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Mowing Season Underway at Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District Lands

Carmel CA, Tuesday, June 6, 2023 – In the coming weeks park users will see the mowing of grasses at Garland Ranch and Palo Corona regional parks, especially along the trails of the Rancho Cañada unit of Palo Corona Regional Park.

Recognizing the need for protection of wildlife, management of trails, and fuels reduction, MPRPD has been consulting with wildlife and fire agencies and other experts to take great care in following best management practices in park land and fuels management, especially during nesting season for sensitive wildlife species.

Jake Smith, MPRPD Planning and Conservation Program Manager, stated “our field biologists are surveying for wildlife in preparation for mowing the grounds.” Initial surveys are expected to be completed this week, while mowing has already begun in areas that have been surveyed.

When hiking in the parks, park visitors will see signage posted to inform them of areas being mowed. Cutting the vegetation can cause an increase of dust, seeds, and allergens in the air around the site. Mowing Rancho Cañada unit of Palo Corona Regional Park is expected to continue over the next two to three weeks.

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About the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District

The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District (MPRPD) has been preserving and protecting parks and open space since 1972. MPRPD is committed to being an inspirational, inclusive, respected, sustainable, and valued regional park district that collaborates with and serves the community, and its conservation needs through interconnected open spaces, public parks, education, and advocacy for the entire community. For more information on the MPRPD and its mission, vision, and open spaces, please call 831.372-3196 or visit www.mprpd.org.