

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



FROM: Parks Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:
6/15/10

SUBJECT: 2009 Annual Reports for the Riverside County Historical Commission, Riverside County Trails Committee & Riverside County District Advisory Commission

RECOMMENDED MOTION: that the Board receives and files the 2009 Annual Reports for the Riverside County Historical Commission, Riverside County Trails Committee, and Riverside County District Advisory Commission.

BACKGROUND: Attached per Board Policy A-21 and Resolution No. 2005-148, Adopting Rules and Procedures for Advisory Committees, Boards, and Commissions, are the 2009 Annual Reports for the Riverside County Historical Commission, Riverside County Trails Committee, and Riverside County Regional Park & Open-Space District Advisory Commission.

Departmental Concurrence

795-Commissions/Committees 2009 Annual Reports

Scott Bangle, Parks Director

FINANCIAL DATA 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	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY: Alex Gann

County Executive Office Signature

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

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

ATTACHMENTS FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

District: All Agenda Number:

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Riverside County Historical Commission



HISTORICAL COMMISSIONERS

Charlene Cleary, District I
(Vice Chair 1/09-6/09)
Joyce Hohenadl, District I
(Vice Chair 7/09-6/10)
Charolette Fox, District II
Velma Hickey, District II
Darell Farnbach, District III
Marc Hendon, District III (All-County)

Robert Lindquist, District III
Gerda Hook, District IV
Jennie Kelley, District IV
Hal Rover, District IV
(Chair 1/09-6/09)
John Worden, District V
Muriel Schwartz, District V
(Chair 7/09-12/09)

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MEETINGS:

The Riverside County Historical Commission held six regular meetings in 2009.

ACTIONS TAKEN:

- ❖ Certificates were provided to winning students of the Riverside County History Day.
- ❖ The Commission recommended that the Riverside County Landmark application for the North Shore Yacht Club be favorably considered by the Board of Supervisors. The Board voted their approval of landmark status for this building in September 2009.
- ❖ The Commission elected a new Chair and Vice-Chair for the year.
- ❖ The Commission voted to begin publication of a county history journal to be issued twice annually. The journal is to be called, *The Riverside County Chronicles: A Journal of the History of Riverside County, California*. Issue No. 1 was published last spring and Issue No. 2 will be out in June 2010.
- ❖ The Commission voted to send a letters to the cities of Indio and Indian Wells expressing concern of the demolition of two historically significant buildings; the Mullin House and the Carl Gray Gallery.
- ❖ The Commission recommended that the Riverside County Landmark application for the Bryant House AKA: Hotel Banning, San Geronio Inn be favorably considered as a County Historic Landmark by the Board of Supervisors.
- ❖ The Commission recommended that the Riverside County Landmark application for the Eden Hot Springs site be favorably considered as a County Historic Landmark by the Board of Supervisors.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST:

- ❖ Approximately 9,000 copies of the county landmarks map/brochure, *Historic Riverside County Adventures*, have been distributed.
- ❖ HPO Herron continued to work with the Planning Department on the proposal for a historic preservation district in Idyllwild. A consultant conducted a historic resources survey of the Idyllwild business district, and recommendations for the formation of a district are now being considered. Revisions to the ordinance that authorizes such districts are being proposed to the Board of Supervisors. The Historical Commission will review any district applications and forward them on to County Planning with their recommendations.
- ❖ Annual History Awards given by the Commission for Individual Achievement went to Joan H. Hall and Anne J. Miller.
- ❖ The Commission worked to support the establishment of a Heritage Tourism Consortium for the greater Riverside area (city). This effort has been led by Commissioner John Worden. The Consortium is now firmly established. It promotes heritage tourism through its regular meetings, a website, and information sharing among members in the consortium database.
- ❖ The Commission supported a highly successful event at the Gilman Ranch on the 100th anniversary of the events surrounding the story of Willie Boy.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

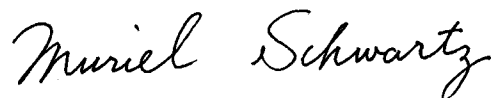
The Historical Commission was involved across the county and in each supervisory district on a variety of historical issues. The following items summarize those activities:

