

INTERPRETING NATURAL HISTORY AND CULTURAL HISTORY IN CHARLESTON'S NEW COUNTY PARK

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APPROACH

CITY PARKS- usually include ball fields and parking lots, can have heavy concentrations of people for sporting events and high noise levels.



COUNTY PARKS- more natural. Still family oriented and contains man-made structures and facilities.



NATURE RESERVE- most natural, least human intervention, maximum access.



NATURAL ENVIRONMENT



WILDLIFE PROTECTION



FORESTED VS. OPEN SPACE



LOWLAND VS. HIGHLAND



VIEWSHED PROTECTION



NATURAL TRAILS



18th & 19th century INDUSTRIALIZATION



RICE CULTIVATION

Charleston's rice economy changed the form of the landscape. The ditches used as part of the intricate irrigation systems are still evident today, as well as, the rectangular, even fields.

PHOSPHATE MINING



Scars from mining still exist. Mounds, tracks, old settlement houses, and depressions in the land are still visible today.

TRAIL SYSTEM & MANAGEMENT



ARCHAEOLOGY



GPS & WEBSITE



BIRD OBSERVATION



PHOSPHATE SETTLEMENTS



INTERPRETIVE CENTER