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Two bicycle path spurs will be added to the Province Lands Bike Trail to enhance bicycle safety and connections in the Provincetown area



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WELLFLEET, Mass— Cape Cod National Seashore is pleased to announce that work will soon begin on two new bicycle path spurs in the Province Lands area of the park. The goal of the project is to improve the bike path connections between the park and Provincetown, which sees high visitor-use in the peak summer season.

Work on the first spur, located between the entrance to the Beech Forest parking area and the

Provincetown Transfer Station, is expected to begin March 20. The path will parallel Race Point Road for 1/3 of a mile. This spur is part of an existing Province Lands bike trail that has been closed for several years due to adjacent tree roots pushing up through the ground, resulting in safety hazards for users.

The second spur will begin site preparation work in late March, with most of the project taking place after Labor Day. The spur will parallel the end of Route 6 where the divided lanes come together and turn right into Herring Cove North parking area via Province Lands Road for ¼ of a mile.

"Safe bicycle connections between the park and Provincetown are a vital component of visitors having a safe and enjoyable visit," said Leslie Reynolds, acting Superintendent.

Both projects will include widening the trail to a standard 10-foot width for a multi-use trail, centerline striping, improving drainage in low areas to eliminate pooling of water after rainfall, and replacing and upgrading existing directional and safety signage. The contractor for this project is Henry General Contractors, Inc.

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