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For Immediate Release - City of Livingston to Leave Playground Equipment Open

With Bozeman closing its playground equipment we have received inquiries about the status of our playground equipment.

In consultation with the Public Health Department, we have determined that the risk of transmission from outdoor playground equipment is minimal because of cooler outdoor temperatures as well as sunlight (when it isn't snowing) which are not favorable for virus survival and transmission.

The real risk of infection is the close interaction between children.

At this time, we are opting to leave the playground equipment open to use.

Please continue to observe all social distancing guidelines and do not have multiple people on the equipment at the same time. Please feel free to wipe down the equipment with disinfectant before and after use.

The City of Livingston's response with closures is intended to reduce infection and keep people safe while balancing the need for families get some much needed fresh air and recreation through this challenging time.

We are monitoring the changing landscape of cases in Park County and decisions about closures will be amended as the situation dictates.

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