLASS II AGGREGATE BASE SHALL BE THOROUGHLY WATERED AND COMPACTED TO 95%.
- BASE AND FORMS SHALL BE WATERED BEFORE PLACING CONCRETE.
- SIDEWALKS SHALL BE SCREED TO FORMS, COMPACTED WITH A METAL GRID TO GIVE A 3/8 INCH MORTAR LAYER ON SURFACE FINISHED WITH A WOODEN FLOAT TO A MAXIMUM TOLERANCE OF 1/8 INCH IN 6 FEET, TROWELED SMOOTH AND FINISHED WITH A FINE HAIR BRUSH BROOM TRANSVERSELY TO TRAFFIC.
- SUBGRADE SHALL BE SCARIFIED 6 INCHES AND COMPACTED TO 95% RELATIVE DENSITY.
- CURB AND GUTTER SHALL CONFORM TO TOWN STANDARD 102.
- WHEN SIGN OR OTHER POLES ARE REQUIRED SIDEWALK SHALL BE WIDENED TO PROVIDE A 6 FOOT CLEARANCE.
- 6 FOOT MIN CLEAR FOR PUBLIC SIDEWALKS. ADDITIONAL WIDTH REQUIRED FOR HIGH PEDESTRIAN AREAS AND TO PROVIDE CLEARANCE FOR SIGN POSTS, LIGHT, OR OTHER OBJECTS.

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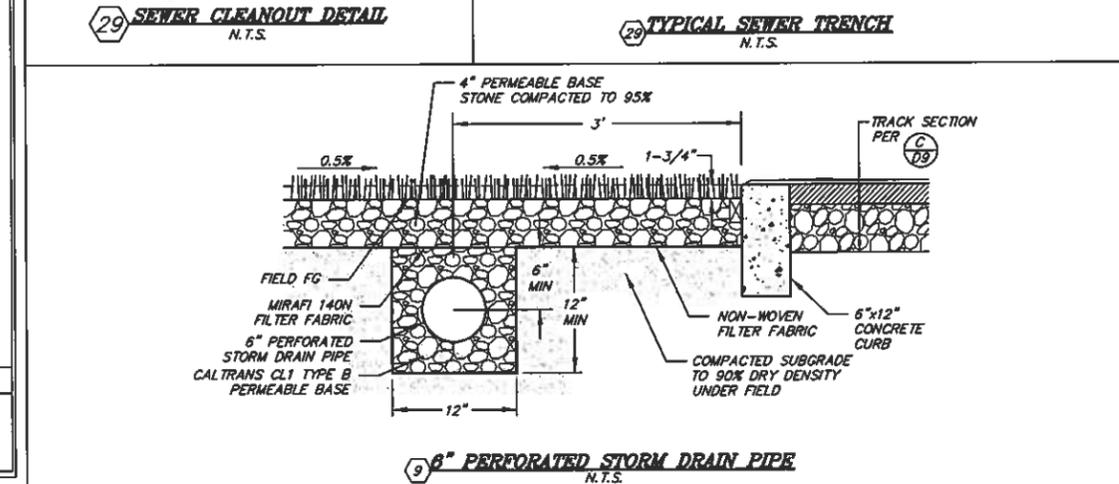
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- MIN. CURB RADIUS SHALL BE 15 FEET, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.
- WEAKENED PLANE JOINTS SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED AT 10 FOOT INTERVALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SSPWC.
- TRAVERSE EXPANSION JOINTS 1/2 INCH WIDE SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED AT ALL SIDEWALK RETURNS, OPPOSITE EXPANSION JOINTS IN ADJACENT CURBS, AT REGULAR INTERVALS NOT EXCEEDING 20 FEET. ISOLATION JOINTS SHALL BE INSTALLED AROUND ALL STRUCTURES. EXPANSION AND ISOLATION JOINTS SHALL BE FILLED WITH JOINT FILLER STRIPS 1/2 INCH THICK. JOINT MATERIAL SHALL CONFORM TO SSPWC SECTION 202.10.
- COLOR CONCRETE IS REQUIRED ON ALL PUBLIC SIDEWALKS.
- ON SIDEWALKS WIDER THAN 5 FEET, JOINTING PATTERN SHALL BE .8 TO 1.2 TIMES THE WIDTH OF THE SIDEWALK.
- SIDEWALK WIDTH 'D' SHALL BE 6 FEET MIN. ON ALL STREETS.
- CONCRETE SHALL BE PER TOWN STANDARD 004, AND AS APPROVED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR.
- NO CONCRETE SHALL BE PLACED UNTIL FORMS AND SUBGRADE ARE INSPECTED BY THE TOWN INSPECTOR OR APPLICABLE ENGINEER OF RECORD.
- CONCRETE REMOVAL SHALL BE TO NEAT SAW CUT LINES AT CONTROL JOINT.

