AGENDA
SAN DIEGUITO RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL OPEN SPACE PARK
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Friday, April 6, 2018
10:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Location: San Rafael Parish
Pastoral Center, Rooms D & E
(The Pastoral Center building is located on the south side of the parking lot)
17252 Bernardo Center Drive, Rancho Bernardo
(north of Rancho Bernardo Drive)

The Chair cannot start the meeting until a quorum is present. PLEASE ARRIVE BY 10:25 A.M. The CAC may take action on any item listed on the Consent or Discussion/Action agenda, but only when a quorum is present. If a quorum is temporarily lost during the meeting, no further discussion will take place until the quorum is regained. If the quorum is not regained, the meeting will be adjourned. Please advise the Chair at the beginning of the meeting if you must leave before 12:15 p.m.

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Roll Call and Introductions
Chair

Late arrivals should speak to staff to make sure their attendance is noted.

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Chair's Report
Chair

Executive Director’s Report
San Dieguito River Hydrology 101 Presentation
Staff
Coast to Crest Trail Status/Orientation/Virtual Tour

Presentation on Santa Ysabel Nature Center (Page 7)
County

Public Comment
Public

DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. Request from San Diego Mountain Biking Association to Rejoin the Citizens Advisory Committee with Ben Stone as Representative (Page 15)

2. Request from Walkabout International to Join the Citizens Advisory Committee to Fill Hiking Organization Vacancy with Carol Carr as Representative (Page 16)
3. Committee Reports
   a. Project Review Committee
   b. Trails Committee
   c. Interpretation Committee

4. Park Project Status (oral)
   a. Pamo Valley Trail
   b. Founders Tribute
   c. Ranger Station

5. Communications An opportunity for any CAC member or the public to bring to
   the CAC’s attention a project or activity not reviewed by the Project Review
   Committee in their reports

Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for May 4, 2018.

If you have any questions, please call Kevin McKernan at (858) 674-2270
SAN DIEGUITO RIVER PARK
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes of March 2, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT
Jeff Barnouw     CAC, Chair
Phil Pryde      Audubon Society
Jan Fuchs       Carmel Valley Planning Board
Diane Coombs    Citizens Coordinate for Century 3
Linda Oster     Del Dios Town Council
Candy Bowman    Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley
Jim Lyon        Friends of Sikes Adobe
Liz Gabrych     League of Women Voters
Cathy Greene    League of Women Voters Alternate
Don Wendt       Ramona Trails Association
Donna Perry     Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board
Carol Carr      San Diego County Bicycle Coalition
Lisa Peterson   San Diego Zoo Safari Park
Alice Brown     San Dieguito Lagoon Committee
Susan Williams  San Dieguito Planning Group
Jessica Parks   Santa Fe Irrigation District
Bill Michalsky  Sierra Club
Pat Whitt       Torrey Pines Community Planning Group
Colleen Bradley Volcan Mountain Preserve Foundation
Jacqueline Winterer Coastal Property Owner
Brant Bassett   Central Property Owner
Cory Ha’o       Coastal Property Owner
Terry Badger    Central Property Owner

VISITORS/STAFF PRESENT
Kevin McKernan  San Dieguito River Park JPA
Shawna Anderson San Dieguito River Park JPA
Brenda Miller   San Dieguito River Park JPA
John Barone     City of San Diego
Ben Stone       San Diego Mountain Biking Association

Roll Call and Introductions
Chair Barnouw convened the meeting at 10:30 a.m. at the San Rafael Parish. Roll call was taken with individual introductions and a quorum was established with 19 members in attendance.

Approval of Minutes- January 5, 2018
Jacqueline Winterer moved to approve the minutes of January 5, 2018 and Candy Bowman seconded the motion. 18 in favor, 1 abstain

Chair’s Report
Jeff Barnouw talked about the role of the CAC in an advisory function to the JPA board. Chair Barnouw and Director McKernan both reported that Surf Cup is working on completing the trail on the City property. Cory Ha’o shared a letter from the City Real Estate Assets Department in response to questions brought by
the Fairbanks Polo HOA, regarding what is allowed and not allowed under the property grant deed for the Surf Cup property.

Executive Director’s Report
Executive Director McKernan reported that staff is formulating the FY 18-19 budget. All line items of budget are within budget with the exception of the retirement amount which has increased 5%-6%. This increase raises overall payroll expense and therefore the JPA will not be able to fund the vacant ranger position this year. The next JPA meeting will be in April.

