DISTRICT TRAILS COORDINATOR TRAINING

April 23-26, 2019



William Penn Mott Jr. Training Center



Memorandum

Date: March 11, 2019

To: Supervisor

From: Debbie Fredricks, Chief

Training Section
California State Parks

Subject: Employee Attendance at Formal Training

District Trails Coordinator Training Group 10

An employee from your office will soon be attending the formal training program described in the attachment. Please ensure that the employee is fully prepared to attend the session and that the groundwork is laid for the employee's implementation of the training upon returning to work. You can assist with capturing the full value of the training by taking the following steps:

Prior to Training

- 1. Make sure that **specific** employee needs are identified and, if necessary, called immediately to the attention of the Training Specialist.
- 2. Review with the employee the reason for the employee's attendance.
- 3. Review objectives and agenda with the employee.
- 4. Discuss objectives and performance expected after the training.

Immediately Following Attendance

- 1. Discuss what was learned and intended uses of the training.
- 2. Review the employee's assessment of the training program for its impact at the workplace.
- 3. Support the employee's use of the training at the work place.

Three Months Following Training

1. Supervisor evaluates the effectiveness of the training on the employee's job performance and meets with employee to discuss the evaluation.

Thank you for your assistance in seeing that the full benefit of training is realized.

Debbie L. Fredericks Training Section Chief

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Attachment

cc: Participant

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Mission Statement Training Section

The mission of the Training Section is to provide knowledge, empowerment, and inspiration through collaboration, consulting, and the delivery of exceptional training programs.

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THE MISSION

of the California Department of Parks and Recreation is to provide for the health, inspiration and education of the people of California by helping to preserve the state's extraordinary biological diversity, protecting its most valued natural and cultural resources, and creating opportunities for high quality outdoor recreation.



FORMAL TRAINING GUIDELINES

Welcome to formal training, an essential component in your career development.

Since 1969, our Department has been providing a continuously changing number of diverse training programs at its main training facility, the William Penn Mott Jr. Training Center, and other locations including Marconi Conference Center and McClellan Training Center. The Department strives to enhance your learning and job performance with formal training of the highest quality.

Our Department's dedication to training is only one aspect of its commitment to you and to the public. This commitment is costly and represents an important investment in you and your career. You and the Department realize a return on that investment by your positive participation in formal training itself and post training follow-through.

The program you will be participating in is described in this training syllabus, which outlines what you can expect from this training and what is expected of you. This syllabus details what you should do before you leave for training; what to do when you arrive; what you will be doing while in training; and, importantly, what you should be able to do when you return to your work site. Specifically:

- 1. SYLLABUS: The syllabus is now accessible on the Employee Training Management System (ETMS) and on the Parks and Recreation website under the Learning/Training Section. You should print a copy of the syllabus to bring with you to class. Your copy of this syllabus is an important part of your training experience and should be brought with you to training. Read it before you arrive and review it following the program along with material you received at training.
- 2. PRE-TRAINING ASSIGNMENTS: Your completion of pre-training assignments is essential to the success of your training. You are responsible for all reading assignments in preparation for classroom sessions. Time will be provided during working hours to accomplish any assignments (other than reading) which involve either individual or group efforts or resources. Training participants are required to research a road or trail deferred maintenance or capital improvement project for potential input into the Department's Park Infrastructure Database (PID) prior to the training. Research information will be used to develop a project scope, description and cost estimate during the PID training session. Projects can

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include reconstruction, re-engineering, rerouting or new road or trail projects located within the participant's district. In addition, participants are required to present one five minute long road or trail project in-progress or completed at the participant's district within the last two years. There is no limit to the number of slides but the presentation should be no longer than 5 minutes. Presentations should include photographs maps and graphics as necessary to communicate the project issues and solutions. Participants are also ask to download the "Avenza" application from the "APP Store" if using an apple phone or "Google Play" if using and android phone, onto their work or personal phones prior to attending the training. This is not a requirement but if the participant does not have the application on their phone the will have to share a phone during field exercises.

