

# CHAPTER THREE: FACILITY DESIGN

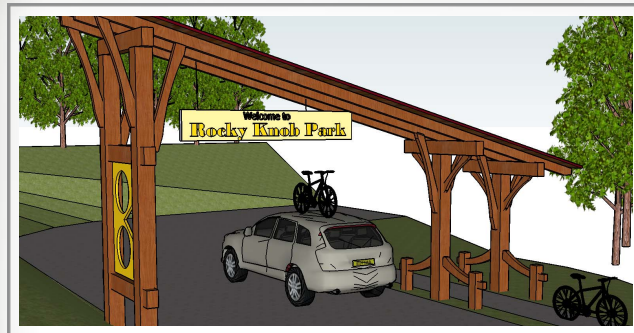
Through unique, but uniform facility design, the WCTDA can establish continuity among various outdoor recreation amenities. Whether at a mountain bike park, on a multi-use greenway, or at a paddle trail access, a recognizable design theme will provide affirmation to recreation users that they are within *the* Watauga County Parks and Open Space system. With the implementation of this plan, facility design will galvanize our resources and create a user-friendly experience for our visitors. This planning element is imperative for establishing the Boone Area as a top-ten outdoor recreation destination in America.

The facility design concept incorporates a traditional Appalachian vernacular style with a distinct modern timber frame architecture. Structures will be covered with green rib metal roofing. While this chapter provides only the general design schematics for each facility, complete design and construction drawings are available for review within the WCTDA's Facility Design Manual.

The chapter includes design schematics for five types of recreation support facilities, including: 1) Gateway Entrances, 2) Shelters, 3) Kiosks and Signs, 4) Bathrooms, and 5) Gazebos.

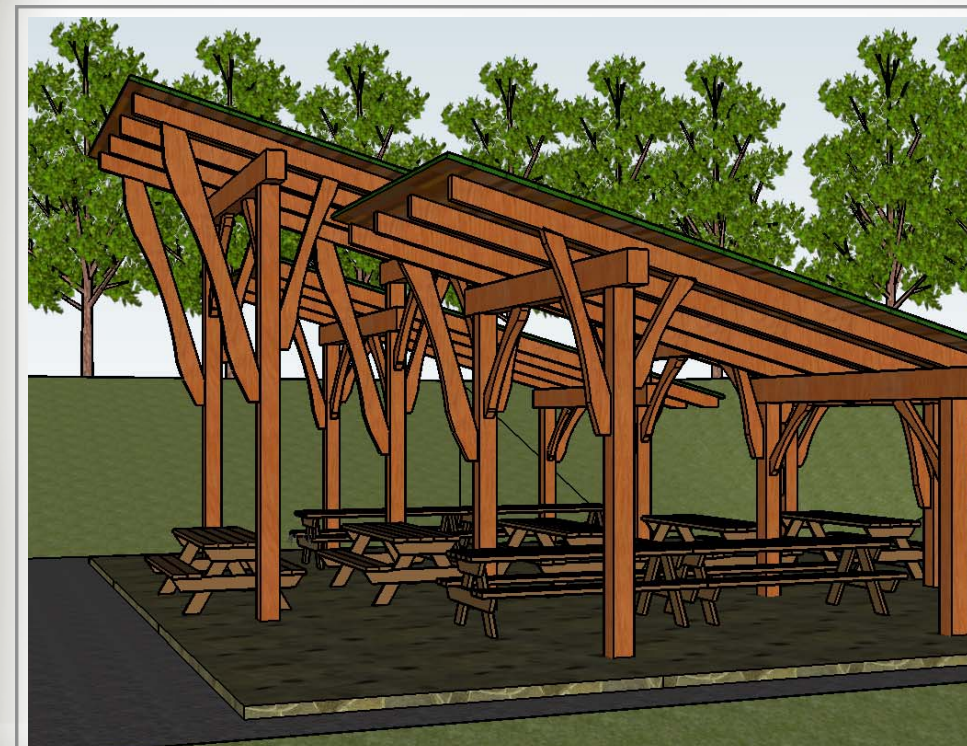
## Small Shelter

Purpose: Ideal for larger paddle access areas, or multiple small shelters can be constructed at a major park facility. The gazebo style shelter (below right) is for settings with quaint or long-range views.



## Gateway Entrances

Purpose: Provide entryway to a major park facility (left) or trail head (below).



## Large Shelters

Purpose: This shelter should be considered only at major park facilities.

## Restrooms

Purpose: Provide restrooms and a storage area at major park facilities.



## Signage

Purpose: Kiosks (left) provide users with detailed information, while post signage (below) identifies a particular recreation park or facility.