Public Comment
Jessica Parks with Santa Fe Irrigation District announced the plans for celebrations of San Dieguito Reservoir Dam 100 years to be held the end of May and Lake Hodges 100 years to be held in October. Jessica will send more information and asked for members to contact her with questions. Colleen Bradley with the Volcan Mountain Foundation announced the fundraising dinner dance on April 8 and the 30-year anniversary of the Foundation. Ben Stone with the San Diego Mountain Bike Association asked for the SDMBA to be reinstated on the CAC. An official letter will be submitted to Chair Barnouw and Director McKernan to be included on the next agenda.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. Committee Reports
   a. Project Review Committee
      Jan Fuchs reported that the committee met March 26. Two topics discussed were the Hacienda Del Mar project on Via de la Valle and the Pamo Valley Mountain Bike proposal to the Forest Service. Ben Stone with the San Diego Mountain Bike Association recommended looking at the Cleveland National Forest Plan on the Forest Service website. Principal Planner Shawna Anderson reported that the project will be brought to the CAC when more information is available.

   b. Trails Committee
      Carol Carr reported that the Trails Committee has a list of ten specific concerns regarding the proposed San Diego Mountain Bike Association project in Pamo Valley. She provided a list to the CAC and discussed them briefly. Carol Carr welcomed Ben Stone to the meeting. The next Trails Committee meeting will be March 13.

   c. Interpretation Committee
      Liz Gabrych reported that the last meeting was held at Sikes Adobe and Manager of Interpretation and Outreach Leana Bulay was able to show the committee the new things happening at Sikes. The Volunteer Training event will be held March 31 and the Scholarship application deadline is April 2. Also, one big project the committee has been working on is the interpretive plaques throughout the park; documenting location, photos, updates, physical state of
the plaques. Executive Director McKernan reported that as of this date 25 volunteers have signed up for training. He also reported that requests for additional interpretive panels along the Coast to Crest trail are brought to the Interpretation Committee first and their recommendation is brought to the CAC for approval.

INFORMATION

2. Park Project Status

a. **Pamo Valley Trail**
Principal Planner Shawna Anderson reported that a three mile long section of new Coast to Crest trail in Pamo Valley connecting the lower and upper Santa Ysabel trail is being built to have a contiguous twelve mile section of trail in this area. JPA staff is working closely with City of San Diego, permits are in place, and construction has started. Some last minute conservation measures and monitoring have been required by the Fish & Wildlife Service. JPA staff and Dust Devil volunteers have worked to build part of the trail and one of two puncheon bridges. Ms. Anderson reported that the trail should be done early 2019, with the staging area built last. Ms. Anderson also stated that the JPA staff has agreed to halt construction on the trail during the estivating season for the endangered Arroyo Toad.

b. **Founders Tribute**
Principal Planner Shawna Anderson reported that JPA staff is waiting for draft video and art piece fabrication. After receipt of the video the Founders Tribute Committee will meet.

c. **Ranger Station**
Principal Planner Shawna Anderson submitted a construction grant application to State of California and will hear back this summer. The JPA has the money to build phase one, utilities, garage, and maintenance bays. The grant will pay for phase two and will match the cost of phase one. Phase two will be; meeting room, restrooms, ranger offices and labs. The approval of final permit from the City of San Diego is very close.

d. **Surf Cup**
Executive Director McKernan added this item to the agenda. Director McKernan reported that JPA staff had a good meeting with the new General Manager of Morgan Run to pursue the idea of connecting the section of trail on the edge of Morgan Run property from Surf Cup to the trail at the Rancho Paseana easement. A formal written proposal has been sent from the JPA to Morgan Run. The property is located in the County and thus permitting would be through the County of San Diego. The other option is to route the trail on City property along the edge of the Fairbanks Ranch Country Club. Jan Fuchs suggested that a visual aid photo of the park area would be helpful at the CAC meetings. Candy Bowman with the Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley said there is not much to report on the Friends lawsuit against the City of San Diego and Surf Cup Sports and that the next court date will be May 4.
3. **Upcoming Events**

   a. Volunteer Training Event – Saturday, March 31
   b. Scholarship Opportunity – Deadline April 2, 2018
   c. Volunteer Appreciation Party – Saturday, April 14
   d. Lagoon Day – Saturday, April 21

   Executive Director McKernan reported that a group from Morgan Run will be coming out to do a Creek to Bay clean up on April 21

4. **Communications**

   Phil Pryde brought up the topic of an initiative that may be on the election ballot this fall to preserve the County General Plan. The initiative changes the process for project proposals that exceed the density allowed by the County General Plan in the rural or semi-rural area zones. Diane Coombs introduced the Safeguard Our San Diego Countryside Initiative organization and directed members to the saveoursdcountryside.org website for more information. Susan Williams invited members to a community meeting April 5 at the Elfin Forest Fire Station to hear a Harmony Grove project proposal.

