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# **MOULTRIE COLQUITT COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION BEGINS SPORTS COMPLEX LIGHTING UPGRADES**

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 13, 2024 – (MOULTRIE, GA) – The Moultrie-Colquitt County Parks and Recreation Authority recently engaged ABM to provide upgrades to its facilities. The project consists of sports lighting, HVAC upgrades, equipment controls, LED lighting, and building envelope improvements that will increase efficiencies in all areas of operations for MCCPRA.

MCCPRA Board Chair, Cole Posey explained, "As the competitive climate around youth sports and sports tourism continues to evolve, MCCPRA understands that to remain relevant requires significant investment, not only financially but also in regard to time, effort, and energy from our team. Projects like this, through a partnership with ABM, allow us to reimagine and invigorate our facilities to improve the playability and usability for our local community and visitors alike. The MCCPRA continues making strides to develop Moultrie and Colquitt County into a premier athletic destination."

This project will upgrade all facilities and parks to LED lighting including the following locations: Magnolia Sports Complex, Knuck-McCrary Complex, Ryce Community Center, William Bryant Park, R.D. Smith Youth Center, A.F. Shaw Gym, Drew Field, W.O.W. Park, NW Kiddie Pool, MCCPRA Office, Moss Farms Dive Well, SW Competition Pool, SW Splash Pad, Lynda Baxter Moseley Tennis Complex, Jim Buck Goff Complex, Tommy Meredith Gym, and Main Street Park.

"We at MCCPRA have worked diligently over the past several years to upgrade all facilities and buildings to increase the parks and recreation experiences for all citizens

of Colquitt County. Our citizens deserve the best parks and recreational facilities possible and this recent project with ABM will allow us to ensure all facilities and sports complexes are above national standards but more importantly, this project will continue to improve the quality of life for all citizens of Colquitt County. We have seen continued increases in the use of all parks and facilities as well as increased sports tourism which has a direct impact on the sales tax dollars brought into our community from areas outside of our county. Parks and recreational services have a direct impact on communities through improved quality of life, higher property values, and direct impacts on economic development." stated Maggie Davidson, MCCPRA Director.

This project would not have been possible without the continued support of the Colquitt County Board of Commissioners, the City of Moultrie and City Council, and all those who understand the importance of parks and recreation to our community.

For anyone interested in learning more about MCCPRA activities, please contact the MCCPRA Office at 229-668-0028 or visit us at 1020 4th Street SW, Moultrie, and [www.mccpra.com](http://www.mccpra.com).

The Moultrie Colquitt County Parks and Recreation Authority is responsible for all areas of recreation and leisure activities for Colquitt County. We continue to collaborate with all partners in the community to further our mission.

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*MCCPRA is a Municipal Authority supported by taxpayer funds from Moultrie and Colquitt County residents, program fees, rental fees, and grants. A board of directors composed of both Colquitt County and Moultrie representatives manages the Authority. MCCPRA operates and maintains parks and recreational facilities in Colquitt County, as well as sports, aquatics, and other community wellness programs.*