



## Announcement of a summer travel plan

Setting up safe active transportation circuits at Parc Jean-Drapeau

**Montréal, July 21, 2020** – La Société du parc Jean-Drapeau (SPJD) is currently rolling out its summer travel plan, developed in conjunction with the [the City of Montréal summer travel plan](#), and in this regard it will be helping in setting up the Montréal parks' system, which got underway last month. By making large public spaces available and accessible to visitors through the creation of active transportation circuits, the SPJD is promoting active travel in the battle against COVID-19 and is offering an entirely new experience at the Parc.

*The objective: allow people to actively travel around in compliance with physical distancing directives and, in doing so, discover other facets of Parc Jean-Drapeau.*

### Constructive measures

The summer travel plan will result in some notable changes in the way people travel to the Parc, and it comprises many different aspects.

Certain sectors of the Parc will be the focus of a **pedestrianizing operation starting on July 25**.

- Chemin Tour-de-l'Isle, partially two-way to allow visitors to get to the Stewart Museum and La Ronde and come back in the direction of the Jacques-Cartier Bridge, the road will be reserved, over a lengthy stretch, for pedestrian and cycling traffic.
- Chemin des Floralies : no vehicular traffic is allowed, making way for cyclists and pedestrians who would like to discover this charming area.

**Traffic-easing measures** will be gradually implemented at the Parc **between July 25 and August 7**.

- On Chemin Macdonald, the Cosmos Bridge and Chemin Chenal-Lemoyne: speed-reduction devices, markings on the ground and signage will be added to help ensure a better sharing of space and safety for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.

### Lanes that safely create a continuity in the Parc experience

Setting up safe active travel lanes entails the reconfiguring of roads so that visitors can easily get around on foot or by bike to many areas of interest at the Parc: walking trails, collections of public art works, aquatic facilities, the Floralies Gardens, riverside walkway, food concessions and all of Parc Jean Drapeau's insular partners' activities.

Reduce the use of cars, encourage the use of public transit and reorganize certain parking spaces into transitory spaces: all of these are important steps toward the **re-appropriation by citizens of the Parc's public spaces**.

### An extraordinary laboratory

The summer travel plan will also enable the SPJD to test the transitory solutions inspired by its 2020-2030 Master Plan, which will be unveiled to the public this September. Steadfastly rooted in the values of sustainable development and innovation, the summer initiative is intent on providing citizens with an accessible and beneficial solution enabling them to get around, discover and do an outdoor activity, safely. Now is the time to adopt healthy habits, to view travelling around in a different light, and, for the SPJD, to study, in a continual improvement context, the travels of all of the types of users on its premises.



### Impact on parking and traffic

A parking management strategy will be carried out in tandem with this initiative to rationalize and align the parking offer in certain sectors.

Motorists will be redirected to periphery lots, P2 and P15 for the Parc's walkers, while a few other parking lots will accommodate visitors going to specific activities such as Jean-Doré Beach (P4), the Stewart Museum (P7), La Ronde (P8), the Aquatic Complex (P10), the Biosphere, Environment Museum (P11) or the climbing wall (P13). Parking lots P1, P3, P6, P9, P12 and P14 will remain closed.

Walkers, sports enthusiasts and nature lovers are encouraged to make use of the various modes of alternative transportation that is available: public transit (bus, subway, taxi sharing, Bixi bike, bicycle, walking, etc. If you absolutely need to use a car to come to the Parc, consider car-pooling.



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