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### **OPEN HOUSE SET FOR NEW BOOSALIS SHOOTING PARK**

The public is invited to an open house Tuesday, March 23 on the construction of the new Boosalis Outdoor Education and Public Shooting Park near 44th and Superior streets. The meeting is from 5 to 7 p.m. at North Star High School, 5801 N. 33rd Circle. Those attending will be able to view the current plans, ask questions and provide input to the project team. No formal presentation is planned.

The City of Lincoln and the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission (NGPC) are developing the plans in cooperation with those involved in recreational and competitive shooting sports. The plans include:

- indoor and outdoor rifle/pistol ranges;
- a 50-yard indoor archery range as well as 3D, 90-meter, and 10- to 60-foot field archery ranges;
- 13 American trap and skeet combination fields;
- Olympic trap and skeet;
- 5 stand sporting clays; and
- a restaurant.

In addition to the City and the NGCP, the project includes the support of the Prairie Bowmen and Lincoln Trap and Skeet Club. The project team also includes HDR, Inc.

The facility is still in the planning stages, and cost estimates have not yet been finalized. The project would be funded in part by the City, the NGPC and private donations. The indoor archery range could be built this year, and other parts of the facility would be built in phases as funding becomes available.

"Our goal is to provide more shooting sports opportunities that will increase youth and family participation," said Steve Hiller of the City Parks and Recreation Department. "Offering more recreational opportunities can help increase economic development and improve our overall quality of life."