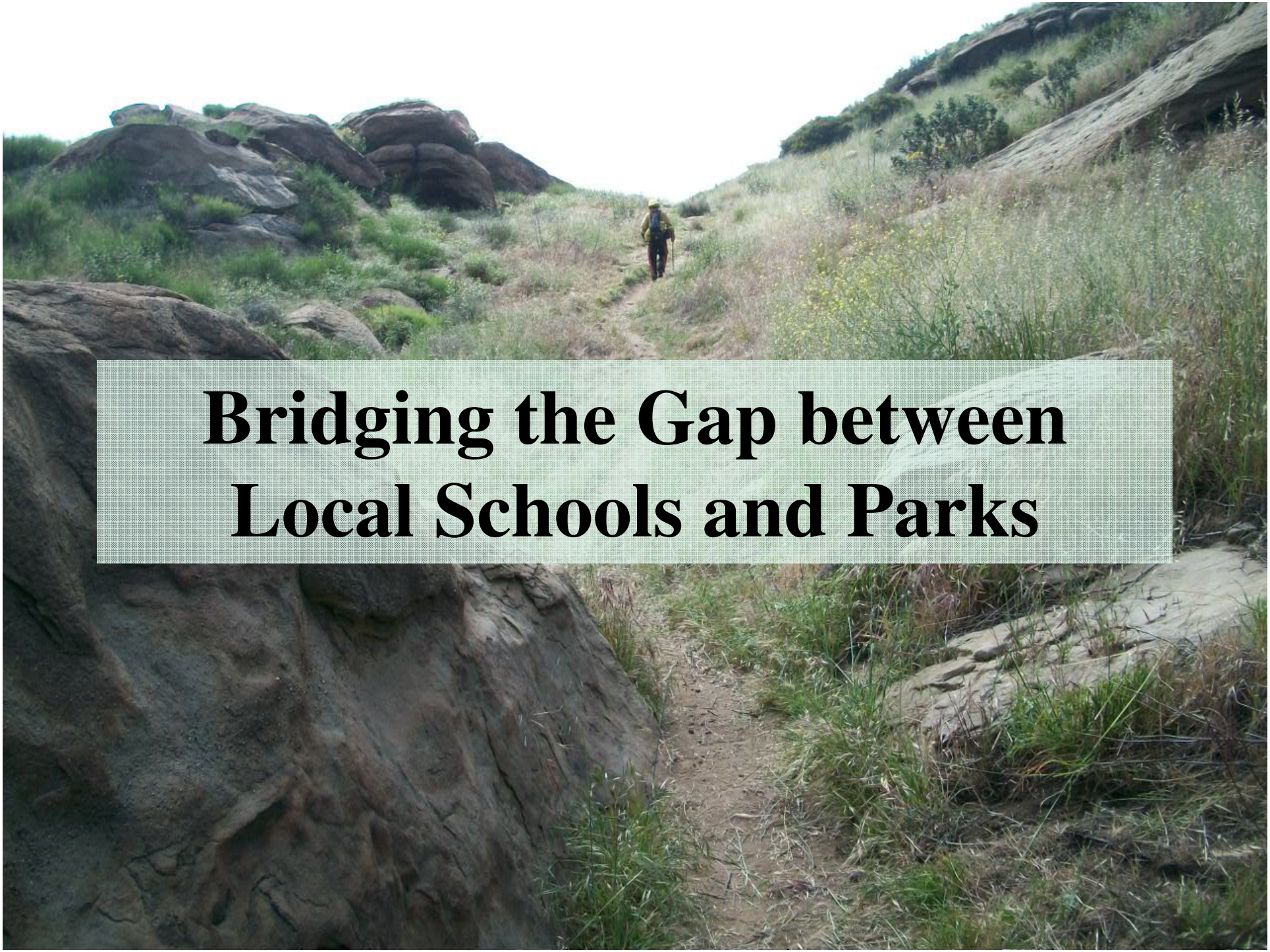

Bridging the Gap between Local Schools and Parks

Participant Introductions

- Your name
- Where you work (area)
- Your job title and daily duties
- What programs do you currently have in place leading schools into our parks?
- What are your challenges, what are you hoping to get from this seminar?

How many 14-18yr olds do you see out recreating on the trails?

The Me Generation

What's in it for ME?

ROP

- Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority in partnership with the Los Angeles County Office of Education has developed and implemented a Vocational Study Track for Fire Science.

ROP
Regional Occupational Program

The Mission

- **Establish a program where students can earn school credits while in our parks**
- **Create a pool of trained young adults which can be recruited from**
- **Create a career path into the Park/ Public Safety Profession**

Implementation

- Creating 180hours of curriculum that will balance the approval by LACOE and will interest the students

Implementation

Become a Career Technical Education (CTE) teacher credentialed through the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC).

Implementation

The Preliminary CTE Credential is issued by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) for three years and authorizes the CTE candidate to teach one or more subjects in the industry sector named on the credential in grades twelve and below and in classes organized primarily for adults in career technical, trade or vocational courses.

Implementation

- **MOU/Contract with ROP direct or with school districts**

Implementation

- In consideration of the services to be rendered by the Consultant, the District agrees to pay Consultant at the rate of $40.00 per hour, not too exceed 500 hours
- The total amount of hours per semester shall not exceed 250hours, and shall be utilized as follows: 180 hours of course instruction, 40 hours for course field trips, 30 hours for field set up and equipment maintenance.

Classes

- 180 hours per semester Every Saturday from 8am-6pm at King Gillette Ranch Park
- Options
  - 90-180hrs per semester
  - 360 hrs per school year

Skills Acquired

- Leadership skills
- First Aid and CPR/AED
- Radio Use
- Interviewing skills
- Professionalism
- Dress/Uniforms
- Hand tool use

- **Field Trips**
  - **Morro Bay State Park Training Exercise**
  - **Lake Perris State Park Training Exercise**
- **Grants for Equipment**
  - **Carl Perkins Grant**
  - **Firemens Fund Ins.**

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The MRCA benefit

- Recruitment
  - Cadet Program
  - Crew Program
  - MRCA Staff
  - Extra staffing for large events
    - National Trails Days
- Funding
  - $10k per district per 18wk semester
- Positive Community Outreach

Positive Community Outreach

- Kids are hiking on their days off
- Experiencing new trails on their own
- Volunteering for Trail Maintenance

- The Wildland Fire courses have a 3 year success with over 20 high schools county wide serving over 300 students.
- The ROP Programs are responsible for $50k of the Fire Management Division's budget.
- We have hired 3 Fulltime Crew Members from the ROP classes