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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project. This project appears to address some long-delayed needs for the recreational infrastructure of the London Ranger District. Our company has an interest in these sorts of projects as we are vitally concerned that the communities where we drive resources thrive and access to quality outdoor recreation is one of factor in community health and vigor. I do have one question, what percentage funding will be utilized to improve facilities that are available to the public without additional recreation fees? How does this percentage compare to the overall percentage of deferred maintenance needs on the District? What analysis has been completed to determine if funding will be fairly distributed to non-fee areas? Will facilities being utilized by lower-income community members be equally improved? The answers to these questions would seem to be vital to ensuring the decision is neither arbitrary nor capricious.

I look forward to your response to these questions.