



AGENDA

June 8th, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite D, Tuolumne Building Conference Room Modesto, CA 95358

Call Meeting to Order:

The Stanislaus County Park Commission encourages public participation and welcomes the public's interest. Members of the public may be heard on any item of the Stanislaus County Park Commission's agenda. A person addressing the Commission will be limited to five (5) minutes, unless the Chairperson of the commission grants a longer period of time. The Commission will allow comments by members of the public on an agenda item only during consideration of the item.

Agenda Items:

Table with 10 rows of agenda items and their assigned chairs (Chair, Commissioners, Parks Staff).

Adjournment, the next meeting will be on: Thursday, July 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. 3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite D, Tuolumne Building Conference Room Modesto, CA 95358

Standing Reminders:

- a. Elections in November
b. July is Parks Month
c. FPPC 700 Forms (annual)
Link: http://www.fppc.ca.gov/Form700.html
d. AB 1234 Ethics Course (every two years)
Link: http://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx

Commission Goals:

- 1. Enhance Board Communication
2. Increase Partnerships
3. Training and Education for Commissioners
4. Increase Awareness of Parks

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PARK COMMISSION
Vacant, Chair
Vacant, Vice Chair
Tera Chumley Director, Parks and Recreation

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

September 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Tuolumne Building, Conference Room
3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite D
Modesto, CA 95358

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Don Moyer, D1
Edward Dobson, D5

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF PRESENT:

Tera Chumley
Darlynn Haas
Michele Armas

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Zachary Keller, D2
Kyle Fliflet, At-Large
Austin Grant, D4
John Snoke, At-Large

GUESTS PRESENT:

None

A. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.
Quorum was not present. Minutes will be discussed and approved at next meeting.

ACTIONS

Edward Dobson

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- 1. None

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Approval next meeting

ACTIONS

D. STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

ACTIONS & REPORTER

### **Woodward Reservoir**

- Visitation for August was similar to 2021.
- The no body to water contact begins September 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Thirteen out of sixteen duck blinds pinned spots for the upcoming duck season.
- Restroom cleaning and garbage pick-up is still the order of the day, but after the Labor Day weekend repair work will begin for all the minor damage that was not able to be addressed during the season.
- After the season ends on Labor Day, Ray McCabe will continue taking inventory of all the trees and various amenities in the park with the tree plotter app.

### **Modesto Reservoir**

- Staff continues to do routine maintenance on the campgrounds and bathrooms.
- Modesto Reservoir is busy with camping and day use.
- Several boating accidents were reported due to boats hitting sand bars, only minor injuries were reported.

### **Archery Range: Yahi Bowmen**

- The archery club members continued to mow and maintain the archery range and targets. Yahi's had a cleanup day at the archery on Aug 22, 2022. They accomplished some major clean up and did some irrigation repairs.
- The archery range continues to be open to the public.
- The Yahi Bowmen hosts 3D shoots every Saturday through the summer.

### **Kiwanis Youth Camp**

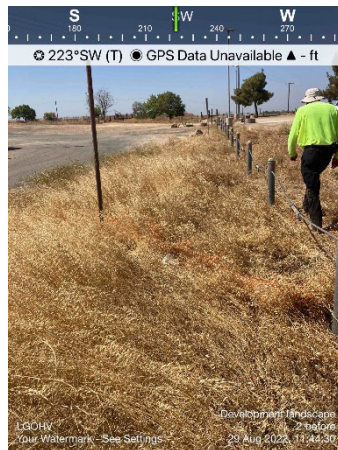
- The facility is routinely maintained, bathrooms cleaned, lawns mowed.
- We completed all the electrical repairs and installed new LED lights and repainted the bathroom.

### **La Grange OHV**

- Trail work, erosion control, fencing and facility cleanup are done routinely.
- Landscape project was finished. We planted 200 1 gallon no mow plants, installed drip irrigation system to support the plants and also added 5 - 20 gallon California oak trees to the upper camp grounds.
- The park is open for day use and camping.
- Lagrange OHV now accepts online reservations for our developed sites on the upper camping area. 15 campsites are available to be reserved include potable water, Fire pit/BBQ, table and concrete RV pad.

**ENTRANCE TO LA GRANGE OFF ROAD PARK**

**BEFORE:**



**AFTER:**



**Basso Fishing Access/Turlock Fishing Access (TFA)**

- Both fishing access are maintained and cleaned on a regular basis.
- Basso continues to stay busy
- TFA is currently only open for walk-in recreation as the state has close down Turlock Lake as they find a new vendor.

