



**CITY OF MONROVIA
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
AGENDA REPORT**

DEPARTMENT: Public Services

MEETING DATE: December 12, 2017

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AGENDA LOCATION: CC-2

TITLE: Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for November 2017

OBJECTIVE: To provide an update on incidents, maintenance, and public comments related to Canyon Park and the Hillside Wilderness Preserve (HWP) recorded for the month of November 2017.

BACKGROUND: For over a century, Canyon Park has been used as a recreational park by visitors and Monrovia residents. Services in Canyon Park include special events; Ranger led night hikes, interpretive tours, a Nature Center, trails, a waterfall, and views of the San Gabriel Valley. In addition, Rangers, with the support of many volunteers, maintain the trail system and facilities.

In 2016, the City opened over 4.5 miles of HWP trails providing passive recreational opportunities for the community. Park Rangers patrol the HWP as well as urban parks two times a day by vehicle, utility terrain vehicle, and on foot. Park Rangers also respond to calls related to Monrovia's No Smoking Ordinance.

The included HWP and Canyon Park Log provide additional information related to the Comments, Maintenance, Incidents, and Events which occurred in November 2017.

ANALYSIS: Hillside Wilderness Preserve Rangers began the installation of a series of steps bypassing a steep portion of a hiking trail near the area of the Cloverleaf Access Point. The steps for the bypass trail are scheduled to be completed by February 2018. Park Rangers and Volunteers focused on trail repair and water diversion in Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve trails in preparation for rain. Volunteers and Park Rangers provided brush clearance at Highland and Ridgeside.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Community Services Commission move to receive and file CC-2, Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for November 2017.

COMMISSION ACTION REQUIRED: If the Community Services Commission concurs, the appropriate action would be a motion to: Receive and file CC-2 Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for November 2017.

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**November 2017
HWP AND CANYON PARK ACTIVITY LOG**

HWP Comments	
November 6	Park Rangers were asked if cameras were going to be placed in Rotary Park, similar to those in Library Park and the Community Center. Park Rangers advised the patron to call Public Works for additional information about future camera installations.
November 13	Patron at Recreation Park informed Park Rangers of a homeless encampment behind the YMCA building. Park Rangers were unable to find the location of the encampment.
HWP Maintenance – 134 Hours of Maintenance Work in November	
November 4	Ridgeside - Park Rangers worked on a portion of the trail to divert water and prevent erosion.
November 6	Highland - Park Rangers and Canyon Park Volunteer cleared approximately on hundred yards of heavy brush growing onto the trail.
November 6	Ridgeside - Park Rangers cleared approximately on hundred yards of brush growing onto the trail in the Milk Vetch Area.
November 7	Cloverleaf - Park Rangers worked on a portion of the trail to divert water and prevent erosion.
November 8	Highland - Park Rangers cleared approximately on hundred yards of heavy brush growing onto the trail.
November 8	Cloverleaf - Park Rangers and Volunteers installed a series of steps to help hikers traverse on a steep portion of the trail.
November 9	Cloverleaf - Park Rangers and Volunteer installed a series of steps to help hikers traverse on a steep portion of the trail.
November 10	Ridgeside - Park Rangers cleared approximately on hundred yards of brush growing onto the trail in the Milk Vetch Area.
November 11	Highland - Park Rangers cleared approximately fifty yards of invasive species near the access gate.
November 11	Ridgeside - Park Rangers cleared approximately on hundred yards of brush growing onto the trail in the Milk Vetch Area.
November 12	Ridgeside - Park Rangers cleared approximately on hundred yards of brush growing onto the trail in the Milk Vetch Area.
November 13	Ridgeside- Park Rangers worked on a portion of the trail to divert water and prevent erosion.
November 15	Cloverleaf - Park Rangers and Volunteers installed a series of steps to help hikers traverse on a steep portion of the trail.
November 17	Ridgeside - Park Rangers installed water diverters to prevent erosion on the trail.
November 19	Ridgeside - Park Rangers worked on corners of the switchback trails to widen the trail turns.
November 20	Highland - Park Rangers cleared approximately on hundred yards of heavy brush growing onto the trail.
November 20	Ridgeside - Park Rangers worked on widening 25 yards of a narrow trail path.
November 25	Ridgeside - Park Rangers worked on widening 25 yards of a narrow trail path.
HWP Incident	
November 3	Cloverleaf - Resident called Monrovia Police about a suspicious subject in the surrounding area that appeared to be a hunter. Officers and Park Rangers were unable to locate the subject.
November 8	Grand Park - Park Rangers asked two patrons to place their dogs on leash. Patrons complied with the Park Rangers request.
November 20	Skate Park - Park Rangers broke up fight between a group of teenagers. A guardian took three of the teenagers away from the location. The other teenagers involved in the altercation dispersed.
November 26	Grand Park - Park Ranger informed two patrons of the no smoking policy in Monrovia City Parks. The subjects complied with the Park Rangers request and extinguished their cigarettes.