**Adjournment**

Chair Barnouw adjourned the meeting at 11:53 a.m. Colleen Bradley moved and Jim Lyon seconded the motion to adjourn.
March 15, 2018

Kevin McKernan  
San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority  
18372 Sycamore Creek Road  
Escondido CA, 92025  
kevin@sdrp.org

Dear Mr. McKernan,

SANTA YSABEL NATURE CENTER UPDATE

As you know, the Santa Ysabel Nature Center will be an education center for the public, designed to connect people to the outdoors. The Nature Center will serve as a hub and launching point to nearby recreational opportunities in the surrounding area including Santa Ysabel Preserve, San Diego River Area, San Dieguito River Park, Volcan Mountain, Cleveland National Forest, Cuyamaca Rancho State Park and Anza Borrego Desert.

On October 19, 2017 two Design-Build teams presented their final proposals for design and construction of the Santa Ysabel Nature Center to the Source Selection Committee and Technical Advisors. Although proposal costs were higher than anticipated, the County’s Board of Supervisors approved an additional $1.5M for construction. With a fully funded project we are excited to initiate the design phase for the Santa Ysabel Nature Center. Our team determined the proposal from Nielsen Construction CA. represented the best value and a design-build contract was finalized with them on March 14, 2018. Design will be complete this fall and we anticipate breaking ground shortly thereafter.

Your input and expertise during the selection process were invaluable in choosing the right Design-Build team that will bring this important project to life. I look forward to seeing you at the ribbon cutting in the fall of 2019. Thank you for your participation in this exciting project.

If you have any questions or need additional information about this project or the contract, please contact David Norgard, Senior Park Project Manager, at (858) 966-1320 or (David.Norgard@sdcountry.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

BRIAN ALBRIGHT  
Director
SAN DIEGUITO RIVER PARK CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE BY-LAWS

I. NAME AND AREA

A. The name of this organization shall be San Dieguito River Park Citizens Advisory Committee, known hereafter as CAC.

B. The area addressed by the CAC shall be the focused planning area of the San Dieguito River Valley Regional Open Space Park and areas which directly impact the focused planning area.

II. PURPOSE

A. The primary purpose of the CAC shall be to advise the Board of Directors of the San Dieguito River Valley Regional Open Space Park Joint Powers Authority in matters relating to the planning, funding, property acquisition, design, improvement, operation and management of the San Dieguito River Park. The CAC is a standing committee of the San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority.

B. Additionally, the purpose of the CAC shall be

1. To provide an open forum for community discussion on park related issues;

2. To organize and implement special community events deemed of interest to persons interested in the San Dieguito River Park;

3. To gather and disseminate park-related information to residents and property owners within and adjacent to the San Dieguito River Valley.

4. To advise the JPA on land use matters within or which directly impact the focused planning area.

III. GENERAL PROVISIONS

A. All CAC activities shall be nonpartisan and nonsectarian and shall not discriminate against any person or persons by reason of age, race, color, sex, creed, national origin or sexual preference.

B. The CAC shall not take part, officially or unofficially, in the election of any candidate for public office.
C. A copy of current CAC bylaws shall be available for perusal at any public meeting of the CAC. A copy of the bylaws shall be provided at cost to any individual or organization upon request.

IV. GENERAL MEMBERS

A. Membership shall be open to the following organizations: all community planning groups whose planning area overlaps or directly impacts the focused planning area of the San Dieguito River Park; a selection of homeowner associations; a biologist representing Association of Environmental Professionals; a landscape architect representing American Society of Landscape Architects; Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley; RVR-PARC; San Dieguito Lagoon Committee; San Dieguito River Valley Land Conservancy; local governmental entities owning property in the river valley; region-wide environmental organizations with significant interest in the river valley, and selected other special interest organizations with significant interest in the river valley.

B. Member organizations may be recommended by the CAC and approved by the JPA Board.

C. Member organizations will appoint, preferably from among their members, an individual and an alternate who will represent the organization on the CAC.

