## Bryant Creek State Park Informational Meeting Agenda September 23, 2022

- MISSION STATEMENT: The Mission of Bryant Creek State Park is to provide natural resource stewardship that preserves the high quality, mature pine-oak woodland and forest ecosystems; rehabilitates the recently logged acres and restores the knob-top glades; benefits the surface and groundwater recharge areas of Bryant Creek; protects cultural elements; and provides nature-oriented outdoor recreation opportunities that will offer the opportunity to experience and appreciate the natural resources provided by the area.
- Initial Purpose and Proposed Management
  - Protect surface and subsurface waters, springs, and 1.7 miles along Bryant Creek
  - o Preservation of 1200 acres of mature woodlands/forests
  - o Restoration of 1000 acres of logged woodlands/forests on the south side
  - Restoration and preservation of the glades
  - Provide compatible recreational opportunities
- Site Goals
  - Restore and preserve the natural and cultural resources located within the park's boundaries
  - Provide recreational opportunities and public use facilities compatible with the park's mission, resources, and public needs
  - o Provide adequate orientation and interpretive facilities to enhance visitor experience
  - Provide administrative support facilities to ensure successful operation and maintenance of the park
- Facts and Figures
  - Acquired in 2016
  - o 2917 acres
  - One full-time employee
  - Part of Table Rock Management Unit
- Conceptual Development Plan (CDP) process-3 public meetings and comment periods
- PROJECT PHASING
  - Phase 1 North day use area initial development
    - Parking
    - Vault toilet
    - ADA trail footprint
    - Hiking only trail development
  - o Phase 2
    - South day use area
    - Multi-use trails
    - Hiking only trail network expansion
  - Phase 3
    - Camping area
    - North day use area parking expansion
    - Paved ADA trail
    - Trailheads
- Natural Resource Management and Research
  - Stream monitoring/Aquatic surveys

- o Long-term vegetation monitoring
- Breeding bird survey
- Floristic survey
- Bryophyte survey
- o Pollinator surveys
  - Bees
  - Moths & butterflies
- o Geologic features and survey mapping
- o Reptile and amphibian survey
- o Natural Resource Management Plan
- Trail Development
  - o NCCC
  - o SCU
  - o Trailheads
  - o Future plans
- Interpretation, signs, graphics, maps
- Question and/or comments
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