

# **CALIFORNIA STATE PARK and RECREATION COMMISSION**

Alice Peters Auditorium of the University Business Center, California State University Fresno  
5245 North Backer Avenue  
Fresno, California

## **Minutes of the Meeting - Wednesday, May 12, 2010**

### **COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Linda Briskman  
Maureen Gorsen  
Caryl Hart, CHAIR  
William "Bill" Kogerman  
Mario Santoyo

### **COMMISSIONERS ABSENT**

Lindy DeKoven  
Alice Huffman  
Paul Junger Witt

### **CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS STAFF**

Ruth Coleman, DIRECTOR  
Jess Cooper, CENTRAL VALLEY DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT  
Kent Gresham, ACTING SUPERINTENDENT, SAN JOAQUIN SECTOR  
Jim Luscutoff, CHIEF, CONCESSIONS, RESERVATIONS AND FEES DIVISION  
Ann Malcolm, CHIEF COUNSEL  
Louis Nastro, ASSISTANT TO THE STATE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
Dan Ray, CHIEF, PLANNING DIVISION  
Roy Stearns, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, COMMUNICATIONS  
Kathryn Tobias, SENIOR STAFF COUNSEL

### **SPEAKERS REGISTERED/REPRESENTING**

Dennis Fox/Self

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Legal notice having been given, this meeting of the California State Park and Recreation Commission was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Commission Chair Caryl Hart. Chair Hart introduced the commissioners and California State Parks staff who were present, and thanked Dave Koehler of the San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust for hosting the commissioners the previous evening. The Chair also thanked Central Valley District Superintendent Jess Cooper, Acting San Joaquin Sector Superintendent Kent Gresham, and Ranger Mark DeLeon for the assistance they provided on the Commission's briefing in the park the previous day.

### **AGENDA ITEM 1:**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 8, 2009 MEETING IN SACRAMENTO, AND THE TELECONFERENCE MEETING OF JANUARY 12, 2010**

Chair Hart asked for a motion to approve the draft minutes of the two meetings, noting that only the com-

missioners who were present at the October 2009 meeting should participate in the approval of those minutes. Motion Commissioner Kogerman, second Chair Hart. For the January 2010 teleconference meeting, a motion was made by Commissioner Santoyo, second Commissioner Briskman. The commissioners voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the two meetings as submitted.

**AGENDA ITEM 2:  
CHAIR’S REPORT/RECOGNITIONS**

**Recognition of Retiring California State Parks Employees**

Chair Hart explained that this portion of the meeting was used to recognize employees that had recently retired from careers with California State Parks. The Chair noted that this meeting’s list was quite long, and that State Parks was losing a great many highly-valued employees. She also noted that given the length of the list she would ask Commissioners Mario Santoyo and Linda Briskman to each read half of the list.

Commissioner Mario Santoyo read the following:

Juan Aguirre, Inland Empire District .....	19 years, 9 months
Illijana Asara, North Coast Redwoods .....	10 years, 8 months
Daniel Ash, North Coast Redwoods .....	47 years, 6 months
Thomas Rodd Bancroft, Orange Coast District .....	30 years, 10 months
Daryl Benson, Business Services .....	34 years, 4 months
Gayle Bulger, Diablo Vista District .....	19 years, 4 months
Donald Bybee, Northern Service Center .....	20 years
Linda Carrillo, Channel Coast District .....	30 years, 1 month
Steade Craigo, Historic Preservation .....	32 years, 1 month
John Crossman Jr., Diablo Vista District .....	35 years, 1 month
Henry Elliott, Northern Buttes District .....	19 years, 7 months
Marsha Evanikoff, Northern Service Center .....	38 years, 4 months
Gary Farrens, Santa Cruz District .....	18 years, 6 months
Stephen Feazel, Northern Buttes District .....	36 years, 4 months
Stephen Fisher, North Coast Redwoods .....	32 years, 7 months
Steven Fisher, Gold Fields District .....	27 years, 6 months
Robert Foster, Northern Buttes District .....	31 years, 9 months
Kerry Gates, Northern Service Center .....	27 years, 8 months
David Gould, Diablo Vista District .....	31 years, 8 months
Kenneth Gray, Monterey District .....	34 years, 11 months
Shannon Avery Harmon, San Luis Obispo District .....	29 years, 3 months
Garry Harvey, Orange Coast District .....	38 years, 7 months
Mark Hoffmann, Sierra District .....	28 years, 9 months
Jimmy Jackson, Northern Service Center .....	28 years, 8 months
Roxann Jacobus, Monterey District .....	24 years, 4 months
Chris John, Gold Fields District .....	25 years, 10 months
Allyn Kaye, Monterey District .....	25 years, 7 months
David Keck, Planning Division .....	32 years, 6 months

