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California State Parks Holds Public Meeting on Old Sacramento State Historic Park General Plan

Sacramento, Calif. –The California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks) will hold a public meeting on Tuesday April 15, 2014 on the [Old Sacramento State Historic Park General Plan](#) to discuss general planning issues and the proposed train excursion lines.

The meeting will take place at the Stanford Gallery—111 I Street, Sacramento, CA from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and will give the public an opportunity to provide input on the Old Sacramento State Historic Park General Plan prior to the State Park and Recreation Commission voting on the issue at their next meeting, scheduled to take place on May 2, 2014 in Sacramento. The Commission will also hear public input.

The original General Plan included plans for a train excursion line from Old Sacramento to the Sacramento Zoo, and a second one to the town of Hood. The second excursion line called for the use of facilities currently owned by the Sacramento Regional Transit District. At Tuesday’s public meeting, State Parks will present a revised preferred alternative for the Old Sacramento SHP General Plan that no longer includes any references, planning, or facility use of the Sacramento Regional Transit District Right-Of-Way (ROW). State Parks decided to remove the ROW references and plans, since the Department currently has no ownership of those facilities. The Regional Transit ROW currently extends from about 200 feet south of Land Park Drive to the overcrossing of the Interstate 5-South of Pocket Road.

“We are here to listen to the public on all sides of this issue, and to take into consideration the various points of view to recommend the best option for the benefit of all Californians,” said Major General Anthony L. Jackson, USMC (Ret.), Director of California State Parks. “We believe we have found a creative and good solution on the proposed train excursion that will help our visitors connect with other parts of Sacramento, and share in the rich heritage of this city.”

At the May 2nd meeting, State Parks will be recommending the action to approve the excursion line to the Sacramento Zoo, as well as additional interpretive exhibits that highlight the Gold Rush and railroad history of our state.



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