

Wasatch Hollow Preserve Construction Update

July 2016

The Salt Lake City Open Space program is excited to report that contractors have completed the following project components to date:

Invasive Tree Removal: Contractors have completed all invasive tree removal within the project area. These efforts will allow more sunlight to reach the riparian understory and provide an ideal environment for new trees, shrubs and grasses to establish along Emigration Creek. Increasing the diversity of species will help to enhance the overall wildlife habitat and improve the user experience within the Wasatch Hollow Preserve.

In-Stream Rock Weirs: Contractors have completed the construction of six in-stream rock weirs. These structures will help stabilize the stream bed of Emigration Creek and prevent further bank scour from occurring. The weirs will also improve aquatic habitat by creating pool features within Emigration Creek.

Wetland Excavation: Contractors have completed excavation of the new wetland area adjacent to Emigration Creek. This excavation work includes the re-grading of the stream bank to increase stream visibility and improve floodplain function along with the creation of a wetland area. During this process it appears that crews have also uncovered the historic spring that once existed on site, which will now supply water to the wetland.

Bridge Construction: Contractors installed the new pedestrian bridge that crossed Emigration Creek. The bridge is still awaiting new railing and surfacing. The bridge will provide improved access throughout Wasatch Hollow Preserve.

Trail Construction: Contractors are building new trails throughout the property for the use of hiking and walking. Primary user trails will be constructed using crushed, refined gravel that will provide beautiful, durable trails for all users and improved access throughout the preserve.

Up Next: Contractors will begin constructing the wetland boardwalk, irrigation and planting of native plants and shrubs in the coming weeks.

For more information regarding the Wasatch Hollow project please see our project website: <u>http://www.slcgov.com/open-space/wasatch-hollow-preserve</u>

Thanks for your patience during this process. We are excited to see construction moving forward and we hope you are too!

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Wasatch Hollow Construction Timeline*									
Task	Dec 2015	Jan 2016	Feb 2016	Mar 2016	Apr 2016	May 2016	June 2016	July 2016	Aug 2016
Site Preparation / Clean Up									
Invasive Tree Removal									
In-Stream Enhancements									
Spring Excavation									
Bridge Construction									
Trail Construction									
Irrigation Installation									
Tree Planting									
Signage									
Fencing Installation									
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For more information and construction details, please visit:

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