Commissioner Linda Briskman read the following:

Russell Kimura, Community Involvement .....	25 years, 9 months
Larry Kirtley, North Coast Redwoods .....	30 years, 5 months
Stephen Leasure, OHMVR Hollister Hills .....	20 years, 5 months
Stephen Mikesell, Historic Preservation .....	19 years, 11 months
Cathryn Milner, Central Valley District .....	28 years, 5 months
Paul Milosch, Orange Coast District .....	23 years, 10 months
Ronald Munson, Sierra District .....	29 years, 8 months
Sally Nevin, Gold Fields District .....	25 years, 6 months
Julie Payne, San Luis Obispo District .....	27 years, 9 months
Michael Poret, Santa Cruz District .....	36 years, 2 months
Richard Rayburn Jr., Natural Resources .....	35 years, 8 months
Lynn Rhodes, Public Safety .....	29 years, 9 months
Jimmy Rogers, Personnel .....	15 years, 2 months
D. Jeanne Rose, Personnel .....	31 years, 5 months
Philip Rovai, North Coast Redwoods .....	30 years
Claro Sampaga, Grants and Local Services .....	30 years, 2 months
Margaret Sforza, Orange Coast District .....	21 years, 4 months
Bonnie Short, OHMVR Oceano Dunes .....	20 years
Gary Strachan, Santa Cruz District .....	34 years, 2 months
Olivia Suber, OHMVR HQ .....	34 years, 4 months
Denise Surber, San Luis Obispo District .....	7 years, 10 months
Leander Tamoria, San Luis Obispo District .....	30 years, 1 month
Robert Theriault, Colorado Desert District .....	25 years, 9 months
B. Noah Tilghman, Park Operations .....	35 years, 2 months
James Trumbly, Natural Resources .....	32 years, 3 months
Laura Van Etten-Collins, Gold Fields District .....	20 years, 11 months
Myra Vanneman, Northern Service Center .....	32 years, 6 months
Elena Velasquez, OHMVR Oceano Dunes .....	27 years, 7 months
David Wakabayashi, Budgets .....	35 years, 6 months
Gerald Weil, Channel Coast District .....	28 years, 3 months
Michael Wells, Colorado Desert District .....	38 years, 4 months
Susan Wilson, San Luis Obispo District .....	15 years, 2 months
Diane Wooley, OHMVR Oceano Dunes .....	12 years, 5 months
Robert Young Jr., Sierra District .....	18 years, 6 months
Patricia Young, Director's Office .....	28 years, 6 months
Jonathan Zaugg, Central Valley District .....	16 years, 11 months

This list of employees that retired during the six-month period from October 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010 represents over 1,766 years of service to the State of California.

Commission Chair Caryl Hart noted that as she had served on the Commission for over ten years, many of the individuals on this list were among her closest friends. She thanked each of the retirees for their dedicated service to California State Parks and wished them the best in their retirement.

**AGENDA ITEM 2A:**

**ACTION to ADDRESS VACANCIES on and STRUCTURE of COMMISSION COMMITTEES**

Chair Hart noted that the Commission Chair has the authority to create committees of the Commission and assign members to these committees, and that the time had come to revisit committee structure and membership.

