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Managing Regrowth and Restoration at Palo Corona Regional Park

Carmel CA, Friday, May 12, 2023 – Park visitors and members of the community will see tall grasses along the Rancho Canada unit as the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District (MPRPD) is collaborating with a number of other local agencies, including CAL FIRE, on vegetation management and protection of rare and sensitive species, like the California red-legged frog.

The Rancho Canada Unit of Palo Corona Regional Park continues its transformation from a former golf course to a restored park for people and wildlife where visitors are seeing all kinds of native species return to the property,” said Jake Smith. “The grass is still green, but we will be mowing the property as it begins to dry out in the coming weeks.”

MPRPD is consulting regularly with CAL FIRE on fuel conditions and evaluation of fire risk across our properties, taking into consideration the extremely wet winter and late winter rains and environmental conditions. The District will continue to work with CAL FIRE to make sure our management of that growth is responsible.

MPRPD expects to begin mowing in the coming weeks according to guidance and best management practices from wildlife agencies and local fire agencies. In the interim, MPRPD remains committed to working with the community and the experts to make sure we’re continuing to both steward and support access to our precious natural spaces like Palo Corona Regional Park.

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About the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District

The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District (MPRPD) has been preserving and protecting parks and open space since 1972. MPRPD is committed to being an inspirational, inclusive, respected, sustainable, and valued open space district that collaborates with and serves the community, and its conservation needs through interconnected open spaces, public parks, education, and advocacy for the entire community. For more information on the MPRPD and its mission, vision, and open spaces, please call 831.372-3196 or visit www.mprpd.org.