



**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 <b>this proposal is a non-starter</b>	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.

Provide safe public access	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.	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.	This access point does not provide safe public access in its current configuration.	This access point does not provide safe public access in its current configuration.	This access point provides safe public access to the preserve.
Balance public access with grazing activities and other uses	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.	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.	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.	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.	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.
Include amenities that facilitate environmental education	This location could include significant amenities that facilitate environmental education.	This location could include significant amenities that facilitate environmental education.	This location could include significant amenities that facilitate environmental education.	This location could include significant amenities that facilitate environmental education.	This location could include significant amenities that facilitate environmental education.
Protect scenic views of and from the site	This location provides does not provide protection of scenic views of and from the site.	This location could provide protection of scenic views of and from the site by nestling the parking lot on the West side of the roadway.	This location provides limited protection of scenic views of and from the site by nestling the parking lot behind the ranger residence.	This location does not provide 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 South side of 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**

<b>Project Specific Site Assessment Criterion</b>	<b>Preserve Gate LH07</b>	<b>Sears Ranch Road Parking Area – Site West of Existing Parking Area</b>	<b>Sears Ranch Road – Cattle Corral – Former Residence Area (1 mile from existing lot)</b>
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.	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
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.	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.
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.	This access point provides safe public access to the central portion of the preserve and could provide a temporary refuge area 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.	This location provides a balance public access with grazing activities and other uses. The area relative to the grazing value is not significant.
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.	This location could include significant amenities that facilitate environmental education.
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.	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.

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

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