3. TRAVEL: Arrange your travel to and from the Viejas Resort through your District or Office (No reimbursement for travel expense - including per diem costs - will be approved for travel not specifically authorized in advance by the District Superintendent.) Individuals are entitled to claim the Incidental Allowance as outlined in DAM 0410.5. Contact them directly for the schedule.

The cost of your travel (airfare, mileage, rental car, etc.) is paid by your District or Office to and from the location of the training.

4. HOUSING: Housing will be at the Viejas Resort located at 5000 Willows Road Alpine, CA 91901 USA. Reservations have been previously made so there is no need to contact the hotel directly. For additional information or assistance with hotel arrangements please contact the program manager Callie Hurd by telephone at (916) 324-0423 or via e-mail at Callie.Hurd@parks.ca.gov. Please refer to the location map on the last page of this syllabus.

HOUSING CANCELLATION POLICY: If you do not need lodging or must change or cancel your reservation, you must contact Callie Hurd by Friday, April 19th. Hotel lodging, registration and associated fees may be charged to the employee's District or Office if the training cancellation is received with less than 72 hour's notice.

- 5. REGISTRATION: When you arrive at the Viejas Resort check in with the hotel to receive your room assignment and then with the conference Registration Desk to receive your meal tickets and training materials. Note that hotel rooms may need to be secured with a personal credit card upon check in. The conference registration desk will be open Monday, April 22 from 1600-1800, and Tuesday, April 23 from 0730 to 1830.
- 6. MEALS: Complementary meals will be provided as follows: dinner on April 23 at 1830, box lunch on April 24 at 1200, lunch on April 25 at 1200, and box lunch (to go) on April 26. Dinner on April 24 and 25 and all breakfasts will be purchased by attendees and are eligible for reimbursement (District-funded) per State travel

- regulations. If you require a special diet, contact Jason Spann at Jason.spann@parks.ca.gov
- 7. CLOTHING: Uniforms are not required for this program. (Special clothing requirements for your program are described in "Training Attendance Requirements" section.)
 - Because we will be at a very popular conference facility with other professionals, and the image that we project as trails professionals can have a lasting impact on the public, your attire should be appropriate even during off duty hours.
- 8. COURSE LEADERS: The formal training you will attend is developed and, for the most part, conducted by experienced state park employees in field and staff positions. Some courses will be conducted by qualified instructors from other agencies and educational institutions. Your course leaders have proven their ability and knowledge in their profession, and provide a level of expertise difficult to match.
- 9. TRAINING CENTER STAFF: No Training Center staff is expected at this training. Course leaders will do all within their power to make your training experience pleasant and meaningful.
- 10. TRAINING MATERIALS: None
- 11. FAX: The Mott Training Center's FAX number is 831-649-2824.
- 12. TRAINING LOCATION: Training will be conducted at Viejas Resort located at 5000 Willows Road Alpine, CA 91901 USA. Please refer to the location maps on the last page of this syllabus.

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PROGRAM ATTENDANCE CHECKLIST

To assist you in preparing for this training the following checklist is provided:

1.

1.	Be sure you have read and understand the District Trails Coordinators Training Syllabus prior to the first scheduled session.			
2.	Bring the following items with you to training:			
		Training syllabus.		
		Avenza Application downloaded on phone		
		Pens and pencils.		
		Coffee cup.		
		Day pack and water bottle.		
		Comfortable and sturdy hiking shoes or boots.		
		Poison oak prevention and treatment products and clothing. Field visit will involve hiking in locations containing poison oak		
3.	DO NOT contact the Viejas Resort to make any personal arrangements. All specia arrangements must be made via the Trails Office. If you have questions or need			

For general information about the Viejas Resort you may visit it on the web at : 4. https://viejas.com/

help, contact the Callie Hurd at 916-324-0423 or Callie.Hurd@parks.ca.gov.

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POST-TRAINING ASSIGNMENT

Prior to ninety days after the completion of this program, the employee and his/her supervisor should discuss the impact and assess the effectiveness this program has had on the employee.

