

District 36 Meeting Minutes
Location: Zoom (remote) April 19th, 2023
Referee's Meeting 7:00PM – 8:00PM

**NOTES: If topic is not on the agenda, it will be added to the non-agenda items,
if approved by the president for the next meeting**

- Meeting Called to Order @ 7:00pm by Brad Rosbach (President)
- Roll Call (Cat Swenston for Monique Whitworth)
 - o 14 of 27 Clubs/Promoters present
 - PRESENT: CERA, CCP, DDNMC, E-STREET MX, GOT, LODI MC, NORCAL MC, OAKLAND MC, PDMC, RDR, RICHMOND RAMBLERS, SALINAS RAMBLERS, WDBRA. VALLEY CLIMBERS
 - o 39 of 68 Committeemen present
- Approve Minutes (March, 2023); no objections, minutes approved.
- Guests: No guests in attendance this evening.
- Correspondence: No correspondences this evening.

Committee Reports:

Maximum time spent on each agenda item is 3 minutes. If unresolved, it goes to the Parking Lot to be added to the agenda for the next month.

- Sanctioning (Katie Pond)
 - o No report due to Katie Pond not being present.
- Membership (Cat Swenston)
 - o 188 April renewal forms were mailed out.
 - o 287 membership cards have been mailed out since March's meeting.
 - o There are 4 new Lifetime members:
 - Jonathan Carpenter, 312G
 - Phil Gianfotone, 578V
 - Conor McEnroe, 120C
 - Robin Hoegerman, 280F
 - o Cat has now had 2 zoom calls (over 3 hours of consulting time) with Chris Dark about upgrading our membership database to a cloud base. They have spent time talking about the different field requirements, search capabilities and reporting functions necessary. Once it is up and running, a few months down the road, the goal is to run both databases for a couple of months prior to making the complete switch. We are making steps to moving forward from the access database.
 - o We currently have 3456 active/current members.

- Youth Cross Country (Jimmy Whitworth)
 - We have had two races since our last meeting. Burrows Ranch & Shasta Dam GP, both were great events. No injuries or protests.
- Cross Country/Scoring (Jeremy Carlin)
 - Shasta Dam GP on April 1-2
 - 390 total riders; \$642.00 in sales
 - 9 new D36 riders and 15 temporary riders
 - Burrows Ranch on April 8-9
 - 442 total riders; \$368.00 in sales
 - 4 new D36 riders and 8 temporary riders
- Enduro/Family Enduro (Bruce Hendrickson)
 - We've had 3 enduros since our last meeting, Bruce had numbers for 2 of the 3 Enduros.
 - Wild Horse Enduro had 120 riders
 - Wilseyville Sprint Enduro had over 300 riders.
 - Sold 48 AMA cards and 55 District 36 memberships
- Dirt Track (Carter Fisher)
 - Dirt Track has officially started on the weekend of April 15-16
 - 153 riders on Saturday
 - 155 riders on Sunday
 - Carter would like to thank all the District officials that showed up to the first round of Dirt Track.
- Dual Sport (Jerry Fouts)
 - Sheet Iron has been cancelled.
- GP Series (Leon Hannum)
 - No report due to Leon Hannum not being present.
- Sponsor Committee (Charlie Coiner)
 - No report due to Charlie Coiner not being present.
- Social Media (Amanda Carlin)
 - There are over 70 new followers to our social media channels.
- Contingency Committee (Rachel Douglas)
 - No report due to Rachel Douglas not being present.
- Newsletter/Website/Operations Manual (Bill McGibbon)
 - No report due to Bill McGibbon not being present.

