
CULTURAL RESOURCES ELEMENT

Numerous archaeological findings have been identified within the Carmel Mountain Ranch community ranging from isolated artifacts to extensive midden deposits. Twenty-three archaeological sites have been identified and sampled within the community. Of these, nineteen sites have been determined to be insignificant and thus require no additional mitigation. The remaining four sites have been determined to be significant and will require some form of mitigation. Three of the sites, all located in the southern half of the community, will require mitigation prior to development. The final site will be retained in open space as a part of the golf course and will be preserved according to accepted practices. The overall findings are believed to be sites that are related to Late Milling/Northern Diegueno activity that may be associated with the village of Pawaii, as well as, San Dieguito sites.

Paleontologists' findings will be dealt with in the timeframe between tentative and final map approval; findings of fossil remains will be evaluated and appropriate mitigation will be carried out.