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## Team resumes excavation of stegosaurus

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CANON CITY — A team of paleontologists from the Denver Museum of Natural History has returned to Garden Park to try to finish excavating a stegosaurus discovered a month ago.

Leading the field crew is Bryan Small, who found the 140-million-year-old creature while surveying the canyon for turtles.

"This is a very exciting find," Small said. "At least 70 percent of the articulated stegosaurus skeleton has been unearthed, and we expect to recover maybe 90 percent. I wouldn't be surprised if we find a few toes missing, however."

Small said most unusual is the presence of a complete, intact skull. "This is only the second stegosaurus skull ever discovered. The other was found here down by Fourmile Creek years ago, with just a few skeletal remains, and is now in the Smithsonian."

Small said "there is a strong likelihood that the skeleton will be displayed at the National Visitor Center here in Garden Park when it is built."

The Denver museum is working in cooperation with the Bureau of Land Management and the Garden Park Paleontology Society to determine the locations of potential new dinosaur quarries in the area, including one or more for proposed on-site exhibits, where the public will

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