### City of Garden Grove WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO August 3, 2023

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

Honorable Mayor and City Council FROM: Maria Stipe, Assistant City Manager

## I. ITEMS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, OUTSIDE AGENCIES, BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS

A. ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

OCFA 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Division 1 Newsletter

B. CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Official notice for the City of Garden Grove: Proclamation of emergency program for the oriental fruit fly

C. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS

Southern California Gas (SoCal Gas) notification of request for compensation through the gas cost incentive mechanism A.23-07-005.

### • OTHER ITEMS

- <u>SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES</u>
   Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.
- <u>MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS</u> Items of interest are included.

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Attachment I A Mgrs Memo 8/3/23

Orange County Fire Authority Division 1, Battalion 1 & Battalion 11 Division Chief Craig Covey

An Update of What's Going on in Division 1

# July 2023 Issue

### Keep in Touch

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### Get to Know Community Educator Elizabeth Denney



Elizabeth became Division 1's Community Educator in June 2020. She has an Associate Degree in Communication Studies from Saddleback College and a bachelor's degree in communications and Public Affairs from California State University Chico. She is extremely close with her parents and brother. In fact, she just finished remodeling her first rental property with the help of her whole family. She is a dedicated and hardworking individual. An irreplaceable member of **Division** 1!

What is the best concert you've ever attended? Fleetwood Mac What is your go to TV Show? 90 Day Fiancé, it's like a train wreck, you don't want to look but can't look away Favorite sport/team? Badminton, I dominate What would you otherwise be doing if you weren't a community educator? Zumba Instructor **Describe a perfect day (not at work)?** A day with my feet in the sand, drink in my hand, and good music playing. If you had a time machine, and could meet anyone from the past, who would it be? Shirley Temple in her acting prime Morning coffee or evening cocktail? Morning cocktail! Favorite song? Lucky Star, Madonna Favorite Movie? Stewart Little **Favorite Book?** *Great Expectations* If you won the lottery, what would be the first thing you spent money on? *Private Jet* Favorite thing you own? My first rental property that I remodeled with the help of my family. What do you spend the most money on? Handbags Where would you go with a free plane

ticket? Galapagos Islands Do you believe in the existence of aliens?

Yes! The universe is too big for us to be alone.



Defensible space is an area between your house and an oncoming wildfire, where vegetation has been controlled, to reduce wildfire threat.

Within 100 feet of your home, remove all dead and dying plants, dried leaves, twigs, etc., and vegetation on the Undesirable Plant List.

Vegetation should be trimmed to the Plant Separation guidelines.

### 4<sup>th</sup> of July Calls



Garden Grove: 50 calls, 1 structure fire, 7 vehicle/dumpster fires, 3 vegetation fires (1 of those firework related). Westminster: 29 calls, 1 structure fire, 6 vehicle/dumpster fires (1 of those firework related), 3 vegetation fires. Los Alamitos: 2 calls, 1 vehicle/dumpster fire that was firework related.

Seal Beach: 14 calls, 0 fires.

### Pax, OCFA's First Peer Support Dog





In March, Firefighter Wade Munson became OCFA's first Canine Peer Support Specialist with his partner Pax. Canine Peer support adds to a network of services available to employees, their families, and retirees who may be in crisis. Firefighter Munson and Pax will be utilized in multiple capacities including Diffusings, Critical Incident Stress Debriefings, as well as proactive and reactive responses to stress. Wade Munson has been an active member of the Peer Support Team for over four years and currently serves as a Peer Support Lead. FF Munson has all the necessary accreditations to serve in this role and Pax is highly trained to respond with special techniques to bring support during and after crisis situations. Trained behavioral wellness canines like Pax are becoming prominent in First Responder Behavioral Wellness programs and we look forward to the support this good boy will bring.

### **Completed Community Events**

### <u>April</u>:

Garden Grove: 11

Los Alamitos: 3

Midway City: 1

Seal Beach: 1

Westminster: 6

### May:

Garden Grove: 10

Los Alamitos: 2

Rossmoor: 1

Seal Beach: 2

Westminster: 4

### June:

Garden Grove: 3

Los Alamitos: 2

Rossmoor: 3

Seal Beach: 3

Westminster: 4

### **Completed Inspections:**

Garden Grove: 1,257 (1,040 Ops, 217 CRR) Los Alamitos: 75 (71 Ops, 4 CRR) Midway City: 20 (17 Ops, 3 CRR) Rossmoor: 11 (11 Ops) Seal Beach: 134 (134 Ops) Westminster: 448 (407 Ops, 41 CRR)









A day at the beach can be fun. However, swimming in the water can be dangerous if you don't know how to keep yourself from drowning. Learn how to reduce the risks of drowning by following these beach safety tips!



Approximately 50-75% of drownings happen in open waters such as the ocean, lakes, rivers, and ponds.



Orange County Fire Authority

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### **Beach Safety Tips**

- Ask the lifeguard about rip currents and other hazards. If in doubt, don't go out.
- Obey the posted warnings signs and flags.
- Check the weather, water and surfing conditions.
- If someone is in trouble, get help from a lifeguard or call 9-1-1.

### Swimming in the Ocean

- Keep small children and inexperienced swimmers within reach.
- Learn to swim before venturing out into the ocean.
- Use boogie boards and surfboards with leashes and only use them in designated areas.
- Choose to swim near a lifeguard and never swim alone.

### Break the Grip of the RIP



Rip currents are powerful currents of water moving away from the shore. They can sweep even the strongest swimmers out to sea.

### How to survive a rip current

- Remain calm and don't fight the current. Swim to the side to get out of the current.
- If you can't escape, tread water or float.
- If you need help, call or wave for assistance.

# EXTREME HEAT SAFETY



In extreme heat and high humidity, evaporation is slowed and the body must work harder to maintain a normal temperature. Below are some safety tips and recommendations for how you can prepare for extreme heat waves, ensuring you and your family stay safe.



The most common types of heat related illnesses are heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Conditions resulting from extreme heat can result in illness, injury or even death.



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### If the weather is extremely hot

- Stay indoors as much as possible and limit exposure to the sun.
- Avoid strenuous work or activities during the warmest part of the day. Use a buddy system when working in extreme heat and take frequent breaks.
- Eat well-balanced, light, and regular meals.
- Drink plenty of water.
- Limit intake of alcoholic beverages and sugary drinks.
- Dress in loose-fitting, lightweight, and light-colored clothes.
- Protect your face and head by wearing a wide-brimmed hat.
- Check on co-workers, friends, and neighbors who do not have air conditioning and who spend much of their time alone.
- Watch for signs and signals of: sunburn, heat cramps, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke. Those most at risk include infants, young children, adults over 65 years of age and those with chronic conditions.
- Protect your skin by using "broad spectrum" or "UVA/UVB protection" sunscreen.
- Limit outdoor activities to the coolest part of the day, usually before 10am and after 3pm. Rest often in the shade if you are outside.
- Never leave infants, young children, or pets in a hot car.

### To prepare for extreme heat, you should

- Install window air conditioners snuggly; insulate if necessary.
- Check air-conditioning ducts for proper insulation.
- Install temporary window reflectors to reflect heat back outside.
- Weather-strip doors and door sills to keep cool air in.
- Cover windows that receive morning or afternoon sun with drapes, shades, awnings, or louvers as they can reduce the heat that enters a home by up to 80 percent.

