



The Colony Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan

Table 6.1 - Park Land Standards



Facility Type	N.R.P.A. Size/ Acres	Total Existing Acres	Current Level of Service	NRPA Target Standard (1)	2008 Target Level of Service (2)	2008 \approx 39,828 pop. (3)	Build-out (2030) \approx 80,500 pop. (3)
Park Category							
Neighborhood Parks	5 - 10 acres	85 acres (4)	2.13 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	1 - 2 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	2 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	80 Acres (surplus of 5 acres)	161 Acres (deficit of 76 acres)
Community Parks	According to function; usually 30 - 50 acres	198 acres	4.97 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	5 - 8 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	6 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	239 Acres (deficit of 41 acres)	483 Acres (deficit of 285 acres)
TOTAL		283 acres	7 Acres / 1,000 pop.	6 - 10 Acres / 1,000 pop.	8 Acres / 1,000 pop.	319 Acres (deficit of 36 acres)	644 Acres (deficit of 361 acres)
Special Purpose Parks incl. Linear Parks & Aquatic Park	Varies by function	766 acres (5)	19.00 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	Variable	No target	19 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	10 Acres/ 1,000 pop.
Natural Areas/Open Spaces	Varies by resource protection & opportunity	157 acres	3.94 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	Variable	No target	4 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	2 Acres/ 1,000 pop.
TOTAL		923 acres	23 Acres / 1,000 pop.			23 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	12 Acres/ 1,000 pop.
CITY PARK GRAND TOTAL		1206 acres	30 Acres / 1,000 pop.			30 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	15 Acres/ 1,000 pop.
Regional Parks (6)	Wildlife Management Area (USACE)	1187 acres	29.80 Acres/ 1,000 pop.		No target	30 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	15 Acres/ 1,000 pop.
Regional Parks (6) NRPA = Metropolitan	100 - 500+ acres	705 acres	17.70 Acres/ 1,000 pop.		No target	18 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	9 Acres/ 1,000 pop.
TOTAL		1892 acres	48 Acres / 1,000 pop.			48 Acres/ 1,000 pop.	24 Acres/ 1,000 pop.

Comparable adopted park land standards in other nearby cities.

- Waxahachie's adopted park land standards = **20 acres per 1,000 residents.**
- Prosper's adopted park land standards = **20 acres per 1,000 residents.**
- Lancaster's adopted park land standards = **23 acres per 1,000 residents.**
- Frisco's adopted park land standards = **13-19 acres per 1,000 residents.**
- Keller's adopted park land standards = **18 acres per 1,000 residents.**
- Rowlett's adopted park land standards = **17-25.5 acres per 1,000 residents.**

(1) 1995 NRPA standards.

(2) Standard allows The Colony to establish general target service levels.

(3) Population projections were provided by the North Central Texas Council of Governments (number is rounded)

(4) Includes HOA parks (17.2 acres)

(5) Total includes Additional Park and Recreational Facilities.

(6) Regional Parks: The Colony currently has no regional park standard established prior 2008.

Population Density

Population (39,828) / city acreage 10,048 = 3.96 persons per acre