- AMA/Congress (Jerry Fouts)
 - Jerry Fouts will talk to Kelly Gouldthread regarding AMA/Congress.
- Director of Competition (Jeff Irwin)
 - There will be Competition Committee meeting this evening.
- LAO (Don Amador)
 - See attached report.
- Clubs/Promoters/Members – Question/Answer *This is not for club announcements*
- Old Business
 - Sherco Bike Follow up; no new updates
- New Business
 - Devin Osanna with E-Street has concerns over the scoring of their non-points race. He would like clarification at the Sanctioning meeting if non-points race would be scored by District 36.
 - Jeremy Carlin stated that in the rulebook there is a limit of 14 races per year. Because it was a non-points paying race, there was an understanding that D36 would not be scoring.
 - Devin suggested that information regarding non-points paying races be given to promoters during the Sanctioning meeting.
 - Andrew Luker, a current D36 member is asking for advice regarding some issues he has been having with another family at Dirt Track events. He would like to see if there is a way he can pit elsewhere during events. Brad Rosbach is aware of issue and will follow up with all parties involved.
- Good of the Body
 - Brad Rosbach would like to thank all the District officials that attended the opening weekend of Dirt Track.
- Jeff Irwin motioned to adjourn; Meeting Adjourned @ 7:45pm

BREAK

Competition Committee Meeting

- Meeting Called to Order @ 7:50pm by Brad Rosbach (President)
- Roll Call (Monique Whitworth)
 - 24 (14 clubs/promoters) Active members of 27 Clubs/Promoters present.
 - PRESENT: CERA, CCP, DDNMC, E-STREET MX, GOT, HAYWARD MC, LODI MC, NORCAL MC, PDMC, RDR, RICHMOND RAMBLERS, SALINAS RAMBLERS, WSRA, WDBRA
- Protests
 - No new protests.

- New Clubs
 - There is a new club requesting Sanctioning with District 36: Fast Times.
 - Jeff Irwin invited Fast Times (Mike Fowler) to introduce his club, however Mike was having some technical difficulties. This promoter would be promoting Dirt Track. Fast Times is currently chartered with AMA.
 - Jeff Katarzy added the Fast Time would like to add 5 races at Newman to the current D36 schedule.
 - Jeff Irwin called for a vote to allow Fast Times into District 36
 - 24 yay; Promoter approved.
- Old Business
 - No old business.
- New Business
 - No new business.
- Motion to adjourn by Jerry Fouts; meeting Adjourned @ 8:01pm

Board Meeting [8:00-9:00]

Maximum time spent on each agenda item is 5 minutes. If unresolved, it goes to the Parking Lot to be added to the agenda for the next month. Comments and business by the BOD only unless approved by the President. Please keep your report to 5 minutes in length. Questions will be limited to 3 minutes.

- Meeting called to order @ 8:03pm by Brad Rosbach (President)
- Roll Call (Monique Whitworth)
 - 9 of 9 members present
- Old Business
 - Stipend/Mileage for Media Manager
 - Temporary mileage for Media Manager was only approved thru our April meeting.
 - Amanda Carlin logged off for the evening however Jeremy Carlin spoke on her behalf. A few years back, sanctioning fees were raised by \$100.00 to go towards social media/marketing, he suggested that possibly taking the money that is allocated for media and pay to Amanda Carlin.
 - Jeremy Carlin suggests having an in-person meeting to review this issue and others at hand.
 - Topic tabled, will be discussed at BOD in-person meeting.
- New Business
 - Mileage for Committeemen, Stewards & Board of Directors (Charlie Coiner)
 - Charlie Coiner suggests that all District 36 volunteers should get mileage reimbursement. Charlie would like to open this topic for discussion.
 - Brad Rosbach did a rough average of what mileage would look like for one month, minimum mileage would be over \$4000.00 per month.
 - Charlie Coiner suggests looking into this topic; tabled for discussion among the Board of Directors.

- o Donner Scoring (Brian Garrahan)
 - Brian would like to table this for the moment.
- Adhoc Committee Updates
 - o Brad Rosbach asked about an update for a Sanctioning committee.
 - Jeremy Carlin is just asking for communication with the appropriate Steward regarding date changes for events.
- Non Agenda Items (There will be 5 minutes TOTAL allowed)
 - o Jeff Katarzy has concerns regarding adding races to the Dirt Track schedule. He would like to know the process of clubs/promoters adding events after the schedule has been posted.
 - Brad Rosbach referred him to Katie Pond who was not in attendance.
 - o Brad Rosbach brings up the topic of increasing the riders at each event. Rider counts are dwindling. This topic is being presented to get the thoughts process rolling; tabled for now.
- Good of the Body
- Executive Session
 - o No executive session this evening.
- Motion to adjourn by Billy Goodno; meeting adjourned @ 8:35pm



Amador District 36 LAO Activities Report

March 15, 2023 to April 19, 2023

D36 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.

