STAFF REPORT: Pacific Crest Trail

STAFF: Brian Robertson, Public Safety Superintendent

SUBJECT: Pacific Crest Trail

Summary

Educational interpretive kiosks have been designed for installation adjacent to the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) in Kern County. The intent of the education panels is to inform the public of current legal riding opportunities.

Discussion

Issues regarding vehicle trespass on the PCT were last discussed at the October 14, 2011 Commission meeting. Residents living in the vicinity of the PCT in Kern County have concerns regarding adequate patrol and enforcement of OHV laws on the trail. Past efforts have included joint strike-team responses coordinated with local and federal agencies, as well as periodic enforcement efforts by State Parks and other law enforcement entities. The OHMVR Division has also met with local concerned citizens to better understand the problem and how best to address it.

Most recently, the OHMVR Division has designed a kiosk with input from agency partners to make the structures sturdy enough to withstand the harsh environment of the desert. The kiosks will allow for two 48”x48” interpretational panels. Installation will begin in October of 2012.

Commission Action

For information only.

Attachment

Photos of kiosk frames
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