



**NAPA COUNTY REGIONAL PARK &  
OPEN SPACE DISTRICT**

Karen Turjanis  
Director, Ward One

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Director, Ward Five

## AGENDA

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

Monday, September 12, 2016 at 2:00 P.M.

Napa County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 1195 Third Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Napa, CA

#### General Information

Agenda items will generally be considered in the order indicated below, except for Set Matters, which will be considered at the time indicated. Agenda items may from time to time be taken out of order at the discretion of the President.

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Any member of the audience desiring to address the District on a matter on the Agenda, please proceed to the rostrum and, after receiving recognition from the President, give your name, address, and your comments or questions. In order that all interested parties have an opportunity to speak, please be brief and limit your comments to the specific subject under discussion. Time limitations shall be at the discretion of the President.

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#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

#### 2. Public Comment

*In this time period, anyone may address the Board of Directors regarding any subject over which the Board has jurisdiction but which is not on today's posted agenda. In order to provide all interested parties an opportunity to speak, time limitations shall be at the discretion of the President. As required by Government Code, no action or discussion will be undertaken on any item raised during this Public Comment period.*

### 3. Set Matters

None

### 4. Administrative Items

- a. Consideration and potential approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors regular meeting of August 8, 2016.
- b. Consideration and potential approval of Site Access Agreement with the U.S. Geological Survey for seismic monitoring at the District's Smittle Creek property.
- c. Receipt of report on expenditures, encumbrances, donations, and grants approved by District staff.
- d. Review of the District Projects Status Report
- e. Review of Camp Berryessa promotional video (informational item only)
- f. Receipt of monthly report for Bothe-Napa Valley State Park and the Bale Grist Mill State Historic Park.

### 5. Announcements by Board and Staff

*In this time period, members of the Board of Directors and staff will announce meetings, events, and other matters of interest. No action will be taken by the Board on any announcements.*

### 6. Agenda Planning

*In this time period, members of the Board of Directors and staff will discuss matters for possible consideration at future meetings. Other than to determine whether and when such matters should be agendaized, no action will be taken by the Board on these items unless specifically noted otherwise.*

### 7. Closed Session

- a. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Government Code Section 54956.8)
  - Property: APN # 034-360-017, -032, and -033 (160 acres total)
  - Agency Negotiator: John Woodbury, NCRPOSD General Manager
  - Negotiating Parties: NCRPOSD and Girl Scouts of Northern California
  - Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

### 8. Adjournment



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## MINUTES

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

Monday, August 8, 2016 at 2:00 P.M.

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#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Directors present: Barry Christian, Tony Norris, and Karen Bower-Turjanis, Dave Finigan, Brent Randol  
Staff present: Chris Cahill, and Lashun Fuller  
Staff absent: John Woodbury

#### 2. Public Comment

- Bob Lee - expressed his thanks to both staff and Directors with regard to the Capell Park Project.
- Jeff Sharp, Principle Planner for Public Works, - announced WICC and RCD will be getting together to publish the Watershed Awareness Calendar. Deadline for calendar photo submittals is October 7<sup>th</sup> 2016.

#### 3. Set Matters

None

#### 4. Administrative Items

- a. Consideration and potential approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors regular meeting of July 11, 2016.  
Minutes for the July 11, 2016 meeting were approved.  
BC-TN-KBT-BR-DF  
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- b. Consideration and potential nominations of a District representative and an alternate to the Watershed Information and Conservation Council.  
Directors voted to approve the nomination of Brent Randol as Member of WICC Board and the nomination of Barry Christian as an alternate to serve on the WICC Board in behalf of the Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District.  
DF-TN-KBT-BR-BC
- c. Consideration and potential adoption of an updated District Conflict of Interest Code.  
No formal action taken.
- d. Receipt of report on expenditures, encumbrances, donations, and grants approved by District staff.  
Chris Cahill gave report; the expenditure report was reviewed by Board of Directors. No formal action was taken.

- e. Review of the District Projects Status Report  
Chris Cahill gave the report with discussions on: Amy's Grove, Camp Berryessa, Lake Hennessey, Oat Hill Mine Trail, Suscol Headwaters, State Parks, and Vine Trail
- f. Receipt of monthly report for Bothe-Napa Valley State Park and the Bale Grist Mill State Historic Park.  
Chris Cahill gave report. No formal action taken.

#### 5. Announcements by Board and Staff

- Dave Finigan announced that he visited the Welcome Napa Valley Organization with Anne Steinhauer to demonstrate navigating the new NCRPOSD website and the interactive maps.
- Brent Randol – gave an update on the Capell School project, says he spoke with most of the school board members about their support and all of them appear to be in support.
- Tony Norris – Commented that he attended Mike Thompson's annual pasta feed, which looked to have approximately 500 people in attendance, many of whom he felt showed support for the work that Napa Open Space Dist. does.
- Barry Christian – Commented that he received an e-mail from Laura Thompson, manager of Bay Trail Project, who wants to work on declaring October 1<sup>st</sup> as Bay Day with possible Board approval.
- Barry Christian - announced that Bay Area Ridge Trail and City of American Canyon Open Space Committee are doing a joint project as part of REI Service Day November 5<sup>th</sup> at Newell Open Space Preserve
- Brent Randol – announced that he has 3 meetings coming up to pitch the tax initiative with the new president of Yountville Chamber, the Calistoga Chamber, and the Soroptimists in St Helena

#### 6. Agenda Planning

- Revisit District Conflict of Interest Code
- Bay Trail, Bay Day Resolution
- Camp Berryessa Video presented by Chris Cahill

#### 7. Adjournment

Adjourned to the Regular NCRPOSD Board Meeting of September 12, 2016

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KAREN BOWER-TURJANIS, Board President

ATTEST:

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LASHUN FULLER, Acting District Secretary

#### Key

Vote: TN = Tony Norris; KBT = Karen Bower-Turjanis; DF = David Finigan; BC = Barry Christian; BR = Brent Randol

The maker of the motion and second are reflected respectively in the order of the recorded vote.

Notations under vote: N = No; A = Abstain; X = Excused



## STAFF REPORT

*By:* John Woodbury  
*Date:* September 12, 2016  
*Item:* **4.b**  
*Subject:* Consideration and potential approval of Site Access Agreement with the U.S. Geological Survey for seismic monitoring at the District's Smittle Creek property.

### RECOMMENDATION

1. Find that this action is categorical exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Authorize the General Manager to sign agreement providing USGS access for installing and operating a seismic monitoring station at Smittle Creek.

### ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

The proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to 14 California Code of Regulations (State CEQA Guidelines), Section 15303 (new construction or conversion of small structures) and Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land).

### BACKGROUND

The United States Geological Survey has requested permission from the District to install an earthquake monitoring station on the District's Smittle Creek property. The station is one of a network of over 600 stations around California.

District staff has met with USGS to identify a location on the Smittle Creek property with the attributes needed by USGS (line of sight to communications equipment on Berryessa Peak, rocky soil, access by 4 wheel drive vehicle) while also in a location that will not impact the experience of future park users.

More information about the seismic monitoring program is attached, together with the proposed location and plans and photographs indicating the design of the monitoring station.

In staff's judgement the monitoring station will have minimal impact on the conservation and recreation values of Smittle Creek, while assisting a worthwhile public project. The request has been reviewed and approved by the Wildlife Conservation Board, which holds a conservation easement over the property due to their role as the funder for the acquisition of Smittle Creek.



Department of Interior  
 United States Geological Survey  
 Earthquake Science Center  
 345 Middlefield Road, MS 977  
 Menlo Park, CA 94025  
<http://earthquake.usgs.gov>

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Napa County Planning, Building  
 & Environmental Services

June 27, 2016

Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District  
 John Woodbury – General Manager  
 1195 Third St, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Napa, CA 94559

Dear Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District,

The USGS and the UC Berkeley Seismological Laboratory (BSL), members of the Northern California Seismic System (NCSS), are responsible for monitoring earthquake activity using a network of over 600 seismic, geodetic, and volcano monitoring stations throughout northern and central California. These monitoring stations provide critical information to promote public health and safety, provide valuable data to scientists to advance our understanding of earthquake processes, and contribute to the success of the implementation of ShakeAlert, the earthquake early warning system under development in the West Coast by the USGS and its university partners. ShakeAlert takes advantage of the technology to detect moderate to large earthquakes so quickly that a warning can be sent to locations outside the area where the earthquake begins before these destructive waves arrive.

