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Clinton Township dedicates first paddle launch site at Budd Park

Clinton Township and Macomb County officials, business owners and area residents gathered on the banks of the Clinton River today to dedicate Clinton Township's brand-new paddle launch site.

The Clinton Township launch in Budd Park (located at the intersection of Clinton River Road and Romeo Plank) offers enthusiasts another launch and landing site from which to explore the Clinton River, plus a recreational ride in a canoe or kayak to downtown Mount Clemens that is easy for novices and great for families.

"Clinton Township is blessed to have all three branches of the Clinton River flowing through and joining together just before entering Mount Clemens," said Clinton Township Supervisor Bob Cannon. "This is just another fabulous example of how residents from all throughout Macomb County, and even beyond our borders, can enjoy and recreate on this precious community asset."

The paddle landing features a "green" landing pad that was created by stabilizing the embankment along the river and planting hardy vegetation. The new launch pad is near the golden triangle, a hike and bike trail, that connects to Clinton Township's civic center.

Meeting an important milestone for the Macomb County Blue Economy Initiative, the Clinton Township launch increases access to the county's waterways through environmentally sound means.

"This new park offers a convenient, secure place for people to land a canoe or kayak and enjoy one of Clinton Township's great parks, nearby historic Canal Park and the Don Green Nature Trail," said Macomb County Executive Mark A. Hackel.

ITC Holdings Corp provided a grant to the Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development for construction materials. Sterling Heights Department of Public Works employees provided labor and other in-kind expenses.



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