



Midpeninsula Regional  
Open Space District

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## AGENDA ITEM 7

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Informational Report on the District-wide Interpretative Plan

### GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

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Receive an informational presentation about the District-wide Interpretative Plan

### SUMMARY

Docent Program Manager Renée Fitzsimons will provide an informational presentation about the District-wide Interpretative Plan. The plan was developed to provide the District with a broadly-scoped analysis and understanding of the many diverse natural and cultural history assets that are associated with the District's Preserves and the related interpretive opportunities those assets represent. The District-wide Interpretative Plan is the District's first comprehensive look at the need for, and the use and benefits of interpretation.

### DISCUSSION

The District-wide Interpretative Plan identifies overarching themes that apply across all of the District's preserves, examines the unique niche the District serves amongst land management agencies, establishes criteria to help the District prioritize future interpretive programs or projects, and assists with the agency's management objectives.

Interpretive stories and messages are identified in the plan that can be provided to visitors to enrich their experience and to explain the importance of open space land preservation. The plan also brings together data, information, and professional guidance in a format not previously available to the District.

In FY2011-12, the development of a multi-media nature tour project at Skyline Ridge Preserve was completed – a project that was identified in the District-wide Interpretative Plan. Future interpretive projects for the District will be considered, evaluated, and pursued using the plan as a decision-making tool when funding and Action Plan priorities allow.

A copy of the District-wide Interpretative Plan will be distributed electronically. Please let District Clerk Michelle Radcliffe know if you would like to receive a hardcopy of the plan.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There are no unbudgeted fiscal impacts with this Board presentation.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REVIEW**

Board Committee review is not needed for this agenda item.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice was provided pursuant to the Brown Act. No additional notice is necessary.

**CEQA COMPLIANCE**

This is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

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