



Riverside County Trails Committee  
Special Meeting  
City of Moreno Valley, Council Chambers  
14177 Frederick Street, Moreno Valley, CA 92553



Wednesday, February 10, 2010, 6:30 p.m.

**MINUTES**

<p><u>Members Present</u> Michelle Randall, District I Amie Kinne, District II Lynn Mattocks, Chair, District III Bob Hewitt, District III LeGrand Velez, Vice Chair, District IV (late 6:56) Sue Gilchrist, District V Marie Spradlin, District V</p>	<p><u>Members Absent</u> Phillip Bremenstuhl, District I Ron Jenkins, District II Gayle Cady, District IV</p>
<p><u>Riverside County Regional Park District Staff</u> Tracy Novak, Assistant Parks Director Marc Brewer, Senior Park Planner Dan Nove, Park Planner Rebecca Chavez, Secretary II</p>	
<p><u>Others Guests Present</u> Jerry Jolliffe, Deputy Director, Riverside County Planning Kathy Burleson, Rancho California Horsemen's Association (RCHA) Darleen DeLeo, Greater Lake Mathews Rural Trail Association (GLMRTA) Isobel Forehand, Greater Lake Mathews Rural Trail Association (GLMRTA) Ann Brady, Greater Lake Mathews Rural Trail Association (GLMRTA) Nancy Lacey, Greater Lake Mathews Rural Trail Association (GLMRTA) Bonnie Slayer, Norco Horsemen's Association (NHA) Doreen Grimes, Guest Frank &amp; Sharon Hall, Guest John Lujan, Coachella Valley Community Trail Alliance (CVCTA)</p>	

- 1.0 Call to Order –**  
Lynn Mattocks, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- 2.0 Roll Call & Introduction of Guests**  
Roll was called by Chairman Mattocks and self introductions were made, see above.
- 3.0 Approval of Minutes**  
M/S/C Hewett, Spradlin  
The minutes from the November 18, 2009 meeting were approved with the following correction: Amie ~~Kline~~ Kinne.  
M/S/C Hewett, Kinne  
The minutes from the January 20, 2010 meeting were approved with the following correction: Amie ~~Kline~~ Kinne.
- 4.0 Opportunity for the public to address the Committee**  
Kathy Burleson, RCHA, gave the following report:
  1. On Sunday, December 13, 2009 the RCHA held its annual Christmas Brunch. Shirley Allen was elected the new President and Sherry Turner was elected the

new Treasurer. Announced at the event was the "2009 Friend of RCHA." Receiving the award was Renzoni Winery, and it will be presented to them in an upcoming event.

2. On Tuesday, January 19, 2010, Ms. Burluson attended the County Service Area (CSA) meeting for the wine country area. The RCHA would like one of its members to attend each of the quarterly meetings this next year. One of the goals for RCHA is to have the shoulders of the paved roads wide enough for horses to safely walk.
3. On Thursday, January 28, 2010, Lorraine Harrington and Ms. Burluson attended the Sierra Club meeting. They displayed the current wine county trails map and wanted them to be aware of the multiple trails in the area. RCHA and the Sierra Club are working together to host a hike/ride poker event this year at the La Cereza winery. The date is yet to be determined.
4. The RCHA continues to make contributions to Supervisor Stone's Advisory Council on the expansion of the wine country.

Nancy Lacey, GLMRTA, thanked the Park District and staff person Dan Nove for the new signs that have been installed at McCall Memorial Park. The signs are facing both directions and state that there is a horse crossing ahead.

Bonnie Slayer, Chair for the Norco Horsemen's Association, is campaigning to have signs posted along the Santa Ana River stating there is "No discharge of firearms or weapons along this trail." She said there are currently signs posted on the Norco side and she would like to see the signs posted on the Mira Loma side. Ms. Slayer says there is a problem with people using bows and arrows in the area, and it has become very dangerous. Mr. Novak, Assistant Parks Director, noted that he will have the Park staff follow up on this concern.

