# Resource Management Natural Intermediate

February 18-21, 2014

Training Syllabus



William Penn Mott Jr. Training Center



## Memorandum

Date: February 4, 2014

- To: Supervisor
- From: Theresa Bober, Department Training Officer Training Section Department of Parks and Recreation
- Subject: Employee Attendance at Formal Training Resource Management Natural Intermediate Group 6

An employee from your office will soon be attending the formal training program described in the attached. Please insure 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 Coordinator.
- 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 and review the due date of the Post-Training Evaluation form.
- 3. Support the employee's use of the training at the work place.

## Prior to Three Months Following Training

- 1. Employee after discussion with the supervisor login to the Employee Training Management System (ETMS) to complete the Post-Training Evaluation form.
- Supervisor evaluates the effectiveness of the training on the employee's job performance and login to the ETMS to complete the Training Effectiveness Assessment form.

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

## Attachment

## cc: Participant

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Mission Statement Training Section

The mission of the Training Section is to improve organizational and individual performance and productivity through consulting, collaboration, training, and development.

## **TRAINING SECTION STAFF**

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## THE MISSION

of the California State Parks 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. 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). 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 which involve either individual or group efforts and resources. (Pre-training assignments are listed in the "Training Attendance Requirements" section.)

- 3. TRAVEL: Arrange your travel to and from the training site 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 may claim reimbursement for incidental expenses incurred as outlined in DAM 0410.6.
- 4. HOUSING: Housing will be assigned to you on a shared-room basis and will be available from 3:00 p.m. on the date of arrival to 10:00 a.m. on the date of departure. The Department provides your room and board expenses at the Marconi Conference Center only. No per diem allowance will be authorized for living off-grounds. This does not preclude living off-grounds at your own expense. In the event of an emergency, staff must know your room assignment; therefore, you may not switch rooms without staff approval. Overnight guests are not allowed in the buildings unless registered beforehand at the front desk in the Marconi Conference Center Administration Building.

Please note: You may be assigned a room at a motel while attending training. If so you may be asked to present a valid credit or debit card while checking in to your room. Many motels require a credit card to cover charges incurred such as telephone calls, damages to rooms and/or furnishings, fees to clean rooms that have been smoked in that are not designated as smoking rooms, etc. Please be prepared to handle this appropriately.

5. <u>ENROLLMENT OR HOUSING CANCELLATION POLICY</u>: To cancel participation in a course, the participant must have their District Superintendent or Section/Office Manager send an email to the Training Specialist assigned to the course requesting to remove the participant. If you do not need lodging you must cancel your reservation for lodging, you must contact the Mott Training Center or Training Specialist assigned to the course at least 72 hours prior to your date of arrival. Lodging, registration, and associated fees will be charged to the employee's District or Section/Office if a training cancellation is received with less than 72 hours notice.

# The Mott Training Center is committed to ensuring that the reservation that has been made for you is accurate and needed.

- 6. MEALS: Meals will be provided from dinner on the date of arrival through lunch on the date of departure. Meals will be served at 7:00 a.m. for breakfast, 12:00 noon for lunch, and 6:00 p.m. for dinner. Hot or box lunches may be provided on some days. If you require a special diet, notify the Marconi Conference Center no later than one week before your scheduled arrival.
- 7. CLOTHING: Field uniforms as found in "Description of Required Field Uniforms", DOM Chapter 2300, Uniform Handbooks, not including optional items, will be worn daily by all uniformed employees during formal training sessions <u>unless</u>

<u>otherwise specified in the Program Attendance Checklist</u>. Non-uniformed employees shall wear apparel normally worn on the job. Appropriate attire includes apparel suitable for professional office dress. It does not include such items as shorts, t-shirts, tank tops, or sandals.

Because we are on the conference grounds with many other groups, and the image we project as State Park employees is important not only during working hours but off duty hours as well, your informal sportswear should be appropriate.

- 8. REGISTRATION: When you arrive at the Marconi Conference Center, go directly to the front desk at the Administration Building for your room key and dining room ticket. If you require vegetarian meals, notify the front desk representative and your meal ticket will be marked accordingly.
- 9. 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.
- 10. TRAINING SECTION STAFF: Sara M. Skinner is your Training Specialist and has been assigned the responsibility for your training group. That staff member usually serves as a Course Leader as well as a Coordinator. During the program, you may be asked to assist Training Section Staff in the logistics of your training program (organizing field trip transportation, supervising classroom breaks, etc.). Training Section Staff will do all within their power to make your training experience pleasant and meaningful.
- 11. TRAINING MATERIALS: May be made available to you at both your unit and the Mott Training Center. Handout materials issued at your unit should be brought to training for possible use. A conference binder or notebook will be issued to you at the training session for note taking and convenience in handling materials. Bring your own pens and pencils.
- 12. ATTENDANCE: Regular attendance is a critical course requirement and your participation is important to the success of this training. An absence of more than 10% of the course hours constitutes grounds for dropping a participant from the course. The Department Training Officer may modify this requirement based upon participant knowledge level and/or the portion of the course missed. All absences, except those of an emergency nature, must be approved in advance by the Training Specialist.
- 13. CELL PHONES: As a courtesy to your fellow participants and course leaders ensure that your cell phone is turned off during classes. Participants should not be receiving or making cell phone calls during class time. Please limit those calls to your breaks.

