



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

**DEPARTMENT:** Community Services

**MEETING DATE:** January 14, 2020

**PREPARED BY:** Eugene Suk,  
Hillside Wilderness Preserve Supervisor

**AGENDA LOCATION:** CC-2

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**TITLE:** Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for December 2019

**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 2019.

**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 and volunteers maintain the trail systems 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 and urban parks two times a day by vehicle, utility terrain vehicle and foot. Park Naturalists also respond to calls related to Monrovia's Smoking Ban Ordinance.

The included HWP and Canyon Park Log provide additional information related to the comments, maintenance, incidents, and events which occurred in December 2019.

**ANALYSIS:** During the month of December 2019, Park Naturalist and Volunteers worked on maintaining Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserves' hiking trails. Park Naturalists and Volunteers completed 104 hours of maintenance throughout the Hillside Wilderness Preserve and 112 hours in Canyon Park. The maintenance included erosion control, tree removal, debris and slide clearing, and reinforcing the hiking trails.

On December 26 the Canyon Park's Waterfall Trail was closed due to a tree that fell on the trail causing an obstruction on the trail. The following day Park Naturalists and Volunteers removed and cleared the tree and reopened the trail for public use.

Programs during the month of November include Park Naturalists and Volunteers leading education tours for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade classes for Monroe and Mayflower Elementary.

On December 5, Park Naturalists assisted in the Holiday Parade with traffic and crowd control on Myrtle Ave. and Primerose Ave. The Canyon Park Volunteers participated with a entry in the Holiday Parade.

On Friday, December 20, Park Naturalists responded to a patron who reported small fire in the Fireman's Flat Campground. The Park Naturalists located the small fire, extinguished the flames, and called Monrovia Fire and Police for additional assistance. Monrovia Firefighters extinguished the remainder of the burning coals. Monrovia Police Officers located the suspect who started the fire and arrested the individual.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the Community Services Commission move to receive and file CC-2, Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for December 2019.

**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 2019.

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**December 2019  
HWP AND CANYON PARK ACTIVITY LOG**

**HWP Maintenance – 104 hours of maintenance in December 2019**

December 2	Ridgeside- Park Naturalists and Volunteers cleared water diverters and water bars to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 5	Ridgeside/Cloverleaf- Park Naturalist and Volunteers cleared debris and slides that fell onto the trail.
December 6	Ridgeside- Park Naturalists and Volunteers cleared water diverters and water bars to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 10	Cloverleaf- Park Naturalists and Volunteers cleared water diverters and water bars to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 13	Ridgeside- Park Naturalist and Volunteers cleared debris and slides that fell onto the trail.
December 16	Ridgeside- Park Naturalist cleared debris and slides that fell onto the trail.
December 17	Ridgeside- Park Naturalist and Volunteers cleared debris and slides that fell onto the trail.
December 19	Ridgeside- Park Naturalist and Volunteers installed water diverters to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 23	Ridgeside- Park Naturalist installed water diverters to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 27	Ridgeside/Cloverleaf- Park Naturalist cleared debris and slides that fell onto the trail.
December 30	Ridgeside- Park Naturalist cleared debris and slides that fell onto the trail.

**Canyon Park Maintenance – 112 hours of maintenance in December 2019**

December 3	Bill Cull- Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris and slides that fell onto the trail.
December 5	Waterfall/Overlook- Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris and slides that fell onto the trail.
December 6	Bill Cull- Canyon Park Volunteers installed edge barriers and water bar diverters to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 9	Overlook- Canyon Park Volunteers removed a tree that fell onto the trail.
December 10	Bill Cull/Overlook- Canyon Park Volunteers installed edge barriers and water bar diverters to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 13	Overlook- Canyon Park Volunteers installed edge barriers and water bar diverters to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 16	Overlook- Canyon Park Volunteers installed edge barriers to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 18	Waterfall- Bill Cull- Canyon Park Volunteers installed edge barriers and water bar diverters to prevent erosion and cleared debris and slides that fell onto the trail.
December 20	Overlook- Canyon Park Volunteers installed edge barriers to prevent erosion on the trail.
December 23	Waterfall- Overlook- Canyon Park Volunteers removed a tree that fell onto the trail.
December 26	Waterfall- Canyon Park Volunteers and Park Naturalists removed a tree that fell onto the trail.
December 30	Ben Overturf- Canyon Park Volunteers installed edge barriers to prevent erosion on the trail.

**Canyon Park Incidents**

December 20	Fireman's Flat- Park Naturalist assisted in extinguishing a small fire in the campgrounds. Monrovia Police arrested the individual that started the fire, and Fire Fighters assisted with extinguishing the remainder of the fire.
December 26	Waterfall Trail- Park Naturalist closed the trail due to a fallen tree, obstructing the trail, and causing a safety concern. Park Naturalists and Volunteers cleared the tree the next morning and reopened the trail for public use.

**Canyon Park Events**

December 5,6,12,17	Canyon Park- Park Naturalists and Volunteers led education tours for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade for Monroe and Mayflower Elementary.
December 5	Holiday Parade- Park Naturalists assisted in the event with traffic and crowd control. Canyon Park Volunteers participated with an entry in the parade.

# December 2018/2019

PATROLS			ACTIVITY																				
	# of staff patrols 2018	# of staff patrols 2019	Pedestrians 2018	Pedestrians 2019	Vehicles 2018	Vehicles 2019	Cyclists 2018	Cyclists 2019	Pets 2018	Pets 2019	Public Service Calls 2018	Public Service Calls 2019	Smoking Ban Calls 2018	Smoking Ban Calls 2019	Wildlife Sightings 2018	Wildlife Sightings 2019	Unsecured Gate 2018	Unsecured Gate 2019	Citations 2018	Citations 2019	Activity Totals 2018	Activity Totals 2019	
<b>Sleepy Hollow</b>																							
December 1-7	15	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
December 8-14	12	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
December 15-21	17	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
December 22-28	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
December 29-31	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total =</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>58</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>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Ridgeside</b>																							
December 1-7	14	14	25	30	0	0	4	5	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	43	
December 8-14	13	14	34	36	0	0	10	20	3	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	65	
December 15-21	16	14	18	28	0	1	8	3	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	37	
December 22-28	12	10	27	22	0	0	11	13	14	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	40	
December 29-31	3	6	4	18	0	0	3	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	23	
<b>Total =</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>32</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>175</b>	<b>208</b>	
<b>Cloverleaf</b>																							
December 1-7	14	14	21	28	0	1	10	6	8	15	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	43	50	
December 8-14	13	14	38	30	0	1	11	4	11	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	56	
December 15-21	16	14	11	33	0	0	10	8	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	56	
December 22-28	12	10	16	29	0	0	10	9	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	41	
December 29-31	3	6	0	7	0	0	5	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	11	
<b>Total =</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>214</b>	
<b>Highland</b>																							
December 1-7	15	14	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	8	1	
December 8-14	14	14	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	
December 15-21	17	14	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	
December 22-28	12	10	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	6	
December 29-31	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total =</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</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>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>12</b>	
<b>Grand Total =</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>434</b>	