

Discovery Junction Community Park

Pocahontas County, West Virginia

CLIENT

Town of Marlinton
709 Second Avenue
Marlinton, WV 24954
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COMPLETION DATE

August 2019 (Design)
On-Going (Construction)

PROJECT COST

\$356,600 (Design & Construction)

E.L. ROBINSON'S ROLE

Surveying
Site Design
Construction Plans
Landscape Architecture
Bidding

PROJECT MANAGER

Todd Schoolcraft, PLA

KEY STAFF

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Discovery Junction Community Park is a new park along the scenic Greenbrier River in beautiful Pocahontas County, West Virginia. Working with the Town of Marlinton's Park Steering Committee, E.L. Robinson Engineering's (ELR) landscape architects developed plans for the 0.33-acre park on a vacant lot in the center of downtown Marlinton. Strategically located immediately beside the historic Pocahontas Opera House (c. 1910), on the Appalachian Waters Scenic Byway, and within walking distance to the Greenbrier River Rail-Trail, the new park features an exposed timber-frame outdoor stage and farmer's market walk, and a spray park that will feature an animated black bear scaling a large tree with water cascading down from the tree dripline. The design of the stage will allow for weekend outdoor concerts and plays, as well as doubling as a farmer's market for local agriculturalists to market locally grown produce. The stage will be constructed of locally harvested timber and veneered with stone quarried from local sources. The park will also utilize environmentally friendly, green materials such as park benches made from recycled plastics, enviro-pavers, bio-retention rain gardens and pollinator gardens with native and naturalized plant materials.