

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

La Honda Creek Parking Feasibility Study Site Tour #1 – October 19, 2019 Project Goals and Objectives – Assessment of Tour Sites

Project Specific Site Assessment Criterion	Sears Ranch Road Parking Area- Expansion of Existing Lot	Sears Ranch Road - Former Residence Area (1 mile from existing lot)	Red Barn- Area Behind Ranger Residence	Red Barn- Area Down Slope from Red Barn	Event Center
Establish new public access in the central portion of La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve	This location establishes new public access near the central portion of the La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve, however the site conditions are on the ridgeline and any improvements would be visible from multiple areas	This location establishes new public access near the central portion of the La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve and provides a hub for access. This "hub" would allow visitors to access the entire preserve from a central location.	This location establishes new public access near the central portion of the La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve, however the site conditions on the high-speed curve make it problematic for sight distance and historical major injury accidents.	This location establishes new public access near the central portion of the La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve, however the site conditions on the high-speed curve make it problematic for sight distance and historical major injury accidents. Also previous community meetings clearly identify the public sentiment that this proposal is a non- starter	This location establishes new public access to the La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve. This access is on the Southern- most portion of the preserve. I believe this is a great access point for equestrian uses.
Design elements to reflect the rural character of the site and the Red Barn	This location maintains the rural character of the Red Barn site and requiring access in a less visible manner.	This location maintains the rural character of the Red Barn site and requiring access in a less visible manner.	This location maintains the rural character of the Red Barn site and requiring access in a less visible manner.	This location maintains the rural character of the Red Barn site and requiring access in a less visible manner.	This location maintains the rural character of the Red Barn site and requiring access in a less visible manner.

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Provide safe public access	This access point provides	This access point	This access point does	This access point does	This access point
	safe public access to the	provides safe public	not provide safe public	not provide safe public	provides safe public
	central portion of the	access to the central	access in its current	access in its current	access to the preserve.
	preserve and could provide	portion of the preserve	configuration.	configuration.	
	a temporary refuge are for	and could provide a			
	visitors and local residents	temporary refuge are for			
	of the La Honda	visitors and local			
	Community.	residents of the La Honda			
		Community.			
Balance public access with	This location provides a	This location provides a	This location provides a	This location provides a	This location provides a
grazing activities and other	balance public access with	balance public access	balance public access	balance public access	balance public access
uses	grazing activities and other	with grazing activities	with grazing activities	with grazing activities	with grazing activities
	uses in a defined area. The	and other uses in a			
	area relative to the grazing	defined area. The area			
	value is not significant.	relative to the grazing			
		value is not significant.			
Include amenities that	This location could include	This location could	This location could	This location could	This location could
facilitate environmental	significant amenities that	include significant	include significant	include significant	include significant
education	facilitate environmental	amenities that facilitate	amenities that facilitate	amenities that facilitate	amenities that facilitate
	education.	environmental education.	environmental	environmental	environmental education.
			education.	education.	
Protect scenic views of and	This location provides does	This location could	This location provides	This location does not	This location provides
from the site	not provide protection of	provide protection of	limited protection of	provide protection of	protection of scenic views
	scenic views of and from	scenic views of and from	scenic views of and	scenic views of and	of and from the site by
	the site.	the site by nestling the	from the site by nestling	from the site.	nestling the parking lot
		parking lot on the West	the parking lot behind		on the South side of
		side of the roadway.	the ranger residence.		Highway 1.

Notes: Overall the site tour gave me a good start on exploring the possible options for public access to the La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve.



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La Honda Creek Parking Feasibility Study Site Tour #2 – November 16, 2019 Project Goals and Objectives – Assessment of Tour Sites

Project Specific Site Assessment Criterion	Preserve Gate LH07	Sears Ranch Road Parking Area – Site West of Existing Parking Area	S F
Establish new public access in the central portion of La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve	This location establishes new public access near the central portion of the La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve, however the site conditions on the high- speed curve make it problematic for sight distance and historical major injury accidents.	This location establishes new public access near the central portion of the La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve if the existing lot could be enlarged and an area for equestrian use could be improved on the West side of the current roadway.	Tl ac La Tl ce
Design elements to reflect the rural character of the site and the Red Barn	This location maintains the rural character of the Red Barn site by separating parking to the Red Barn and requiring access in a less visible manner.	This location maintains the rural character of the Red Barn site by separating parking to the Red Barn and requiring access in a less visible manner.	Tl ch se re m
Provide safe public access	This access point does not provide safe public access in its current configuration.	This access point provides safe public access to the central portion of the preserve.	Tl ac pr te lo C

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Sears Ranch Road – Cattle Corral – Former Residence Area (1 mile from existing lot)

This location establishes new public access near the central portion of the La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve. The location allows visitors to a more central hub that provides

This location maintains the rural character of the Red Barn site by separating parking to the Red Barn and requiring access in a less visible manner.

This access point provides safe public access to the central portion of the preserve and could provide a temporary refuge are for visitors and local residents of the La Honda Community.

Balance public access with grazing activities and other uses	This location provides the best balance between public access and grazing activities and other uses as the grazing value in the wooded understory of the location does not provide a significant amount of feed for cattle.	This location provides a balance public access with grazing activities and other uses in a defined area. The area relative to the grazing value is not significant.	Tł ac us va
Include amenities that facilitate environmental education	This location could include limited amenities that facilitate environmental education.	This location could include amenities that facilitate environmental education.	Tł an ed
Protect scenic views of and from the site	This location provides the best protection of scenic views of and from the site.	This location provides protection of scenic views of and from the site by nestling the parking lot on the West side of the roadway near the current lot on Sears Ranch Road.	Th th by th als op

Notes: Overall the site tour provided valuable insight on the locations and their benefits and drawbacks.

This location provides a balance public access with grazing activities and other uses. The area relative to the grazing value is not significant.

This location could include significant menities that facilitate environmental education.

This location provides protection of the scenic views of and from the site by nestling the parking area West of the former residence. This area could also host variety of educational opportunities.