



District 36 News



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Moving Forward

Beginning in June District 36 was notified that the all the June Dirt Track races were postponed with re-schedule dates to be announced. This was the final District Racing Series to take a full spring / summer hit due to the COVID-19 and ensuing local and state mandates against public gatherings.

With all the postponements for the Cross Country and Enduro meets and now the Dirt Track joining, it's going to be a very busy fall season for all our District 36 members/racers!

We are very aware of the desire to “get back on our bikes and race” for not only the competitors but also for your District officials that will be coming out in the remaining months to support the clubs, promoters and our members.

While there may be some question as to what will happen in the coming months we hope you all join us in being ever optimistic about the fall season meets proceeding forward safely. And more to the point we look to you our members to come out and support all the clubs and promoters that work ever so hard to put on the races for you.

Rest assured that District 36, being an all volunteer organization, is very alive and well, staying strong as we move into the remaining months of this eventful year.

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Join District 36

Not a District 36 member? Wanna be? There are three easy ways to join or renew your membership. Act now and ride with the best in the west.

JOIN DISTRICT 36

Just For Fun

Did you ever wonder...

Why one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?

"What are you doing with your hand," I asked my wife?
She replied, "I'm making scissors motions, it helps me find something to mimic the motion."
And without thinking it through I asked,
"So what motion do you use when you're looking for toilet paper?"

.....And that's when the fight started

Did you know.....

The average person's left hand does 56% of the typing.

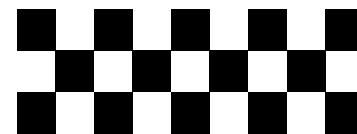
Great Truths Adults Eventually Learn.....

A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.

Pop Quiz

What color is the 'black box' in an airplane?

(answer page 24)



Update Your District 36 Membership

Is your District 36 membership expired or getting close? The 2020 competition season is upon us, so if you need to renew your membership or want to extend it why wait until the next meet? Renew now and go prepared.

To renew or extend your District 36 Membership go here: [Renew My Membership](#)

Have you moved, changed your email address and/or phone number? If so please send Jill, our Membership Director, an email with your updated information so she can update our records. [Email Jill](#) (please include your D36# in the email)

Grand Prix Racing Coming to District 36

District 36 is kicking off their new Grand Prix Racing series starting this July. The Series consist of 5 races throughout the summer months and each race is hosted by a District 36 Club or Promoter, meaning there will be five different venues.

The Series will be overseen by Sean Rhodes the District 36 Grand Prix Steward. Sean's contact information is located on the [District 36 Contact Page](#) along with other key District 36 officials. With this new series there will be a lot of questions but before you contact Sean please review the [District 36 Grand Prix Supplemental Rules](#) where all your questions should be answered. Like any competitive racing, you do need to know the rules so this is your chance to get in on the ground floor, so-to-speak.

Everyone must also keep in mind that this is not only a new series for the racers, it's also new to District 36 so there will be growing pains. Sean has a very good understanding of Grand Prix racing so we are in good hands as the initial racing gets underway.

Unfortunately, like so many other things that have been affected by the COVID virus so go's the GP schedule. Since the initial schedule was published on the [District 36 Grand Prix Page](#) there has been several date changes and one cancellation. The current updated schedule is:

- July 19 Round 1 MMX GP (new date)
- Aug 9 Round 2 GOT GP CANCELLED
- Aug 23 Round 3 Argyll GP (new date)
- Sept 13 Round 4 SCRUGP (new date)
- Sept 20 Round 5 PDMC GP

Due to ongoing possible schedule changes we strongly recommend that just before you load up to go racing please be sure to visit the District 36 website and select your discipline (Cross Country, Dirt Track, Enduro, Grand Prix, Dual Sport) to view the latest schedule. This is the official location for the schedule and it's kept up-to-date as any changes come in.

For the complete District 36 Operations Manual (aka Rulebook) and all discipline supplemental rules visit our [Competition Rules Page](#)

Stay with us WE WILL GET BACK TO RACING!