### April 1 – June 30, 2023

4/1/2023 - 6/30/2023 : City GGV - Call Type	Total
Medical Aid - Automatic Paramedic Alarm	60
Medical Aid - Back to Bed / Lift Assist	48
Medical Aid - Cardiac (Chest Pain, Cardiac Arrest)	313
Medical Aid - Stroke (Unconscious, Altered Mental Status, Fainting)	488
Medical Aid - Diabetic Emergency	61
Medical Aid - Respiratory (Respiratory Arrest, Difficulty Breathing)	429
Medical Aid - Fall / Injury / Trauma / Bleed	471
Medical Aid - Illness (Sick Person, Illness)	425
Medical Aid - Abdominal Pain	207
Medical Aid - Seizure	114
Medical Aid - Miscellaneous (Choking, Headache, Pregnancy, Bleeding, Assault, Burn, Intoxication, Psychiatric, Environmental)	453
Medical Aid - Traffic Collision (Auto vs Auto, Auto vs Pedestrian)	253
Fire - Structure	37
Fire - Vehicle / Dumpster	22
Fire - Vegetation, Brush, Tree, Bush, Misc.	59
Miscellaneous - Odor Check / Hazardous Condition / Auto-Alarm	223
Totals	3663

### Los Alamitos Incident Responses

### April 1 – June 30, 2023

4/1/2023 - 6/30/2023 : City LAF - Call Type	Total
Medical Aid - Automatic Paramedic Alarm	11
Medical Aid - Back to Bed / Lift Assist	8
Medical Aid - Cardiac (Chest Pain, Cardiac Arrest)	20
Medical Aid - Stroke (Unconscious, Altered Mental Status, Fainting)	43
Medical Aid - Diabetic Emergency	4
Medical Aid - Respiratory (Respiratory Arrest, Difficulty Breathing)	28
Medical Aid - Fall / Injury / Trauma / Bleed	69
Medical Aid - Illness (Sick Person, Illness)	40
Medical Aid - Abdominal Pain	18
Medical Aid - Seizure	11
Medical Aid - Miscellaneous (Choking, Headache, Pregnancy, Bleeding, Assault, Burn, Intoxication, Psychiatric, Environmental)	36
Medical Aid - Traffic Collision (Auto vs Auto, Auto vs Pedestrian)	18
Fire - Structure	2
Fire - Vehicle / Dumpster	1
Fire - Vegetation, Brush, Tree, Bush, Misc.	2
Miscellaneous - Odor Check / Hazardous Condition / Auto-Alarm	55
Totals	366

### April 1 – June 30, 2023

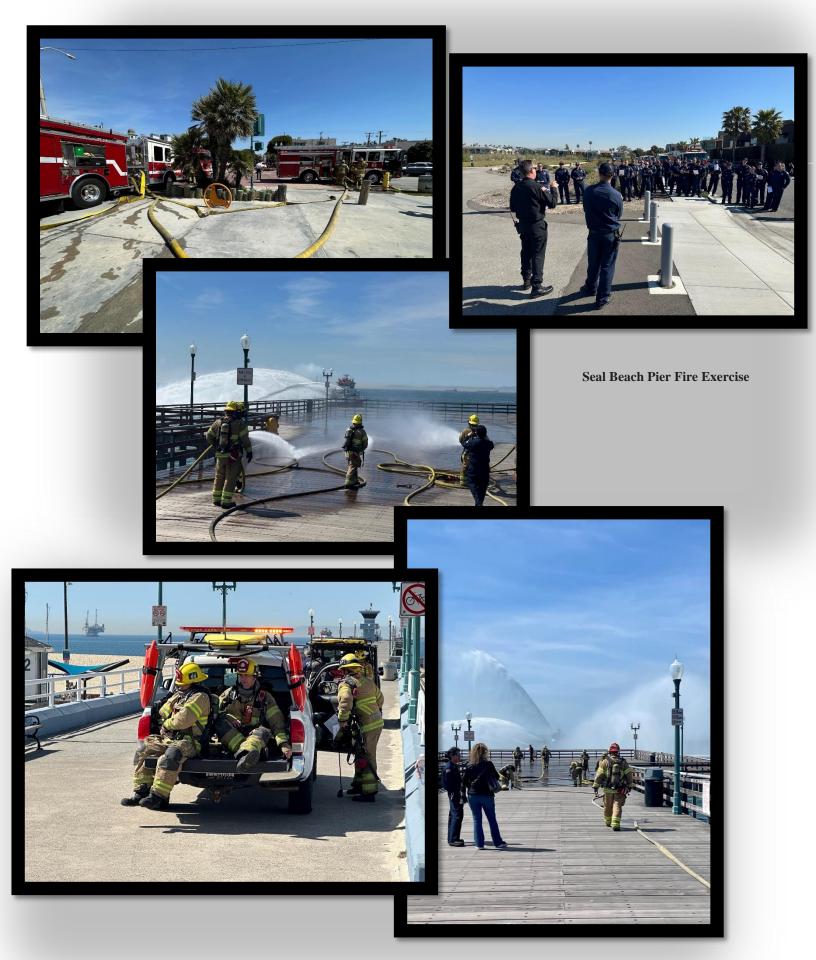
4/1/2023 - 6/30/2023 : City SLB - Call Type	Total
Medical Aid - Automatic Paramedic Alarm	87
Medical Aid - Back to Bed / Lift Assist	98
Medical Aid - Cardiac (Chest Pain, Cardiac Arrest)	69
Medical Aid - Stroke (Unconscious, Altered Mental Status, Fainting)	136
Medical Aid - Diabetic Emergency	9
Medical Aid - Respiratory (Respiratory Arrest, Difficulty Breathing)	105
Medical Aid - Fall / Injury / Trauma / Bleed	255
Medical Aid - Illness (Sick Person, Illness)	110
Medical Aid - Abdominal Pain	49
Medical Aid - Seizure	12
Medical Aid - Miscellaneous (Choking, Headache, Pregnancy, Bleeding, Assault, Burn, Intoxication, Psychiatric, Environmental)	87
Medical Aid - Traffic Collision (Auto vs Auto, Auto vs Pedestrian)	46
Fire - Structure	4
Fire - Vehicle / Dumpster	4
Fire - Vegetation, Brush, Tree, Bush, Misc.	6
Miscellaneous - Odor Check / Hazardous Condition / Auto-Alarm	55
Totals	1132

### Westminster Incident Responses

### April 1 – June 30, 2023

4/1/2023 - 6/30/2023 : City WST - Call Type	Total
Medical Aid - Automatic Paramedic Alarm	55
Medical Aid - Back to Bed / Lift Assist	27
Medical Aid - Cardiac (Chest Pain, Cardiac Arrest)	157
Medical Aid - Stroke (Unconscious, Altered Mental Status, Fainting)	248
Medical Aid - Diabetic Emergency	19
Medical Aid - Respiratory (Respiratory Arrest, Difficulty Breathing)	236
Medical Aid - Fall / Injury / Trauma / Bleed	277
Medical Aid - Illness (Sick Person, Illness)	285
Medical Aid - Abdominal Pain	129
Medical Aid - Seizure	49
Medical Aid - Miscellaneous (Choking, Headache, Pregnancy, Bleeding, Assault, Burn, Intoxication, Psychiatric, Environmental)	313
Medical Aid - Traffic Collision (Auto vs Auto, Auto vs Pedestrian)	148
Fire - Structure	23
Fire - Vehicle / Dumpster	15
Fire - Vegetation, Brush, Tree, Bush, Misc.	36
Miscellaneous - Odor Check / Hazardous Condition / Auto-Alarm	124
Totals	2141

# Your Division 1 Firefighters in **ACTION**





Garden Grove Police memorial



Community Interaction in Westminster



**Commercial Structure Fire in Garden Grove** 



**Residential Fire in Westminster** 



Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Parade





Midway City Residential Fire





**Connex Box Fire in Westminster** 





Fire in Garden Grove









Hazmat fire in Garden Grove



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

### OFFICIAL NOTICE FOR THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE PLEASE READ IMMEDIATELY

### PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY PROGRAM FOR THE ORIENTAL FRUIT FLY

Between June 13, 2023 and July 11, 2023, the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) confirmed that 2 oriental fruit flies (OFFs), *Bactrocera dorsalis* (Hendel) group, were trapped in the city of Garden Grove in Orange County. Based on these detections, pest biology, information from the CDFA Bactrocera Science Advisory Panel (BacSAP), recommendations provided by the CDFA Primary State Entomologist, and the CDFA's "Action Plan for Methyl Eugenol Attracted Fruit Flies including Oriental Fruit Fly *Bactrocera dorsalis* (Hendel)," the CDFA concludes that an infestation of OFF exists in the area. This pest presents a significant, clear, and imminent threat to the natural environment, agriculture and economy of California. Unless emergency action is taken, there is high potential for sudden future detections in Orange County.

