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Navarre Park Improvement Meetings

Residents are asked to provide input on proposed improvements to Navarre Park, located at 8543 Navarre Parkway at the foot of the Navarre Beach Bridge. Santa Rosa County will apply for a Land and Water Conservation grant to make the improvements and will collect comments from citizens at two public meetings, via email or phone. LWCF is a state competitive grant program which will match county funds for acquisition or development of land for public outdoor recreation.

Two public meetings are scheduled to gather citizen input:

- 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3 at the Navarre Visitors Center, 8543 Navarre Pkwy. in Navarre
- 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 12 at the Tiger Point Community Center, 1370 Tiger Point Lane in Gulf Breeze

The popular community park currently offers pavilions, gazebos, playground areas, splash pad, basketball court, nature walk, pond, restroom and fishing pier and is home to the Visitor Information Center. Recreational amenities under consideration include renovations to the existing boardwalk, splash pad, basketball court and playground equipment and installation of a kayak launch, additional picnic areas and seating, shade structures, playground equipment, landscaping and security lighting.

The grant application is due Feb. 27 and public input will be accepted until Feb. 12. If awarded, the project would begin in mid to late 2016. Matching funds from District 4 recreation funds are committed for the project. For information or to provide additional public input, please contact Sheila Harris, Grants and Special Projects Director at (850) 983-1848 or sheilah@santarosa.fl.gov.

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