About District 36

An American Motorcyclist Association Recognized and Chartered District Organization

American Motorcyclist Association District 36 Motorcycle Sports Committee Corporation was founded in January 1955. Today the organization is known simply as "District 36". The District was created to provide supervision and sanctioning for motorcycle racing in Northern California and Nevada. In that role, the District maintains a competition rule book/operations manual, points standings and provides a reliable and safe method for advancing riders from Novice to Amateur and finally Expert status. In the 1950's, motorcycle racing was all about dirt track, long before other forms of off-road racing had been invented. It was from these humble beginnings that D36 started to build its national reputation in turning out talent and sanctioning safe and competitive racing, year in and year out. Today, the District is much more than just flat track. The organization also sanctions Enduro, Cross Country, Grand Prix (new this year) and many family-oriented off-road competitive events. The organization is thousands of member families strong, and as such, is one of the largest AMA amateur districts in the United States. Our events are the largest off-road competition events in the Northern California and Nevada areas.

Right to Ride:

In response to the increasing restrictions being placed on motorcyclists and riding areas, District 36 created a program called the Legislative Action Office. The role of this program is to protect rider's rights – working with local, state and national governmental agencies, bureaucrats and elected officials. In 1988, the District made a decision to hire a full-time LAO Director dedicated to this cause. This work is funded by District 36 under the direction and guidance of the Board of Directors, with additional financial support from donations and programs approved by the Board of Directors.

"Mission Statement"

District 36 is a volunteer-based non-profit organization of motorcyclists and like-minded enthusiasts who organize and enhance responsible family recreation and exercise environmental conservation for the purpose of promoting today's activities and protecting our sport for the future.



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Chaplain Fred



Editor Note: This is a reprint of a past article—Fred's keeping safe

A Message from Chaplin Fred!



Dear D36 Family,

First off, I want to thank all of you for the kind thoughts and prayers you've said for me – and also for the ton of get well cards that everyone sent me! My clutch hand is almost well and I've been riding again for almost a month now.

Summer is almost upon us – but, I can't wait for the rest of our racing season to get here this fall!

Please remember Rich Fern, David Gassin, Tucker Larrieu and myself when you say your prayers for our D36 family members.

I often think about all our young people when I see the news about all the chaos that is going on in our country and around the rest of the world these days – it seems like the whole world is on fire!

I would like to remind everyone that our God is still on the throne. The bible says nothing escapes His eyes. The Lord chooses those he wants to be in power, the same as he chooses those he wants to remove from power. It may seem difficult to understand why God lets evil things happen. But, if we put our trust in Jesus Christ, He will take care of us.

Soon, we'll be celebrating the 4th of July – just look at all of the things our nation has been through since it was founded! On the back of our money, you'll see that it still says "IN GOD WE TRUST." When we take a look at how our country has prospered, there's no doubt that we still live in the best and greatest nation in the world. God has plans for the United States and we should be truly thankful that God has chosen us to be part of that plan.

I'm hoping you all have a great summer – I look forward to seeing you in the fall. Are you going on any riding trips this summer? I'm hoping to make it to the Minden and Carson City area to do some more dual sport riding.

As always, thank you for letting me be part of your family – I love you very much! Please remember that God loves you and He has a plan for your life.

Chaplain Fred 39E
District 36 Chaplin





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Our Club Spotlight is on



Oakland Motorcycle Club

Location: 742 45th Avenue, Oakland, CA

Type of club (Dirt tack, off-road, family non-competitive, etc.): Road, dual sport, dirt, family

Meeting times: Wednesday 8:00 p.m.

Website and/or contact information: www.oaklandmc.org

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/19740659856/>

The Oakland Motorcycle Club was organized in 1907 and has been active ever since. We have members of all ages and motorcycles of all makes and models.

In 2007, the OMC celebrated 100 years of continuous operation as an organization dedicated to supporting the sport of motorcycle riding. We are the fourth oldest such club in the nation. We hold AMA charter number 72.

The OMC's male and female members are a diverse group who own a wide variety of motorcycles, including street, dualsport, and dirt bikes. Total membership, including honorary life members, numbers about 80.

We have a variety of riders on every type of bike. Some of our members have relatives who have been in the club for many generations. We are all passionate about motorcycles and riding.

OMC members used their own money and labor and cash from fundraising events to acquire and build our clubhall. The structure was completed in 1983, and a major expansion was carried out in 2006.

