Welcome

- We are so excited you are joining us!
- In the chat, please put your name, any affiliations, and your pronouns (optional).
- The webinar will begin at 12:00pm.
- During the presentation, put questions in the chat, we will answer them. by the end of the presentation.
- We will share the PowerPoint and recording in a follow-up email.





CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS FOUNDATION Champion Your California

2022 LEGISLATIVE **PRIORITIES AND** STRATEGIES

TODAY'S SPEAKERS



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MISSION

Protecting and preserving the California state park system, for the benefit of all.

VISION

Californians experience, engage with, and champion their state parks, ensuring that they will thrive now and for future generations.





- Climate resiliency
- Equitable Access
- Honoring History and Culture
- Protecting Wildlife and Nature
- Park Experience
- Park Funding



TODAY, WE WILL DISCUSS...

- Capitol updates
- California State Parks Foundation Priority Legislation
- Strategies to engage elected officials



CAPITOL UPDATES



"We not only must live with our day-to-day decisions, but we must be responsible for long-range decisions, the results of which may not show up for several hundred years."

William Penn Mott, Jr.



LEGISLATIVE PRIORITES



CLIMATE RESILIENCY

<u>Assembly Bill 2479:</u> Requiring state agencies to prioritize long-term solutions for conservation restoration projects by Assemblymember Wood of Santa Rosa

<u>Senate Bill 867:</u> Continuing the important work of the sea level planning database by Senator John Laird of Santa Cruz

EQUITABLE ACCESS

Assembly Bill 2128 : Giving

Californians discounted admission to state parks on California Admission Day by Assemblymember Ken Cooley of Rancho Cordova

<u>Assembly Bill 2346 :</u> Increasing equitable access to outdoor recreation with grant opportunities to outdoor recreational non-profits by Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel of the San Fernando Valley





PARK EXPERIENCES

<u>Assembly Bill 1789 :</u> Creating a Trails Commission and on-going funding for trails by Assemblymember Steve Bennett of Ventura

HONORING HISTORY AND CULTURE

<u>Assembly Bill 2225 :</u> Preserving the traditional ecological knowledge of Native Americans for state land by Assemblymember Chris Ward of San Diego





PROTECTING WILDLIFE AND NATURE

<u>Assembly Bill 2146:</u> Protecting pollinators from harmful pesticide use at home by Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan

<u>Assembly Bill 2609:</u> Giving California more tools to ensure oil facilities are prepared in the unfortunate case of an oil spills by Assemblymember Cottie Petrie-Norris of Laguna Beach



ENGAGING ELECTED OFFICIALS



LOCALLY

Address : 1510 J St, Sacramento, California

State Assembly (District 7)

Assembly Member Kevin McCarty-DEM

State Senate (District 6)

Senator Richard Pan-DEM

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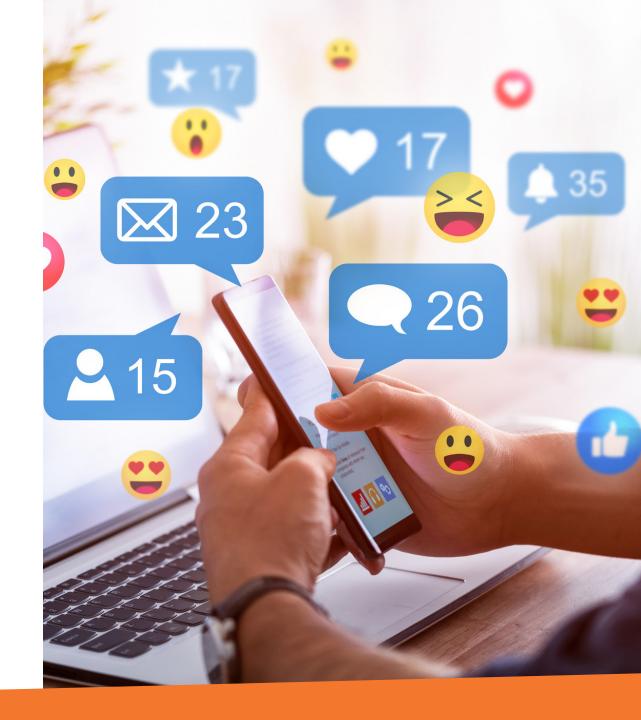
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SOCIAL MEDIA

- Follow elected officials on social media. Twitter is one of the best platforms for this.
- Provide constructive and relevant feedback by commenting on posts.
- @ tag elected officials in your own social media posts.
- Follow @Calparks on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for up-to-date information on our legislative priorities and how you can act.





SACRAMENTO



What committees are important for state parks?



What is the policy committee process?



How can I get involved?

POLICY COMMITTEES

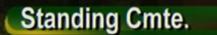
What is the policy committee process?

- Legislation is introduced
- Legislation is referred to a policy committee for detailed analysis
- Staff draft analysis of legislation
- Legislative members debate and then (most of the time) vote on measures

What committees are important for state park issues?

- Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife Committee
- Assembly Natural Resources
- Senate Natural Resource Committee

Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee, Tuesday, March 22nd, 2022



WATER, PARKS & WILDLIFE

California State Assembly

Why are policy committees important?

- Smaller discussions
- Members and staff are more informed
- Change is expected

How can I get involved?

- Follow @calparks on Twitter
- Sign petitions from us
- Send <u>advocacy@calparks.org</u> an email if you see an interesting piece of legislation
- Give us a call 916.442.2119, ext. 4



PARK ADVOCACY DAY 2022

- Join us Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at the State Capitol in Sacramento for Park Advocacy Day
- Advocating for these measures and attend our educational State Parks Fair in Capitol Park
- Register and find more information at calparks.org/PAD2022





Questions?



California State Parks Foundation is an independent, member-supported nonprofit that mobilizes a diverse network of Californians to be active champions for our state parks.

At California State Parks Foundation, we believe that all Californians are essential to sustaining our state parks. Every day, we inform and inspire current and future generations of park champions, enabling them to be the passionate advocates our state parks need.

Because when we build a movement of park supporters, we ensure the long-term sustainability of our incredible state park treasures.

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