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Military Heritage Park construction underway

(Barrie, ON) – Construction of Barrie’s new Military Heritage Park, located on the south shore of Kempenfelt Bay started this afternoon. The park will be a passive parkland development that recognizes the City of Barrie’s military history and ongoing relationships with CFB Borden.

“I’m really looking forward to seeing this park design come to fruition,” said Walter Fischer, supervisor of parks, planning and development. “It will uniquely pay homage to our military history through the landscape architecture. I imagine this will be a place for learning and reflection.”

The Military Heritage Park will reflect the City of Barrie’s military history, and its relationship with CFB Borden, through the creation of landforms that symbolically references locations in the world where military campaigns were held. The park will be divided into a series of passive landscapes that will act as a self-guided, educational experience. The park will also contain decorative panels and future interpretative signage and art installations which allow the park to be integrated into the City’s new Heritage Trail system.

On Oct. 22, 2013, the City of Barrie welcomed Her Royal Highness (HRH) The Princess Royal Princess Anne to a dedication ceremony of the proposed park. This project is being completed in cooperation with the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program as well as partnerships with Barrie Rotary Club & CFB Borden. Military Heritage Park is expected to open to the public in September.

For more information on the project, visit barrie.ca/MilitaryPark.

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