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SUBJECT: Playground fall zones to be replaced between May 22-26 at Morgan Park, Blackmer Park, and Portland Square

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**Playground fall zones to be replaced between May 22-26 at Morgan Park, Blackmer Park,
and Portland Square**

[DULUTH, MN] The City of Duluth will temporarily close the playgrounds at Morgan Park, Blackmer Park, and Portland Square during the week of Monday, May 22 while fall zone materials are replaced. The current sand material will be replaced with an engineered wood fiber to improve playground safety and accessibility. The playgrounds are expected to be closed for one day each, with all playgrounds reopening on or before Friday, May 26.

During the fall zone replacement at Blackmer Park, there will be a temporary road closure at 84th Avenue W between the Alley and Concord Street. At Portland Square, there will be temporary road closures on E Fifth Street between N Tenth Avenue E and N 11th Avenue E, and on N 11th Avenue E from E Fourth Street to the Fourth Street Alley. These closures are necessary to provide sufficient space for equipment and heavy machinery. "No Parking" signs will be placed in advance of the project and enforced along these road segments for the duration of the project.

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