

STAFF REPORT

AGENDA ITEM: Public Safety Report – Pacific Crest Trail Update

STAFF: Brian Robertson, OHMVR Division

DATE: October 14, 2011

Issue: Reported Illegal off-highway vehicle (OHV) use on the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT). In early 2010, a group of four motorcycle riders were photographed on private land near the PCT.

Discussion: The incident took place January 10, 2010, in the vicinity of the PCT as it passes through Kern County. The report was made by ORV Watch Kern County, a local community group, and was originally reported to local agencies having jurisdiction in the area.

ORV Watch Kern County and local community members contacted the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division to express concern that more than a year after the incident, no action had been taken to address the situation, and to ask for assistance. OHMVR Division law enforcement personnel conducted a site visit of the area. During the visit, OHMVR Division law enforcement personnel reviewed trail conditions, including trail education and trail boundary signage; resource management conditions, including the PCT and other travel routes located in the area; and reported areas of OHV trespass use.

Following the site visit, OHMVR Division law enforcement personnel completed a site visit report. The report is included for your review and consideration.

Attachments: Site Visit Report

**Commission:
Action** For informational purposes only