All of the club's activities are strongly supported by a women's auxiliary (OMCA).

Regular club meetings are held every Wednesday evening at 8:00 p.m. Guests are welcome.

The Greater Vancouver Motorcycle Club of Canada has been our sister club since 1978. We have a Halfway Run every other August when we meet with them in Oregon and spend a great weekend enjoying their company and great rides in the area.

THANK YOU!

To the following for their very generous donations to the District 36 "Legislative Action Office"



CERA — to LAO program and Don Amador's Quiet Warrior Racing

Mike Demaso— to the LAO Program

For more information check out the [District 36 LAO Program](#) and [District 36 ISDE Program](#)

Adventures

by.....Chris Real

Memorable Motorcycles

Every kid has an idea of what would be the coolest thing to do, like riding an Elephant to the first day of school, or possibly having a T-Rex as a pet and riding around on King Kong's shoulder. Yes, that always sounds like fun, until you get to live with the elephant, try to leash train the dinosaur or picking up after King Kong.

What does this have to do with motorcycles, trail rides other adventures? Well if you are a motorcycle rider, you always want to have the opportunity to ride some of the most unique vehicles, and possibly even contribute to doing some development work on them so that fellow motorcycle riders could have a good starting point, so that they could make a production bike the best for their uses.

Sometimes when I first see a test bike I am able to understand what the team before me was thinking. Often I can see their perspective at first glance, they may have started with a directive of making an entry level, super friendly little bike that would appeal to everyone like a Honda 50 or a basic transportation scooter. Sometimes the goal is a race vehicle to fit within the boundaries of the rule book.

When I call a vehicle a "beast", or an "animal" I am trying to convey that the early development team was not tasked with making something for everyone and they did not have to follow the rules, and that is where this vehicle fit. In racing motorcycles or cars, someone will come up with an idea and then the group rallies around and the product is improved and history is made. This is how it is supposed to be, all for one, one for all. The challenge is sometimes you have to "pony up" and be one of the first, and every development rider that I know has stories of what they brought to a platform and how fun it was, after the first few test sessions. However, sometimes the test rider is left shaking his head and asking "whose great idea was this anyway"?

Sometimes the idea and starting point have some rough edges. This was the case with this motorcycle. For ATK, I was tasked with sorting out some of the challenges, like making it run on US fuel and to be a reasonable starting point. The first thing to do was to get 700cc's of 2-Stroke evil started and that was not an easy task. My friends at ATK motorcycles and I coordinated several test days and eventually we found a combination of carburetion, ignition, flywheel and clutch settings, compression release and kick starter configurations that would get this 700cc beast started and running reliably. Normally this is done in private, as often the process is very challenging and often a bit ugly.

Most people think that every idea is a good one and that everything is perfect, straight out of the box. Then when the vehicle is seen in public, she is ready for prime time viewing.

We had done lots of work in the California and Utah desert, finishing up around Thanksgiving and in early January. Everyone had made good progress. Then cold weather testing was done, and the team wanted to start letting the beast play with the other kids and come out in the open and get some more opinions as to where it fit in the marketplace.

In April of 2001 I was asked to give the bike another test at my favorite trail ride, the Nevada 200. I rode the bike for about 70 miles and it ran well, it started every time and did everything reasonably well, except that it was definitely not a trail ride bike. Some of the other guys in the group got to experience it and everyone agreed that it was unique and sort of fun, but did not totally fit "trail riding".



.....Continued next page

Adventures continued.....

I started this memory about wanting to ride an Elephant, have a T-Rex as a pet and hang out with King Kong. This motorcycle was a little of each. A 700cc, single cylinder 70+ Horsepower 2-Stroke dirt bike was like taking your T-Rex to the dog park. People were justified in asking, "What were you thinking", and what is it like? The answer is simple, no rule book, and definitely not friendly. Some people would shake their head and walk away, some would want to try it just once. I have to say that the old Maico guys who started this project were some really free thinking individuals and it was an experience that I truly valued.