The Chair noted that she found some of the current committees to be effective, but not others. She continued that the duties of the existing Program and Policy Committee, which had not met in quite some time, would be combined with those of the Concessions, Enterprise, and Fiscal Committee, which did meet regularly. The Chair noted that the members of the Concessions, Enterprise and Fiscal Committee would continue to be Commissioners Bill Kogerman and Paul Witt. Chair Hart stated that the Climate Change Committee, currently comprised of only herself, would now include Commissioners Mario Santoyo and Paul Witt. The Executive Committee would be comprised of Commissioners Maureen Gorsen and Paul Witt. Chair Hart stated that the former Partnerships and Tourism Committee would be renamed the Partnerships, Local and County Government Committee, with members Linda Briskman and Mario Santoyo. The Chair explained that the "Opt Out" Vehicle License Fee Committee, as well as any other existing committees, would be hereby dissolved.

**AGENDA ITEM 2B:**

**SET AGENDA ITEM for ELECTION of COMMISSION OFFICERS**

Chair Hart noted that today's meeting marked the first time that the three newest Commission members had met face-to-face (there had been a teleconference meeting of the Commission in January 2010). The Chair explained that because of recent turnover on the Commission there had not been an opportunity to conduct an election of officers, but that with the current membership an election of officers would take place at the next Commission meeting, which should be held during August, 2010.

**AGENDA ITEM 3:**

**APPROVAL OF SPECIAL REDWOOD GROVES**

Chair Hart asked Commissioner Maureen Gorsen to read the requests to establish special redwood groves in California State Park System units. Commissioner Gorsen read the following list:

As requested by Save the Redwoods League:

Susan Swinerton McBaine Grove  
in Portola Redwoods State Park

*Pat, Amanda, and Justin McBaine, donors*

Gladys Quarré Knapp Grove  
in Portola Redwoods State Park

*Estate of Gladys Q. Knapp Trust, donor*

John M. Lathe Grove  
in Big Basin Redwoods State Park  
*Estate of Charles Lathe, donor*

Charles & Fanclare Lathe Memorial Grove  
in Portola Redwoods State Park  
*Estate of Charles Lathe, donor*

Fred T. Willbanks Inspirational Grove  
in Wilder Ranch State Park  
*Julie Weinstein, donor*

Special redwood groves requested by Save the Redwoods League, continued:

Jules & Shirley Riskin Family Grove  
in Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park  
*Mr. Laird McCulloch, donor*

Wythes Family Grove  
In Portola Redwoods State Park  
*Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Wythes, donors*

As Requested by Sempervirens Fund:

Peggy L. and Richard P. Kirby  
Margaret K. Saunders Family Grove  
in Castle Rock State Park  
*Margaret Saunders, donor*

California Garden Clubs, Inc., Redwood Grove 6  
in Big Basin Redwoods State Park  
*California Garden Clubs, Inc., donors*

California Garden Clubs, Inc., Redwood Grove 7  
in Big Basin Redwoods State Park  
*California Garden Clubs, Inc., donors*

California Garden Clubs, Inc., Redwood Grove 8  
in Big Basin Redwoods State Park  
*California Garden Clubs, Inc., donors*

California Garden Clubs, Inc., Redwood Grove 9  
in Big Basin Redwoods State Park  
*California Garden Clubs, Inc., donors*

Chair Hart asked for a motion to approve these special redwood grove requests. Motion Commissioner Gorsen, second Commissioner Witt. The commissioners voted unanimously to adopt the resolutions establishing these special redwood groves.

**AGENDA ITEM 4:  
DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Chair Hart called on California State Parks Director Ruth Coleman to present her Director's Report.

Director Coleman noted that a written Director's Report had been provided to the commissioners, and that she would be highlighting just a few of the items in this report.

**“Find Recreation” Web Site** – Director Coleman stated that on Friday, May 7th 2010, she joined State Parks' Deputy Director for Communications Roy Stearns, Caryl Hart's husband Mickey Hart, and Bay Area physician Dr. Daphne Miller to conduct a press conference introducing the new “Find Recreation” web site. The Director explained that the Find Recreation web site provides an easy-to-use, comprehensive listing of park facilities within a chosen distance from the user's location. She explained that the web page allows the user to type in an address, then a distance from that address, to then see virtually every nearby park along with directions for reaching these parks either by driving or via public transit. The site also offers 3-D satellite mapping and extremely detailed aerial views of the parks and their facilities. Director Coleman added that Mickey Hart assisted State Parks in creating a 19-second “YouTube” film to promote the Find Recreation web site. The Commissioners viewed the film while Director Coleman ex-