In accordance with integrated pest management principles, the CDFA has evaluated possible eradication methods and determined that there are no cultural or biological methods available to eliminate OFF from this area. This Proclamation of Emergency Program is valid until December 20, 2023, which is the amount of time necessary to carry out the treatment plan across three life cycles of OFF as required by the treatment protocol for OFF. The CDFA will employ chemical control as the primary tool and will additionally use physical control via host fruit removal when there is evidence that a breeding population exists on a property.

The detections of OFF described above require immediate action to address the imminent threat to California's natural environment, agriculture and economy. More specifically, in addition to a wide variety of commercial crops, OFF threatens loss and damage to native wildlife, private and public property, and food supplies. Because the life cycle of the OFF detected between June 13, 2023 and July 11, 2023 has not yet transpired, there is a high potential for sudden future detections in Garden Grove. Therefore, the Secretary is invoking Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(4) to carry out immediate emergency action to prevent the aforementioned loss and damage to California's resources.

The treatment plan for the OFF infestation will be implemented as follows:

- Chemical Control: The male attractant technique (MAT) will be used to eliminate all sexually-mature male OFFs. MAT applies small bait stations using STATIC<sup>™</sup> Spinosad ME, which is a pre-mixed solution containing the attractant methyl eugenol and an organically registered pesticide spinosad, mixed into a waxy time-release matrix (SPLAT®). The methyl eugenol lures male flies to the bait stations, where the flies ingest the insecticide as they feed. The flies are killed when they feed at the stations. In each square mile within the eradication boundary, a targeted density of 300 evenly spaced five-to ten-milliliter bait stations are applied to utility poles, street trees, and other unpainted surfaces using pressurized tree marking guns mounted on specially modified trucks. The bait stations are placed six to eight feet above the ground. The size of the eradication area is defined as that area within 1.5 miles of each detection site, and adjusted to create a nine-square-mile block marked by existing features, such as roads. Applications are repeated every two weeks for one life cycle if no quarantine is triggered (typically two to three months), and for two life cycles if a quarantine is triggered (typically four to six months). Life cycle durations are dependent on temperature.
- Chemical Control: If evidence that a breeding population exists on a property (i.e.,

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immature stages, mated female, or multiple adults are detected), foliar bait treatments may be used within 200 meters of each detection site in order to mitigate the spread of OFF by eliminating those adult life stages not directly affected by MAT (i.e., females and sexually immature males). Foliar bait ground treatments are a protein bait spray that contains an organic formulation of the pesticide spinosad (GF-120 NF Naturalyte® Fruit Fly Bait), and are repeated every seven to 14 days for one life cycle of the fly (typically two to three months, dependent on temperature). Please visit the CDFA website to learn more about the treatment process at <a href="http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/plant/videos/spinosad/">http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/plant/videos/spinosad/</a>.

 Physical Control: If evidence that a breeding population exists on a property (i.e., immature stages, mated female, or multiple adults), all host fruit from each detection site and all properties within a minimum of 100 meters of each detection site may be removed and disposed of in a landfill in accordance with regulatory protocols. Fruit removal will occur at the beginning of the project, but may be repeated if additional flies are detected.

### Public Information:

For MAT applications in public areas, notification is given to the general public via mass media outlets such as newspapers or press releases.

Residents whose property will be treated via foliar bait sprays or host fruit removal will be notified in writing at least 48 hours in advance of any treatment, in accordance with the Food and Agricultural Code sections 5771-5779 and 5421-5436. Following the treatment, completion notices are left with the residents detailing precautions to take and post-harvest intervals applicable to any fruit on the property.

Treatment information is posted at <u>http://cdfa.ca.gov/plant/PDEP/treatment/oriental ff.html</u>. Press releases, if issued, are prepared by the CDFA information officer and the county agricultural commissioner, in close coordination with the project leader responsible for treatment. Either the county agricultural commissioner or the public information officer serves as the primary contact to the media.

Information concerning the OFF project shall be conveyed directly to local and State political representatives and authorities via letters, emails, and/or faxes.

For any questions related to this program, please contact the CDFA toll-free telephone number at 800-491-1899 for assistance. This telephone number is also listed on all treatment notices.

Enclosed are the findings regarding the treatment plan, work plan, map of the treatment area, integrated pest management analysis of alternative treatment methods, and a pest profile.

Attachments

### FINDINGS OF AN EMERGENCY FOR THE ORIENTAL FRUIT FLY

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In order to determine the extent of the infestation, and to define an appropriate response area, an additional survey took place, centered on the detection site. Based on the survey data, and findings and recommendations from the CDFA *Bactrocera* Science Advisory Panel (BacSAP), the Primary State Entomologist, the CDFA's "Action Plan for Methyl Eugenol Attracted Fruit Flies including Oriental Fruit Fly *Bactrocera dorsalis* (Hendel)," and County Agricultural Commissioner representatives who are knowledgeable on OFF, I have determined that OFF poses a statewide imminent danger to the environment and economy.

The results of the additional survey also indicated that the local infestation is amenable to CDFA's OFF response strategies, which include chemical treatments and removal of host fruit. These options were selected based upon minimal impacts to the natural environment, biological effectiveness, minimal public intrusiveness, and cost.

The OFF is an exotic insect originating in Asia, and has been accidentally introduced into a number of Pacific Islands, including Hawaii. It is a member of a closely related group of species, known as the OFF group, which are difficult to distinguish based on individual specimens. Several of the group species are major fruit and vegetable pests, and collectively members of the OFF group are known to attack over 230 types of fruits and vegetables. Important California crops at risk include pome and stone fruits, citrus, dates, avocados, and many vegetables, particularly tomatoes and peppers. Damage occurs when the female lays eggs in the fruit. These eggs hatch into larvae, which tunnel through the flesh of the fruit, making it unfit for consumption.

A life cycle is an estimate of insect phenology based on a heat degree day temperature driven model. Warmer temperatures lead to faster lifecycles, while colder temperatures slow lifecycle development. Daily minimum and maximum temperatures are collected from nearby regional data stations and used to calculate estimated temperature value curves. These temperature curves are used to project the length of fly lifecycles against established models specific to the OFF. Because the third (F3) life cycle of the OFF detected between June 13, 2023 and July 11, 2023 is not projected to be complete until December 20, 2023, it is likely that there are additional flies in the environment that will lead to sudden future detections.

This pest presents a significant and imminent threat to the natural environment, agriculture and economy of California. Exotic fruit flies are internal feeders of fruit, and their presence therefore makes the fruit unfit for consumption. There is a loss of marketability and ability to ship food to other states and nations. The combined 2020 gross production value of host commercial commodities potentially affected by OFF was over \$19.33 billion. The permanent establishment and spread of this pest would result in increased production and postharvest costs to safeguard commercial fruit from infestation, increased pesticide applications on both production agriculture and residential properties to mitigate damage, and lost economic activity and jobs from trade restrictions imposed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and foreign trade partners.

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This decision to proceed with treatment is based upon a realistic evaluation that it will be possible to eliminate OFF from this area and prevent its spread using currently available technology in a manner that is based on an action plan developed in consultation with the Pest Prevention Committee of the California Agricultural Commissioners and Sealers Association, the USDA, and scientists on the BacSAP. Due to the size of the infested area and the number of flies detected, historical data indicates that eradication is possible. The first California OFF detections occurred in Orange and Santa Barbara counties in 1960, and since that time, multiple re-introductions have been delimited and successfully eradicated.

The CDFA has evaluated possible treatment methods in accordance with integrated pest management (IPM) principles. As part of these principles, I have considered the following treatments for control of OFF: 1) physical controls; 2) cultural controls; 3) biological controls; and 4) chemical controls. Upon careful evaluation of each these options, I have determined that it will be possible to address the imminent threat posed by OFF using currently available technology in a manner that is recommended by the BacSAP.

Based upon input from the BacSAP, the Primary State Entomologist, USDA experts on OFF, and County Agricultural Commissioner representatives who are knowledgeable on OFF, I find there are no cultural or biological control methods that are both effective against OFF and allow CDFA to meet its statutory obligations and therefore it is necessary to conduct physical and chemical control methods to abate this threat. As a result, I am ordering that male attractant treatments, consisting of methyl eugenol, a pesticide (spinosad), and a time-release matrix be applied to utility poles and street trees to eliminate this infestation. Additionally, in the event of evidence of a breeding population on a property, foliar bait spray treatments will be applied to host trees using ground-based equipment and host fruit removal will occur.

