Renovation of Cougar Run Park playground begins

New playground equipment will be installed at Cougar Run Park to provide a physically challenging and mentally stimulating inclusive play space that promotes social interaction. Demolition of existing playground equipment is set to begin the week of May 25.

The area will be fenced off during demolition and replacement. Construction is expected to be completed by August, weather dependent. Manufacturing and shipping delays related to COVID-19 are possible.

Metro District staff held an open house meeting with users on Feb. 27 to answer questions about the project and solicit input. Some of the new features of the playground will include:

- equipment geared towards children ages 2-5 and 5-12
- nature inspired elements
- climbing elements including a rotating net climber and a central structure with opportunities for climbing, swaying, jumping and relaxing
- seamless poured-in-place rubber surfacing in parts of the playground, which will improve accessibility to equipment (portions of wood chips will remain in place)
- swings and slides

The current wooden playground equipment was installed in 1995, and has sustained significant wear and tear. Adjacent equipment owned by the Douglas County School District is not included in this replacement project. Cougar Run Park is located at 8810 Venneford Ranch Rd., in Highlands Ranch.

Project updates will be posted to highlandsranch.org. For more information, please contact 303-791-2710 or info@highlandsranch.org.

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