plained that this was a whimsical way to promote the new web site at no cost to the State of California. Director Coleman noted that the 19-second spot, which features the phrase, “This is your brain/and this is your brain on parks,” was a “riff” on a 1987 campaign by the Partnership for a Drug Free America, who granted State Parks permission to make use of this variation of their “This is your brain/This is your brain on drugs” slogan. She added that the organization was delighted to be involved in promoting park use. Director Coleman stated that both Dr. Daphne Miller and the recent Healthy Parks/Healthy People conference she had attended were promoting park use as a healthful alternative to other forms of treatment. She noted that a recent study in the United Kingdom concluded that five minutes in nature could provide the same benefit as a dose of Prozac, and that a greater number of positive responses were realized from exposure to nature than from drugs. Director Coleman emphasized that getting out in nature is a free – no cost – mental health benefit of park use. She explained that Dr. Miller had for some time been providing “park prescriptions” for her patients – what was becoming known as “green prescriptions in the U.K. – as an alternative to drugs. The Director stated that parks are vital to the physical and mental needs of human beings, and that this was beginning to be quantified and recognized in the medical community. She concluded that the Find Recreation web site had been funded primarily through grants from the federal government and other partners, that it was the initiative and creativity of State Parks staff that made this valuable resource – the first of its kind – possible, and that she was extremely proud of this effort.

**Budget/Tranquillon Ridge offshore drilling proposal** – Director Coleman explained the relationship between the proposed State Parks’ budget and Governor Schwarzenegger’s recent statement that he no longer supported the proposal to allow “slant drilling” into state waters from the Tranquillon Ridge drilling platform. The Director explained that while the January proposed budget included a proposal to fund State Parks through the Tranquillon Ridge operation, the budget also included contingency language which stated that general fund monies would be used to replace any funds to be realized through Tranquillon Ridge should the project fail to materialize. Director Coleman added that while she did not anticipate any changes to the January proposed budget, she would have to wait for the “May Revise” version of the budget, scheduled to be released on Friday, May 14th, to know the reality of the situation.

Commissioner Bill Kogerman asked about shortfalls in the January proposed budget. The Director replied that the only shortfall in the January budget was the five percent overall reduction in workforce that was being imposed on all state departments. She added that the January proposed budget replaced the \$14.5 million reduction the department sustained in the 2009-2010 budget, and that the administration had been true to its word in promising that the prior year’s \$14.5 million reduction would be a “one time” reduction.

**“Park Excellence” project** – Director Coleman stated that Save the Redwoods League and the California State Parks Foundation had partnered on what was being called the “Park Excellence” project to survey both park users and non-users regarding what makes an “excellent” park. The Director noted that the survey hoped to determine what types of services and facilities were most desirable. She added that the survey included an online component, which anyone – including the commissioners – could participate in as well as a telephone survey. The Director also noted that projects like this were extremely valuable to State Parks, as it would help the department to understand who was “buying” the State Parks “product” and who was not, important research that State Parks did not have the funding to otherwise obtain.

Director Coleman concluded her report and asked if there were any questions.

Chair Caryl Hart noted that she had been asked to serve on an advisory body for the Park Excellence project, and she invited the commissioners to contact her if they had any questions concerning the project or the survey.

Commissioner Mario Santoyo asked if educational institutions had been informed about the Find Recreation web site. Director Coleman replied that Find Recreation had just been publicly announced, and that while she had not yet contacted educational institutions this would be an excellent way of introducing Find Recreation to younger users. She stated that she planned to contact the Director of the Department of



Health and Human Services to ensure that department was aware of the resource and the connection to healthful benefits. The Director added that it was her hope that promotion for Find Recreation would “go viral,” exposing a great many technologically savvy users, especially children, to this terrific resource, and she encouraged commissioners to make her aware of other low-cost opportunities for outreach.

Commissioner Maureen Gorsen asked if State Parks had created a fan page on Facebook. Director Coleman replied that State Parks did have pages on both Facebook and Twitter, but that this had only recently become possible as state departments were required to wait for guidelines to be developed state-wide. She added that individual park units were being encouraged to create their own pages on Facebook.