D. Additionally, the JPA Board shall appoint to the CAC six property owners representing a geographic range of the river valley. Property owners should agree to serve as the conduit for other property owners' interests as well as their own.

E. Organizations or property owners are expected to be represented at the meetings by either the appointed representative or an alternate. If neither the appointed representative nor alternate attends a meeting the organization or property owner is considered absent. Three consecutive absences or four absences within a twelve-month period shall result in the organization or property owner no longer being a member of the CAC. The Executive Director shall keep an up-to-date roster from which shall be determined membership status and each month's quorum. Organizations or property owners who lose their membership status under this paragraph may petition the JPA Board in writing for reinstatement and upon approval thereof shall be reinstated to full membership status after attendance at two consecutive meetings.

F. No person shall represent more than one organization on the CAC.
G. A quorum for the purpose of conducting business will consist of a simple majority of the members of the Citizens Advisory Committee.

H. When an organization or member is added to a newly created position on the CAC, that organization or member shall not have full voting status until after attendance at two consecutive meetings.

I. New CAC members and alternates, and new representatives, are required to obtain an orientation about the River Park and the role of the CAC from River Park staff.

V. OFFICERS

A. Officers of the CAC shall be the Chair and Vice-Chair. The Chair shall be recommended by the CAC subject to the approval of the JPA Board. The Vice-Chair shall be selected by the CAC. The CAC shall select a Chair and Vice-Chair by secret ballot.

B. The terms of the Officers shall be two one years, subject to the stipulations in Paragraph G of this section, renewable by appointment in the case of the Chair and election in the case of the Vice-Chair. The term shall begin with the effective date of these by-laws.

C. Nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair may be made by a Nominating Committee or from the floor by any eligible CAC member. The Vice-Chair must represent an organization or property owners.

D. A vacancy in the office of the Vice-Chair shall be filled by a majority vote of CAC members present at the meeting following the meeting at which such vacancy is created, provided that such members present constitute a quorum and subject to approval by the JPA Board.

E. The Chair shall be the principal officer and shall preside over all meetings of the CAC. The Chair may or may not represent an organization. Should the Chair be selected from the CAC body, then during the term of office he or she shall no longer be the formal representative of the organization that appointed him or her, and that organization will appoint another representative. The Chair shall vote only in the case of a tie vote.
F. The Vice-Chair shall, in the absence of the Chair, carry out all the
duties and responsibilities of the principal officer.

G. The maximum term of office of the Chair shall be 3 (three) two year
terms. However, the Chair may be reelected to office and serve a
maximum of 2 (two) additional two year terms if he/she has been out of
office for at least one full two year term. This clause shall take effect
beginning with election of officers in the first election held after its
inclusion in the by-laws.16

VI. SUBCOMMITTEES

A. The Chair, with the advice and consent of the CAC, shall establish
subcommittees and approve membership in those subcommittees, as
necessary or appropriate to carry on the work of the CAC.

1. Each subcommittee shall have a chair, and the chair of each
subcommittee shall be a member of the CAC.

2. All members and alternates shall be eligible to serve on
subcommittees.

3. The chair of a subcommittee may invite non-members to
attend in a non-voting capacity if necessary.

4. The subcommittee shall report its activities to the CAC at
each regularly scheduled meeting.

5. A subcommittee shall not represent itself as speaking for the
CAC unless the CAC has taken action on the item being represented.

6. All subcommittees shall be comprised of CAC members
only who constitute less than a quorum of the CAC, unless inclusion
of outside members is approved by the full CAC and/or unless a
membership greater than a quorum of the CAC is approved by the
CAC. In either such case all meetings of the subcommittee shall be
noticed and held in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.
Other subcommittee meetings of less than a quorum and containing
no outside members need not comply with the Brown Act, but as a matter of policy shall be open and public attendance and participation shall be encouraged.

B. The Chair may appoint a Steering Subcommittee to coordinate CAC activities with staff, and such other tasks as may be necessary. The Chair or Vice-Chair of the CAC shall be a member of the Steering Subcommittee.

VII. MEETINGS

A. All regular and special meetings of the CAC shall be open to the public.

B. Regular meetings shall be held at least once a month unless otherwise designated by majority vote of the Board or at the discretion of the Chair.

C. Special meetings held to obtain input from the community at large shall be publicized and scheduled at a time and place so as to maximize participation.

D. The Ralph M. Brown Act (Govt Code Sections 54950-54961) shall govern the proceedings, noticing and general activities of this Citizens Advisory Committee.

