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Brentwood Wetland Restoration Project Groundbreaking Set for April 13

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Thursday, April 13

10:00 a.m.

Brentwood Boulevard at Marshall Avenue

Next to the Bi-State Facility at 3000 S. Brentwood Blvd.

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Brentwood, Missouri – April 10, 2023 – Area residents are invited to join the City of Brentwood and its partners Deer Creek Watershed Alliance, Great Rivers Greenway, Missouri Department of Conservation, and The Open Space Council for the St. Louis Region on Thursday, April 13, as they break ground on the Brentwood Wetland Restoration Project. The groundbreaking will begin at 10:00 a.m. at the wetland area south of the Bi-State Metro Garage facility at 3000 S. Brentwood Blvd.

The City of Brentwood purchased the 6.75 acres of land from the Bi-State Development Agency with the goal of fulfilling a plan to restore, enhance, preserve, and protect the wetland.

In 2017, the Deer Creek Watershed Alliance sponsored a Wetland Charrette, where stakeholders met to discuss and plan for the best potential ecological use of this space. The City of Brentwood, with the support of the project partners, will follow the recommendations of the charrette as a foundation for the final design and implementation of the project, using the space as a natural educational resource for the community.

The plan for this green space includes trails throughout the wetland arboretum for recreation and education including hiking, biking, birdwatching, and conservation education.

The City of Brentwood's purchase of the property will ensure it is never developed. Instead, it will remain a place where water can go when Deer Creek overflows in times of heavy rainfall, thus helping to prevent flooding elsewhere. Planting native trees, shrubs and grasses will result in increased biodiversity, improved soil health, and reduced stormwater runoff. Opening this property to public use will provide educational opportunities relating to river health, flood control and biodiversity.

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Conceptual rendering of the Brentwood Wetland Restoration Project area, south of the Bi-State Metro garage facility.