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DEMOLITION SCHEDULED TO MAKE WAY FOR NEW PARK IN COVINGTON

Covington, WA – Contractors hired by the city of Covington will begin demolition of structures located at the future SoCo Park site, at 17081 SE Wax Road, on August 18. The City purchased this future park property in October 2016 with funds from a Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program grant.

SoCo Park is named after its location in South Covington and is situated between Jenkins Creek and Wax Road, in the newly developing downtown area of the city.

Current development of the SoCo Park site will be limited to the demolition of the structures, installation of fencing and other basic land improvements to allow for public access to the site. The Green River Coalition is helping with the project by removing invasive species and noxious weeds from the site.

SoCo Park will ultimately provide neighborhood park service to the new multifamily residences and an existing single family neighborhood. This project is a high priority for the city as it helps address a significant shortage of neighborhood parks, is part of the town center vision, and provides a critical connection for a future Jenkins Creek Trail. Future phases of developing this park will include additional land acquisition, design and construction.

Questions about this project can be directed to Mary Gardocki, Parks Project Manager, at 253-480-2488 or mgardocki@covingtonwa.gov. Information on other city of Covington park projects may also be found at www.covingtonwa.gov/parks.

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