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SPRINGFIELD, OH (March 23, 2020)**

**Playgrounds and Warde Fit Stop Closed, Parks Remain Open**

National Trail Parks and Recreation District (NTPRD) will close all playgrounds and Warde Fit Stop until further the notice, the district announced today. Parks will remain open with caution to individuals to practice social distancing.

The announcement comes after Governor Mike Dewine issued a Stay At Home Order on March 22. All NTPRD programs and reservations remain suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

NTPRD has been monitoring the coronavirus outbreak with the guidance of the Clark County Combined Health District, including information from the Ohio Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

Health authorities have indicated that the situation is evolving and we should do as much as possible to inform those we serve, the community and our staff of the measures we are taking to prevent the spread of the virus. NTPRD will continue to follow the guidelines from the Health District as they become available.

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