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Hahamongna Watershed Park is Growing

HAHAMONGNA WATERSHED PARK IS MADE UP OF ABOUT 1,300 ACRES, between Devil's Gate Dam and the Arroyo Seco Canyon on the northwestern edge of Pasadena.

In November 2005 the city of Pasadena purchased some land from Metropolitan Water District, which added 30 acres of beautiful, oak-filled open space to the park. This additional acreage is known as the Hahamongna Annex.



The annex has been incorporated into the Hahamongna Watershed Park Master Plan (HMP), which establishes a framework for recreation, water resources, flood management, land use, habitat restoration and cultural resources in the area. Every master plan is required by law to include a master environmental report about potential environmental impacts that may be associated with a project – traffic, air quality, noise and others – and determines which ones are significant and how they could be mitigated (reduced) if necessary. Such a report was adopted by city council in 2003 for the HMP. The annex is considered a new project because it came into being after the adoption of the original park master plan, and its environmental impacts must be evaluated. Therefore, an environmental report, called an initial study (IS), has been prepared to determine whether the proposed HMP annex activities may cause any additional impacts that were not analyzed in the Arroyo Seco Master Environmental Impact Report (EIR); the IS also identifies the mitigation measures from the master EIR that are applicable to the HMP annex.

Sometimes these environmental reports include references to previously proposed components of a project that were never approved and therefore are not included in the final plan. This is the case with two potential impacts that are included in the EIR for the HMP but are not included in the plan itself: a large

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Your Personal Guide to the Arroyo

One of the country's most beautiful natural areas is right in your backyard. Now you can carry a full-color guide in your back pocket!

The Arroyo Seco Trails Guide, published by the Parks and Natural Resources Division of the Public Works Department, shows – and tells – you the best places to walk, hike, jog, ride a horse, bike, fish or picnic throughout the spacious preserve.

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places and home to a treasure trove of flora and fauna, the arroyo spans eight miles through Pasadena from the mountains to our southern city limits.

In addition to marking 22 miles of trails, the guide details the area's rich history, ecosystem and landmarks. It also notes bridges, streams, trailheads, picnic areas, restrooms, parking lots, bus stops and recreational facilities, making it easy to plan your next adventure.

Find the guide at any Pasadena library or community center, City Hall, Permit Center, Pasadena Convention & Visitors Bureau or www.cityofpasadena.net (click on Arroyo Seco under "Hot Topics"). For more information call 744-4321.

Etcetera ... Etcetera

Two thousand runners will go around the Rose Bowl Loop during the 25th annual Pasadena City College 5K Run Saturday, July 25, 7 a.m., benefiting PCC's Community Education Center. www.pcc5K.org.

Six fully restored bungalows at historic Haskett Court will be sold to first-time, low- and mid-income buyers this fall. Download an application at www.heritagehousingpartners.org and turn it in by July 31, 2009. 403-4663, ext. 115.

Join Pasadena's mayor and PUSD Superintendent of Schools Edwin Diaz on a three-mile walk around the Rose Bowl Loop Wednesday, Aug. 5, 7:30 a.m. Meet at Gate A. www.upandmoving.org or 831-2980.

Beat the heat with hot dogs and lemonade, rides, raffles, music and more at the District 3 Block Party Saturday, Aug. 8, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Jackson Street between El Molino and Los Robles. 744-4738.

The summer concert series is in full swing at Memorial Park's Levitt Pavilion. Bring a blanket and picnic dinner, and enjoy a free show Wednesdays through Sundays through Aug. 30. 683-3230 or www.levittpavilionpasadena.org.

Take a simple survey to help determine community needs in the areas of health care, senior issues, job training, housing, nutrition, transportation, teens and young adults, economic development, crime prevention, child care and more. The Human Services Commission and Northwest Commission are considering how to allocate funding from 2010 to 2012 Community Development Block Grants, Emergency Shelter Grants and Human Services Endowment Fund. 744-6942 or www.cityofpasadena.net/humaneservices.

Are you savvy enough to go green? Visit www.cityofpasadena.net/greencity and click on Green Training Program for dozens of easy tips for living and working green, saving money and preserving our natural resources, then pledge your commitment to creating a healthy, safe and clean environment for future generations. This online program won the L.A. County Green Leadership Award and a special award of merit from the L.A. Section of the American Planning Association. No Internet access? It's free at any Pasadena public library. 744-7546.

Little ones can learn about nature, plants, animals and more during free story time Saturdays at 10 a.m. at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, 1750 N. Altadena Dr. 398-5420.

