

REPORT TO THE CITY OF HELENA

Section 28: Leo Pocha Park

August 3, 2015

Legend of Abbreviations

aff...	Above the finished ground
AR...	Accessible Route
CIL...	Change in Level
CFS...	Clear Floor Space
CGS...	Clear Ground Space
EPC...	Elevated Play Component
GLPC...	Ground Level Play Component

Background

The RAC staff visited Leo Pocha Park to conduct an access audit. The findings are below.

- 1.1 **Parking** – not applicable
- 1.2 **Exterior Accessible Route** - not applicable
- 1.3 **Playground Designated Entry** - [[CHECKLIST](#)] lacks AR [LE5](#); lacks designated entry [LE6](#)

Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate other sites in the City as accessible):

- 1.3.1 **Create AR** with crushed and compacted stone or similar outdoor material from parking or sidewalk to the playground (LE5)
- 1.3.2 **Mount signage** to designate an entry at play area boundary as a smart practice (LE6)

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- 1.4 **Playground Surface/Accessible Route within** - [[CHECKLIST](#)] lacks intended route throughout due to mulch (checklist); unstable mulch surface (checklist)

Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate other sites in the City as accessible):

- 1.4.1 **Replace existing surface** with an accessible surface such as EWF, PIP or tiles, with compliant slopes and CILs (checklist)
- 1.4.2 **Establish protocols** for regular and frequent inspection and maintenance of accessible playground surface (checklist)

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- 1.5 **Transfer System** - [[CHECKLIST](#)] not connected to AR (checklist); 18.5" aff [LE3](#), [LE4](#)

Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate other sites in the City as accessible):

- 1.5.1 **See recommendation 1.3.1** for AR correction (checklist)
- 1.5.2 **Lower platform** on transfer system to 11” to 18” aff, in the alternative, add and maintain surface fill level to achieve the same (LE3, LE4)

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1.6 Ramps - not applicable

1.7 Elevated Play Components - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) 2 of 2 components compliant (checklist); apply incentive scoping due to lack of ramp (checklist)

1.8 Ground Level Play Components - [\[CHECKLIST\]](#) corrections needed to meet incentive scoping: airplane rocker and dolphin rocker on noncompliant surface (checklist); dolphin entry level high [LE1](#), [LE2](#)

Recommendations (in the alternative, leave as is and designate other sites in the City as accessible):

- 1.8.1 **See recommendation 1.4.1** for surface corrections (checklist)
- 1.8.2 **Leave as is**, remaining GLPCs as the above correction will meet incentive scoping (LE1, LE2)

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1.9 Sand box/Play tables - not applicable

1.10 Park Site - not applicable

1.11 Shelters/Picnic Areas - not applicable

1.12 Park Buildings - not applicable

1.13 Other - not applicable

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