In order to meet the operational requirements for earthquake early warning, we need a dense network of stations distributed throughout northern California that use modern instrumentation. The current seismograph station density is not sufficient, so the NCSS is working to expand our coverage. We are looking to improve our station coverage near your property.

We are writing to you today to seek permission to install a seismic monitoring station on your property (APN 025-220-017-000). After reviewing various maps and sources, we have identified one or more potential sites that could meet our needs. Please be aware that we selected your property not because of a particular seismic hazard, but rather because it fills a hole in the geographic distribution of existing seismic stations in California. Please take a few minutes to review the enclosed information.

Our review of maps and aerial photography is very preliminary—if you are interested, we will need to visit the proposed site (area) in person to evaluate whether or not it truly meets our needs. In general, our needs are fairly flexible, with the primary requirements being a view of one of our nearby radio relay sites or good cellular coverage, adequate sun exposure to the south for solar panels if AC power isn't available nearby, and vehicle access. We strive to keep our environmental impact low and minimize visibility to avoid obtrusive visual impact and reduce the likelihood of vandalism. We will work with you on a placement that meets our requirements and has minimal impact on your property.

Details describing the scale and scope of the proposed installation are shown in the diagrams included in the package. The footprint of the site equipment will not exceed 10' x 50'. We will need to drive to the site for initial installation (which usually takes two to three days) and for future maintenance (which takes place on average about once every two to four years).

June 27, 2016

Please find the following items attached in this package:

- A fact sheet explaining earthquake early warning and ShakeAlert program
- An example of the USGS standard permit
- A map showing proposed locations for the new seismic station
- A diagram and photo of a typical seismic station

Installing a new seismic instrumentation on your property will provide several new important benefits to the USGS Earthquake Science Center mission:

- It will contribute to the earthquake early warning ShakeAlert system in California that could save thousands of lives during a large earthquake (see included Fact Sheet on ShakeAlert; more information is available at [www.shakealert.org](http://www.shakealert.org)).
- It will improve the accuracy of our products, including our Event Notification System (ENS), public web displays, tsunami warnings (through our NOAA partnership), volcano warnings, and ShakeMaps (which are used by emergency responders following significant earthquakes).
- It will significantly improve data quality that will allow scientists and engineers to advance our understanding of seismic hazards and how to better prepare for them.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for more information. We look forward to a partnership with you as we move onto an exciting future. Thank you very much for your time in reviewing this proposal. If you are not interested in pursuing our proposal, we would appreciate a quick email or call letting us know.

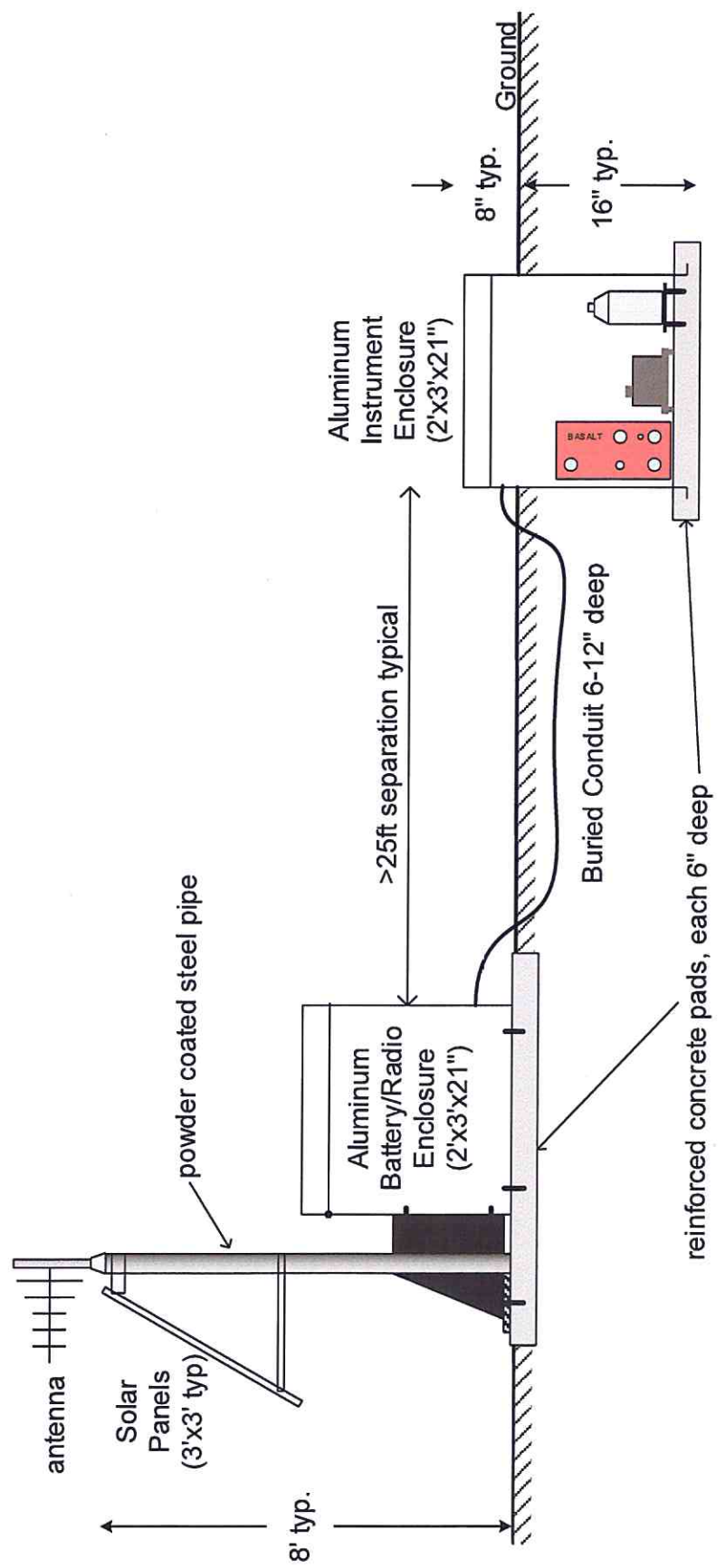
Sincerely,

John Krueger  
Earthquake Science Center  
U.S. Geological Survey  
[jkrueger@usgs.gov](mailto:jkrueger@usgs.gov)  
Office (650) 329-4730  
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# Schematic 4-ch Digital Seismograph Field Installation



DSC 03/27/2015



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## STAFF REPORT

Date: September 12, 2016  
 Item: **4.c**  
 Subject: Receipt of report on expenditures, encumbrances, donations, and grants approved by District staff

### RECOMMENDATION

Receive the report.

### BACKGROUND

Section III.A.(7) of the District By-laws authorizes the General Manager to bind the district for supplies, materials, labor, and other valuable consideration, in accordance with board policy and the adopted District budget, up to \$25,000, provided that all such expenditures are subsequently reported to the Board of Directors. Section III.A.(8) of the By-laws authorizes the General Manager to apply for grants and receive donations, subject to reporting such actions to the Board of Directors.

Attached is a report showing all District expenditures for August 2016.

