

County of San Diego

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR MT WOODSON GATEWAY COUNTY PRESERVE PARKING LOT

September 22, 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of San Diego (County), Department of Parks and Recreation, as lead agency, is circulating for public review a Draft Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Mt Woodson Gateway County Preserve Parking Lot (project).

Project Name: Mt Woodson Gateway County Preserve Parking Lot

Project Location: The project is approximately 9 acres on County-owned property within the existing Mt Woodson Gateway County Preserve located at the base of the Mt Woodson trail network adjacent to State Route 67 (SR-67). Mt Woodson Gateway County Preserve is within the unincorporated community of Ramona in San Diego County as identified on two parcels (APNs 2780907600 and 2780810200).

Project Description: Currently, there is an active safety concern for visitors parking on SR-67 shoulders, and neighboring streets to access the Mt Woodson trail network. The proposed project would provide a safe, alternative parking option within the Mt Woodson Gateway County Preserve by creating 250+ parking spots, and an accessible staging area, including a kiosk, portable restrooms, and trash receptacles, for the existing trail users. Additionally, the proposed project, as approved by and in accordance with Caltrans, will include the re-striping of SR-67 to delineate a turn lane northbound accessing the site, a deceleration lane southbound, and a monument sign.

Availability: The Draft MND is available to the public for a 30-day review period, September 22 - October 22, 2022, online at http://www.sdparks.org/content/sdparks/en/AboutUs/Plans/public-review-documents.html, or in-person at the following locations: County of San Diego, Department of Parks and Recreation, 5500 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123, and Ramona County Library, 1275 Main St, Ramona, CA 92065.

Comments: Written comments on the Draft MND must be received no later than **October 22, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.** Comments should be e-mailed to <u>CountyParksCEQA@sdcounty.ca.gov</u> or mailed to County of San Diego (Attn: Nicole Revelo), Department of Parks and Recreation, 5500 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123

Findings: Pursuant to the provisions of the CEQA (Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.) and based on information contained in the attached Initial Study Checklist, the County Department of Parks and Recreation has determined that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment with implementation of mitigation measures.

For any questions or if you would like to review a printed copy of the document in person, contact Nicole Revelo at (858) 243-7185 or <u>Nicole.Revelo@sdcounty.ca.gov</u>.





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