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**OPEN HOUSE ABOUT LAKE MINNETONKA LRT REGIONAL TRAIL
CROSSING AT COUNTY ROAD 19 IS SEPTEMBER 10**

The public is invited to an open house about possible at-grade safety improvements to the area where the Lake Minnetonka LRT Regional Trail crosses County Road 19 in Shorewood and Tonka Bay. Park District staff and the consultant will share proposed recommendations for improvements to the crossing at the open house. Details are as follows:

Lake Minnetonka LRT Regional Trail crossing open house

Thursday, September 10, 2015
4-6 PM
Southshore Center
5735 County Club Road
Shorewood, MN 55331

Staff and the consultant will give brief presentations about the proposed recommendations at 4:15 and 5:15 PM.

This year, Three Rivers Park District has been working with a consultant and other partners — including the cities of Shorewood and Tonka Bay as well as Hennepin County — to conduct a study to evaluate possible ways to improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety at the crossing.

The Lake Minnetonka LRT Regional Trail travels from Hopkins, through Minnetonka, Deephaven, Greenwood, Excelsior, Shorewood, Tonka Bay, Chanhassen and Victoria on its way to Carver Park Reserve. An estimated 415,000 visits are made each year to the 14.4-mile aggregate-surface trail. For more information about the trail, visit www.ThreeRiversParks.org.

About Three Rivers Park District

Three Rivers Park District is a nature-based park system that manages park reserves, regional parks, regional trails and special-use facilities in the Twin Cities metropolitan area. Three Rivers Park District's mission is to promote environmental stewardship through recreation and education in a natural resources-based park system. The Park District owns and operates more than 27,000 acres and serves nearly 11 million visitors a year.