



Regional Parks

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Director

**MEETING NOTES – INFORMATION ONLY
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
REGIONAL PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION
2:30 P.M.
Wednesday, May 8, 2019**

Held at: General Services Building
Regional Parks/Airports Conference Room
777 E. Rialto Avenue
San Bernardino, CA 92415

1.0 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairperson Mitchell called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M.

2.0 ROLL CALL:

San Bernardino County

Commission Members Present:

Louis Gamache, Third District
Michael Kreeger, Fourth District
Bob Mitchell, Member-At-Large

Staff:

Beahta Davis
Beverly Pickens

Commission Members Absent:

Nicole R. Van Winkle, Fifth District
Steven Farrell, Member-At-Large

3.0 GUESTS/MEDIA

None

4.0 MINUTES – NO ACTION TAKEN

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS - OLD BUSINESS

None

6.0 DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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First District

JANICE RUTHERFORD
Second District

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Third District

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Chairman, Fourth District

JOSIE GONZALES
Vice Chair, Fifth District

Gary McBride
Chief Executive Officer

PARK OVERVIEWS

Prado

Master Plan – The TAC and CAC meetings will be held on May 16th. The Master Plan presentation to the Commission will be at the July meeting. The presentation will be extensive and lengthy.

Calico

The contract for Lanes General Store was not renewed. The concessionaire has until May 15th to remove their property. Historical artifacts belonging to the County have been removed, packed and stored with assistance from San Bernardino County Museum staff. Historical items will be returned when the new concessionaire takes over. Proposals have been submitted by prospective concessionaires. Interviews have been scheduled.

Cucamonga Guasti

The pool will not open this summer. The pool replacement was presented at the Budget workshop along with the waterslide at Glen Helen, the rehabilitation of group tent sites at Yucaipa, and removal of the buildings at Camp Switzerland. Blane McNally is the new Assistant Park Superintendent at Cucamonga Guasti.

Lake Gregory

Mrs. Davis distributed the RFP brochure to commission members. The department is looking for a partner. Discussion was held regarding Camp Switzerland, preserving the beauty of the park, and increasing visitor usage in the area. The RFP Proposal Conference is scheduled for May 20th. Commissioner Mitchell asked if the wedding cabin would go to the new concessionaire. Mrs. Davis responded yes.

Mojave Narrows

The final walk through was held for the playground resurfacing project. The fencing will be removed today or tomorrow. The sand has been replaced with a pour and play surface. The playground looks great. A tire swing will be added in June. A meeting with Real Estate Services is scheduled at Mojave Narrows tomorrow regarding Prop 68 funding. Steve Lampignano is the new Park Ranger II. He came from Agriculture Weights and Measures.

Mojave River Forks

A copy of the lease was sent back to the Army Corps of Engineers with comments.

Glen Helen

The park has hired enough lifeguards to open. A new pool manager has been hired from Yucaipa. A proposal for the snack bar has been received. An interview has been scheduled. One water slide will be open this summer. Pool preparation is in process.

Big Morongo Preserve

No report.

Moabi

Contract negotiations are in process with the concessionaire.

Yucaipa

Pool prep is almost complete. The electrical project is complete. There is an upcoming CDBG project that will upgrade the restrooms/showers in the RV area.

Mrs. Davis stated she met with the State regarding grant opportunities for Regional Parks. Some of the applications are due in January. The grant Mojave Narrows qualifies for is due in August. There will be a third grant program only for Regional Parks.

Commissioner Mitchell requested dates be provided to visit Moabi. Mrs. Davis commented we will try to schedule this visit during the fall.

Santa Ana River Trail

The trail will be swept on May 22nd in the morning.

7.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

None

8.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

9.0 **COMMISSION COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Gamache stated he was impressed with the work done on the Lake Gregory Dam. In listening at the event everyone is highly invested in preserving their community. Mr. Gamache stated he was impressed with the construction staff. They were a good selection. Commissioner Kreeger stated he would go by on Saturday on his way to Lake Arrowhead.

Commissioner Kreeger stated the person who is handling social media is doing a great job staying up to date with reminders. There is a lot going on at Prado. It is good to see the park being used.

Commissioner Mitchell stated he visited Yucaipa on a week day there were a lot of people there and staff were cleaning the park. Commissioner Mitchell stated he also visited Prado on a Sunday. Staff were working on the park cleaning and repairing irrigation. Commissioner Mitchell would like to commend park staff working in the parks. The Commission has noticed them.

Commissioner Mitchell stated he would like to invite Steve Wormser to attend the June meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m.