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NewsFlash



Beaverdam Reservoir Park Update

Construction Getting Underway!
New Public Access Rules Beginning October 1, 2022

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After many years of community input, stakeholder feedback, careful planning and design, construction for Reservoir Park is finally underway!

Reservoir Park will be situated on the southeast side of Beaverdam Reservoir. The park is being funded and constructed under a partnership between Loudoun Water, which owns and maintains the 300-acre reservoir as a source of drinking water for Loudoun County residents and NOVA Parks, a regional park authority in Northern Virginia.

The innovative park design includes an entrance road, parking lot, welcome center, restroom building, crew facility, boat rental facility, several pavilions, trails, waterfront boardwalks, a bridge, plantings, site utilities, educational exhibits, and various other site features -- all designed with source water protection in mind.

With the project starting, there will be new rules for public access.

- **Beginning October 1, reservoir water levels will be drawn down to facilitate construction.**
- To ensure the safety of park users, **water access will be closed beginning on Monday, October 17.** Fishing, boating, paddling or other water activities will not be permitted.
- Once construction activities allow for the reservoir to refill naturally, and the water reaches a safe level, **access will be re-opened sometime in third quarter of 2023.** This timeline is based on various conditions and is not definitive.

During construction, NOVA Parks will continue to manage public access of the surrounding property. **Trails near the southeast portion of the reservoir will be closed during construction. Restricted areas will be well-marked for visitor safety** by Meridian Construction Co., Inc.

At this stage, it is anticipated that substantial completion of Reservoir Park will be in the first quarter of 2024 and the park grand opening will take place in Spring/Summer 2024.

Park construction progress, announcements, and schedule updates will be posted on www.loudounwater.org and www.novaparks.com.

Together, Loudoun Water and NOVA Parks have developed Reservoir Park to promote the health and wellness of local citizens and visitors. Interpretive destinations will focus on their strong partnership, highlighting the connections between ecological health, human health, and recreation -- as well as their mission to protect the national resources entrusted to their care.

All our best!



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