COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

Parks Department





DATE: July 30, 2014 COMMISSION MEETING DATE: August 7, 2014

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

FROM: Sam Herzberg, Senior Planner

SUBJECT: Park Planning Activities

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and accept report.

BACKGROUND:

This report covers planning activities since the Commission's June 5, 2014 regular meeting.

DISCUSSION:

Coyote Point Marina Fuel Dock

Pier pilings were installed for the Fuel Dock and adjacent Dock 10 in October 2013. The remaining Fuel Dock project involves replacement of fuel dispensers and utility improvements. The Board of Supervisors at their September 9, 2014 meeting is being requested to authorize going out to bid for the remaining scope of work.

CuriOdyssey Art Exhibit

County Parks issued an Encroachment Permit for CuriOdyssey to install a wind related art exhibit on County Park lands outside of their lease area.

Crystal Springs Trail South of Dam

Prior to construction, soil borings are being done to test for naturally occurring asbestos. If it is found, precautions will be taken during construction. Pot holing is taking place to determine the exact location of a culvert under the trail. A biological monitoring contract has been set up to train staff and contractors prior to all construction activities, and do biological monitoring before and after construction (primarily for Red legged frogs and San Francisco garter snakes). A uniform treatment for trail construction is proposed instead of a patchwork of repairs, which will lower the cost for implementation.

Crystal Springs Trail South of Highway 92

Soil borings are being done to determine the possibility of naturally occurring asbestos. The project is still undergoing Federal NEPA compliance review (involving historic, cultural and environmental resources), and following completion, revised plans and specifications will be prepared for the Department of Public Works engineering review. The project is likely to be constructed in the summer of 2015.

Fitzgerald Marine Reserve Cypress Grove Arborist Hazard Assessment and Strategy and the San Vicente Creek Enhancement Plan

Permit approvals and CEQA evaluation have been completed for Phase 1 of the San Vicente Creek enhancement phase restoration and the work is in the process of being scheduled. County Planning will be issuing a Coastal Development Permit prior to Phase 1 tree removal or trimming.

Fitzgerald Marine Reserve Parking Lot

The Coastal Development Permit proposed parking lot was approved at the Planning Commission meeting on May 28, 2014. The final plans and specifications are being reviewed by Public Works engineering staff and the project will be constructed in late summer/early fall 2014.

Hazardous Material Plans for County Parks

Hazardous Material Plans for County Park Corporation Yards are being updated electronically on County Environmental Health's website, so County Fire Departments can better respond in the case of an emergency. In the process, County Parks is purging Corporation Yards of old excess hazardous materials at County approved Hazardous Materials Waste Disposal sites.

Moss Beach Park

County Planning approval and CEQA review have been completed for proposed playground modifications for safety enhancements. The ADA Commission has determined that the proposed ADA parking space for the restroom is not feasible due to site constraints and that on street parking is sufficient with the proposed ADA pathway redesign.

PG&E Maintenance Projects

PG&E is planning projects to tighten existing power lines at Coyote Point Recreation Area, which will involve an easement for an additional pole, and placement of a tower on a power line on San Bruno Mountain State and County Park to increase the height of naturally sagging lines. County Parks will be issuing Encroachment Permits for both projects.

San Bruno Mountain Habitat Conservation Plan (SBM HCP)

On May 29, 2014, the SBM HCP Technical Advisory Committee reviewed both draft scopes of work for vegetation management and biological monitoring, and modifications were made. The final scopes of work were presented and approved by the SBM HCP Trustees at their July 28, 2014 meeting for Fiscal Year 2014-15.

San Bruno Mountain State Park Operating Agreement

The 15-year Operating Agreement for County Parks to manage State Park lands (north of the Guadalupe Parkway including the main entrance to the park) expires in 2015, and a dialogue has been initiated to pursue renewal for a similar period of time. A report on visitation numbers, revenues and expenses for operation of the State and County Park is being provided to State Parks as required by the Agreement.

Storm Water Reporting

An annual summary of parks efforts related to implementing Regional Water Quality Control Board mandated storm water requirements is being compiled.