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From left: Valeria Molina, Committee Member; Greg Jones, John Thomas, Robby Staten, Chairman Jevin Jensen, Whitfield County BOC; Emri Early, Matt Early, Committee Member; Bob Sivick, County Administrator; Brian Chastain, Rec Director; Barry Robbins, Whitfield County BOC

RIVERBEND PARK CONSTRUCTION FOR PLAYGROUND BEGINS

Whitfield County, Ga – On Wednesday, August 2, Riverbend Park welcomed another exciting addition, a new playground facility. What was once a vacant area, will be transformed into something children of all ages can enjoy by Fall 2023.

The Whitfield County Board of Commissioners and Recreation Director Brian Chastain joined the recreation committee to commemorate the groundbreaking ceremony. In March 2023, Chastain formed a recreation committee comprised of local residents to help select a playground design. Matt Early, one of the committee members, would draw inspiration from what he wanted out of the playground from his 6-year-old daughter. “She is most excited about to be able to play on the playground while her brother plays baseball,” said Early. “She’s also a big fan of the (blue and green) colors.”

Riverbend Park is a 75-acre recreational facility located on the south end of Whitfield County and became officially operational in April 2022. It is equipped with a gym, indoor walking track, a FIFA regulated soccer field, four softball/baseball fields, and much more. “This playground will fill the piece of the park we have been missing – this will make sure we will truly have something for everyone,” said Chastain.

The playground is expected to be fully operational by September 2023. For updates or more information on Riverbend Park please visit:

<https://www.whitfieldcountyga.com/rec/parks/riverbend.htm>