



AGENDA

ORANGE COUNTY PARKS COMMISSION

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2023, 8:00 a.m.



**SADDLEBACK WILDERNESS
3066 SANTIAGO CANYON ROAD*
ORANGE, CA 92869**

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The Orange County Parks Commission welcomes you to this field trip. This agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The Commission encourages your participation and welcomes public comments on items under the purview of the Commission. If you wish to speak on a matter that does not appear on the agenda, you may do so during the Public Participation period at the beginning of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda. When addressing the Commission, please state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Speakers may be limited to three (3) minutes. Public speaker request forms will be available onsite.

The OC Parks Commission meeting will be an in-person field trip held at the Saddleback Wilderness (3066 Santiago Canyon Road, Orange, CA 92869). Please be advised that County health [guidelines apply to this field trip](https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/article/oc-health-officers-orders-recommendations): <https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/article/oc-health-officers-orders-recommendations>

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring accommodations for this field trip should notify OC Parks 72 hours prior to the meeting at Admin.ocparkscommission@ocparks.com or (949) 923-3738.

All supporting documentation is available for public review at <https://www.ocparks.com/about-us/commissions-and-committees/oc-parks-commission> under the "Agendas and Minutes" link or by calling 949-923-3738 during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

OC COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Orange County Parks Commission Duties and Responsibilities

(O.C. Codified Ordinances Sec. 2-2-19: Paraphrased)

Except as otherwise provided, the Orange County Parks Commission shall be advisory to the Board of Supervisors and to the Director of OC Parks, and shall have the power and duty:

1. To recommend to the Board of Supervisors plans and policies for the acquisition, development, maintenance and operation of the harbors, beaches and regional parks of the County;
2. On request of the Board of Supervisors, to advise the Board and make recommendations on any matter pertaining to harbors, beaches and regional parks, and any other matters referred by the Board;
3. On request of the Director, to advise on any question of administrative policy and regarding any matter to be decided by the Director under this division;
4. On appeal from an administrative decision by the Director, to act as a board of administrative review;
5. To make such investigations as it may deem necessary in the exercise of its powers;
6. To perform the duties and functions of the County Fish and Game Commission assigned by either statute or this code, and consider methods for the propagation and protection of fish and game in the State of California and County of Orange. The Commission shall be advisory body to the Board of Supervisors.

OC Parks Commission Regular Meeting Schedule: First Thursday, Monthly, 6:00 p.m.

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I. ROLL CALL

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

At this time, members of the public may address the Commission on items of public interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission and are not contained in today's agenda.

III. SADDLEBACK WILDERNESS TOUR

OC Parks recently opened to the public Saddleback Wilderness, which is a 100-acre wilderness area comprised of five trails that offer experiences for hikers, mountain bikers, and equestrians. Saddleback Wilderness is located on the former site of a motocross racetrack that operated for many decades and closed in 1984. Since then, the site has been restored to its natural habitat. This tour will showcase the history of the site, the facility's development, and the stunning views that visitors will be able to enjoy.

- **8:00 a.m.:** Saddleback Wilderness
Address: [3066 Santiago Canyon Road, Orange, CA 92869](#)
 - Please use Google Maps to navigate to the site as other applications may not route properly.
 - Park in the facility's upper portion of the parking lot and meet at the sign at the start of the trailhead. Following Stop #1, those in attendance will be driven to the subsequent Stops of the Field Trip.

- **8:10 p.m. – 9:30 a.m.:**
 - Stop #1 – Parking Lot/Trailhead
 - Brief overview of the site's history and process of developing the parking lot/trailhead
 - Stop #2 – Historical Infrastructure
 - View remnants of the infrastructure of the former motocross facility
 - Stop #3 – Mesa (East Side)
 - Brief overview of the various trails offered at Saddleback Wilderness
 - Stop #4 – Mesa (360-Degree Viewpoint)
 - View location at Saddleback Wilderness which offers near 360-degree views of the ocean, Orange County, and Santiago Peak

IV. ADJOURNMENT