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## Statewide Recreational Trails Committee to Meet in Glendale July 22-23, 2009

The California Recreational Trails Committee will hold a public meeting in Glendale on July 22-23, 2009. The committee consists of seven Governor-appointed members representing all regions of the state. They are charged with hearing the concerns and issues of California's trail users and managers. The committee advises the director of California State Parks and the Governor's office on trail issues. For more information, visit the website at [www.parks.ca.gov/trails](http://www.parks.ca.gov/trails).

The public meeting on July 23, 2009 will begin at 9 a.m. at the City of Glendale Council Chambers at 613 E. Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor in Glendale, California. The Committee will address the status of trail work in several state parks and discuss strategies for increasing the integration of regional trail planning. Presentations on regional trail corridors are expected by:

- a. Larry Hensley, Chief of Planning for Los Angeles County
- b. Joseph T. Edmiston, Executive Director of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
- c. Belinda Faustinos, Executive Officer for the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy

A tour will precede the meeting beginning at 9 a.m. on July 22 to the Deukmejian Wilderness Park in Glendale and Arroyo Seco in Pasadena, among others. The status of California's Recreational Trails System will be discussed, focused on the LARIO Trail (Los Angeles River/Rio Hondo trail), De Anza National Historic Trail and Rim of the Valley Trail. Information about these trails may be found in the California Recreational Trails Plan at [www.parks.ca.gov/trails/trailsplan](http://www.parks.ca.gov/trails/trailsplan). Members of the public wishing to join the tour must provide their own transportation and should bring water, lunch and be prepared for hiking.

Public comment on these and other topics will be heard.

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