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Riverside County Regional Park & Open-Space District Advisory Commission Meeting Thursday, March 13, 2025, 10:00 a.m.



Meeting Location:

Mayflower Park (Maintenance Bldg.) 4980 Colorado River Road Blythe, CA 92225

MINUTES

DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

- 1.0 Call to Order

 The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m.
- 2.0 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag The Pledge of Allegiance was led by CM Van Horn.
- 3.0 Roll Call Commissioners Present: Greene (1), Balys (1), Hake (2), Reid (3), Grady (4), Van Horn (4), and Barth (5); Commissioners Absent: Moreno (2), Giedroyce (3), Cruz-Gutierrez II (4), and Valdivia (5); Staff Present: Brown, McLain, Williams, Adame, and Hawkins
- 4.0 Approval of Minutes Action
 - 4.1 Job Code 2025-04

 January 16, 2025, approved. (M/S/C Reid, Balys); Abstention-Van Horn
- 5.0 Special Recognition
 - 5.1 DAC Commissioner Presentation Kyla Brown, General Manager

GM Brown presented Commissioner Grady with a plaque of appreciation for twenty years of service on the District Advisory Commission.

- 6.0 Public Comments
 No Comments
- 7.0 Fish and Game Related Business
 - 7.1 Fish & Game Trust Fund Informational
 This item was taken out of order by Chair Hake. Item was placed after item 13.1.

As of 02/24/2025 = \$20,275.57. Which is an increase of \$179.51, since last reported on January 16, 2025.

8.0 Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation (OHVR)
No Business

9.0 Old Business

9.1 CIP Trails Update – Informational

Gaby Adame, Bureau Chief

BC Adame provided an update on the Santa Ana River Trail, covering the history of each segment phase. BC Adame also discussed projects that had occurred, were ongoing, or would take place in each segment phase of the trail.

10.0 New Business

10.1 District Advisory Commission (DAC) Formation Resolution Update By-Laws – Action Job Code 2025-05

Kyla Brown, General Manager

The Commission approved the update to the DAC Formation Resolution. (M/S/C Van Horn, Balys)

11.0 Tentative Future Agenda Items

- 11.1 OHV Feasibility Study Update (May 2025)
- 11.2 Workshop refresh for Commissioners on their roles on the DAC (Late 2025)
- 11.3 Park Foundation Update (mid to late 2025)

12.0 Commissioners Report - Informational

Commissioner Greene stated that he attended the Lake Cahuilla Groundbreaking Ceremony and that Lake Cahuilla was the last Riverside County park, preserve, or historic site he needed to visit. He has now been to every location.

Commissioner Balys shared with the Commission that he attended the Lake Cahuilla Groundbreaking Ceremony and praised both the park and the event.

Commissioner Hake mentioned coming across a letter signed by various elected officials from different levels of government, urging Riverside County to place their proposed power lines in Hidden Valley underground instead of above ground.

Commissioner Reid mentioned to the Commission that she also attended the Lake Cahuilla Groundbreaking Ceremony, noting that the park staff performed well despite the high winds. She also shared that she and Commissioner Greene visited potential OHV sites on their way to Blythe.

Commissioner Grady informed the Commission that snowbird season is in full swing and introduced two guests he had brought to the meeting, who are interested in expanding tourism in the Blythe area.

Commissioner Van Horn informed the Commission that he is preparing for the Tour de Palm Springs charity cycling event and recently rode around Lake Cahuilla. He also praised the park staff and the park's operations.

Commissioner Barth expressed gratitude for the recent weather and mentioned an interest in learning more about the signage project in Box Springs.

13.0 Park District Status Reports – Informational

13.1 Miscellaneous Items of Interest

Kyla Brown, General Manager

GM Brown updated the Commission on the Santa Ana River Trail management within incorporated cities, noting that the City of Corona is interested in managing the portion of the trail within its boundaries. GM Brown also mentioned that the Parks All Staff event went well and highlighted the Annual Report and the District Event Guide.

One question was asked by the Commission, which was addressed by BC Williams.

- **14.0** Next Meeting May 1, 2025, 1:30 p.m. Santa Rosa Plateau 39400 Clinton Keith Road; Murrieta, CA 92562 (date and/or location subject to change).
- **15.0** Adjournment
 Meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m

Kyla Brown General Manager

Secretary to the District Advisory Commission