

Kathryn Albertson Park



Location: **Boise, Idaho**

Owner: **J.A and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation**

Designer: **McMillen Jacobs Associates**

Contractor: **McMillen Jacobs Associates**

Challenge

Kathryn Albertson Park is a 41-acre special use park located near downtown Boise, ID. Established in 1989 through Joe and Kathryn Albertson's generous gift to the city, this once gravel pit was converted into a park for residents and migratory wildlife.

While the park blossomed into a popular place to visit and explore, Jerry Otto, the designer for the park improvements, described the one challenge that faced the park was that there weren't enough pathways and routes to fit the needs of visitors. The park needed to open up more routes for the public to strategically help the flow of traffic.

Kathryn Albertson's niece had a vision to improve the park and address the traffic flow concerns: build a boardwalk that suits the environment - a boardwalk that not only appears long-lasting and durable, but actually is permanent and requires no-maintenance.

Solution

Working collaboratively and diligently with McMillen Jacobs Associates in Boise, PermaTrak designed two boardwalk structures that meandered through the pollinator gardens, allowing visitors to follow a designated pathway. Bump-outs were also a feature of the PermaTrak structure, giving park patrons an opportunity to stop and observe the wildlife and pond.

Described as a haven for wildlife and quiet contemplation, Kathryn Albertson Park now has a permanent, maintenance free boardwalk that can be enjoyed for many years to come.

"If you are looking for a 50-year structure and low maintenance, PermaTrak is the way to go; it was really good working with the Engineers", stated Jerry Otto.

Patented Product: U.S. Patent #5,906,084 #8,302,362 #8,522,505 #8,839,588 #9,096,975

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION

Boardwalk Lengths: 400 ft. & 240 ft.

Tread Width: 9 ft. 3 in.

Color: Adelaide Gray

Texture: PermaSlate

Installation Date: June 2019


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