Enjoy free films every Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the Donald R. Wright Auditorium at Pasadena Central Library, 285 E. Walnut St., including great musicals in July. 744-4066.

National Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 4, promotes crime- and drug-prevention, draws attention to local anti-crime programs, builds camaraderie among neighbors and local police, and sends a clear message to criminals that we're organized! Turn on your front light and step outside, plan a block party or flashlight walk, organize children's activities or schedule a visit from Pasadena police officers. 744-7659, aramos@cityofpasadena.net or www.nationalnightout.org/nno.

You'll see a new look and navigation options for the city's website beginning in early August at www.cityofpasadena.net.

Note: All dates and times listed in Pasadena In Focus are as of the publication date. Call the numbers listed to confirm information. All phone numbers are in the (626) area code unless otherwise noted.

Noticias En Breve

!El desperdiciar agua es ilegal!

El Consejo de la ciudad de Pasadena, recientemente tomo una postura mucho más agresiva para encarar la escasez de agua en nuestra ciudad.

Empezando este mes, el desperdiciar agua será prohibido permanentemente!

- No se puede regar agua entre las 9 a.m. y 6 p.m.; excepto con un contenedor de mano o mangueras con una boquilla que se apaga, o por periodos cortos cuando se están ajustando el sistema de riego.
- No se riega en temporadas de lluvia
- Que no salga el agua excesivamente al pavimento, alcantarilla o desagües cuando se riega las plantas o vegetación de cualquier tipo
- No lavar el pavimento a menos que sea por seguridad o sanidad, en ese caso se debe utilizar un balde, una manquera con una boquilla de apagado, una maquina de limpieza que recicle el agua o un compresor de presión de agua de bajo-alto volumen
- Todos los propietarios deben arreglar todos las cañerías que están descompuestas o que no funcionan bien, una vez se den cuenta del

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parking structure and a new, paved road through the park. Several options were considered for a parking structure within the park, but such a structure was never recommended and therefore is not in the plan; the possibility of extending the existing park road was evaluated as well, but after strong opposition from the public and the Hahamongna Watershed Park Advisory Committee, the option of the road extension was not included in the plan.

The final draft of the annex plan, the IS and a schedule for the project can be found at www.cityofpasadena.net (click on Hahamongna Annex under "Hot Topics"). The plan has been going through review by various commissions and committees and will go to the city council in September.

For more information call 744-4321.

Design Guidelines are Nearly Ready



The Trio mixed-use complex

HAVE YOUR SAY ON DRAFT DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL CENTERS and multifamily homes before they're submitted for final approval at a Design Commission meeting set for Monday, Aug. 24, at 6 p.m. at

Pasadena Senior Center, 85 E. Holly St.

The subject of a series of community meetings this year, the guidelines set new standards for how our neighborhood commercial centers and multifamily complexes of three or more units should look. A final draft, which incorporates an abundance of public comments, will be available at www.cityofpasadena.net/guidelines beginning Friday, July 10.

During the Aug. 24 meeting, the commission will review and discuss the final draft and take additional comments from the public before passing it along to the city council for consideration in late August or early September. Once final guidelines are adopted, the city will host discussions and public meetings on how they will be applied.

Complete details – including a map of affected areas, project schedule, documents for review and space to submit comments – are available at www.cityofpasadena.net/guidelines. There are a number of ways to provide your feedback: online, during the public meetings, by calling 744-7806, by emailing kevinjohnson@cityofpasadena.net, by faxing to 396-7259, or sending them via postal mail or dropping them off at 175 N. Garfield Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101-1704.

Teach Your Pooches Good Manners

YOUR DOG GIVES YOU A NICE SLOPPY KISS BEFORE WORK, but what happens after you leave? Many dog owners don't realize that their beloved Fluffy may be annoying neighbors by barking all day. Dogs bark for many reasons: They're being playful, warning of danger, threatening an intruder, or just plain lonely. It becomes a problem when barking disturbs the peace.

If you've received a complaint, sign up for dog obedience class or read a good book on the subject. Common tips include treating the mail carrier and delivery people as friends, spending more time with your pooch, allowing him more access to the yard and not rewarding your barking dog with play time.

Neighbors can report problems to the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA at 792-7151. If your dog is the offender, you'll be contacted by an animal control officer.

For a complete list of dog-care tips and upcoming classes, visit www.pasadenahumane.org.

Access for Residents and Visitors with Disabilities

A DETAILED PLAN TO UPGRADE PUBLIC FACILITIES CITYWIDE will ensure that people with disabilities can use them safely and conveniently.