Epilog*****

The Maico inspired motor was surprisingly smooth for a big bore and the starting technique was to utilize the compression release and kick it hard. Even the kick starter was unique, as you sort of kicked backward on the first bikes. The engine was in a European MX steel frame that was developmental, (this is code for rough) and eventually a few of the engines were fitted into a modified early technology aluminum frame that was initially too rigid. The chassis and suspension were sorted out but the aluminum frame 700 development slowed due to other priorities.

Only about 25 of the ATK Intimidator motorcycle models were produced in a variety of engine displacements and most found their way into Hill climb and super moto competition. The big 2-Stroke engine was also fitted into a few racing ATVs from 2002- 2006 or so.

Some of my memories about this vehicle are humorous. When we were first getting the starting procedure done, when you kick a "normal" bike sometimes they kick back and your knee gets popped back upwards and tries to hit the bottom of the handlebar. On this bike, when it kicked back it would try to bounce your ass back into your truck as it was a rearward kick start.

One day after the fitment of the 4th or 5th carburetor we tried a reverse compression release "pop off valve" placed in the intake port near the reeds to try to keep the carburetor from being blown off. When the engine backfired the intake compression release valve would open and it sounded like combination of a whale blowing a squeaker in the air box and a jet engine was erupting. We abandoned this idea as other adjustments were possible and the air box magnified the silly sound and it was hard not to laugh at the big squeak - snort.

The bike was ridiculously over powered and it was always spinning the rear wheel. Once in a while when you were at significant speed going across the desert it would catch traction and do surprise monster wheelies when you landed and slightly loaded the rear suspension. Very much like a Speedway bike or King Kong tripping on a bridge.

On the 2001 Nevada 200 trail ride that year I did miles on the big 700cc 2-Stroke and an early technology Fuel Injected large displacement 4-Stroke.

EFI finally became common on production off road motorcycles in around 2009, so some ideas are not so good, and some ideas are really good.

Photos: Steel frame and a tall tank. Note the size of the cast cylinder. The second photo shows a 406cc piston inside of the 700cc cylinder and the cable actuated exhaust compression release.



Enduro Stewards Report

The District 36 Enduro series is scheduled to get started on October 4th with the Fools Gold presented by CERA. It will be the start of 7 Enduros in 7 weekends ending with the Steam Donkey on November 15th presented by VCMC. There will be a few different formats throughout the events from timekeepers to Sprints, Plus maybe a Qualifier.

The District 36 Family Enduro series is scheduled to get started with the Crazy Miner on October 3rd presented by CERA. It is scheduled to be 5 rounds with a couple different formats including a sprint.

On the District 36 Sanctioning front, The schedule has been changing due to the world wide pandemic so keep an eye on it for any updates.

No guarantees that the schedule will go as planned. But I sure hope it does. Time will tell. Be safe, Stay Healthy. I need a haircutJD out.....

John Davis
District 36
Enduro Steward
FE Steward
Sanction Steward
BOD

Anyone want a Job? I got a couple extra.



This photo is totally unrelated to D36. It was from Sturgis 2017 working a Supermoto race at the Harley rally. Just kind of a fun shot. My alter ego from the past.



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Sunday - July 19th

D36 Modesto Honda Kawasaki KTM GP Series Presented by Santa Cruz Cycle Imports

Race #1 (7:30am - 7:50am)
-Unclassified 19' front wheel and Up A&B

Race #2 (7:55 - 8:15am)
-Unclassified 19' front wheel and Up C

Race #3 (8:30am-9:15am)
- AA Woman
-WMN 35+
-70+ ALL/60+C/50+C
-Legends

Race #4 (9:30 - 10:15am)
-30+A/B
-40+A/B
-50+A/B
-60+ A/B

Race #5 (10:30am - 11:00am)
-50 JR
-50 SR
-65cc ALL
-JR Girls

Race #6 (11:15am - 12:00pm)
-Super Mini
-Girls SR
-85cc ALL

Race #7 (12:15pm - 1:00pm)
-98cc-200cc
-201cc-250cc
-251+

Race #8 (1:15pm - 2:00pm)
-30+C
-40+C

Race #9 (2:15pm - 3:00pm)
-122-150 C
-JR 25+C
-C 2 Stroke
-C 4 Stroke

Race #10 (3:15pm - 4:00pm)
-Super Mini
-Girls SR
-85cc ALL

Race #11 (4:15pm - 5:15pm)
-AA
-AA 2
-AA Woman
-122-150 A&B
-JR 25+A&B
-2 Stroke A&B
-4 Stroke A&B 1 Hour Feature race

