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CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

PARK-WIDE LIGHT POLES

Over the last three months, the park-wide light pole contractor has prepared the necessary shop drawings and calculations associated with the development of the first light pole prototype so as to allow for the necessary photometric testing of the various fixtures and luminaries. The prototype is expected on site in the last week in May.

CHELSEA WATERSIDE PARK ATHLETIC FIELD RECONSTRUCTION WORK

Thanks to the mild winter and the determined efforts of staff, the natural grass athletic field

was replaced with a "Field Turf" field on schedule. The demand for this new facility has already been overwhelming.

SEGMENT 4 CONSTRUCTION:

The Segment 4 (Clarkson Street to Horatio Street) marine contractor has completed installation of the concrete slab at Pier 45 and is now advancing the installation of fender piles at Piers 51 and 46. The Segment 4 upland park contractor continued work throughout the winter period. Progress over the last month has included the reinstallation and repair of the remaining bulkhead stones, the installa-

tion of the esplanade paving, the installation of the Pier 51 and Pier 46 fill materials and finished paving, the pouring of the southern most comfort station concrete slabs and utilities, just to name a few.

SEGMENTS 2 & 3 DESIGN:

The Segment 2 & 3 (Battery Place to Clarkson Street) design team has wrapped up the concept design phase of the project and moving forward with schematic design.

SEGMENT 5 DESIGN: The Segment 5 (Horatio Street to 26th Street) design team is wrapping up the schematic design phase of the project and mov-

ing forward with design development. This next phase of work will be the basis of the submission to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the Army Corps of Engineers early next year.

SEGMENTS 6 & 7 DESIGN: The Segments 6 & 7 (26th Street to 59th Street) design team is in the midst of the design development phase of the project. The Segment 7 portion of the work has been submitted for review by the NYSDEC and the Army Corps of Engineers.

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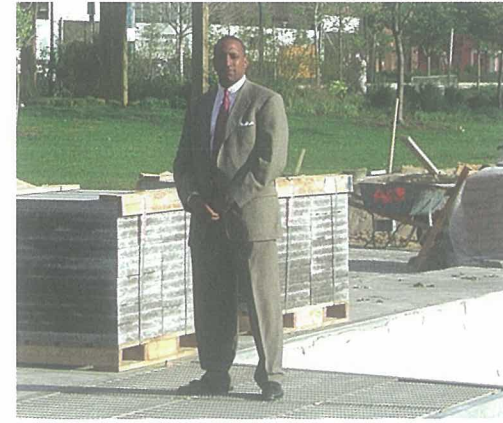


Hudson River Park Happenings

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President's Letter:
FUN IN THE SUN



Robert Balachandran surveys the construction efforts underway on the upland portion of the Park in Greenwich Village.

As construction progresses and weather warms up, we at the Trust are looking forward to an event-filled summer at Hudson River Park. Just before summer officially begins, we will kick off our season with Hudson River Park Day on June 9.

Hudson River Park Day will be filled with activities, music, and food, and it gives a preview of what you can expect to see and do in the Park in the coming months. We are expecting

some fabulous performances throughout the summer, so remember to check our website, www.hudsonriverpark.org, for periodic updates of the events calendar.

Last month's newsletter introduced Lee White, the Trust's Horticulturalist, and you can see his expert gardening efforts at the Park are clearly paying off - we are already enjoying greener lawns, bright flowers and other colorful shrubbery.

I look forward to seeing you all in the Park.

Sincerely,

Robert P. Balachandran, President & CEO
 Hudson River Park Trust



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