

**MONTEREY PENINSULA REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
STAFF REPORT**

BOARD MEETING: December 12, 2018

SUBJECT: Operations and Maintenance Division Update

PRESENTER: Caine Camarillo, Supervising Ranger

REPORT: The first significant storm of the year brought with it howling winds, over 3 inches of rain, and many downed trees and branches. Ranger staff has spent several days clearing downed trees and inspecting buildings and trails for damage. Many significant clean-up tasks remain to be completed, and Rangers will take the time in-between storms to accomplish these and prepare for the next round of unsettled weather.

Resting benches have been installed along several trails at the Rancho Canada Unit for the public's enjoyment. Additional benches and tables will be installed as needed once the trail system is finalized and adopted.

A split-rail fence is being installed along Lupine Loop trail at Garland Ranch Regional Park in response to an increase in off-trail use by visitors, specifically, those taking family photos. Many regular visitors have commented that they were happy to see the fence being constructed to prevent this activity.

Deteriorating interior cattle fences at Palo Corona Regional Park will be replaced soon with assistance from NRCS grant funding secured by our cattle grazing lessees.

Rangers continue utilizing heavy equipment to address trail erosion concerns by outsloping and clearing drain dips in the Palo Corona backcountry.

The creek crossings in Garza's Canyon and the seasonal footbridges across the Carmel River have been removed for the winter.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

FUNDING BALANCE: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: For Information Only