RACE ENTRY

| | |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Transponder rental | \$10 |
| Unclassified | \$20 |
| Youth | \$40 |
| Sportsman | \$50 1st Class |
| | \$40 2nd Class |
| AA/AA 2 | \$100 |

Saturday Practice- July 18th

Main Track, Sand Track, KidsTrack
9am - 2pm

AMA D36 RULES APPLY

- Minors under 18yrs must have parent or guardian present at sign up
- No rider medical insurance
- Spectators assume all risks of personal injury or damages
- No spectators on or crossing course
- No minors, pets, smoking, or alcohol in pit area
- No practice or riding

VENUE REQUIREMENTS:

- No pit riding or play riding in the fields or racetrack
- Please take your garbage home with you
- Signups closes 30 minutes before each race

ONLINE REGISTRATION

**Race schedule subject to change*

RACE REQUIREMENTS:

- D36 & AMA membership required and available at sign up
- 96db sound test for all participants
- Spark arrestor required for all participants
- Mandatory riders meeting before each race

ADDITIONAL INFO:

SIGN UP HOURS: Saturday 12pm-4pm
Sunday 6:15am- 3:45pm

GATE HOURS: Friday 4:00pm- 9:00pm
Saturday 8:00am - 10pm, Sunday 6:00am - 4pm

GATE FEES: \$10/Person/Per Day
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LAO UPDATE on PARK TRANSFORMATION

On May 6, 2020 the District LAO filed a public records act (PRA) request for any letters between the OHMVR Commission or Commissioners and Parks based on discussions that occurred at the February 27, 2020 OHMVR Commission "Roundtable" Meeting. Those discussion topics include Transformation, Oceano Dunes SVRA, and appointment of a Deputy Director for the OHMVR Division.

During that February OHV Commission meeting, the D36 LAO highlighted its concerns about the following key issues listed below.



OHMVR Commission "Roundtable" Meeting.

- Important to fill OHMVR Deputy Director Position to complete the OHMVR Division Leadership Team which consists of an appointed full-time Deputy Director that works with the Division Chief.
- Maintain autonomy of OHMVR Division to preserve and protect the critically important skill-sets needed to manage sustainable OHV recreation program .
- SVRA's need on-site Park Superintendents to make management decisions in real-time instead of being supervised by off-site Park leaders who may not have the expertise or time to devote to SVRA specific needs since they are now tasked with managing "Districts" which may include 23 park units.
- The Oceano PWP must include proposals/projects that include camping/staging/access points on the South End that will enhance OHV access to the riding area.
- Continue to challenge faux dust issue claims by APCD using existing or new data – including new information from the Scripps Institution of Oceanography.
- Parks should withdraw from the Stipulated Order of Abatement.
- Strong support of the upcoming 50th Anniversary of the CA OHV Program in 2021. Highlight the evolution of the program into what has become a national and international model of a sustainable OHV recreation program.
- Open the expansion property at Carnegie SVRA – it has remained closed for too long. OHV use on existing two-track ranch roads to provide a touring experience should be one of the first opportunities opened to motorized activities.
- Manage the Tesla Mine Site as a non-motorized historic area within the expansion property
- Support efforts to reopen Clear Creek.
- Support/enhance youth and rider safety education programs.
- Ensure OHV grants monies are awarded in a timely manner to important projects such as the acquisition of the Blue Oak Ranch that will provide a high quality staging/camping area to the BLM's Cow Mountain OHV Recreation Area.
- Important for the Administration to make OHMVR Commission and Division appointments .

At the end of the commission meeting and based on public testimony, the Commission Chair and other commission members vowed to submit letter(s) to Parks asking them to reevaluate the transformation process and to continue elements that work and to revise or eliminate tenets that do not contribute to efficient management of the OHV program.

State Parks complied with our PRA and supplied the D36 LAO with a number of important communications between the commission and Parks. Those documents are reprinted on the following pages.

