

NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
2950 Peralta Oaks Court
Oakland, CA

Wednesday, November 16, 2011
12:45 – 2:45 pm, Board Room

The following agenda items are listed for Committee consideration. In accordance with the Board Operating Guidelines, no official action of the Board will be taken at this meeting; rather, the Committee's purpose shall be to review the listed items and to consider developing recommendations to the Board of Directors.

12:30 Lunch for Committee Members

AGENDA

STATUS	TIME	ITEM	STAFF
(I)	12:45	Swim Beach Water Quality Signage	(MacLean)
(I)	1:15	Canada Geese and EBRPD Recreational Water Quality	(Graul/Williams)
(I)	1:45	Vasco Oil Spill Update	(Fujita)
(D)	2:00	Future Agenda Items	(Anderson)
(D)	2:15	Public Comment	
(R)		Recommendation for Future Board Consideration	
(I)		Information	
(D)		Discussion	

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AGENDA SUMMARY

Serpentine Prairie Update

1. Swim Beach Water Quality Signage (Hal MacLean)

For years, monitoring water quality has been done at District lake and bay Swim Beaches. It has always been a challenge to convey what our results mean to the public and even to District employees. A stop light sign was designed to help people understand relative swim beach water quality, and a new addition to the District website has brought swim beach water quality into the 21st century. Current signs and other water quality signs in progress will be introduced and explained.

2. Canada Geese and EBRPD Recreational Water Quality (Matt Graul and Kristine Williams)

Canada Geese have been documented as an important potential non-point source of fecal contamination of surface waters. This past summer (2011), a study was conducted attempting to quantify the relationship between the abundance of fecal matter attributable to Canada Geese and respective microbial analysis of water quality at two EBRPD parks, Shadow Cliffs in Pleasanton and Quarry Lakes in Fremont.

3. Vasco Hills Oil Spill Update (Neal Fujita)

On August 27, 2011, a ConocoPhillips' 24-inch crude oil pipeline was punctured by an unauthorized track hoe excavation that resulted in a release of pressurized crude oil onto District property within the Vasco Hills area. Pooled liquid oil, as well as pipeline pressurized/windblown oil, was distributed over a 7 to 9 acre area. District Stewardship staff and other departmental staff worked diligently with ConocoPhillips, California Department of Fish and Game, US Fish and Wildlife Service, East Contra Costa County Conservancy and Contra Costa County Health Services to implement emergency response and remediation activities. This presentation will provide an update as to what environmental impacts occurred and what remedial/clean-up activities ensued as a result of this incident.