

SEPULVEDA BASIN WILDLIFE AREAS STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING  
MAY 25, 1999 MEETING NOTES

The Congressman is not happy about having a parking lot.

Possibility of doing a park & ride from Victory Blvd.

Recreation & Parks Department say that the facility does not function. Additional parking needed.

Provide areas for picnic tables not many only a few. (Passive Recreation)

Use native planting as much as possible in restoration area sycamores, oaks and walnut.

Maximize use of shade trees.

The idea of placing sculptures in the park was suggested.

Children play area at Balboa Park is overused may want to incorporate child play in the park addition.

The Idea of an outdoor amphitheater was recommended. Comments made the ones in the basin are not used a lot and the park addition is in the flight path of the Van Nuys airport.

The recommendation to move the cherry trees to the Victory and Balboa side of the berm was made.

The basin is intended for use by people within the basin and not intended to bring people in from all of Los Angeles.

The Idea of getting rid of the parking lot and replacing it with a children's play/adventure area was recommended and seems to be an acceptable use of the site. However this does not fall under the existing scope of work and a modification of the scope of work will need to be made.

It was mentioned that in the future lake Balboa might be receiving cleaner water.

The Idea of possibly closing the trail that runs through the Island area during critical times of the year was mentioned and is believed to be an acceptable idea.

It was agreed upon to provide a draft PRP June 11th

Congressman Anthony Beilenson and Congressman Brad Sherman like the idea of a children's "adventure" tot lot/interactive element.

Discourage access to water via "Woodcrete Fence", used throughout park.

Plant cherry trees along Balboa Blvd. low enough on slope, to prohibit visibility from Beilenson Park.