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Midpen to host community meeting June 12 on plans for new visitor area at La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve

Los Altos, CA— The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District is holding a special meeting to receive community feedback on conceptual plans for opening a new visitor area at La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve in 2022. Community members are encouraged to attend, ask questions and provide input on the draft plan that includes a new parking lot, picnic areas, interpretive signs and multiuse trails near the red barn along Highway 84.

WHEN: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at 6:30 pm

WHERE: La Honda Elementary School, 450 Sears Ranch Rd, La Honda, CA 94020 ([map](#))

The conceptual design to be discussed at the meeting is a third draft of the plan based on community input. The project is part of Midpen's master plan for the 6,100-acre La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve, also created with public input, identifying the red barn area as an educational destination and Bay Area Ridge Trail trailhead.

At the June 12 public meeting, Midpen's board will vote on whether to select the current design as the preferred site plan, allowing an environmental review process to begin.

Midpen recently opened part of La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve to the public for the first time in December 2017, thanks to the support of local voters who passed Measure AA. The new public access amenities at the end of Sears Ranch Road include a parking area, interpretive signs and six miles of trail for hiking and horseback riding through actively grazed coastal grassland. The new visitor area being discussed June 12 would also be funded by Measure AA.

For more information visit <https://www.openspace.org/redbarn>

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