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# **Media Advisory**

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## **Braintree, Weymouth Mayors to dedicate restored bike paths at Pond Meadow Park**

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Weymouth, MA – Mayors Robert Hedlund of Weymouth and Joseph Sullivan of Braintree will join commissioners of the Weymouth-Braintree Regional Recreation Conservation District to celebrate the completion of more than 900-feet of newly restored bike paths in Pond Meadow Park. This regional capital improvement project was funded jointly by the Towns of Braintree and Weymouth, matching a \$100,000 grant secured by the District through the Massachusetts Recreational Trails Program. The event will take place Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30 pm in the vicinity of the Pond Meadow Park entrance and parking lot off Summer Street in Weymouth.

WHO: Mayors Robert Hedlund and Joseph Sullivan  
Weymouth-Braintree Regional Recreation Conservation Commissioners

WHEN: Tuesday, June 26th, 2018, 12:30 pm

WHERE: Pond Meadow Park  
Entrance and Parking Lot off Summer Street  
Weymouth, MA 02188  
Lot parking available onsite.

In July 2017, the Weymouth-Braintree Regional Recreation Conservation District secured a \$100,000 grant through the Massachusetts Recreational Trails Program (RTP) to restore deteriorated segments of Pond Meadow Park's popular bike paths. The RTP is a federal assistance program, administered at the state level, which provides annual funding to

benefit the development and maintenance of local community trails, long-distance trail systems, and regional multi-use pathways, such as those found in Pond Meadow Park. The Towns of Braintree and Weymouth contributed \$25,000 dollars each in Community Preservation funds, for a total project budget of \$150,000. More than 900 feet of bike paths were restored, marking the first time in more than 30 years that many of these paths have seen renovations. Pond Meadow Park's bike paths are a popular recreational resource for walkers, joggers, and bicyclists alike. The pathways are now ready for the park's influx of summer guests.

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