

# **Parks and Recreation Division Community Resources Department Media Release**

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## **City of Duluth trails closed to public use.**

The City of Duluth's Parks and Recreation Department is asking the public to refrain from using city hiking trails, snowmobile trails and cross country ski trails. Due to the annual spring thaw these trails have become soft and are now vulnerable to being damaged with deep ruts and possible erosion.

The public can help prevent damage to these trails by staying off them until warmer temperatures and drier weather improve trail conditions. A notice regarding the reopening of trails will be provided as soon as conditions permit.

Trails that are open to the public at this time are the Lakewalk, the Munger Trail and the Western Waterfront Trail. In addition, the far eastern part of Skyline Parkway near Hawks Ridge is also a good place to walk as well as the far western end of Skyline Parkway, west of Spirit Mountain. These portions of Skyline are still closed to vehicular traffic.

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