- 14. TELEPHONE: Limit phone calls during classroom hours to urgent business or emergencies. Anyone wishing to contact you by telephone during working hours should call (415) 663-9020.
- 15. POST-TRAINING ASSIGNMENTS: In connection with formal training are to be completed under the direction of your supervisor. See "Program Attendance Requirements" in this syllabus.

# Marconi Conference Center PLANNING INFORMATION

To make your visit as comfortable and satisfying as possible, please take a few moments to read the following.

#### CHECK-IN/CHECK-OUT

Please check in at the Front Desk. Follow the signs for Check-in.

Check-in: 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. Check-out 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. (Bring your key)

Late check-out *(after 10 a.m.)* will incur an additional day's charge.

#### ♦ DINING

Meals are served in Redwood Dining Hall. Breakfast buffet: 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. Lunch buffet: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Full service dinner: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

#### ♦ LODGING

You may wish to bring: shampoo, flashlight, comfortable shoes for hilly trails. Please note cooking and other appliances, candles and incense are not allowed, and food should not be kept in your room as it attracts insects.

#### PARKING

Please park in designated parking spaces only and observe the law regarding spaces for the handicapped. Campers, recreational vehicles and motor homes are not permitted.

#### ♦ DRIVING

Please drive slowly and carefully, yielding to pedestrians, bicyclists and animals. The speed limit is 15 mph, and all signs and barriers must be observed.

#### GAS STATIONS

The closest gas station is located in Point Reyes Station, 15 minutes to the south.

#### ♦ TELEPHONES

Your guestroom has a private telephone number which you can give callers after you check in, as well as a port for your modem. All outbound telephone and modem calls require a toll-free 800 number. Bring your calling card for phone calls; check with your ISP for 800number access. Most cellular phones DO NOT work at Marconi Conference Center.

#### MESSAGES, FAXES, MAIL

If your callers would like to leave a message, give them this number:

Front Desk Telephone: (415) 663-9020 You may also want to give them your lodging building, room number and name of conference, to expedite receiving emergency messages.

We post messages for guests on the message board. We'll also post a notice if you receive mail or a package. *Emergency messages will be delivered.* 

If you wish to receive a fax, use this number: Front Desk Fax: (415) 663-1731 We will post a notice on the message board when your fax arrives and collect the service charge when you pick it up.

If you wish to receive mail, use this address: (your name), (conference name) c/o Marconi Conference Center P.O. Box 789, 18500 State Route 1 Marshall, CA 94940 We will post a notice on the message board and hold your mail at the Front Desk.



Marconi Conference Center's guestrooms overlook Tomales Bay

#### EMERGENCIES

Between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m., the recorded message on (415) 663-9020 tells callers how to contact a guest or Marconi staff member in an emergency.

#### ♦ GUEST SERVICES

In the front desk area we have games, reading material and a VCR with a selection of movie videos; volleyball, badminton and horseshoe equipment; ice, irons and ironing boards, all at no charge. Our commissary sells snacks, cold drinks, personal hygiene items,

flashlights/batteries, writing supplies, stamps. We have a selection of Marconi souvenirs such as shirts, hats, mugs and other items that make wonderful remembrances of your stay with us. Our Front Desk staff can also help you with local information.

#### **BUSINESS CENTER**

The Business Center is located in the Pelican Building lounge and is open 7 am to 11 pm. For your convenience, we are pleased to provide **free of charge**, the following services: Internet / E-mail

- Computer with MS Office
- ♦ LaserJet Printer
- Photocopier

#### WALKING & EXPLORING

Marconi Conference Center is a unit of the California State Park system and all natural elements such as branches, pine cones, mushrooms and flowers are protected by state law and may not be removed. Camping and

campfires are not permitted. We suggest walking on designated footpaths to avoid poison oak. The pine needles can be slippery—please use caution. We recommend flashlights at night.

#### **SMOKING**

State law prohibits smoking in or within 50 feet of Marconi Conference Center buildings. Ashtrays are located at entrances, on decks and on patios. Smoke only in paved areas and please use extreme caution when smoking on the property.

