



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

DEPARTMENT: Community Services

MEETING DATE: March 14, 2023

PREPARED BY: Eugene Suk,
Hillside Wilderness Preserve Supervisor

AGENDA LOCATION: CC-2

TITLE: Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for February 2023.

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 February 2023.

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.

Since the Bobcat Fire, in September 2022 staff has worked diligently to repair trails and remove hazards in an effort to open Canyon Park and was able to reopen in August 2021. The first significant rain event following the Bobcat Fire occurred on December 13, 2021 which caused significant damage to Canyon Park resulting in the park's closure. During the duration of the closure, photos, aerial footage, and much more information will be shared with the community.

Staff has been intimately involved with cleanup and rehabilitation towards Canyon Park roads, trails and infrastructure. Over the next several months Staff will continue to assess and identify damages from rainstorm clean up, identify infrastructure repairs, and oversee the possibilities of upgrades to Canyon Park.

ANALYSIS: During the month of February 2023, Canyon Park Volunteers completed 98 hours of maintenance in Canyon Park. Maintenance performance included debris removal from the trail, installation of trail retention walls to prevent trail erosion, and reestablishing the trails from rainstorm damage.

During the month of February, Management Career Solutions (MCS) assisted with post fire and rainstorm damage recovery in Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve (HWP). Recovery efforts include debris removal that fell on the trail, installing retention walls along the trail to prevent trail erosion, invasive species removal from the stream bed and trails and erosion mitigations. Staff is working with MCS to prepare and respond to rain events that may affect the park, preserve and trail systems.

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February 9 – Canyon Park Staff met Public Work at Station 103 Cloverleaf area in the Hillside Wilderness Preserve to discuss the next phase of the Tuff Shed garage installation. To date the foundation for the garage has been poured and constructed. Staff currently coordinating with Tuff Shed to install the garage structure.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Community Services Commission move to receive and file CC-2, Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Patrol Update for February 2023.

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 February 2023.

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**February 2023
Canyon Park and Hillside Wilderness Preserve Activity Log**

Canyon Park and HWP 98 hours of maintenance in February 2023

February 1	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers worked on building a retention wall to prevent trail erosion.
February 3	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers worked on building a retention wall to prevent trail erosion.
February 6	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers worked on building a retention wall to prevent trail erosion.
February 8	Waterfall – Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris that fell onto the trail.
February 10	Waterfall – Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris that fell onto the trail and cleared a tree branch that fell onto the trail.
February 13	Waterfall – Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris that fell onto the trail.
February 15	Waterfall – Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris that fell onto the trail.
	Bill Cull – Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris that fell onto the trail and installed edge barriers to prevent trail erosion.
February 17	Waterfall - Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris that fell onto the trail and installed edge barriers to prevent trail erosion.
February 20	Waterfall – Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris that fell onto the trail and cleared water bars to prevent trail erosion.
February 22	Waterfall – Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris that fell onto the trail and cleared water bars to prevent trail erosion.
February 27	Bill Cull – Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris and mud that fell onto the trail.
	Overlook – Canyon Park Volunteers cleared debris and mud that fell onto the trail.

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PATROLS			ACTIVITY																				
	# of staff patrols 2022	# of staff patrols 2023	Pedestrians 2022	Pedestrians 2023	Vehicles 2022	Vehicles 2023	Cyclists 2022	3Cyclists 2023	Pets 2022	Pets 2023	Public Service Calls 2022	Public Service Calls 2023	Smoking Ban Calls 2022	Smoking Ban Calls 2023	Wildlife Sightings 2022	Wildlife Sightings 2023	Unsecured Gate 2022	Unsecured Gate 2023	Citations 2022	Citations 2023	Activity Totals 2022	Activity Totals 2023	
Sleepy Hollow																							
February 1-7	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
February 8-14	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
February 15-20	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
February 21-28	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
February 29	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Total =	56	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ridgeside																							
February 1-7	14	14	66	78	0	0	11	15	24	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	101	103	
February 8-14	14	14	161	92	0	0	25	20	49	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	235	118	
February 15-20	14	14	157	83	0	0	26	18	40	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	223	109	
February 21-28	14	14	30	96	0	0	5	11	3	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	119	
February 29	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Total =	56	56	414	349	0	0	67	64	116	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	597	449	
Cloverleaf																							
February 1-7	14	14	53	42	0	0	5	8	25	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	83	60	
February 8-14	14	14	91	31	0	0	29	22	29	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	149	57	
February 15-20	14	14	72	46	0	0	15	14	26	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	113	66	
February 21-28	14	14	30	35	0	0	2	6	8	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	50	
February 29	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Total =	56	56	246	154	0	0	51	50	88	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	385	233	
Highland																							
February 1-7	14	14	7	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	2	
February 8-14	14	14	6	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	
February 15-20	14	14	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	
February 21-28	14	14	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	
February 29	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Total =	56	56	21	3	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	4	
Grand Total =	224	224	681	506	0	0	118	115	209	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1008	686	

*Higher than average touch points numbers in 2022-23 due to Canyon Park closure from the 2021 December rain storms.