

Cascade Falls Park Looking to Expand

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The most interesting thing I worked on this summer was a Recreational Trails Program grant application for two new bridges and a trail extension in Cascade Falls Park. Working with Planning and Parks and Rec, I developed a grant application that addressed why the changes to the Park improve the trail system, who would benefit from the changes, how and with what money the changes will be made, and what improvements they will lead to down the road. One of the bridges will connect the Bear Cage Loop over the Cascade Brook on the south side of the park making a previously impassable stream accessible to trail users. The other bridge will also cross the Cascade Brook, but this one will be part of the North Falls Spur trail that links the Trout Pond Loop with the Bear Cage Loop. Eventually, the North Falls Spur Trail will lead to an accessible platform that looks over the falls.