

PUBLIC NOTICE PARKS FORWARD COMMISSION WORK GROUPS

The Parks Forward Commission is holding three work group meetings in January. All meetings are open to the public; you may attend in person or listen in via dedicated telephone line. The dial-in numbers will be posted to <u>www.parksforward.com</u> before the meetings. Public comments from those attending in person are welcome at the end of the meeting. Those listening via telephone are welcome to submit written comments at <u>www.parksforward.com</u>.

Finance and Partnerships Work Group

The Finance and Partnerships Work Group will discuss issues pertinent to the long-term financial sustainability of California State Parks, including the role of partnerships. This work group will hold its first meeting, focusing on finances, **January 21st, 2014 from 10:00am to 12:00pm** in the Portofino Room at the Crowne Plaza, 4290 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, California 94305.

A second meeting of the Finance and Partnerships Work Group, focusing on partnerships, will be held on **January 27th, 2014 from 9:30am – 11:30am** in the Tamalpais Room at the David Brower Center, 2150 Allston Way, Berkeley, California 94704.

Public Health & Park Access Work Group

The Public Health & Park Access Work Group will discuss the nexus between public health and parks and increasing access to parks. This work group will hold its first meeting, focused on public health issues, on **January 28th, 2014, from 9:30 – 12:00pm** in the Tamalpais Room at the David Brower Center, 2150 Allston Way, Berkeley, California 94704.

A second meeting of the Public Health & Park Access Work Group, focusing on park access, is planned for February. Continue to check <u>www.parksforward.com</u> for scheduling details on this and possible future work group meetings.

The Parks Forward Commission

The 12 member Commission is tasked with developing a long-term plan for a financially sustainable and functionally relevant California State Parks system. The Commission is expected to present its final findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature in fall 2014.

For more information on the Parks Forward Commission, or to make a public comment, please visit <u>www.parksforward.com</u>. For questions or comments about the Parks Forward Initiative, please contact Ken Wiseman, Executive Director, Parks Forward Initiative, at <u>ken.wiseman@resources.ca.gov</u>.