



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

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Services

**MEETING DATE:** November 13, 2018

**PREPARED BY:** Eugene Suk,  
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**AGENDA LOCATION:** CC-2

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**TITLE:** Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for October 2018

**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 October 2018.

**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 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 October 2018.

**ANALYSIS:** During the month of October 2018, Park Naturalists completed 127 hours of maintenance throughout the Hillside Wilderness Preserve and 152 hours in Canyon Park. The maintenance included invasive species removal, and the installation of edge barriers and water bars to divert water and prevent erosion.

This month there were multiple programs the Naturalists participated in, assisted with and led. On Thursday, October 4, Park Naturalists participated in Read Across Monrovia; and Kid's Craft in the Canyon was held on Sunday, October 28. Park Naturalists and Volunteers hosted two Native Garden Plant Sales; the first was held on Saturday, October 13, and the second was held in conjunction with the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 27. Staff also assisted with Make a Difference Day on Saturday, October 27. The last program that the Naturalists assisted with for the month of October was a wellness hike for City employees to Canyon Park's waterfall on Thursday, October 25.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the Community Services Commission move to receive and file CC-2, Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for October 2018.

**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 October 2018.

**CC-2**

**October 2018  
HWP AND CANYON PARK ACTIVITY LOG**

**HWP Maintenance – 127 Hours of Maintenance Work in October**

October 1	Ridgeside- Park Naturalists installed two water bars on the trail to prevent erosion. Highland - Park Naturalists cleared approximately 75 yards of invasive species along the trail.
October 2	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists installed two water bars on the trail to prevent erosion.
October 5	Ridgeside- Park Naturalists cleared ruts and added a water bar on the trail to prevent erosion.
October 8	Highland- Park Naturalists cleared approximately 100 yards of invasive species along the trail. Ridgeside- Park Naturalists cleared brush to open a storm drain on the trail.
October 9	Highland - Park Naturalists cleared approximately 75 yards of invasive species along the trail.
October 10	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists installed two water bars on the trail to prevent erosion.
October 11	Ridgeside - Park Naturalist installed two water bars on the trail to prevent erosion.
October 12	Ridgeside- Park Naturalists installed one water bar and cleared brush to open a storm drain on the trail.
October 17	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists cleared a fallen tree blocking a hiking trail.
October 18	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists filled 25 yards of ruts with decomposed granite to prevent trail erosion.
October 19	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists filled 25 yards of ruts with decomposed granite to prevent trail erosion.
October 23	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists installed 2 edge barriers to prevent erosion on the trail.
October 25	Ridgeside - Park Naturalists cleared a tree blocking the trail.
October 26	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists cleared ruts and added a water bar on the trail to prevent erosion.
October 31	Ridgeside - Park Naturalist installed three water bars on the trail to prevent erosion.

**HWP Incident**

October 15-16	Park Naturalists closed the Hillside Wilderness Preserve and Canyon Park for the public's safety due to weather conditions and high winds.
October 17	Park Naturalists checked hiking trails for fallen trees from the wind storm.
October 28	Cloverleaf - Park Naturalists asked hikers to place their dogs on leashes. The Patrons complied with the Park Naturalists' request.

**Canyon Park - 152 Hours of Maintenance Work in October**

October 2	Bill Cull Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 200 yards of brush growing onto the trail.
October 3	Bill Cull Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers placed an edge barrier on the trail to prevent erosion. Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 100 yards of brush growing onto the trail.
October 5	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers placed an edge barrier on the trail to prevent erosion. Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 100 yards of brush growing onto the trail.
October 8	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 200 yards of brush growing onto the trail.
October 9	Nature Center - Naturalists cleared the surrounding trails, picnic area, and Nature Center of overgrown brush.
October 10	Ben Overturf Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 100 yards of brush growing onto the trail and placed an edge barrier on the trail to prevent erosion.
October 12	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers placed an edge barrier on the trail to prevent erosion and cleared 100 yards of brush growing onto the trail.

October 15	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris on the hiking trails from wind storm.
	Ben Overturf Trail - Park Naturists cleared debris and fallen trees on the trail from the wind storm.
	Cabin road - Canyon Park Volunteers and Park Naturalist s cleared large trees that fell, blocking the road.
October 16	Waterfall- Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 200 yards of debris that fell onto the trail from the wind storm.
October 17	Ben Overturf Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 100 yards of brush growing onto the trail and placed an edge barrier to prevent trail erosion.
October 17	Waterfall - Park Naturalists cleared debris and fallen trees on the trail after the wind storm.
October 19	Waterfall- Canyon Park Volunteers placed an edge barrier on the trail to prevent erosion and cleared 100 yards of brush.
October 22	Ben Overturf Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 200 yards of brush growing onto the trail.
October 24	Overlook Trail - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 200 yards of brush growing onto the trail.
October 25	Trask Road - Park Naturalists repaired and reinforced erosion wall with sand bags.
October 26	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 200 yards of brush growing onto the trail.
October 26	Canyon Park Road - Park Naturalists cleared brush growing onto the road.
October 29	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared 100 yards of brush growing onto the trail.
October 31	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers worked on placing an edge barrier to prevent erosion and cleared 100 yards of brush growing onto the trail.
<b>Canyon Park Events</b>	
October 4	Park Naturalists participated in Read Across Monrovia, and visited several Monrovia Elementary schools as readers.
October 13	Canyon Park Naturalist s hosted the Native Plant Sale inside the Community Center.
October 28	Nature Center – Park Naturalists hosted Kid’s Craft in the Canyon event where children decorated reusable tote bags with natural flowers.
October 27	Canyon Park Naturalist hosted the Native Plant Sale at Library Park in conjunction with the Fall Festival.

# October 2017/2018

PATROLS			ACTIVITY																				
	# of staff patrols 2017	# of staff patrols 2018	Pedestrians 2017	Pedestrians 2018	Vehicles 2017	Vehicles 2018	Cyclists 2017	Cyclists 2018	Pets 2017	Pets 2018	Public Service Calls 2017	Public Service Calls 2018	Smoking Ban Calls 2017	Smoking Ban Calls 2018	Wildlife Sightings 2017	Wildlife Sightings 2018	Unsecured Gate 2017	Unsecured Gate 2018	Citations 2017	Citations 2018	Activity Totals 2017	Activity Totals 2018	
<b>Sleepy Hollow</b>																							
October 1-7	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
October 8-14	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
October 15-21	12	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
October 22-28	12	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
October 29-31	6	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total =</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>Ridgeside</b>																							
October 1-7	12	11	12	25	0	0	2	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	33	
October 8-14	13	10	15	16	0	0	0	19	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	39	
October 15-21	12	9	14	27	0	0	1	28	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	63	
October 22-28	13	9	2	7	0	0	5	8	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	19	
October 29-31	5	6	2	14	0	0	1	10	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	28	
<b>Total =</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>182</b>	
<b>Cloverleaf</b>																							
October 1-7	12	11	1	24	1	0	0	12	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	39	
October 8-14	13	10	0	19	2	0	0	24	5	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	48	
October 15-21	12	9	5	20	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	27	
October 22-28	13	9	6	11	0	0	5	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	17	
October 29-31	5	6	1	1	1	0	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	6	
<b>Total =</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>137</b>	
<b>Highland</b>																							
October 1-7	12	10	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
October 8-14	13	10	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	
October 15-21	12	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
October 22-28	13	9	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
October 29-31	5	5	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	
<b>Total =</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	
<b>Grand Total =</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>332</b>	