

AGENDA COASTAL GREENBELT AUTHORITY



Wednesday, May 10, 2023 — 3:00 p.m. Laguna Coast Wilderness Park, Nix Nature Center 18751 Laguna Canyon Road Laguna Beach, CA 92651

Mary Fegraus, Chair

<u>Park Neighbors, Non-Voting Members</u> City of Aliso Viejo

City of Irvine

City of Laguna Hills

City of Laguna Niguel

City of Newport Beach

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Acting Executive Officer Ev Mena

The Coastal Greenbelt Authority welcomes you to this meeting. This agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The Authority encourages your participation. If you wish to speak on a matter that does not appear on the agenda, you may do so during the Public Participation period at the beginning of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda. When addressing the Authority, please state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Speakers may be limited to three (3) minutes.

The Authority meeting will be an in-person meeting held at the Nix Nature Center, Laguna Coast Wilderness Park (18751 Laguna Canyon Road, Laguna Beach CA 92651). Please be advised that County health guidelines apply to this meeting: https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/article/oc-health-officers-orders-recommendations.. Public speaker request forms will be available onsite. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring accommodations for this meeting should notify OC Parks 72 hours prior to the meeting at (949) 923-3702.

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I. ROLL CALL

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

At this time, members of the public may address the Authority on items of public interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Authority and are not contained in today's agenda.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEM(S) A)

The following item on the consent calendar will be approved by one motion unless an Authority Member requests to pull a specific item.

A. APPROVE AUTHORITY MINUTES FOR THE MARCH 8, 2023 MEETING.

IV. DISCUSSION CALENDAR (ITEM(S) A-B)

A. LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH OPEN SPACE PASSIVE ZONING

The City of Laguna Beach is seeking to correct the zoning designation to Open Space Passive for parcels acquired by Proposition 12 funds. The Chair will provide information on this initiative and will take a vote on preparing and issuing a letter to the City Council of Laguna Beach in support of correcting this zoning designation.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve the drafting and issuance of a letter by the Chair of the Authority to the City Council of Laguna Beach in support of correcting the zone designation to Open Space Passive for parcels of property acquired by Proposition 12 funds.

B. WOODS END TRAILS TOUR

Attendees will be provided with transportation to each stop of this tour but please be sure to wear appropriate footwear as this tour will involve some walking on unpaved trails.

- **3:30 p.m.:** Meet at Nix Nature Center Parking Lot Address: 18751 Laguna Canyon Road, Laguna Beach, CA 92651
 - Following the business portion of the Authority's meeting, those desiring to attend the Field Trip will congregate in the parking lot to

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enter transportation to be driven to the subsequent stops of the Field Trip.

- 3:40 p.m. 5:00 p.m.:
 - Stop #1 Wood's End Public Access
 - Brief overview of the land ownership, public trail use and connectivity, and land management responsibilities of the Woods End Trails. All new trails will be highlighted during the tour.
 - Stop #2 Top of Wood's End Trail at Ridgetop Road
 - Enjoy expansive view from the ridgetop and see various landmarks in Laguna Coast Wilderness Park.
 - Stop #3 Top of the Buried Reservoir in the James Dilley Preserve
 - Brief overview of various points of interest visible from this viewpoint.
 - Stop #4 Barbara's Lake Shoreline
 - Brief history of the Laguna lakes and the watershed and information on how important these are to local wildlife.
 - Stop #5 Old Laguna Canyon Road Alignment
 - Brief history of the realignment of Laguna Canyon Road and the reconnection of Barbara's Lake to Bubbles' Pond. Brief discussion on restoration of old alignment area.
 - Conclusion Nix Nature Center
 - All participants will be transported to the Nix Nature Center for any comments or questions regarding the Field Trip.

V. AUTHORITY COMMENTS AND REPORT

At this time Authority Members may comment on agenda or non-agenda matters, provided that no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Members may also suggest items for the May 10, 2023 meeting agenda.

VI. ADJOURNMENT TO JULY 12, 2023