



Park and Recreation Commission

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS **DATE: APRIL 10, 2017**

FROM: PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: RYAN BONAMINIO PARK AT THE TEQUESQUITE ARROYO, BIOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ALKALI MEADOW

ISSUE:

Receive an update on the biological significance of the alkali meadow that was restored in Ryan Bonaminio Park at the Tequesquite Arroyo.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Park and Recreation Commission receive the report for file.

BACKGROUND:

During the planning stages of the Ryan Bonaminio Park at the Tequesquite Arroyo a biological survey of the site was conducted. The survey determined that a unique ecosystem existed on site, an alkali meadow. Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District took the lead to restore the site, and continues to monitor and maintain the meadow. A five year program for monitoring and Maintenance is required by the Environmental Impact Report (EIR), and is defined by the Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring Program (HMMP) as required by the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) as well as the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWCQB). The 5-year Monitoring and Maintenance program is scheduled to end in 2018.

The attached presentation provides a look at the unique biological qualities of the alkali meadow.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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Attachment: Presentation