### **Sensitive Areas**

CDFA has consulted with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's California Natural Diversity Database for threatened or endangered species, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Marine Fisheries Service, and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife when rare and endangered species are located within the treatment area. Mitigation measures for rare and endangered species will be implemented. The CDFA shall not apply pesticides to bodies of water or undeveloped areas of native vegetation. All treatment shall be applied to residential properties, common areas within residential development, non-agricultural commercial properties, and rights-of-way.

### Work Plan

The proposed treatment area encompasses those portions of Orange County which fall within a 1.5-mile radius around each property on which an OFF has been detected and any subsequent detection sites within the program boundaries. The Proclamation of Emergency Program is valid until December 20, 2023, which is the amount of time necessary to carry out the treatment plan across three life cycles of OFF as required by the treatment protocol for OFF. A map of the project boundaries is attached. The work plan consists of the following elements:

1. Delimitation. Traps will be placed in a 4.5-mile radius from each detection site to delimit the infestation and to monitor post-treatment OFF populations. The cardboard Jackson sticky trap is baited with the attractant methyl eugenol mixed with the pesticide naled (Dibrom® 8

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Emulsive), and the McPhail trap is an invaginated glass flask baited with Torula yeast and borax in water. The Jackson trap is strongly attractive to sexually maturing males, while the McPhail trap is attractive to both sexes of the fly. Jackson traps and McPhail traps will each be placed at a density of 25 per square mile within a 0.5-mile radius of each detection site, and Jackson traps will be placed at a density of five per square mile in the remaining delimitation area going out to 4.5 miles from each detection site. Additional traps may be added to further delimit the infestation and to monitor the efficacy of treatments. These traps will be serviced on a regular schedule for a period equal to three OFF generations beyond the date of the last OFF detected. In addition, host fruit may be sampled for the presence of eggs and larvae in a 200-meter radius around each detection property.

- 2. Treatment. Any OFF detections within the original and/or expanded eradication area(s) will be treated according to the following protocol.
  - The male attractant technique (MAT) will be used to eliminate all sexually-mature male OFFs. MAT applies small bait stations using STATIC<sup>™</sup> Spinosad ME, which is a pre-mixed solution containing the attractant methyl eugenol and an organically registered pesticide spinosad, mixed into a waxy time-release matrix (SPLAT®). The methyl eugenol lures male flies to the bait stations, where the flies ingest the insecticide as they feed. The flies are killed when they feed at the stations. In each square mile within the eradication boundary, a targeted density of 300 evenly spaced five- to ten-milliliter bait stations are applied to utility poles, street trees, and other unpainted surfaces using pressurized tree marking guns mounted on specially modified trucks. The bait stations are placed six to eight feet above the ground. The size of the eradication area is defined as that area within 1.5 miles of each detection site, and adjusted to create a nine-square-mile block marked by existing features, such as roads. Applications are repeated every two weeks for one life cycle if no quarantine is triggered (typically two to three months), and for two life cycles if a quarantine is triggered (typically four to six months). Life cycle durations are dependent on temperature.
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  - If evidence that a breeding population exists on a property (i.e., immature stages, mated female, or multiple adults are detected), all host fruit from each detection site and all properties within a minimum of 100 meters of each detection site will be removed and disposed of in a landfill in accordance with regulatory protocols. Fruit removal will occur at the beginning of the project, but may be repeated if additional flies are detected.

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### Findings

Due to the detection of OFF, there exists a significant, clear, and imminent threat to California's natural environment, agriculture, public and private property, and its economy.

Unless emergency action is taken during the life cycles of recently detected OFFs, there is high potential for sudden future detections in Orange County.

The work plan involving physical and chemical control of this pest is necessary to prevent loss and damage to California's natural environment, fruit and vegetable industry, native wildlife, private and public property, and food supplies.

Therefore, I am invoking Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(4) to carry out immediate emergency action to prevent this loss and damage.

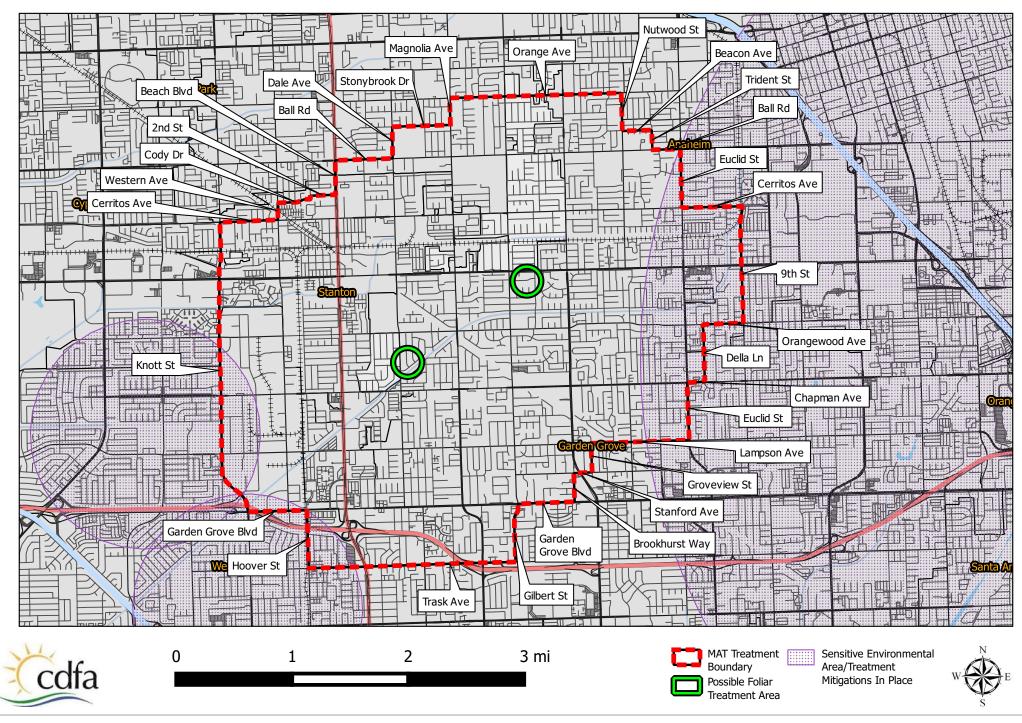
My decision to adopt findings and take action is based on Sections 24.5, 401, 401.5, 403, 407, 408, 5401-5405, and 5761-5764 of the Food and Agricultural Code, and title 3 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 5388.

Christine Birdsong Date: 2023.07.31 13:34:42 -07'00'

Karen Ross, Secretary

Date

### Oriental Fruit Fly Eradication Project Garden Grove, Orange County 2023



### ERADICATION PROJECT WORK PLAN FOR METHYL EUGENOL RESPONDING EXOTIC FRUIT FLIES (Includes Bactrocera correcta, Bactrocera dorsalis group, and Bactrocera zonata)

### DETECTION

### 1. Detection Trapping

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) maintains a cooperative State/County trapping program for the various fruit flies to provide early detection of any infestation in the State. Traps are serviced by either County or State personnel and funded by the Department. The program uses two types of traps: the cardboard Jackson sticky trap baited with the attractant methyl eugenol mixed with the pesticide naled (Dibrom® 8 Emulsive), and the McPhail trap, an invaginated glass flask baited with Torula yeast and borax in water. The Jackson trap is strongly attractive to sexually maturing males, while the McPhail trap is attractive to both sexes of the fly. Traps are hung from branches of host trees at specified densities in susceptible areas of California. County or State employees inspect these traps weekly or bi-weekly throughout the year in southern California and from April or May through October or November in northern California.

### 2. Intensive Trapping

Intensive trapping is triggered after a single fly is caught. Following confirmation of the specimen, trap densities will be increased over an 81-square mile area centered on the detection. Within the next 24 hours, 25 Jackson and McPhail traps are placed in the square mile core around each find. Five Jackson traps are placed in each mile of the remaining delimitation area. Traps in the core will be checked daily during the first week. Traps in the first buffer zone will be serviced every two days; those in the remainder of the delimitation area are checked at least once during the first week. All traps in the delimitation zone will be checked weekly following a week of negative trap catches. Intensive trapping ends after the third complete life cycle following the last fly find. This time period is determined by a temperature-dependent developmental model run by the Pest Detection/Emergency Projects Branch in Sacramento.