Dear Board,



D36 LAO Tour with Parks of 11K Acre Ranch Property in SW Shasta County

SVRA PARK SEARCH – In early April, the D36 LAO Toured an 11K acre ranch property in the foothills of SW Shasta County with Park staff and real estate agents. The property is next to Highway 36 and is a good mix of varied terrain with an existing dirt road network. To date, this property has the most potential for a new SVRA during our search efforts in the North State.



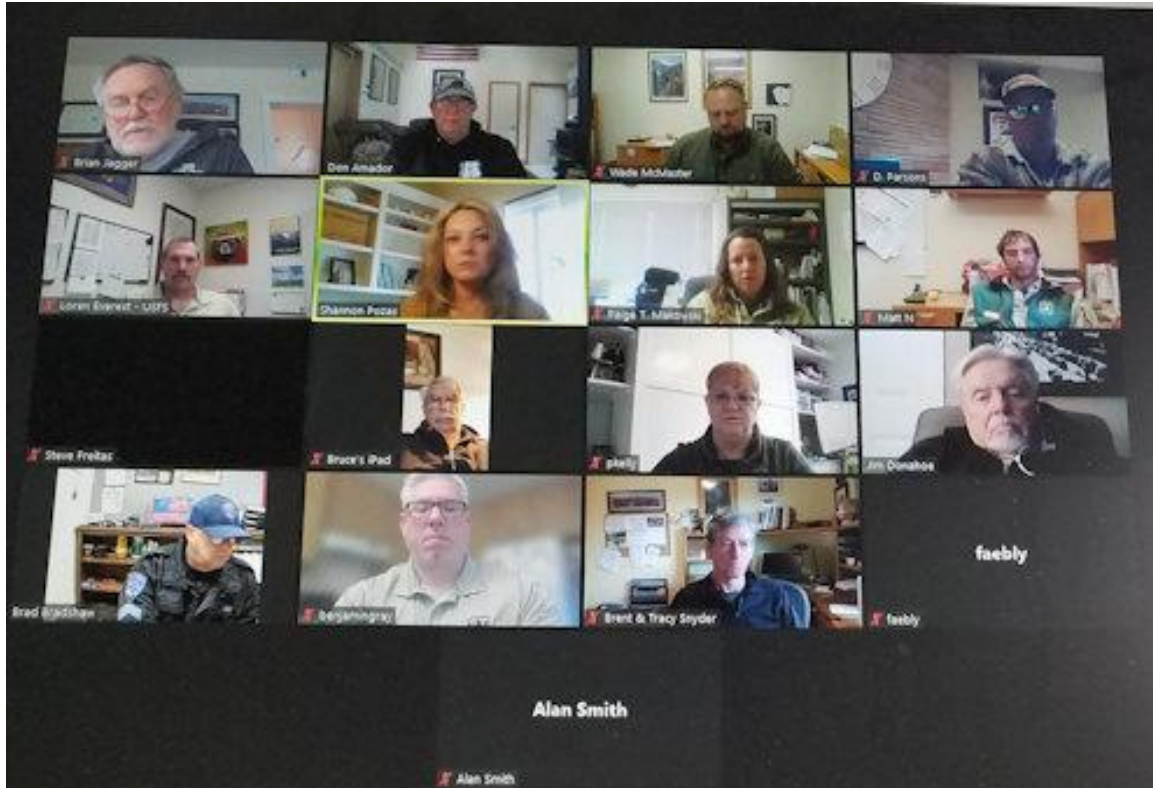
Senator Jones, LAO Lobbyist Terry McHale, LAO Don Amador Testify on SB 708

COMPETITION PERMIT BILL PASSED SENATE COMMITTEE - On March 28, SB 708 passed the Senate Natural Resources Committee with language that would authorize State Parks to add a new in-house online permit program. It would allow the owners of competition motorcycles model year 2022 and newer to obtain an ID decal.

