

| | SITE 1 NORTH SHORE | SITE 2 PROSPECT POINT | SITE 3 ROZNOS MEADOW | SITE 4 SOUTH SHORE | Comments: |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| Factor: Buildability of Site | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Soil Type (impact to foundations and septic) | Soil is acceptable | Soil is acceptable | Soil is acceptable | Soil is acceptable | |
| Slope | Slope is buildable | Slope is buildable | Slope is buildable | Slope is buildable | |
| Ease of Construction (laydown area, access) | Easy access, moderate laydown area | Moderate access, limited laydown area | Easy access, ample laydown | Moderate access, moderate laydown area | |
| Impact to Visitors During Construction | High | Low | Low | High | |
| Advantages: | BETTER | | BEST | GOOD | |
| Factor: Connections to Recreational Resources/Opportunities | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Access to Trails | Yes 3: East Bluff Trail, East Bluff Woods Trail, West Bluff Trail | Minimal - 2: West Bluff Trail, Tumbled Rocks Trail | Minimal - 1: Roznos Meadow Trail | Yes - 3: Balanced Rock Trail, Grottos Trail, East Bluff Trail; with access to others nearby | Access to trails within roughly 1/4 mile from site. |
| Access to Water Activities | Yes - abundance | None | None | Yes - abundance | Water activities: swimming, boating, fishing |
| Access to Camping | Yes | None | None | Limited - Group Camp only | |
| Access to Ice Age Trail | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | |
| Access to Railroad (Potential for Future Excursions) | Yes | No | No | Yes | |
| Potential Access to Great Sauk Trail (Rail Trail) | Yes | No | No | Yes | |
| Advantages: | BEST | GOOD | | BETTER | |
| Factor: Ease of Visitor Access | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Adjacent to Major Road | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | |
| Availability of Parking | Yes - abundance | No | Yes - moderate | Yes - abundance | |
| Access During Winter/Off-season | Yes | Maybe | Yes | Yes | South shore is accessible during the off season - however facilities lack utility service in winter |
| Advantages: | BEST | | BETTER | GOOD | |
| Factor: Enjoyment During Peak Season | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Disperse the Crowds During Peak Season | No | Yes | Yes | Moderate | Considers the impact to the visitor of competing with crowds during peak season |
| Alternative Destination | No | No | Yes | No | Provides an alternate destination (underutilized/visited site) |
| Advantages: | | BETTER | BEST | GOOD | |
| Factor: Financial Impact | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Rental Opportunities - Space | Spaces with rental opportunities will be provided | Spaces with rental opportunities will be provided | Spaces with rental opportunities will be provided | Spaces with rental opportunities will be provided | Equal spaces will be provided regardless of location. |
| Rental Opportunities - Setting | Good views possible. Adjacent train could have a possible impact. | Panoramic views possible | Good views possible. Adjacent houses would need to be screened | Views are obscured by other recreation activities/buildings | Setting includes views from rental spaces and how that would contribute to rentability |
| Operations - Effect on staffing | Additional staff needed, however impact could be reduced if admin moves to new | Additional staff needed | Additional staff needed | Additional staff needed | Additional staff will be necessary with new building |
| Maintenance - Effect during winter/off-season | Additional maintenance minimized due to proximity | Additional maintenance required | Additional maintenance required | Additional maintenance required | Additional maintenance including plowing/providing access in the winter |
| Advantages: | BEST | BETTER | GOOD | | |
| Factor: Flexibility | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Potential for Flexible Use of Site for Staging of Groups | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Flexible use of site can be incorporated at all sites |
| Potential for Future Expansion | Moderate | Yes | Yes | Moderate | Availability of un-developed space |
| Advantages: | | GOOD | GOOD | | |
| Factor: Gateway to Other State Parks | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Gateway | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Ability for the interpretive center to act as a gateway to Wisconsin State Park System - this mostly relates to programming. |
| Potential "Free-zone" Access | No | No | No | No | There will be no "free-zone" access within the park, all visitors will have to pay for parking to use the park. |
| Advantages: | NO DISCERNABLE DIFFERENCE | NO DISCERNABLE DIFFERENCE | NO DISCERNABLE DIFFERENCE | NO DISCERNABLE DIFFERENCE | |
| Factor: Opportunities for Sustainability | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Location and Transportation | High - previously developed | Low - undeveloped land (forested) | Low - undeveloped land | High - previously developed | Based on LEED version 4 categories as a benchmark. All sites provide the ability to be sustainable. |
| Sustainable Sites | Yes | Yes. Would affect currently dark sky | Yes. Would affect currently dark sky | Yes | Buildings at any site would generate some light. This would be more detrimental at Roznos Meadow where dark sky events are held. |
| Water Efficiency | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | |
| Energy and Atmosphere | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | |
| Material and Resources | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | |
| Indoor Environmental Quality | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | |
| Advantages: | BEST | | GOOD | BEST | |
| Factor: Physical Impacts to Natural Resources | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Length of New Road and Parking Area | Modify existing road and parking lot | New road and parking lot required | No new road required. New parking lot required. | No new road and parking lot required | |
| Need for New Utility Infrastructure | Utilities (water, sewer, electric, gas) connections available. Building would require short extensions - less than 500 feet. | No existing utility infrastructure. Would require new utilities in lengths greater than 2,000 feet. | No existing water/sewer utility infrastructure. Electric is available along highway 113. | Upgrade or replace existing water/sewer utility infrastructure required - greater than 5,000 feet. Electric is existing, short connections. | Localized septic and well systems could be utilized in lieu of municipal sewer/water connections. |
| Visitor Impact to Natural Resource | Minimal impact | Moderate impact | Moderate impact | Minimal impact | Impact of added visitors to the location and surrounding trails. |
| Advantages: | BEST | | GOOD | BETTER | |
| Factor: Potential Educational Opportunities | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Views to the Primary Resource (Lake and Bluffs) | Views to both lake and bluffs | Views to both lake and bluffs; as well as terminal moraine and both shores | No view to lake and bluffs, would require interpretation | Views to both lake and bluffs | |
| Ability to Interpret Devil's Lake Story Throughout History | Adjacent to cultural resources | Ability to see everything from the bluff for interpretation including geological history and the history of development. | Removed from resources; no views or adjacencies. | Removed from major Cultural resources. | History of development of Devils Lake State Park - railroad, recreation, CCC buildings. |
| Ability to Interpret Natural Environment | Views to natural environment, however, most of the area is developed | Immersed in rich natural environment | Natural environment, limited trees and some residential development nearby. | Views to natural environment, however, most of the area is developed | |
| Proximity to Natural Features | Access to east and west bluff | Direct access to west bluff. No access to east bluff | No access to bluffs. View of terminal moraine. | Access to east bluff. Minimal access to west bluff. | |
| Proximity to Cultural Resources | Access to effigy mounds and CCC buildings (history of development) | Views to cultural resources only | None. | Minimal access to effigy mounds. | Cultural Resources include: effigy mounds, CCC buildings |
| Advantages: | BETTER | BEST | | GOOD | |
| Factor: Universal Access | | | | | |
| Attributes: | | | | | |
| Providing Universal Access to Bluffs | No | Yes | No | No | Prospect point is the only site that offers the ability to provide universal access to a bluff by trail which does not currently exist. |
| Providing Universal Access to Lake | Yes | No | No | Yes | Lake access is provided at the North and South shore. However, this is provided with or without the addition of the Interpretive Center. |
| Advantages: | BETTER | BEST | | BETTER | |
| TOTAL IMPORTANCE OF ADVANTAGES | BEST | GOOD | | BETTER | |