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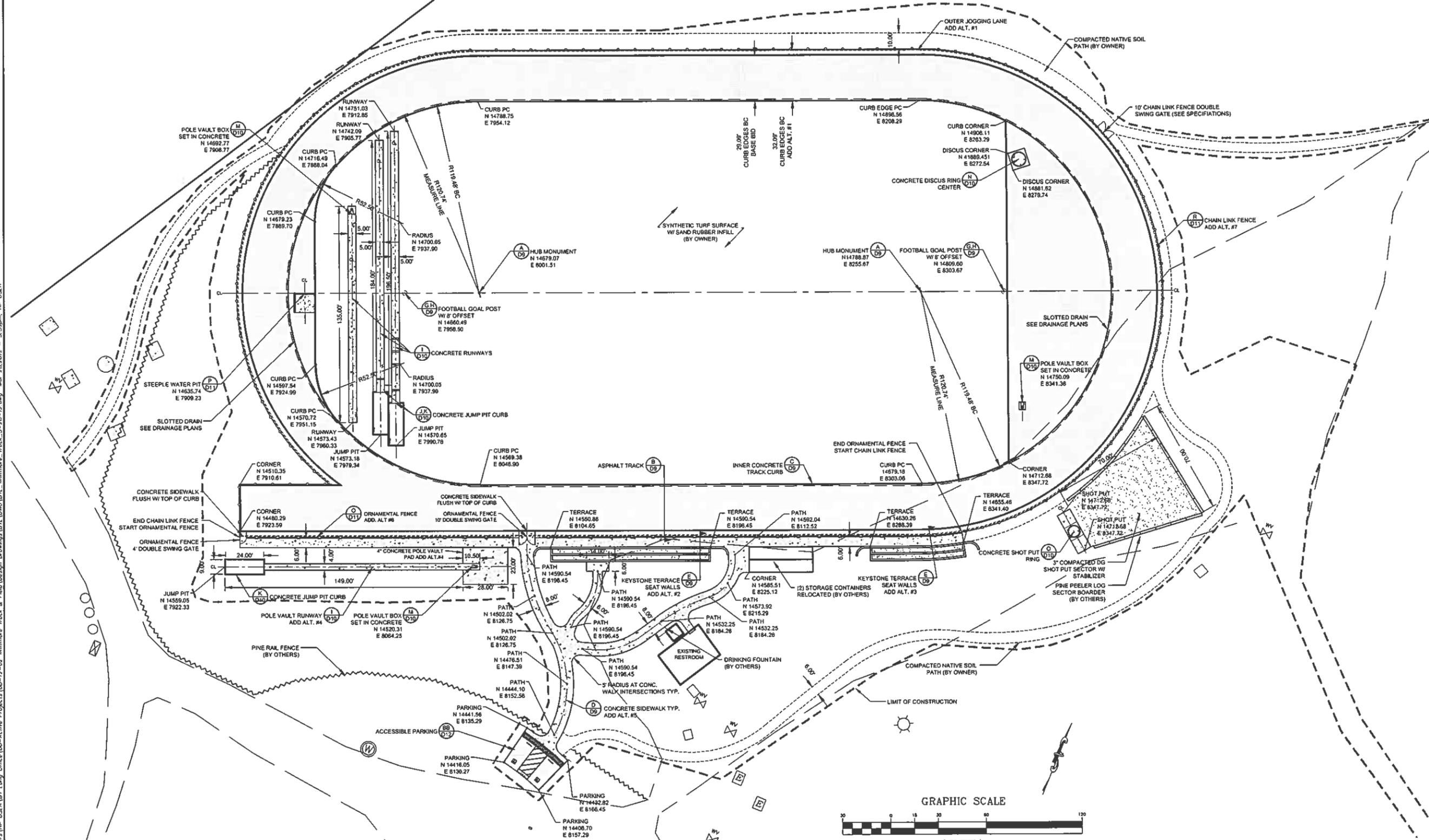
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NOTES

