



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

DEPARTMENT: Public Services

MEETING DATE: January 9, 2018

PREPARED BY: Eugene Suk,
Hillside Wilderness Preserve Supervisor

AGENDA LOCATION: CC-2

TITLE: Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for December 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 December 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; Naturalist led night hikes, interpretive tours, a Nature Center, trails, a waterfall, and views of the San Gabriel Valley. In addition, Naturalists, with the support of many volunteers that 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 Naturalists patrol the HWP as well as urban parks two times a day by vehicle, utility terrain vehicle, and foot. Park Naturalists 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 December 2017.

ANALYSIS: During the month of December, the Park Naturalists completed 127 hours of maintenance throughout the Hillside Wilderness Preserve and 72 hours in Canyon Park. The maintenance included brush clearance, the installation of steps into the steep areas of the Cloverleaf Access Point Trail, the removal of fallen trees, fence repairs, and removal of invasive species. The Park Naturalists assisted with two City events, the first was the Julian Park Dedication and the second was the New Year's Eve Event on Myrtle. The Park Naturalist also assisted Fire and PD with the evacuation of residents during the Norembege Fire on December 9.

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

CC-2

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

City Events

December	Julian Fisher - Park Naturalists assisted with parking control for the Julian Fisher Park Dedication New Year's Eve - Park Naturalists assisted with road closures.
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HWP Maintenance – 127 Hours of Maintenance Work in December

December 2	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists repaired a portion of wooden fence that divides residential property and the Water Reservoir Trail.
December 3	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists installed two water diverters to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 4	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists installed edge barriers and arm rails to enhance trail use for bicyclists and hikers.
December 5	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists cleared a downed tree blocking the trail.
December 7	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists cleared debris and branches blocking the trail.
December 11	Highland - Park Naturalists cleared approximately a quarter acre of invasive species near the access point.
December 13	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists cleared brush and branches around Station 103 to create defensible space.
December 16	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists installed water diverters to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 20	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists installed steps to enhance trail use for bicyclists and hikers.
December 21	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists installed steps to enhance trail use for bicyclists and hikers. Park Naturalists cleared one hundred feet of brush growing on to the trail.
December 22	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists cleared approximately a quarter mile of invasive species growing on to the trail.
December 27	Ridgeside - Park Naturalists cleared brush and debris to divert water and prevent trail erosion.
December 27	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists installed step bridge to enhance trail use for bicyclists and hikers.
December 28	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists installed step bridge to enhance trail use for bicyclists and hikers.
December 29	Ridgeside - Park Naturalists cleared brush and debris to divert water and prevent trail erosion.

HWP Incident

December 5	Hillside Wilderness Preserve was closed due to Red Flag Warnings in Southern California. The Preserve reopened December 9.
December 7	Park Naturalists responded to a backyard fire on Oakglade Drive, and assisted by evacuating homes in the surrounding area.
December 9	Hillside Wilderness Preserve was closed due to Red Flag Warnings and neighboring fires in Southern California. Park Naturalists assisted Monrovia Police and Fire with evacuation and traffic control for the Norembega Fire. Preserve was reopened on December 11. Julian Fisher Park - Park Naturalists responded to a call that an electrical panel was loose on a light pole. Park Naturalist secured the panel.
December 17	Ridgeside - Park Naturalists assisted Monrovia Fire with locating a lost hikers on the Upper Clamshell Peak. Los Angeles County Search and Rescue located the hikers and got them to safety.
December 23	Ridgeside - Park Naturalists found a lost dog. Owners of the dog were contacted and the dog was reunited with its owners.

Canyon Park Maintenance 76 Hours of Maintenance Work in December	
December 1	Bill Cull Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers placed edge barriers on the trail to prevent erosion.
December 4	Ben Overturf Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers placed edge barriers on the trail to prevent erosion.
December 6	Ben Overturf Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers placed edge barriers on the trail to prevent erosion.
December 8	Waterfall Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers removed graffiti on the Waterfall Trail and various locations near the trail entrance.
December 11	Waterfall Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers placed edge barriers on the trail to prevent erosion.
December 13	Dam House - Canyon Park staff cleared overgrown vegetation around the Dam House
December 18	Bill Cull Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared a mile of overgrown brush on the trail.
Canyon Park Incidents	
December 17	Park Naturalists assisted Monrovia Fire with locating lost hikers on Upper Clamshell Peak. Los Angeles County Search and Rescue located the lost hikers and returned them to safety.
Canyon Park Events	
December 7	Canyon Park Volunteers participated in Monrovia Holiday Parade.
December 17	Canyon Park Naturalist hosted the Kids Kraft Workshop at the Nature Center.
Month of December	Park Naturalists led 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade education programs for Bradoaks Elementary School.

December 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																							
Dec 1-7	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Dec 8-14	7	17	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
Dec 15-21	6	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 22-28	5	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 29-31	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total =	27	49	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
Ridgeside																							
Dec 1-7	6	14	6	13	0	1	0	5	0	8	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	6	32	
Dec 8-14	8	21	7	18	0	1	0	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	43	
Dec 15-21	6	12	8	11	0	0	0	8	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	33	
Dec 22-28	5	9	12	10	0	2	0	2	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	20	
Dec 29-31	4	4	2	16	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	22	
Total =	29	60	35	68	0	4	0	27	0	46	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	35	150	
Cloverleaf																							
Dec 1-7	7	15	2	19	0	1	0	9	0	2	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	2	51	
Dec 8-14	8	21	3	26	0	1	0	15	1	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	52	
Dec 15-21	6	12	6	24	0	3	0	17	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	58	
Dec 22-28	4	11	3	21	0	6	0	3	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	38	
Dec 29-31	2	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	
Total =	27	63	17	90	0	11	0	44	1	34	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	18	199	
Highland																							
Dec 1-7	6	11	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
Dec 8-14	7	16	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	7	
Dec 15-21	6	11	0	8	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	
Dec 22-28	4	9	0	7	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	
Dec 29-31	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total =	25	51	2	26	0	7	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	37	
Grand Total=	108	223	55	184	0	22	0	75	1	80	0	1	0	0	0	24	0	0	0	0	164	609	