## **5.0 Chairman's Report and Announcements**

1. Chairman Mattocks reminded the Committee members that their Form 700 for 2009-2010 was due and asked them to get it returned quickly.
2. He announced that if anyone was looking for a map showing the Supervisorial Districts to see Mr. Nove, Riverside County Park Planner.
3. Chairman Mattocks reminded the Committee members to check the 2010 Ride Calendar and start preparing for each of their events. He asked that they forward their information to committee member Sue Gilchrist so that she may post it in the newsletter.
4. Chairman Mattocks asked and reminded the Committee to come to the meetings prepared with a copy of their report typed or handwritten legibly and provide a copy to the secretary.
5. Chairman Mattocks reminded the Committee of the chain of command for concerns and issues. He asked that the Committee keep the Chair informed of all concerns and issues. If you have any questions or comments, email or contact Chairman Mattocks by phone.
6. Chairman Mattocks announced that he had been appointed by Supervisor Stone to the ADHOC Transportation Committee for Rancho California Road chaired by Juan Perez.
7. On Thursday, January 14, 2010 Chairman Mattocks attended the Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District Advisory Commission (DAC) meeting. He found it to be very informative.

8. Chairman Mattocks announce that construction is set to begin in March along Newport Road in Menifee, between Menifee and Canyon Lake. He asked if the Park District would follow up and watch for the trail crossings.

## **6.0 Committee Member Reports**

### District 1

Michelle Randall mentioned that she had attended the Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District holiday party. She expressed she had a good time and had an opportunity to express a concern to Ron Baxter over the recent number of rave parties being thrown in the area. She said that she had met with Mr. Bremenstuhl and Mr. Nove to discuss this concern further. Ms. Randall mentioned that she had attended the Planning Commission meeting in support of the Watt project, a subdivision in the Gavlin Hills. There will be a horse park and trail system. She has read the environmental impact report for the Serrano Specific Plan in the Temescal Canyon and plans to be very involved in the planning process.

### District II

Amie Kinne mentioned that she had made contact with the Norco Horsemen's Association (NHA) and has gotten to meet the people involved. Ms. Kinne stated that she could not think of a group of people that use the trail system more than the people of Norco and she feels that they have been underserved by the committee member that was designated to represent them. She has offered to go over and meet with them and feels that the Committee should seriously look into replacing the Committee member that represents that area. There was some discussion on replacing an absent Committee member who fails to attend the regular meetings. Chairman Mattocks said that he would meet with Ms. Kinne after the meeting to discuss the bylaws and procedures for replacing a Committee member.

Ms. Kinne mentioned that the NHA held a ride on January 30, 2010. They met at the Corydon staging area. She noted that there would be a Founder's Day ride sometime in mid July and will take place around Lake Norconian.

### District III

Bob Hewitt is attempting to meet and work with the City of Hemet regarding the trails that run along the south side of the City and that lead into the City. There are some new proposed developments that Mr. Hewitt would like to be involved in with regard to the trail system. Mr. Hewitt said he met with the property owner at the end of Fairview in Bautista Canyon. He informed the gentleman that there was a regional trail proposed that would run through his property and he was open-minded to the use. The owner is interested in keeping the property as an open-space area. This will complete the Bautista Canyon Trail.

Lynn Mattocks mentioned that he had attended two meetings with the Valle de los Caballos Advisory Group regarding land use and zoning issues.

Chairman Mattocks mentioned that he had attended the meeting with the Rancho California Road ADHOC Transportation Committee. His primary emphasis is on trail crossings and connectivity.

On November 28, 2009 Chairman Mattocks led 40 riders from the Santa Rosa Plateau Riding Club on a ride in the wine country along the De Portola Trail. It was a great ride through three wineries with a lunch that was included.

Chairman Mattocks mentioned that on December 5, 2009, he attended a Christmas party hosted by the Santa Rosa Plateau Riding Club.

Chairman Mattocks noted that he had been working with Debra Clarke and the Trabuco Forestry on connecting trails between Riverside County and the Cleveland National Forest.

#### District IV

LeGrand Velez reported that several new “Share the Road with Bicyclists” signs had been installed throughout the Coachella Valley. There were several agencies involved in this project: the Desert Bicycle Club, the Coachella Valley Community Trails Alliance, the Desert Healthcare District, Supervisor John Benoit’s office, and County Public Works bought and installed ten signs.

Vice Chair Velez announced that Cathedral City will begin construction of a one mile, Class I trail along the Whitewater Wash between Vista Chino and Avenue 30 this summer. The City has obtained the cooperation of two local golf courses for this trail segment. Cathedral City has also received Bicycle Transportation Account funding for a second mile of a bike trail between Avenue 30 and Ramon Road. He stated that an application to fund a third segment of a trail from Ramon Road to Dinah Shore will be submitted.

