WADDELL BEACH & RANCHO DEL OSO GOALS

- Management intent is to maintain and improve the coastal access and recreation opportunities at Waddell Beach and RDO, as the western gateway into Big Basin and the West Waddell Creek State Wilderness.

- Protect cultural resources, special status plant and wildlife habitats. Conduct resource surveys and investigations, and implement resource management and protective measures to mitigate human impacts on significant natural and cultural resources.

- Collaborate with Caltrans’ planning, design, and engineering services to support any required improvements or changes to the regional and local road networks.

- Coordinate with Caltrans to maintain and expand Waddell Beach parking facilities, as feasible, to support long-term beach activities and ocean view parking.

- Develop a new bicycle camp and walk-in campground facilities north of the day use parking lots, or adjacent to the horse camp and ranger station.

- Upgrade or reconfigure the horse camp and equestrian staging facilities to improve campsites, trailer parking and vehicle circulation.

- Consider a new ranger station for improved visitor contact, operations and interpretation. Retain park staff residences for public safety and protection of public property.

- Improve on-site interpretation, publications, and historical information available to visitors about RDO prehistory and history.

- Relocate the RDO entrance gate +/− 100 ft. further inland, and develop a vehicle turnaround, short-term parking, and park information kiosk.

- Rehabilitate the Nature and History Center building, parking and support facilities, as necessary.

- Park staff and registered campers’ vehicles only beyond this gate.