

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

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**FROM:** Park Department

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**

12/6/05

**SUBJECT:** Upgrade and Expansion of Mayflower Park on the Colorado River – District IV

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** that the Board:

- 1) Approve the upgrade and expansion of Mayflower Park;
- 2) Adopt a De Minimis finding as there is no evidence that the upgrade and expansion will have adverse environmental impacts on wildlife resources; and
- 3) Adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration for Environmental Assessment Parks 1004.

**BACKGROUND:** The Riverside County Parks Department proposes to upgrade Mayflower Park, located on the Colorado River north of the City of Blythe. Mayflower Park currently has 88 camping spaces, boat launching facilities for the river, and a swim lagoon. An additional 62 acres located on the north and west sides of the park have been purchased to expand the park. Anticipated improvements in both the existing park and the expansion area may include: renovation of existing camping spaces to include full hookups; addition of 131 camping spaces and 14 cabins; campground recreation areas to include such amenities as horseshoe pits, volleyball courts, and shuffleboard courts; additional bathroom facilities to serve the new camping spaces; camp store; maintenance yard; dry storage area; day-use recreation area to include a play ground and zero depth water play area; and a trail along the bank above the Colorado River.

*Paul Frandsen*

Paul Frandsen, Parks Director

KJ/512-Adopt Neg Dec for EA Park 1004 & approval of upgrade & expansion Mayflower

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b> n/a	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$	In Current Year Budget:
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$	Budget Adjustment:
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$	For Fiscal Year:

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30

Requires 4/5 Vote

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

**APPROVE**

*X. Suggard*

**County Executive Office Signature**

- Policy
- Consent
- Policy
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- Dep't Recomm.:
- Per Exec. Ofc.:

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

JAN 19 2006

Departmental Concurrence

3.27

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The Parks Department also will be upgrading the park from a septic system to sewer provided by the City of Blythe. The sewer line will be sized to serve only the park and the adjacent homes, which are currently on septic systems. Current plans do not include any work in the swim lagoon. All work done in that area will be done under a separate environmental document.

The analysis and findings contained in the attached Initial Study for Environmental Assessment No. Parks 1004 support the adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

The Mayflower Park upgrade and expansion has been before the Board for: the purchase of an additional 59 acres of land needed for future phases of expansion (October 10, 2000, M.O. 3.68); the approval of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the park expansion (October 2, 2003, M.O. 13.1); the approval of the consultant services on the park expansion (April 27, 2004, M.O. 3.16); and the approval of \$3,566,458 in Development Impact Fees for the expansion of the park (August 23, 2005, M.O. 3.65).

The request for approval of the Mitigated Negative Declaration above encompasses the additional expansion planned to the Mayflower Park not previously addressed in the October 2, 2003, M.O. 13.1 Board approval of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Mayflower Park expansion.