

## Fast Facts

Renovated bathhouse is 5,200 square feet (SF) and includes:

- Nature's Classroom: 730 SF
- Office/Controller: 193 SF
- Concessions: 469 SF
- Summer Bathhouse Area (not winterized): 3,240 SF
- Seasonal spaces in the bathhouse designed using natural ventilation supplemented with on-demand exhaust fans
- 4 Family restrooms, all accessible amenities
- "Zero net energy," all-electric building uses solar panels (22.8 kW DC system) combined with an efficient heat pump to produce all the energy/heating/cooling it uses onsite

### Pools

- Wading pool: 2,265 SF, 3 feet at deepest, capacity of 151
- Main pool: 4,803 SF, 8.5 feet at deepest, capacity of 306
- Pool finishes are not painted; water makes them look blue once filled
- Both pools are zero entry with added wheelchair lifts
- Equipment building: 810 SF, includes area for lifeguards, first aid, and filtration systems
- Splash pad will provide summertime cooling but also year-round interest/seating

### Landscape

- 3.2 acres of restored parkland (not including access road)
- Adapting to climate change:
  - Native species used in rain gardens and landscaping, reuse of existing boulders
  - Planted 7 native species of trees well adapted to the area, such as red maple, white spire birch, eastern red cedar, and pitch pine
  - .57 Acres restored saltwater wetlands & 15,000 SF porous pavement protect the area and prevent pollution from reaching the ocean
  - Elevation of entire site raised by 7.3 feet, to 18.7 feet, or ~4.5 feet above projected sea level rise paired with a 2.5 ft storm surge
- New water, sewer lines and a new emergency access road
- Nearly ¼ mile of new accessible pathways and 4 new accessible parking spaces
- 2 integrated Public Art elements: a 3D mural & splashpad



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City of Salem  
"Sneak Peek"  
December 18, 2021  
10:30-12:30

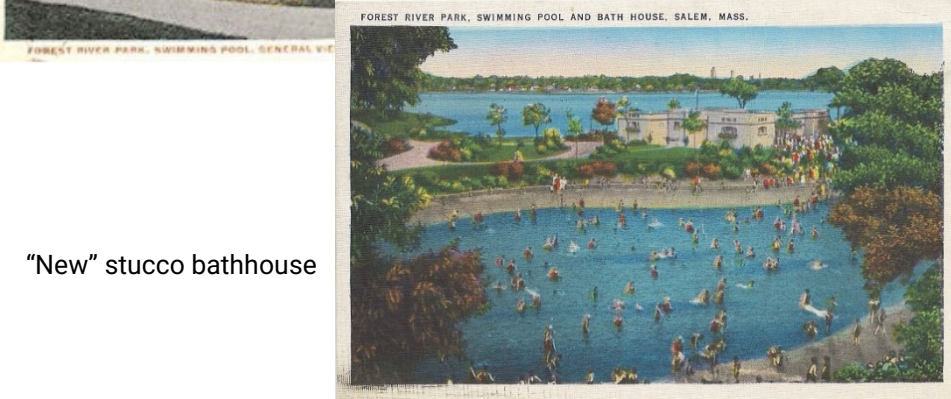
## A Day at the Pool: Then and Now

### **1920's: Swimming with the Fishes**

Treasured by everyone, the Forest River Pool has been part of our community for generations, bringing us together for more than 120 years. But it didn't always look like it does now! Patrons swimming in the ocean water of the original "tide" pool occasionally felt fish brush against their legs.



Original wooden bathhouse



"New" stucco bathhouse

### **1970's – 2018: Out with the Old**

This pool replaced the "lagoon" in 1972, but still used ocean water until 1999 when a chlorination system was added. In 2018, with both the building and pool due for major upgrades, and major damage from a storm that year, the pool was closed.



The City of Salem welcomes you to enjoy a "Sneak Peek" at the Forest River Outdoor Recreation and Nature Center. The project is nearing completion; however, this is a chance to see the new facility prior to official opening in the Spring of 2022.

### **Event Agenda**

10:30am – Event Opens

10:35am – Mayor Kim Driscoll:

Opening Remarks & Acknowledgements

10:40am – Jenna Ide: Sustainability & Resiliency

10:50am – Louis Chinn & Huameng Yu: Artists' Talk

11am-12:30pm – Facility Open to Public for Sneak Peek Tours

*As a reminder, please wear a mask while inside the public facility. Keep to paths and be mindful of the pool area, as the space is still an active construction site. Additional information is available at tables, online at <https://www.salem.com/forestriverpark>, and from staff who are on hand to answer questions.*