1. ALL WORK SHALL CONFORM TO THE CONDITIONS OF THE PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS.
2. ALL WORK SHALL CONFORM TO THE MOST RECENT TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES STANDARD PLANS AT THE BID DATE, THE JULY EDITION OF THE "CALTRANS STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS" (CSS), AND THESE PLANS. IN EVENT OF A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE CSS AND THE PLANS, THE CSS SHALL PREVAIL. ALL WORK IN THE TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES RIGHT-OF-WAY SHALL COMPLY WITH THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE TOWN ENCROACHMENT PERMIT.



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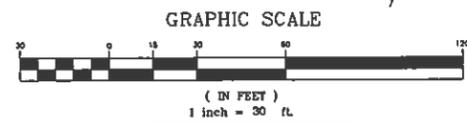
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OWNER FURNISHED TREES, SHRUBS & PERENNIALS LEGEND

QTY	PLANT KEY	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	SIZE	NOTES
9	PJ	Pinus jeffreyi	Jeffrey Pine	8' HEIGHT	OWNER FURNISHED
31	PT	Populus tremuloides	Quaking Aspen	2"Ø	OWNER FURNISHED

QTY	PLANT KEY	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	SIZE	NOTES
15	CM	Cercocarpus montanus	Mountain Mahogany	15 GALLON	OWNER FURNISHED
19	CS	Cornus sericea	Redwig Dogwood	5 GALLON	OWNER FURNISHED
17	PF	Potentilla fruticosa	Shrubby Cinquefoil	1 GALLON	OWNER FURNISHED
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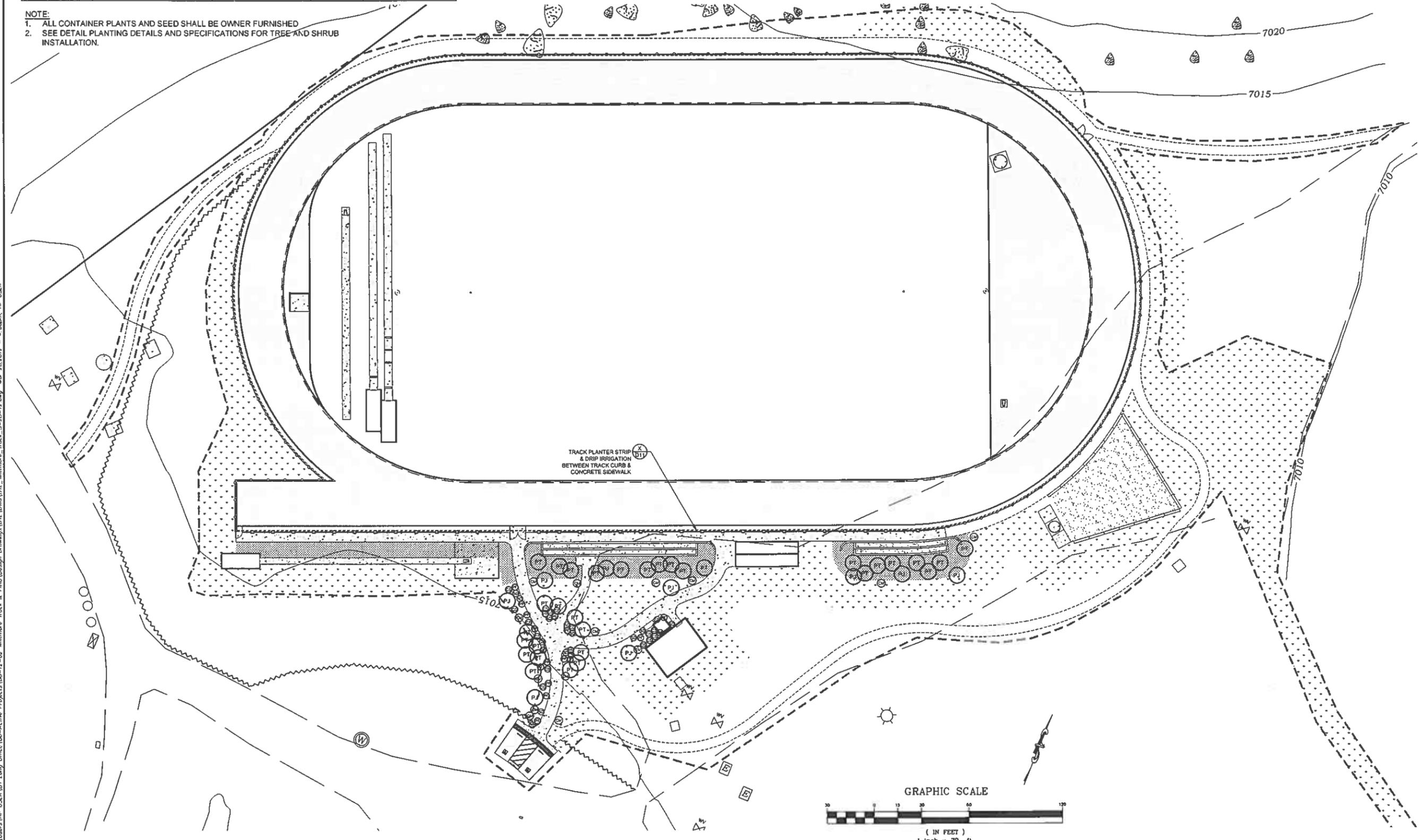
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 1. ALL CONTAINER PLANTS AND SEED SHALL BE OWNER FURNISHED
 2. SEE DETAIL PLANTING DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR TREE AND SHRUB INSTALLATION.

