

Scott Woods Construction (cut/copy 1)  
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Some Lansing residents are upset because the city did not consult with them before making plans to cut down parts of Scott Woods park.

The city says the trees need to be cut down to replace a fifty-year-old sewer pipe, but some residents think the number of trees being cut down is unnecessary.

Andrew Kilpatrick is the Public Service Director & Transportation Engineer for the city of Lansing. He says there is a section of Scott Woods park that is 2

**190226\_KILPATRICK CUT/:18** *"We have heard residents' concerns, and as we are in our design process still, we are trying to evaluate options that minimize impact to the trees and to users of the trail, and still make sure that we can get this old sewer replaced as quickly and efficiently as possible."*

Kilpatrick says that a 25 by 1200-foot-long section is marked in Scott Woods to be cut down.

Michael Moquin is a board member for the Capital Area Audubon Society. He believes the public has not been notified about the process and he wishes that city would look at alternate methods.

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Some Lansing residents are upset that a section of trees in Scott Woods park is being flagged to be cut down without proper public notice.

The city says it needs to replace a fifty-year-old sewer pipe that runs through the park and they have to cut down trees in order to reach the pipes.

Michael Moquin is a board member for the Capital Area Audubon Society. He says when the organization found out about the city's plan, they sent a letter to the mayor explaining how this will damage the forest.

**190226\_MOQUIN CUT/:17** *“Really the purpose of writing this letter was in the hope of opening up a dialogue and not having a monologue because the monologue has brought us to the point that without consideration of alternatives or advice from experts that we not only want to put this one foot sewer pipe in, we want to cut down all of these trees.”*

Moquin says the public has not been informed about the city’s plan.

Andrew Kilpatrick is the Public Service Director & Transportation Engineer for the city of Lansing. He says that public was informed earlier in the design process.