Vice Chair Velez announced that the Tour de Palm Springs charity bike ride was scheduled for this weekend, February 12-13. The Coachella Valley Community Trails Alliance (CVCTA) will have a booth on both Friday and Saturday. The CVCTA will distribute valley area bike maps and conduct a survey of the cycling conditions in the area.

Vice Chair Velez asked about the Coachella Valley Regional Trails study and was told that the document had been completed and that 20 copies had been provided to Supervisor Benoit’s office.

#### District V

Sue Gilchrist recognized the guests from the City of Norco.

Ms. Gilchrist agreed with the previous comments regarding the attendance of committee members. She stated that good attendance is important to the committee and the district in which they represent. Ms. Gilchrist stated that if a committee member could not attend the meetings on a regular basis, that person should resign. Chairman Mattocks noted that the bylaws stated that a member could be removed if they missed two consecutive meetings.

Marie Spradlin noted that there was still a concern with raw sewage being dumped in her local area. She stated that she had contacted Code Enforcement and HazMat, and they said they would follow up.

Ms. Spradlin mentioned that she was concerned with the trails in the new Lewis Home development.

### **7.0 Park District Business**

#### **7.1 Park District Staff Report**

Marc Brewer presented a copy of the Park District Staff report, which is attached and made part of these minutes. The committee and guests reviewed the report. Mr. Novak responded to a question of when the Lake Cahuilla Work Party was planned by indicating it was set for April 10.

#### **7.2 Trail Map Task Force Subcommittee**

Dan Nove presented a copy of the Trail Map Task Force Subcommittee report, which is attached and made part of these minutes. The committee and guests reviewed the report. There were no questions or comments.

### **8.0 Old Business**

#### **8.1 Trails Committee Newsletter**

Ms. Gilchrist noted that the Trails Newsletter is usually sent out three to four weeks after the approval of the Trails minutes.

## **8.2 Adopt-a-Trail Program**

Ms. Gilchrist stated that the Adopt-a-Trail proposal was close to finishing. She said it will include first aid and trail maintenance.

## **9.0 New Business**

### **9.1 Riverside County General Plan Update: Proposed Amendment of Circulation Elements Trails and Bikeways Plan**

Jerry Jolliffe, Deputy Director, Riverside County Planning Department presented the Circulation Element: Proposed Trail Policies and Maps to the Trails Committee. Mr. Jolliffe gave a PowerPoint presentation showing the proposed trails to be included in the General Plan. Physical maps were also on display. Mr. Jolliffe stated that a copy of the trail information is available on the Park District website. Mr. Jolliffe asked the Trails Committee to approve this portion of the plan, in concept and to be forwarded to the District Advisory Commission for future consideration. Mr. Jolliffe stated that the Planning Department will be accepting comments and suggestions up to February 17, 2010. It was suggested that comments be left at tonight's meeting.

M/S/C Velez, Hewitt

The Trails Committee approved the Circulation Element: Proposed Trails Policies and Maps as presented, with the Trail Committee's suggested additional comments to be considered or included in the plan.

## **10.0 Adjournment**

M/S/C Spradlin, Gilchrist

The Trails Committee adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

The next Trails Committee meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2010 at Lake Elsinore Museum.

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Tracy Novak, Assistant Parks Director for  
Scott Bangle, General Manager  
Riverside County Regional Park & Open-Space District &  
Secretary to the Riverside County Trails Committee



## Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District Staff Report



Agenda Item No. 7.1  
February 10, 2010

**Prepared by:** Marc Brewer, Senior Park Planner  
**For:** Trails Committee  
**Subject:** Park District Staff Report  
**Recommendation:** Receive and File

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Project Status listed below:

### **Santa Ana River Trail Impacts/Closures:**

- *Immediate:* The City of Riverside's construction of the Jurupa Avenue extension is in progress. A new trail with fencing has been completed. The possibility of temporary trail closures between Doolittle and Jurupa avenues remain.
- *Future:* Metropolitan Water District (MWD) has completed its route investigation. They are in the process of negotiating a Temporary Right of Entry through Park District owned/managed lands. MWD proposes to use its existing pipeline location through the Santa Ana River trail corridor northeast of the City of Riverside's Waste Treatment Plant. The area of work is limited. The impacts to the trail have not been determined.
- *Future:* The Park District continues to work with the City of Riverside and Southern California Edison to establish an acceptable utility line location minimizing impacts to the Santa Ana River Trail Corridor. The impacts to the trail cannot be assessed at this stage of the project.
- *Future:* The City of Riverside continues to work with the Park District on the location of a new sewage line from the Tesquesquite Landfill to the City of Riverside's Waste Treatment Plant. The City of Riverside is anticipating the need to close the trail during construction.

