



Legislation Text

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Supervisor Ranalli recommending the Board:

- 1) Welcome Vickie Sanders, El Dorado County Parks Manager, Office of the Chief Administrative Office, Parks and Trails Division, to provide the Board and members of the public with information on the community volunteers who dedicate their time to assist the Parks and Trails Division in their efforts to operate and maintain the County's parks, trails and river programs, the types of projects these community volunteers have donated their time and talent to support, and the significant contribution of these volunteers in support of the County's parks, trails and river programs;
- 2) Join Vickie Sanders and the Chief Administrative Officer in recognizing the community volunteers who dedicate their time and talent to support the County Parks and Trails Division in efforts to maintain and improve the availability and quality of our County's parks and recreational opportunities; and
- 3) Approve the signature of all five Board members on a Proclamation that recognizes these volunteers for their service. (Est. Time: 30 Min.)

The Parks & Trails Division within the Chief Administrative Office oversees the operations of the established parks and trails in the County. These parks include Henningsen Lotus Park, Pioneer Park, Forebay Community Park, Joe's Skate Park, Bradford Park, the El Dorado Trail, SPTC corridor, and the Rubicon Trail. Operational components related to the parks and trails include park staffing, event scheduling, trail maintenance, and ensuring proper usage of the parks and trails.

Community volunteers donate their time and talent to support the efforts of the Parks and Trails Division to operate, maintain and enhance the recreational opportunities available to County residents and that enhance the County's tourism and recreational opportunities for those who visit the County of El Dorado.

Trail Volunteers:

Community volunteers assist the County in the maintenance and operation of the El Dorado Trail, Northside Bike Path and various trails in South Lake Tahoe in volunteering their time to assist with vegetation management efforts, assist with litter abatement efforts, participate in planning meetings on trail improvement projects and in providing their valuable knowledge of the trails as well as the needs of the community.

River Volunteers:

Community volunteers assist the County in volunteering their time to assist with river clean-up projects that include the three annual river clean-up efforts that are scheduled for the upper river section (Chili Bar), lower river section (gorge) and the low water (fish flow) section from Coloma to Greenwood Creek. On average 36 community volunteers participate at each of these clean-up events.

Rail Volunteers:

Community volunteers assist the County in volunteering their time to assist with the clean-up and improvement projects along the Sacramento-Placerville Transportation Corridor (SPTC). While the

rail volunteers are coordinated through the County's Museum Program, they do provide valuable assistance to the vegetation management efforts, litter abatement and general maintenance of the SPTC. The Parks and Trails Division looks forward to joint projects as they move towards Class I and Natural Trail development.

Park Volunteers:

Community volunteers assist the County in volunteering their time to assist with park improvement projects. The County's parks have benefited from Eagle Scout Projects that included the construction of a kiosk at the Shingle Springs Depot, construction of concrete pads at the Frisbee Golf Course at Pioneer Park and Mile Markers on the Rubicon Trail. A local Cub Scout Troop recently planted a tree at Bradford Park.

Rubicon Trail Volunteers:

The Rubicon Trail has 15 segments that have each been adopted by various groups or individuals that assist with annual inspections and maintenance efforts in accordance with the Best Management Practices (BMP's). Rubicon Adopt a Trail groups cleaned out 678.5 - five gallon buckets from the Energy Dissipaters in 2017. As part of the Pirates of the Rubicon's annual end of the season clean-up in 2017, 39 volunteers provided 314 hours of time for the final trail clean-up effort before winter which also generated \$7,850 in matching grant funds.