PILOT CREDIT 1: SAFETY FIRST: RISK ANALYSIS & MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR OUTDOOR SPACES

3 points

SITES pilot credits are a group of credits not in the current version of the rating system which are designed to test new innovative strategies and/ or facilitate introduction of new credits to SITES. Pilot credits can be used in the SITES innovation credit category. These credits are awarded based on project teams attempting and achieving the credit requirements. The credits may change as feedback is received.

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Intent

To promote best practice requirements in operations and management of landscapes, parks, and other outdoor spaces to take precautions against the spread of COVID-19

Requirements

- 1. Conduct a risk assessment using the <u>NRPA Risk Assessment Tool</u> and identify requirements for a management and operations plan incorporating precautions against the spread of Covid-19.
- 2. Based on the risk assessment, create a management and operations plan to take precautions against the spread of COVID-19 that addresses, at minimum, the following categories:
 - a. Physical distancing
 - b. Limiting or modifying events and organized activities
 - c. Cleaning practices
 - d. Workforce preparation & staff communication
 - e. Measures to protect staff and the public
 - f. Public communication and signage
 - g. Impact on equity and inclusion in modified operations
 - h. Other risks identified using the NRPA Risk Assessment tool
- 3. Communicate the Management and Operations plan to all site/facility managers, maintenance personnel and contractor, and other relevant parties. Ensure all parties are properly trained to implement the plan.

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Documentation/Compliance

- Submit a copy of the risk assessment.
- Submit a copy of the management and operations plan.
- Documentation, signed by the project owner or site manager, confirming that they have:
 - Reviewed and agreed to implement the risk assessment and related plan.
 - Committed to communicating to maintenance personnel, contractors and other relevant parties and educating them on goals and implementation.
- Documentation submitted as part of the *SITES P8.1: Site Maintenance Plan* may be used to demonstrate compliance with this Pilot Credit if it addresses the requirements above.

Resources

- CDC Guidance for Administrators in Parks and Recreational Facilities
- National Recreation and Park Association "Path to Recovery"
- FEMA "Exercise Starter Kit for Workshop on Reconstituting Operations"
- BOMA International's Coronavirus Resource Center