MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 22, 2010
TO: Tom Odom, City of Rancho Palos Verdes
FROM: Jewel Johnson, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority
RE: Ranger Services

Park Visitor Contacts

- Through week ending January 17, 2010
- 90 patrol hours
- 250 – 300 park visitors.

We had a total of 5 individual Rangers patrolling in and around the reserve. We continue to have a high compliance rate among the park visitors.

Warned and Advised

- 4 Dogs off Leash
- 5 Closed Area / Hikers (Ishibashi / Eagle’s Nest)
- 1 Unauthorized use of “air soft” pistols – 1 adult / 7 minors (Lundquist Vista)

Citations Issued

- 1 Closed Area / Equestrian – (Peacock Flats) – posted at all legal entry points

A female park visitor was observed from the Fire Station trail removing signage as she was exiting the reserve at the Rolling Hills entrance.

An off-duty Ranger observed a parasail coming off the Crenshaw entry overlook. She later observed him putting his parasail in a white 1998 Toyota

I observed a parasail above the Barn Owl trail, but was unable to make contact or observe where and when it landed.

There were no reports of afterhour’s activity in the reserve.

The visitor activity at “Sacred Cove” has picked up but no illegal activity was observed.

A local public agency exercising joint powers of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, the Conejo Recreation & Park District, and the Rancho Simi Recreation & Park Districts pursuant to Section 6500 et seq. of the Government Code.
Park Maintenance

The gate at Palos Verdes Drive was vandalized and taken off the hinges and a temporary fix was put in place with a chain and lock. The Palos Verdes private entry was also open. There was possible dumping on the side of the dumpster.

Remove and/or replace “Stay on Trail” sign at:
- Crenshaw Entry (graffiti)
- 1st overlook at Crenshaw entrance
- Klondike Canyon Trail

Replace “Trail Closure” sign at:
- Eagle’s Nest Trail (twice)

We buried an animal that was uncovered at an unauthorized burial site on Inspiration Point which was reported by PVPLC staff.

We found trash (i.e. water bottles, soda cans and wrappers) off trail in the Abalone Cove Reserve.

Interpretative / Signage

- Dog on Leash business cards
- Consolidate rule signs at main entry points
- Trail info update phone line

I made contact with Troy Braswell (CORBA – PV) to discuss issues in and around the reserve.