



GREENLAWN PLAYGROUND RIBBON CUTTING

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For Immediate Release

The City of Kenner, FEMA and GOHSEP will unveil the latest park lighting project at a ribbon cutting ceremony at Greenlawn Playground on Monday, April 30, 2012 at 10:00 AM.

This project will introduce the new environmentally safe fiberglass composite light pole that will never rot, rust or corrode at Greenlawn Playground. This is all part of the City of Kenner's Hazard Mitigation for playground lighting that has been approved by both FEMA and Louisiana GOHSEP for the Kenner Parks and Recreation Department. Three more playgrounds are scheduled to receive the new lighting in the upcoming months.

The new fiberglass poles will replace the wooden poles that are a staple at all of the playgrounds in Kenner. These poles will be taller and provide a better spread of lighting for the playground and will make the field safer for the children at the playground. Additionally all of the power lines were relocated underground to make an aesthetically pleasing and overall better environment for the playgrounds.

All of the approved hazard mitigation lighting projects will total approximately \$1,434,029.00 and will ultimately change the lighting at six of the City's playgrounds.

These poles have been specifically manufactured by Shakespeare Composite Structures with the climate of South Louisiana in mind as well as the possibility of wind gusts of up to 140 MPH from storms. The poles are insect proof which is another great aspect for South Louisiana.