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The Centerville-Washington Park District has been awarded a \$27,975.00 NatureWorks grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). The funds will be used to install a playground at Weatherstone Park, 10998 Pennfield Road in Washington Township. This project is one of 93 community-based projects that will be funded by ODNR throughout the State of Ohio.

The NatureWorks grant is a 75 percent reimbursement grant and is funded through the Ohio Parks and Natural Resources Bond Issue. This measure was approved by Ohio voters in November 1993 and authorizes the State of Ohio “to issue bonds, which will be retired from general state revenues, to finance capital improvements for state and local parks and recreation areas and to preserve Ohio’s natural areas and habitats.”

Bob Feldmann, Development Manager for the Park District, says, “The project is scheduled for 2010. We do not have an exact design yet but the playground will be similar to those found in other neighborhood parks.” Weatherstone Park is located in the Weatherstone development west of State Route 48 and close to the Warren County line in the southern part of Washington Township. The park is just over five acres and was part of the open space transfer zoning required when the development was planned. It provides open space within easy walking distance for the citizens who live in this area. The Centerville-Washington Park District took possession of Weatherstone Park in 2006.

The Centerville-Washington Park District was established in 1959 and currently operates seven community parks, seven nature parks, and 33 neighborhood parks in Centerville and Washington Township. For more information about Weatherstone Park or other parks of the Centerville-Washington Park District, please call (937) 433-5155 or check our website at www.cwpd.org.

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