In addition to these expenditures, the General Manager has authorized the following contracts using his signature authority:

Agreement 16-08	New Albion Surveys	Suscol Headwaters surveying	NTE \$24,500
Agreement 16-07	Terra Firma Surveys	Napa San easement survey	\$3,500
Agreement 16-09	National Cinemedia	Camp Berryessa promotional spot	\$4,802

PARKS & OPEN SPACE DISTRICT -AUGUST 2016 EXPENSE REPORT

Gen Admin Dept - 85000-00

Date	Journal Line Description	Voucher Description	Name	Monetary Amount
08/01/2016	Google apps	July Parks expenses	JOHN WOODBURY	\$ 22.00
08/01/2016	Parks district supplies	Account #460	ZELLER'S ACE HARDWARE	\$ 8.63
08/04/2016	Batteries, paint brush, etc	Reimbursement-July parks expenses	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 24.78
08/23/2016	PARK152217 07/2016	PARK152217 07/2016	6539 CONSULTING	\$ 2,790.00
08/23/2016	PARK070117 07/2016	PARK070117 07/2016	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 3,250.00
08/25/2016	Yamaha service	RO #28800	K&B MOTORSPORTS	\$ 654.44
08/25/2016	Rack Cards	Job #20828	AD-VANTAGE MARKETING INC	\$ 767.61
08/25/2016	Google apps-July 2016	Aug 2016 Park expenses	JOHN WOODBURY	\$ 30.00

Moore Creek Dept - 85010-00

Date	Journal Line Description	Voucher Description	Name	Monetary Amount
08/01/2016	Mileage-July 2016	July Parks expenses	JOHN WOODBURY	\$ 22.68
08/01/2016	Internet - July 2016	Account #62539	VALLEY INTERNET	\$ 169.00
08/01/2016	Internet - August 2016	Account #62539	VALLEY INTERNET	\$ 169.00
08/04/2016	PG&E 6/22/16-7/21/16	Account #0099759249-8	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$ 406.06
08/04/2016	mouse trap, foam, etc	Customer #NAPACORP 136667	CENTRAL VALLEY BUILDERS	\$ 33.76
08/04/2016	Chlorine, pool supplies	Account #M5030	DONS SWIMMING POOL CENTER	\$ 133.87
08/04/2016	DrWater	Reimbursement-July parks expenses	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 261.92
08/04/2016	Porta potty - July 2016	Moore Creek Park	JOHNNY ON THE SPOT	\$ 179.36
08/09/2016	Property Taxes 2016-17	Fee #025-440-010-000	NAPA COUNTY TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR	\$ 468.21
08/23/2016	PARK140217 08/2016	PARK140217 08/2016	HERITAGE SYSTEMS, INC.	\$ 367.67
08/23/2016	PARK140217 07/2016	PARK140217 07/2016	HERITAGE SYSTEMS, INC.	\$ 367.67
08/23/2016	PARK070117 07/2016	PARK070117 07/2016	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 650.00
08/25/2016	Service call-septic system	Moore Creek Park	MCCOLLUM GENERAL ENGINEERING	\$ 277.40
08/25/2016	Valley internet-Sept 2016	Account #62539	VALLEY INTERNET	\$ 169.00

Oat Hill Mine Trail - 85010-01

Date	Journal Line Description	Voucher Description	Name	Monetary Amount
08/23/2016	PARK070117 07/2016	PARK070117 07/2016	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 100.00

NRBT - 85010-02

Date	Journal Line Description	Voucher Description	Name	Monetary Amount
08/23/2016	PARK070117 07/2016	PARK070117 07/2016	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 211.88
<b>Camp Berryessa - 85010-03</b>				
Date	Journal Line Description	Voucher Description	Name	Monetary Amount
08/01/2016	Parks district supplies	Account #460	ZELLER'S ACE HARDWARE	\$ 24.81
08/01/2016	Water testing	Lab Order #R070463	CALTEST ANALYTICAL LABORATORY	\$ 47.00
08/04/2016	volunteer food-chapparral remov	Reimbursement-July parks expenses	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 29.46
08/09/2016	PG&E 6/22/16-7/21/16	Account #1765266301-8	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$ 9.86
08/09/2016	Garbage pickup	Camp Berryessa	BERRYESSA GARBAGE SERVICE	\$ 65.40
08/25/2016	Garbage pickup-July 2016	Camp Berryessa	BERRYESSA GARBAGE SERVICE	\$ 65.40
<b>NRER - 85010-05</b>				
Date	Journal Line Description	Voucher Description	Name	Monetary Amount
08/04/2016	volunteer food-harding grass	Reimbursement-July parks expenses	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 30.04
08/04/2016	DriWater	Reimbursement-July parks expenses	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 162.52
08/04/2016	Porta potty - July 2016	Yountville Park	JOHNNY ON THE SPOT	\$ 179.36
08/23/2016	PARK070117 07/2016	PARK070117 07/2016	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 950.00
<b>PUTAH CREEK - 85010-07</b>				
Date	Journal Line Description	Voucher Description	Name	Monetary Amount
08/04/2016	lock for gate/key for shed	Reimbursement-July parks expenses	CJ YIP & ASSOCIATES	\$ 24.60
<b>State Park - 85010-08</b>				
Date	Journal Line Description	Voucher Description	Name	Monetary Amount
08/01/2016	PG&E 6/14/16-7/13/16	Account #6765403114-4	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$ 42.68
08/01/2016	PG&E 6/14/16-7/14/16	Account #1869012498-9	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$ 1,127.45
08/01/2016	PG&E 6/15/16-7/14/16	Account #5360079806-9	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$ 9.86
08/01/2016	Lights, folders	Park reimbursements	SANDY JONES	\$ 10.00
08/01/2016	PG&E 6/15/16-7/14/16	Account #9051730227-0	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$ 36.95
08/01/2016	PG&E 6/14/16-7/13/16	Account #2172831822-7	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$ 60.43
08/01/2016	PG&E 6/15/16-7/15/16	Account #4831406953-4	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$ 126.39
08/01/2016	Mileage-July 2016	July Parks expenses	JOHN WOODBURY	\$ 24.84
08/01/2016	Monitoring fees-July 2016	Account #746-0150	ADVANTAGE TOTAL PROTECTION	\$ 40.00

08/01/2016	Telepacific - July 2016	Account #133326	TELEPACIFIC COMMUNICATIONS	\$	613.20
08/01/2016	Electronic timer	Bothe NV State Park	FLUID MANUFACTURING	\$	333.89
08/01/2016	Steve's Hardware-supplies	Account #31248	STEVES HARDWARE	\$	249.24
08/01/2016	Chlorine, acid, pool supplies	Bothe State Park	DIAMOND QUALITY WATER FEATURES	\$	783.75
08/01/2016	Construction supplies	Account #MP-39693	CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTOR	\$	720.27
08/01/2016	Lights, folders	Park reimbursements	SANDY JONES	\$	270.52
08/03/2016	Heartland credit card fees-WFB			\$	72.17
08/04/2016	Redwood lumber-cabin construct	Customer #NAPCO 102480	FOSTER LUMBER YARDS, INC	\$	1,193.32
08/04/2016	Construction supplies-cabins	Customer #NAPACORP 136667	CENTRAL VALLEY BUILDERS	\$	1,221.73
08/04/2016	Janitorial/cleaning supplies	Account #60124600060576080	CASH & CARRY	\$	108.63
08/04/2016	Windows - cabins	Bothe Cabins	JAVCO WINDOW & GLASS CONTRACTORS	\$	1,480.00
08/05/2016	Office Depot Charges			\$	374.60
08/09/2016	Upper Vly Disp-Ashes	Account #01-0002642-6	UPPER VALLEY DISPOSAL	\$	333.45
08/09/2016	Upper Vly Disp-July 2016	Account #01-0013452-7	UPPER VALLEY DISPOSAL	\$	870.75
08/09/2016	7898686642 07/2016	Acct# 7898686642	CHEVRON PRODUCTS COMPANY	\$	396.21
08/09/2016	Mileage reimbursement	Park expense reimbursements	SANDY JONES	\$	25.92
08/09/2016	Telepacific - August 2016	Account #133326	TELEPACIFIC COMMUNICATIONS	\$	622.29
08/09/2016	Mattresses	Napa Park District	CONFORTAIRE, INC.	\$	687.24
08/09/2016	Tax Payment FY 2016-17	Fee #022-020-004-000	NAPA COUNTY TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR	\$	468.55
08/09/2016	Friedmans-exterior lights	Park expense reimbursements	SANDY JONES	\$	42.23
08/19/2016	170305D-17 100% completion	Bothe Pool decking / balance due upon compl	DECKING AROUND, INC.	\$	16,900.00
08/19/2016	170305D-17 Deposit	Bothe Pool decking / Deposit	DECKING AROUND, INC.	\$	8,000.00
08/23/2016	PARK150317 8/8/2016	PARK150317 8/8/2016	STEVE TRIOLO ELECTRIC	\$	2,719.60
08/25/2016	ATP - August 2016	Account #746-0150	ADVANTAGE TOTAL PROTECTION	\$	40.00
08/25/2016	Parking fee	Aug 2016 Park expenses	JOHN WOODBURY	\$	75.30
08/25/2016	Tire flat repair	Workorder #6133370	O.K. TIRE STORE	\$	25.00
08/25/2016	Cleaning/Janitorial supplies	Acct #60124600060576080	CASH & CARRY	\$	244.33
08/25/2016	Propane	Account #50163511	FERRELLGAS, LP	\$	127.38
08/25/2016	Bathroom tissue	Bothe NV State Park	E POLY STAR, INC.	\$	1,034.73
08/25/2016	Paint - cabins	Account #4159	THE PAINT WORKS	\$	324.43
08/25/2016	6 pallets firewood	Bothe NV State Park	TOURADY RANCH INC	\$	1,680.00
08/31/2016	Maintenance supplies- Bothe	Account #31248	STEVES HARDWARE	\$	1,071.69
08/31/2016	PG&E 7/15/16-8/15/16	Account #9051730227-0	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$	49.92
08/31/2016	PG&E 7/15/16-8/16/16	Account #4831406953-4	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$	151.33

