**MONTEREY PENINSULA REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

DATE:	**November 02, 2022**
TO:	**Board of Directors**
FROM:	**Jake Smith, Planning & Conservation Program Manager**
REVIEWED BY:	**Rafael Payan, General Manager**
SUBJECT:	**Presentation – San Jose Creek Trail Public Access Update**

SUMMARY:
The San Jose Creek Trail (Trail) was made possible through coordinated land acquisitions and public access planning via the Lobos-Corona Parklands Partnership (Partnership), comprised of the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District, Big Sur Land Trust, California State Parks, and Point Lobos Foundation. The Trail, which connects Palo Corona Regional Park to Ixchenta State Park, was previously set to open in March 2020, but was put on hiatus due to the international Coronavirus pandemic which resulted in widespread shelter in place and social distancing measures that prevented the Partners from opening the Trail for unsupervised public access. MPRPD resumed scheduled docent led hikes on the Trail in February of 2022 and the Partnership resumed regular monthly meetings in June of 2022 to identify pathways to expand public access to the Trail in a way that is compatible with property constraints that have arisen since March 2020.

Members of the Partnership will present an overview of the Trail, what has changed since March 2020, recent activities to expand the number of docent-led hike events, and MPRPD's plan to begin offering reservation-based access permits for the Trail, enabling the public to have unsupervised access to the Trail on Palo Corona Regional Park, and access a portion of the Trail on Ixchenta State Park.

FISCAL IMPACT:
There is no fiscal impact associated with receiving this report.

FUNDING SOURCE:
Not applicable

FUNDING BALANCE:
Not applicable

DISCUSSION:
Members of the Lobo-Corona Parklands Partnership will provide MPRPD's Board an update on recent activities and plans to expand public access to the San Jose Creek Trail.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Staff asks the Board to receive and file the report.