

**MONTEREY PENINSULA REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
STAFF REPORT**

BOARD MEETING: January 9, 2019

SUBJECT: Operations and Maintenance Update

PRESENTER: Caine Camarillo, Supervising Ranger

REPORT: Rangers staff has begun mowing areas of the former east course at Rancho Canada in preparation for removal of all dead/dying trees on the property by a tree service contractor. This is the first step in opening the former east course to public access. As before, the area will remain closed until hazards have been addressed and improvements have been made.

Ranger staff is constructing a foundation near the Rancho Canada Unit maintenance shop that will be used to place a prefabricated storage shed. This shed will be used by the on-site landscape contractor to store lawn mowers, gas equipment, and tools. This will eliminate the need for contractors to access the interior of the maintenance shop.

Rangers recently worked with Gabilan inmate crews and Northern Salinas Valley Mosquito Abatement District (NSVMAD) staff to develop a service trail within the Frog Pond Wetland Preserve that will be used treat for mosquitoes throughout the year. Mosquito Abatement District staff flagged the proposed alignment, then Ranger staff utilized inmate crews to brush/clear that alignment. This service trail is closed to public access, and not visible from any trail currently available to the public. Inmate crews also completed the annual channel clearing/brushing along Highway 218.

Operations and Maintenance Staff met with Cal Fire recently to begin the pre-planning process in the event of a wildfire or natural disaster that would require Cal Fire occupation of a portion of the Rancho Canada Unit.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

FUNDING BALANCE: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: For Information Only