### **Santa Ana River Trail: (Green River Golf Course to Hwy 71 Bridge):**

- The Transportation Land Management Agency (TMLA) Survey Division has completed the topographic survey for the proposed trail corridor. The data and mapping has been provided to TLMA Design Engineering for trail alignment, design, and construction drawings.
- The Park District is continuing discussions with the Orange County Flood Control District (the owners of the Green River Golf Course) to determine a

trail route through the golf course. The Orange County Flood Control District has completed its new master plan for the two golf courses.

**Santa Ana River Trail (Hidden Valley):**

- The Memorandum of Understanding between the Park District and TLMA has been delayed. The documents have not cleared TLMA Transportation Division's review.
- The easements for portions of the work have been submitted to the landowner and in their legal review. One party has executed the easements; the second party has not executed the easement documents.
- TLMA Transportation Division has not been able to provide a status on the TEA grant funding status. Park District staff has resubmitted the project scope description statements.

**Santa Ana River Trail (Doolittle to Tyler Streets):**

- The City of Riverside's extension of Jurupa Avenue between Van Buren Boulevard (Doolittle Street) and Tyler Street is approximately 80% complete.
- The new dual trail, with fencing is complete.
- An alternate route or temporary trail over Hole Lake may still be required.

**Santa Ana River Trail (Corona to Hidden Valley):**

- The agency Stakeholders met to discuss status and potential issues impacting the project.
- The management team is to assist with several project issues.
- The consulting and environmental teams are preparing to expand the environmental work.

**Jim Real Regional Trail (Bain Street Trail):**

- A second phase of the trail project (the transitions to Limonite and Galena avenues) has been initiated.
- The work has been bid and awarded. Work is to begin in late January 2010.

**Mockingbird Canyon Trail:**

- The internal (County/Agency) "stake holders committee" to review the proposed trail alignments was held. The consultant is narrowing the proposed alignments to three alignments (a recommended alignment and two alternates).
- The consultant is preparing to begin the initial environmental studies in February 2010.

**Coachella Valley Trails Project:**

- The document is complete.

**Wine Country Trails:**

- The final set of trail map corrections were submitted and corrections made by Riverside County GIS. The map has been incorporated into the Southwest Area Plan of the General Plan Update.

- Park District and Riverside County Planning staffs are working with the Board of Supervisors' office to establish a Temecula Valley Wine County Community Plan.

**Pines to Vines Trail Mapping Effort:**

- Park District and Riverside County Planning staffs met with Planning Commissioner Petty and a group of local trails users from the Hemet area to discuss the Pines to Vines Trail mapping efforts.
- Park District staff is coordinating a site tour for the meeting attendees to see potential alignments through the Shipley Reserve.

**Lake Cahuilla Equestrian Campground:**

- Trail directional signs have been installed.
- Park District staff completed and posted the flyer for the January 2010 work party. Park District staff is coordinating park and trail crews to assist with specific projects for the event.

**Other Items of Interest:**

- General Plan update:  
Park District and Riverside County Planning staffs are working to complete the trails portion of the General Plan Update.



## Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District Staff Report



**Agenda Item No. 7.2**  
**February 10, 2010**

**Prepared by:** Dan Nove, Park Planner  
**For:** Trails Committee  
**Subject:** Trail Map Task Force Subcommittee Report  
**Recommendation:** Receive and File

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The Trail Map Task Force Subcommittee held its first meeting on December 9, 2009 at Park District Headquarters.

The Subcommittee identified three types of trail maps that it recommends and intends to assist the Park District in developing. They are listed as follows:

1. Small or pocket-sized maps that would be useful to trail users or in the field.
2. Large maps (suitable for display at various locations such as trailheads or Park kiosks) that would encourage investigation and inspire future use by many visitors.
3. Interactive maps that would be made available to the public online.