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Bullet Train to Pierce Park

by Randy Hawley

Recently the American High Speed Rail Corporation proposed a new transportation mode to be constructed between Los Angeles and San Diego. This "bullet train" will carry passengers between these two urban centers in 1 hour at speeds up to 160 MPH.

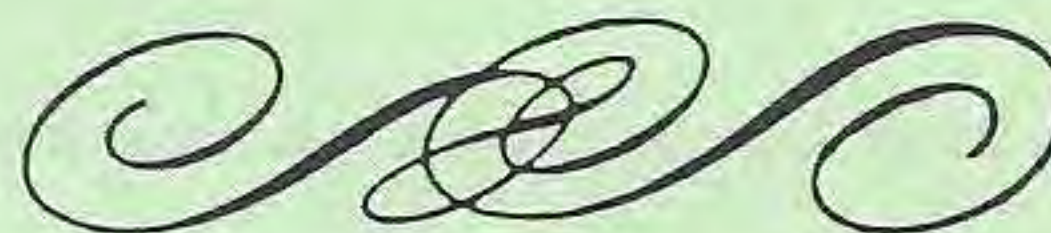
The proposed route parallels existing Santa Fe Railroad easements in some areas and will use new routes in others.

It is the route of the train which has drawn most of the public attention. In Northern San Diego County the train would hug fragile bluffs near Del Mar, cross several coastal lagoons and pass through the area of highest wildlife density at Torrey Pines State Reserve. Planning of the high speed rail system has so far been excluded from any environmental review process. This has spurred the introduction of Assembly Bill 4 which would give affected communities the right of veto over the project. At present the bill is scheduled before the Transportation Committee at the beginning of May 1983.

The effects of construction on the bluffs and lagoons or the effects of increased noise on the habitats, person or animals have never been addressed. It is this lack of

Park Lands Bond

CSPRA would like to commend Assemblyman Sam Farr (D-Monterey/Santa Cruz) for his introduction of AB 2099 (The Park Lands Bond Act of 1984). The proposed legislation, which must pass both state houses, and be signed by the governor before facing a public vote, designates 60% of the funding for acquisition of park inholdings and development. The remaining 40% is slated for local park projects through grants. To date it has passed its first Assembly committee hearing and is expected to come to vote around June 15th. If it is successful in clearing initial hurdles, it will be heard in the Senate and hopefully appear before the voters in 1984.



WELCOME NEW MEMBER

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NEW EDITORS !



Greetings From Half Moon Bay!!
We thought it impossible for one individual to carry on the super-human efforts that Jeff Price has put into the Newsletter since he created it three and a half years ago. We have teamed up as co-editors and hope our combined talents will be able to maintain the precedent of quality Jeff established.

The soul of the Newsletter comes from you, the readers, and we hope you will continue to use it as your sounding board, your drawing board and your direct link state-wide with all park employees. The bottom line in our profession is that there are no local problems or local solutions. The issues raised from one park unit can easily be applied to other geographically remote areas by merely changing the names of locations.

This Newsletter is your access to the creative ideas of the entire membership. Let us help you broadcast your solutions, sound out your questions and disperse professional innovations. In turn you'll be helping us out, since we are both incredibly green to the editorship biz.

We can both be contacted at Half Moon Bay State Beach, 95 Kelly Ave., Half

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Wendy Lieber, Ranger I, formerly of Midpeninsula Reg. Open Space Dist., NPS, Army Corps, Colorado State Parks graduated from Colorado State in Park History.

Congratulations to...

Larry Santoyo for his appointment as Chairperson of the Environmental Issues Committee.

James Baird for his appointment as a new Environmental Issues committee member.

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CSPRA wishes to thank Carol Hallet for her initial work as Department Director, and for her establishment of a close working relationship. We all appreciated her appearance at the GEC conference, and wish her well in future endeavors.

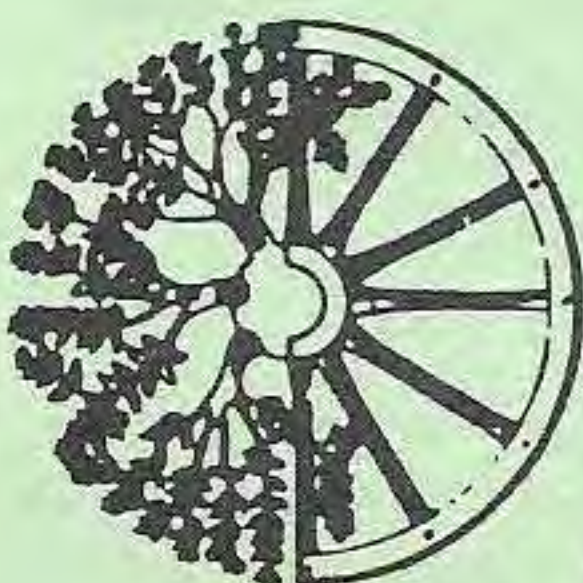


CALL FOR PAPERS : 1984 INTERPRETIVE CONFERENCE

The 1984 CSPRA-PRAC-WIA Joint Interpretive Conference will be held at the Asilomar Conference Grounds on March 13-17, 1984. The theme will center around the future of Interpretation and Interpretation in the future. Proposals for papers should be sent by July 1, 1983 to:

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Proposals should include a summary or abstract of less than one page for the proposed paper, and should be accompanied by a vita. It is anticipated that papers selected for presentation will be published as a portion of the Proceedings of the Conference.



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information which has caused us to take notice of the situation.

As a CSPRA member I'm proposing that the association support an effort which would delay construction of the project proposed by the American High Speed Railway Corporation until adequate studies have been made to determine short and long term impacts of the development. This is not to say that our organization does not support efficient mass transit, but that the trade-offs should not be the coastal environment. Further, the issue of public control of projects designed for the public's benefit is at stake.

Although still in the planning phase, construction is predicted to start late next year with full operation expected by 1988.

12 I urge members to contact their assembly representative to support AB4.

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