The D36 LAO is reviewing the commission letters and will be working with our lobbyist, administration, legislators, and other partners to help ensure our members have access to high-quality fiscally responsible and environmentally sound OHV recreational opportunities in California.

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.....LAO update continued



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OFF-HIGHWAY MOTOR VEHICLE RECREATION COMMISSION**COMMISSION MEMBERS**

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April 23, 2020

Lisa Mangat, Director
California State Parks
1416 Ninth Street, Room 1405
Sacramento, CA 95816

Dear Director Mangat,

On behalf of the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation ("OHMVR") Commission, I called an additional meeting held on February 27, 2020 in Sacramento, California. The Commission and public requested the opportunity to present and review issues related to the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation program ("Program" or "OHV Program") and look for solutions to keep the program healthy and viable into the future and together. Following the opportunities for the public and Commissioners to comment and make recommendations, Commissioners presented four letters of recommendations. I respectfully requested that the authors of the letters address these to Director Mangat. The Commission agreed to this change. It was determined that one of the letters be presented at the next meeting. As promised, the letters are combined in this correspondence.

Commissioner Paul Slavik presented the first letter:

The OHMVR Division and the State Vehicular Recreation Areas ("SVRA") have been hailed as the most successful state run off-highway vehicle ("OHV") program in the nation. However, organizational changes within the Department of Parks and Recreation ("Department") have affected this Program dramatically. The OHMVR program in California will celebrate 50 years in existence next year, 1971-2021.

We understand that the Department needs to be run in an efficient manner but doing this at the expense of the Program and the off-highway vehicle community that pays taxes to support this Program is not acceptable.

We wish to commend you for your efforts in acquainting yourself with the various aspects of the OHV Program and participating in almost all of our field trips and Commission meetings. It must be said that your presence has meant a great deal to the OHV community but for all the good intentions there needs to be adjustments in the Transformation process as it relates to the OHV Program in California.

We respectfully submit that changes must be made to restore the OHV Program's effectiveness and stature within the public. Below are changes that we have identified that need to be made at the very minimum. We do not believe these changes are negotiable.

1. The most important change that should be made is to return the responsibility of management of the SVRAs to OHV personnel, i.e., the Division Chief to have direct chain of command for SVRAs with SVRA dedicated superintendents reporting to that person. Additionally, instead of field staff being allocated on a percentage basis staff should be detailed to parks on a project by project basis.

2. OHV Division should remain in its present location. The OHV Division was originally housed in the resources building in the early 90s. It was moved due to the very concerns that we are experiencing today. Why are we returning to a situation that was previously determined to be detrimental to the success of the Program? It has been noted many times about off-highway vehicle recreation bias that exist in many of the Department's upper management personnel. This bias cannot be eliminated by a directive from executive staff.

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3. Oceano Dunes SVRA must receive the highest priority. It has been without a superintendent for several years. That position must be returned to a Superintendent 2 pay grade and a diligent search for the right person should begin immediately. The false narrative that OHV recreation is solely responsible for pollution from sand in the dunes has to be resolved and not in a public forum but at the highest levels in the Natural Resources Agency. A robust public relations campaign must be executed to refute that false narrative.

Commissioner Kimberlina Whettam presented the second letter:

The Oceano Dunes SVRA is not receiving the attention necessary to analyze and advocate viable solutions to complex issues.

1. The Snowy Plover & the Least Tern Endangered Species Project is the poster child for successful projects. The \$1.4M Off-Highway Vehicle Trust Fund project has greater success than the adjacent Federal Wildlife Refuge, with endangered species thriving adjacent to what many consider an extreme sport. This program is working. What can the Department and OHV Division do to spread the word of this incredible program?

2. Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area ("ESHA") Designation: The OHV recreation at the Oceano Dunes predates the ESHA designation and is considered an existing non-conforming use. This SVRA is working on the first Habitat Conservation Plan for an OHV facility and has a proven record with the Endangered Species Plan & Project. The existing use has proven compatibility. The ephemeral stream contains little to no fish due to the upstream agricultural contamination per the Department of Fisheries, however, the SVRA continues to protect the stream with seasonal closures when there are high tides and stream flow. What can the Department do to ensure that the existing use is not only in a defensible position but to end this suggested conflict with the Coastal Commission Staff and be prepared to discuss with the Coastal Commission?