- ❖ Progress on the Vail Ranch project
- ❖ Programs sponsored by the Temecula Museum and the History Center
- ❖ Developments at the Norconian property
- ❖ Lake Elsinore historic district and the Lake Elsinore Military Academy
- ❖ The Machado Adobe near Lake Elsinore and progress with the *Princess* boat on Lake Elsinore
- ❖ The Hemet Heritage Foundation and the partnership of a variety of Hemet historical groups
- ❖ Heritage and natural heritage tourism
- ❖ Banning urban renewal and preservation of the business district
- ❖ Coachella Valley preservation efforts
- ❖ History education and preservation awareness
- ❖ The Hyatt Schoolhouse



Scott Bangle, General Manager
Riverside County Regional Park and
Open-Space District, and
Secretary to the Historical Commission

Respectfully Submitted,



Muriel Schwartz
Historical Commission Chair



RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRAILS COMMITTEE



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Lynn Mattocks, District III,
Vice Chair 1/09-12/09 and Chair 7/09-12/09

LeGrand Velez, District IV, Vice-Chair 7/09-12/09

Michelle Randall, District I
Philip Bremenstuhl, District I
Amie Kinne, District II
Ron Jenkins, District II

Bob Hewitt, District III
Gayle Cady, District IV
Sue Gilchrist, District V
Marie Spradlin, District V

MEETINGS:

The Riverside County Trails Committee met bi-monthly in January, March, May, July, September and November of 2009 in various locations throughout the County. The Committee members and Chair were involved in many activities in their respective districts. Lynn Mattocks served as Chair. Le Grand Velez serviced as Vice-Chair of the Trails Committee in 2009.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRAILS COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

- approved the minutes of meetings for 2009
- approved the Trail Ride Calendar for 2009
- approved the Trail Committee meeting dates and locations for 2009
- held elections for the chair and vice-chair for FY 2009-2010
- approved recommended revisions to the Trails Committee Bylaws and Resolution
- approved the Santa Ana River Trail alignment in concept by the Dangermond Group

TRAILS COMMITTEE MEMBERS & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

District I Trails Committee Members:

Michelle Randall:

- reviewed and commented on the EIR for the Mid-County Parkway within District I
- served on the General Plan Advisory Committee
- provided oversight to the County's General Plan Update

- organized and help form the *Friends of Harford Springs Group*
- attended the Off-Highway Vehicle Committee meetings
- selected to serve on the Off-Highway Vehicle Committee
- continued her work as a member on the El Sobrante Oversight Committee
- attended the Planning Commission hearing for SP308, a new subdivision in Lake Mathews

Philip Bremenstuhl:

- remapped many of the trails throughout Western Riverside County
- worked with Park Staff as a member of the Trail Map Subcommittee Task Force

District II Trails Committee Members:

Amie Kinne:

- organized a hiking group within District II
- worked with the City of Corona regarding trail issues as part of the Foothill Expressway Expansion project
- participated in many trail rides as a representative for District II
- attended the Jurupa Area Trails Committee meetings
- proposed trails and signs to the Silver Lakes Master Plan development
- attended the Norco Horsemen's Association Trails Committee meetings

District III Trails Committee Members:

Lynn Mattocks:

- was elected as Chair for 2009
- continued his work on the trail connectivity to the cities of Menifee, Murrieta, Wildomar, and Temecula
- continued to work with and advise local equestrian groups, trail enthusiast and the wine growers to establish a trail network in the Temecula Valley Wine Country
- continued to promote trails within his District and assisted with trail issues throughout the County
- served as trail boss for numerous trail rides within the County
- participated in many trail rides as a representative for District III
- assisted the Park District with meeting locations, agendas, and minutes
- attended the monthly board meetings of the Rancho California Horsemen Association
- continued his work with multiple County departments on the trail encroachment concerns along the Los Nogales at Camino Del Vino trails

Bob Hewett:

- participated in the General Plan Update by attending the public meetings and writing letters expressing his concerns regarding trail issues
- participated in review and update meetings with the development team and County staff on the Villages on Lakeview providing input regarding trail issues
- participated as a reviewing party of the *Pines to Vines* trail to establish a multi-purpose trail alignment connecting the Idyllwild area to the Temecula Wine Country

District IV Trails Committee Members:

Gayle Cady:

- produced a flyer to promote Lake Cahuilla and the new campground
- attended the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission Trails Subcommittee

Le Grand Velez:

- participated in the trail study for the Coachella Valley
- participated in the Tour of Palm Springs cycling event in February
- participated in the production of the Coachella Valley Trails Master Plan
- advised Riverside County Planning on the General Plan
- met with Supervisor Wilson on the Whitewater River Plan

- continued his work on the creation of the bike map for the Coachella Valley

District V Trails Committee Members:

Sue Gilchirst:

- led trail rides for both the District and City of Moreno Valley
- served as editor for the Trails Committee newsletter
- attend the Los Compadres equestrian event in March
- coordinated the Norco Horsemen's Association ride at the Moreno Valley Equestrian Center
- coordinated and continued to work with Park Staff on the development of the Adopt-A-Trail program
- assisted district staff on the McCall Trails Work Day and the McCall Park Trail Ride

Marie Spradlin:

- worked with County Code Enforcement to control illegal dumping on trails within District V
- met with Planning Department regarding the community trail along Tradewinds Place in Romoland
- met with Planning Department regarding the trail map development for Menifee and Mapes roads
- participated in the Nuvview Poker Ride

Overall Committee Activities

The Committee members also supported the Park District by attending the Annual Employee/Volunteer/Support Group luncheon in May 2009 and Holiday Open House in December 2009.

The Trails Committee and Park District staff assisted local communities by explaining the process of obtaining dedications and inclusion of trails on the Riverside County General Plan and the process for obtaining/utilizing easements for trail use.

The Trails Committee worked on the development of Adopt-A-Trail Program in Riverside County.

The Committee continues 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 systems throughout the County.

The Trails Committee expresses appreciation to the Riverside County Regional Park & Open-Space District, Riverside County Transportation and Land Management Agency, Planning, Flood Control District, and the Board of Supervisors for assisting the Trails Committee with its mission to acquire, maintain, and promote equestrian, biking, and hiking recreation trails in Riverside County.

The Board of Supervisors continued to support improvements to the Countywide Trail System throughout 2009. The Trails Committee wishes to continue to contribute to that effort by simply doing its duty to serve the people of Riverside County by being actively involved as members of the Riverside County Trails Committee.

Respectfully submitted,



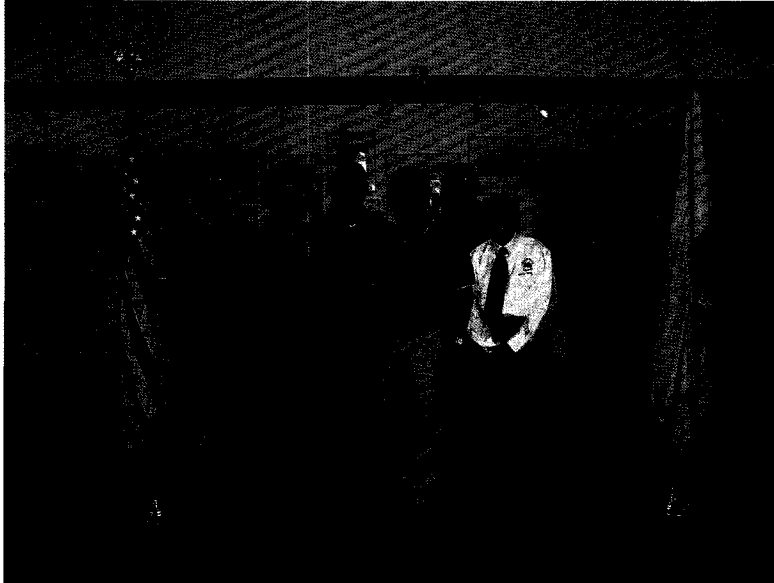
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Riverside County
Regional Park & Open-Space District
Secretary, Riverside County Trails Committee



Lynn Mattocks, Chair
Riverside County Trails Committee



Riverside County Regional Park & Open-Space District Advisory Commission



Darrell Ruff, District I William Hartford, District I, Vice Chair 08/09 Chair 09/10 Ray Smith, District II Daniel Hake, District II Cois Byrd, District III Darrell Connerton, District III	Tim Scott, District IV (appointed 9/2009) Don Martin, District IV Bob Grady, District IV, Vice Chair 09/10 Judy Nieburger, District V Jerry Cody, District V, Chair 08/09
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MEETINGS:

The Riverside County Regional Park & Open-Space District Advisory Commission met bimonthly in January, March, May, July, September and November of 2009.

DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMISSION ACTIONS for 2009:

- recommended approval of \$12,041 in Fish and Game fund requests for enhancements to educational programs at Nature Centers throughout Riverside County Park District
- recommended approval of the Regional Park & Open-Space District Use Fees for FY2009-10
- recommended approval of the Trails Committee revision to the Bylaws and Resolution 2009-167
- elected District Advisory Commission officers for FY 2009-10

- recommended approval of a partnership between the Park District and the Department of Fish and Game for the development of a defined historic area in and around the Rancho Santa Rosa area.

COMMISSIONERS & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

The Commission met in various areas throughout the County in 2009, including Riverside, Murrieta, Idyllwild, and Banning.

District I

Darrell Ruff kept the Commission abreast of activities concerning parks in the Wildomar area. He has been active in the new City of Wildomar.

Bill Hartford frequently visited the Santa Rosa Plateau and is very active with that facility. He also observed activities at Kabian Park. Mr. Hartford served as the Vice-Chair of the Commission for FY 2008/09 and Chair for FY 2009/10. As chair of the District Advisory Commission he assisted the Park District as master of ceremonies at ribbon-cutting events. He also assisted the Park District with the selection process for the Assistant Parks Director position.

District II

Ray Smith is the Public Information Officer for the County of Riverside and has assisted the Park District with media suggestions for many of its events and facilities. He also supported the Wildflower Photo Contest sponsored by the Park District.

District II

Daniel Hake visited parks in District II including the Hidden Valley Wildlife area. He attended the Duck Daze event at Hidden Valley, and other Park District events.

District III

Darrell Connerton was active in his role as Commissioner by visiting Lake Skinner and other parks in District III. He attended the Balloon & Wine Event at Lake Skinner in June 2009. He is a member of the Santa Rosa Plateau Foundation.

Cois Byrd participated in activities at the Santa Rosa Plateau and supported the Santa Rosa Plateau Foundation and the annual Cowboy Jubilee, which raised money for the children's programs at the Plateau. He also visited parks on the East Coast.

District IV

Don Martin reported on park activities in Indio, Palm Desert and La Quinta and parks in other states.

Bob Grady oversaw activities at District parks in Blythe, namely Quechan, Mayflower, Lake Cahuilla and McIntyre. He was also involved in many other activities in Blythe for the good of the community. Mr. Grady was appointed Vice-Chair of the Commission in July 2009 and assisted the Park District with events throughout the year.

Tim Scott visited city and county parks in Palm Springs area.

District V

Jerry Cody has been involved with activities of the San Timoteo Canyon Schoolhouse Committee and many other activities in his local area to support the community. As the Chair of the District Advisory Commission until July 2009, he oversaw the business of the Commission meetings, attended Park District events and graciously served as master of ceremonies for ribbon cuttings and other Park District activities.

Judy Nieburger visited several county parks throughout the Park District in 2009. She participated in the Duck Daze events at Hidden Valley.

Overall Commission Activities

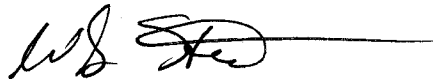
The Commissioners supported the Park District by attending events throughout the year, including: Aquatics Center Groundbreaking in May 2009, Employee/Volunteer/Support Group luncheon in May 2009, the Gilman Ribbon Cutting Event in August 2009, Rancho Jurupa Ribbon Cutting in August 2009, The Many Faces of Willie Boy in September 2009, the Boxing Club Event in October 2009, and Park District holiday open house in December 2009.

The District Advisory Commission will continue with its purpose to advise and make recommendations to your Honorable Board concerning the planning, acquisition, development and use of parks and open space for a comprehensive system for Riverside County; the acquisition, development, maintenance and promotion of regional recreation trails in Riverside County; and matters related to the expenditure of fish and game propagation funds and conservation and propagation of fish and game in Riverside County.

Respectfully Submitted,



Scott Bangle, General Manager &
Secretary, Regional Park & Open Space
District Advisory Commission



William Hartford, Chair
District Advisory Commission