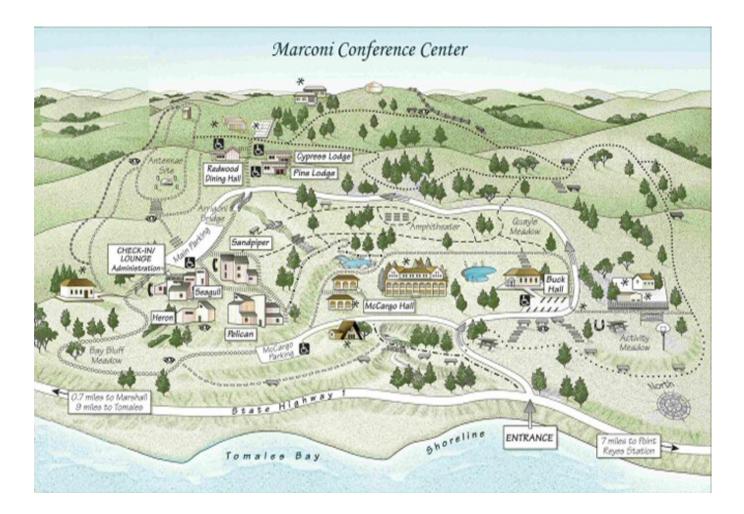
#### PETS

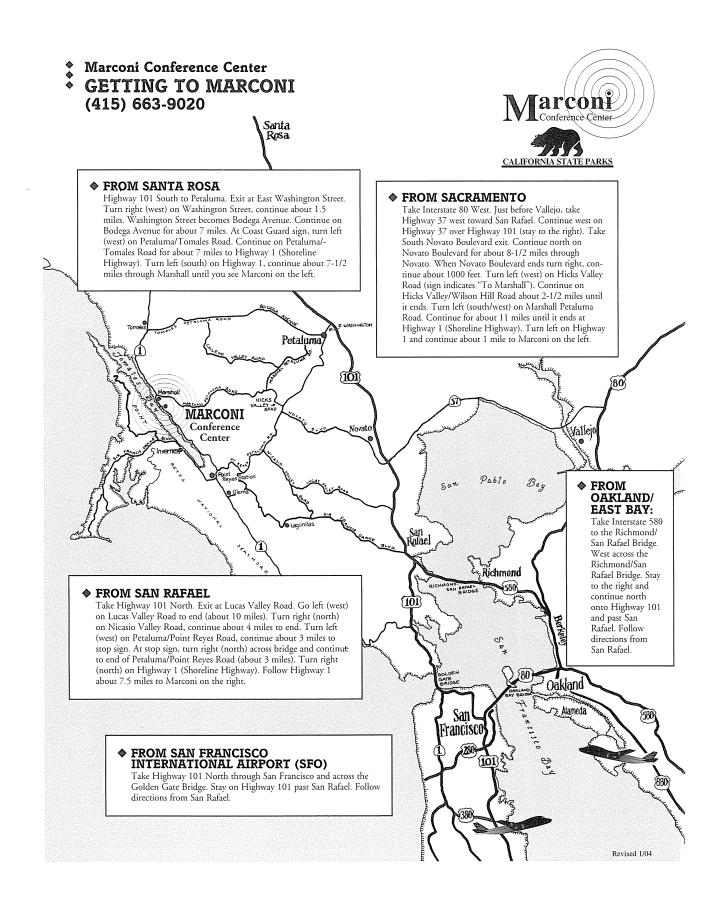
With the exception of guide dogs for the handicapped, *pets are not permitted* in Marconi

Conference Center buildings and cannot remain on the property overnight. Dogs must be on a leash at all times.

#### ENJOY!

We hope that between highly productive meetings you'll have some time to appreciate the rich human and natural history that surrounds us here. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to enhance your stay.





## PROGRAM ATTENDANCE CHECKLIST

To assist you in preparation for formal training at the Marconi Conference Center, the following list is provided:

\_\_\_\_\_1. Read and understand the program syllabus prior to your arrival.

\_\_\_\_\_2. Arrange your travel through your District / Unit Office.

3. Uniforms are not required for this program as noted in the Formal Training Guidelines, Number 7, Clothing, on page 2 of this syllabus.

Remember to bring the following with you to training:

4. Bring a reusable coffee cup, refillable water bottle, alarm clock, flashlight, pen/pencils, and camera (optional).

\_\_\_\_5. Complete the following pre-training assignments:

## **Pre-Training Assignments:**

The following documents will be emailed to you as attachments, please open and read each one.

- Env Negotiation Cover Letter
- Env Negotiation Questionnaire
- Env Negotiation Style Self-Assessment
- Field trip agenda and summary for February 2014 NR Training Feb 3
- Pre-Training Assignment NR Field Forms

## **POST-TRAINING ASSIGNMENT**

Prior to ninety days after the completion of this program, the employee and his/her supervisor should sit down and discuss the impact and assess the effectiveness this program has had on the employee. Then both the supervisor and employee should login to the Employee Training Management System (ETMS) and complete the Post-Training Evaluation form (an email will be sent to both employee and supervisor notifying them that the evaluation needs to be completed).

