



Prairie City Improvement Group (PCIG) Meeting

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

AGENDA

Join us in person at 13300 White Rock Road in Rancho Cordova to meet staff, learn about current and future projects and provide feedback as stakeholders of the park.

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| 5:00 - 5:05 | Introduction by Peter Jones, Sector Manager <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome and Introduction• Staff Updates• Intermediate MX Track Open and an overview of future facility improvements there. |
| 5:05 – 5:15 | Environmental Scientists; McKenzie Boring and Taylor Espenshade <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Road and Trail Management Plan (RTMP) Updates• Soil Conservation Plan Update• New Wildfire Management Plan |
| 5:15 – 5:25 | Outreach and Education, State Park Interpreter I, Joleen Ossello <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sac Snake Fest• Parks OHV Safety Week, Earth Day, MetalCloak Skillz Day, Hangtown, Loretta Lynn• Vernal Pools Tours and Agency Training |
| 5:25 – 5:30 | Facility Maintenance, Park Maintenance Supervisor OOC, Ryan Boeck <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Park Maintenance Updates |
| 5:30 – 5:40 | Visitor Services, Supervising State Park Peace Officer, Tony Guzman <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current RED sticker season & changes expected for 2025• New OHV Div Info Bulletin about E bikes• Prepare for hot temperatures when riding OHV's |
| 5:40 – 6:00 | Public Question & Comment Period |

Meeting minutes are available by email request to prairie.city@parks.ca.gov.

Join us on social media!



Summary

Introduction by Peter Jones, Prairie City Sector Manager

The purpose of this quarterly public meeting is to engage and solicit feedback with users and stakeholders on current and future park projects and developments.

Park Manager Updates

- We have hired an Interpretive Sr. Park Aide position to assist Joleen at the ETC and with interpretive programming.
- One of our Environmental Scientists, Lora Caldwell has left State Parks and will be moving out of state. We will be backfilling this position, and a hiring packet has been submitted to HQ.
- The Hangtown MX Classic celebrated it's 55th year on June 2nd and was well attended by all accounts. Official attendance report is yet to be available.
- Intermediate MX Track is Open to motorcycles which are 230cc and under. We will continue to improve the facility over time by adding decomposed granite to the track, improving the staging area, building shade ramadas and adding picnic tables.

Natural Resource Updates by T. Espenshade & M. Boring, Environmental Scientists

Road and Trail Management Plan Update- Taylor Espenshade

- Public Draft was released in January and public comments were accepted into February. Hundreds of comments received.
- Response to those comments are posted on web
- Next steps-> A revised Draft Plan and Draft CEQA Document will be available for public comment this Summer.
- We are on track to release the final RTMP and Environmental Document in January 2025.
- Sign up for the RTMP mailing list on the Prairie City RTMP website to receive updates and check our social media accounts on Facebook and Instagram @prairiecitySVRA.

Soil Conservation Plan Update – McKenzie Boring

- Public Draft expected to be available in July or August for 30-day public review period.
- Email notification will be sent from OHMVR.EnvComp AT parks.ca.gov with instructions on how to provide comments.

New Wildfire Management Plan – McKenzie Boring

- Draft Wildfire Management Plan and Local Operating Agreement with CalFire and Sac Metro
- Plan will also include an evacuation plan for the staff, concessionaires, and the public.
- Updates will be presented on at these meetings.

Outreach and Education Updates by Joleen Ossello, State Park Interpreter

Special Events Off-Site

- Attended Sacramento Snake Fest in Rancho Cordova with Carnegie SVRA Staff providing snake related activities and State Parks Week information to approximately 400 festival attendees.

Special Events On-Site

- Several free OHV safety trainings were provided for OHV Safety Week- Share the Trails by OHMVR Division Staff with an interpretive demonstration booth rained out. Staff, instead, roved the main staging area reaching approximately 45 visitors.
- Environmental Resources Staff and interns assisted Interpretation Staff with Parks Earth Day Celebration at the Vernal Pools on April 21. Activities included seeding a temporary newspaper planter for home, assembling a necklace lei that represented the VP seasons, and a VP question wheel for take home Earth Day windsock. Approximately 32 non-OHV and 22 OHV visitors attended the four-hour event.
- Attended MetalCloak Skillz Day as the usual educational booth stop for attendees to educate 41 new Ford Bronco owners about the Park's offerings.
- Hangtown Motocross Classic Super Booth a hit with 1500+ visitors. Activities included meeting and learning about ASRAs "Bummer Bear", creating your own HT55/Parks button, magnet or keychain, and a free raffle to win an OHMVR Annual Pass donated by California Outdoor Recreation Foundation (CORF).
- Set up a remote-control crawler course with summer Senior Park Aide at the Loretta Lynn MX Regional Qualifier on the Pro-Am Track for two days. Approximately 128 racers and fans visited the booth to meet ASRAs "Bummer Bear" and practice TreadLightly! principles while using the RC Course.

Park Programming

- Five of six (first rained out) scheduled vernal pool tours were co-led by Environmental Resources, Interpretation and Friends of Folsom in April and May.
- ATV, ROV, DBS Agency Trainings continue to be in demand with ROV most prevalent.

Upcoming Parks Events

- Visitor Appreciation Day, October 11 & 12 with free day use and two nights of camping in Main Staging Area.

Upcoming Special Events (non-Parks)

- Visit the Prairie City SVRA Event Webpage

Facility Maintenance Updates by Ryan Boeck, Acting Park Maintenance Supervisor

Park Maintenance Work

- Approximately 400tons of Sand was added to the MX and ATV Practice tracks.
- Dust off was applied May 22nd to roads in the park to keep dust down and reduce water usage.
- Painted 4x4 scoring tower and will be replacing the roof, and siding on the 4x4 scoring tower.
- 300 tons of Decomposed Granite will be delivered June 19th to Range A at Environmental Training Center

OHV Safety Updates by Jamin Lai, State Park Peace Officer

Update

- Park open until 8pm May- Aug
- current RED sticker season & changes expected for 2025
- New OHV Div Info Bulletin about E bikes
- Required to obtain registration
- prepare for hot temperatures when riding OHV's

Respectfully Submitted on 6/19/24

By Park Staff