3. Key management position vacancies continue to restrict the Department to effectively manage this SVRA. The District Superintendent position has been vacant for over three years. This should be a priority and the Department must find a way to fill this important position and convey the message to candidates that the Department will support the efforts of the new District Superintendent. While the park has several important position vacancies the staff have done an incredible job. We respect and thank them for their hard work. They are stretched thin at this point. We respectfully request this position be filled immediately.

4. San Luis Obispo Air Pollution Control District ("APCD") removal of the 48 Acres unfortunately was removed prior to establishing a baseline and prior to modeling. This demonstrates an unfortunate lack of analysis and management. While the APCD is a regulatory agency, it is imperative that the Department is actively involved in the process and works to avoid allowing OHV dollars to be spent on non-OHV related programs. The baseline has yet to be established, the 48 acres was not modeled. The new Scripps Institute of Oceanography study must be analyzed and incorporated into the overall PM10 discussion and baseline. The Scientific Advisory Group ("SAG") has admitted that they do not know the delta difference between natural occurring saltation and OHV use at the subject SVRA. We request that the Department ensure that OHV Trust Fund dollars are only used for OHV related impacts. In this case, it is imperative that the OHV PM10 impact be established and that appropriate mitigations are modeled prior to implementation.

We respectfully request that the Department and the Oceano Dunes SVRA establish an operational plan to reintroduce an equivalent riding area to match what was removed by the APCD. The SVRA has the right to manage the existing OHV Park and maintain the wonderful diverse recreational opportunities. There is no reason that these 48 acres cannot be replaced. The Commission requests that the Department take a no-net-loss approach to maintaining the recreational areas.

Sincerely and on behalf of the OHMVR Commission,

Sarah C. Miggins, Chair
OHMVR Commission
cc: OHMVR Commissioners
Brian E. Robertson, Chief, OHMVR Division
Kathy Amann, Deputy Director, Park Operations
Brian Ketterer, Chief, Coastal Field Division, Park Operations

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April 23, 2020

Lisa Mangat, Director
California State Parks
1416 Ninth Street, Room 1405
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Director Mangat;

Thank you for taking the time to review our concerns about the California Department of Parks and Recreation's (DPR) recent Transformation process and the impacts the reorganization is having on the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division.

These concerns are based on DPR's consolidation of the OHMVR Division into General Park Operations along with other existing DPR divisions. The reorganization and consolidation is counter to the findings of the Parks Forward Commission. In addition, these actions minimize and wholly ignore input from Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) management experts, advocates and recreationalists who had presented at numerous OHMVR Commission meetings.

The OHMVR Program was founded in 1971 by a bi-partisan, cooperative effort between two lawmakers, one an OHV recreationist and the other a conservationist, to manage OHV use in California as a user funded separate operating division of the California Department of Parks and Recreation. This Program has undergone many reviews and audits since its creation. These actions have fine-tuned the Program to become the largest and most successful program of its type and was recognized worldwide as the template for a responsible motorized recreation program.

With the current reorganization under Transformation, and based on previous actions by DPR management and staff, the potential to illegally misuse and redirect OHV trust funds is high. Additionally, management of State Vehicular Recreation Areas has been transferred to DPR staff with little to no OHV management experience. As these changes have occurred, the OHMVR Commission has received consistent public feedback regarding degradation of management and services along with a desire for our commission to act.

After much debate and consideration, the OHMVR Commission recommends that the Department of Parks and Recreation should undergo an independent comprehensive financial and performance review. The Commission believes an independent audit of DPR would bring much needed clarity to the direction of the Department for the future benefit of all recreationists in California.

Sincerely and on behalf of the OHMVR Commission,

Sarah C. Miggins, Chair
OHMVR Commission
cc: OHMVR Commissioners
Brian E. Robertson, Chief OHMVR Division

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June 1, 2020

Don Amador
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Oakley, CA 94561

Via Electronic Mail Only:
damador@cwo.com

Dear Mr. Amador:

Re: Public Records Act Request – 20-148 – State Parks and OHMVR Letters

This letter further responds to your Public Records Act ("PRA") request received via e-mail on May 6, 2020. You have requested letters between the OHMVR Commission or Commissioners and State Parks based on discussions that occurred at the February 27, 2020 OHMVR Commission "Roundtable" Meeting.