### 3. **Post-Treatment Monitoring**

The success of the eradication program is monitored by intensive trapping levels for three life cycles of the fly after the last fly has been detected. If no flies are caught during that time, trap densities return to detection levels.

### 4. Larval Survey

Fruit on a property where a fly has been trapped may be inspected for possible larval infestation. Small circular oviposition scars are occasionally visible indicating an infested fruit. Fruit on properties adjacent to a trap catch may also be inspected. If two or more flies are trapped close to each other, fruit cutting may be extended to all properties within a 200-meter radius of the finds, concentrating on preferred hosts.

### TREATMENT

### 1. Male Attractant Technique

The male attractant technique (MAT) will be used to eliminate all sexually-mature male OFFs. MAT applies small bait stations using STATIC<sup>™</sup> Spinosad ME, which is a premixed solution containing the attractant methyl eugenol and an organically registered pesticide spinosad, mixed into a waxy time-release matrix (SPLAT®). The methyl eugenol lures male flies to the bait stations, where the flies ingest the insecticide as they feed. The flies are killed when they feed at the stations. In each square mile within the eradication boundary, a targeted density of 300 evenly spaced five- to ten-milliliter bait stations are applied to utility poles, street trees, and other unpainted surfaces using pressurized tree marking guns mounted on specially modified trucks. The bait stations are placed six to eight feet above the ground. The size of the eradication area is defined as that area within 1.5 miles of each detection site, and adjusted to create a ninesquare-mile block marked by existing features, such as roads. Applications are repeated every two weeks for one life cycle if no quarantine is triggered (typically two to three months), and for two life cycles if a quarantine is triggered (typically four to six months). Life cycle durations are dependent on temperature.

### 2. Foliar Sprays

If evidence that a breeding population exists on a property (i.e., immature stages, mated female, or multiple adults are detected), the foliage of host trees and shrubs within 200 meters of each detection site will be treated with an organic formulation of spinosad bait spray (GF-120 NF Naturalyte® Fruit Fly Bait) using hand spray or hydraulic spray equipment. Following treatment, completion notices are left with the homeowners detailing precautions to take and post-harvest intervals applicable to any fruit on the property. Treatments are repeated at seven to 14 day intervals for one life cycle of the fly (typically two to three months, dependent on temperature).

### 3. Host Fruit Removal

If evidence that a breeding population exists on a property (i.e., immature stages, mated female, or multiple adults are detected), host removal (fruit stripping) may be used in conjunction with the other treatment options. All host fruit will be removed from all properties within a minimum of a 100-meter radius around the detection sites. The fruit is taken to a landfill for burial using regulatory compliance protocols. Fruit removal will occur once at the beginning of the project, but may be repeated if additional flies are detected.

### SENSITIVE AREAS

The CDFA has consulted with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's California Natural Diversity Database for threatened or endangered species, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Marine Fisheries Service and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife when rare and endangered species are located within the treatment area. Mitigation measures for rare and endangered species will be implemented. The CDFA will not apply pesticides to bodies of water or undeveloped areas of native vegetation. All treatment will be applied to residential properties, common areas within residential development, non-agricultural commercial properties, and rights-of-way.

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### PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

For MAT applications, notification is given to the general public via mass media outlets such as newspapers or press releases. Residents of properties affected by foliar bait sprays or host fruit removal shall be notified in writing at least 48 hours in advance of any treatment, in accordance with the California Food and Agricultural Code (FAC) sections 5771-5779 and 5421-5436.

For any questions related to this program, please contact the CDFA toll-free telephone number at 800-491-1899 for assistance. This telephone number is also listed on all treatment notices. Treatment information is posted at <a href="http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/plant/pdep/treatment/">http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/plant/pdep/treatment/</a>.

After foliar bait treatment, completion notices are left with the residents detailing precautions to take and post-harvest intervals applicable to any fruit and vegetables on the property.

Press releases, if issued, are prepared by the CDFA information officer and the county agricultural commissioner, in close coordination with the program leader responsible for treatment. Either the county agricultural commissioner or the public information officer serves as the primary contact to the media.

Information concerning the OFF program shall be conveyed directly to local and State political representatives and authorities via letters, emails, and/or faxes.

### INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVE TREATMENT METHODS TO ERADICATE METHYL EUGENOL RESPONDING EXOTIC FRUIT FLIES October 2016

The treatment program used by the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) for control of methyl eugenol responding exotic fruit flies (MEREFFs) employs an area-wide chemical treatment called male attractant technique, complemented with a targeted foliar bait spray treatment using an organic pesticide and with fruit removal, as needed.

Below is an evaluation of alternatives treatment methods for MEREFFs which have been considered for eradication programs in California. These flies include, but are not limited to, the oriental fruit fly (*Bactrocera dorsalis*) (OFF) and its sibling species (collectively referred to as *Bactrocera dorsalis* group) (OFF group), guava fruit fly (*Bactrocera correcta*) (GFF), and peach fruit fly (*Bactrocera zonata*) (PFF).

### A. PHYSICAL CONTROL

**Mass Trapping:** This method involves placing a high density of traps in an area in an attempt to physically remove the adults before they can reproduce. For MEREFFs, trapping is considerably enhanced when an insecticide is added to the lure to help capture adults. Mass trapping with lure only and without an insecticide, would capture some adult OFF, but would not eradicate an infestation.

Active Fly Removal: Adult flies are mobile daytime fliers, and adults could theoretically be netted or collected off of foliage. However, due to their ability to fly when disturbed, and the laborious and time prohibitive task of collecting flying insects from several properties by hand, it would be highly improbable that all of the adults could be captured and removed. Larvae live inside the fruit, so all potentially infested fruit in the entirety of the eradication area would have to be removed and disposed of in order to eliminate the larvae from the environment. For these reasons, active fly removal is not considered to be an effective alternative.

**Fruit Bagging:** Fruit bagging involves individually enclosing each developing fruit in a bag which prevents fruit flies from laying eggs. In order to be effective, frequent monitoring of the bagged fruit is needed to identify and repair damage to the bags before female flies can enter and lay eggs. Fruit bagging is considered an economically inefficient option for area-wide treatment because it is so labor intensive. It is also intrusive to residents, who may oppose having their home grown produce confined inside bags. Additionally, this method may possibly promote the dispersal of female flies in search of egg laying sites, thus spreading the infestation if other treatments are not used outside the fruit bagging area. For these reasons, fruit bagging is not considered to be an effective alternative.

**Host Fruit Removal:** Removal of host fruits involves the physical removal of all suitable fruit from both the host plant and from the surrounding ground, in order to eliminate developing eggs and larvae. The fruit is collected and double-bagged before being buried in a landfill. California's MEREFF program performs host fruit removal within a minimum of a 100-meter radius of detection sites that are indicative of an active breeding area (those areas with immature stages, a mated female, or multiple adults) as an added measure to reduce populations within that area and to prevent spread of adult life stages which are not targeted under the preferred area-wide treatment of male attractant technique, such as sexually immature males and females. Fruit removal is not considered an economically efficient option for area-wide treatment because it is so labor intensive. It is also intrusive to residents, who may oppose losing their home grown

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produce. Additionally, this method may possibly promote the dispersal of female flies in search of egg laying sites, thus spreading the infestation if other treatments are not used outside the fruit removal area. Fruit removal can be feasible and effective when used in targeted areas in combination with one or more of the other treatments discussed.

**Host Plant Removal:** Removal of host plants involves the large-scale destruction of plants by either physical removal or phytotoxic herbicides. Host plant removal is not considered an economically efficient option for area-wide treatment because it is so labor intensive. It is intrusive to residents, who may oppose losing their plants. Additionally, this method may possibly promote the dispersal of female flies in search of egg laying sites, thus spreading the infestation if other treatments are not used outside the host plant removal area. Finally, because only the fruit is subject to infestation, removing entire plants during a temporary eradication project is excessive, unduly intrusive, and wastefully inefficient.

