

Kilbourn Reservoir Park Project Update September 6, 2007

This is another in a series of periodic communications we have been providing since May 2000, when the Milwaukee Water Works began planning for the future of the park.

During the summer, the contractor spread and compacted native topsoil and imported fill dirt onto the basin on top of the hill where the reservoir had been located, to create a "new" hill. Tot Lot play equipment was installed, and a new basketball court is under construction on the north side of the park.

During removal of debris and a large volunteer tree, the contractor noticed there were other potentially dead or dying trees that should be removed. The Milwaukee Water Works consulted with the City of Milwaukee Forestry Division to diagnose the condition of the trees, and four additional trees were considered to be dead or dying and will be removed. Forestry specialists noted there are potentially more trees that appear to be on the decline, and foresters will complete a tree survey of the work area.

Plans for September call for installation of new concrete stairways up the east and west sides of the hill, and tree planting.



Excavation of on-site soil for transportation



Preparing the stockpiled native topsoil for placement. (08/13/2007)



Compacting soil in the south end of the reservoir basin



Placing and compacting imported topsoil along the western section of the basin. (08/17/2007)



Delivery of dirt inside the reservoir basin



Demolition of the basketball court area



Cutting and rough grading the North Avenue access path (08/13/2007)



Installing the Fire and Police communications line (08/17/2007)



The status of the gatehouse is unresolved. Please provide your input by emailing the Milwaukee Water Works at watwebcs@milwaukee.gov



View south from East Meinecke Street (9/04/07)



View south from East Meinecke Street of new Tot Lot play equipment (9/04/07)

During business hours, please direct any questions or concerns to Mr. Tony Supinski, Water Works Engineering, Anthony.Supinski@milwaukee.gov or (414) 286-3826.

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