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Geographic Feature Information


Description of Feature - Include size (acres), length (miles) or population etc.	Recommended Name of Feature
39-acre lake in Kenosha County Veterans Memorial Park	Freedom Lake
Other Names or Spellings in Use:	By Whom: (Name and Address)

Reason for this Proposal - Identify Problem and Need (Attach supplementary sheet if necessary)
 In 2020, "KD" Park was renamed and dedicated to the local veteran community with the vision to provide therapeutic and passive recreation opportunities for patrons. The 39-acre lake located in the park does not have a formal name.

Origin and Significance of Recommended Name - Attach Supporting Documents (resolution, historical data, etc.)
 About 7.7% of the Kenosha County population has veteran status, about 10% higher than the rate in Wisconsin and the United States.

Feature Location	DNR Use Only	
County Kenosha	Lat ____ ° ____ ' ____ " , Long ____ ° ____ ' ____ "	
Stream Heads: Sec. <u>15</u> , T <u>01</u> N, R <u>19</u> <input checked="" type="radio"/> E <input type="radio"/> W Ends: Sec. _____ , T _____ N, R <input type="radio"/> E <input type="radio"/> W	Lat ____ ° ____ ' ____ " , Long ____ ° ____ ' ____ "	
Lake, Village, etc. Secs. _____ , T _____ N, R <input type="radio"/> E <input type="radio"/> W Secs. _____ , T _____ N, R <input type="radio"/> E <input type="radio"/> W (or locate by landmarks and attach map)	Lat ____ ° ____ ' ____ " , Long ____ ° ____ ' ____ "	
	USGS Quad. Name	Index Number

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DNR Use Only - Map Search and Field Investigation		
Name of Map or Other Reference	Date of Ref.	Name Given Feature
Person Contacted	Address	Occupation
Special Concerns		
Findings and Recommendations		
Signature of Investigator		Date Signed



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Kenosha County Veterans Memorial Park

Freedom Lake Name Proposal

Kenosha County Veterans Memorial Park is a 335-acre park located on the most western side of Kenosha County. The park, once the site of a former gravel quarry, features a 39-acre, man-made lake, 8 miles of hiking trails, 30-acres of prairie, and offers residents an array of nature-based park amenities highlighted in the multi-year master plan (<https://bit.ly/3I77RoA>). In addition, park development endeavors are recommended and highlighted as significant in "A Park and Open Space Plan for Kenosha County" and "A Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan for Kenosha County: 2035."

