

CRAHTAC

County Riding and Hiking Trails Advisory Committee

Monday, January 9, 2017 3:00 pm. Cachuma Recreation Hall/Cachuma Lake Recreation Area
Highway 154, Santa Barbara CA

MINUTES OF MEETING

Committee Members Present

District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5
Art Najera	Jack Bish	Curt Cragg	Ruth Schuyler	Frank Freitas
	Otis Calef			Barry Stotts
	Dan Gira			

Members Absent

Lluis Escobar,

Members Excused

Kalon Kelly, Shiela Snow, Kevin Snow, Ray Ford, Kalon Kelly, Jim Mills

Staff Advisors and Visitors

Claude Garciacelay – SB County Parks

Meeting was called to order by Chair Art Najera at 3:05

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of 11/7/16 meeting approved (Schuyler/Stotts).

Public Comment/Announcements/Correspondence

CCC are in SLO, Oceano State Parks, and mitigation hearing (State Parks)

State Parks closed due to rain damage.

Claude mentioned that there are reports of damage on the San Ysidro Trail

US Forest Service Update

None

County Update

None

ACTION ITEMS

258: Coastal Trail/Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail

Paradisio Property – In the permit process with bluff top trail access. There could be trails in about 3 years.

Bacara Property – The bluff trail is too narrow and closed. There is access between the road and railroad. They need to rebuild the beach shack. CRAHTAC should keep watch on this area to see if trail input is needed in the near future.

There might be opportunities for trail access on the Gaviota coast near the State Park property and the gas terminal.

280: Cachuma Equestrian Trail

No update, but there is some concern about the creek crossing with incoming silt from the Rey Fire.

305 Guadalupe Beach/Nipomo Dune

No update.

319: Orcutt Trails Commission Update

Ray and crew are working on trails in this area. There is about five miles of trail with bridges and other features. Good reviews from neighbors. Signage and kiosks are still needed. The only current issue is night riding in the day use area near homes.

323: Arroyo Burro/San Antonio/Jesusita Trails

At the start of the Arroyo Burro trail at the Jesusitas trail, water bars are needed for road and uphill drainage. Current property drainage moves down along trail and results in frequent damage. Art is working on repairing.

326: Franklin Trail

Phase III is ready to start depending upon the weather.

329: Slippery Rock/Fremont Trail

No update.

333: Baron Ranch Trail

The project is in the review process with a planning commission hearing in March and construction may begin in May.

336: Ocean Beach/Surf Station Beach Access

No update.

346: Goleta Valley Community Plan Update

There is a planning commission meeting soon. Dan Gira to draft letter for submission.

350: More Mesa – Trails

No update.

351: Las Varas Ranch Project Trails

Property is for sale.

There was a motion to remove this item from the Action Item list. Approved (Gira/Calef).

352: Gaviota Coastal Plan

The Board of Supervisors approved the plan as approved by the planning commission. There was a motion to amend (Gira) the letter for the 5-year plan to address the East Goleta Community Plan and the Gaviota Coastal Plan implementation. Approved (Gira/Cragg).

353: 8501 Hollister – Coastal Trail

See 258.

354: Front Country Trails

There are new kiosks for four Montecito trail heads.

355: Bill Wallace Trail

The area needs a master plan from State parks. There is some signage and a kiosk at the trailhead. The trail needs to avoid the private campground.

New Business

Officer election for 2017. The same slate as the previous year was voted in (Schuyler/Calef)

Chair – Art Najera

Vice Chair – Archie Mitchell

Secretary – Kevin Snow

The San Marcos Preserve has several new “social” trails that go onto private property. This is not a county priority. There needs to be a cooperative land owner to do anything to work in these areas. The current owner is not amenable to formal use.

Announcements

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Bish