**La Grange Park**

- The park and restroom are cleaned and maintained regularly.
- Regularly maintain lawns and trees at the old school house.

**Community Parks**

- **Fairview Park** – Basketball court solar lighting project at this location is underway. The lights have been purchased. Footings and poles to which the lights will be affixed will be installed within the next month.
- **Riverdale Park and Fishing Access** – Parks continues to work on securing the boat launch gate. Transients are using the gate to access land behind the old transfer station. Bids for custom fabrication are being obtained. We continue to call code enforcement for various trucks and

trailers that park and begin living along the front of the park. Park's staff get questioned/threatened when taking pictures of said vehicles.

- **Mono Park** –Transients continue to occupy Mono Park off and on as they are forced off surrounding properties in the area owed by Gallo or others. When this happens, they start to enter our park and are very agitated and threatening. Our staff will only stay and maintain this park as they feel safe. If at any time they do not feel safe they have been instructed to leave, whether their work is completed or not.
- **Oregon Park** – A single transient person has begun to occupy this park and, in a short time, has accumulated a mass of “personal items” We will work with the Sheriff's Dept. and other agencies to provide this person services, but eventually remove this person from the park. This work is conducted as staff time allows.
- **Broadway/Salida Park** - Basketball court solar lighting project at this location is underway. The lights have been purchased. Footings and poles to which the lights will be affixed will be installed within the next month.
- **Burbank Park** – Hazard tree work and some tree removals were performed at this location in June.
- **Parklawn Park** – Parks has abated the graffiti to the best of their abilities and has spent near \$20,000 in the last few months through contractors to make electrical, plumbing and building repairs at this location.
- **Regional Water Safety Center in Empire** – PAL's swim program has closed for the season.
- **Proposed New Developments**
  - Hoffman Ranch - Is a new proposed residential subdivision in Denair
  - Keyes South - will be a sub account within CSA 26 – Currently under construction.
  - Orange Grove Estates - in Keyes is a new proposed Development
  - Fairway 7 Estates - Currently under construction.
  - The Enclave (Villas at Del Rio)
  - Issaco Estates- in Denair is a new proposed development
- **Staffing**
  - CP/CC is currently down:
  - 5 (five) Full Time Park Aide positions that are vacant are in the process of being filled and should have most if not all starting on 9/12/22.
  - Many staff members out in August for various reasons.
  - CP/CC was down 5-12+ positions every single day.

**COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Discussion of interest in a Skate Park for Salida. Tera reviewed procedures of how to start a request of that nature. Starting with a discussion with the Salida MAC Council.

**ACTIONS & REPORTER**

*Edward Dobson*  
*Tera Chumley*

**F. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING**

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Parks Commission will be held on, **Thursday, October 14, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.**

PREPARED BY: Michele Armas, Park Commission Secretary (209)525-6839

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**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**  
 Zachary Keller, Chair  
 Vacant, Vice Chair  
 Tera Chumley, Interim Director, Parks and Recreation

**MINUTES**  
**August 11th, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.**

Meeting held online with Microsoft Teams  
 1-559-512-3189 United States, Fresno (Toll)  
 1-888-370-6086 United States (Toll-Free)  
 Conference ID: 544 571 988#

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Don Moyer, D1  
 Zach Keller, D2  
 Austin Grant, D4  
 John Snoke, At-Large

**PARKS & RECREATION STAFF PRESENT:**

Tera Chumley  
 Darlynn Haas  
 Michele Armas

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Kyle Fiflet, At-Large  
 Edward Dobson, D3

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

None

**A. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS**

**ACTIONS**

- The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

*Zachary Keller*

**B. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- None

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES/ADOPT TELECONFERENCE RESOLUTION**

**ACTIONS**

John Snoke made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from June 9, 2022.  
 Don Moyer seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

*John Snoke*  
*Don Moyer*

**D. STAFF HIGHLIGHTS**

**ACTIONS & REPORTER**

**June/July 2022**

**Modesto Reservoir**

- Staff continues to do routine maintenance on the campgrounds and bathrooms.
- Modesto Reservoir is busy with camping and day use.
- 4<sup>th</sup> of July was busy, the campgrounds were fully booked, day use was heavy on Saturday and Sunday. No major issues were reported over the Holiday weekend. The park had to be shut down to all incoming traffic on Saturday July 2<sup>nd</sup> for a few hours due to heavy use.
- Modesto Reservoir did well repair work on Well #2, we installed a new Variable Frequency Device at the pump station.
- Modesto Reservoir now hosts a paddle board vendor.

