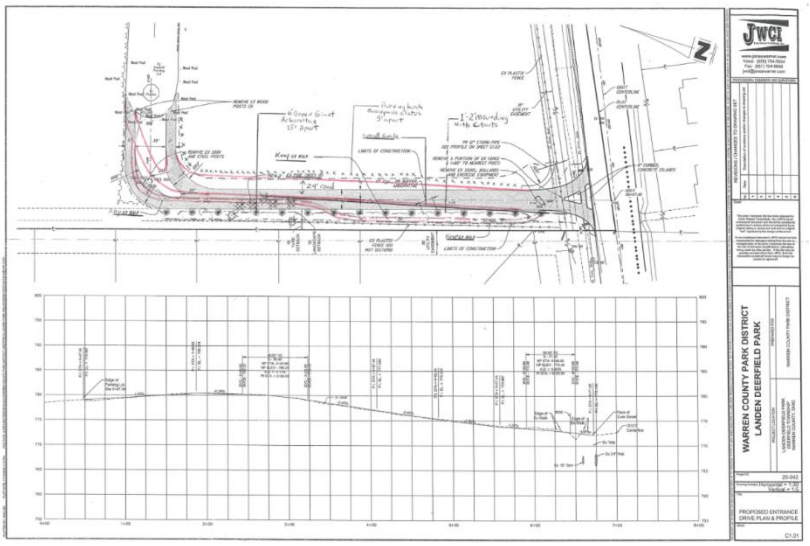
LD Park Ingress-Egress Project

After two years of planning, the Warren County Park District is excited to announce a new community improvement project underway at Landen-Deerfield Park. A traffic and engineering firm provided extensive research and the Board explored numerous options to mitigate the growing safety problem of high traffic during peak usage, special events, and last-minute inclement weather closings. The park currently has a single entrance and exit, forcing all traffic to slowly filter onto 22/3 and creating hazards for drivers and pedestrians.

After extensive deliberation and collaboration with adjacent neighborhoods and sports program representatives, the decision was made to use Ohio Department of Transportation funding to create an additional right-in/right-out turn lane at the southwest corner of the park. These funds are single-purpose, and can be utilized for road paving only. Excavated soil from the project is being relocated to grade and level new soccer fields as well as create mounding for landscape buffers between the park property and adjoining neighborhoods.

According to recent Deerfield Township Master Plan research, Landen-Deerfield Park is one of the most utilized parks in the Township. The property, owned and managed by Warren County Park District, provides an invaluable service to community members of all ages. It hosts hundreds of children's sports practices and games throughout the year, offers free shelter usage for a variety of community groups, and features playgrounds, an outdoor amphitheater with free community concerts, paved walking trails, par course, playgrounds, Gaga Ball pit, splash pad, challenge course, skate park, summer nature programs, storybook stroll, and an official Monarch Waystation with native plants and butterfly garden. The wooded northern section of the park has extensive multi-use trails that are maintained by volunteers with Cincinnati Off-Road Alliance.

The traffic and safety improvements are already underway and are expected to be completed at the beginning of November.