The LAO continues to work with Senator Jones on SB 708 as it makes its way through the legislature this year.

Background:

Beginning in 1972 and until 2003, the CA DMV issued GREEN Sticker identification to any off-highway motor vehicle (OHV) that applied. The CA ARB passed a regulation in the late 1990's requiring all OHVs to be certified to an air emissions standard. Because some OHV manufacturers either could not or would not certify some of their OHVs to the new CA ARB standard, a second RED Sticker identification was issued beginning with 2003 model year OHVs, specifically for motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles that did not meet the CA ARB GREEN Sticker identification air emissions standard. Those two means of identifying all OHVs operated on public lands in CA remained until 2019 when the CA ARB eliminated RED Sticker identification for all 2022 and newer OHVs that could not meet their air emissions standard. This new regulation has caused conflicts with state and federal agencies that historically have required some type of OHV identification sticker at sanctioned events on public lands.



D36 Club Meeting with Mendocino NF

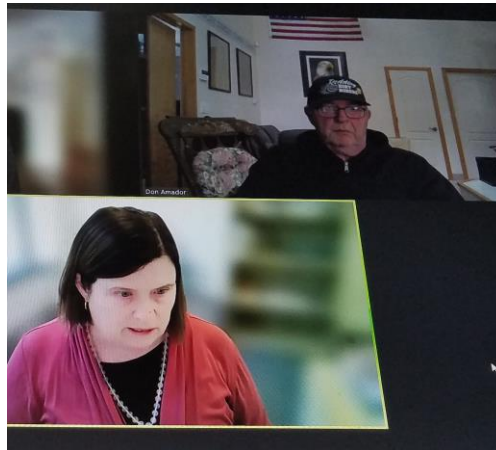
ANNUAL D36 CLUB MEETING WITH MENDOCINO NF – The LAO facilitated our annual D36 OHV Club meeting with the Mendocino National Forest including their new Forest Supervisor, Wade McMaster, and the zoom call was well attended by a number of D36 clubs that have events on the Forest. The Forest leadership team started off the meeting by stating their strong commitment to repairing and reopening the riding areas once the ongoing rain and snow events allow for them to recon unit for damage to roads and trails.

The Forest said they have and will continue to use FS Fire Crews to clear travel routes from standing hazard trees or downed trees across the trail. The agency is working with the State Parks OHV Grant program on rescoping exiting grants to help with damage repair. The agency is also reviewing options to use drones to scout areas for damage. The agency stated their goal is to have both sides of the Forest ready for our fall events or sooner. And, in the meantime using a phased reopening as lower elevation trails are cleared as a strategy.

Good news is the agency has been getting a good response from applicants seeking to fill vacant OHV recreation staff and management positions. Once skies clear and some recon is done, the agency looks forward to rescheduling volunteer events along with working with its non-profit partners such as PWORA. Thanks to the D36 clubs and leads that attended the meeting and offered their support for reopening efforts.

The agency also asked about SB 708 and although they cannot support or oppose legislation, I know they appreciate our efforts to get an ID decal for the new bikes and also help pay for trail maint, conservation, and LE efforts since our events use their designated route system.

The Forest Supervisor ended the meeting stating his deep appreciation for the long standing relationship with D36 clubs and members. Stay tuned for more updates as conditions improve.



LAO MEETING WITH ASSEMB. WALLIS STAFF ON AB 1617

SXS SAFETY ISSUE - The D36 LAO recently discussed our concerns about a new SxS bill AB 1617 that would DOUBLE the engine size of current SxS from 1000cc to 2000cc. While high horsepower SxSs may work in the desert and sand dunes, having high horsepower SxSs could only increase the current conflicts and safety concerns about SxS vs. Dirt Bikes on mountain trails on FS and some BLM lands.

