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Petrifying Springs Park Temporarily Closed

Kenosha, WI – (January 16, 2016) – Kenosha County Parks Director Jon Rudie has announced that Petrifying Springs Park, golf course, bike trail, hiking trail, cross country ski trail, and Carlisle Family Dog Park will be temporarily closed to the public due to unsafe conditions during the ash tree removal program. Kenosha County Parks is in the process of having over 2,600 ash trees removed by a logging company as part of the comprehensive emerald ash borer program.

Brighton Dale Park and Fox River Park will also be closed when the loggers transfer operations to remove the ash trees at these parks. Each park will reopen as soon as the logger has finished the removal of the ash trees. Petrifying Springs Park is projected to be back open on February 7th, 2016.

Loggers are working on the removal of ash trees within picnic areas, roadsides, parking areas, golf courses, dog parks and walking paths. The loggers are on a tight schedule to complete the removal of the ash trees and need to move and work uninterrupted in each park and before the ground thaws.

Logging is one of the most dangerous occupations in the United States and to ensure that the public is not placed in an unsafe situation during the project, the park will remain closed until the loggers complete their work.

Openings and closings of each park will be updated on the Kenosha County Parks website <http://www.kenoshacounty.org> and the Kenosha County Dog Park Facebook page. For more information, please contact the Kenosha County Parks at (262) 857-1869.

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