

River Heights Trail & Site Enhancements Engagement and Board Resolution

February 18, 2021

The Saskatoon and area community is invited to learn more about planned Meewasin Trail and site enhancements in the River Heights area and to provide feedback.

At the Meewasin Board meeting on February 5, 2021 the board passed a resolution in regards to trail enhancements as follows:

To accept the application by Meewasin to construct trail and site enhancements at River Heights in Meewasin Park be approved subject to final details on:

- Planting plan
- Lighting
- Stairs
- Reconcile design with existing cross-country ski trails
- Biomass replacement
- Re-engage the community on detailed design, including a safety audit in the spring/summer
- Explore options for traffic calming at pedestrian crossings and vehicular access to upper Meewasin Park with the City of Saskatoon
- Final approval of detailed design from the City of Saskatoon

The area, adjacent to the River Heights neighbourhood, starts at Capilano Drive at the west end and continues east to Spadina Crescent, through Meewasin Park. The project includes the installation of 1.4 kilometers of new primary trail in sections without a formal trail connection, upgrades to existing trail sections, and enhancements to adjacent areas.

Engagement sessions on project design elements will be held virtually on:

Thursday March 11, 2021 from 6-8 pm

Saturday March 13, 2021 from 1-3 pm

All participants are asked to pre-register by emailing meewasin@meewasin.com by March 11 at 4:00 pm. Questions can be submitted to this same address.

Full project details can be viewed [here](#).

Our goal is to have the designs ready to take advantage of potential funding to support construction. Meewasin is a charitable organization that relies on fundraising to support trail enhancements. Construction timelines are often dictated by our ability to raise funds.

For more information, contact Alan Otterbein or Andrea Lafond at 665-6887 or meewasin@meewasin.com

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About Meewasin Valley Authority

The Meewasin Valley Authority exists to ensure a healthy and vibrant river valley, with a balance between human use and conservation by:

- Providing leadership in the management of its resources;
- Promoting understanding, conservation and beneficial use of the Valley; and
- Undertaking programs and projects in river valley development and conservation,

for the benefit of present and future generations.

There are 67 square kilometers of land and over 90km of established trail, which has seen up to 1.65 million trail visits per year, in the Meewasin Valley. The area also features sites that help people to connect to nature through experiences such as Beaver Creek Conservation Area, the Northeast Swale, Saskatoon Natural Grasslands, the River Landing Spray Area, and the Cameco Meewasin Skating Rink @Nutrien Plaza. Meewasin is a non-profit organization that relies on donations and volunteers for sustainability. To get involved or learn more visit www.meewasin.com



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