



**REGIONAL PARK COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**C. V. Starr Community Center**  
**300 South Lincoln Street**  
**Fort Bragg, CA 95437**  
**Wednesday, April 18, 2018**  
**11:00 a.m.**

**Minutes**

**1.0. CALL TO ORDER**

- Meeting called to order at 11:00 a.m.
- Committee members present: Bob Bushansky, Sarah Huff, John Huff
- Committee members absent: None

**2.0 APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Items to be removed from or changes to the agenda should be done at this time

- Agenda was adopted with no changes
- M/S/C: Huff/Bushansky/Unanimous

**3.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-NON AGENDA ITEMS**

A maximum of 3 minutes is reserved for members of the public to address the Board on items not listed on the agenda and a total time for public input on a particular issue is limited to 20 minutes (Government Code 54954.3). The Board is prohibited from discussion or taking action on matters not on the agenda, but may briefly respond or ask a question for clarification (Government Code 54954.2).

- Keith Stiver is a neighbor to the Highway 20 property and believes the communication with the Board and stakeholders needs to improve. Concerns with notifications not being received and went on to say he thought the Board had optic problems and should try to over communicate with the public.
- Larry Heiss expressed what he thought was a growing chorus of opposition to the proposed project and a dire lack of communication. Feels the Board has something to hide. Cited an example during the EIR NOP where the public was not allowed to comment on the OHV Park. Appreciates the idea of a public forum being placed on today's agenda. He also pointed out the grant requirement to hold public meetings and had questions about the development of the draft EIR and EFS.
- Bob Bushansky responded by informing the public of the Regional Park Committee meetings and referred to public meetings included in both the EFS and EIR studies. Stated that it is the responsibility of the MCRPD Board to consider all residents within the District.
- Chuck Dunbar believes a big picture view of the community has to be considered and has lived here for 40 years. He informed the committee that communication from the District needs to be more effective and feels that communication from the government in general is not effective.

**4.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION**

**4.1 State of California, OHV Planning and Restoration Grant Program & Projects**

- Financial Report
  - Jill Rexrode reported no changes in the financial statement since April 11, 2018
- Schedule
  - Dan Keyes requested for new financial statements to be ready for review and approval by the committee once per month.
  - Bob Bushansky thought the financial report was reasonable and via consensus the committee agreed to receive updated financial statements one time per month.
  - Sarah Huff mentioned that the Districts match at this time was at 10%

- 2017 OHV Planning Grant
  - Public Forum
    - Bob Bushanky informed the committee that he was planning on taking a straw poll of the MCRPD Board of Directors at the regular MCRPD Board of Directors meeting scheduled for later that day. The purpose of the poll was to ascertain the Board's position on facilitating a public forum for the proposed OHV Park.
  - Work Funded by Sign
    - Sarah Huff has looked into this subject and found the sign was not necessary.
  - Economic Feasibility Study
    - Dan Keyes reported progression of the work is on target.
  - CEQA Compliance Project
    - Sarah Huff reported mapping still needs to be completed and recent efforts have been hampered by heavy rains.
      - Stakeholders Group
    - Gayle Weiss has questions about the stakeholder process.
    - Sarah Huff provided an explanation of the States publicized stakeholder guidelines.
    - Bob Bushanky asked for the guidelines to be placed on the District's website.
    - John Huff has questions about the States link on the District website.
    - Gayle Weiss had questions about the definition of stakeholder.
    - Bob Bushanky made a recommendation to have copies of the stakeholder guidelines at the next Regional Park Committee meeting.
    - Larry Heiss has questions about the EIR schedule.
    - Bob Bushanksy discussed size of the District and population and believes everyone should have an opportunity to speak to the subject. A public meeting may be a moot point until the EIR and EFS reports have been finalized.
    - John Huff reported that the Regional Park Property is not pristine and invites anyone to come out and see the reality for themselves.
    - Gayle Hiess asked why safety training is allowed without a completed EIR.
    - Sarah Huff explained that the CRA completes and submits an annual environment notice of exemption to the State for the training to occur.
    - Teresa Estep has questions about the role of CRA in this process.
    - Keith Stiver expressed frustration with the Board's communication with the public and believes a public forum would resolve some of the associated issues.
    - John Huff explained that that there in fact has been much misinformation and lies as it relates to the comments received about the Regional Park Property and the sensitive areas within its boundary. He provided an example where comments have been made that the proposed OHV Park would include trails be developed through the Pygmy Forest areas. He stated that this was not true and any future trail development though this area would be for hikers and would include boardwalks.
  - Grant Reallocation Request: OHV Public Information Coordinator
    - Sarah Huff reported that the State has denied the Districts request to use unused funds to hire a PIC for the project.
- 2017 OHV Restoration Grant
  - Funding
    - Sarah Huff reported no funding has yet been received.
  - Regional Park Access Control Project
    - No change in status
  - Regional Park Debris Removal and Disposal Project
    - No change in Status

#### 4.2 State of California, 2017 Cal Recycle Grant Program & Projects

- Notice of Award
  - Sarah Huff reported no award notice has been received.

#### **5.0 ADJOURNMENT**

- The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

\*Minutes recorded and submitted by Danny L. Keyes, District Administrator MCRPD/CV Starr Community Center.