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Limited Access During Arbor Hills Nature Preserve Improvements



A series of erosion control projects and construction of a new restroom building are underway at Arbor Hills Nature Preserve in Plano. During construction, parking will be limited and pedestrian traffic will be closed off on pedestrian bridges.

Over time, runoff from rainfall causes erosion to the creek banks adjacent to pedestrian bridges. The erosion control measures are designed to shore up those banks. The project began earlier this month and is expected to be completed in early 2021. Nature preserve visitors should view the [detour map](#) before planning their trip to the nature preserve, located at 6701 W. Parker Road.

Construction of a new restroom to replace the existing one near the Arbor Hills entrance will begin the week of Oct. 5 and is expected to be completed next spring. Nearby parking will be limited. The turn-around/drop-off point will be closed off with no thru-traffic. The new restroom will be located near the existing one. The existing restroom, playground and pavilion will all remain open during construction. After the new restroom is complete and open to the public, the existing building will be converted to a family restroom with additional maintenance uses.

With an increase in construction vehicles and workers on site, we're urging park patrons to stay alert and follow all construction signage during their visits.

Arbor Hills will remain open during these projects. However, it will continue to be closed for maintenance on Wednesdays until roughly 2 p.m.

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Editor's Note: Check the Arbor Hills Nature Preserve [webpage](#) for updates and FAQs.

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About Plano

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