The post-training evaluation process is intended to provide a bridge between classroom instruction and the on-the-job application of training. The information obtained through this process will assist the employee, supervisor, and Training Section in providing a return on the training investment to the Department.

<u>DISTRICT TRAILS COORDINATOR TRAINING GROUP 10 – AGENDA</u> April 23-26, 2019

The classroom sessions and group meals and lodging will occur at the Viejas Resort. Classroom sessions will be in the Oak Ballroom C.

Monday		
<u>April 22</u> 1500-1800	Participanta requiring long distance travel shock in	As required
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Tuesday		
April 23 0730-1300	Registration at Viejas Resort	As required
1200-1300	Lunch (Participant provided)	All
1300-1330	Introductions and Training Overview (Oak Ballroom C)	Spann
1000 1000	Update by DTCs on time dedicated to trails work	All
1330-1345	Update on Road and Trails Program Structure	Spann
1345-1400	Road and Trail Funding Opportunities	Spann/Turner
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1400-1415	Making Trails a Priority for Park Management	All
1415-1430	Ebike Policy Updates	Spann
1430-1445	Break	All
1445-1500	Trails Handbook Update	Spann
1500-1600	Introduction to Avenza	Spann
1600-1700	Discussion with Karl Knapp	All
1730-1830	Reception (no host bar) (Oak Tower 1st Floor)	All
1830-2100	Welcome and Key Note Speaker Dinner (Oak Ballroom A&B)	All
Wednesday		
April 24		
0730-0800	Load Vans and Transport to Cuyamaca SP	All
0800-1100	Cross Cut Saw Training at Cuyamaca SP	All
1100-1200	Avenza Field Demonstration and Exercise (Stonewall Peak)	
1200-1300	Box Lunch – Provided in the field	All
1300-1400	Avenza Exercise Continued	All
1400-1630	Trail Impacts and Solutions (Marty Minshall and Harvey	All
1620 1700	Moore Trails)	ΛII
1630-1700	Travel to Viejas Resort	All

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Thursday April 25 0800-0830 0830-0930 0930-0945 0945-1200 1200-1230 1230-1400 1400-1500 1500-1515 1515-1615 1615-1630	California State Parks App (Oak Ballroom C) Attend Trails and Greenways Sessions Break DTC Presentations Accessible Trails Transition Plan Update (ADA) ADA Maintenance Program/Youth Corps IA Updates Awards Lunch (Oak Ballroom A&B) Attend Trails and Greenways Sessions Break DTC Open House Break	Green Info All All All Segebart/ Nawrath/ Turner All All All All
1630-1800	General Session & Closing Reception (Oak Ballroom A & B)	
Friday <u>April 26</u> 0800-0900	Processing and Displaying Avenza Data (Oak Pallroom C)	Spann
0900-0930 0930-1000 1000-1015	Processing and Displaying Avenza Data (Oak Ballroom C) Addressing Mountain Biking in State Parks Trail Liability Discussion Break	Spann Spann Spann All
1015-1045 1045-1130 1130	PEFs, CEQA, and Permitting for Trail Work Call for District Road and Trail projects Depart Viejas Resort	Spann Spann/Turner All

DISTRICT TRAILS COORDNATOR TRAINING

INTRODUCTION AND TRAINING OVERVIEW

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will meet one another and course leaders. The group will share expectations for the training program. In addition, program content will be reviewed.

UPDATE ON ROAD AND TRAILS PROGRAM STRUCTURE

<u>Purpose</u>: Discuss recent changes in road and trail support in Sacramento initiated by the Department's reorganization effort.

ROAD AND TRAIL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will receive updated information on available funding opportunities for road and trail construction, maintenance, reconstruction, reroute, and assessment.

MAKING TRAILS A PRIORITY FOR PARK MANAGEMENT

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will discuss strategies for informing and guiding trail related management and prioritization decisions at the park and district level.

EBIKE POLICY UPDATES

<u>Purpose</u>: Discuss current status of the departmental effort to develop policy on ebike use in California State Park units.

