



**THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
OPEN SPACE DIVISION
MIRAMAR RANCH NORTH MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT
JULY 2015 STAFF REPORT**

Ornamental Landscaping

- Irrigation checks and repairs continue. For all irrigation systems that are on a slope or near a sidewalk, a purple washer is being added so run off is minimized. Irrigation systems are operating at a minimum, depending on weather and type of plant material that is being watered.
- Hand watering has been implemented to areas that receive minimal water due to water restrictions. Trees and new plantings will be affected.
- Weed removal becomes first priority throughout the Miramar Ranch North MAD.
- Removal of *Baccharis sarothroides*, (Desert Broom) and other invasive plant material has been removed on the north side of Scripps Poway Pkwy., to define and open the landscape.

Tree Trimming

- Eucalyptus trees within the Miramar Ranch North MAD have been evaluated for health. Euc trees that have a lean or health issues has been tagged for removal. (for FY 16)

Mini-Parks

- Staff is working with Blueskies 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.
- Dry Creek & Fire Station Landscape Project- The \$15,000.00 from the counsel office has been spent on landscape renovations. Dry Creek landscape renovations continue into FY16.
- *Myoporum 'Pacificum'* has been removed in some areas within Butterfly Park.

1 flat of *Asclepias* (Milkweed), 4-5gal *Caesalpinia mexicana* (Yellow Bird of Paradise), 1-5gal *Cassia bicapsularis* (Yellow Candlewood) and 1 flat of *Echinacea* (Coneflower) was donated by the City of S.D. Nursery and planted at Butterfly Park.

- Two swing seats and two tot swing seats including the chains have been replaced at Cypress Valley Tot-lot.

Landscape Contract

- Blue Skies continues to provide services within budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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