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**Subject:** Re: BMX Track  
**Date:** Oct 13, 2020 at 5:36:50 PM  
**To:** Emery, Karen [Karen.Emery@corvallisoregon.gov](mailto:Karen.Emery@corvallisoregon.gov)

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Karen,

Thank you for your reply. Seems more than water flows downhill. Sounds like the interpretation of CDC guidelines for dealing with the homeless during the pandemic was a bit distorted. City council should have better defined areas to be used, conditions (rules) to remain, and proactive patrolling with all the extra police hired last year would have helped a lot.

Thanks for your effort,  
David

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 13, 2020, at 3:01 PM, Emery, Karen  
[<Karen.Emery@corvallisoregon.gov>](mailto:Karen.Emery@corvallisoregon.gov) wrote:

Hi Dr. Sisson,  
I was forwarded your email regarding the illegal camping at the BMX track in Pioneer Boat Basin park. City staff stopped posting illegal camping at the onset of the pandemic, per the CDC recommendations, to shelter in place. We are resuming posting and cleaning up camps in November. We have prioritized the sites based on life safety due to fire and / or flood risk and environmental impacts, specifically to waterways.

We are currently cleaning up abandoned camps and removed over 100 yards of garbage last week from lower Pioneer park.

It's an arduous process, but one we are moving forward on.

Karen Emery, Director  
Corvallis Parks and Recreation

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