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After 13 Year Effort, City Council Approves Mission Trails Regional Park Master Plan Update

2,000 Acres of Park Land Added to Historic Regional Park

San Diego – Today, the City Council voted unanimously to approve the Mission Trails Regional Park (MTRP) Master Plan Update. The update will increase the size of MTRP from 5,380 acres to approximately 9,780 acres with the potential to acquisition additional property in the future.

In addition, the update includes the following objectives:

- Provide a structure for ongoing land and resource management
- Identify unsafe and unsustainable sections of recreational trails
- Provide new or alternative routes to improve recreational connectivity while protecting the Park's natural and cultural resources
- Provide amenities that provide recreation use

“Mission Trails is a special place for me, just as it is for thousands of other San Diegans. The area was my playground as a child even before it became an official park, instilling a deep appreciation for the outdoors that I still carry today,” said Councilmember Sherman. “I appreciate the City Council approving this update so we can continue investing in this natural treasure.”

MTRP is a hidden jewel in the San Diego region and is one of the largest urban parks in the country consisting of thousands of acres spanning over 11 square miles. MTRP has more than sixty miles of hiking, mountain bike, and equestrian trails, a rock-climbing area, a stunning 14,000-square-foot Visitor and Interpretive Center, and the Kumeyaay Lake Campgrounds.

The plan was originally funded in 2008 and was scheduled to be completed in 2013. Due to the complicated nature of working with state and federal wildlife agencies, the update was not completed until this year.

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