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Rock County Parks Announce Opening Of Rock River Heritage County Park

Janesville, WI... Rock County Parks are excited to announce the opening of Rock River Heritage County Park. The park, once owned by the Boy Scouts of America, was purchased by Rock County in February of 2022. This opening is very primitive with an official Grand Opening to be conducted sometime in the Spring. No buildings will be open at this time, however visitors will be able to view the property and what it has to offer to the citizens of Rock County.

Rock River Heritage Park is a 178-acre property (three parcels) located northwest of Janesville on the eastern banks of the Rock River just off North River Road. The parcel was originally created in 1946 to provide outdoor recreation, camping, and education for Boy Scouts in Southern Wisconsin. Since that time, the parcel has evolved and developed to now include trails, lodges and cabins, a man-made lake, and many other amenities. Rock County has made many improvements to the parcel since the purchase in February and visitors will see work continuing throughout the next few months.

When visiting this new Park, we ask that you follow the rules and regulations currently established for Rock County Parks. Operating hours will be from 5am to 10pm. Dogs will be allowed at the park, but they must be leashed at all times and we ask that you always clean up after yourselves. For other questions or information about our parks and our policies, please visit our website at <https://www.co.rock.wi.us/departments/public-works-parks>.

Rock County Parks Manager, John Traynor, said, "whether you're a hiker, fisher, or simply a person who enjoys the parks, we are excited to announce the opening of the Rock River Heritage Park and while there is a lot of work yet to do, we feel that the citizens of Rock County deserve to experience this magnificent property and what it has to offer."

Rock River Heritage County Park is located at 5801 N. River Road in the Town of Janesville.

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