OWNER FURNISHED HYDROSEED MIXES

NO-MOW GRASS SEED MIX #1:
 INDICATED PLANTING AREAS SHALL RECEIVE 1.5 LBS PER 1000 SQUARE FEET OF THE FOLLOWING NO-MOW GRASS SEED MIX BY WEIGHT:
 100% Festuca rubra Red Fescue
 PREPARE SEED BEDS WITH 2" OF LOOSE TOP SOIL SPREAD EVENLY AND LEVEL PER GRADING PLANS AND TERRACE DETAILS. HAND RAKE BEDS CLEAN OF ALL DEBRIS, TRASH, STICKS AND STONES OVER 1". ROLL WITH 200 LB. HAND ROLLER. SEE PLANTING SPECIFICATIONS. INSTALL HYDRO-SEED MIX PER THE SPECIFICATIONS AND CAREFULLY INSTALL SPECIFIED SLOPE STABILIZING MESH OVER THE SEEDBED AREA.

RESTORATION & REVEGETATION MIX #2:
 RESTORATION AREAS DISTURBED BY GRADING, CONSTRUCTION OR AS INDICATED ON THE LANDSCAPE PLAN SHALL RECEIVE HYDRO-SEED WITH 1.5 LBS. PER 1000 SQUARE FEET OF THE FOLLOWING SEED MIX BY WEIGHT:
 40% Artemisia tridentata var. tridentata Mountain Sage Brush
 15% Chrysothamnus nauseosus Rabbit Brush
 15% Eriogonum umbellatum spp. polyanthum Sulfer Flower/Buckwheat
 10% Purshia tridentata Antelope Bitterbrush
 10% Fuchsia Idahoensis Idaho Fescue
 10% Bromus carinatus California Brome
 PREPARE DISTURBED AREAS BY LEVELING AND RAKING REMOVING ALL DEBRIS AND STONES OVER 2". IF SOIL IS COMPACTED SCARIFY TO 3" PRIOR TO RAKING. SEE PLANTING SPECIFICATIONS.

LANDSCAPE STRIP BETWEEN CONCRETE WALK AND TRACK CURB:
 LANDSCAPE STRIP BETWEEN THE TRACK CURB AND CONCRETE SIDEWALK ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE TRACK SHALL RECEIVE HYDRO-SEED WITH 1.5 LBS. PER 1000 SQUARE FEET OF THE FOLLOWING SEED MIX BY WEIGHT:
 25% Eschscholzia californica California Poppy
 25% Eriogonum umbellatum spp. polyanthum Sulfer Flower
 50% Lupinus lepidus Desert Lupine
 PREPARE DISTURBED AREAS BY LEVELING AND RAKING REMOVING ALL DEBRIS AND STONES OVER 2". IF SOIL IS COMPACTED SCARIFY TO 2" PRIOR TO RAKING. SEE PLANTING SPECIFICATIONS.