### B. CULTURAL CONTROL

**Cultural Control:** Cultural controls involve the manipulation of cultivation practices to reduce the prevalence of pest populations. These include crop rotation, early harvest (i.e., harvesting green fruit before it is suitable for oviposition), using pest-resistant varieties, and intercropping with pest- repellent plants. None of these options are applicable for MEREFF eradications in an urban environment with multiple hosts, and may only serve to drive the flies outside the treatment area, thus spreading the infestation.

### C. BIOLOGICAL CONTROL

**Microorganisms:** No single-celled microorganisms, such as bacteria, have been shown to be effective at controlling MEREFFs.

**Nematodes:** No nematodes have been shown to be effective at controlling MEREFFs.

**Parasites and Predators:** Parasites and predators are not considered an effective stand-alone eradication method because their success is density dependent; they are more effective against dense prey populations than against light populations, so their effectiveness decreases as the prey populations decline. Although several organisms, such as parasitic wasps, have been investigated as potential biological control agents against exotic fruit fly species, they have only been used in suppression programs and not in eradication programs. Since there is insufficient research documenting their efficacy in an eradication program, using these organisms would likely lead to the ineffectiveness of the program.

**Sterile Insect Technique (SIT):** SIT is currently used to suppress OFF and GFF populations in mango orchards in Thailand, and research is ongoing for use against OFF in Hawaii and against a member of the OFF complex, Bactrocera philippinensis, in the Philippines. However, there are no production-level colonies of these species outside of Thailand, and these facilities and research colonies are too small and too far away to support an active eradication effort in California. In addition, for introduced populations of the OFF complex, there is uncertainty as to which species has actually invaded, and therefore SIT using the wrong species could lead to ineffectiveness of the program.

### D. CHEMICAL CONTROL

Male Attractant Technique: The use of male attractant technique (MAT) in California can be traced back to the 1960's. MAT applies small bait stations using STATIC<sup>™</sup> Spinosad ME, which is a pre-mixed solution containing the attractant methyl eugenol and an organically registered pesticide spinosad, mixed into a waxy time-release matrix (SPLAT®). The methyl eugenol lures male flies to the bait stations, where the flies indest the insecticide as they feed. The flies are killed when they feed at the stations. In each square mile within the eradication boundary, a targeted density of 300 evenly spaced five- to ten-milliliter bait stations are applied to utility poles, street trees, and other unpainted surfaces using pressurized tree marking guns mounted on specially modified trucks. The bait stations are placed six to eight feet above the ground. The size of the eradication area is defined as that area within 1.5 miles of each detection site, squared off to create a nine-square mile block, and adjusted to use existing features as boundaries, such as roads. Applications are repeated every two weeks for one life cycle if no quarantine is triggered (typically two to three months), and for two life cycles if a quarantine is triggered (typically four to six months). Life cycle durations are dependent on temperature. Sexually maturing males are strongly attracted to methyl eugenol because it is needed for proper production of their sex pheromone. The male flies responding to the methyl eugenol die from the pesticide when they feed at the stations. In each square mile within the eradication boundary, a targeted density of 300 evenly spaced five milliliter bait stations are applied to utility poles, street trees, and other unpainted surfaces using pressurized tree marking guns mounted on specially modified trucks. The bait stations are placed six to eight feet above the ground. The size of the eradication area is defined as that area within 1.5 miles of each detection site, and adjusted to create a nine-square-mile block marked by existing features, such as roads. Applications are repeated every two weeks for one life cycle if no guarantine is triggered (typically two to three months), and for two life cycles if a guarantine is triggered (typically four to six months). Life cycle durations are dependent on temperature.

**Foliar Bait Treatment:** Foliar bait treatments use an insecticide mixed with a food attractant in order to kill adults, particularly females. The bait makes the treatment selective for particular flies, and therefore biological control agents for other pests are not affected. The CDFA uses this treatment if evidence that a breeding population exists on a property (i.e., immature stages, mated female, or multiple adults are detected). The goal is to decrease the population density and to target adult life stages which are not susceptible to MAT (e.g., mated females, sexually immature males) in order to contain the population while MAT drives the population to extinction. The foliage of host trees and shrubs within 200 meters of each detection site is treated with an organic formulation of spinosad bait spray (GF-120 NF Naturalyte® Fruit Fly Bait) using hand spray or hydraulic spray equipment. This treatment is repeated at seven to 14 day intervals for one life cycle beyond the last fly detected. While effective in the area treated, this type of treatment is considered economically inefficient to apply in a biologically relevant timeframe over the entirety of the eradication area, so it is used as a complimentary treatment to MAT rather than a standalone treatment.

**Foliar Cover Spray Treatment:** Foliar cover spray treatments use a contact insecticide in order to kill adults. This treatment is non-selective and will affect any insects which come into contact with it, including biological control agents for other pests. In order to sufficiently cover an area, much more pesticide must be applied per area than with foliar bait sprays. For these reasons, cover sprays are not used for this program.

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**Soil Treatment:** Contact insecticides drenched into the soil have been used against MEREFFs in the past. The goal is to directly kill larvae entering the soil to pupate, pupae in the soil, and adults emerging from pupae by drenching the soil surrounding host plants. The insecticide previously used for this purpose contains the organophosphate insecticide diazinon. However, this treatment has not been used since 2001 in California because of its environmental toxicity, difficulty in removing all ground clutter and debris, and a potential lack of effectiveness in the varied soil types found in urban environments.

#### PEST PROFILE

<u>Common Name</u> :	Oriental Fruit Fly
<u>Scientific Name</u> :	Bactrocera dorsalis (Hendel)
Order and Family:	Diptera, Tephritidae

<u>Description</u>: The adult oriental fruit fly (OFF) is somewhat larger than a housefly, about eight millimeters in length. The top of the thorax is mostly black with yellow patches, the abdomen is yellow-orange with a dark T-shaped mark, and the face has two black spots. The wings are clear with a dark line along the front edge. The female has a pointed slender ovipositor to deposit eggs under the skin of host fruit. The egg is minute, white, cylindrical, rounded at the ends and about six times as long as wide. The larva is creamy-white, legless, and may attain a length of ten millimeters. The pupa is encased in a dark brown cylindrical puparium.

<u>History and Economic Importance:</u> The OFF is an exotic insect originating in Asia, and has been accidentally introduced into a number of Pacific Islands, including Hawaii. It is a member of a closely related group of species, known as the OFF complex, which are difficult to distinguish based on individual specimens. Several of the complex species are major fruit and vegetable pests, and collectively members of the OFF complex are known to attack over 230 types of fruits and vegetables. Important California crops at risk include pome and stone fruits, citrus, dates, avocados, and many row crops, particularly tomatoes and peppers. Damage occurs when the female lays eggs in the fruit. These eggs hatch into larvae, which tunnel through the flesh of the fruit, making it unfit for consumption. The first California detections occurred in Orange and Santa Barbara counties in 1960, and since that time, numerous re-introductions have been delimited and successfully eradicated.

<u>Distribution:</u> OFF is widespread through much of the mainland of southern Asia and neighboring islands, including Sri Lanka and Taiwan. Distribution in the United States is restricted to the Hawaiian Islands.

<u>Life Cycle:</u> Females lay eggs in groups of three to 30 under the skin of host fruits, and a single female can lay more than 1,000 eggs in her lifetime. The amount of time it takes for egg development depends on the ambient temperature. Larvae tunnel through the fruit feeding on the pulp, shed their skins twice, and emerge through exit holes in approximately ten days. The larvae drop from the fruit and burrow two to three centimeters into the soil to pupate. In ten to twelve days, adults emerge from these puparia. The newly emerged adult females need eight totwelve days to mature sexually prior to egg-laying. Breeding is continuous, with several annual generations. Adults live an average of 90 days, feeding on honeydew, decaying fruit, plant nectar, bird dung, and other sources of protein. The adult is a strong flyer, recorded to travel 30 miles in search of food and egg laying sites. This ability to fly long distances allows the fly to infest new areas very quickly.

<u>Hosts and Damage:</u> In excess of 230 fruits and vegetables have been reported as hosts of members of the OFF complex (see Partial Host List below). Fruit that has been attacked may be unfit for consumption due to the larvae tunneling through the flesh as they feed. Decay-producing organisms then enter, leaving the interior of the fruit a rotten mass.

