



MALCOLM X PARK CONSTRUCTION UPDATE JUNE 22, 2022

Thank you for your continued interest in this project and for your patience.



Playground preparation

TREE UPDATE:

Boston Parks and Recreation Department takes tree removal seriously. We found 25 additional trees that can be saved from the original count. The revised saved tree count is 219 and removals are 29.

As many of you are aware, the construction at Malcolm X Park has resumed since members of the community raised concerns about tree removals. As requested by the community, Boston Parks put construction on hold to have additional community conversations and to revisit the tree removal plan.

Since March Boston Parks has held several community meetings, met the community on site, attended a City Council hearing on the trees and have had a meeting with Mayor Wu and the community.

Boston Parks and Weston and Sampson have re-examined the design and tree removals to see if there was any way to save any additional trees at the community's request. We shared at our community meetings that we have adjusted the tree removal plans. The original tree removal plans were to remove 54 trees. The new [plan](#) reduced the removals to 29 trees. We do want to be transparent that the 25 trees that are now to remain will be protected in the same manner as the 198 that were to be maintained. One of the reasons they were originally marked for removal was due to construction impacts, but are now being retained at the request of the community.

The Weston and Sampson design team will be on site at all times that tree work is happening.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- How many trees are being removed? 29
- How many trees are being planted? 97
- What is the material of the field? artificial turf

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE:

As many of you have seen, construction has resumed on site. Below is an overview of the work that has happened on site since construction resumed on June 6.

- Lawn has been mown
- Piles of construction debris have been removed from the site.
- The playground area has been rough graded
- Field surface has been stripped

Work that you can anticipate seeing in the coming weeks:

- Installation of footings for sports lighting
- Curbing and playground area preparation
- Tree removals
- Additional demolition of concrete pathways
- Demotion of backstops and fencing

PLEASE NOTE: The entirety of Malcolm X Park is closed for construction.

FOR CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: please call Fleming Bros. at 617-786-0222

OTHER ITEMS:

Please use 311 to document non-emergency issues relating to park use, and 911 for emergency situations relating to public safety. Construction questions and concerns can be directed to Lauren Bryant, Project Manager for Boston Parks and Recreation Department (Lauren.Bryant@boston.gov)

Project Website: boston.gov/malcolm-x-park

Last Update:

June 3, 2022:

https://www.boston.gov/sites/default/files/file/2022/06/MX%20Park%20Construction%20Update%206_3_22.pdf

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