



## Press Release

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### **Bentonville North Trail Bridge Closed to Public**

**Bentonville, AR.....** The extreme weather conditions experienced in the Bentonville area necessitate the closing of another recreational trail facility. Effective immediately, the Bentonville North Trail Bridge, along NW A Street will be closed for public use. The North Trail Bridge along with Lake Bella Vista Park and Trail and Wishing Springs Trail are closed to the public until further notice. For safety precautions, the City of Bentonville Staff is closing this bridge because of the unsafe conditions created by the flooding.

The North Bentonville Trail is accessible from two primary locations. The entrance at the Bentonville Bark Park is located at 2400 North Walton Boulevard accesses this trail from the North. The Bark Park and Restrooms will remain open for public use. The trail is also accessible via the new parking lot at 906 NE A Street; it accesses the trail from the South. These entrances will remain open to the public.

The North Trail will continue to be available for public use. However this bridge connects the two trail heads and patrons will not be able to access the start to finish of this particular trail.

The Slaughter Pen Mountain Bike Trails, located along the Bentonville North Trail, will remain open to the public. However, they can not be accessed from the Bark Park entrance. All participants will need to access this facility from the NE A Street area.

The City of Bentonville appreciates the cooperation from our park patrons during this weather event. As soon as the rain comes to an end and the facilities are safe for public use, the park and trails will reopen. The public will be notified through a press release at that time.

For additional information, please contact Bentonville Parks and Recreation at 464.7275.

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