#### Partial Host List

#### **Common Name**

Akia Alexander laurel Apple Apricot Avocado Banana Banana, dwarf Barbados cherry Bell pepper Brazil cherry Breadfruit Caimitillo Cashew Cactus Cherimoya Cherry, Catalina Cherry, Portuguese Cherry, sweet Chili Coffee, Arabian Country gooseberry Cucumber Custard apple Date palm Dragon tree Eaafruit tree Elengi tree Fig Gourka Granadilla, sweet Granadilla, yellow Grape Grapefruit Guava Imbu Jackfruit Jerusalem cherry Kitembilla Kumquat

Tamanu

Lemon

Loguat

Lychee nut

Malay apple

Mammee apple

Mandarin orange (tangerine)

Lime Longan

#### Scientific Name

Wikstroemia phyllyraefolia Calophyllum inophyllum Malus svlvestris Prunus armeniaca Persea americana Musa x paradisiaca Musa nana Malpighia glabra Capsicum frutescens grossum Eugenia dombevi Artocarpus altilis Chrysophyllum oliviforme Anacardium occidentale Cereus coerulescens Anonna cherimola Prunus ilicifolia Prunus Iusitanica Prunus avium Capsicum frutescens var. longum Coffea arabica Averrhoa carambola Cucumis sativas Annona reticulata Phoenix dactylifera Dracaena draco Outeria campechiana Mimusops elengi Ficus carica Garcinia celebica Passiflora ligularis Passiflora lauriflora Vitis spp. Citrus paradisi Psidium guajava Psidium. littorale Psidium. cattleianum Spondias tuberosa Artocarpus heterophyllus Solanum pseudocapsicum Dovyalis hebecarpa Fortunella japonica Calophyllum inophyllum Citrus limon Citrus aurantiifolia Euphoria longan Eriobotrva japonica Lychee chinensis Eugenia malaccensis Mammea americana Citrus reticulata

#### **Common Name**

Mango Mangosteen Mock orange Black Mulberry Myrtle, downy rose Natal plum Nectarine Oleander, yellow Orange, calamondin Orange, Chinese Orange, king Orange, sweet Orange, Unshu Oriental bush red pepper Otaheite apple Palm, syrup Papaya Passionflower Passionflower, softleaf Passionfruit (yellow lilikoi) Peach Pear Pepino Pepper, sweet Persimmon, Japanese Pineapple guava Plum Pomegranate Prickly pear Prune Pummelo Quince Rose apple Sandalwood Sandalwood, white Santol Sapodilla Sapodilla, chiku Sapota, white Seagrape Sour orange Soursop Star apple Surinam cherry Tomato **Tropical almond** Velvet apple Walnut, Hinds Walnut, English Wampi West Indian cherry Ylang-ylang

#### **Scientific Name**

Mangifera indica Garcinia mangostana Murraya exotica Morus nigra Rhodomyrtus tomentosa Carissa grandiflora Prunus persica var. nectarina Thevetia peruviana Citrus mitis and C. japonica Citrus japonica hazara Citrus nobilis Citrus sinensis Citrus unshu Capsicum frutescens abbreviatum Spondias dulcis Jubaea spectabilis Carica papaya Passiflora edulis Passiflora mollissima Passiflora edulis flavicarpa Prunus persica Pyrus communis Solanum muricatum Capsicum frutescens var. grossum Diospyros kaki Feijoa sellowiana Prunus americana Punica granatum Opuntia megacantha Prunus domestica Citrus maxima Cydonia oblonga Eugenia jambos Santalum paniculatum Santalum album Sandericum koetjape Manilkara zapota Achras zapota Casimiroa edulis Coccoloba uvifera Citrus aurantium Annona muricata Chrysophyllum cainito Eugenia uniflora Solanum lycopersicum Terminalia catappa Terminalia chebula Diospyros discolor Juglans hindsii Juglans regia Citrus lansium Malpighia punicifolia Canaga odorata

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I hereby certify that a Notice of Application made by Southern California Gas Company regarding Application of Southern California Gas Company, Regarding Year 29 (2022-2023) of Its Gas Cost Incentive Mechanism. Application No.23-07-005, was mailed First Class - US Mail on July 20, 2023, to all the appropriate state, county and municipal governmental agencies appearing on the current rooster.

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I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct of my own personal knowledge. Executed at San Diego, California this 20 day of July 2023.

Name (Sign)

Martha Cendejas Name (Print)

**Regulatory Affairs Analyst** Title

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### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY NOTIFICATION OF REQUEST FOR COMPENSATION THROUGH THE GAS COST INCENTIVE MECHANISM A.23-07-005

#### Why am I receiving this notice?

On July 17, 2023, Southern California Gas (SoCalGas<sup>®</sup>) filed an application (A.23-07-005) with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The application is requesting approval of its management of savings incurred during the purchase of natural gas for its customers.

Natural gas purchases are reviewed through a mechanism referred to as the Gas Cost Incentive Mechanism (GCIM). The CPUC authorized the GCIM as a means of encouraging utilities to seek the best rates available for natural gas. Under the GCIM, a target price is set and if the utility secures a better rate, the savings are shared with customers and shareholders. If a high rate is paid, the utility must absorb a portion of the higher rate. SoCalGas shares the savings with its "Core" customers, that is, customers who rely on the utility for all their natural gas needs, including both gas transportation and gas commodity service.

#### Why is SoCalGas requesting compensation?

In the latest GCIM year, SoCalGas purchased natural gas at \$417.6 million below the target price during the program period of April 1, 2022, to March 31, 2023. Using the CPUC's formula to determine the incentive for purchasing gas below the target price, SoCalGas has calculated a \$62.8 million allocation for its shareholders. This means that these purchases provided customers a benefit of \$354.8 million in lower gas costs. In this application, SoCalGas requests that the CPUC approve SoCalGas's shareholder allocation of \$62.8 million. SoCalGas is also requesting to share \$37.4 million of the \$62.8 million shareholder reward with customers. That would result in a net shareholder reward of \$25.4 million.

#### How could this affect my monthly gas bill?

A typical residential customer's average monthly bill for 36 therms of gas has already increased by 0.60 cents/month, from \$85.80 to \$86.40. A typical residential customer's monthly summer bill for 23 therms of gas has already increased by 0.38 cents/month, from \$45.55 to \$45.93. The impact on each customer and customer class has varied depending on individual usage. If the CPUC approves SoCalGas's request to share a portion of the shareholder reward, future bills will be lower as a result. If the CPUC approves a different allocation for SoCalGas shareholders, the difference will be credited or charged to customers through a rate change in future months.

### How does the rest of this process work?

This application will be assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge who will consider proposals and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt SoCalGas's application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding may review SoCalGas's application, including the Public Advocates Office, which is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information, please call 1-415-703-1584, email <u>PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov</u>, or visit **PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov**.

### Where can I get more information?

### **Contact SoCalGas**

Jordan Calzadillas Regulatory Case Manager for SoCalGas 555 W 5<sup>th</sup> Street, GT14D6 Los Angeles, CA 90013

A copy of the GCIM Application and any related documents may also be reviewed at <u>https://www.socalgas.com/regulatory/cpuc</u>

### **Contact CPUC**

Please visit **apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2307005** to submit a comment about this proceeding on the CPUC Docket Card. Here you can also view documents and other public comments related to this proceeding.

Your participation by providing your thoughts on SoCalGas's request can help the CPUC make an informed decision.

If you have questions about CPUC processes, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at:

Phone: **1-866-849-8390** (toll-free) or **1-415-703-2074** Email: Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov Mail: CPUC Public Advisor's Office 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Please reference SoCalGas' GCIM **Application A.23-07-005** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter.

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# SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



## **Post Performance**

July 27, 2023 - August 2, 2023

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

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Engagements	_
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	_



Impressions	1,016
Reach	1,016
Engagements	33
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.2%



Garden Grove City Hall Tue 8/1/2023 4:10 pm PDT

We're getting ready for #NationalNightOut2023, and Garden Grove TV 3 reporter Breanna Greenup is ...



Video Views	181
Impressions	397
Reach	390
Engagements	10
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.5%

#### Post Performance | 4 of 10



OgardengrovecityhallTue 8/1/2023 4:10 pm PDT

We're getting ready for #NationalNightOut2023, and Garden Grove TV 3 reporter Breanna Greenup is ...



