City of Boston
Parks and Recreation
Mayor Michelle Wu

BACK BAY FENS Pathways Construction Update
November 2026

TREE PRUNING: to begin in the next few weeks:

- Tree pruning and shrub removal will be starting over the coming weeks.
- You will see arborists in the park to do this work. The arborist has walked the site with the City of Boston Tree Warden to discuss each tree that will have work done on it. The City Tree Warden will also be closely monitoring the work to be done.

WORK THAT HAS HAPPENED OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS:

- Work has begun in the Victory Garden on drainage to help with the flooding that happens in this area.
- Most of the initial work that is being done is underground so you will not see much above ground work for the next few weeks.

WORK IN THE NEXT MONTH:

- Work will continue in the Victory Gardens, including more drainage and electrical conduit installation.
- Rough grading of sidewalks will occur
- We may possibly get the base course of asphalt installed depending on weather.
- And of course, the tree pruning discussed earlier in the update.

OTHER ITEMS:

Please use 311 to document non-emergency issues relating to park use, and 911 for emergency situations relating to public safety.

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