Construction Begins on Victoria West Skate Park

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VICTORIA, BC — On Monday, construction begins on the Victoria West skate park. In 2015, a park improvement plan was created with the community to guide phased improvements in Victoria West Park. One of the priorities identified for 2016 is the repair and upgrade of the beginner bowl of the skate park.

The Vic West Skate Park is the only City-operated skate park in Victoria. It is heavily used year-round by skateboarders, BMX riders and scooters, and hosts Victoria’s most popular annual skate competition every June, the Vee Dub Sk8 Competition. The beginner bowl was built in 1992, a large expansion was added to the park in 2002 and a memorial feature added in 2012.

Construction is expected to last through to January. During this time, the beginner bowl will be closed and other areas of the skate park may be closed temporarily to facilitate this work.

Other priority improvements to Vic West Park for 2016 include a larger playground and a new, fenced dog off-leash area. The new playground is now open for the community to enjoy, consisting of a junior play structure for children age two to five years and a senior play structure for children aged five to 12 years. Additionally, the new equipment features an accessible swing seat, tot swings, and a natural play area with climbing stumps and a log circuit.

The new fenced dog-off leash area is under construction in the north east corner of the park, and is expected to open in December.

To view a drawing of the 2015 park improvement plan, please visit www.victoria.ca/vicwestpark

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