VIII. AGENDAS

A. The Chair of the CAC shall establish a proposed agenda for each meeting of the CAC, and shall cause staff to mail it one week in advance of the meeting.

B. The agenda will have a place for Consent items, Action items, and Information items. It will also list the names of currently active Subcommittees.

C. At the beginning of each meeting, a supplemental item may be added to the agenda if 2/3 of the total membership agree to place the item on the agenda, and if the need to place the item on the agenda arose after the publication of the agenda. In addition, if an emergency is found by majority vote, based on specified facts, an item may be added to the agenda. Unless any supplemental items are added as Consent Agenda items, they shall be placed at the end of the Action Agenda and shall be heard at the conclusion of the items on the proposed agenda.
D. At the beginning of any meeting, any CAC member may request a different order of business than that proposed by the Chair. Granting such a request shall be the decision of the Chair.

IX. TESTIMONY AND DISCUSSION

A. All agenda items shall be open for public discussion following discussion by the CAC members prior to making a decision.

B. If necessary, the Chair shall establish appropriate time limits for individuals and group presentations, to maximize the participation of interested parties.

C. Additional public comment will be accepted at the end of the meeting.

X. ACTIONS

A. The CAC staff will record the aye votes, no votes, and abstentions on each action taken, and such will be noted in the meeting notes.

B. Each member organization or property owner representative member will have one vote.

C. Unless they are time-sensitive, CAC actions will be referred to the JPA Board for review and action. Where time does not permit such referral, a letter from the CAC will be directed to the JPA Boardmember(s) in whose jurisdiction the matter lies.

D. If no quorum is present, the CAC may, at the discretion of the Chair, take an informal and non-binding vote that conveys the sense of the attendees and that vote may be conveyed to the JPA Board, provided that the Board is informed of the count of the vote and that there was no quorum present.

XI. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

A. All matters not covered in these Bylaws shall be governed by the most current edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

XII. AMENDMENTS

A. These Bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the CAC membership present, provided that the
proposed changes were listed on the agenda mailed out to the CAC members, and are later approved by the JPA Board of Directors.

1 Adopted by JPA Board, November 15, 1990
2 Deleted by JPA Board, April 18, 2003
3 Deleted by JPA Board, April 18, 2003
4 Added by JPA Board, October 20, 1995
5 Added by JPA Board, October 20, 1995
6 Added by JPA Board, April 18, 2003
 7 Deleted by JPA Board, June 18, 2010
8 Added by JPA Board, April 18, 2003
9 Changed by JPA Board, April 18, 2003
10 Added by JPA Board, June 18, 2010
11 Deleted by JPA Board, June 18, 2010
12 Added by JPA Board, June 18, 2010
13 Added by JPA Board, April 18, 2003
14 Added by JPA Board, June 18, 2010
15 Added by JPA Board, April 18, 2003
16 Added by JPA Board, April 18, 2003
17 Added by JPA Board, July 18, 1997
18 Deleted by JPA Board, April 18, 2003
19 Added by JPA Board, April 16, 2010
To Executive Director Kevin McKernan,

It has come to our attention that San Diego Mountain Biking Association had a seat on Citizens Advisory Committee for the JPA that lapsed 2011. SDMBA’s current Board was unaware of this and we would respectfully ask that SDMBA’s seat be reinstated. We apologize for a lack of participation and the oversight on our part. We believe that providing a seat for the mountain biking community would be representative of one of the largest user groups at San Dieguito River Park and Countywide.

I would like to appoint Ben Stone Vice President for the seat with an alternative outlined below. I currently serve as President of the San Diego Mountain Biking Association and Ben Stone has my full support for this position. The SDMBA Board has also approved of the appointment of Ben Stone to the Citizens Advisory Committee.

Primary
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Alternative
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Kevin Loomis
President SDMBA

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San Diego, CA 92168
March 28, 2018

Citizens Advisory Committee
San Dieguito River Park JPA

Walkabout International would like to fill the seat on the Citizens Advisory Committee with a member of our hiking club section. Our chosen representative for the seat is Carol Carr. Our chosen alternate representative in Carol Carr's absence is Robert Buehler.

Walkabout International offers free wilderness hikes twice each week on unpaved trails in various locations in the back country of San Diego County. We also offer free walks almost every day in urban areas of San Diego County.

Sincerely,

Robert Buehler
Robert Buehler, President
Walkabout International