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Anderson Marsh Interpretive Association receives grant to repair boardwalk on Cache Creek Nature Trail

Lower Lake - Anderson Marsh Interpretive Association (AMIA) has announced that it has received a grant that will help it purchase materials necessary to repair the boardwalk on the Cache Creek Nature Trail located at Anderson Marsh State Historic Park.

Part of the cost of the materials is being provided by a \$5000 “Keeping Parks Whole” grant that AMIA has received from the California State Parks Foundation, a member-supported nonprofit that works to create support for California state parks.

As explained by Rachel Norton, Executive Director of the California State Parks Foundation, “Critical funding from state resources as well as revenue generated from park visitation has been greatly jeopardized by the COVID-19 crisis, and this impact has been felt by park partners who provide financial, educational, and programmatic resources to the community. Supporting partners like Anderson Marsh Interpretive Association (AMIA) with our Keeping Parks Whole Grant ensures Anderson Marsh State Historic Park will remain protected while also preparing a safe and welcoming experience when the park fully re-opens.”

“The iconic wooden boardwalk on the Cache Creek Nature Trail allows access to the Cache Creek habitat at the Park, home to unique flora and wildlife,” explained Henry Bornstein, AMIA Treasurer. “Due to the lack of funding, the boardwalk is suffering from serious deferred maintenance and unless repaired, it could become unavailable for guided nature walks and public-school field trips when the park fully re-opens. AMIA thanks the California State Parks Foundation for its financial support.”

The repair work will be done by State Parks maintenance personnel using the materials donated by AMIA. “California State Parks appreciates the ongoing help and support of our partner Anderson Marsh Interpretive Association (AMIA),” stated Wendy Lieberg, Park Maintenance Chief. “In times of need, they are always there to help keep the Park safe and maintained.”



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In compliance with current COVID-19 guidelines, guided public tours at Anderson Marsh State Historic Park have been temporarily suspended. All of the hiking trails, however, remain open and available to the public.

Roberta Lyons, AMIA President, noted that “getting some outdoors exercise has been shown to reduce the stress that we are all now experiencing. AMIA invites the public to take advantage of the opportunity to get into nature and take a walk in the Park, while observing recommended guidelines regarding social distancing, face coverings and hygiene.”

Anderson Marsh State Historic Park is located off of Highway 53 between Lower Lake and Clearlake and is open to the public during daylight hours. More information about hiking at the Park can be found at www.andersonmarsh.org or by calling AMIA at 707-995-2658.

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