08/31/2016	PG&E 7/14/16-8/14/16	Account #2172831822-7	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$	65.75
08/31/2016	PG&E 7/14/16-8/14/16	Account #6765403114-4	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$	44.62
08/31/2016	PG&E 7/14/16-8/15/16	Account #1869012498-9	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO	\$	1,416.57

Plan of Projects

**Status Report**

12-Sep-16

**Name of Project Description**

**Status**

<p>Amy's Grove</p> <p>Planning and permits for public use of Amy's Grove</p>	<p>The District will hold a community scoping session later in 2016, with the timing dependent on when background surveys are complete and the adjacent Enchanted Hills Camp is available to host the meeting. A botanist and an archeologist have been put under contract to do an initial planning survey for the property. The archaeological survey has been completed and did not find evidence of native american activity. The botanical survey has been completed, and the written report expected shortly.</p>
<p>Bay Area Ridge Trail Tuteur Loop</p> <p>Assignment of Tuteur Loop Ridge Trail easement from the Bay Area Ridge Trail to the District</p>	<p>The Bay Area Ridge Trail Council obtained a donated easement from the Tuteur family and constructed a section of Bay Area Ridge Trail adjacent to Skyline Park. The Council and the property owner wish to transfer this easement to the District. Staff has resumed work on transferring the easement to the District now that the option agreement for purchasing a portion of the Kirkland Ranch has been executed. Staff has reviewed with Mr. Tuteur the results of our survey for the Soscol Headwaters acquisition and together have arrived at a common understanding of property boundaries; Tuteur has agreed to modify the trail easement, as part of the transfer of the easement to the District, to reflect the actual property boundaries. Staff flagged the proposed new trail alignment with Mr. Tuteur on January 12, 2016; and asurveyor has been engaged to place boundary markers and prepare a legal description for the trail easement. Staff is setting up a meeting with interested parties to discuss access in and out of Skyline Park, but this has been deferred at the request of Skyline Park Citizens Association due to their need to focus on immediate threats to Skyline Park.</p>
<p>Bay/River Trail -- American Canyon to Napa</p> <p>An 8+ mile recreational trail generally following the Napa River and interior levees of associated wetlands.</p> <p>Phase 2-B--Pond 10 to Soscol Ferry Road</p>	<p>Questa has largely completed a revised draft PUC permit application for a public crossing of the SMART tracks. SMART, NRCA and the PUC have verbally agreed to allow the railroad crossing. LSA Associates has completed a biological survey for the Fagan Marsh area; based on the results, DFG has indicated they do not want the trail alignment to follow the levee on the north side of Fagan Marsh; District staff is reviewing the feasibility of an alternative alignment.</p>
<p>Berryessa Estates</p> <p>Acquire 480 acres next to Berryessa Estates from BLM at no fee through their Recreation and Public Purpose Act procedure. Would connect Lake Berryessa Estates to the District's Spanish Valley holdings.</p>	<p>The District in 2009 applied to BLM for a no-fee transfer of this property to the District for the no-fee transfer of this property; while this transfer has received conceptual approval by BLM staff, the formal approval has dragged; several meetings have been held over the past three years to try and speed to process, but BLM staff has so far had higher priorities. CDF crews did extensive fire break work in 2009 through 2011 to protect the residences next to the BLM land. The District has completed the donation to the District of a small, 0.2 acre property that provides critical access to the northeast corner of the property. District staff in January 2013 met with the Napa County Fire Marshal and the the Calfire Battalion Chief for the area and agreed to jointly advocate for BLM action. In February staff talked with BLM and was assured that processing of the transfer was now beginning. BLM did a series of site visits June-August, 2013. The Bureau of Reclamation in June 2013 asserted that Reclamation has property rights such that BLM is not permitted to transfer the property. In late August Reclamation determined they still retained jurisdiction, but committed to completing the transfer. Not willing to keep waiting for the federal agencies to resolve their differences, Napa County has acquired a property within the Lake Berryessa Estates subdivision for constructing the fire sub-station. In 2015 Reclamation said they have done their work and it is now up to BLM to finish the transfer. BLM thought they would complete their work by the end of 2015, but this did not happen, and a new date for completion has not been set. BLM's timeline has been extended because BLM has determined that not only these but other federal lands in the same general area also need to have their revocation process completed, and they wish to resolve all at the same time. At a meeting on April 14, 2016, the new Superintendent for the Ukiah District of BLM committed to completing the transfer.</p>

#### Berryessa Vista

Planning, stewardship and expansion of this wilderness park.

Volunteers working with the District have completed detailed GIS mapping showing all existing roads, creek crossings, vista points and potential campsites. Continuing damage by off-road vehicles trespassing on the property was noted. The District sent a letter was sent to all property owners in that area introducing the District, explaining the deed restriction prohibiting off road vehicles, and asking for their cooperation. Since then there has been less observed damage, although the problem is not resolved. Staff was planning on installing a gate to restrict OHV access, but this has proven infeasible. After observing more OHV damage in the summer of 2013, staff is exploring options other than a gate to prevent unauthorized OHV use. The latest plan is to install remote cameras in an attempt to determine who is causing the damage. No other work is anticipated until Lake Berryessa Trail planning is completed, as that is a key step in gaining overland access to the property. District staff has been meeting with Reclamation, their consultants and interested parties on the trail planning and prioritization. Staff in late June 2014 toured an adjacent parcel with the owner of the property; in September the owner indicated they are interested in selling the property for addition to Berryessa Vista Wilderness Park. The Land Trust of Napa County has obtained the appraisal of the property, and the land trust and the sellers have agreed on the appraised value as the sales price. The District Board in November 2014 agreed to acquire the property from the Land Trust at a later date when funding is available. Escrow closed and title transferred to the land trust in early 2015. District and Land Trust staff in April 2016 placed a camera on the property in an attempt to identify the off-road vehicle and motorcycle users who have been causing some damage to the property.

#### Camp Berryessa

Redevelopment of former Boy Scout Camp into a 64 bed group/environmental education camp with 8 tent cabins, 2 covered group activity centers, a canoe/kayak dock, a central amphitheater and campfire ring, and a shower and composting toilet restroom facility.

