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Northampton Awarded \$90,000 for Connecticut River Greenway Park

One week after officially dedicating the new Connecticut River Greenway Park, Mayor David J. Narkewicz today announced that the City of Northampton has been awarded a \$90,000 federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant to help complete the riverfront park located off Damon Road.

“This grant supports two important improvements. Installing a fully accessible dock for launching canoes and kayaks and completing the final paving and drainage work,” said Mayor Narkewicz. “Last week we formally opened the riverfront park. This week we move forward on the final details.”

The project will require local matching funds, with a Community Preservation Act application for those funds pending.

The accessible dock will help people with disabilities and anyone who doesn’t feel completely stable getting in and out of a canoe and kayak, and is part of the city’s commitment to improving recreation opportunities for all. The drainage and pavement work will improve the longevity of the pavement structure to last decades instead of simply a few years.

More information about the Connecticut River Greenway Park is available at <http://www.northamptonma.gov/CTrivergreenwaypark>