



**Board of County Commissioners**

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## **Commissioners Authorize Award for Resurfacing of Columbia and Landsdown Trails**

The Hunterdon County Board of Commissioners, at the February 21<sup>st</sup> Board meeting, authorized a contract with Capital Paving & Contracting LLC., to complete the resurfacing various portions of the Columbia and Landsdown trails which are among the most heavily used portions of open space land owned by the County.

The Columbia Trail portion of this project is to commence on or about March 6<sup>th</sup>, followed by the refreshing of the Landsdown Trail sometime after. In conformity with the 2019 NJDOT standards, the project involves laying a crushed gravel mix of marble and limestone, which will provide a stable surface and smooth grade transitions along the heavily used areas of the trails.

Director of the Hunterdon County Commissioner Board, Zach Rich stated, "This investment in resurfacing along the Columbia and Landsdown Trails is so important and aligns with the Commissioner Board's goal of making targeted investments in our parks and open space land to enhancing the visitor experience and maintain our residents high quality of life."

It is anticipated that brief closures on parts of the trails will occur during the upgrade, but a total closure of the trails is not expected during the duration of the project. The Hunterdon County website will contain a temporary closure schedule and signage will be placed along various locations to assist and redirect the public.



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Deputy Director Commissioner, Jeff Kuhl, the Board's liaison to the Planning and Land Use Department, commented, "The resurfacing of approximately 7.5 miles of the Columbia and Landsdown trails will significantly upgrade many of the areas that residents and visitors enjoy walking and biking along daily. Hunterdon County's abundant trails, parks, and open space lands are key to preserving our rural character and protecting our environment."

The Department of Public Works and Engineering has worked closely with the Division of Parks and Recreation to ensure the seamlessness of this project and will be providing on-site inspections throughout the duration of the project. Park Rangers will also be on hand to patrol areas throughout construction.

The contract with Capital Paving & Contracting LLC., was awarded following the review of 9 bids that were received for the project. Capital Paving & Contracting LLC, submitted the lowest responsible bid in the amount of \$486,183.00.

For additional information on Hunterdon County Parks system please click [here](#).