

Topanga GP 2nd Public Meeting July 28, 2010

Sampling of Workshop Notes

- Save the Bait Shop
- General Plan should not be updated. Parks should write a general plan for Lower Topanga
- Lower Topanga - no camping/day-use only.
- Lagoon at "pre-fill" conditions
- Native plant restoration
- Nonnative invasive plant removal
- Minimal building/facilities
- Building for "Arts" Education "new, temporary"
- New building on the west-side is unsustainable at the proposed size
- All buildings should be outside lagoon area. As shown in CalTrans Project Study Report (PSR)
- Preserve the 2 existing restaurants in place
- Visitor parking should be aesthetically pleasing - unobtrusive. Native landscaping.
- Support day and night use amphitheatre proposed in visitor use option.
- Eco-Arts Facility being proposed use "green" technology and sustainable building
- Techniques, permaculture gardens and teaching center.
- Los Liones - camping infeasible
- Mulholland - more signage (clearly visible but aesthetically pleasing!); no trash cans on
- Lower Topanga - hydrological functioning lagoon; approx. = to historic footprint - prior to
- Add "protect" natural resources
- Well worded vision
- include mention of public use or recreation use
- include statement re: restoration of native flora and habitats
- removal of nonnative species
- Vision - 1) animals; 2) wildlife center (education)
- Trails - 1) Musch, Will Rogers - a. Bicycle issues - problematic
- Restore hydrologically functional lagoon
- Resources alternative and preserve important

TASK 1

- Separate meeting with Native American groups to discuss "teach awareness,
- appreciation...people who lived here before
- Change "sustain" natural processes to "restore natural process."
- Eco Arts Park Lower Topanga
- Honor, educate on Lower Topanga's rich cultural history

TASK 2

- Zones seem reasonable
- No overnight camping
- Appropriate overnight camping
- Need a "Trails Superintendent" to coordinate access, maintain ace, signage, etc.

TASK 3

- No camping at Trippet
- Improve better signage re: trail use
- Don't change Mucsh campground
- Signage that compliments the landscape
- No camping at sites that have potential or identified cultural resources
- A park-wide cultural resources survey needs to be completed.

TASK 1

- Add word sensitive/special status
- Wondering about phrasing "near perfect" seems to indicate there is damage
- Wholeness/integrity - to create this get/purchase gateway park for holistic management
- 3rd sentence/rich and diverse rather than lengthily
- Significance of recreation needs to be in description
- Reference to Native Species in descr (add preservation)
- Add animals
- Living organisms doesn't go with rocks
- Plants & animals covers it all
- Maintain biological integrity while maintaining

TASK 1B

- Sustain ecological integrity/balance
- Provide healing of populations, threshold in sacred space; change quick space...to
- speaking more of a healing place
- Add recreation outdoor experiences provide high quality recreation/trails system
- Promoting individual/family health
- Emotional benefits
- What is geological age of SMM's unique reference/fossils connection to prehistoric times
- Promote superior coastal water quality
- Maintain and enhance wildlife corridors

TASK 2

- Topanga Creek Preserve is a Management Zone
- Watersheds should each be own management zone.
- Will preserve include waters of the State as well as waters of US
- Wondering about management plan for Topanga Creek Lagoon restoration
- Make sure that bicycle access/continuity through preserves exists
- Lower Topanga Rodeo Grounds as another cultural preserve
- Interpretive trail Trippet Ranch
- Does wildlands also encompass other management zones
- Avatar

TASK 3

- Wild lands support existing education programs TCD/RCD etc.
- Expand camping should not include vehicle access
- See increase in staffing for what is currently there before add more
- Create work programs to help maintain park
- Increase fire safety efforts
- Increase human patrols
- Brush removal/closure - how determine when that occurs

Rustic Canyon

- Interpretive material for "Nazi Camp"
- Improve trail system/stability
- Youth tent camping at Josepho
- Facilitating Restoration reimbursement of Natural Communities (for all)

Los Liones

- Restoration of streambed
- Year round maintenance (ADA trail not currently maintained)

Mulholland Corridor

- Enhanced entrances/trail
- Keep camping hike in only (not vehicle/drive in)
- West Mulholland trailhead to TSP

Lower Topanga

- Resource - Restoration of Native Plants and removal of exotic plants
- Emphasize Rancho of Lower Topanga
- Endorse strategic partnerships with private organizations to promote progressive Park features
- Give Lower Topanga its historic name "Rancho Bocada Santa Monica SP"
- Implement progressive environmental engineering to rid creek of bio toxins
- Bioremediation/Biofiltration
- Location of staff residences further back from PCH
- Recognize local Historic artists of the land (Rodeo Grounds)
- Wildlife Education Center