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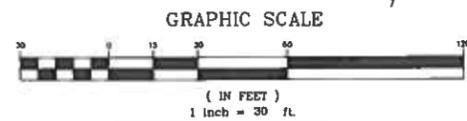
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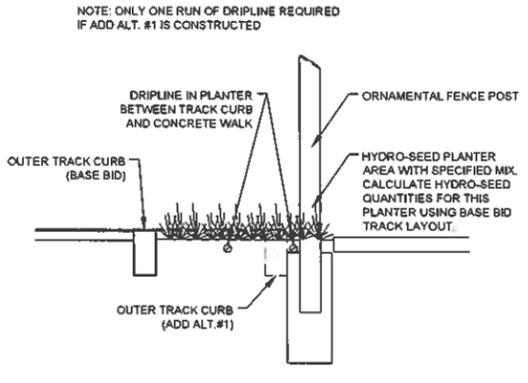
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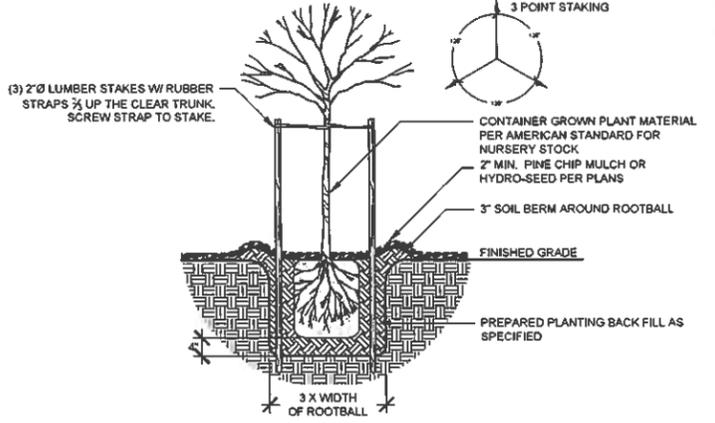


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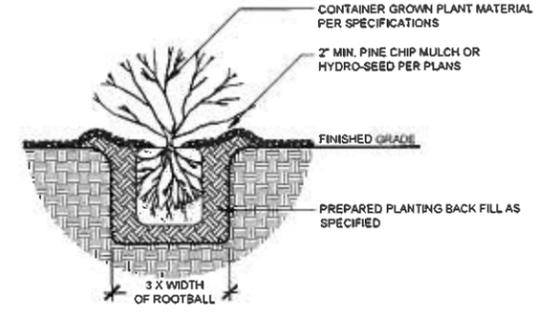
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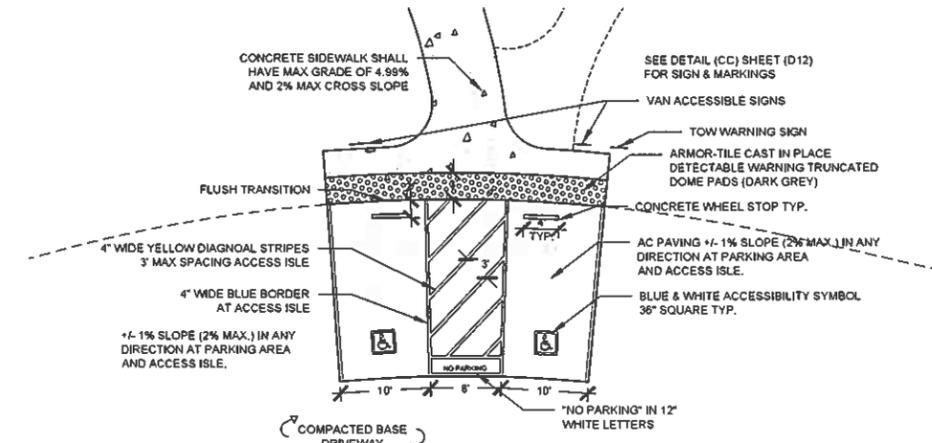
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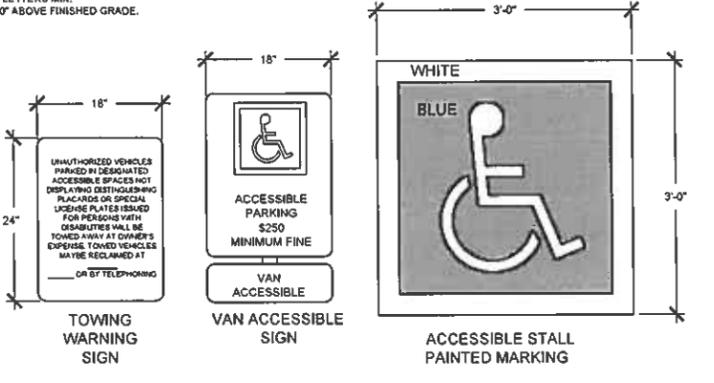