**Archery Range: Yahi Bowmen**

- The Archery club members continued to mow and maintain the archery range and targets.
- The Archery range continues to be open to the public.
- Hosts 3D shoots every Saturday through the summer.

**Kiwanis Youth Camp**

- The facility is routinely maintained, bathrooms cleaned, and lawns mowed.
- We completed all the electrical repairs and installed new LED lights and repainted the bathroom.

**Lagrange OHV**

- Trail work, erosion control, fencing and facility cleanup are done routinely.
- Landscape will begin soon to add some plants and new trees to our upper camping area as part of our development project.
- The park is open for Day use and camping.
- Lagrange OHV now accepts online reservations for our developed sites on the upper camping area. 15 campsites are available to be reserved include potable water, fire pit/BBQ, table and concrete RV pad.

**Basso Fishing Access/Turlock Fishing Access (TFA)**

- Both Fishing Accesses are maintained and cleaned on a regular basis.
- Basso continues to stay busy
- TFA is currently only open for walk-in recreation as the state has close down Turlock Lake as they find a new vendor.

**LaGrange Park**

- The park and restroom is cleaned and maintained regularly.
- Regularly maintain lawns and trees at the Old School House.

**Woodward Reservoir Staff Highlights – June 2022**

- The season is in full swing, visitation was very heavy during the triple digit temps.
- Restroom cleaning and garbage pick-up is the top focus as we are short staffed.
- Staff is prepping the new shoot site for the Annual Fireworks Celebration that involves a lot more mowing and dirt work.
- Staff is working with IT to improve the new Point of Sale/reservation system as it
- Staff is working with IT to improve the new Point Of Sale/ reservation system as it is slow and is causing delays getting customers into the park.
- Mussel Quagga inspections have been ongoing on the weekends.
- Here are the mussel inspections for June. No invasive mussels were found.

Date	Total Vessels Inspected
June 18	96
June 19	90
June 25	85
June 26	85

**Woodward Reservoir Staff Highlights - July 2022**

- The July visitation was very heavy during this whole month with record crowds on the weekends.
- The Annual Fireworks Celebration show was spectacular, though we did have issues getting customers in the park in a timely manner. The park had to be shut down three times during the holiday weekend for traffic to be dispersed on 26 Mile road.
- Staff has done very well despite seasonal staff shortages in maintenance.
- Restroom cleaning and garbage pick-up is still the order of the day.



- SSJID has notified us that the nobody to water contact begins Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>.
- The stats for Mussel dog inspections are as follows, with none detected.

Date	Total Vessel Inspections
July 9	112
July 10	92
July 23	106
July 30	74

**County Centers/Community Parks**

**Staff**

- CP/CC is currently down six full time Park Aides, hoping to fill by September 2022.

**E COMMISSION COMMENTS**

**ACTIONS & REPORTER**

Commissioner Keller requested update on the Lights and Fairview going. Darlynn Haas advised they are in stock and waiting of installation. Electrical engineer is going to have to come out and pour a cement pad to install the lights. We are looking at September/October for completion of that project.

*Zachary Keller  
Darlynn Haas*

Commissioner Keller requested update on Joseph Sanchez. Darlynn stated a small placard will be installed.

*Zachary Keller  
Darlynn Haas*

Commissioner Keller asked about Laird Park. Discussion regarding illegal dumping.

*Zachary Keller  
Darlynn Haas*

Commissioner Keller asked about basketball courts. Discussion about renovating the existing ones.

*Zachary Keller  
Darlynn Haas*

Darlynn informed Parks and Recreation has been given 10 million dollars to use at our parks. We are starting the research to determine what are the needs of the parks to determine how that money is spent.

*Darlynn Haas*

Grant asked about how ordinances are passed. Discussion about the safety of parks, code enforcement, homelessness. All issues that need addressing.

*Austin Grant*

Tera informed the commission about the 10 million dollars, the plan to address the parks with input from the community. County staff fully aware of the issues with code enforcement and homelessness in the county.

*Tera Chumley*

Grant discussed that maybe Mono Park might be purchased by Gallo a few years back. Darlynn advised its not for sale, gifted to us and would have to be gifted back. That's not going to happen.

*Austin Grant*

Darlynn advised commission that the figures on the staff in report are not valid. She discussed the actual revenues for June & July

*Darlynn Haas*

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