



DHM DESIGN

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Senior Associate | PLA (CO, TX, WA)

Lee is a licensed landscape architect with experience as a design consultant and municipal parks landscape architect. He is passionate about the built landscape and how people interact with outdoor spaces and each other. Our communities come together in parks, ballfields, along trails, friends meet in personal outdoor spaces, under pavilions and around fire pits. Lee is passionate about designing and creating these spaces that bring a sense of unity and commonality to bolster communities. He understands that a balance between community and nature can be found for the betterment of the environment and the user.

ABOUT

EDUCATION

B.S. in Landscape Architecture
Texas Tech University, 2007

CERTIFICATIONS

Professional Landscape Architect
Colorado | Texas | Washington

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

National Parks
Recreation
On Structure + Green Roof
Ranch Planning
Hot Springs
Facilitation

NOTABLE WORK

El Malpais Accessible Trail and Cave Experience Design | El Malpais National Monument; Grants, New Mexico

DHM Design was hired to create a one-of-a-kind accessible trail and cave experience at El Malpais National Monument along the El Calderon Trail. The project provides new accessible opportunities and educates a wide range of visitors about the National Natural Landmark, lava flow features and cave environments. It is the only accessible experience for visitors to enter a lava tube within the United States. Along this route visitors descend into a trench and lava tube using a ramp system with interpretive wayfinding. All improvements meet current Outdoor Recreation Access Routes (ORAR) and Architectural Barriers Accessibility Act Standards (ABASS). Additional improvements are proposed to the El Calderon Trail, creating a 1-mile accessible trail connection to the Xenolith Cave. Special care has been given to protect and provide amphitheater seating for visitor viewing of the nightly bat outflight.

Schneider Park Pickleball; Durango, CO

Pickleball is a rapidly growing sport that has garnered enthusiastic players across the nation. DHM worked with the City of Durango to create a state-of-the-art pickleball complex that would cater to the demands of sports enthusiasts while maintaining a delicate balance with the concerns of neighboring residents about potential noise disruptions. We developed sound studies and site evaluations, aiming to identify a location that would provide both a vibrant sports environment and a serene residential atmosphere. The final linear site was chosen within Schneider Park as the optimal location to accommodate the spatial requirements for the construction of six new pickleball courts, and was situated with a buffer zone from neighboring residential areas. The site's proximity to the Animas River Trail adds an inviting element, integrating recreation with the scenic beauty of the natural surroundings.

Escalante Petrified Forest | Escalante Petrified Forest State Park, UT

DHM Design was hired by the State of Utah to begin design services for improvements at the Day Use Area and Campground at the Escalante Petrified Forest State Park in Utah. The project includes creating 30-50 new campsites, new host sites, new restrooms, expanding the current day use area and parking capacity. The project is currently in the design phase with a groundbreaking scheduled for 2022.

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RECENT PROJECTS

National Parks Service

Accessible Lavatube Boardwalk; El Malpais National Monument, NM
Aztec Ruins Storage Building; Aztec Ruins National Guadalupe Trail Ridge; Carlsbad Caverns National Park, NM
Marina Improvements; Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area, WA
Zion South Campground; Zion National Park, UT
Monument, NM

Parks, Trails & Recreation

Animas River Trail; Durango, CO
Iris Park; Durango, CO*
Jess Price Park; Westcliffe, CO
Lake Nighthorse Boat Put-in, ADA Fishing Piers, Wave Attenuators, and Swim Beach; Durango, CO*
Lake San Cristobal Peninsula Park; Lake City, CO
Oxbow Park; Durango, CO*
Pickleball Courts at Schneider Park; Durango, CO
Westcliffe Parks, Open Space, Trails, and Streetscape Master Plan; Westcliffe, CO

State Parks

Campgrounds at Lost Creek Reservoir State Park; UT
Campgrounds at Escalante Petrified Forest; UT
Albert and Bessie Kronkosky State Natural Area; Pipe Creek, TX
Entrance Monumentation Restoration; Mancos State Park, CO

Hot Springs

WorldSprings; The Colony, TX

Civic + Education

Durango Police and Fire Station Feasibility Study; Durango, CO
Martin County Museum; Stanton, TX
Miller Middle School; Durango, CO
Durango High School; Durango, CO

Office + Commercial

CrownQuest; Midland, TX**
Midland Oil; Midland, TX**
Oxy Petroleum; Midland, TX**

Hospitality

Durango Village Camp Outdoor Resort; Durango, CO
Green Acres Miniature Golf Course; Midland, TX**
Kendall Mountain Ski Area Master Plan; Silverton, CO

Ranch Planning + Neighborhood Development

Dalton Ranch; Durango, CO
Hartong Lane Ranch; Chromo, CO

*Completed while employed at the City of Durango

** Completed at another firm