

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Parks Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:
8/15/05

SUBJECT: Riverside County Trails Committee Annual Report 2004

RECOMMENDED MOTION: that the Board receive and file the Riverside County Trails Committee 2004 Annual Report.

BACKGROUND: Attached is the 2004 Annual Report for the Trails Committee as required per Board Policy A-21 and Resolution No. 2005-148 Adopting Rules and Procedures for Advisory Committees.

Departmental Concurrence

Paul Frandsen

Paul Frandsen, General Manager

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FINANCIAL DATA N/A	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$	In Current Year Budget: Budget Adjustment: For Fiscal Year:
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$	
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$	

SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: **APPROVE**

H. Biffard

County Executive Office Signature

Department Recommendation: Consent Policy
Per Executive Office: Consent Policy



Riverside County Trails Committee

Annual Report 2004

MEETINGS:

The Riverside County Trails Committee met bimonthly in January, March, May, July, September, and November of 2004. Except for approval of minutes, there was no formal action items recorded in 2004. The Committee members met in various areas throughout the County in 2004. The Committee members and Chair were involved in many behind the scenes activities in their respective districts, and the Committee Chair attended several functions regarding trails with County and State officials.

ATTENDANCE:

KEY: "P" = Present "A" = Absent "V" = Vacant * = Special Meeting

COMMISSIONERS:		Jan 21	Mar 17	May 19	Jul 21	Sep 15	Nov 17	Term Ends
District I	Don Saunders	A	P	P	P	P	P	6/30/05
District I	Jerry Crysong Michelle Randall 7/27/04	A	P	A	A	A	P	6/30/05
District II	Ron Jenkins	P	P	A	A	A	P	6/30/05
District II	Bill Arden	P	P	P	A	P	A	6/30/05
District III	Frederick Twyman	A	A	A	A	A	A	6/30/07
District III	Joann Bergman Bob Hewitt 9/28/04	P	P	A	A	A	P	6/30/05
District IV	Gayle Cady	A	A	A	A	P	P	6/30/05
District IV	Ken LaMont	P	A	P	A	P	P	6/30/06
District V	Sue Gilchrist	P	P	P	P	P	P	6/30/06
District V	Marie Spradlin	P	P	P	P	P	P	6/30/07
	Jim Real, Chair DAC Appointment	P	P	P	P	P	P	6/30/06
PARK DISTRICT STAFF:								
	Dan Nove, Assistant Park Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	

COMMITTEE MEMBERS & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

District I Trails Committee Members:

Don Saunders reported that residents in the Wildomar area continue to work on development of community trails and the adopt a trail program. They are also working with County Transportation to identify trails within road right of ways. Mr. Saunders has worked with developers and the county to ensure continuity between developments.

Jerry Crysong reported that residents in the Mockingbird Canyon area have responded to a letter writing effort, and have begun to remove impediments and encroachments to area trails.

Michelle Randall outlined a plan to create a park and trail system in the Dawson Canyon Temescal Canyon area.

District II Trails Committee Members:

Ron Jenkins reported on various trail activities in Norco involving illegal dumping and blocking of trails. He also observed illegal entrance of users at Hidden Valley.

Bill Arden was involved with several trail cleanup efforts in the Jurupa area and the water issue at Mary Tyo.

District III Trails Committee Members:

Joanne Bergman was involved with the Riverside Emergency Animal Rescue Training, a plan to organize and train volunteers to rescue animals during times of wildfire.

Bob Hewitt reported on activities in Val Vista where residents are working to develop a community trail system.

District IV Trails Committee Members:

Gayle Cady presented trail design standards for the community of Vista Santa Rosa, and reported on the improved trails system in La Quinta.

Ken LaMont viewed the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan. They informed the Committee of the Hop Along Cassidy Trail, which has become a very popular trail in the Desert. The city of Desert Hot Springs is establishing trail connections into the county's regional trail system.

District V Trails Committee Members:

Sue Gilchrist serves as chair on a subcommittee for the newsletter, and she is instrumental in putting the newsletters together and updating the mailing and e-mail lists. Ms. Gilchrist also worked on trail connectivity issues with the city of Redlands, Riverside County, and Moreno Valley.

Marie Spradlin reported on trail safety issues concerning motorcycles in the Homeland/Romoland area. She worked on potential trail alignments in District V and watched out for housing developments adjacent trails in the Nuevo area.

Trails Committee Chair

As chair of the Trails Committee, Jim Real scheduled meeting dates and places, formulated the agendas and reviewed the minutes for meetings. He also kept the Committee apprised of various trail-related legislation within the state and trail issues within Riverside County. He participated in the county-sponsored trail work party in May 2004. He assisted with Committee recommendation regarding implementation of a Master Plan for RS-2477. Participated in trail dedications, including the one in La Quinta where the Hop Along Cassidy trail was dedicated.

Mr. Real attended the earn-a-bike program as the District II representative. The Trails Committee and Park District staff assisted local communities by explaining the process

of obtaining dedications and inclusion of trails on the county RCIP and the process for obtaining and utilizing easements where and when available. The Committee worked with Code Enforcement regarding homeowners and developers impacting recognized trails by putting obstacles on them. The Committee also worked on the Adopt a Trail Program in Riverside County.

The Committee continues to attempt to work in the best interest of trail users including hikers, bikers, equestrians and all non-motorized users throughout the County. The Trails Committee has worked in partnership with County departments to assure the enhancement of their efforts to provide, protect, and maintain the multi-use trail system through the County.

The Trails Committee expresses appreciation to the Park District staff and the Riverside County Board of Supervisor for accomplishments concerning trails for the allocation of:

\$400,000 to facilitate the expansion of Bogart Park
\$473,00 to facilitate the completion of the equestrian staging area
at Box Springs Mountain
\$500,000 for the Highgrove Trail Expansion
\$500,000 for the Temescal Canyon Trail Expansion

The Board of Supervisor also adopted the Riverside County Adopt-a-Trail Program. The Board of Supervisors has made substantial improvements to the trails systems through Riverside County and it is the Trails Committee's wish to continue to contribute to that effort by simply doing its duty.



Paul Frandsen, General Manager
Regional Park & Open-Space District & Secretary
Riverside County Trails Committee



Jim Real, Chair
Riverside County
Trails Committee