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Culvert repair work temporarily closes a portion of Leif Erikson Trail in Forest Park beginning September 13

(Portland, OR) - A culvert repair project will temporarily close Leif Erikson Trail from Milepost 7 to Milepost 11 (at NW Germnatown Road) in Forest Park to all users beginning Monday, September 13. For public safety purposes, the repairs will necessitate closing the trail for up to one month in order to provide access for heavy equipment and trucks into and out of the repair site.

A culvert under Leif Erikson Trail collapsed during heavy rains in June. The project will replace the 80-foot long, 30-inch diameter steel culvert pipe, stabilize the hillside, rebuild a section of the roadway, and revegetate eroded areas.

The repairs are estimated to take about four weeks. Work will be conducted seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. to complete the project in a timely fashion. The City's contractor may also work seven days a week to finish the repairs as quickly as possible.

The contractor will remove several trees to allow construction equipment to access the work area, but Portland Parks & Recreation will mitigate their removal with new tree plantings

Other trails intersecting Leif Erikson Trail will remain open, but park users are asked to exercise caution when crossing Leif Erikson on an intersecting trail. These trails include:

- Tolinda Trail
- Springville Road
- Hardesty Trail
- Ridge Trail
- Gas Line Road
- Oil Line Road
- Fire Lane #7
- Water Line Trail

A full map of the area impacted will be available on the Portland Parks & Recreation website, www.portlandparks.org.

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