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Road Maintenance at San Bruno Mountain State and County Park to Begin November 10, 2014

Brisbane, CA: A joint effort between San Mateo County Parks and PG&E to maintain vital service and fire roads along the Ridge Trail at San Bruno Mountain State and County Park will begin Monday, November 10. The project is expected to continue over a 10-day period with no work occurring on the weekend. Access to the Ridge Trail may be affected during this time. Signs will be posted in the park to advise park visitors. Visitors can also visit www.SMCoParks.org to view trail closure notices.

The type of maintenance planned includes removing overgrown vegetation along the roads to ensure a 12-foot-wide path, installing drainage features to reduce road erosion and rehabilitating road beds to ensure emergency access. Due to the sensitive species found at San Bruno Mountain, special precautions will be taken during this project to ensure that little to no impact occurs in designated areas. Precautions will include the flagging of sensitive areas so they are visible, and depending on the species documented, a buffer area of 50-to-100 feet may be enacted. Highly sensitive areas, such as locations where host and nectar plants for the endangered mission blue and callippe silverspot butterflies grow, will be flagged or completely avoided.

Park visitors can expect to see large equipment and trucks along the Ridge Trail during this work period. When needed, project personnel will assist in directing foot and auto traffic.

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