Commissioner Linda Briskman suggested that the State Superintendent of Public Instruction should be introduced to Find Recreation. Director Coleman agreed this was an excellent suggestion.

Commission Chair Caryl Hart stated that she wished to acknowledge Director Ruth Coleman for the role she played in looking to the future and incorporating new media into California State Parks, not only on the Internet, but in encouraging new types of recreational activities like geocaching. She thanked Director Coleman for her initiative.

Director Coleman noted that in addition to being fun, most of these activities were available at little or no cost. She added that in addition to the Find Recreation web site and the social media mentioned earlier, State Parks was also working to make its artifact collections available online as a “virtual museum.” The Director stated that every effort was being made to provide access to state parks even though the department did not have the resources to make its extensive artifact collections physically available.

Commissioner Mario Santoyo stated that he had visited the State Parks warehouses and that he was happy to see access to these extensive collections made available to the public. Chair Caryl Hart added that she thought it would be very exciting for park users to be able to comment on and share with others the features and experiences they enjoyed in individual park units.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5: PUBLIC HEARING**

Chair Hart opened the public hearing portion of the meeting at 9:38 a.m. The Chair added that she would like for those wishing to address the Commission to complete a speaker registration form, and she asked if there were any speakers registered at this time. There was one speaker, Mr. Dennis Fox.

Mr. Fox asked for a copy of the Millerton Lake State Recreation Area general plan; a copy was provided to him.

#### **ITEM 5A: Consent Items**

Chair Hart explained that the Commission would now consider the agenda’s two consent items. There being no public speakers on the consent items, Chair Hart asked for a recommendation from Commissioner Bill Kogerman, in his role as a member of the Commission’s Concessions, Enterprise, and Fiscal Committee. Commissioner Kogerman stated that in evaluating the agenda’s alcohol-related items it had been determined that the Commission policy on this subject should be re-written. The Commissioner added that staff was working on this and would make a recommendation to the committee, who would then make a recommendation to the full Commission once it was satisfied with the policy revision. The Commissioner added that he and Commissioner Paul Witt believed that opportunities for revenue generation should be pursued aggressively, and that the proposals before the Commission today provided new opportunities..

Commissioner Kogerman then explained that item 5A-I required a determination of consistency with Commission policy and that the committee had been assured by staff that this proposal was in fact consistent. Given this, the Concessions, Enterprise, and Fiscal Committee recommended approval of the consent

items. Motion Commissioner Kogerman, second Commissioner Gorsen. The commissioners voted unanimously to approve agenda items 5A-I and 5A-II:

**ITEM 5A-I:**

**Determination that the proposal for on-premises beer and wine sales with meals at the restaurant located at 22738 Main Street in Columbia State Historic Park (currently Bart's Black Skillet & Angelos Hall) is consistent with Commission policy**

**ITEM 5A-II:**

**Concurrence on the Director's appointment of Robert Johnson, Tom Shea, and Toni Siebert to the Board of Directors of the California Citrus State Historic Park Non-Profit Management Corporation**

**ITEM 5B:**

**Consideration of a Department-recommended Special Resolution concerning the sale of wine in a proposed concession at Topanga State Park, and action thereon**

Chair Hart introduced State Parks' Concessions, Reservations and Fees Division Chief Jim Luscutoff to present this item. Mr. Luscutoff explained that the Commission was being asked to make a determination that this proposal for the sale of alcohol was consistent with the policies concerning alcohol sales in a unit classified as a state park. He added that this proposal was for a "pilot" concession, a short-term contract in an existing, currently vacant building on the Pacific Coast Highway. Mr. Luscutoff also mentioned that a general plan for Topanga State Park was scheduled to come before the Commission for approval within the next year (the general plan would include development of the concession). Mr. Luscutoff stated that staff recommended approval of this item and asked if there were any questions.

Commissioner Bill Kogerman noted that his comments on this item were the same as those for the consent alcohol item, but that this concession was a special case, it being a pilot program for a new type of concession. The Commissioner noted that he was looking forward to the success of this new concession.

Chair Caryl Hart opened public comment on this item. She noted that there were no registered speakers on the item and asked if there were any unregistered speakers. There was one unregistered speaker:

Dennis Fox, concerning the availability and promotion of California wines in the proposed concession. Chair Hart asked Jim Luscutoff to respond.

