

**MONTEREY PENINSULA REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT  
STAFF REPORT**

**BOARD MEETING:** August 7, 2019

**SUBJECT:** Operations and Maintenance Update

**PRESENTER:** Caine Camarillo, Supervising Ranger

**REPORT:** **SAN JOSE CREEK TRAIL:** Ranger staff has been making improvements to prepare MPRPD's property for the eventual opening of San Jose Creek Trail to the public. Additional gates and fencing have been installed to direct visitors through Palo Corona and into Whisler-Wilson (or vice-versa). Directional signage and interpretive panels will also be installed prior to the opening date, which is still to be determined.

**TREES DOWN:** Many large trees have fallen in the recent weeks for unknown reasons. Fortunately, inmate crews have been available due to a slow fire season to help remove the fallen debris. Ranger staff has removed several large buckeye and oak trees in areas that are inaccessible to crews on foot.

**RCU EAST SIDE OPENING:** Rangers continue to make preparations in order to open additional sections of the RCU east side. Fallen trees need to be removed, trail alignments identified, and signage installed. A contractor will be hired to grind up the woody debris remaining following the large-scale tree removals at RCU. The wood chips will then be used to surface the connector trails.

**CACHAGUA SPORTS FIELD:** Ranger staff has been assisting with completion of the multi-sports field at Cachagua Community Park. Brushing, staking, and sign relocation are a few of the items not included in the contractors' scope that Ranger staff has completed.

**FIESTA RUN:** The 2019 Carmel Valley Fiesta Mountain Run is scheduled for August 4, 2019 at Garland Ranch Regional Park. This event is sponsored by the CV Kiwanis each year and is well organized and well attended. Ranger Staff will be present on-site to assist with logistics and medical emergencies if necessary.

**SOUTH ANIMAS MOWING/SPRAYING:** In hopes of not losing ground to invasive weeds and plants, Ranger Staff contracted the mowing of South Animas Unit at Palo Corona backcountry during the month of June, followed by an herbicide treatment from a spraying contractor in July. Historically, this would be achieved through the District's Conservation Manager. In the absence of that person, Ranger staff feels obligated to continue the fight against invasive species.

**PROJECT A:** O&M Staff has been working with architectural firm Ten Over Studio to help refine and design Project A; consisting of the dog park, ranger offices, overflow parking lot, modular restroom, and the incident command staging area. Staff is also working with Turf Image (GIS consultant) to provide Ten Over Studio with necessary data sets needed to produce site plans. A design charette with the fire/police/medical stakeholders has been scheduled for July 31<sup>st</sup>.

<b>FISCAL IMPACT:</b>	N/A
<b>FUNDING SOURCE:</b>	N/A
<b>FUNDING BALANCE:</b>	N/A
<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b>	For Information Only