January 13, 1997 - Agenda **Status Report on Current Projects**

Scott Creek Beach: Per Caltrans' request, changes are being made to the draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (SEIR/EA) before being submitted to the Federal Highway Administration (FHA); after FHA approval, it will be released for public comment laster this spring.

February 10, 1997 – Agenda Status Report on Current Projects

Scott Creek Beach: Per Caltrans' request, changes are being made to the draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (SEIR/EA) before being submitted to the Federal Highway Administration (FHA); after FHA approval, it will be released for public comment later this spring.

20. Snowy Plover Protection

Since 1992, staff has administered a program to protect the Snowy Plover breeding habitat at two North Coast Beaches. In March, staff will recruit and train volunteers who then help place and remove protective equipment throughout the breeding season, which is March - September.

March 10, 1997 - Agenda **Status Report on Current Projects**

Scott Creek Beach: Per Caltrans' request, changes are being made to the draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (SEIR/EA) before being submitted to the Federal Highway Administration (FHA); after FHA approval, it will be released for public comment later this spring.

19. Snowy Plover Protection

A volunteer training workshop has been scheduled for March 1, 1997, at 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Participants will meet at Wilder Ranch State Park and travel north to Laguna and Scott Creek Beaches for the training.

April 14, 1997 - Agenda Status Report on Current Projects

cutting ceremony.

Scott Creek Beach: Caltrans has reviewed our NEPA/CEQA documents as well as the biotic opinion prepared by USFWS. Currently, Caltrans has not found the documents acceptable, although, apparently, the problems are not inherent with the project, but in the format of the environmental documents.

On March 1, 1997, 30 new participants joined the Snowy Plover volunteer protection team. Easter Sunday, volunteers joined parks staff to provide habitat protection at both Laguna and Scott Creek Beaches, in anticipation of another successful nesting season.

May 1997 – No Meeting

June 9, 1997 - Agenda Status Report on Current Projects

Scott Creek Beach: According to Planning Department staff, the NEPA/CEQA documents are tentatively scheduled to be released for public review on July 1, 1997.

14. Snowy Plover Protection

Since our last report, an educational brochure has been prepared about the sensitivity of the North Coast Beaches and the Snowy Plover. Trained volunteers and First Alarm Security staff will hand the brochures out to interested beach visitors while on the North Coast. Staff working with volunteers have successfully protected five nests so far this year.

July 1997 – No Meeting

August 18, 1997 - Agenda Status Report on Current Projects

<u>Scott Creek Beach</u>: Currently, the revised NEPA/CEQA documents are being reviewed by the Federal Highway Administration. Once we have received RHA approval, the documents will be released to the public.

13. Snowy Plover Protection

Since our last report, an educational brochure has been prepared about the sensitivity of the North Coast Beaches and the Snowy Plover. Trained volunteers and First Alarm Security staff will hand the brochures out to interested North Coast beach visitors. Staff working with volunteers have successfully protected seven nests so far this year.

September 15, 1997 - Agenda Status Report on Current Projects

<u>Scott Creek Beach</u>: The Federal Highway Administration (FHA) has raised several concerns with the format of NEPA/CEQA documents and will not approve public release until the document has been reformatted. The County Planning Department is having their consultant amend the document as recommended by FHA.

13. Snowy Plover Protection

On September 21, 1997, staff has schedule the "End of the Season Wrap-Up". Protective equipment will be removed from the beach by volunteers and Point Reyes bird observatory staff will be on hand to share the breeding season results.

October 20 1997 - Agenda Status Report on Current Projects

<u>Scott Creek Beach</u>: The Federal Highway Administration (FHA) has raised several concerns with the format of NEPA/CEQA documents and will not approve public release until the document has been reformatted. To date, we have not received FHA comments. However, staff has been in contact with the FHA and has held a site visit to discuss proposed improvements.

12. Snowy Plover Protection

On September 21, 1997, staff and volunteers removed protective equipment from the beaches. The Point Reyes bird observatory Biologist provided a report on the interest in this project. The Department will attempt to renegotiate our lease agreement with Coast Dairies and Land Company in order to continue our work at Laguna Creek Beach.

November 1997 - Agenda Status Report on Current Projects

<u>Scott Creek Beach</u>: The Federal Highway Administration (FHA) has raised several concerns with the format of NEPA/CEQA documents and will not approve public release until the document has been reformatted. To date, we have not received FHA comments. However, staff has been in contact with the FHA and has held a site visit to discuss proposed improvements.

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December 1997 – No Meeting