Jim Luscutoff noted that while the sale of California wine was not specifically required by the concessions agreement, California wine would undoubtedly be available as it is "the best wine in the world" (laughter). He clarified that the concessionaire was a local winery who would be offering their own, locally-produced, wines for sale in the proposed concession.

There being no other comments or speakers, The Chair closed public comment on agenda item 5B. Motion Commissioner Kogerman, second Commissioner Gorsen. The commissioners voted unanimously to approve the special resolution concerning the sale of wine in the proposed concession at Topanga State Park.

**ITEM 5C:**

**Consideration of a Department-recommended Special Resolution concerning the sale of beer and wine at the Fallon Theatre in a concession contract at Columbia State Historic Park, and action thereon**

The Chair once again introduced Concessions, Reservations and Fees Division Chief Jim Luscutoff. Mr. Luscutoff explained that this concession had been previously brought before the Commission for a determination of compatibility with the general plan of Columbia State Historic Park. He further explained that this alcohol item was being brought to the Commission because staff was not able to obtain historical evidence that alcohol had been served in the theater during intermissions. Mr. Luscutoff added that staff's



historical knowledge of the gold rush era did indicate that it was very likely alcohol had been served at the theater, and that staff was therefore making a recommendation that this concession was consistent and compatible with the general plan for Columbia State Historic Park.

Chair Hart asked if there were any questions or comments from the commissioners. There being none, she opened public comment on agenda item 5C. There were no registered or unregistered speakers, so the Chair closed public comment and asked for a motion to approve this item. Motion Commissioner Kogerman, second Commissioner Briskman. The commissioners voted unanimously to approve the special resolution concerning the sale of beer and wine during intermission at the Fallon Theatre in Columbia State Historic Park.

**ITEM 5D:**

**Consideration and action on the Department's recommendation to approve the Preliminary General Plan and Environmental Impact Report for Millerton Lake State Recreation Area**

Chair Hart introduced State Parks Planning Division Chief Dan Ray to present this item. Mr. Ray made a short presentation reviewing the information that had been provided to the commissioners in advance of the meeting and presented to them during the previous day's briefing in the park. Mr. Ray provided a short description and history of Millerton Lake State Recreation Area: Approximately 6,500 acres owned by the federal Bureau of Reclamation, approximately 300 acres owned by California State parks, the reservoir had been operating as a recreation area since 1957, it receives approximately 425,000 visitors a year, primarily during May through August, with boating, fishing, swimming, hiking, and winter bald eagle tours being the most popular activities.

Mr. Ray described the existing facilities and the Bureau of Reclamation's planning cycle that dictated the timing for the new general plan, and how the last general plan had been approved in 1980. He explained how Millerton Lake was part of a network of reservoirs and recreation facilities in the area, including the San Joaquin River Trail.

He also provided details of the planning process responsible for developing the new general plan: How State Parks began working with the Bureau of Reclamation in 2001, how the plan had been drafted by consultants URS Corporation and funded by the Bureau, and how five public meetings had been conducted to obtain public input on the plan. Mr. Ray mentioned that while a mailing list of approximately 200 people had been developed during the planning process, there had been very little controversy regarding the proposals for the park, with about 20 people attending the final public meeting. He added that Steve Kellogg, chief planner on the project for URS Corporation, was present today to address questions.

The proposals of the new general plan were outlined by Mr. Ray: The relatively small additions to the total numbers of campsites and boat slips, the incorporation of Water Recreation Opportunity Spectrum ("WROS") zones into management of the park, trail improvements including connecting with the San Joaquin River Trail, the opportunity provided to explore special use hunting in accordance with Department of Fish and Game regulations and at the discretion of the District Superintendent, and the continued protection and use by native peoples of the existing cultural preserve.

Mr. Ray called commissioners' attention to the specific recommendations of the general plan, and concluded by stating that staff recommended that the Commission adopt the resolution to certify the environmental impact report and approve the general plan for Millerton Lake State Recreation Area. He then asked if there were any questions or comments from the commissioners.