OVERVIEW OF AB 1617 - AB 1617 was introduced in the CA legislature by Polaris. Polaris became aware that their RZR Pro R, introduced in 2021, does not fit the definition of Recreational Off-highway Vehicle (ROV) in the CA Vehicle Code (CVC) and therefore the safety code requirements (helmet, seat belt use, grab bar and age limit for unsupervised drivers) do not apply.

The CVC ROV definition does not apply to the Pro R because it has a 2000cc motor and the CVC definition of ROV limits motor size to 1000cc or less. As a Recreational Off-highway Vehicle Association (ROVA) member Polaris helped develop the ANSI standard for ROV, which is a national standard. Additionally, Polaris had to certify the Pro R through the CA Air Resources Board (CARB) as a sand car before selling it in CA. All previous Polaris RZR's were certified as ROV by CARB and one limiting factor was a motor of 1000cc or less. The CARB sand car category is very similar to the Off Road Sport Vehicle (ORSV), but the motor specification is 1000cc or more.



LAO Testifying/Issuing Dire Warning at OHV Commission Meeting in Redding

POLITICAL OPERATION AT OCEANO EXPOSED PROMPTING DIRE WARNING - The Oceano agenda items and related discussions at the recent OHV commission meeting in Redding reminded me of the bitter and constant fight to preserve and protect the California OHV Program since its creation in 1971. For almost 50 years, public and private sector opponents of OHV recreation have used overt and covert means to “redirect” monies from the OHV Trust Fund to support non-OHV programs and efforts in the department and other agencies.

Those redirect programs were significantly energized by a new agency management strategy called the Park Transformation Process. That effort, dubbed “Transformation”, was sold to the public as a plan to alter policies, procedures, guidelines, and organizational structures to support an entrepreneurial, service-oriented, creative and collaborative culture within the Department.

Rather than making the OHV Program more streamlined and efficient, that 5 year Transformation Process authorized CA State Parks to absorb the Division where the once dynamic program was turned into just another department in a stovepipe/silo organization where both internal and external communications with partners and sister agencies were functionally eliminated. That management style also killed meaningful collaboration with OHV stakeholders.

While many aspects of the in-person OHV Commission Tour and Meeting were positive including good face-to-face discussions, highlights of key trail and facility improvements at the BLM Chappie Shasta OHV Area, and reports of significant post-storm repairs at SVRAs and some federal units, the Oceano presentations confirmed the negative tenets of Transformation.

Another example of Transformation is there have been three different budgets presented with regard to Oceano Dunes “Air Quality Expenses at ODSVRA.” The first was posted on the OHMVR commission website in August 2021, the second posted on the website on March 17, 2023, and the third was at the Commission meeting on March 24, 2023. With each iteration of that “air quality” budget, the budget was revised upward by millions of dollars. The current expenses total more than \$25,000,000.00. However, the final straw for me came near the end of the final scientific presentation from the Desert Research Institute where they threw shade on the Scripps Report because it did not fit their closure narrative and insinuated that in upcoming SAG meetings their non-peer reviewed study would be used and the Scripps Report tossed in the round file.

For the last 13 years, many of us knew this was a political battle waged by anti-OHV regulators who used faux science claims to support their narrative of toxic dust from OHVs using the sand dunes. And, it is

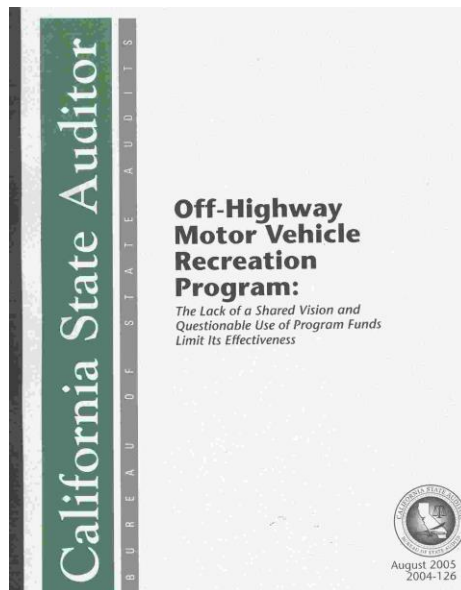
Transformation that has allowed Parks to sign agreements – without transparency and oversight - with the SLOAPCD to implement dune revegetation projects and other restrictions that eventually will eliminate the open sand dunes and spell the end of OHV use at Oceano Dunes.