You can comment on the comprehensive document during a public meeting Tuesday, Sept. 1, at 3 p.m. at City Hall, 100 N. Garfield Ave., in the Grand Conference Room (basement room S038).

The plan includes the Rose Bowl Stadium, parks, parking structures, libraries, community centers, fire stations, City Hall, police headquarters, convention center and more.

Written in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, which requires cities to give people with disabilities equal access to programs, services and activities, the plan lists recommended priorities, corrective actions and cost estimates.

Find a copy at Central Library, 285 E. Walnut St.; the City Clerk's Office, 100 N. Garfield Ave., room S228; and at www.cityofpasadena.net/ADATransitionplan. Alternate formats are available. Email rgorski@cityofpasadena.net or call 744-4782.

Comment on the plan during the Sept. 1 meeting or provide your feedback by Sept. 2 via postal mail to ADA Transition Project Manager, 100 N. Garfield Ave., Room N306, Pasadena, CA 91109 or via email to cathychang@cityofpasadena.net. For more information call 744-4762.

Help Plan for the Future



DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT HOW THE CITY WILL GROW over the next decade? Do you have opinions about how much development should be permitted and where?

Would you like to share your thoughts about how the city of Pasadena should manage impacts of new development, such as traffic? If so, we need to hear from you as the General Plan is updated.

The city is offering a variety of opportunities to voice your opinion over the next several months. Neighborhood associations and community-based organizations are conducting meetings in July; the entire community is invited to participate in "moveabouts" later this summer via foot, auto, transit or bicycle; and city council members will host district meetings in September.

If you're not participating in one of the neighborhood association or community meetings, feel free to go online and download instructions for conducting your own meeting, then gather friends, neighbors, parishioners, co-workers, fellow business owners or others.

During the moveabouts, you'll be asked to go to specific areas of Pasadena and provide your feedback about what you see and experience. Maps and instructions will be posted online in August.

All of these activities are being undertaken as a prelude to a larger community event in October where you'll learn what others have encountered in their activities and help set goals for moving forward with the updates of the General Plan's Land Use, Mobility, and Open Space and Conservation Elements.

Learn more by visiting www.cityofpasadena.net/generalplan or calling 744-4009.

problema o en siete días de haber recibido el aviso de PWP

- Las fuentes y equipos de agua deben tener un sistema de agua que circula
- Los vehículos deben ser lavados con un balde de mano y/o una manquera equipada con una boquilla que apague (esto no aplica a los lavaderos de autos comerciales);
- Los restaurantes podrían no servir agua a menos que se la soliciten y deben utilizar en los lavaplatos válvulas rociadoras que ahorren agua
- A Partir del 1 de julio de 2010 no se puede instalar en los lavaderos de autos comerciales nuevos un sistema de agua que no haga que el agua circule, todos los lavaderos comerciales deben tener un sistema de agua circulante u obtener una excensión de la ciudad
- Los hoteles y moteles deben dar a sus huéspedes la opción de no cambiar la ropa de cama y las toallas todos los días.

A partir de hoy, el nivel de escasez de agua de la ciudad le dirá cuantos días a la semana usted puede regar sus plantas, que tan pronto las tuberías dañadas deben ser reparadas y si se permite lavar su vehículo o el llenar su piscina, tanques, fuentes y otros equipos de agua. Cada una de estas prohibiciones variarán dependiendo de cual de los cuatro niveles de escasez de agua declara la ciudad.

El consejo de la ciudad realizará una audiencia pública el lunes 13 de julio a las 6:30 P.m. para determinar que nivel de escasez se declara. (sin importar el nivel, las prohibiciones de desperdicio de agua permanente, mencionadas anteriormente quedarán vigente.)

PWP trabajará de cerca con los clientes para proporcionar información útil y enviará avisos por escrito de ser necesario. Los propietarios y los clientes de las pequeñas empresas que continúan violando la ordenanza después de haber recibido los avisos, tendrán que encarar una multa que van desde \$ 100 a \$ 500 para futuras violaciones. El monto de la multa son doble para los clientes comerciales con medidores de 1½" o conexiones más grandes. Esté atento a su correo para un aviso detallado sobre la enmienda de la ordenanza de los procedimientos de la escasez de agua inmediatamente después que el consejo de la ciudad declare una escasez este mes. Para mayor información visite www.cityofpasadena.net/savewater o llame a la línea informativa de escasez de agua al 744-8888.

¡Esta invitado a una fiesta de la cuadra!

