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Hi.

I understand that new regulations on how to ensure social distancing will be discussed today in the afternoon. I want to emphasize that getting out for a daily 30 min walk has really benefitted my mental and physical health these past few weeks but I feel that only myself and a few others are really always aware and focusing on keeping that 2 meter distance. The trail at veterans park is too narrow most of the way and a lot of people as they pass by each other are not ensuring that they maintain distance. I see a women with a stroller, her kid at her side and a dog off leash walking and approaching 2 different elderly people, neither she nor the older citizens removed themselves off the paved trail to ensure 6 feet distance between them.

I think people need to go for walks outside but I feel like the public needs to be educated on what two meters actually looks like and to have reminders at trail entrances that tell people to maintain social distance, one person or group walking and approaching another person or group has to walk off the trail onto the grass in order to actually meet that requirement. It's appalling when I see people not walking off the pavement to let older citizens walk a safe distance away.

There are no signs at veterans park regarding covid 19 risk and closures, nor education on how to maintain 2 meters distance, but I feel like there should be. Also maybe warnings to make people aware that they are REQUIRED to give our elders way might help them understand better. We can't protect them otherwise and I don't think we should force people to avoid the trails.

Just my late night thoughts. I hope someone considers the points I have made.

Thanks.

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