



The health, safety, and well-being of our visitors and customers are always our top priority. We are actively monitoring the rapidly changing situation regarding COVID-19. Below are our current closures as well as information detailing our operational response to the virus.

## CLOSURES -

Currently, the **Marilla Center**, the **Wiles Hill Community Building**, the **Morgantown Ice Arena** AND **BOPARC PLAYGROUNDS** are **CLOSED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC** SO THAT WE MAY SUPPORT EFFORTS TO MINIMIZE THE RISK OF COVID-19.

**PLEASE NOTE** that the **PLAYGROUND CLOSURE** is per the **Governor's mandate**. Playgrounds serve an at-risk section of our general population (children) and this closure is to further efforts to keep them safe. Signage has been placed at our playgrounds to advise of closure. Please follow the directive of the mandate and refrain from using the playground equipment. **BOPARC will not be fencing or taping off these facilities. It is our expectation that our patrons will follow the closure mandate and use common sense in keeping themselves and others safe.**

**Public Restrooms** are closed. **Water Fountains** have not been made operational for safety purposes.

## OPEN AREAS –

**Parks and Trails** are currently **OPEN** but we are requesting that users maintain appropriate social distance (at least 6 feet) and that individuals not visit parks or trails if they are exhibiting symptoms of illness.

## GENERAL OPERATIONS -

Although our Administrative Office (located in Marilla Center) is closed to the public, we have staff monitoring phones, returning voice mail messages and emails Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm (304-296-8356).

We are still performing maintenance functions within our parks, tree removals in parks and on trails, and preparation for seasonal facilities (outdoor restrooms and pools). We need to perform these duties as we are an essential community asset that must be prepared to resume full functionality when the time comes. If you see BOPARC staff in your parks, this is why.

In order to keep our staff and our patrons as safe as possible, we have established a personal hygiene protocol and are following situational checklists on a daily basis for our employees and contractors. We are working with staggered shifts and splitting our crews in order to maintain mandated group numbers. Due to the requirements of the CDC recommendations, our work may be a little behind so please keep these things in mind during these difficult times.

## FUTURE EVENTS –

**BOPARC Softball Leagues** – There is information on the website regarding our summer leagues and registration. Please refer to the Programs, Athletics, Events tab and access Athletics, BOPARC Softball Leagues. The direct link is: <http://www.boparc.org/boparc-softball-leagues.html>

**Summer Camps and Swim Lessons** – At this time, we are hopeful that if people listen to the safety measures currently in place we'll be able to provide these important summer experiences as appropriate. It is too early for us to make final decisions on camp dates and other aspects of related programming. Our staff is still engaged and working through lesson plans and other camp components.

**Events** – Our summer events are **completely funded** by mechanisms that are questionable at this point in time. We will be monitoring and evaluating this aspect of our summer calendar as the situation unfolds.

**Pools** – As stated above, we are preparing our seasonal facilities so that they will be available to the community when the time comes.

**Dog Parks, Marilla Skate Park and Tennis Courts** – These amenities are not covered under the Governor's mandate specifically. Park systems across the country are responding in different ways regarding official closures of similar facilities. At this time we are advising the following: Although these facilities are not yet closed, the CDC recommendation of minimum distance from others (6 feet) should be followed at all times. Large group gatherings are prohibited. **BOPARC IS NOT DISINFECTING specific areas within the park system so all visitation to these areas is at the user's own risk.** Again, it is our expectation that our patrons will follow universal recommendations and use common sense in keeping themselves and others safe.

Any additional facility closures or activity cancellations will be posted on the BOPARC website and on our Facebook page