



FY2025 RV GRANT APPLICATION Farragut State Park Peterson Campground Public Input Announcement

Public Notice Update:

Farragut Seeking RV Grant Funding – Additional Information

The new multi-generational group campground will be located on the east side of the Peterson loop in an area of the park that was previously developed during the Farragut Naval Training Station era. The project consists of two group use pods that contain RV sites, tent pads, camper cabins, restrooms, a group shelter with accommodations for outdoor cooking, and group firepit. This new camping concept is meant to take group use pressure off traditional campgrounds and provide a communal place for extended family and friends to camp together. A shower restroom building will be built to accommodate the campground as well as other users on the north side of the park.

The size of the project area will be approximately 11.5 acres or about 20% of Peterson loop. The project site was chosen to minimize disturbance to existing wildlife corridors and park trails. Trails that pass through the area will be rerouted to keep access open to surrounding areas of the Peterson loop. Access to the campground area will be improved as part of implementation of the first phase of the new central entrance master plan for Farragut State Park including a roundabout which will facilitate safe pedestrian and vehicular access across Highway 54 into the Brig area and central access to the north side of the park.

Farragut State Park values their equestrian users and will ensure that there are equestrian facilities and improvements to those facilities now and into the future. Farragut strives to balance all user's needs within the park and will continue to preserve wide open areas for equestrian users. The Peterson Group Camp project does not eliminate equestrian use from the north side of the park. The planned group camp will have very little impact on the current trails at Peterson. Trails that are impacted will be rerouted around the area. The project will not eliminate equestrian camping on the North side but will improve it by the addition of a shower facility. There are also plans to improve water in the equestrian area and expand the available amenities for equestrian users. The roads on the north side will also benefit from the improvements.