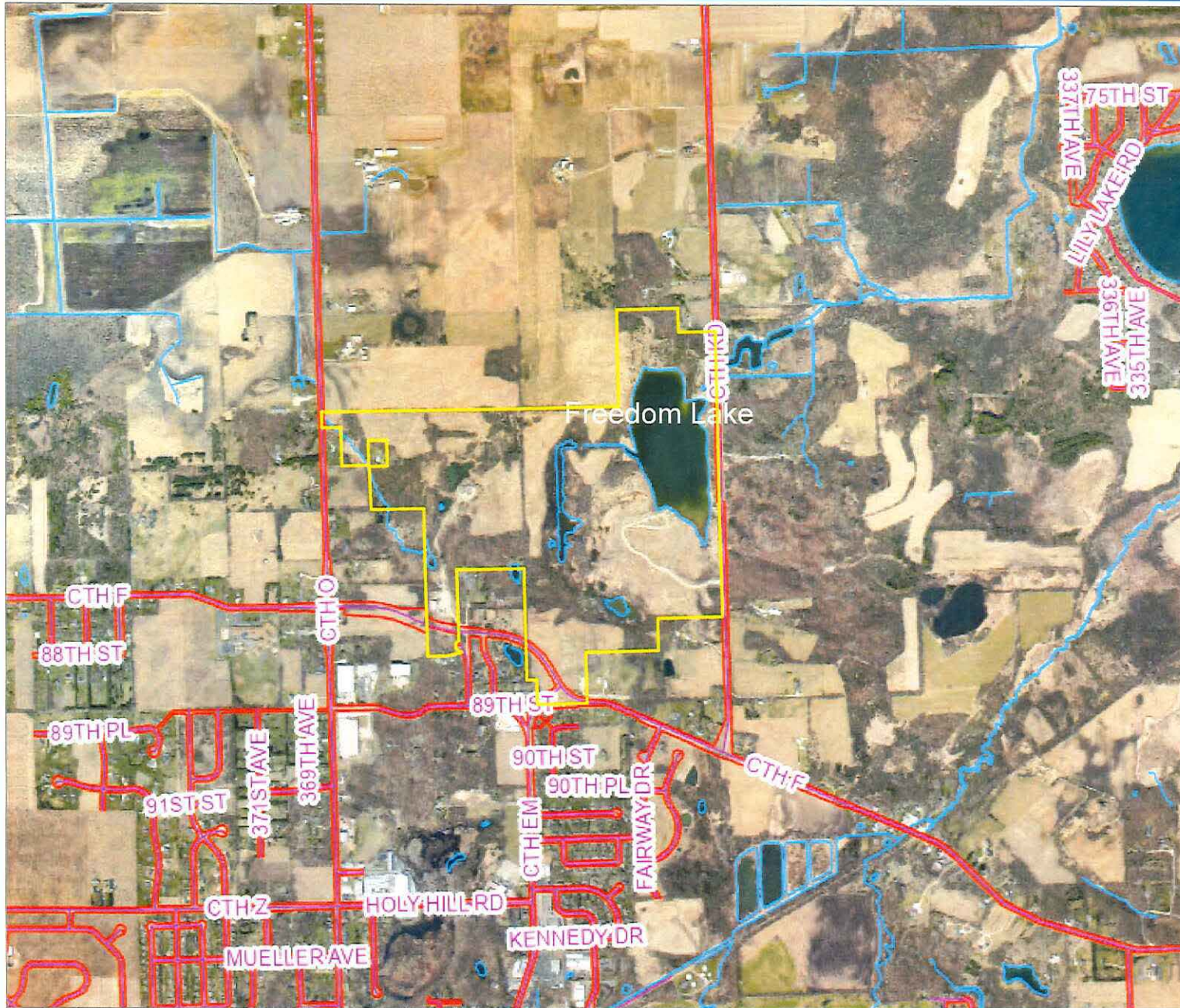
The park, formerly referred as KD Park, was renamed in 2020 as a tribute for current and past military service veterans. About 7.7% of the Kenosha County population has veteran status, about 10% higher than the rate in Wisconsin and the United States ([Census Reporter, 2019](#)). In 2021, Kenosha County completed development of a western access parkway, honor plaza, and approximately three miles of multi-use trail expansion to lay the foundation to incorporate future park amenities. This development project, along with paving of a ½ mile parkway, creation of parking stalls, installation of a boat launch and boarding pier, and trail development have all been partially funded through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

The park aims to serve the community and honor veterans while provide a therapeutic outlet. Design of the Honor Plaza is situated in an open setting with a flag-filled backdrop honoring the United States and all military branches. The 39-acre lake within Kenosha County Veterans Memorial Park offers the opportunity for users to do free recreational scuba diving, fishing, and recreational watercraft activities. Kenosha County Parks stocks the lake with various fish species on an annual basis with support from the Wisconsin County Conservation Aid Program to allow for more recreational fishing.

In 2021, Kenosha Count hosted over 100 veterans, community members, and military dignitaries in the first of what will be generations of ceremonies in dedication of the Honor Plaza at Kenosha County Veterans Memorial Park (<https://bit.ly/3tcMAFF>). This milestone achievement was highlighted and brought media coverage to the site. Future-phase developments of the site includes six memorial shelters, each honoring the branches of the Armed Forces, at key scenic locations throughout the park. Kenosha County Veterans Memorial Park is on its way to become the jewel of Kenosha County once all the veteran features are completed.

The formal naming of Freedom Lake incorporates the essence of the park's plan and vision to honor veterans. The lake provides the perfect therapeutic setting for visitors as they traverse the various hiking trails, reflect at the flag walk, and enjoy the natural beauty of the park.

8.5 x 11 Landscape no Legend



KENOSHA COUNTY
INTERACTIVE MAPPING



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Trails

- Red Trail - 2 miles
- White Trail - 2.5 miles
- Blue Trail - 0.9 miles
- Purple Trail - 0.5 miles
- Green Trail - 0.9 miles
- Gold Trail - 0.7 miles



TO STH "50"
(2 MILES)

CTH "O" (386TH AVE)

CTH "KD" (352ND AVE)

CTH "F"

CTH "EM"

CTH "F"

Bassett Park
(Town of Randall)

 Prairie	Pavilion	Honor Plaza
 Open Area	Dog Park	Restrooms
 Wooded Area	Boat Ramp	P Parking Lot
 Agricultural Field	Boarding Pier	 Park Boundary
 Oak Savanna	Multi-Use Dock	

0 250 500 1,000 Feet

September 2021

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