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Gowanus-Prospect Parkland

City, State

PROJECT NAME

Gowanus-Prospect Parkland

PROJECT OWNER/CLIENT

NYS Department of Transportation (NYSDOT)/
Bechtel/Sells/URS Joint Venture

SERVICES PROVIDED

- Landscape design of NYC Parkland and other areas in the vicinity of the Gowanus-Prospect Interchange at 3rd Avenue and 17th Street in Brooklyn.
- Preliminary design of Triangle Park on 64th St. between 3rd and 4th Avenues in Brooklyn, which is a land-swap of NYSDOT land being transferred to NYC Parks.
- Preparation of all construction documents, estimates and supplemental specifications.
- Preparation of 3d renderings showing various options in material selection.
- Presentation to NYC Parks.
- Co-ordination with NYCDOT and NYC Parks.
- Design of street and median landscaping.
- Co-ordination with street lighting, utilities and ITS installation.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

W. Carroll Gordon is responsible for the design of two parks that will be impacted by the widening of the Gowanus-Prospect Expressways, one at the actual intersection, and one that is a land swap. The park at the actual intersection will be completely reconstructed. All plantings will be removed, since the area will be severely impacted by construction. An extensive planting of new shade and flowering trees will fill the challenging site, which has areas of dense shade and high alkaline soil. The stone walls and picket fencing will also be refurbished. Areas of granite block paving will be increased and the existing areas cleaned and repaired.

Included in the design are new medians and plantings along 3rd. Avenue, with extensive use of salt tolerant shrubs, ground covers and street trees.

