

Site 2**Sparta
Park &
Dock****View of Sparta Park looking east**

Summary – Sparta Park and Sparta Dock, located at the western end of the Village’s Sparta neighborhood, are 1.6 and 2 acres in size, respectively. Sparta Park sits 3/4 mile north of Kemeys Cove at the foot of Liberty Street and is located on what was formerly a copper mine; access to the mine’s entrance has been sealed. The site has commanding views of the Hudson River and a new playground, gazebo and parking improvements are to be installed by funding from Westchester County through the Community Development Block Grant program. The park site is in need of various improvements including slope stabilization to mitigate the effects of erosion. There is a small tidal basin found on the northern end of Sparta Park that could serve as an educational opportunity for an interpretive sign as well as signage about the historic copper mine. Sparta Dock, although not accessible by land due to the Metro North tracks, could be considered for the inclusion within the Hudson River Water Trail. Please see Appendix D: References & Additional Information to learn more about the Water Trail.

Existing Conditions					
Parcel Size	Ownership	Waterfront Access	Parking Access	Pedestrian Access	Zoning
Sparta Park – 1.6 acres; Sparta Dock – 2 acres	Owned by the Village of Ossining	No direct waterfront access however, there are commanding views of the Hudson River from the park	There is potential parking at the southern end of the park	There are no sidewalks or access to the park	Planned Residence Development (PRD)

Opportunities	Constraints
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village owned parcel and limited parking access • Commanding views of the Hudson River • Natural setting and habitat enhancement potential & historic connection to Copper Mine • Forthcoming park improvements by Westchester County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site erosion • No access to the water • High cost of construction for connection over tracks to Sparta Dock • Sparta Dock not able to be accessed by general public

Short Term Improvements	Long Term Improvements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RiverWalk Trail Connection • Tidal Pool habitat enhancement • Interpretive Signage • Site erosion stabilization 	None Proposed

RiverWalk Trail Connection Opportunities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RiverWalk trail connection – spur off of main trail with interpretive signage about the copper mine and tidal pool

Required Permits
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NYSDEC • Village of Ossining • Army Corps of Engineers • NYS DOS Coastal Consistency

Required Easements, Acquisitions, and Site Plan Negotiations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area at Tidal Pond – approximately 5400 square feet of the tidal pond is located on adjacent parcel, as noted on the large map. An easement from the owner would be required for this area.