



Notice of Coral Reef Park Capital Project Improvements

The Village of Palmetto Bay has initiated the following capital project improvement for Coral Reef Park to enhance the enjoyment and overall visitor experience. This may result in park closures until completion of projects (closures are indicated below, if any).

Coral Reef Park Capital Project Improvements:

- 1. Pine Rockland Restoration**
- 2. East Side Rubberized Trail Renovation and New Walking Paths**

⚠️ *The east side of the park will be closed starting July 12, 2024 through September 30, 2024.*

We appreciate your understanding during the closures of Coral Reef Park as we continue to ensure our parks are held to the highest standards for our patrons. We look forward to welcoming you back once the work is completed.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 305.259.1255.

Project Updates 9-3-24

Task 1: Designated Oak tree reduction/removal from Pine Rockland: January 8, 2024 through March 29, 2024 -- COMPLETED

Task 2:

1st Quarter invasive species control – COMPLETED February 8, 13, 14, 15

2nd Quarter invasive species control – April/May 2024

3rd Quarter invasive species control – June/July 2024

4th Quarter invasive species control – August/September 2024

At least 97% of treated plants must be dead at least six months following treatment. If 100% of the areas is not treated or 97% kill rate is not achieved for any area after one to six months post final treatment, one additional thorough treatment will be scheduled.

Task 3: Pine Rockland Year 1, Bi-annual treatment. Initial Palm cover estimated to be 80%.

1st treatment: reduce Palm cover by 30% - COMPLETED January 12 and 15, 2024

2nd treatment: reduce Palm cover another 30% - May-September 2024

The IRC team recently carried out follow-up work on their scheduled palm reduction (Task 3 in the RFP) as part of our efforts to restore the pine Rockland ecosystem. This involved reducing the density of palms to about 20-30% cover, which will result in downed palm fronds and changes in the landscape. We know this may seem alarming, but it is an essential part of the restoration process. By reducing palm cover, we allow more sunlight to reach the native plants in the understory, which is vital for the health and diversity of the pine Rockland community.

If there are downed fronds along the walkways that are causing any inconvenience, staff will certainly remove them. Otherwise, they should naturally decompose over the next few weeks.

We truly appreciate the communities' support in protecting and restoring this unique ecosystem, which is home to a rich variety of native species.

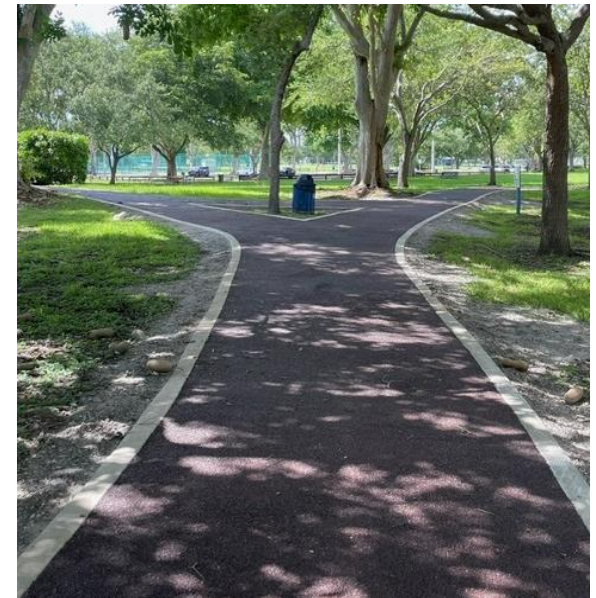
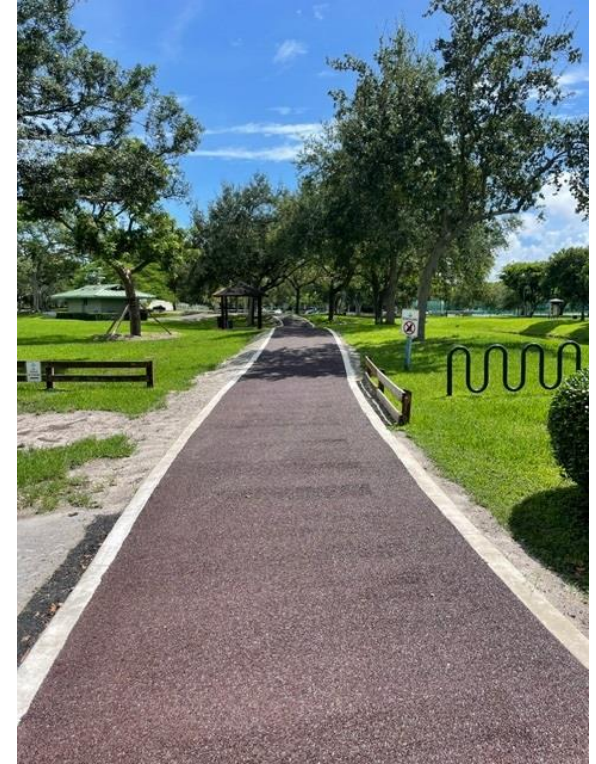
And hope they understand the steps we are taking to give this special community the best chance to thrive.

East Side Rubberized Trail Renovation

Project Updates 9-3-24

Completed

- ✓ Deteriorated walkway removed
- ✓ Linear feet of walkway curbing installed
- ✓ Linear feet of subbase installed in newly curbed walkways
- ✓ Linear feet of rubberized material installed over newly installed subbase
- ✓ Repaired sod, cleaned all areas, relocated boulders/stones, pressure washed parking lot and added fill to outside areas



East Side New Walking Paths

Project Updates 10-1-24

South walking path is about 75% completed, ground has been prepared with lime rock and compacted. Asphalt is all that is needed on the south path.

North walking path is about 50% completed, ground needs about 25% of lime rock and to be compacted.