Gáñele al calor con un hot dog y limonada, juegos, rifas y mucho más en la fiesta de la cuadra del Distrito 3 en sábado 8 de agosto, desde las 11 a.m. hasta las 3 a.m. en la calle Jackson entre las calles el Molino y Los Robles 744-4738.

Calling All Kids: Report for Duty at Youth Safety Academies

TWO FREE ACADEMIES WILL BEGIN THIS SUMMER, sponsored by Pasadena Police Department and Pasadena Fire Department.

The Pasadena Kids Safety Academy for elementary school students ages 6 to 12 and their parents meets from 9 a.m. to noon on seven consecutive Saturdays beginning July 11 at Pasadena police headquarters.

Classes will cover stranger danger, fire safety, disaster preparedness, environmental stewardship, community leadership, water skills, outdoor safety, bike rules and nutrition. Space is limited to 30 children and their parents. Make reservations by calling 744-7659 or e-mailing aramos@cityofpasadena.net.

Through the Pasadena Junior Public Safety Academy, 40 teens ages 13 to 18 will be chosen for a five-day seminar to learn about police and fire careers Monday, Aug. 3, through Saturday, Aug. 8, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Participants will learn about the duties of our police detectives, forensics team, traffic detail, jail staff and more at Pasadena police headquarters, then move on to Pasadena Fire Department to learn about fire safety, survival skills and what it takes to make it through police and fire training.



Head to the Park for Summer Fun

KEEP KIDS ENGAGED WITH FREE AND LOW-COST ACTIVITIES from the Human Services and Recreation Department, which has teamed up with Day One and CORAL to provide a summer full of adventure. Register in person or at www.cityofpasadena.net/reserve.



Photo: Zack Stomberg

Washington Park

Summer day camps for ages 5 to 13 are ongoing at Villa-Parke Community Center, Victory Park Center and Allendale Park, offering everything from sports to field trips. 744-6516.

Kids 5 to 13 will enjoy sports, swimming, arts and crafts, field trips and more weekdays at Jefferson Park, La Pintoresca Park and Washington Park. 744-8332.

Teens 14 to 16 can drop in weekdays at Robinson Park Center for free computer, fine art and graphic design classes and other activities. 744-7330.

Recreational swimming is available most days at Blair High School Pool, Pasadena High School Pool, Robinson Park Pool and Villa-Parke Community Center Pool (children 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult). Swimming lessons are also available at these sites plus the CORAL Center Pool at 2750 New York Dr. 744-7530.

Watch for fun-filled activities for ages 5 to 16 during Youth Month in August. Most activities are free. Look for calendars at libraries, community centers and City Hall or call 229-9750.

Please note that for all summer programs, enrollment is limited and spaces are filled on a first come, first served basis.



Cool Library Activities for Hot Summer Days

ON SUNDAY, JULY 19, AT 2 P.M. AT CENTRAL LIBRARY, watch the induction of Steve Dalkowski, Roger Maris and Jim Eisenreich into the Baseball Reliquary's Shrine of Eternals. The non-profit group fosters appreciation for America's favorite pastime by maintaining its own baseball hall of fame. 791-7647.

Don't miss the big Buck-A-Bag book sale Saturday, July 25, from noon to 5 p.m. at La Pintoresca Branch Library. Bring your own canvas bag and stock up! 744-7268.

You can also download this summer's most popular bestsellers, classics, fiction and non-fiction to your own PC, laptop or PDA at www.cityofpasadena.net/library. Audio eBook and music titles are available in copyright-protected Windows Media Audio format; eBooks are available in Adobe PDF format. You can borrow up to five items for 14 days with your Pasadena or Glendale library card. 744-4066.



Test Out Rose Bowl Loop Plans

ATTENTION WALKERS, BICYCLISTS, JOGGERS, DOG OWNERS, parents with strollers, skaters and unicyclists!

If you're one of the thousands who use the Rose Bowl recreation loop, the city wants to hear from you.

A few slight changes are being proposed that could help smooth the occasional entanglements that happen when exercise enthusiasts vie for the same space. Preliminary plans call for a section for walkers in both directions, a suitable lane for bicyclists and vehicles, and a narrower outside lane for vehicles. This option was chosen for its adaptability to future changes, if needed.

Now it's time for testing by those who know the loop best, and that may be you! Please join us Tuesday, July 28, any time between 5 and 7:30 p.m. to give us your feedback. (Look for the tents at Brookside Golf Club and Lot K or visit www.cityofpasadena.net/rosebowlloop.) For more information call 744-4610.

