

City of Rancho Palos Verdes – Program Manager
KLONDIKE CANYON WORKING GROUP
MEETING AGENDA, NOTES, AND ACTION ITEMS

Date/Time: October 4, 2023, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm PST

Topic: **Klondike Canyon Working Group Meeting**

Attendees: (Those in attendance are in bold)

Ara Mihranian, City of Rancho Palos Verdes, City Manager
Ramzi Awwad, City of Rancho Palos Verdes, Director of Public Works
Sam Hout, Hout Construction Services, Principal-in-Charge
Jayme Fairfield, Hout Construction Services, Document Control Manager
Kit Song, Seaview HOA
Rayne Sherman, Seaview HOA (Alternate)
Kent Attridge, PBCA
Claudia Gutierrez, PBCA (Alternate)
Michael Barth, Portuguese Bend Club HOA
Andrew Ely, Portuguese Bend Club HOA
Eric Johnson, Portuguese Bend Club HOA
Steve Cummins, KCLHAD
Gordon Leon, ACLHAD
Scott Kerwin, ACLHAD
Carmelo Sorce, CalWater
Ralph Felix, CalWater
Augie Beaza, CalWater
Angie Gilbride, CalWater
Ben Steinberger, SoCal Gas
Holly Eessler, Southern California Edison
Mudila Kangulungu, Southern California Edison
Celina Luna, Southern California Edison (Alternate)
Robert Swartz, Los Angeles County Public Works
Kevin Kim, Los Angeles County Sanitation District
Daniel Kim, Los Angeles County Sanitation District
Mike Phipps, Consultant Geologist, Community Development Department
David Ready, City of Rolling Hills
Cory Linder, City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Elena Gerli, City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Katie Lozano, City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Brandy Forbes, City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Megan Barnes, City of Rancho Palos Verdes

Notes: In the table below, any action items are in red.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS	
Introductions Introduction for new members.	Ramzi Awwad
Approval of 9/27/2023 Meeting Notes The notes from 9/27/2023 meeting and the draft roster were sent out to the attendees. Some comments were received. The final notes were distributed with the 10/4/2023 agenda.	Jayme Fairfield

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<p>All meeting notes and the roster will be posted on a SharePoint site, and an invite/link to the SharePoint folder will be sent to all Klondike Working Group members.</p>	
<p>Purpose of Working Group</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Providing factual information for distribution to the community. 2) Receiving input from the community. 3) Discussing plans and actions. 4) Making decisions. <p>“We are committed to evaluating and addressing every concern the community has for this important initiative. We will look to share information and ideas amongst all the major stakeholders and initiate short-term measures for proactive success. The community has spoken and the City is taking action.”</p>	Ramzi Awwad
<p>Declaration of a Local Emergency</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Recap City Council decisions. <p>Number of incoming comments have increased and the City is trying to keep up with them. The City requests that each entity funnel their comments through their group member representative to this group.</p> <p>All members to encourage their entity/community members to subscribe to the City's ListServ.</p> <p>All community complaints/comments/reports of land movement activity should be submitted to the landmovement@rpvca.gov.</p> <p>The four City Council Members present at the 10/3/2023 meeting adopted the declaration of local emergency. This provides the City certain powers to manage what the City faces, place orders or moratoriums, as well as the ability to coordinate with various relevant agencies, including irrigation, bodies of water (pools), etc.</p> <p>Every 60 days (or sooner as needed), the City will review the declaration of local emergency. The emergency ordinance is in effect for 45 days. At the 11/7/2023 City Council meeting, these dates will be reported on and reviewed.</p> <p>Eric Johnson requested the City release an updated map for the emergency area/boundary. Ara Mihranian stated that the City will be issuing a map, attaching it to the emergency documents, and posting it online. Gorden Leon stated that he may have useful maps and can share them. Jayme Fairfield will also post relevant maps (zones, neighborhoods, landslide complex boundary, etc.) to the working group SharePoint site.</p> <p>Kit Song asked for clarification on the pool drainage area. Ara Mihranian explained that the orders will only apply to residences within the red zone on the applicable map. The concern is mainly with leaking pools adding water into the groundwater. In the chat, Kit Song requested the City issue instructions on safely draining pools. Kit also requested drainage maps from CalWater; however, utilities do not publicly post infrastructure maps/locations due to post-9/11 security issues.</p>	Ara Mihranian