There being no questions, Commission Chair Caryl Hart opened public comment on this agenda item. There was one registered speaker:

Dennis Fox, regarding raising the dam at Millerton Lake to provide water for San Joaquin River Restoration and pollution and weed problems at Millerton and throughout the state.

Chair Hart asked if there were any unregistered speakers:

Wendy Cedar asked for additional information about the existing cultural preserve.

Central Valley District Superintendent Jess Cooper described the Kechaye Cultural Preserve, its location and current uses by native peoples. Superintendent Cooper also explained that the general plan's preferred alternative would continue to provide protection for the cultural resources at the site.

Chair Hart closed public comment on this agenda item and asked if there were any questions or comments from commissioners.

Commissioner Bill Kogerman noted that he found the Millerton Lake general plan to be exceptionally well-written, the best general plan he had seen during his time on the Commission. The Commissioner stated that he wished to commend everyone who had a role in developing the plan, and he thanked the staff who had participated in the Commission's briefing in the park the previous day.

There being no other comments from commissioners, Commission Chair Caryl Hart stated that she wished to echo the comments of Commissioner Kogerman. She also thanked the federal Bureau of Reclamation for funding the general plan, adding that this represented "a great partnership," and that she looked forward to additional opportunities to partner with the Bureau of Reclamation. There being no other comments or questions, Chair Hart asked for a motion to approve the general plan for Millerton Lake State Recreation Area.

Motion Commissioner Santoyo, second Commissioner Kogerman. The commissioners voted unanimously to adopt the resolution approving the Preliminary General Plan and Environmental Impact Report for Millerton Lake State Recreation Area.

**AGENDA ITEM 6:  
OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chair Hart noted that there were no registered speakers for open public comment. The Chair asked if there were any unregistered speakers. There being none, the Chair moved to adjourn the meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM 7:  
ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Hart adjourned the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

ATTEST: These minutes were approved by the California State Park and Recreation Commission on August 17, 2010, at its duly-noticed public meeting in Cambria, California.

By:           ORIGINAL SIGNED BY           Date:   8-17-10  

Louis Nastro  
Assistant to the Commission  
For Ruth Coleman, Director  
California Department of Parks and Recreation  
Secretary to the Commission



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### Revised Agenda of the Meeting

1. Approval of minutes of the October 8, 2009 meeting in Sacramento, and the teleconference meeting of January 14, 2010
2. Chair's Report, Commissioner reports/comments, Recognitions
  - A. Action to address vacancies on and structure of Commission committees:
    - Concession, Enterprise, & Fiscal Committee
    - Climate Change Committee
    - Executive Committee
    - "Opt Out" vehicle license fee committee
    - Partnerships & Tourism Committee
    - Program & Policy Committee
  - B. Set agenda item for election of Commission officers
3. Approval of Special Redwood Groves - Save the Redwoods League
4. Director's Report
5. Public Hearing
  - A. Consent Items\* (*reflecting staff recommendations*)
    - I. Determination that the proposal for on-premises beer and wine sales with meals at the restaurant located at 22738 Main Street in Columbia State Historic Park (currently Bart's Black Skillet & Angelos Hall) is consistent with Commission policy
    - II. Concurrence on the Director's appointment of Robert Johnson, Tom Shea, and Toni Siebert to the Board of Directors of the California Citrus State Historic Park Non-Profit Management Corporation
  - B. Consideration of a Department-recommended Special Resolution concerning the sale of wine in a (proposed) concession contract at Topanga State Park, and action thereon
  - C. Consideration of a Department-recommended Special Resolution concerning the sale of beer and wine at the Fallon Theatre in a concession contract at Columbia State Historic Park, and action thereon
  - D. Consideration and action on the Department's recommendation to approve the Preliminary General Plan & Environmental Impact Report for Millerton Lake State Recreation Area
6. Open Public Comment (on subjects other than the above agenda items)
7. Adjourn

\* The Commission may approve consent items all at once without discussion. Any person requesting an opportunity to be heard with regard to consent items must complete a Speaker Registration Form (names are not required) prior to the announcement at the meeting of agenda item 5A, Consent Items. If such a request is made, the item(s) in question shall be pulled from the consent list for discussion and/or public comment.