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BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS TO MEET WITH CANDIDATES FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION

DAYTON – Five Rivers MetroParks Board of Park Commissioners will hold a special meeting with the final two candidates for the position of executive director. Stephen Madewell and Rebecca Benná will meet with the board at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 27, at Cox Arboretum MetroPark, 6733 Springboro Pike, Dayton.

Madewell is currently the director of Lake MetroParks in Lake County, Ohio, and Benná serves as the director of parks and recreation for the City of Glendale, Arizona. Shoemaker is slated to retire as executive director on February 28, 2011.

The Board of Park Commissioners will hold another special meeting on January 28, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Cox Arboretum MetroPark and continuing at 10:30 a.m. at Wegerzyn Gardens MetroPark, 1301 E. Siebenthaler Ave, Dayton. These meetings will be for public receptions for the executive director candidate finalists.

Learn more by visiting the website www.metro parks.org or calling (937) 275-PARK (7275).

ABOUT FIVE RIVERS METROPARKS

Established in 1963 through the efforts of forward-thinking citizens concerned about preserving green space and natural areas, Five Rivers MetroParks has grown to a nationally renowned park system composed of natural area parks, gardens, high-quality river corridors, urban parks and a network of recreation trails. Five Rivers MetroParks focuses on three areas – conservation, recreation and education – as a steward of greater Dayton’s public lands. Educational programs and recreational opportunities are offered year-round for all ages, and diverse natural habitats are being protected and cared for today to ensure their future existence. To learn more about Five Rivers MetroParks, log onto www.metro parks.org or call (937) 275-PARK.

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