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 training participant, supervisor, and Training Section in providing a return on the investment the Department has on training.

## **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT NATURAL INTERMEDIATE GROUP 6**

## February 18-21, 2014

## Tuesday <u>February 18</u>

1300-1700 Field Training Excursion (optional) Samuel P. Taylor SP

## Wednesday

February 19	9	
0800-0820	Orientation	Skinner/Roderick
0820-0920	Current Issues	Chamberlin
0920-0935	Break	
0935-1030	Park's Management	TBA
1030-1200	Working with the CCC	Knapp/Nickontro
1200-1300	Lunch	
1300-1500	External Presentations	Curtis/Matthews/
		Hebert/ Harney
1500-1515	Break	
1515-1715	District Panel: Lessons Learned	Shafer/Pasquinelli/
		Goode
2000-2200	Networking / Team Building / Poster Session (Optional)	
	Pine Room	

## Thursday

February 20	<u>)</u>	
0800-0810	Highlights of the Day	Roderick
0810-0900	External Presentation	Veloz
0900-0920	Break and Class Photo	
0920-1050	Regulatory	Tobias
1050-1120	CEQA Toolkit	Tobias/Robison
1120-1130	Break	
1130-1200	District Presentations-Fire	Shafer/ Leonard
1200-1300	Lunch	
1300-1355	District Presentations	Glick/Walck
1355-1500	Technical	Fong/Fields/
		CGS Team
1500-1515	Break	
1515-1705	NRD Updates	NRD Staff
2000-2200	Networking / Team Building (Optional) Pine Room	

## **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT NATURAL INTERMEDIATE GROUP 6**

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## Friday

## February 21

0800-0815	Evaluation Discussion and Highlights of the Day	Skinner/Roderick/ Chamberlin
0815-1015	Environmental Negotiations Training	Nelson
1015-1030	Break	
1030-1130	Environmental Negotiations Training	Nelson
1130-1135	Introduction to Sea Level Rise Document	Chamberlin
1135-1155	Sea Level Rise Document	Baibak/Ursell
1155-1200	Discussion and Conclusion	Roderick/Skinner
1200-	Lunch and Departure	

## **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT NATURAL INTERMEDIATE**

## HOURS

## PROGRAM OUTLINE

ORIENTATION AND EVALUATION1	
NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT1	7
Current Issues and Updates – Natural Resources	
District Presentations	
Interagency Emergency Coordination and Reimbursement with DFW-OSPR	
Working with the California Conservation Corps	
Forest Management in Coastal Redwoods (Accelerating Second Growth Forests) Lessons Learned District Panel (Mitchell Creek, MacKerricher, Malibu Lagoon)	
Species Distribution Modeling for Conservation Planning and Prioritization Natural Resource Related Court Case Review, CEQA Updates, CEQA Toolkit	
MU Datasheet Upgrade Update Demo and SharePoint Forms and Information Sharing	
Environmental Negotiations Training	
Sea Level Rise Document Discussion	
TOTAL HOURS 1	8

## **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT NATURAL INTERMEDIATE**

## **OVERALL PURPOSE OF THE COURSE**

<u>PURPOSE</u>: This course provides ongoing training to natural resource staff to maintain consistency and effective coordination of resource management functions in the Department. This course is intended to improve overall resource management through a formal process of exchanging natural resource management information and through the use of outside experts from the academic community and other agencies and organizations. Periodic exchanges are important to improve systemwide programs, to present effective resource management techniques, and to provide a forum for collaboration.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: By the end of the session the participant will

- 1. Define the current direction of natural resource management within California State Parks, including budgetary and staff limitations.
- 2. Receive updates on natural resource program funding and procedures.
- 3. Demonstrate the use of SharePoint for coordinated information sharing of natural resource program information and field forms.
- 4. Discuss State Parks' resource management response to invasive plant control, wildlife permits, CEQA, the "CEQA Toolkit," and environmental laws and compliance.
- 5. Discuss park management of climate change, highlighting the new "Sea Level Rise" document.
- 6. Discuss State Parks' latest involvement in and perspective on fire and forest management.
- 7. As project managers and technical specialists, describe accomplishments in natural resource management and maintenance by CSP colleagues.
- 8. Obtain training on environmental negotiations.
- 9. Receive external information on conservation planning, modeling, and interagency emergency response coordination and reimbursement.
- 10. Learn lessons from successful keystone natural resource projects, which involved significant funding and stakeholder, interagency, and public involvement.
- 11. Learn more about working with the California Conservation Corps.