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<p>Gordon Leon asked how many consecutive times or the timeframe the City is able to maintain the emergency order. Elena Gerli explained that the ordinance can be extended twice, for a total of three times—for a maximum of 24 months.</p>	
<p>Preserve Conditions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Trail Conditions Update. <p>Conditions of the trails are changing daily. Rangers are in the field daily viewing/inspecting the conditions, such as fissures, leaning poles, and broken lines. Specifically, Burma Road is shifting daily and the City is aware of and keeping on top of emergency response access (e.g. fire response). Trails or portions of trails may be shut down as they become unsafe. Trail cameras are installed and the City will maintain the cameras. Safety is the City's number one goal.</p>	Cory Linder
<p>Road Repairs at Dauntless/Exultant</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Pausing road repairs. 2) Repairing driveways and gutters. <p>The City recently made repairs at the intersection. In the past few weeks, land movement has caused damage to these repairs. The City will pause repairs at this location until the land movement has slowed. This intersection will be closed, and detours set. Kit Song will get feedback from the directly affected homeowners.</p> <p>The City has considered gravel in this area, but has not made any decisions.</p>	Ramzi Awwad
<p>CalWater Updates</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Material details of existing pipes. 2) Status of concept plan for moving pipes above-ground near Exultant/Dauntless. 3) Status of details for monitoring equipment and locations. <p>The City and CalWater met 9/27/2023. Ramzi Awwad requested the equipment specification sheets for the new leak detection monitors, as well as current pipe material specs (type and age), for the City's Program Manager (HCS) to review. Angie Gilbride will follow up with the CalWater team to provide those to the City.</p> <p>All 35 leak detection monitors have been installed on CalWater infrastructure and are working at night. All are currently operational. CalWater's leak detection third-party team is working in the area during the day. All residents have received notifications. The City's program management consultant (HCS) requests to be added to all CalWater notifications. CalWater to coordinate with Jayme Fairfield to add HCS team members.</p> <p>CalWater created a page on their website for residents to sign up for updates at calwater.com/rpv. The site lists any work they are currently doing, planned work, and how they are working with the community members within the landslide area. They also sent emails to customers and posted on the NextDoor app. They are also establishing an email address and hotline, and CalWater will share that information once it is live.</p>	CalWater

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<p>Kit Song asked and Angie Gilbride what the standard response time is for a leak report via phone and a leak detector point of concern. Angie will gather that information and report back to the group.</p> <p>Temporary and/or longer-term above-ground piping is being discussed within the City, with the City's engineering consultant, and CalWater. Then, it could be brought to this group and the community using proper and accepted methods of information dissemination.</p>	
<p>Klondike Canyon District</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Status of Submitting Drainage Plan for Klondike Canyon. 2) Action Plan and Assistance Needed from City. <p>The City is concerned about the excess water at the top of the Klondike Canyon landslide. KCLAD needs to remap the changing topography and fissures. The City is working on clearing the path(s)/access.</p> <p>KCLAD's focus has been the water table at the base of Klondike Canyon. The well is constantly pumping 55 gmp. Other wells have been installed in the area to remove ground water and are pumping at various rates at various depths. They hope to install additional new wells to increase the volume of water extracted; the locations are to be decided.</p> <p>Gordon Leon shared a priority matrix for mitigations/actions. This matrix and topic will continue to be discussed at future meetings. Jayme Fairfield will post the matrix on the working group SharePoint site.</p>	Ramzi Awwad
<p>Abalone Cove District The meeting time went over and we did not get to this item. It will be tabled until next meeting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Action Plan and Assistance Needed from City. 	
<p>Current Issues (Let's Hear from You) The meeting time went over and we did not get to this item. It will be tabled until next meeting.</p> <p>CalWater LACSD LACDPW SoCal Gas Southern California Edison Klondike Canyon Landslide Hazard Abatement District Abalone Cove Landslide Hazard Abatement District Seaview HOA PBCA Portuguese Bend Club HOA</p>	Ramzi Awwad All
Moving Forward	Ramzi Awwad



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Meeting Format: In-person and virtual options; in person at City Hall, or virtual by Teams. Meeting Frequency: At first, the meetings will be weekly; frequency will be reassessed as needed.	
Other Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">It was proposed by members that the name of the group be changed to better reflect the more widespread nature of the area's landslide boundary. Jayme Fairfield will send out a survey to vote on potential name changes. This item can be discussed and finalized at the 10/11/2023 meeting.Gordon Leon volunteered to serve as secretary of this working group.Jayme Fairfield will add additional members/attendees to the roster.	Jayme Fairfield
NEXT MEETING	
Weekly Status Meeting: Occurs every Wednesday at 3:00 pm PST. Next meeting is 10/11/2023.	Jayme Fairfield