A grant for \$50,000 to help with construction was provided by the Mead Foundation, together with a \$1.7 million grant from the State Coastal Conservancy. A new water well was dug in October 2012--production is great, and quality is acceptable with minor treatment. To meet budget constraints, work on the planned black water leach field was deferred to phase two. A \$1.7m construction contract was awarded to G.D. Nielson Inc on Napa in November 2014 and Ron Critchley served as our construction manager & inspector on the project. Construction was complete as of early December, and a Notice of Completion filed in early January 2016. Redwood benches and tables, which were constructed on contract by Sonoma County Probation, are complete, delivered, and arranged. Bunk beds were delivered on June 1st and mattresses were delivered on June 10th. Trackers Earth used the Camp as a tenant for the month of June; Reclamation in late June approved the longer-term partnership agreement with Trackers Earth that the Board approved in May. Trackers Earth and the District have co-produced a 40 second promotional video which we are planning to run before movie showings at the Century Napa Valley Theaters. Tulevome and Trackers Earth are working on co-producing a series of weekend classes for adults and children on outdoor survival and astronomy in early 2017. Unfortunately, a change in life plans for our prospective camp hosts means we are once again without host coverage. For the time being, we are relying on Trackers staff to look after the place as they are on site most days.

#### District Non-profit Foundation

Organize a non-profit foundation to raise funds for District projects

The District Board has approved the goals, objectives and basic structure for a non-profit foundation to assist the District with fundraising. Formation of the foundation will likely be timed to the opening of Camp Berryessa. Director Turjanis in early 2015 began the process of preparing articles of incorporation and identifying potential Board members. Before proceeding further, Director Turjanis and staff continue to meet with other interested organizations about potential collaboration on fundraising and programming.

#### Lake Hennessey North Shore Trails

Would open up several miles of existing dirt access road, and construct approximately 1 mile of new single track trail, into a loop trail system on the north side of Lake Hennessey, and connecting to the planned Moore Creek Open Space Park trail system.

In November, 2009 the Napa City Council directed city staff to work with the District to finalize an agreement for the proposed Hennessey trails. The District approved a Mitigated Negative Declaration on February 14, 2011. A final lease agreement and operations plan was approved by the District Board in August 2012, and by the City Council in September 2012. Work was completed on the connector trail to Moore Creek in June 2013. Lake Hennessey North Shore Trails formally opened with a ribbon cutting on October 18, 2014. The Sam the Eagle Trail was completed in April 2015 and, in staff's opinion, turned out wonderfully. Forest Trails Alliance donated a hand carved wooden trail sign that was installed at the northern terminus of the new trail. District staff patrol the North Shore several times a week. District staff and volunteers installed the Harold Kelly bench in early June 2015 and constructed a short ADA-compliant access trail to it on July 11, 2015. The County Wildlife Conservation Commission awarded the District a +/- \$2,000 grant to fund installation of an interpretive birding trail developed in partnership with Napa Solano Audubon along the north shore of the lake, signage was installed in May 2015. A new bench along the shoreline was dedicated to former Director Harold Kelly on October 22, 2015. Planning for construction of the next trail segment is now underway. Napa Marble and Granite installed (well, carved) new trail signage for the Shoreline and Sam the Eagle trails in early September. The results look great.

#### Linda Falls Conservation Easement

Expansion of conservation easement to cover all of the property at Linda Falls owned by the Land Trust of Napa County

The District currently holds a conservation easement on one of several parcels owned by the Land Trust of Napa County. The land trust desires to expand this conservation easement to include all of the land trust's holdings at Linda Falls. The purpose is to provide an additional layer of protection for the property. This is a continuation of a long-term project for the district and land trust to hold easements over each other's properties to protect against unforeseen circumstances that could threaten the conservation values of the properties. District and land trust staff are working on the actual text of the easement to be donated to the District. Consideration of the easement will be brought to the Board at its October 2016 meeting.



Moore Creek Park Development  
 Development of open space park on 673 acres acquired by the District adjacent to City of Napa watershed lands at Lake Hennessy to protect habitat, provide recreational trails, and overnight camping facilities.

The park opened on June 30, 2013. The eastern boundary survey and fencing project was completed June 2014. Construction of the Valentine Vista Trail was completed by the Forest Trails Alliance in April 2014. With the help and support of the County Fire Department and County communications technicians, the District has installed an emergency communications radio and antenna at the Ranch House (which has neither landline nor cellular phone service). The next big project is the construction of the Madrone Trail, a roughly 2 mile footpath on the western side of Moore Creek canyon north of the ranch house. In February and March volunteers helped flag and brush the first part of the Madrone Trail. A VO-CAL event with approximately 100 volunteers gathered May 15-17, 2015 to continue this construction. In April we purchased an ATV for use at Moore Creek Park and other facilities, primarily with funds granted by the Wildlife Conservation Commission. The Pruetts, our new volunteer caretakers, moved in to the ranch house in late August, 2015. A dozen volunteers worked on the Madrone Trail on October 3 and 4, 2015, constructing a set of steps and a few hundred feet of new trail. The septic system for the gate house had to be pumped out in November 2015, at which time a collapsed leach field pipe was noted; this was repaired in late December. In January 2016 the District contracted with a new company to provide both high speed internet and phone service to the ranch house to improve safety and emergency response capabilities, as well as make the caretaker's life less isolated.; installation was completed in February 2016. Smaller groups of volunteers worked on the Madrone Trail in both March and April 2016, and June 24-26, 2016 more than 140 people volunteered through V-O-Cal, and approximately 1,500 feet of new trail was constructed despite the intense heat. Chino, Chris and a team of interpid volunteers removed star thistle and generally tidied up the parking area in late August.

Oat Hill Mine Trail  
 Various improvements to the historic Oat Hill Mine Road

The litigation holding up this project has been successfully concluded. Several of the trail sign posts have been vandalized and will need to be replaced. The District is continuing to work with Tuleyome on a project to clean up the Twin Peaks and Corona Mines, in the hopes this may enable the District to safely open the northern Oat Hill Mine Trail for public use. A volunteer crew did erosion control work on the trail in January 2013. Staff and volunteers in February 2013 to did a comprehensive evaluation of erosion issues on the trail, and experts from the RCD joined staff for another evaluation in early April. The City of Calistoga and CalTrans have restarted discussions about constructing a roundabout at the intersection of Highway 29 and Silverado Trail; the District is tracking these discussions to ensure that whatever design as adopted will provide adequate and safe access to the Oat Hill Mine Trail. The Bay Area Ridge Trail did some cleanup and minor improvements in late October 2013 to the staging area, and the lower 4 miles of the OHMT was dedicated as part of the Ridge Trail on November 10, 2013. The 40 acre Randy Lee Johnson property donation was completed in December 2014. Volunteers made drainage improvements on the trail in late January 2015; a lot more is needed. Work parties to install drain dips to control erosion were held in January and April of 2016. A PG&E contractor attempted to drive an ATV up the OHMT in early June, and ended up going over the side and into a gully. They promptly removed the vehicle and repaired the trail damage.

Rector Ridge/Stags Leap Ridge Trail  
 Construction of staging area and 6+ miles of Ridge Trail climbing east from Silverado Trail near Rector Creek.

CEQA on this project was completed several years ago--staff has prepared a draft update to the Negative Declaration due to the passage of time since the original approval. The project concept has been approved by the District Board, and was positively viewed by the Veterans Home administration. However, Veterans Home staff had been having difficulty figuring out what approval process is needed, because of ongoing discussions at the state level about the appropriate roles and future programs for the Veterans Home, and then key management staff at the Veterans Home retired in November 2010, so progress was delayed pending the filling of their vacant positions. The District will restart the process when other priorities are under control.

