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Nebraska Environmental Trust Awards CSO! Program Two Grants
Spring Lake Park and Saddle Creek to benefit.

(OMAHA, Neb) The Nebraska Environmental Trust has awarded a third grant of just under \$1 million to two projects associated with the CSO Program. Mark Brohman, executive director of the Nebraska Environmental Trust, representatives from the City of Omaha Public Works and Parks and Recreation departments and Omaha Mayor Jean Stothert will hold a news conference Wednesday, June 12, 2012 at 2:30 p.m. at the Spring Lake Park Swimming Pool parking lot located at 4020 Hoctor Blvd., Omaha, NE. Officials will provide an update on the work taking place in Spring Lake Park as well as a project between 55th and 64th Streets and Saddle Creek. Graphic renderings of both projects will be available.

The Spring Lake Park project is one of restoration and preservation and will begin construction this fall. As a result of using green solutions in this area, the CSO program estimates it will save the city and ratepayers \$5 million dollars on a project that would have otherwise cost \$17.4 million.

The Spring Lake Park grant will partially fund recreational opportunities, restoring the ponds and wetlands that were removed and preserve unique habitats in Spring Lake Park.

The grant for the Saddle Creek Area will provide partial funding for stormwater detention ponds. Construction for this project is underway.

WHO: Mark Brohman, Executive Director, Nebraska Environmental Trust; Jean Stothert, Mayor of Omaha, Marty Grate, City of Omaha, Public Works Department

WHAT: Update regarding the third grant from Nebraska Environmental Trust; display of renderings of both impacted locations.

WHEN: Wednesday, June 12, 2013
2:30 p.m.

WHERE: Spring Lake Park Swimming Pool parking lot
4020 Hocter Blvd.

WHY: An update on the Spring Lake Park project

Partnering with the city on this project is: Nebraska Environmental Trust, Omaha Parks, Recreation and Public Property, Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District, Keep Omaha Beautiful, Spring Lake Park Neighborhood Association, Spring Lake Park Habitat Restoration and Preservation Team and the [CSO](#) Program Management Team.

The CSO! Program is an unfunded, federal mandate intended to reduce overflows to the Missouri River and the Papillion Creek and improve the water quality.

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