State Parks has located two records responsive to your request, attached to this correspondence. State Parks waives the direct cost of duplicating the records. State Parks reserves the right to collect the direct costs for future PRA requests regardless of the volume of records responsive to the request. We hope this satisfies your request.

Sincerely,

Parveen Kasraee
Staff Counsel

End of LAO report

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Looking For The Rules To Follow?

All the different rules (2020 rulebook; CC, Enduro & GP Supplemental rules; etc.) can now be found on our website in one location:

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Have A Rule You Think Needs To Be Added Or Changed?

The District 36 Operations Manual is a rulebook covering District 36 Procedures and Competition. Procedural rules are decided on by the District 36 Board of Directors and rules governing Competition are decided on by the District 36 Active Members (Clubs and Promoters).

Do you, as a current member of District 36, have a rule proposal you want to get submitted? If so you will need to fill out a Rule Proposal Form and submit it to the appropriate steward....CC rules to the CC steward Lance Doyle, Enduro Rules to the Enduro Steward John Davis, and Dirt Track Rules to the Dirt Track Steward, Carter Fisher. If your proposal is not discipline specific or applies to all disciplines you will submit your proposal to the Rules Chairman, Bill McGibbon and the Director of Competition, Jeff Irwin.

We have rules for Rule Proposals and it's recommended

Rules submitted and approved take effect the following year

that if you're submitting a proposal you review the current [District 36 Operations Manual](#), section 1.6 Rulebook

The Rule Proposal form is editable (Download it first then you can fill it out on your computer and "save as") or print them and fill them out by hand. To submit your proposal:

- Submitter must be a current District 36 Member.
- Fill out a [Rule Proposal / Change Form](#) completely.
- Submit the proposal by one of the following :
 - ◇ Send the proposal electronically to the appropriate person. You will find a list of steward contacts on our [District 36 Contact Page](#).
 - ◇ Hand it to a Steward at a meet.
 - ◇ Hand it in at a monthly D36 Meeting
 - ◇ Mail it to District 36 (see contact page)

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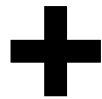
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You will find a link to the current copy of the District 36 Operations Manual (AKA rulebook) on the District 36 website at: www.ama-d36.org



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Color Legend: **Special Events** / **CC Races** / **Enduros** / **GP Series**

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| Date | Event | Club/Promoter | Type | Notes |
|------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------|
| July | | | | |
| 7/10-12/20 | Dual Sport/Adventure Bike | Stewards of the Sierras | DS | 3 Day Meet / CANCELLED |
| 7/15/20 | District 36 Monthly Meeting | | | Tentatively Via Zoom |
| 7/19/20 | MMX GP | MMX Racing | GP | Rnd 1 GP Series / New Date |
| 7/25/20 | Lodi TT - Jimmy Nichols Memorial | Lodi MC | DT | Postponed new date TBA |
| August | | | | |
| 8/8/20 | Lodi ST | Lodi MC | DT | |
| 8/9/20 | GOT GP | GOT | GP | Rnd 2 GP Series CANCELLED |
| 8/15/20 | Lodi ST | Lodi MC | DT | |
| 8/19/20 | District 36 Monthly Meeting | | | |
| 8/22/20 | Lodi ST | Lodi MC | DT | |
| 8/23/20 | Argyll GP | Argyll MX | GP | Rnd 3 GP Series / New Date |
| September | | | | |
| 9/5/20 | Lodi ST | Lodi MC | DT | |
| 9/12/20 | D36 Sanction Meeting | District 36 | Special | |
| 9/13/20 | SCRU GP | Santa Clara Riders Unlimited | GP | Rnd 4 GP Series / New Date |
| 9/19/20 | Lodi TT | Lodi MC | DT | |
| 9/20/20 | Polka Dots GP | Polka Dots | GP | Rnd 5 GP Series |
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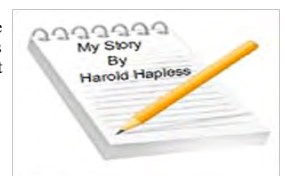
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