Skyline Park  
 Permanent protection of Skyline Park

Three past legislative efforts to authorize sale to the County failed due to unrelated disagreements between the state legislature and administration. Separately, the County in September 2009 approved a new park overlay zone and an updated Master Plan for Skyline Park. A fourth legislative effort by Assemblymember Evans in 2010, sponsored by Napa County and supported by the District, was approved by the legislature and signed by the Governor. The County and state General Services agreed on an appraisal process for determining the fair market value purchase price, the County retained an appraiser acceptable to the State, and a draft appraisal was prepared. In late April 2012 the state indicated they did not accept the value as determined by the appraisal and negotiations stalled. A Draft EIR was released in late September 2013 for the proposed expansion of the adjacent Syar Quarry. The District Board approved comments on the DEIR at its October 2013 meeting. The Final EIR was released in November of 2014; the Planning Commission certified the EIR on October 21, 2015. On October 22, 2015, the State applied to the county to rezone Skyline Park by removing the Skyline Wilderness park Combining District overlay, which would make it easier for the State to sell for development and at a higher price. The Planning Commission certification for the quarry expansion was appealed to the Board of Supervisors by two organizations. The District in February 2016 submitted two letters to the Board of Supervisors, one requesting the setback between the quarry and the park be protected through a permanent conservation easement, and the other expressing support for the changes to the quarry project that were recommended by the County Planning Department, with additional protection for Pasini Ridge. In April 2016 the District presented its position to the Board of Supervisors at the public hearing for the project. The Board of Supervisors rejected the appeals and approved the quarry expansion in July 2016. Legislation introduced by Senator Wolk in January 2016 stalled when the State announced it was opposed to any sale of Skyline Park to the District until completion of a state planning process for future health and welfare services.

## Smittle Creek

Planning and permits to open this 411 acre holding for public use

The District completed purchase of this property in December 2015. The next step is to conduct resource surveys, complete CEQA, and obtain permits. A botanist was retained in early 2016 to do a reconnaissance level survey of plant resources as the first step in planning for the property. US Geological Survey has requested permission to place a seismic monitoring station on the property; staff has worked with them to identify an appropriate location. In July 2016 the placement request was submitted to the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) for concurrence, which as the provider of the grant to acquire the property has the right to review such changes. WCB approved the request in August. An access agreement with USGS is before the District Board for approval at the September 2016 meeting.

## Suscol Headwaters

Kirkland Ranch Acquisition of land and easements to protect Suscol Headwaters and construct Ridge Trail from Highway 12 to Skyline Park.

The Purchase and Sale Agreement was adopted by the District Board at its June 8, 2015 meeting. Phase I of the acquisition closed in September 2015. Funding for Phase I xMW from Napa County in exchange for the County receiving an equal amount from the Priority Conservation Area program administered by MTC. Caltrans and the US Fish and Wildlife Service are seriously looking in to the possibility of turning a portion of the property into red-legged frog mitigation area, which could involve substantial grant funding for property purchase and wildlife improvements. On July 1st 2015 the board of the Napa Sanitation District approved an easement option agreement which should allow us to construct a trail and trailhead parking lot on their Kelly Road sprayfield property. Survey work, the costs of which are split between buyer and seller according to our purchase agreement, is underway and has been somewhat complicated by the lack of monumentation along the Napa/Solano county line. The Phase One acquisition closed on October 20, 2015. Staff continues to work with Caltrans and the USFWS to secure funds for Phase Two; another site visit with their biologists was completed on January 15, 2016. The Caltrans and USFWS biologists have both left for other employment, and their replacements have now been replaced by new replacements. A site visit with the new Caltrans staff assigned to this project occurred in early August and went well. Caltrans is currently exploring options for creating new red legged frog habitat on the site.

## Spanish Valley, Crystal Flats, and Stone Corral

Planning for open space donated by Bob and Evalyn Trinchero

The District took full possession of the properties on January 1, 2012. Staff met with key community leaders from Lake Berryessa Estates on February 6 and March 6, 2011. A public session was held April 21st at the Pope Valley Farm Center. The District has negotiated an easement across the District's Stone Corral property to resolve one of the clouds on the title to this land; this easement was approved by the Board at its October meeting, and has now been finalized and recorded. Staff met with the LBEPOA Board many times in 2011-2013 to discuss use of the Crystal Flats and Stone Corral areas. District staff has prepared a draft agreement between the District and the Association, which the Association has informally rejected. The well serving Spanish Valley was repaired in November 2013. The District also sealed up an abandon dry well bore discovered on the property. A group of 10 boy scouts GPS'd old ranch roads and 4-wheel drive tracks on the Spanish Valley property for us over the weekend of April 26-27 so that we can create a map of existing roads and trails. A contract for archeological surveying (a required part of the CEQA process) was completed by Tom Origer and Associates in June, 2014. Staff completed a preliminary survey of the Spanish Valley access road in late July 2012 and, while legal access to the property has been established, it does not appear that the existing road is located within the Spanish Valley Trail easement. In early January 2014 staff learned the affected parcels are for sale. Staff's cash offer to purchase half of the property in mid March was rejected and we have decided to be patient while the property owner attempts to find a better buyer (as we think it unlikely that there is one). In February 2013 several no trespassing signs were installed in response to some evidence of illegal OHV use. The Crystal Flats sign was immediately removed and the lock on the gate removed; a more secure temporary lock has been installed, and staff is researching a new gate that will exclude ATV's and motorcycles while allowing hikers, bicyclists and equestrians. The District is partnering with Tuleyome to investigate and come up with the trail alignment connecting Spanish Valley to the Pope To Putah Trail on BLM land which is under construction by Tuleyome. An abandoned trailer in Spanish Valley was removed in July 2014 at no cost to the District using an abandoned vehicle program administered by the County. The Butts Canyon fire did not reach District property, but CDF graded several emergency roads and firebreaks through Spanish Valley. CDF did some remediation work after the fire to address grading damage. The Board in March 2015 adopted interim policies for the Crystal Flats and Stone Corral holdings regarding hunting, shooting, fires and motorized vehicle use. The District in 2015 reimbursed the Lake Berryessa Estates Property Owner's Association for half the cost (~\$4,000) for pruning hazardous trees in the small campground within the Crystal Flats property (which has been used by the Association since the 1970's).

The District, with assistance from the Napa Valley State Parks Association took over management of the parks on April 1, 2012. A County permit for the pool was obtained in July 2012. The state completed installing 3 yurts in October 2012. The District has installed 7 additional yurts. Numerous volunteer projects have been organized. A volunteer forestry management group has been formed and the District has acquired a boom truck and other equipment to facilitate hazardous tree removal and pruning. Utility service accounts have been transferred from the state to the District. An improved recycling system has been implemented. Every septic tank in the park has been pumped clean, and sewer lines were located and cleared of root blockages. Two additional failed septic tanks were discovered in March 2013 and pumped clean. Nearly \$270,000 in gifts, grants and pledges have been obtained to assist with improvements at the parks. The historic Taylor House was repaired and made available for long-term rental in 2013. The District and State Parks have finalized an agreement regarding the "found" state money that provides up to \$537,800 in State funds being granted to the District to cover some salaries and two capital improvement projects (replacement roofs and AC overlay to the picnic area road). The District sponsored SB 170 (Wolk) which would exempt the mill from state food processing facility requirements so that flour from the mill can be sold as a food item; the bill passed the legislature, but unfortunately opposition from the Department of Public Health resulted in the Governor vetoing the bill. Senator Wolk reintroduced the same legislation in the 2015 session; the bill passed the Senate, but was turned into a two year bill, and then dropped, due to continued opposition from the Department of Public Health. Architectural plans for the repair of the cabins were submitted in February 2014 for State Parks approval, and were approved in December 2014. In March 2014 the district was approached by several organizations and individuals requesting that the District consider taking over management of Robert Louis Stevenson State Park; after approval from the Board, staff in June 2014 submitted a proposal to State Parks to manage some aspects of RLS; this proposal has received favorable response, the necessary legislative authorization was approved as part of the proposed State budget for 2015-16. A free admission day including the dedication of the Ridge Trail/Vine Trail junction was held on July 27, 2014. State-grant funded roof repairs and day use area roadways were completed in November 2014. The District provided State Parks with a draft Agreement in mid-October of 2015; the draft agreement is still under review by State Parks. In early 2016 State Parks indicated that for now local operating agreements were only being extended for two years, and that the two year extension wouldn't be completed until the end of 2016. After meeting with the State Parks Director in August 2016, State Parks indicated they would process a 20 year extension as had been initially agreed. Cabin repairs and furnishings, improvements and inspections are complete for three cabins and a shower/toilet combo building, and mostly complete for the remaining two cabins that will be rented to the public. The reservation system was set up through Reserve America, and cabin rentals started in late June 2016.

