



BEAR DENS – CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

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Thank you for your interest in the Bear Dens Safety Improvements project!



SCHEDULE UPDATES:

- Over the next couple months, the site will be relatively quiet while the metal sub-contractor, Wovensteel, will be working in their shop to fabricate the components needed to stabilize the cages.
- The project is anticipated to be complete in May 2026.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES:

- Wovensteel has taken down unstable metal components from the cages. The badly deteriorated pieces will be disposed of; the pieces that are salvageable will be reinstalled with the newly fabricated components. The new metal components will be painted to match the existing steel.
- An oak tree behind the Bear Dens is in poor health and will be removed (photo below).

OTHER ITEMS:

Please use [311](https://311.boston.gov/) to document non-emergency issues relating to park use, and 911 for emergency situations relating to public safety.

PROJECT WEBSITE: www.boston.gov/bear-dens

Please reach out with any additional questions: amy.linne@boston.gov or 617-961-3045



The deteriorating metal components are being removed from the old cages. A new metal bar will be installed along the top of the cage posts.



Rust has compromised the fasteners in some places. These will be reattached.



The lower portion of several pickets has deteriorated. These will be cut and installed with new metal rods.



Cage 4 had the greatest amount of metal canopy remaining. The pieces will be removed and re-installed



Metal canopy from Cage 4, to be re-installed.



This tree behind the Bear Dens is in poor health and will be removed