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The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received a subgrant application for California Department of Parks and Recreation, Los Angeles County for Project. Pursuant to Executive Order (EO) 11990 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for this project under the Public Assistance Grant Program (PA).

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice for DR-4856-CA was published February 27, 2025. Funding for the proposed project will be conditional upon compliance with all applicable federal, tribal, state and local laws, regulations, floodplain standards, permit requirements and conditions.

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), federal actions must be reviewed and evaluated for feasible alternatives and for social, economic, historic, environmental, legal, and safety considerations. EO 11988 and EO 11990 require FEMA to consider alternatives and provide a public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands. This notice may also fulfill requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

This notice serves as a project-specific final notice for FEMA's funding action located within a Wetland. FEMA has determined the only practicable alternative is to fund trail maintenance, replacing trail signage, concrete slabs, wooden posts and a bench, repairs to turnpikes, boardwalks, retaining walls, irrigation systems, bridges, steel handrails, picnic shade structures, and removing vegetative and sedimentary debris and downed trees from trail pathways and drainage ditches. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements. There is a potential for the trails to be impacted by future flooding events due to their location within the Zone D flood zone (Areas of Undetermined Flood Hazards). The proposed work will take place in wetlands per the United States Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory and will have little potential to impact or affect wetland values.

Applicant: California Department of Parks and Recreation

Project Title: PW 00868/00869, PN 956579/956582, Topanga Trails Temescal Canyon/ Los Liones, and Trails Lower Los Liones/ Gizmo Trail/ Bienvenida Trail/Leacock Memorial/ Fossil Ridge

Location of Proposed Work and Floodplain Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panels:

Facility	GPS	FIRM Panels	FIRM Date
Temescal Canyon Trail	Start: 34.066085, -118.538595 End: 34.062638, -118.531678	06037C1558F (Zone D)	9/26/2008
Los Liones Trail and Spur	Start: 34.053175, -118.557542 End: 34.047979, -118.559908	06037C1566G (Zone D)	4/21/2021

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Gizmo Trail	Start: 34.126844, -118.538699 End: 34.127497, -118.541919	06037C1295F (Zone D)	9/26/2008
Bienvenida Trail	Start: 34.065232, -118.539438 End: 34.061575, -118.540102	06037C1558F (Zone D)	9/26/2008
Leacock Memorial Trail	Start: 34.06235, -118.541152 End: 34.061443, -118.538226	06037C1567G (Zone D)	4/21/2021
Fossil Ridge Trail	Start: 34.083858, -118.635913 End: 34.081764, -118.64402	06037C1534F (Zone D)	9/26/2008

Proposed Work and Purpose: The 2025 Palisades Fire resulted in damages to Topanga State Park including extensive slips and slides, rockfall and woody debris along the trail corridor, and destruction of a 20-feet FRP bridge. For Temescal Canyon Trail, the applicant will replace three trail signs and three concrete slabs (4 IN long x 4 IN wide x 5 FT high); remove vegetative debris along the trail corridor to include: four downed trees and 180.29 CY brush/woody debris; repair approximately 475.13 CY of trail/travelway slough and 633.68 CY of trail/travelway slide through trio tread repair and reconstruction methods in accordance with California State Parks Maintenance Guidelines. The applicant will also remove and replace one fiberglass L-Beam bridge and approaches (34.068063, -118.53649) with dimensions of 20 FT long x 50 IN wide x 50 IN high and remove and replace a non-structural retaining wall (34.067676, -118.535517) which will consist of 422.22 CY of rock.

For the Los Liones Trail and Spur, the applicant replaced five signs and five wood posts (4 IN long x 4 IN wide x 5 FT high); removed vegetative debris along the trail corridor to include 6 downed trees; repaired approximately 562.64 CY of trail/travelway slough through trio tread repair and reconstruction methods in accordance with California State Parks Maintenance Guidelines. The applicant also removed and replaced one wooden bench (34.053127, -118.558013) and two turnpikes/causeways (34.049563, -118.559954 and 34.04768, -118.559616). All work sites will be rehabilitated along trail. Tools, equipment, and materials are hand carried or transported by wheelbarrow. All repairs made or to be made in the project are to restore the facility back to pre-disaster condition, within existing footprints.

These trail systems are recreational features that provide a cultural resource to the community and promote open space usage.

Project Alternatives:

- (1) *(No Action)* This alternative would result in dangerous and/or hazardous walking conditions and risk of additional damage to the surrounding infrastructure within the State Park. If the damage is not repaired and replaced, adverse economic and social

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impacts may occur and continued negative impacts may be experienced.

(2) (Relocation) Floodplain avoidance by relocation of the structures is not a practicable alternative as the trails function for public recreation on reserved State land. Trails promote open space use and are a beneficial value to the floodplain and wetland values and therefore relocation would result in an adverse economic and social impact.

Comments: This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA Public Assistance program. Interested persons may submit comments, questions, or request a map of this specific project by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 9, 1111 Broadway #1200, Oakland, CA 94607, or by emailing FEMA-RIX-EHP-Documents@fema.dhs.gov. **Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line “Topanga Trails Temescal Canyon/ Los Liones, and Trails Lower Los Liones/ Gizmo Trail/ Bienvenida Trail/Leacock Memorial/ Fossil Ridge” at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.**

THIS NOTICE MAY BE REMOVED FROM PUBLIC VIEW ON THE 15th DAY FROM ORIGINAL DATE OF POSTING.

NOTICE WAS POSTED ON 29 DAY OF January 2026

*****END OF NOTICE*****