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Shevlin Pond Dredging Begins Monday

Dredging of the Shevlin Park pond will begin on Monday, January 11. This pond is primarily used to teach kids to fish. The pond has not been dredged in 20 years and major siltation has occurred in that time. The district received an \$8500 grant from Oregon Fish and Wildlife Department's Restoration and Enhancement Board to dredge the pond and to construct a fishing platform that can accommodate wheelchairs. Taylor NW will perform the dredging work at a cost of \$12,000. Central Oregon Flyfishers will work with Bend Park & Recreation to restore landscaping disturbed by the dredging equipment. The Central Oregon Flyfishers host the annual Kokanee Carnival at the pond. Improvement of the pond habitat will allow ODF&W to increase trout stockings thereby enhancing the fishing experience for the local youth. The project should be completed this spring.

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