

**Federal Lands to Parks
ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING FORM (ESF)**

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Park Name: Thomas A. Edison Park
Former Federal Property Name: Raritan Arsenal
GSA Control No: D-NJ-440C

Project Description:

Middlesex County proposes to make physical improvements to the Thomas A. Edison Park in Edison Township to address existing needs and future population growth. These improvements are identified in the County's master plan titled, Middlesex County: Community, Innovation, and Opportunity Strategic Investment Plan (Middlesex County, 2022).

The park and existing athletic complex consist of baseball fields, tennis courts, a track, several soccer fields, a playground, and a model airplane field. The proposed project, termed the Athletic Fields and Buildings in Thomas Edison Park, would require the removal of all existing park facilities and some existing vegetation

Site improvements would include the installation of protective netting and fencing, performance lighting, and bleachers; a fieldhouse for concessions, restrooms, and maintenance equipment; remote comfort stations and concessions; pedestrian pathways; parking for 1,350 cars; and a playground. The proposed Site Plan is attached. Specifically, the concept for the Athletic Fields and Buildings in Thomas A. Edison Park includes:

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- Ten multi-sport synthetic fields lined for lacrosse, soccer, and rugby
- Three multi-sport synthetic fields lined for baseball, lacrosse, soccer, and rugby
- Sixteen hard surface tennis courts
- A championship synthetic field and track with large grandstands
- 500-foot diameter natural grass, recreational cricket field
- Protective netting, performance lighting, and bleachers
- Fieldhouse for concessions, restrooms, and maintenance equipment
- Comfort stations throughout the park
- Pedestrian pathways
- Parking for 1,350 cars
- A playground