Canyon Park Maintenance – 125 Hours of Maintenance Work in November	
November 1	Nature Center - Park Rangers removed brush in the surrounding area to create defensible space.
November 3	Bill Cull Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared a mile of brush growing on to the trail.
November 6	Ben Overturf Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers placed two edge barriers along the trail to prevent erosion.
November 8	Bill Cull Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared a mile of brush growing on to the trail.
November 9	Nature Center - Park Rangers removed brush in the surrounding area to create defensible space.
November 10	Bill Cull Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers placed three edge barriers and cleared brush along the trail to prevent erosion.
November 13	Ben Overturf Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers placed two edge barriers along the trail to prevent erosion.
November 15	Bill Cull Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared a mile of brush growing on to the trail.
November 17	Ben Overturf Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared a mile of brush growing on to the trail.
November 20	Waterfall Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared a mile of brush growing on to the trail.
November 24	Bill Cull Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers placed three edge barriers and cleared brush along the trail to prevent erosion.
November 28	Ben Overturf Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared a mile of brush growing on to the trail.
November 30	Nature Center - Park Rangers removed brush in the surrounding area to create defensible space.
Canyon Park Incidents	
November 9	Canyon Park - Park Rangers informed Monrovia Police Dispatch of subjects parked in the No Parking Zone outside of the Canyon Park Entrance. Police responded and informed the subjects of the No Parking Zone. Subjects complied with the officer's request.
November 12	Canyon Park - Park Rangers got a call on the Smoking Ban phone about two bears damaging the Saw Pit Wash fence line. Park Rangers were unable to locate the bears.
Canyon Park Events	
November 1	Canyon Park Ranger and Volunteers attended Wilderness First Aid training.
November 4	Canyon Park Ranger hosted an informational booth at Los Angeles County's Natural Area Eco Fair.
November 9	Canyon Park Rangers gave a presentation for Valley View Elementary School's Career Day Event.
November 15	Canyon Park Ranger led a waterfall hike for Monrovia Area Partnership's Youth Leadership Academy and gave a presentation about volunteering.
November 30	Canyon Park's staff attended the quarterly Los Angeles County Weed Management Association meeting on behalf of Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve.
November 30	Rangers led Education Tours for third, fourth and fifth grade students for Monroe and Bradoaks Elementary classes.

November 2016/2017

PATROLS			ACTIVITY																				
	# of staff patrols 2016	# of staff patrols 2017	Pedestrians 2016	Pedestrians 2017	Vehicles 2016	Vehicles 2017	Cyclists 2016	Cyclists 2017	Pets 2016	Pets 2017	Public Service Calls 2016	Public Service Calls 2017	Staff Service Calls 2016	Staff Service Calls 2017	Wildlife Sightings 2016	Wildlife Sightings 2017	Unsecured Gate 2016	Unsecured Gate 2017	Citations 2016	Citations 2017	Activity Totals 2016	Activity Totals 2017	
Sleepy Hollow																							
Nov 1-7	4	15	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Nov 8-14	4	18	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Nov 15-21	4	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 22-28	9	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 29-30	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total =	25	58	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Ridgeside																							
Nov 1-7	5	24	14	46	0	1	8	11	8	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	76	
Nov 8-14	4	34	17	44	0	1	5	30	4	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	99	
Nov 15-21	7	22	12	43	0	1	0	16	4	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	16	77	
Nov 22-28	12	14	14	23	0	0	5	2	3	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	36	
Nov 29-30	4	3	9	4	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	5	
Total =	32	97	66	160	0	3	23	59	19	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	108	293		
Cloverleaf																							
Nov 1-7	4	22	4	23	0	7	1	17	1	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	59	
Nov 8-14	4	27	0	23	0	1	0	15	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	
Nov 15-21	7	19	0	18	0	1	0	14	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	
Nov 22-28	15	17	15	4	0	2	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	7	
Nov 29-30	4	3	5	5	0	0	8	0	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	6	
Total =	34	88	24	73	0	11	12	46	12	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	158	
Highland																							
Nov 1-7	4	21	0	11	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	
Nov 8-14	4	24	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	
Nov 15-21	4	16	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
Nov 22-28	11	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Nov 29-30	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total =	27	76	0	18	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	
Grand Total =	118	319	90	254	0	14	35	110	31	98	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	274	796		