



Purpose and Need

The purpose of this project is to: enhance visitor experience; improve traffic operations; accommodate recreational user groups; improve park infrastructure; and enhance the safety of pedestrians, motorists, and cyclists in the study area that includes Gravelly Point, Roaches Run

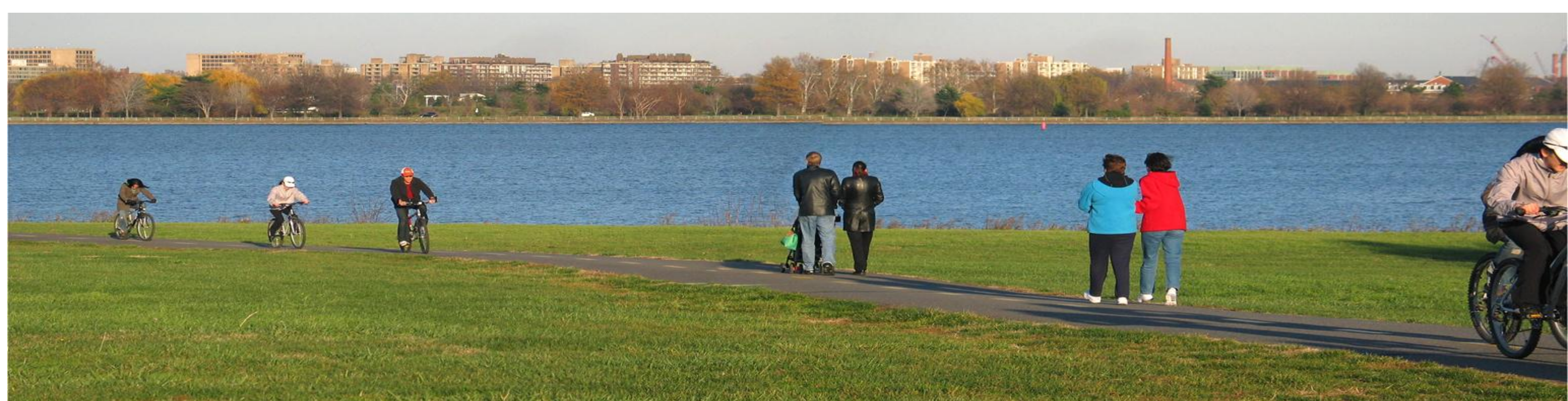


Aerial photo of Gravelly Point and Roaches Run Waterfowl Sanctuary

Waterfowl Sanctuary (Roaches Run) and a segment of the Mount Vernon Trail, all within George Washington Memorial Parkway.

There is a need to examine possible enhancements for optimal and sustainable resource use in the study area. This need is based on several cumulative factors, including:

- Limited access to Roaches Run, inefficient circulation through Gravelly Point, and deficiencies in facilities for visitor use
- Safety concerns presented by heavy trail use and visitor use conflicts along the Mount Vernon Trail at Gravelly Point
- Insufficient interpretation of natural and cultural resource features of Roaches Run and Gravelly Point



View of Gravelly Point, Mount Vernon Trail and the Potomac River