

Minutes to the October 5, 2017 Preserve Management Team Meeting

Attending: Recreation & Parks Director Cory Linder, Public Works Maintenance Superintendent Sean Larvenz, Senior Administrative Analyst Matt Waters, Recreation Supervisor David Pearce, Recreation Specialist Keith Hunter, Recreation Leader II David Laybon, PVPLC Executive Director Andrea Vona, PVPLC Conservation Director Adrienne Mohan, Los Angeles County Sheriff Deputies Kevin Kuwata and Pablo Jimenez.

Preserve Maintenance

- Active Preserve Projects: Superintendent Larvenz announced that due to funding flexibility from the completion of the bluff fence replacement at the Point Vicente Interpretive Center, the next fence installation could be the warning fence to be erected on the end of Inspiration Point. He also explained the temporary, emergency water line repair by Cal Water utility on Burma Road (near the Landslide Scarp Trail junction). There was discussion about the stake & rope fence installation on Conqueror Trail to provide added safety in the gabion area.
- Review of Habitat Projects, Trail Projects and Maintenance: Conservation Director Mohan announced that the Alta Vicente Reserve irrigation system installation has started. Hiring is underway to replace the departing Trail Maintenance staff, therefore spur trail closures are on hold for now.
- Preserve Signage Plan: Executive Director Vona announced that prior to purchasing materials, PVPLC is meeting with the contractor Express Sign & Neon to finalize specifications. Initial installation is expected during the first half of December.
- Responding to Storm Damage on the Trails: Supervisor Pearce listed the trails currently closed as lower Rim, eastern Ishibashi Farm and Sandbox in the Portuguese Bend Reserve. In Abalone Cove Reserve, Sea Dahlia, Cave, Sacred Cove View (west) and Inspiration Point Trails are closed. Sunset Trail in the Ocean Trails Reserve is also closed. The Preserve Staff will endeavor in the near future to fill in the long gully on the lower portion of Klondike Canyon Trail. The PVPLC volunteer trail crew is evaluating the possibility of constructing a bridge across a huge erosion gully on Ishibashi Farm Trail (eastern arm) in consultation with PVPLC and the City.
- Rattlesnake Trail / Staircase: Supervisor Pearce pointed out that the staircase is being routinely used by the public, creating major spurs trails where it connects to Rattlesnake Trail. Possible solutions were discussed.

Preserve Operations

- Review of Public Events in the Preserve: Recreation Leader Laybon announced that on Oct. 22nd that there will be a volunteer beach clean-up day on the west end of Abalone Cove beach. Conservation Director Mohan announced upcoming PVPLC activities in October that include the Trail Crew installing grade dips on Barkentine Trail on Oct. 14th, training for wildlife tracking on Oct. 7th as well as a volunteer event in Portuguese Bend Reserve that day and a nature walk in Lunada Canyon on Oct. 14th. Supervisor Pearce mentioned that the Los Serenos are sponsoring a nature hike on Oct. 21st on the Switchback Trail at Trump National Golf Club.
- Review of Enforcement/Patrol/Education:
 - Sheriff's Report: Deputies Kuwata and Jimenez reported on their activities

throughout the Preserve during the last quarter. They continue to see people from a distance that are breaking rules, but comply as soon as they see the deputies approaching. The deputies are shortening the time a person is detained on a trail when giving a citation by not waiting for a fingerprint response from their dispatch.

- OSM Report: Supervisor Pearce reported on 3084 public contacts the Preserve Staff encountered in the Preserve in September. He distributed copies of the OSM Preserve Log while reporting the Preserve Staff accomplished 19 maintenance tasks in the Preserve in September.
- VTW Report: Executive Director Vona distributed a log of VTW reports for September including accounts of violations and education.
- Ocean Front Estates Vehicle Damage: Superintendent Larvenz reported that the area is still being repaired. The fence needs to be finished. Replanting will happen after the other items are done. The H.O.A. is undertaking the repair of the street medium.
- Rain Closure Policy Review: Supervisor Pearce brought out an idea for discussion – leaving Burma Road open during periods when the remainder of the Preserve is closed due to rain. The matter will be discussed further.

Additional Items

- Noticing/Transparency Enhancements (upcoming projects/activities): Plans are in the discussion phase for notifying the Del Cerro and Via Capri communities about the upcoming installation of the monument signage at the Burma Road Trailhead.
- NCCP Update: There was a workshop on Oct. 2nd attended by most of the City Council and the wildlife agencies. The Director of Community Development Ara Mihranian will be detailing issues regarding environmental impact. The upcoming Ad Hoc Committee will be addressing the NCCP as well.
- Status of Grant Contracts/Agreements: No report.
- Upcoming Council Agenda Items: January 16th -- Options for Preserve Access, Options for Conqueror Trail Security, Public Drinking Ordinance, Preserve Permitted Uses, Special Event Enforcement Ordinance.
- Public Forum Meeting 2017 Dates: November 15th (location may be changing).
- VTW/City Monthly Coordination Meeting: October 25th.

Next Meeting: November 2, 2017 @ 9:30 a.m.