

JETTY PARK is a 45-acre public park at east end of Port Canaveral, operated by the Canaveral Port Authority (CPA). 35.4 acres are owned by CPA and 9.6 acres are owned by Brevard County. Originally Jetty Park was operated by the County and from 1986 until 1995, the County leased the CPA land for nominal consideration (\$1/yr). In 1995 the Port took over all operation and maintenance responsibilities by agreeing to a 20 year lease of the County land, again, for nominal consideration (\$1/yr). During this lease period, CPA improved the County 9.6 acres by constructing a new entrance road and related improvements. That lease agreement expired in December 2015. Since that time CPA and the County have been in discussions regarding the future use of the County owned land, but have not yet reached an agreement. CPA continues, however, to operate and maintain all 45 acres of Jetty Park with the intent that both parcels remain a public recreational park.



HISTORY

1966	Jetty Park opens
1967 – 1986	County operates and maintains park land owned by CPA
1986 – 1991	County acquires 9.6 acres adjacent to Jetty Park for use as a public park through condemnation and use of Beach and Riverfront bond funds
1986 – 1995	County leased the CPA land for \$1/yr and incorporated its 9.6 acres into the park
1995 – 2015	CPA assumed operation and maintenance and leased the County land for \$1/yr
Dec. 31, 2015	Lease for County land expires
2016 – current	CPA continues to operate and maintain all 45 acres of Jetty Park

What is the status of Jetty Park?

Jetty Park and all its amenities – beach, fishing pier, campground, concessions, playground, etc. - is open to the public and operating its normal schedule. For more information on amenities or hours of operation, please see visit: <https://www.portcanaveral.com/Recreation>.

Can I still access the beach and fishing pier?

Yes. There is no interruption of service or access to Jetty Park as the majority of the amenities are located on CPA owned land. For more information on the Jetty Park Beach and Pier, please visit: <https://www.portcanaveral.com/Recreation/Jetty-Park-Beach-Pier>.

Is parking at Jetty Park affected?

No. There is ample parking on CPA's portion of the park, including a newly paved lot with 38 additional parking spaces near the entrance of the beach concession store.

What if CPA and the County cannot reach an agreement?

CPA will continue to operate and maintain Jetty Park and ensure the public has access to it. If CPA is no longer permitted to use the entrance road on the County owned land, CPA will re-open the original entrance to Jetty Park off of Christopher Columbus Drive. This will be done at no cost to the tax payers of Brevard County. No other changes are expected at this time.

What will happen with the County owned land?

The County decides. CPA hopes that the County's 9.6 acres will always be a public recreational park operated together with CPA's 35.4 acres. However, the County, as the owner of the 9.6 acres, has the right to use the parcel as it deems necessary, including the right to sell or develop the parcel, subject to normal development requirements and restrictions.

What's next?

CPA will discuss Jetty Park at its next regularly scheduled Commission meeting to be held on May 30, 2018 at 6 p.m. in the Maritime Center located at 445 Challenger Road, Cape Canaveral. The meeting is open to the public. Comments may also be submitted to comments@portcanaveral.com or you may contact your Brevard County Commissioner.