



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 30, 2015
TO: Matt Waters, City of Rancho Palos Verdes
FROM: Jewel Johnson, MRCA Supervising Ranger
RE: RPV | MRCA Ranger Services Activity Report – Inv#1415.04

Palos Verdes Nature Preserve Activities

- April - June 2015
- 549.5 Patrol Hours
- 19 Interpretative Hours
- 8 Rangers patrolled the Preserves during this period

PORTUGUESE BEND RESERVE

2 - Ranger Hotline Calls

- Bike speed down Burma Trail
- Dog off leash wandering on Peppertree Trail

11 - Citations Issued

- Dog off leash (6)
- False information to Peace Officer
- Unauthorized trail use (Bike)
- Area Closed (Hikers - 3)

Maintenance

- Pick up litter along trail

The trail markers at Ishibashi Farm Trail are confusing. “No Bike” and “Bike allowed” trail markers are double stacked. (Pictures on file)

Recommend researching trail options to slow down bike traffic at the end of Ishibashi Trail. (Pictures on file)

FILIORUM RESERVE

3 - Ranger Hotline Calls

- Ford Trail (Confused by Trail End Sign)
- Dog distressed on trail

Citations Issued

- None

There has been an increase in usage and Rangers continue to recommend clarifying trail system. The lack of adequate signage continues to be an issue on the Eucalyptus (**pictures on file**), Pony and Ford trails. The lack of adequate signage allows the user to go onto private property and create spur trails. Rangers are monitoring an unauthorized equestrian trail system off Vanderlip and Gary's Gulch trail.

FORRESTAL RESERVE

3 - Ranger Hotline Calls

- Raccoon in box
- Hikers off Trail
- Overnight Camping inquiry

Citations Issued

- None

Maintenance

- Litter pick-up

ABALONE COVE RESERVE

19 - Ranger Hotline Calls

- Legal Fishing Areas (4)
- Poaching
- Sea Lion (6)
- Hours Open (4)
- Erosion
- Hiking Trails
- Commercial Film Permit
- Unauthorized Trail Use (Sacred Cove Trail)

8 - Citations Issued

- Dog Off Leash (2)
- Dog on Beach (4)
- Fishing without License (2)

Maintenance

- Abalone Cove
 - Graffiti Removal (pictures on file)
- Litter pick-up

First Aid

- First responder to two distressed swimmers

OCEAN TRAILS RESEVE (including Founders Park | RPV Beach)

6 - Ranger Hotline Calls

- Parasail (3)
- Sea Lion
- Fishing inquiry (2)

1 - Citations Issued

- Dog on Beach

Maintenance

- Clean up trash at bottom of Sunset Trail (pictures on file)

First Aid

- First responder to injured hiker on Sunset Trail

Paragliders returned to the bluffs and additional signage recommended for the top of the bluffs (take-off spot) and behind the lifeguard stand on RPV Beach (landing and spur trail up to take-off spot).

VICENTE BLUFFS RESERVE

1 - Ranger Hotline Calls

- No dog bags

Citations Issued

- None

Fishermen continue to access fishing areas on unauthorized trails off Seascape Trail.

SAN RAMON RESERVE

0 - Ranger Hotline Calls

Citations Issued

- None

Maintenance

- Empty overflowing trashcans and pick up litter at overlook.
- Remove unknown locks off gates to San Ramon Canyon and label City Locks. (Pictures on file)

Monitor trails for new bike jumps. Hikers have created trail to access Reserve due to the steep grade and erosion at authorized trailhead.

THREE SISTERS RESERVE

1 - Ranger Hotline Calls

- Commercial Dog Walker

Citations Issued

None

There were no trail markers on McCarrell Canyon Trail at McBride Trail. The current signage identifies Reserve as Filiorum Reserve. (Pictures on file)

MISC RANGER HOTLINE CALLS

4 - Ranger Hotline Calls

- Broken Sprinklers at Del Cerro Park
- BBQ in Park at Del Cerro Park
- Sea Lions (2) at Terrana Resort

INTERPRETATIVE PROGRAMS

JUNIOR RANGER PROGRAM

- TRAIL SAFETY SKILLS
- TIDE POOL ADVENTURES AND WHALE WATCHING
- GRADUATION

Administrative | Meetings

- PVPLC/CITY Preserve Management Monthly Team Meetings
- Abalone Cove Safety Task Force Meeting