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## **MOUNTAIN CREEK PARK PUBLIC FORUM SET FOR OCTOBER 12**

NEWTON, NC – Catawba County Planning & Parks is hosting a public forum Thursday, October 12 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. to gather additional input on the design plan for the County's proposed Mountain Creek Park. The event will be held at Sherrills Ford Elementary School, located at 8103 Sherrills Ford Road, Sherrills Ford, NC 28673.

This forum provides a second opportunity for the public to view and comment on the park's proposed design plan, which was also shared at an earlier forum in August. Formal presentations of the plan will take place at 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Comments on the plan are welcome at any time during the three-hour event.

The 588-acre Mountain Creek Park site, located off Little Mountain Road in the Sherrills Ford area, was created through a public-private partnership among Catawba County, the Catawba Lands Conservancy, Duke Energy, and Crescent Resources. Because the site's acreage is covered by two conservation easements, site development is restricted to passive outdoor recreation opportunities. The park is intended to be a complementary addition to the County's parks system, which includes Bakers Mountain Park, Riverbend Park, and St. Stephens Park.

For more information about Mountain Creek Park or the public forum, contact Catawba County Planning & Parks at (828) 465-8381 or visit [www.catawbacountync.gov/parks/mountain-creek-park](http://www.catawbacountync.gov/parks/mountain-creek-park).

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