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CITY EASES SOME PUBLIC ACCESS RESTRICTIONS

The City of Welland is moving forward with re-opening some public spaces. City Council and staff want to remind the public that as access to outdoors areas open, physical distancing and wearing a face-covering helps curb the spread of COVID-19.

Residents must abide by restrictions that limit groups to no more than five people and maintain a two-metre physical separation. Passive activities are now permitted in these areas:

- Welland BMX and Skate Park
- All City Parks (excluding playground equipment, pools, splash-pads, sports fields, & washrooms)
- River Road Boat Launch
- Canal Lands Trails
- Lincoln St. Docks
- Dog Park: No more than five people and their dogs allowed in the large dog area. No more than three people and their dogs in the small dog area. Residents are also reminded to clean up after their dogs to help keep the park clean for all to enjoy

It's recommended that anyone taking advantage of these spaces follow the best practices to limit the spread of COVID-19 as outlined by Niagara Region Public Health. These include frequent hand washing, physical separation, avoiding touching of shared surfaces, and staying home if displaying symptoms or having been in close contact with cases of the virus.

City of Welland By-law Enforcement will continue to enforce gatherings larger than five people in public areas.

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