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NEW WHITE RIVER COUNTY PARK DEDICATION SET FOR JULY 10 at 6:00 P.M.



Walworth County Board Chair Nancy Russell is interviewed by Tom Laughlin, Kovia Productions, for an outreach video on the new White River County Park located at 6503 Sheridan Springs Road in the Town of Lyons.

The dedication and grand opening of White River County Park, located in the Town of Lyons just northeast of the City of Lake Geneva, is scheduled for **Thursday, July 10th at 6:00 p.m.**

Walworth County Board Chair Nancy Russell is thrilled to see the County's newest park prepare for its dedication and opening in the coming weeks. "This 195 acre parcel is a perfect fit in helping us realize our long range goal of having a County Park in each of our four County quadrants," Russell said. "The location of the new park with almost 10,000 feet of frontage on the White River is just outstanding, and the iconic barn on the park property has great potential for future use as a nature center or other adaptive reuse."

County officials and former owner Duane Clark had many conversations over time on the potential of turning his farm into a County park. The acquisition was finalized in March of this year with the financial assistance of a Wisconsin Stewardship Program grant. As a diligent steward of the land for almost 50 years, Mr. Clark is very happy that the property will be preserved for people to enjoy forever. Clark developed and maintained over four miles of trails that will be immediately available to the public when the park opens.

A new seven-minute video introducing the new park to county residents and visitors has been produced in cooperation with Tom Laughlin of Kovia Productions. The video is available for downloading on the county Public Works website as well as on You Tube by referencing Walworth County White River Park.

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