#### Vallejo Lakes

Possible purchase of 1100 acres of surplus Vallejo Water District lands, of which 200 acres are located in Napa County

Discussions between the District, the Land Trust of Napa County, the County of Solano and the Solano Land Trust indicate a common desire to work together to purchase this property adjacent to Skyline Park. The City Council of the City of Vallejo has officially authorized staff to pursue surplus of the property. The City of Vallejo has hired an appraiser to prepare an estimate of the property's fair market value, but this has not yet been released. The District GM, together with the County of Solano EO, in February 2012 each sent letters to the City of Vallejo formally expressing interest in the property and requesting notification per state law of any planned surplus of the property. Sale of the property by the City has been delayed because of complications related to questions about how best to supply water to residents in Green Valley. The Trust for Public Land has expressed interest in assisting with the purchase of this area. Staff from the District and its partners met with the Vallejo City Manager in April 2014; the surplus process has become more complicated and the City does not anticipate any action in the near future, but meanwhile the City Manager appears open to working with us to figure out a mutually beneficial outcome. Staff had a very interesting meeting with City of Vallejo water division staff and a tour of Lake Curry in late May. The Lake Curry property can only be described as a jewel, and the City of Vallejo would clearly like to divest it. District staff is presently exploring a broad array of options.

#### Vine Trail

A Class I bicycle/pedestrian path extending from Callistoga to the Vallejo Ferry Terminal sponsored by the Vine Trail Coalition, of which the District is a participating member.

The District has entered into an MOU with the Vine Trail Coalition to provide assistance as requested by the Coalition in receiving funds, preparing plans and environmental documents, constructing and operating the trail. The District, the Bay Area Ridge Trail, the San Francisco Bay Trail and the Vine Trail Coalition have prepared a joint Case Statement for the combined trail network for fundraising purposes. The District on February 5, 2010 submitted an appropriations request for FY 2011 to Senator Feinstein, and a similar request to Congressman Thompson on February 26, 2010 on behalf of the Vine Trail Coalition. The District in April 2013 approved and sent a letter of support for the City of Callistoga's request for a grant from the Coastal Conservancy to plan the trail through Callistoga. The Board President in early June 2014 sent a letter of support for a Vine Trail federal "Tiger" grant to help construct the section of trail between Yountville and Napa. The District continues to coordinate with the Vine Trail on plans to route the Vine Trail through Bothe-Napa Valley State Park. A joint Vine Trail/Ridge Trail dedication event was held at Bothe on July 27, 2014. In March 2015 the Vine Trail initiated discussions with district staff about the possibility of the District providing maintenance for the entire Vine Trail. Syar Industries in March 2015 entered into an agreement with Napa Pipe and the Vine Trail to provide an easement for the trail connection between Napa Pipe and Kennedy Park. The Vine Trail Coalition has asked the District whether it would be willing and able to take on operation and maintenance of the Vine Trail as sections are completed, if adequate funding can be obtained. The Vine Trail Coalition, the County and the cities along its route, and the District are currently in discussions about which is the best entity to operate and maintain the trail. The County Board of Supervisors considered this issue on December 8, 2015, but no decisions were made. A meeting with the TAC for the Napa County Transportation Planning Agency to continue the discussion about who should manage the trail was held January 14, 2016; no decisions were made at that time. Another meeting on this topic was held on Thursday July 11, 2016 at NVTAA. The cities and the county appear to be headed toward a process where each entity maintains the section within their jurisdiction, rather than paying into a common fund for common maintenance.

State Parks Operate Bothe-Napa Valley State Park and the Bale Grist Mill State Historic Park

**Completed Projects**

Amy's Grove	Donation of 50 acres along Dry Creek and Wing Creek	The donation of approximately 50 acres of open space from the Chamberlain family to the District closed in December 2015.
Bay Area Ridge Trail Realignment	Amendment to the proposed alignment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail extend north to the Oat Hill Mine Trail	In December of 2012 the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council approved the proposed realignment of the Ridge Trail through Napa County as requested by the District.
Bay/River Trail --	American Canyon to Napa Phase I Phase One--Euclypus Drive to Green Island Road	Constructed approximately 5 miles of Class I bicycle and pedestrian path in the vicinity of American Canyon along the Napa River was completed in April 2012, in partnership with the City of American Canyon, Department of Fish and Game and Napa Vallejo Waste Management Authority. A formal opening ceremony was held June 2, 2012.
Phase Two-A Pond 10		DFW surfaced the existing levee with gravel and opened the gate to the public in spring 2015.
Phase Three--Socol Ferry Road to Napa Pipe		Completed construction in spring of 2015 of 0.7 miles between Socol Ferry Road and the Napa Pipe property in the Napa Valley Corporate Park. The contractor will need to return in the summer of 2015 to reapply stabilizer in those spots where it didn't set up due to cold and wet weather.
Berryessa Peak Trail	Obtain right of way and construct trail to provide public access to extensive federal lands on Blue Ridge and to Berryessa Peak	Obtained donated trail easement from the Ahmann family to close gaps between existing public lands on Blue Ridge. A Negative Declaration and Use Permit hearing was approved December 16, 2009 by the County Planning Commission. An Operations and Management Plan has been approved by the property owner and the District. BLM's biologist inspected the alignment on September 17, 2011. There have been volunteer trail building work parties have been held numerous times between 2011 and the present, and the trail is now done except for signage and a fence crossing. District staff met with Fish and Game on June 15, 2012 to discuss signage at the trailhead on DFG property, and in November 2012 submitted signage language for DFG review. Staff contacted DFG (now DFW) in February of 2013, again in early April, and again in late summer to determine the status of their review. In January 2014 DFW staff responded with an alternative entry sign design, and accepted our fence stile design. Volunteers installed the fence stile in March 2014. DFW installed the trail sign in late June 2015, though the sign copy is missing some information required by the trail easement that the trail uses after leaving DFW property. See attached picture. Staff has prepared two new signs to be placed at the termini of the private land trail easement that clearly state the rules for using the easement; these were installed by volunteers in late December 2015.
Berryessa Vista Acquisition	Purchase of 224 acres from the Land Trust of Napa County for use as a public park completed in early 2008 using State Prop 12 funds.	
Cedar Roughs/Smittle Creek Area	Acquisition of 443 acres providing public access to Cedar Roughs from Smittle Creek Day Use Area	Purchase of the property closed in December 2015.
Connolly Ranch	Construction of patio, restrooms and cooking facilities completed in 2008 using State Prop 12 funds.	Staff has completed a comprehensive review of historic rights-of-way, and is now focusing attention on those which have greatest potential.
Historic ROW Analysis	Study to determine location and status of historic road Rights-of-Way and whether they have value as non-motorized recreational trails	
Linda Falls	Conservation easement accepted in spring 2008 from Land Trust of Napa County to provide additional protection for this 39 acre property, which is owned by the land trust	
Master Plan Development	The Master Plan for 2008-2013 was approved in January 2009	

