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Young patrons practice social distancing while enjoying the pump and strider tracks at the Auburn Bike Park.



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The Auburn Area Parks and Recreation District over the past week has reopened additional facilities and cancelled events in the midst of COVID-19 concerns.

Outdoor bathrooms, the skate park, parks and walking pathways, volleyball facilities, the bike park and ballfields are now open to the public.

"We're just trying to keep up with mother nature," district administrator Kahl Muscott said.

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things come around more soon than that, but we're trying to be realistic."

Muscott said signs are posted on facilities that are currently closed, caution tape has been placed on playgrounds and picnic areas, and rims have been removed from basketball courts.

Additionally, ARD events have been cancelled, as mass gatherings are not called until Stage 4 of the governor's four-stage resilience road map. The following events have been cancelled:

- Chipper's Birthday Party on May 18.
- Party in the Park on June 19.
- Auburn Ukulele Concert & Festival on July 31-Aug. 1.

Other events may also end up being cancelled, Muscott said.



will review a final budget for the 2020-21 fiscal year at the end of May. According to Muscott, the post-ID financial plan will likely include tightening the budget and reducing services.



"We've seen a great reduction in our revenue," Muscott said. "Everyone's been affected and we're no different."



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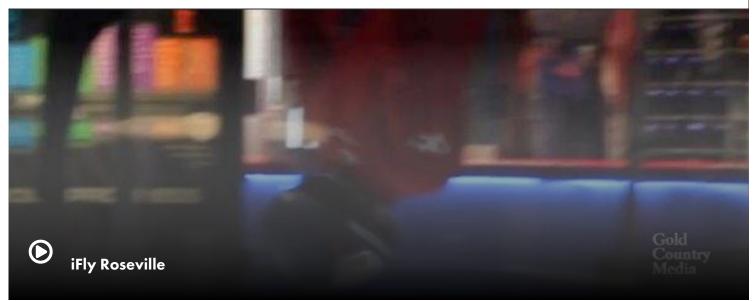
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