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Planning Begins for Flat Branch Park Phase II Project

The Columbia Parks and Recreation Department is preparing to begin the first stage of the development of Flat Branch Park – Phase II. The first stage is a clean-up process that will allow the redevelopment of the site as a park area.

The clean-up stage will consist of the implementation of an EPA Brownfield Cleanup Grant that will allow for the removal of petroleum contamination from the site.

Specifically, all contamination will be removed and clean fill will be added to achieve the proper sub-grade needed for the eventual park construction. The City plans to work with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources Voluntary Clean-up Program (VCP) to provide project oversight during the contamination removal process.

The City has also contracted with an environmental consulting firm to oversee the actual cleanup activities and provide the necessary testing to determine contamination location. The work plan for the project and all administrative documents and records will be available to the public upon request.

Public inquiries regarding the methods of clean-up at the site and the project itself are encouraged. To make an inquiry or for more information, please contact Columbia Parks and Recreation at 874-7201.