

**From:** [DOCENT](#)  
**To:** [Tina Hugg](#); [Melissa Borges](#)  
**Subject:** Fw: Docents Invited: La Honda Creek- PAWG Meeting Tonight March 5  
**Date:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 7:36:47 PM  
**Importance:** High

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**From:** Teri Baron [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 5, 2020 1:45:58 PM  
**To:** DOCENT <[docent@openspace.org](mailto:docent@openspace.org)>  
**Cc:** Curt Riffle [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Docents Invited: La Honda Creek- PAWG Meeting Tonight March 5

**EXTERNAL**

Hi, thanks so much for the heads up. I am unable to attend the meeting tonight but I would like to give my opinion for the possibility of docent led activities in the area that is still closed to the general public.

I am a current equestrian docent as you know. I am supportive of docent led activities in the closed area, either docent hikers or docent equestrians. It appears at this time that there will not be any equestrian parking by the red barn, so I would like to submit that I would be able to use the existing parking at the event center and lead a ride into the closed area from there. It would also be possible to open the gate at the Sears Ranch Rd. parking and park rigs where the dog kennels used to be or in the old arena adjacent to that. There are old ranch roads that could be used for an equestrian docent led ride. There is a ranch road that cuts off the Harrington Creek Trail right where the dog kennels used to be that I believe goes to the red barn, not sure, but that would be a great trail to lead a ride.

Anyway, just my two cents. Thanks for your consideration.  
Thank you!

On Mar 5, 2020, at 1:17 PM, DOCENT <[docent@openspace.org](mailto:docent@openspace.org)> wrote:

Hi Docent Naturalists,

Apologies for this last-minute notification. I am emailing on behalf of Renée who will be presenting tonight about access options related to the Public Access Working Group (PAWG) for La Honda Creek Preserve. She will present program overview with information regarding the potential of docent-led activities in an area that will remain closed to the general public.

If you are interested in learning more and attending the meeting, here is some further information:

**When: TONIGHT, Thursday March 5, 2020 from 6:30-9:30 p.m.**

**Where: Midpen Admin office in Los Altos, meeting is in the Board Room**

Meeting agenda information: <https://www.openspace.org/about-us/meetings/lhcpawg-20200305>. Most likely Renée will be presenting around 7 p.m. or later.

Thanks,  
Ellen

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**From:** [Wufoo](#)  
**To:** [Tina Hugg](#); [Melissa Borgesi](#)  
**Cc:** [web](#)  
**Subject:** La Honda Creek Communications [#232]  
**Date:** Monday, March 9, 2020 12:19:56 PM

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**EXTERNAL**

Name KATJA WICK

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Please let us know your comments about projects at La Honda Creek.

To whom it may concern:

With great interest, I have been following the development of the La Honda Creek Master Plan and the discussions of the Public Access Working Group. Since I couldn't be present at the last meeting, I would like to voice some of my ideas and concerns:

As an avid hiker and trail rider, I would like to caution you about the installation of too many multi-use trails that are open for bikers in addition to hikers and horse-back riders. Many multi-use trails are de facto bike trails since the presence of vast amounts of bikers deters hikers and horseback riders given that bikers are often not doing their part to keep the other trail users safe. The John-Nicholas trail is a great example. I am happy to hike this beautiful trail on a weekday and the few bikers I encounter are usually not a problem. I would never go there on a weekend since the relatively narrow trail with lots of turns becomes unsafe with the amount of bikers, who use it. Since not everyone can enjoy the trails during weekdays, I feel sorry for the hikers, who are forced to share those kind of trails with a big crowd of bikers and might be deterred from using it. If trails are designed as multi-purpose trails, the agency in charge needs to be much more vigilant about all users adhering to safety measures such as speed limits through increased visibility of rangers on the trails and frequent controls if needed.

I am a heavy user of State and County Parks, MidPen Preserves, and other outdoor facilities and I am always grateful if there is some kind of restroom facility at the trailhead. I personally think that well-maintained porta-potties are a good option. Since I am also an equestrian, I would urge you to take into consideration the spots for trailer parking since the people trailering their horses to a trailhead usually prefer not to leave the vicinity of the trailer for too long while their horses are tied to the trailer in case they need to tend to their horses if something spooks them.

Thank you for continuing to open land owned by MidPen to the broader public!

Katja Wick

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**From:** [Wufoo](#)  
**To:** [Tina Hugg](#); [Melissa Borgesi](#)  
**Cc:** [web](#)  
**Subject:** La Honda Creek Communications [#239]  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 9, 2020 4:35:37 PM

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**EXTERNAL**

Name	David Guerra
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Would you like to be added to the La Honda Creek e-mail list?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes
Please let us know your comments about projects at La Honda Creek.	I'm particularly interested in the proposed access at the Red Barn area; and also the timeframe for access between the Upper and Lower areas of the preserve.

**From:** [Jim De La Riva](#)  
**To:** [Tina Hugg](#)  
**Subject:** La Honda Creek Preserve Public Access  
**Date:** Thursday, July 16, 2020 11:45:15 AM

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EXTERNAL

Good morning,

Just a simple request from a tax payer. Please allow access for bicyclist into this beautiful area. And if possible that the trails are linked to other preserves.

Thank you

Jim De La Riva



## Tina Hugg

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**From:** D Arnow <>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 16, 2020 12:24 PM  
**To:** Tina Hugg  
**Subject:** La Honda Creek Preserve Public Access

EXTERNAL

Hello Tina,

Humbly submitting my input regarding the La Honda Creek Preserve Public Access Working Group recommendations.

Please consider allowing bicycles to this area, and that it be linked to other trail systems in the area. I know sometimes mountain bikers get a bad reputation but I think \*most\* cyclists are responsible and active stewards of this area's natural treasures.

Respectfully,

Dennis Arnow