Master Plan Update	Board ad hoc committee appointed. Methodology for doing update has been agreed upon. Project was delayed due to competing demands on staff time (primarily the effort to keep Napa's state parks from closing). A draft update has been prepared by staff working with the Board ad hoc committee for the Master Plan update, and released by the Board at the April 9, 2012 meeting for public comment. The plan update was adopted by the Board at its June 2012 meeting.
Milliken Reservoir Trails and Picnic Area Feasibility Study	The feasibility study has been completed, and accepted by the Board of Directors. The Napa City Council in November, 2009 approved city staff recommendation to hold off on the Milliken Reservoir trails project until the Hennessey trail project is up and running.
Moore Creek Open Space Park	Would construct approximately 3 miles of Bay Area Ridge Trail plus additional feeder and loop trails, along with a staging and picnic area
Moore Creek Open Space Park	Acquisition of 673 acres in the Moore Creek Watershed completed in December 2008.
Napa River Ecological Reserve Improvements	Parking area paved, and rock barrier installed to control vehicular access in 2007. Trash enclosure constructed and entry signs restored by volunteers in 2008. Deteriorated kiosk removed in 2008. The District in July 2008 assumed the County's role in managing the preserve under the joint management agreement with DFG. A new maintenance contract with the non-profit organization Options 3 was started in January 2009. The old deteriorated information kiosk, which had become a serious eyesore, was removed in November 2008.
Napa River Ecological Reserve Restoration	This multi-year project resulted in the removal of the bulk of the invasive teasel that had taken over the 5 acre meadow at the entrance to the Reserve, and the construction of a short native plant interpretive trail. Work was done by volunteers, students, and paid contractors. In doing this work, several thousand students received a day of environmental education about native and invasive plants and riparian ecology.
Napa River Flood Control Easement	Conservation easement accepted by District in 2007 to facilitate Flood District project and grant funding
Newell Preserve Improvements	As part of the arrangement with the land trust on the District's purchase of Berryessa Vista, the land trust was willing to use some of the proceeds from the transaction to fund a well pump and distribution system at the Preserve. However, the first well drilled by the City of American Canyon came up dry. The City has dropped plans for drilling any more test wells.
Oat Hill Mine Trail	The Oat Hill Mine Trail was formally opened in May of 2008, after a major volunteer work party doing signage installation, brush removal and erosion control.
Oat Hill Mine Trail	The District in 2008 applied to BLM for a non-fee transfer to the District of a 40 acre parcel at Maple Springs on the Oat Hill Mine Trail; this application is pending. Staff met with BLM in February 2011 to discuss how to speed up this transfer; another meeting with the same topic was held August 5, 2011. The District is still waiting on BLM to process the application. BLM in April 2016 indicated they did not want to transfer this parcel, so the District's application will be dropped.
River to Ridge Trail Enhancements	Installation of animal silhouettes along the entryway fence illustrating the types of birds and mammals that can be found in the area completed by Eagle Scout candidate in 2008. In November 2008 five Valley Oak trees were planted at the Highway 221 entrance to the trail with the assistance of a volunteer from CNPS.
River to Ridge Trail	Deeds accomplishing the adjustment in property boundaries between Syar and the State have been recorded.
River to Ridge Trail	Lot line adjustment to legalize River to Ridge Trail as constructed (it currently encroaches on
River to Ridge Trail Entrance Enhancements	A new information kiosk was installed at the entrance in December 2008 as part of a Boy Scout project. Several Live Oak seedlings were donated by CNPS and have been planted at the entrance to improve its appearance.
River to Ridge Trail	Correct drainage problems to trail can be used year-round.
Skyline Park Road and Trail Improvements	Two volunteer work weekends in March and April and two more in May of 2010 were organized by the District to clear brush, improve drainage, and surface about 300 feet of the trail with quarry fines to control problems with mud. Volunteers completed additional work in August 2011.
Skyline Park Road and Trail Improvements	Erosion control work on Lake Marie Road, and paving of campground loop road, completed in 2007 using State Prop 12 funds.
Skyline Park Concessionaire Agreement Renewal	District staff negotiated renewal of concessionaire agreement on behalf of the County. The renewal involved changes to the fee schedule and amendments to and approval of subagreements with three non-profit partner organizations.

Staff worked with SPCA and V-O-CAL to sponsor a weekend work party on October 15-17, 2010. Approximately 110 volunteers worked to reroute and repair trails experiencing serious erosion problems. SPCA is donating \$1,000 toward expenses.

Skyline Park Trail Improvements  
Major volunteer event to reroute and repair trails

Skyline Park Facility Improvements  
Partner-sponsored improvement include a second greenhouse and a covered equestrian arena.

The proposals for a second greenhouse and a covered arena were approved by the Department of General Services and by the County Board of Supervisors. The sponsors of these projects are now raising funds for implementation.

South Napa Wetlands Habitat Area  
Transfer to the District those wetlands owned by the Napa County flood control district between the Napa River, Highway 29 and Newport Drive for use as habitat and nature-based recreation.  
Assume management of Bothe-Napa Valley State Park and keep it and the Bale Grist Mill

Transfer was approved in concept by the flood control district, and Park District staff prepared the first draft of a transfer agreement. Subsequently, attorney's for the flood district concluded it would be better from their perspective for the flood district to retain ownership of the property, due to their ongoing maintenance obligations.

State Parks  
The District took over operations of the parks on April 1, 2012, and have a 5 year agreement with the State to continue operating the parks.

Trichero Open Space Acquisition  
Donation of 3,400 acres of open space to the District by Bob and Evalyn Trinchero

The donation was completed on December 29, 2010. A related granting of an access easement to the Lake Berryessa Resort Improvement District was completed in mid-January 2011.

Wild Lake Ranch  
Assist land trust with planning and possible joint management of trails, camping and picnic areas.

The District participated in the development of a strategic plan for the property, together with other public lands in the area, that was led by the Land Trust of Napa County. The land trust has decided, at least for the near term, to manage the Wildlake-Duff property itself.

## August 2016 Park Report

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### Bothe-Napa Valley-

Rob and crew are making great progress on the two small cabins. Plumbing is installed, flooring bids are coming in. Appliances will be ordered soon. The parking spaces were made and the signs are up that name the cabins (Manzanita and Madrone Cabins)



A few trees have come down this summer and Tyler and crew have been diligent on keeping the trails cleared as the reports come in.

There were two events at Bothe in August. The first was a small gathering of Ukulele players, called Camp OO, KOO LAY LAY....They enjoyed their time and activities at the park, but would like to come in June next year when the day time temps are a bit cooler.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Vintage Trailer event, sponsored by the Napa County Landmarks, brought in many day users. The day was fun and the food provided was enjoyed by all. A meeting will be held this month to discuss how the logistics worked and how to improve the event for next year.

Summer is winding down as fall sets in. We expect to be busy on all weekend through October according to the reservation report. We are losing a few staff members to school obligations and will need to hire to back fill those positions.

The cabins were full on Labor Day weekend. They brought in needed revenue for the park. We had one complaint of a stray cricket that joined the guests in the cabin that sang all night. Unfortunately the guests were kept up all night to the virtuoso echo.

### Bale Grist Mill-

The new miller trainee, Steve Harle, has been helping to keep the grounds orderly, mill greased and learning the ins and outs on the upcoming events. He will transition from a trainee to a miller in September and pull a few shifts milling. Steve also works at Bothe in the Kiosk and will continue to be involved in the planning and prep of the Harvest Dinner, Old Mill Days, and Pioneer Christmas and the Winter Dinner in February.

Pete McGee NVSPA Board president has offered again this year to let park staff come pick apples for Old Mill Days.

Steve Harle made a trip to Ardenwood Farm an East Bay Regional Park, to pick up our yearly supply of Wheat on the stalk for our threshing demonstrations. EBRPD has continued to be a good partner with us.

Because Jeanne Marioni will be retiring as our wonderful events planner, PR person etc...and park report writer, we are taking appropriate steps to train Steve and Margaret to handle some of her duties. Jay Jessen has stepped into help with many of the other park operations and work with us on planning the next year events. (As it will take all of us to replace her)

RLS

RLS continues to be a popular hiking park with the parking lot over full on weekends all summer.