



**THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
OPEN SPACE DIVISION
MIRAMAR RANCH NORTH MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT
DECEMBER 2017 STAFF REPORT**

Ornamental Landscaping

- Irrigation checks and repairs continue. Irrigation systems are operating at a minimum, depending on the weather and type of plant material that is being watered.
- Removal of weeds are the first priority throughout the MMRN MAD.
- Brow ditches have been cleared.
- Openspace trail- brush cleared 5' on each side, for about 550' linear ft. The location is up from Scripps Ranch Community Park.
- Roses at the beginning of the median on Scripps Ranch Blvd. have been cut back for visibility.
- Mulch was placed down on the right-of-way at the corner of Spring Canyon Rd and Scripps Poway Parkway.
- Water in process of reduction throughout Miramar Ranch North due to cooler weather changes and landscape staying wet.

Tree Trimming

- Trees are in process of being lifted for sidewalk clearance, street clearance and sign visibility.

Mini-Parks

- Staff is working with Terracare on cleaning the planter beds, removing dead plant material, adding mulch where needed, removing and transplanting plant material where it is appropriate, and redefining the landscape plan for the mini parks that resembles the original plant pallet.
- 2 *Metrosideros* trees were removed at Dry Creek Park due to *Phytophthora* which causes root rot in *Metrosideros*, limiting or stopping the uptake of water and nutrients. The pathogen is able to survive within plant roots during the dry conditions commonly experienced during the summer months.

- At Canyon View Park, 7-15gal *Furcraea macdougalii* and 2-15gal Aloe ‘Hercules’ have been planted within the landscape.

Landscape Contract

- Terracare Associates continues to provide services within budget.

Respectfully submitted,
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