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## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE CASTAIC AREA MULTI-USE TRAILS PLAN & ADOPTION OF INITIAL STUDY/FINAL MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The Board of Supervisors will consider approval of the Castaic Area Multi-Use Trails Plan on **Tuesday, October 25, 2016** at 9:30 a.m., in Room 381B of the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California 90012. Interested persons will be given an opportunity to testify. The final documents are available on the project website at <a href="http://www.castaicmultiusetrails.org/">http://www.castaicmultiusetrails.org/</a>.

The Board will consider approval of the Castaic Area Multi-Use Trails Plan and adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Castaic Area Multi-Use Trails Plan; will also find that the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the Board, and adopt the Mitigated Monitoring and Reporting Programs, finding that it is adequately designed to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during the project implementation; find on the basis of the whole record before the Board, that there is no substantial evidence that the project will have significant effect on the environment; and adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

**Project Location:** The project area encompasses approximately 75 square miles in the unincorporated Castaic area of the Santa Clarita Valley in the northwestern portion of Los Angeles County. The project area is composed of generally mountainous and valley terrain that abuts the Angeles National Forest to the north, the City of Santa Clarita to the southeast, Highway 126 to the south, and Ventura County to the west.

**Project Description:** The proposed project would work to encourage and promote new multi-use trails and recommend improvements to existing trails, providing an alignment to incorporate a transition throughout the Castaic project area to additional areas, jurisdictions, and prime destinations within and adjacent to the Castaic project area. The proposed project would develop a complete multi-use trail system connecting user groups and local populations to desired recreation destinations and experiences, with unified transition to the trails of adjacent jurisdictions, compatibility with adjacent land uses and environmental resources, and incorporate a sustainable design that is consistent with the County Trails Manual. The proposed project includes approximately 100 miles of proposed multi-use trails and related staging areas, bike skills parks, parking areas, and other supporting trail facilities in the Castaic Area.

If you are unable to attend, written documents in favor or opposed to the project may be submitted to the Zoning Section, Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors, Room 383, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Please call the Board Services Division, Zoning Section at (213) 974-1426 for questions regarding the Board of Supervisor's consideration.

Additional information concerning the project can be obtained by contacting the Department of Parks and Recreation, Planning Division. For trail related inquiries call (213) 351-5136 or (213) 351-5149 between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Thursday (office is closed on Fridays) or email fmoreno@parks.lacounty.gov or zlikins@parks.lacounty.gov. For environmental related inquiries, call (213) 351-5127 or email jyom@parks.lacounty.gov. Additional information is available at <a href="http://www.castaicmultiusetrails.org/">http://www.castaicmultiusetrails.org/</a>.

Pursuant to the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation has designated an ADA Coordinator to effect compliance with the non-discriminatory provisions of the ADA. Upon 3-day request/ notice, sign language interpretation and related materials in alternative formats (Braille-transcript, large print, audio-record, video captioning, etc.) or any other accommodations are available for County sponsored activities and