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Fitzsimmons Family Dog Park Open to Full Capacity

WHEELING, W.VA. – The section of the Fitzsimmons Family Dog Park for large breed

dogs that was temporarily closed last week to allow the surface to rehabilitate is now open.

Assistant City Manager Bill Lanham, noting temporary closures are expected from time-

to-time to preserve the grass surface, said fertilizer was put down and with the rain in recent

days, the surface recovered as expected.

"We are pleased to share that both sides of the dog park are now open and fully

operational," he said. "The weekend weather is supposed to be beautiful and we hope

residents have the opportunity to spend some time with their canine companions at the dog

park."

The Ohio Valley's first dog park is located at the Tunnel Green Recreation Complex

adjacent to and highly visible from West Virginia 2 and Interstate 70 and is a part of the City of

Wheeling's park system. The site has vehicular access from 18th Street and pedestrian access

from Heritage Trail. The dog park is divided into two sections – large breed and small breed,

each with its own water and waste stations, walking trail and benches.

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