

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 58-24-01
of the
Executive Director of the Public Works Department

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF ALL CITY OF EUGENE PARKS

The Executive Director of the Public Works Department finds that:

A. Pursuant to the authority of Administrative Order No. 21-03-12 issued by the City Manager, the Executive Director of the Public Works Department is authorized to regulate City parks and to protect park visitors and the park environment, and adopt rules regarding the use of parks.

B. Section 1.003 of the Parks and Open Space Rules authorizes the temporary closure of all or any portion of a park, open space, or facility "upon finding that conditions that threaten the welfare or safety of nearby residents exist, and the need to preserve their welfare and safety outweighs the public's right of access to the park."

C. Beginning on Saturday, January 13, 2024, the City of Eugene has been experiencing extreme winter weather in the form of ice storms that has resulted in hazardous conditions.

D. Until the weather conditions improve and the City has completed an evaluation of the parks and has mitigated any hazards that could pose a safety risk to park users, the public interest in accessing the City's parks is outweighed by the need to protect park users and nearby residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the above findings, which are hereby adopted:

The Executive Director of the Public Works Department orders and directs that:

1. All City of Eugene Parks are hereby closed to entry by all persons other than law enforcement personnel, authorized City employees and contractors, and persons with written authorization from the Public Works Director or the Parks Division Manager. This closure is effective immediately upon my signature below and shall remain in effect for 3 days.

Dated and effective this 17th day of January, 2024.



Matthew Rodríguez
Executive Director Public Works Department