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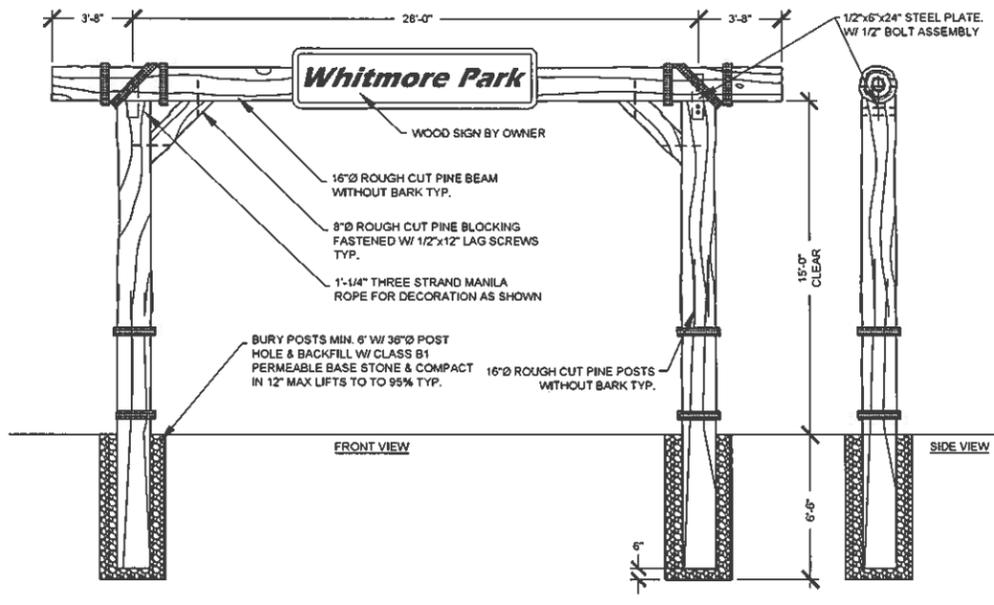


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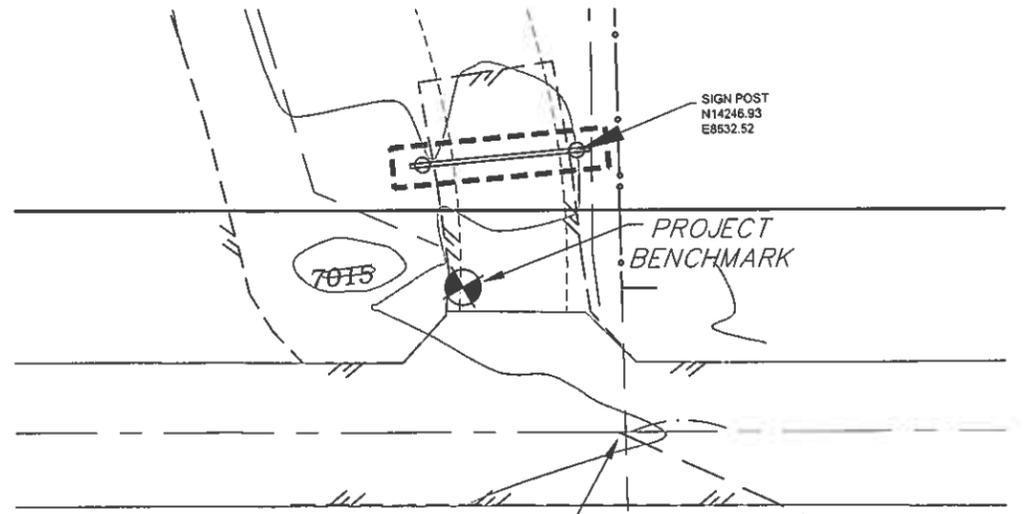
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Attachment 5: Washington Post article: "For track athletes aiming for Olympics, finding a place to train can be a hurdle."

