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## **Torguson Skatepark Opens to the Public**

The community has a new outdoor recreation amenity to enjoy!

A brand new skatepark facility at Torguson Park in North Bend (750 E North Bend Way) is now ready for public use. This project has been of great interest to our community and we couldn't be happier with the result. The design, guided by community input and produced by Seattle based company *Grindline*, replaces an old single bowl style facility with a nearly 13,000 sf concrete skatepark outfitted with exciting elements for all skill levels as well as a central gathering area. The loop style design provides a safe and challenging place for skaters of all levels to develop their skills. The skatepark is located on the southwest side of Torguson Park near the main parking plaza. Construction work is complete, and all park features are accessible, but landscaping work surrounding the park is still in progress. Visitors will notice orange construction fencing creating a designated pathway to access the skatepark. Please follow onsite signage and use this access point. The dirt surfaces around the concrete bowls are closed off to keep dirt tracking to the skating area which can create hazards for skaters and damage the surface. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Temporary fencing will be removed later in the spring when all landscaping work has been completed. The park is open during daylight hours.

## Planning your visit:

- **Play it safe:** Choose challenges that are appropriate for your skill level and wear protective gear.
- **Recreate responsibly:** Practice social distancing, wear a mask, and if park looks too busy, come back another time.
- Protect the new skatepark: Follow signage for entry and exit points and stay off closed areas while we finish landscape work.
- Have fun and share your stories: We'd love to see your photos! Share them on our social media feed, www.facebook.com/siviewmetroparks

The Torguson skatepark project was funded through Si View Metro Parks 2018 Capital Bond to connect and protect our parks, and Si View's Capital Improvement Projects fund. Community support for this project has been strong throughout the public planning and construction process. We thank you for your input, ideas and patience, as we finally open the gates and invite you to take a look for yourself! We look forward to hosting a community wide celebration as soon as it is safe to do so, tentatively late Spring 2021. More information to follow in the coming months.

For more information about Si View Metro Parks, please visit <a href="www.siviewpark.org">www.siviewpark.org</a> or call (425) 831-1900.