Devens Food Truck and Craft Festival Narrative

We are hosting the Devens Food Truck and Craft Festival on Verbeck Field, the field at the corner of Jackson Road and Antietam Street from 11am-5pm on May 31st (rain date June 1). Please see the categories below for more information.

Food Trucks – all food trucks will provide their temporary or seasonal food permits from NABH, a certificate of insurance, and a signed hold harmless agreement. Food trucks will be around the perimeter of the field in the yellow areas (see attached layout map). The Chamber of Commerce is managing vendor registration for us again this year and we hope to have 10 total food vendors registered before the event.

Craft/Nonprofit Vendors – all craft/nonprofit vendors will provide a signed hold harmless agreement. Craft vendors will be spread throughout the yellow vendor areas. The Chamber of Commerce is also managing the registration for these vendors.

Beer Vendors – beer vendors will provide their COI and hold harmless and will be located inside a 50x60 foot fenced off area. Galvanized steel, interlocking barricades will be used to fence the area off and a State Police detail trooper will be hired to monitor the alcohol area while alcohol is being sold. The Chamber of Commerce will be providing TIPS certified staff to check IDs and to make sure we do not exceed capacity in the alcohol area. There will be tables with seating, as well as trash and recycling barrels inside of this area. Beer vendors are Dirigible Brewing Co. and Sterling Street Brewery. So that we do not have unsupervised children during the event, we would like to ask that children appearing to be under the age of 12 be allowed into the alcohol area with an adult that is over the age of 21. Because of this, we will give adults over 21 years old bracelets (children will not get a bracelet). This has worked well the last two years that this has been allowed at this event.

Music – we will have two bands playing during the event, with a short break between them. The bands are Scott Babineau and Darren Bessette. There will also be a stage set up for the band to utilize. The stage is 16x24 feet and is constructed from metal with carpet on top, and has wooden stairs. Generators will follow safety guidelines set by the DEC.

Inflatable – we will have one inflatable bouncy house that will be secured to the ground. The blower for the inflatable will be powered by a generator. An employee from the inflatable company (Party People Inc.) will be supervising participants on the inflatable. The slide will be closed in the event of high winds.

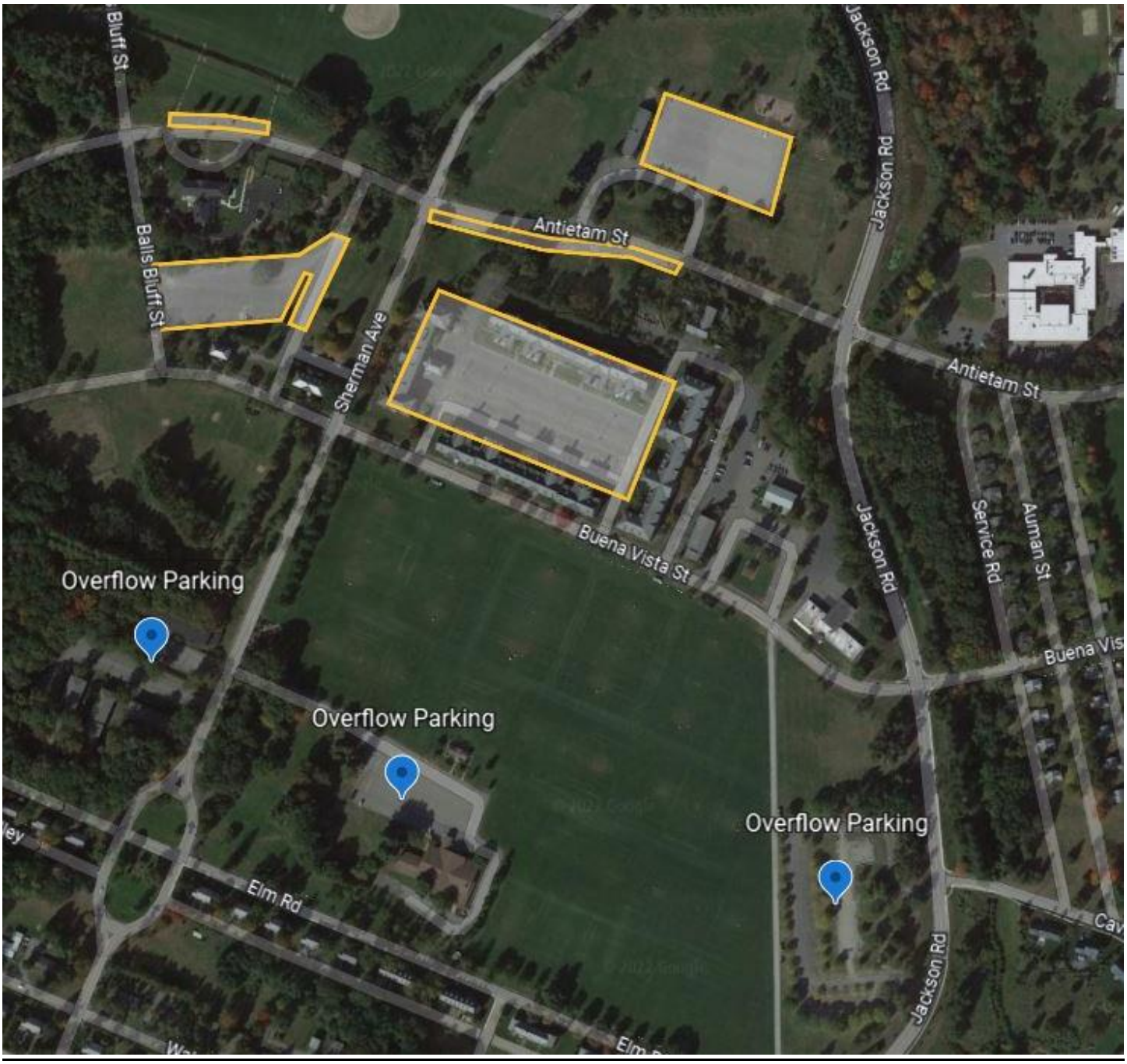
Restrooms – we will provide at least four portable toilets at the location and will have access to many others, if they are needed. Restrooms will be located away from food vendors to minimize the risk of transfer of bacteria and odor.

Trash and Recycling – trash and recycling barrels will be spread throughout the event area. A DPW staff member will be responsible for removing bags as they get full and putting them in Recreation trash or recycling dumpsters.

Parking – we plan on utilizing three large and two small Recreation parking areas for this event, but we have three additional large parking areas that we can open if we get more attendees than expected. We will have a-frame directional signage out that will point people to approved parking areas.

Expected Attendance –From last year's attendance, we estimate around 2,000 attendees throughout the event, but we have additional parking areas and directional signage if more people show up than we estimated.

Rules for Attendees – No pets, no outside alcohol, no BBQs or open flames, park in approved parking areas only. Rules will be on the marketing flyer and will be posted at the entrance to the event.

Devens Food Truck and Craft Festival Layout Map

Devens Food Truck and Craft Festival Parking Map