

## Hopkinton Parks and Recreation Department Jon Lewitus, Director

## EMC Park - Project Update - July 25, 2024

Drainage work at the EMC Park is nearing completion and the project area has been graded and seeded. Additional landscaping work will take place in the drainage area, followed by the commencement of the new skate park construction in September. A safety net will be installed between the park and the baseball fields with funds awarded by the Hopkinton Community Preservation Committee. The skate park work is estimated to take approximately two months to complete and the park is expected to open in late November.

The original skate park was revitalized in 2015, but no maintenance was done, resulting in disrepair and the need for the new skate park which will initially offer introductory skate programs on a drop-in basis from dawn to dusk.

Beginning in the spring of 2025, programs will start and will run through the winter and drop-ins will also be available.

"We look forward to the completion of the new skate park, "said Director Jon Lewitus. "The skate park provides recreation that is more diverse and inclusive for kids who are not playing other sports."