For track athletes aiming for Olympics, finding a place to train can be a hurdle

By [Amy Shipley](#), Published: April 16, 2011

In the weeks since his professional middle-distance running group was kicked off the track at the [University of Texas](#), Olympian [Leonel Manzano](#) has run when and where he can. Sometimes he and his training partners work out on neighborhood tracks, often when regular folk are getting in their daily jogs. Unlike the state-of-the-art oval at the Austin campus, the tracks are generally hard, sometimes weather-beaten and rarely Olympic size.

On some days, when no track can be found, there is no practice at all.

The group of Olympians and Olympic hopefuls, coached by Ryan Ponsonby and George Mason University Hall of Famer [John Cook](#), worked out every morning at the university until about six weeks ago. That's when someone tipped off university officials that the school was technically violating state law, which prohibits outside coaches from providing paid services on public property.

The training group's plight is part of an increasingly difficult problem in Olympic sports, as growing numbers of athletes seek to extend their careers well beyond college. Even as they achieve unprecedented financial security through apparel sponsorships, prize money and U.S. Olympic funds allocated for post-grads, the pros often struggle to find suitable places to train.

Beyond the track ovals on big-time college campuses — whose access is usually restricted and can be taken away at any time — there are few high-caliber venues where the sport's elite can hone their skills. There is virtually no professional infrastructure in most Olympic sports.

“These are elite athletes,” Ponsonby said. “Everybody’s trying to . . . race for a medal in the world championships [in Daegu, South Korea, this summer] and in the Olympics in 2012. We certainly have our work cut out for us without having to deal with facility usage.”

[USA Track and Field's](#) “goal is to win 30 medals in 2012; meanwhile, we’re trying to get on a track.”

Unwelcome on campus

The dearth of Olympic-owned training facilities has for years pushed athletes in many Olympic sports onto college campuses or other non-Olympic property, where they work out individual arrangements. The U.S. Olympic Committee and various sport national governing bodies have long tried to maintain good relationships with the NCAA, recognizing its crucial importance in building and developing U.S. Olympians. Yet officials say they know the situation is not ideal.

Athletes who train on college campuses must work around NCAA rules, collegiate team schedules, liability concerns and many other issues, including occasional conflicts with on-site coaches and officials.

Four-time world champion hurdler Allen Johnson, a Lake Braddock High School graduate who won an Olympic gold medal in 1996, trained at the University of South Carolina from 1997 through the spring of 2007, when he and fellow runners including Lashinda Demus, Tiffany Ross-Williams, Otis Harris and Demetrius Washington were abruptly barred. They were told, Johnson said, their presence was interfering with the collegiate program.

“If they decide they don’t want you out there, you won’t be out there,” Johnson said. “A lot of it has to do with money and jealousy — who’s going to get credit for what ... The official reason [given] a lot of times is [this is] an NCAA violation. It’s my belief that it’s often because of a personality conflict.

“The USATF and USOC, we need to get our own stuff,” he added. “That’s the bottom line. You don’t see any NFL team worrying about where they are going to practice.”

In early March, Manzano and his trackmates learned they could no longer train with Ponsonby and Cook on the Texas campus. The group included former Texas runners Kyle Miller and Jacob Hernandez, a two-time NCAA champion in the 800; Treniere Clement Moser, a three-time U.S. 1,500-meter champion and Georgetown graduate; Shannon Rowbury, an Olympian and two-time U.S. 1,500-meter champion; prominent miler David Torrence; Kenya’s Jackson Kivuva and Mexican national record-holder Pablos Solares Legorreta.

University of Texas men’s athletic director DeLoss Dodds said recently the university has a long tradition of welcoming its professional alumni in many sports to use its facilities, as long as they don’t train at the same time as undergrads — which would be an NCAA violation — or bring paid coaches with them.

“We love having our kids back,” Dodds said. “They’re good mentors, good role models.”

