

Rancho San Clemente

Community Association

Spring
2017
Newsletter

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Special Thanks

... to **Karel Rocha**
for his generous service on RSCCA's board
of directors. Thank-you Karel.

Warm Welcome

... to **Kent Sanders** our new board
member from Harbor View;
... & **Bob Carson**, Rancho Cristianitos.

\$19,444 Irrigation Refund

RSCCA has requested a city refund
of \$19,444 for the years 2015-2016, due to
miscalculations and/or incorrect square
footages used in the city's billing formula.
It appears that miscalculations may have
resulted in significant decreases in the
amount of allowed irrigation, higher tier
rates, and overuse penalties.

National Fire Protection Association (NFA) Grant

RSCCA has applied to NFA for a
\$500 grant towards the costs of creating
defensible zones to protect residences
along the Empalme Slope area.

NFA is offering 150 \$500 grants for
community projects in commemoration of
Wildfire Community Preparedness Day,
Saturday May 6, 2017.

Landscape Update

Welcome seasonal rains have
carpeted Open Space areas with native
indigenous greenery, and RSCCA's
newest slope project is set to revitalize the
NW side of Calle Del Cerro with new
landscaping. Strawberry trees (*Urbutus
unedo*) have been added to RSCCA's
urban forest.

Rain Events

Congratulations to members who
prepared for the rain by: picking up to 25
free sandbags at the city yard and fire
stations; checking and flushing out yard
drains to make sure they are not clogged;
clearing V-ditches in rear yards for
unobstructed flow of run-off to the city's
storm drain system; and checking into
flood insurance for homes located at the
base of steep slopes.

Homeless Shelter

The Emergency Shelter Coalition
reports that the city's SB2 shelter zone
area in the RSC Business Park is
unacceptable because it does not provide
public transportation or services; and OC
Superior Court Judge Moss issued an
injunction that effectively stops the city
from issuing any building permits in
commercial areas until the city provides a
viable shelter zone. Further, the state has
not certified the city's Housing Element of
the General Plan, in part, due to non-
compliance with SB2.

Pico Construction Alert

Avenida Pico under the freeway and the northbound 1-5 off-and on-ramps are scheduled to be closed from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday through Friday for up to six weeks, beginning Monday, March 6, 2017.

Avenida Vista Hermosa and Calle Frontera will be available as detours.

Dates and times are subject to change if there is inclement weather or if there are unforeseen operational factors.

Notice courtesy of: *I-5 South County Improvements*

Motorcycles are Prohibited on the Ridge Route Trail and all RSCCA Common Area Slopes. Please Protect RSCCA'S Open Space.

The City has signs posted along the 4.5 mile Ridge Route Trail. No motorized vehicles are allowed.

All trail users, including mountain bike riders, must stay on the trail only. All other areas are closed fire zones.

RSCCA also has "No Trespassing" signs posted along the sides of the trail to deter users from venturing off-trail into the high fire zones.

Motorcycles have been observed entering the Ridge Route Trail from the Del Dios cul-de-sac in Harbor View. Others have been sited off-trail along Knob Hill on the NW slope Fire Zones along Calle del Cerro.

Please protect RSCCA's slopes from vandalism, fires, illegal trails, camps, dumping, damages; increase safety; and decrease costs and liabilities.

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