Long Meadow Ballfields
To be Revitalized Over the Winter

The Long Meadow Ballfields in Prospect Park will be revitalized over the winter months to renew the fields from heavy use over the past year. Starting Friday, September 19, fencing will go up around the Ballfields to help them recuperate for the spring season. Until November 30, organized sports on the fields must have permits. From December 1 until Opening Day, April 11, 2015, the Ballfields will be fully closed to the public to allow the fields to rest and to perform maintenance work.

“The work that will take place over the winter season is important to ensure that the Ballfields are in peak condition for the next baseball season,” said Christian Zimmerman, Vice President of Capital and Landscape Management at the Prospect Park Alliance. “In the winter months, the fields can get damaged from use during harsh weather conditions. This critical rest period, which will include reseeding the lawn, will make for a great spring season.”

Before beginning the project, the Alliance worked closely with community groups including local baseball, softball and soccer leagues to ensure all community interests were met.

The Prospect Park Alliance is currently undertaking a larger reconstruction project in the Park encompassing 34 acres of fields, paths, amenities and woodlands. With funding from Brooklyn City Councilmember Brad Lander, Brooklyn City Councilmember Stephen Levin, former Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz and the City Council’s Brooklyn delegation, the Ballfields are being reconstructed and there will be repairs and improvements to the storm-water system in the Long Meadow and drainage in the athletic areas.

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