Coaches are crucial

Manzano, 26, said he can’t imagine trying to make the 2012 Olympic team without a professional coach. He and his teammates in Austin are sponsored by Nike; Ponsonby and Cook are Nike coaches. Manzano said he is uncomfortable with the idea of going back to Texas to train with the collegiate team, another option if he were to secure a job as a volunteer assistant coach.

“If I’m going back to college [training] that would be kind of hurting myself instead of helping myself,” he said. “And it would be hard training without a coach. A coach is there to oversee things, make sure things are going well, that you’re not overdoing it or underdoing it, or not pushing yourself too hard.”

Ponsonby said he’s grateful to the parks and schools that have opened their doors to his displaced team, but their tracks are in many cases less than state of the art. Many tracks are wrapped around football fields, so their dimensions are 100 meters at each turn with 100 meter straightaways, rather than the proper 120-80. The surfaces also are generally less expensive and harder, which can lead to injuries, he said.

Many runners, one site

USA Track and Field has one national residency training site: the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, Calif., which offers qualifying athletes free room and board, coaching and use of its facilities. Track and field athletes have the rights to 18 spots there, according to Kelly Skinner, the USOC’s team leader of sports performance, with an additional 12 welcome if they provide their own off-campus housing. The main USOC training center in Colorado Springs, Colo., does

not have a track oval.

“It’s a great facility, but it doesn’t suit everyone,” Johnson said. “Chula Vista can’t train every potential track and field athlete in this country.”

The USATF has tried to help its post-graduate athletes with increased, targeted funding; it has allocated \$200,000 this year, split among five post-collegiate training groups in various parts of the country, with plans to fund more, USATF President Stephanie Hightower said in an e-mail.

“They are getting financial support,” Hightower said during a phone interview. “That’s not the issue. The real issue becomes having tracks, places to train . . . For the most part, athletes do work it out.”

Privately owned facilities in Clermont (a training center owned by a hospital) and Lake Buena Vista, Fla. (playing fields on the Walt Disney World complex), have attracted three separate groups of track and field athletes, including star sprinter Tyson Gay and hurdler David Oliver, a Howard graduate.

Staying at school

Still, colleges remain the primary pipeline and training home for track post-grads, said USATF Director of Coaching Terry Crawford. Student-athletes at 26 NCAA schools won medals at the Summer Games in Beijing in 2008 or the Winter Games in Vancouver in 2010, according to the USOC, and many of them remained at their schools after they graduated.

Those arrangements generally become less tenable as athletes move on after their collegiate days. Rowbury splits her time between Austin and the Bay Area, where she works out at the University of California at Berkeley and a high school track in San Francisco.

“We’re sort of homeless,” she said. “We don’t have any one place.”

**Attachment 6: Letter of Support from Mammoth Lakes
Tourism**



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Measure U Committee
Town of Mammoth Lakes
P.O. Box 1609
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March 27, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Mammoth Lakes Tourism, I am pleased to submit this letter of support for the Mammoth Lakes Track and Field Project request for Measure U funds to complete Phase I of the Track Project.

Mammoth Lakes Tourism supports the Mammoth Lakes Track and Field Project not only for our ability to attract additional world-class athletes to join our elite Mammoth Track Club and live in Mammoth Lakes, but also for drawing additional high school, college and professional teams to the region to train. Mammoth Lakes is a four-season destination visited by well over a million guests each year and a Track and Field facility is another great draw and amenity for our community to promote.

Mammoth Lakes Tourism is committed to partnering with Mammoth Lakes Track and Field in order to:

- Attract more year-round world-class and elite athletes in shorter distance disciplines to Mammoth Track Club -- resulting in more media exposure and podium placements for Mammoth Lakes athletes
- Draw other sports teams and athletes to the area with a dedicated facility (soccer, football etc.)
- Host major events, training and tournaments during slower periods in Spring and Fall when occupancy is at its lowest
- Entice investment by other partners who value and support the benefits of high altitude training

Mammoth Lakes Tourism fully supports the Mammoth Lakes Track and Field application for Measure U funding and looks forward to continuing our ongoing and productive partnership. Please support this and see it as a marketing opportunity and a way for our town to increase occupancy and revenue moving forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "John J. Urdi III".

John J. Urdi III
Executive Director
760-417-2004 (cell)