



Alameda-Tesla Classification and General Plan Project **STAKEHOLDER MEETING SUMMARY**

Event Name: Local Agencies Stakeholder Meeting

Time & Date: Thursday, March 14th | 3:00pm-4:30pm

Location: Zoom Meeting

Participating Agencies: Alameda County (Community Development, Planning Department and Sheriff's Office Department), San Joaquin County District 5 Supervisor, San Joaquin County Fire Department, City of Ripon, City of Lathrop, East Bay Regional Parks District, Livermore Area Recreation and Park District, Livermore Valley Unified School District, Patterson School District, CalFIRE, California Highway Patrol, Alameda County Resource Conservation District, and City of Stockton

MEETING OVERVIEW

On Thursday, March 14th, 2024, the Alameda-Tesla Plan project team hosted a stakeholder meeting via Zoom with local agencies for the Alameda-Tesla Classification and General Plan project. The goal of the meeting was for the project team to meet with representatives of local area public agencies to share project information and listen to any concerns that agency representatives had about the project. The meeting was the first of four stakeholder meetings.

At the meeting, the project team gave a brief project overview, answered participants' questions about the project, facilitated two breakout sessions, and reported back to all participants on the discussions.

WHAT WE HEARD

The following summarizes what the project team heard during the meeting. The project team will be evaluating this input as work progresses.

Questions

Questions asked by participants during the Question-and-Answer session were addressed by Parks staff and touched on the following topics:

- Recreational access for youth in the Central Valley
- Preservation of historic resources
- Continuation of legal OHV access at Carnegie SVRA

Facilitated discussion summary

The following main themes were brought forward by participants during the facilitated discussion.

- ***Opportunities for outdoor recreation:*** The Alameda-Tesla property presents opportunities for outdoor recreation. The property is located on the outskirts of the

Central Valley, which doesn't have many areas for community members to participate in outdoor recreation.

- **Conserve existing historical resources:** The property has several historical buildings/artifacts and a history of mining. The new State Park unit should conserve the available historical resources on site. State Parks could also work to designate the historical units as a California Historical Landmark.
- **Protect natural resources:** The property also has many natural resources. The new State Park unit should work to protect the flora and fauna on the property. There are many groups available that State Parks could collaborate with to conduct natural resource studies.
- **Collaborate with local school districts and students:** Students are an untapped resource that State Parks could use. For instance, they could be docents, participate in educational programs, or assist with environmental stewardship efforts.
- **Engage with underserved communities as a part of the planning process:** Members of underserved communities, particularly youth and families, may have difficulty accessing the property. The project team should conduct more outreach with community members in underserved communities to develop strategies to improve access to the future State Park unit.
- **Impacts from bikes:** Mountain biking could harm the natural environment. State Parks needs to consider this when allowing bikes on their property.
- **Increased traffic and safety/law enforcement needs:** The new State Park unit could increase traffic volumes along Tesla Road. If there are overnight uses, law enforcement officers may need to assist more. At certain times, search and rescue operations may be necessary. The new state park would have staff assigned to work at this unit, including law enforcement staff. The District has good working relationships with local law enforcement agencies, and collaboration will continue once the Alameda-Tesla property becomes a State Park unit.

Existing easements: Some municipal agencies and adjacent property owners have easements through the Alameda-Tesla property, which need to be considered when planning this park unit.