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Improving Accessibility
with All-Terrain Wheelchairs

» **GRIT**
MOVE BEYOND

A man wearing a green jacket, a black helmet, and sunglasses is riding a specialized adaptive mountain bike on a dirt trail in a forest. The bike has a large front wheel and a smaller rear wheel. The background is filled with tall, thin trees and fallen branches on the ground.

Why Adaptive Hiking?

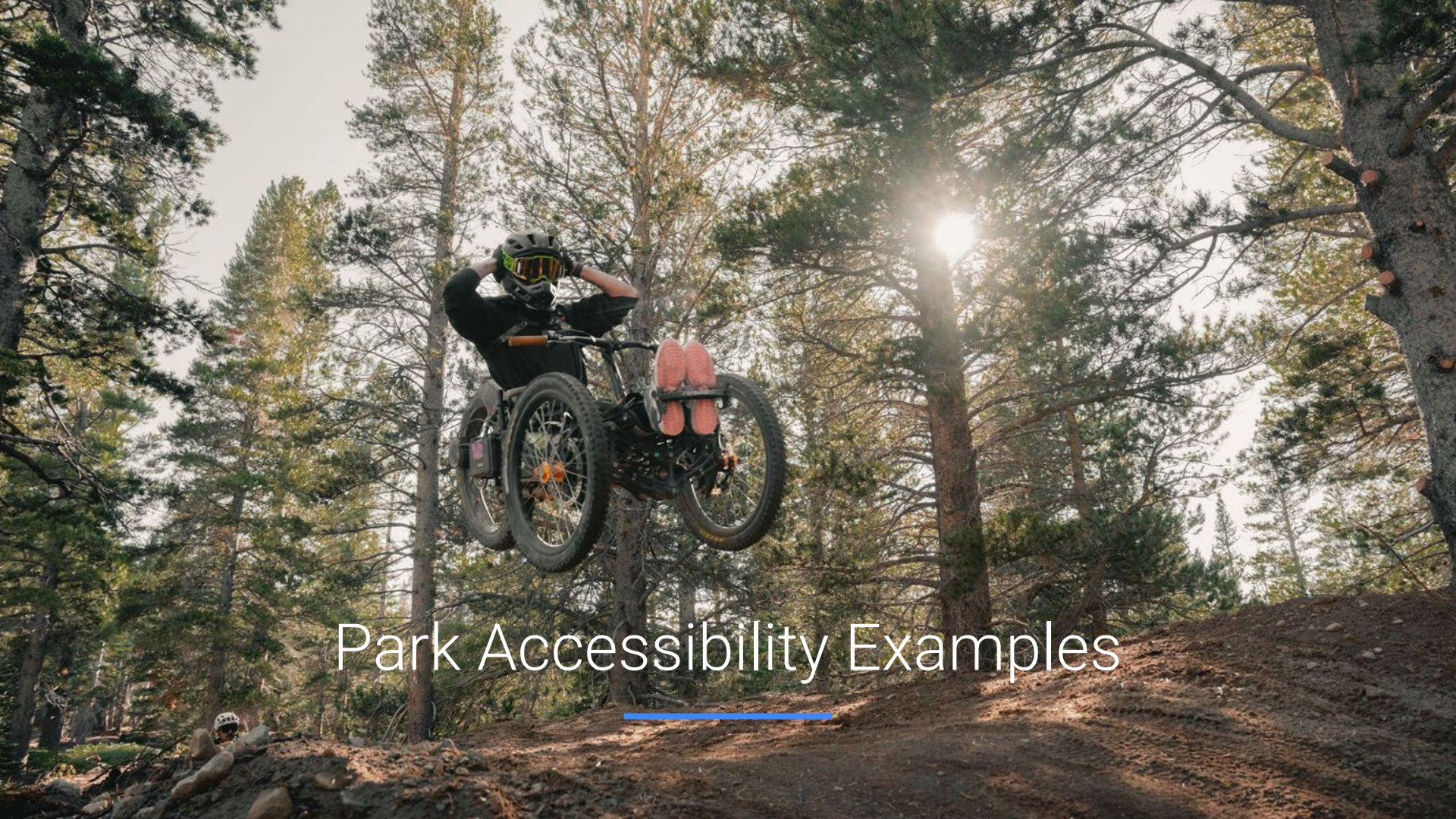




Parks play a key role in expanding accessibility.







Park Accessibility Examples

Texas State Parks

“We want people of all abilities to experience the trails. Paving the environment is not our goal. Adaptive equipment is a way to include and welcome people with disabilities into spaces they may have historically not been able to access.”

–**Chris Meza**, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department





Pilot sites:

Bastrop

Lake Corpus Christi

Brazos Bend

McKinney Falls

Cedar Hill

Palo Duro Canyon

Estero Llano Grande

Ray Roberts Lake, Isle du Bois Unit

Government Canyon

San Angelo



ACCESSIBILITY AT SAN ANGELO STATE PARK

STATE PARK OFFERS "GRIT CHAIR" FOR PARK ACCESSIBILITY



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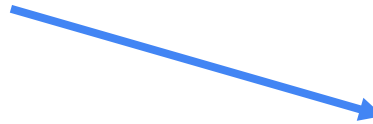
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Beaufort County, South Carolina



Everybody should be able to have the opportunity to enjoy that sense of peace, without the noise of traffic, the parking lot, or any of that ambient noise that clouds our daily lives. I was tired of watching people come to our park just to sit in their cars.

**–Stefanie Nagid,
Passive Parks Manager**





MORNING BREAK

**COUNTY PASSIVE PARKS PURCHASES ALL TERRAIN WHEELCHAIR
BEAUFORT COUNTY**

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Michigan State Parks
Island Lake Recreation Area



Massachusetts
Department of Conservation and Recreation,
Universal Access Program





Considerations



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