Water Waste Prohibitions are in Effect



Photo: Erica Nollis

THE PASADENA CITY COUNCIL RECENTLY AMENDED THE CITY'S WATER SHORTAGE PROCEDURES ORDINANCE, taking a much more aggressive approach to address our city's water shortage.

Beginning this month, water waste will be permanently prohibited!

- No watering outdoors between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., except with a hand-held container or hose with a shut-off nozzle, or for very short periods when adjusting a sprinkler system

- No watering during periods of rain
 - No excessive water flow or runoff onto pavement, gutters or ditches from watering or irrigating landscapes or vegetation of any kind
 - No washing down paved surfaces unless for safety or sanitation, in which case a bucket, a hose with a shut-off nozzle, a cleaning machine that recycles water or a low-volume/high-pressure water broom must be used
 - All property owners must fix leaks, breaks or malfunctions when they find them, or within seven days of receiving a notice from PWP
 - Fountains and water features must have a re-circulating water system
 - Vehicles must be washed with a hand-held bucket and/or hose equipped with a water shut-off nozzle (does not apply to commercial car washes)
 - Restaurants may not serve drinking water unless by request and must use water-saving dish wash spray valves
 - No installation of non-recirculating water systems at new commercial car washes and laundry systems. Effective July 1, 2010, all commercial car washes must have a re-circulating water system or secure a city waiver
 - Hotels and motels must give guests the option to decline daily bed linen and towel changes
 - No installation of "single pass cooling systems" in buildings requesting new water service
- From now on, the city's Water Shortage Level will tell you how many days per week you can water outdoors, how soon leaks must be repaired and whether washing vehicles or filling pools, ponds, fountains and other water features will be allowed. Each of these prohibitions will vary depending on which of four Water Shortage Levels the city council declares.

The city council will conduct a public hearing Monday, July 13, at 6:30 p.m. to determine which shortage level to declare. (Regardless of the level, the permanent water waste prohibitions listed above will remain in effect.)

PWP will work closely with customers to provide helpful information and issue written warnings if necessary. Homeowners and small-business customers who continue to violate the ordinance after they have received warnings will face fines of \$100 to \$500 for future violations. Fine amounts are double for commercial customers with 1½" meter connections or larger.

In the event the city council declares a water shortage, detailed notice about the amended Water Shortage Procedures Ordinance will be mailed to all customers. For more information visit www.cityofpasadena.net/savewater or call the Water Shortage Hotline at 744-8888.



Take Charge at No Charge

NO ONE LIKES TO GET A FINE and the city of Pasadena takes no pleasure in giving them. Pasadena is facing a very serious shortage that is making water – and especially water waste – very costly for everyone. We've reached the point where fines have become necessary to prevent any more waste of our dwindling supply.

PWP wants you to take charge so you don't get charged, whether with a fine or a higher water bill. Visit www.cityofpasadena.net/savewater to find plenty of free tips, tools and workshops on how to cut waste and use less. Here's a sample – no charge!

- If you have a sprinkler system, do a full inspection as soon as possible. Fix broken sprinkler heads and overspray right away, then reset your irrigation schedule to water only before 9 a.m. or after 6 p.m.
- Attend one of PWP's free workshops on efficient irrigation, water-smart gardening, California Friendly plants, or healthy trees and shrubs. Workshop dates are July 16 and 25, Aug. 13 and 22, Sept. 10, Oct. 3 and 22 and Nov. 5; you can reserve your space online at www.cityofpasadena.net/savewater or by calling 744-6970.
- Try the Online Watering Calculator to set a schedule that's just right for your plants, or do it automatically with a Smart Irrigation Controller (and get a \$160 rebate).
- Go on the H2Ouse Virtual Home Tour to learn how to save water and money in every room of your home.
- Take our Water Smart Survey to share your ideas for conserving and help PWP improve its conservation outreach. It's anonymous; you'll receive a voucher for a free Water Savers Kit that includes a shower timer and a quick shut-off showerhead.



Follow Up on a Bright Idea

YOU'VE GOT THE ROOF AND YOU'VE GOT THE SUNSHINE, but do you have the facts on how to go solar for less? Pasadena Solar Initiative experts do, and they'll share them at the next Going Solar Workshop on Thursday, July 30, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Salvation Army Pasadena Tabernacle, 960 E. Walnut St.

Topics at the free workshop will include up front costs, tax breaks and rebates, as well as buying and leasing options. We'll walk you through the permit and rebate application process, teach you the right questions to ask when talking to vendors, and help you discover your potential energy and cost savings. Various solar panel and metering types will also be covered. Reserve your spot at www.cityofpasadena.net/solar.

