

Jim Ford

Park Planner/Designer

Hickory Office

Start date with McGill: January 15, 2008

Experience prior to McGill: 6 years

Total years of experience: 17 years

Bio:

Jim Ford is an experienced planner who creates sustainable designs through environmentally conscious greenway, open space design, and low-impact development concepts. Jim has attained LEED Gold and Platinum designations for numerous landscape plans. He serves public interests through quality landscape design, ecologically sensitive planning, and environmental design to help protect and restore native habitats, improve water and air quality, and provide for educational opportunities for persons of all ages. His professional focus includes technical and site detailing, plants and ecology, parks planning, and site design and building material use. Having a great deal of experience in graphic layout and design, he excels in producing high quality hand and computer-generated presentations, as well as animated 3-D site models.

Education

MS, Landscape Architecture, *Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University*

BS, Physical Education and Sports Management, *Florida State University*

Parks and Recreation Experience

Rocky Face Park Phases I-II, *Alexander County, NC*

Rocky Face Mountain Recreational Area, *Alexander County, NC*

River Park Master Plan, *Town of Lillington, NC*

Town Creek Park Master Plan and Development, *Brunswick County, NC*

Goat Island Park, *Town of Cramerton, NC*

McNair Field, *Town of Forest City, NC*

Brookshire Park Greenway, *Watauga County, NC*

Community Park, *Town of Hildebran, NC*

Paddy's Creek Development – Lake James State Park, *NC Division of Parks and Recreation, McDowell County, NC*

Beaufort Park, *Town of Beaufort, NC*

Joseph McDowell Historical Catawba River Greenway Design, *City of Marion, NC*

North Park Site Plan, *City of Mount Holly, NC*

Glendale-Hawthorne Park, *City of Mount Holly, NC*

Master Planning Experience

Taylor Field Park Master Plan, City of Southport

River Park Master Plan, Town of Lillington

Pool Park Master Plan, *Town of Southern Pines, NC*

Winterville Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Pitt County

Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan, City of Lenoir

Martin Marietta Park Master Plan, City of New Bern

Town Creek Park Master Plan, Brunswick County

Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Town of Ocean Isle Beach

Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Town of Blowing Rock

Parks and Recreation Master Plan, *Town of Lillington, NC*

Parks and Recreation Master Plan, *Burke County, NC*

Parks and Recreation Master Plan, *McDowell County, NC*

Parks and Recreation Master Plan, *Town of Southern Pines, NC*

Parks and Recreation Master Plan, *Village of Pinehurst, NC*

Parks and Recreation Master Plan, *Catawba County, NC*

Parks and Recreation Master Plan, *Chatham County, NC*

Parks and Recreation Master Plan, *City of Lenoir, NC*

Parks and Recreation Master Plan, *Ashe County, NC*

Parks and Greenway Experience

Founders Park, Town of Kernersville

Ocean Isle Beach Town Park, Town of Ocean Isle Beach

Valdese Downtown Park, Town of Valdese

Boiling Springs Town Park, Town of Boiling Springs

Leland Municipal Complex Park, Town of Leland

Lenoir Greenway, *City of Lenoir, NC*