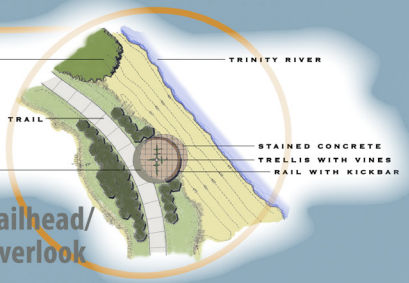


Mitigation



Approximately 10 acres of right-of-way were needed from C.P. Waggoner Park for the proposed construction of SH 161. As mitigation for these impacts, the Environmental document proposed the creation of over 62 acres of new parkland, a recreation trail with amenities, and enhancement of both parks (Waggoner and Mike Lewis) with extensive re-vegetation and landscaping, fishing ponds, and improvements to circulation roads and parking.



The new parkland would be comprised of two tracts of land: a park connector linking Waggoner Park to Mike Lewis Park (25.2 acres); and an expansion of existing Mike Lewis Park (36.9 acres).

The conceptual plan for the proposed park mitigation is shown here including major elements of proposed park design. Through a partnership with TxDOT and the City of Grand Prairie, development of detailed park design and associated construction documents to build the park elements listed above began in June 2004 and construction began in Spring 2005.

