EIR Scoping and PWP Planning Meetings

Pismo State Beach and Oceano Dunes SVRA
Public Works Plan

South County Regional Center
Arroyo Grande, CA
May 22, 2018

Radisson Hotel Fresno Conference Center
Fresno, CA
May 23, 2018
Introduction
These meetings give the public and interested agencies an opportunity to:

- Meet the planning team and learn about the Public Works Plan (PWP)
- Provide input about recreation opportunities and experiences, and goals and guidelines for park operations and programs
- Provide input on the scope and content of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
1. Open House 5:30 p.m.
2. Presentation 6:00 p.m.
3. Public Comment 6:30 p.m.
4. Open House Part II Following public comment
5. Adjourn 8:30 p.m.
Oceano Dunes District manages ~5,500 acres
  • Pismo State Beach
  • Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area (SVRA)
  • Pismo Dunes Natural Preserve
  • Pismo Lake
  • Oso Flaco Lake

Approximately 2 million visitors per year

Diverse recreational opportunities
  • Camping, motorized recreation, beach play, fishing, hiking, nature walks, horseback riding, kiteboarding, surfing, personal watercraft, paddling, bird watching

Resource Management Programs
  • Professionally recognized habitat management program for western snowy plover and California least tern
  • Active dune restoration program
  • Cultural resource protection programs
Oceano Dunes District Overview

Interpretive Programs

- Over 500 interpretive programs annually, serving over 115,000 visitors
- Nearly 100 volunteers and interpretive docents

Visitor Services

- Visitor Services staff within the District provide recreational and safety programs and services to park visitors every day
- Approximately 100 special events and 30-40 film shoots are permitted annually
- Nine concessions operate in the park
Overview: Public Works Plan (PWP)
What is a Public Works Plan (PWP)?

- Long-range land use and development plan in compliance with the California Coastal Act and California Resources Code (14 CCR § 13353)
  - Reviewed and certified by the California Coastal Commission
- Replaces the 1982 Coastal Development Permit (CDP)
- Covers State Beach and SVRA operations and site specific development projects
What is a Public Works Plan (PWP)?

California Resources Code (14 CCR § 13353) Requirements

(1) the specific type of activity or activities proposed to be undertaken;

(2) the maximum and minimum intensity of activity or activities proposed to be undertaken;

(3) maximum size of facilities proposed to be constructed pursuant to the plan and the proposed timetable for precise definition of all projects included in the plan and any phasing of development activity contemplated;

(4) the service area for the proposed activity or activities;

(5) the proposed method of financing the activity or activities;

(6) the proposed location or alternative locations considered for any development activity or activities to be undertaken pursuant to the proposed plans.
PWP Planning Team
- California State Parks (Oceano Dunes District & OHMVR) & Consultant (AECOM)

November 2017 Listening Session
- Input received helped shape the scope of work of PWP

Opportunities for public input
# How to Provide Input

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| U.S. Mail       | California Department of Parks and Recreation  
Attn: Katie Metraux, Acting OHMVR Planning Manager  
1725 23rd Street, Suite 200  
Sacramento, CA 95816 |

Comments accepted between May 9 - June 9, 2018
How will the PWP affect my recreational experience?

PWP Development Process

- Document existing conditions
- Consider improvement projects and management programs to improve access for motorized and non-motorized recreation opportunities
- Integrate other planning efforts and ensure consistency with General Plan
- Develop policies, goals and guidelines
Proposed Improvement Projects

**Project A: Oso Flaco Campground and Public Access Project**
- Conversion of approximately 120 acres of agricultural lease land into a campground and vehicle staging area
- Improved pedestrian and motorized recreation access to southern area of park

**Project B: Park Corporation Yard Improvement Project**
- Pedestrian and vehicular access improvements
- Expansion of existing lifeguards and peace officers facility
- Structure for resource staff
- Parking, storage, and utility improvements
Proposed Improvement Projects

Project C: Grover Beach Lodge Site Project
- Alternative design for Grover Beach Lodge site
- New RV dump station, new Pismo State Beach Golf Course entrance and parking, concession parking, equestrian vehicle parking, additional public parking and Grand Avenue day use amenities

Project D: Oceano Campground Infrastructure Improvement Project
- Improvements to the RV hook-up area (campsites 1-40) and tent camping area (campsites 43-80)

Project E: Pier and Grand Avenue Entrances and Pier Avenue Lifeguard Tower Project
- Assessment of long-term use of these entrances in relation to potential establishment of a southern entrance
- Improvements to lifeguard tower and to Pier Avenue and Grand Avenue kiosks
Proposed Improvement Projects

**Project F: North Beach Campground Facility Improvements**
- New entrance and kiosk project

**Project G: Butterfly Grove Public Access Project**
- Provide visitor serving amenities to the Butterfly Grove

**Project H: Pismo State Beach Boardwalk Project**
- Accessible public access along foredunes between Grand and Pier Avenues
Environmental Review Process
State Parks will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- Evaluate environmental effects of PWP and proposed park improvement projects
- Potential Environmental Issues / EIR Topics

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Other Planning Efforts

- Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) and Natural Communities Conservation Plan (NCCP)
- Oceano Dunes District Interpretive Management Plan
- Coordination with the San Luis Obispo Air Pollution Control District (SLOAPCD) on air quality within the region
  - Coastal Dunes Dust Control: requirements and emissions standards
  - Stipulated Abatement Order
• Fill out speaker card
• Identify the recreational opportunities or use experiences you would like to see
• Input on the 8 proposed improvement projects
• Input on the scope and content of the Environmental Impact Report
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