The unwitting acknowledgement by DRI presenters they were running a covert Political Operation foments turmoil, disenfranchises OHV stakeholders, and impacts employee morale. It also increases the historically deep level of distrust that exists between the OHV community and State Parks HQ.



The LAO talking with BLM OHV Manager at Private Property Road Block at Shasta Dam GP

2023 SHASTA DAM GP - The LAO had the privilege to support the Shasta Dam GP by working an important road block/access point where a local equestrian and non-motorized resort intersects the course.



Cover of the 2005 Audit of CA OHV Program

AUDIT OF OHV TRUST FUND - Due to the LAO Program’s concerns about the long term fiscal viability of the OHV Trust Fund due to the ongoing deficit spending by the OHV Division and Parks - to subsidize activities that DO NOT benefit OHV recreation – it continues to work with Legislators on submission of a

REQUEST FOR AN AUDIT that will be submitted this year. The audit is expected to highlight deficit spending on unwarranted projects and funding shortfalls that could impact the operation of SVRAs and grants to federal and county agencies. The audit is also expected to find possible solutions to fiscal shortfalls.

USE OF RECREATION RANCH FOR D36 EVENTS – The LAO is meeting with the manager of a large ranch and resort property in Tehama County as a potential host for D36 competition events.

SxS SAFETY – The LAO continues to work with State Parks interagency SxS safety team on solutions to address illegal and rogue activity by certain SxS groups and the growing number of accidents between dirt bikes and SxSs. As part of our joint effort with Parks, the LAO is doing research on existing online OHV safety courses, the LAO took the online OHV safety courses offered by OR State Parks and UT Parks and Recreation.

The LAO expects that Parks will require some form of REQUIRED education certificate similar to other states such as OR and UT before riding a SxS on public lands. It would most likely start off with a required online cert. but if that is not effective than an in-person field training would also be required.



Popular Unauthorized OHV Route Near Walker Ridge

PROTECTING WALKER RIDGE RIDING AREA FROM WIND PROJECT - The D36 LAO continues to work with our conservation and tribal partners to put an end to the 20+ years effort by both Dem and GOP administrations to site a 4K acre wind energy project over the existing road and trail network along Walker Ridge near Indian Valley Reservoir. The strategy is to have that 4K acre plot added into the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument. It is important to note that the Knoxville OHV Area and portions of the Upper Lake and Stonyford Ranger Districts are in the Monument and contain many OHV routes used for competition and casual use and those uses are protected in the Monument designation.

Thanks to the hard work of the LAO and other OHV leaders working with conservation groups about 10 years ago, the Monument was designated in 2015 with strong protections for existing and new OHV recreation including competition events and casual use.

Those OHV protections will be extended to the Walker Ridge area when it is added to the existing Monument. Having the additional land protected from energy development will also help the LAO and others finish the Monument OHV Travel Plan that has been put on hold until the energy issue is settled.

EDUCATION OF NEW LEGISLATORS in 2023 – Again, there will be an historic number of new legislators coming to Sacramento after the fall election. This massive sea change is due to a large number of current legislators being termed out. The LAO Program has asked the OHV Division to partner with us in a joint effort to educate (both in-person and in the field) new legislators and their staff about the OHV program and its many positive and pro-active tenets including conservation, restoration, LE, and safety. Field trips for legislators/staff to local SVRAs such as Prairie City SVRA have proven highly effective in helping them understand and appreciate the value of our program.

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