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BOULDERING McKINNEY FALLS STATE PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN

Introduction

To provide unique recreational opportunities at McKinney Falls State Park, (Rock-Climbing) i.e. Bouldering will be allowed at the Lower Falls area along the south bank of Onion Creek along designated areas.

Location

Along south rock cliff up creek from lower falls area west of the Williamson Creek inlet and west of the creek area known as the "Narrows". The bouldering area is approximately 100 feet in length and should not be extended up creek.

Location Access

Climbers may not use existing vegetation to gain access to climbing area. No temporary or permanent access is to be constructed other than utilizing ladders if necessary.

Usage

- 1. All boulderers, spotters, and other visitors must obey park rules and regulations at all times.
- 2. Standard park entrance fees apply. Anyone entering the park must have a state park entrance pass. Fees - \$2.00 per person age 13 and older. A yearly entrance pass, "Gold Conservation Pass", - \$50.00 - may be purchased and is valid for one full year when purchased and is good for everyone in the vehicle. Honor Box envelopes are available for after hour's visitation.
- 3 Climbers need to keep the area between the wall and the creek free from trash brought in by park visitors and/or deposited by high water in the creek.
- Visitors to the bouldering area will be limited due to limited space in the bouldering area. A reasonable number of climbers and visitors is about 30.

- 5. No climbing or bouldering will be allowed during high water or when a flood warning has been issued. The climbing area should be avoided when substantial rainfall has occurred creating very wet conditions in the area.
- 6. The local climbing club, (Central Texas Mountaineers) will compile a photo documentation of the existing area (rock face), landing/trail area, and vegetated area extending to the creek and with park management reassess the area or resource after a 6 month period to determine whether the climbing management plan should be altered in any manner.

Site Enhancement

With park management, the climbing club (Central Texas Mountaineers) may want to provide measures to promote safety and enhancement of the climbing area, i.e., rock borders, new vegetation, signs.

Signage

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Placement of signage to inform climbers selected park rules and regulations may be necessary to promote safe and continued usage of the climbing area.

Examples of rules:

- 1. Climb in designated areas only
- 2. No chipping, gluing, or altering the rock in any manner
- 3. Use existing restrooms
- 4. Keep off vegetation
- 5. No littering. Pack out what you pack in or see
- 6. Pets on leash only

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