

AGENDA

NORTH ETIWANDA PRESERVE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING (CSA 120)

January 17, 2013
2:30 P.M.

8575 Haven Avenue, Suite 130
Environmental Health Department Meeting Room
(Corner of Haven and Arrow Rte.)
Ranch Cucamonga

1. Introductions
 2. Approval of Minutes from October 18, 2012 – At the October meeting, the Board of Directors were presented information on a California Gnatcatcher genetic variability study being conducted through the USGS. The study focuses on genetic differences or similarities between Gnatcatcher populations distributed throughout Southern California. The North Etiwanda Preserve is to be used by the USGS as one of many data collection sites. Other items covered at Board meeting included financial and operation reports along with updates from sub committees and information on CSA 120's Sphere of Influence proposal being considered by LAFCO (Board Chair, Dianna Lee).
 3. Public Comment – Each speaker has up to five minutes to comment on agenda items or express views to the District Board of Directors (Board Chair, Dianna Lee).
 4. Chaffey College Biological Research & Field Study Conducted within the NEP - Students of Chaffey College have visited the Preserve under Permit on a number of occasions in 2012 as part of learning objectives for Biology I (General Biology) and Biology 63 (Evolution Ecology). Two presentations will be given on the field data collected and the discoveries made relative to the Preserve (Tim Millington, Special Districts and Robin Ikeda, Chaffey College Biology Professor).
 - A. Game Camera Project - Camouflaged Cameras were placed in various areas of the Preserve to gather and record animal images that may allow identification of inhabitants. On most casual visits to the Preserve it isn't likely that many animals will be seen other than rather common birds. Cameras are used by biologists as a non intrusive data collection method to confirm eye witness reports and species probability (Christopher Galley, Chaffey College and UCR Biology Student).
 - B. Range extension of the damselfly genus *Archilestes* (Odonata), discovered by a student while conducting a photographic survey of the Lepidopterans and Odonates of Day Canyon. The genus found was not known to occur in San Bernardino County (Juddy Canello, Chaffey College Biology Student).
- Chaffey College has asked to extend provisions within the North Etiwanda Preserve Research permit issued by CSA 120 to include: 1. Capture and release of fish, amphibians, reptiles, and mammals (Use of Sherman live traps), and 2. Capture and sacrifice minute numbers (1-2) of terrestrial and aquatic invertebrates for identification purposes.
5. Endowment Interest Report – Total interest earnings posted for each of the past quarters have averaged below 1%. Earnings for the previous quarter were \$2,275.23 @ a rate of 0.566 % (five tenths of a %). A balance of \$ 1,610,089 is currently in the endowment account (Tim Millington, Special Districts).
 6. North Etiwanda Preserve Operation and Maintenance – An update will be given regarding trends of use, projects, clean-ups and items being addressed (Tim Millington, Special Districts & Board Chair, Dianna Lee).
 7. Sub Committee Updates – Various committee members will update other board members on items being undertaken at the committee level. Committees: Fire Management Plan, Ordinance Development, Fee Review, Education & Website, Volunteer Recruitment, and Biology. Committees met infrequently due to the holidays, but progress has been made in a number of areas (NEP Board Members and Tim Millington, Special Districts).

8. Review of Possible Mitigation Property transfer from San Bernardino County Flood Control – San Bernardino County Public Works/Flood Control Division has approached CSA 120 about operation and management of 343 acres of mitigation property from their San Sevaine Creek Water Project. Final Phases of the San Sevaine Project were recently completed and Mitigation land has been identified near the North Etiwanda Preserve within the Etiwanda Creek confluence.
9. Update on LAFCO Application to Establish a Sphere Area for CSA 120 – LAFCO Department Review Committee hearing was held on May 3, 2012. Comments and determinations from the LAFCO hearing were presented to Special Districts. Special Districts formulated responses in a letter dated July 10, 2012 and submitted the letter along with other supporting documents requested. On October 23, 2012 LAFCO meet with Special Districts and requested that an additional \$4,000 be paid to allow for more extensive environmental review (Tim Millington, Special Districts).

10. Board Comment

8. Next Quarterly Meeting Date: Thursday, April 18, 2013
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