TRAIL HANDBOOK UPDATE

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will be updated on the latest effort to update the Department's Trails Handbook.

INTRODUCTION TO AVENZA

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will be introduce to the Avenza Application used to collect and attribute spatial data using GPS technology.

DISCUSSION WITH KARL KNAPP

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will have the opportunity to receive departmental updates from Special Consultant to the Director Karl Knapp as well as participate in a question and answer session and open dialogue.

CROSS CUT SAW TRAINING

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will be provided hands on training on the use and maintenance of crosscut saws for the purpose of tree removal along roads and trails where mechanized equipment (e.g. chainsaws) may not be allowed.

AVENZA FIELD DEMONSTRATION AND EXERCISE

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will collect spatial line and point information along a trail at Cuyamaca State Park using the "Avenza" cell phone application.

TRAIL IMPACTS AND SOLUTIONS

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will examine trail sustainability problems at Cuyamaca State Park and discuss reconstruction/reengineering design solutions.

CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS APP

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will introduced to a new application that will provide user access to California State Park information.

DISTRICT TRAIL COORDINATOR PRESENTATIONS

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will prepare and present one 5 minute long road or trail project that is either in-progress or has been completed at the participant's district within the last two years.

ACCESSIBLE TRAILS PROGRAM UPDATE

<u>Purpose</u>: Accessible Trails staff will present an update addressing accessible trail maintenance, funding, and transition plan goals

DISTRICT TRAILS COORDIATOR (DTC) OPEN HOUSE

<u>Purpose</u>: DTCs will participate in a session of the Trails and Greenways event. DTCs will discuss issues and questions with attendees of the Trails and Greenways event

PROCESSING AND DISPLAYING AVENZA DATA

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will learn how to download and display spatial information gathered with the "Avenza" application.

ADDRESSING MOUNTAIN BIKING IN STATE PARKS

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will watch a short video discussing cooperative efforts between mountain bike organizations and land managers followed by a discussion of how California State Parks can better serve the desires of mountain bikers while preserving desires user experience and addressing trail sustainability.

TRAIL LIABILITY DISCUSSION

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will be instructed on applicable legal guidelines regarding land manager's liability when dealing with trail conditions.

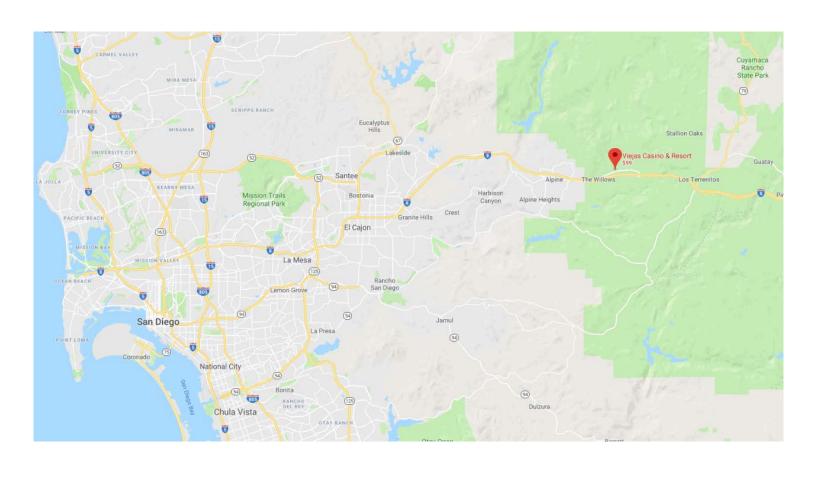
PEFS, CEQA, AND PERMITTING FOR TRAIL WORK

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will be instructed on Departmental policies regarding the necessity for Project Evaluation Forms (PEFs) and CEQA documentation related to trail work.

CALL FOR DISTRICT ROAD AND TRAIL PROJECTS

<u>Purpose</u>: Participants will be required to bring at least one project for potential inclusion in the Department's Project Infrastructure Database (PID). Information will be used to further develop the project through district and Facilities Management Division coordination.

LOCATION MAPS



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