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Now that the rain has finally passed, you hopefully will be able to get outside and enjoy a nice walk in the park.

As you will recall from the monthly Atlanta Memorial Park Conservancy (AMPC) email updates, AMPC was awarded the 2015 Park Pride matching Legacy Grant of \$50,000. The City of Atlanta requires the AMPC to conduct a feasibility study before any work can be considered to be done in the park. The Parks Department will have final approval after receiving professional recommendations and assessments from the land use engineers, landscape designers, surveyors and arborists who will be conducting the feasibility study.

In recent days you may have noticed tags on the trees throughout the park. The City of Atlanta requires that all trees 2.5" in diameter and greater that are within 25 feet of all existing or proposed walkways and nature trails be tagged. As required by the City of Atlanta, arborists, engineers and surveyors will be in the park in the coming weeks to continue surveying the property as part of the feasibility study.

During a recent park walk thru, the City of Atlanta arborist identified several dead, dying and hazardous trees and limbs. The city arborist is scheduling the removal of these trees and limbs to be completed in the next 45 days. During the walk thru, the two arborists enjoyed noting the numerous trees in the interior of the park that are from the "Bicentennial" planting. In time, these special trees will be identified and correctly labeled to commemorate their importance to our community and to the State of Georgia.

I will continue to keep our neighborhood informed and send updates as there is information to report. Please also remember to check the AMPC website for continuous updates. You may also sign up for email alerts to be sent to you directly from the AMPC.

With kind regards,

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AMPC, Memorial Park Civic Association Representative