Impressions	2,196
Reach	2,017
Engagements	120
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.5%



**City Seeking Developer for Garden Grov Civic Center Revitalization Project** Subr a proposal for consideration at...





Impressions	172
Potential Reach	4,648
Engagements	9
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.2%



 Image: gardengrovecityhall

 Tue 8/1/2023 2:11 pm PDT

**City Seeking Developer for Garden Grov Center Revitalization Project** We're seek statements of qualification from developme





Impressions	600
Reach	552
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2%

#### Post Performance | 5 of 10



Garden Grove City Hall Tue 8/1/2023 2:11 pm PDT

**City Seeking Developer for Garden Grov Center Revitalization Project** We're seek statements of qualification from developme





Deadline is Monday, August 28, 2023 at 10:00 a.m



OgardengrovecityhallMon 7/31/2023 6:00 pm PDT

\* As the weather warms up and we turn to outdoor water activities to stay cool, let's remember to be safe and practice...



Impressions	660
Reach	473
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0.8%



Garden Grove City Hall
<u>Mon 7/31/2023 6:00 pm PDT</u>

\* As the weather warms up and we turn to outdoor water activities to stay cool, let's remember to be safe and practice...



Impressions	312
Reach	305
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	<b>1.9</b> %

#### Post Performance | 6 of 10



**OcityGardenGrove** <u>Mon 7/31/2023 6:00 pm PDT</u>

 As the weather warms up and we turn to outdoor water activities to stay cool, let's remember to be safe and practice...





Impressions	143
Potential Reach	4,649
Engagements	2
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.4%



- Dump & drain containers filled with water. - Clean & scrub bird baths and pet water bowls. - Dump water from potted...



Impressions	154
Potential Reach	7,435
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.6%



**OcityGardenGrove** <u>Mon 7/31/2023 4:00 pm PDT</u>

The **@OCVector** has confirmed that mosquitoes collected in the city of Fullerton have tested positive for West Ni...



Impressions	3,304
Potential Reach	7,435
Engagements	87
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.6%

#### Post Performance | 7 of 10



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The Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District has confirmed that mosquitoes collected in the city of...







Impressions	1,427
Reach	1,044
Engagements	36
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.5%



Garden Grove City Hall Mon 7/31/2023 4:00 pm PDT

The Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District has confirmed that mosquitoes collected in the city of...



Impressions	794
Reach	751
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.5%



Garden Grove City Hall

Are you ready for#NationalNightOut2023? Watch as GardenGrove TV 3 reporter Breanna Greenup...



Video Views	248
Impressions	634
Reach	597
Engagements	35
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.5%

#### Post Performance | 8 of 10



Image: Second systemImage: Second system

Are you ready for#NationalNightOut2023? Watch as GardenGrove TV 3 reporter Breanna Greenup...



Impressions	3,151
Reach	2,831
Engagements	250
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.9%



**gardengrovecityhall** Thu 7/27/2023 3:15 pm PDT

We're here to help #GardenGrove
 businesses like yours! The application
 portal for the City's JOBS 1st program,...



Impressions	814
Reach	737
Engagements	9
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.1%



@CityGardenGrove
Thu 7/27/2023 3:15 pm PDT

We're here to help #GardenGrove
 businesses like yours! The application
 portal for the City's JOBS 1st program is...



Impressions	226
Potential Reach	4,648
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.2%



Garden Grove City Hall

We're here to help #GardenGrove
 businesses like yours! The application
 portal for the City's JOBS 1st program,...



Impressions	1,040
Reach	977
Engagements	17
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.6%



@CityGardenGrove
Thu 7/27/2023 11:20 am PDT

**!!** APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED The Community Services Department is hiring two Senior Recreation Specialists for the...



### Senior Recreation Specialist



Impressions	190
Potential Reach	4,646
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.8%



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**!!** APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED The Community Services Department is hiring two Senior Recreation Specialists for the...

# - HIRING

#### Senior Recreation Specialist

	Community Services Department
Garden Grove	Part-Time \$19.00-\$28.07 Hourly

Impressions	3,101
Reach	2,819
Engagements	86
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.8%

Garden Grove City Hall Thu 7/27/2023 11:20 am PDT **!!** APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED The Community Services Department is hiring two Senior Recreation Specialists for the... HIRING **Senior Recreation Specialist Community Services** Department Part-Time **GARDEN GROVE** \$19.00-\$28.07 Hourly 2 Impressions 3,751 3,690 Reach Engagements 163 Engagement Rate (per 4.3% Impression)



# **Post Performance**

July 27, 2023 - August 2, 2023

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

Post Performance

### Included in this Report

Garden Grove Police Department

#### Post Performance | 1 of 3



Garden Grove Police Depa... Tue 8/1/2023 3:27 pm PDT

#NationalNightOut2023 is tonight! 
#GardenGrovePD, located at 11301 Acacia
Parkway <sup>(\*)</sup> 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m...

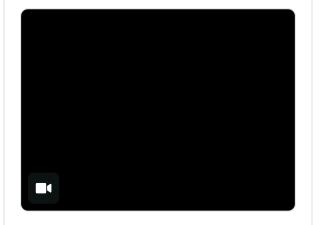


Video Views	1,548
Impressions	2,646
Reach	2,580
Engagements	342
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	12.9%



Garden Grove Police Depa... Mon 7/31/2023 12:30 pm PDT

#SWAT and #K9Rocky are pumped for #NationalNightOut2023! Don't forget to drop by #GardenGrovePD tomorrow,...



Video Views	682
Impressions	2,093
Reach	2,052
Engagements	88
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.2%



Garden Grove Police Depa... Sun 7/30/2023 6:00 pm PDT

Yesterday, #GardenGrovePD Officers joined #SoCalSpecialOlympics Athletes at the Great Wolf Lodge for a special...



Impressions	6,552
Reach	6,440
Engagements	700
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	10.7%

#### Post Performance | 2 of 3



Garden Grove Police Depa... Sat 7/29/2023 12:00 pm PDT

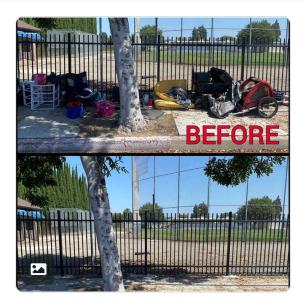
Outreach & Cleanup Recap: this week, #GardenGrovePD's Special Resource Team (SRT) collaborated with CHP - Westminst...



Impressions	17,072
Reach	16,543
Engagements	845
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.9%



Garden Grove Police Depa... Sat 7/29/2023 12:00 pm PDT



Impressions	7,835
Reach	7,539
Engagements	636
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	8.1%



Garden Grove Police Depa... Fri 7/28/2023 3:00 pm PDT

Last night, July 27, 2023, at 10:21 PM, #GardenGrovePD Officers were dispatched to the area of Monarch St / Chapman Ave...



Impressions	4,436
Reach	3,873
Engagements	843
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	19%



Garden Grove Police Depa... Thu 7/27/2023 6:00 pm PDT

Join us on Tuesday, August 1st from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM as we host #NationalNightOut2023 at...



Video Views	700
Impressions	1,510
Reach	1,341
Engagements	89
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.9%



Garden Grove có chương trình hỗ trợ nhà trẻ miễn phí

Thành phố Garden Grove và WeeCare, mạng lưới chăm sóc trẻ em lớn nhất Hoa Kỳ, vừa giới thiệu chương trình BOOST (Business Operations and Optimization Support Tool), nhằm cung cấp cho trung tâm giữ trẻ/nhà trẻ các công cụ kỹ thuật và hỗ trợ kinh doanh miễn phí trong một năm nếu hội đủ điều kiện về thu nhập.

https://www.nguoi-viet.com/little-saigon/ garden-grove-co-chuong-trinh-ho-tro-nha-tremien-phi/



# Bạn muốn phát triển nhà trẻ (daycare) của mình?

Chương trình BOOST hỗ trợ các nhà trẻ (daycare) về mặt kinh doanh và kỹ thuật trong một năm nếu hội đủ điều kiện về thu nhập.

#### Tại sao BOOST?



Gia Tăng Lợi Tức

Tìm hiểu cách thức để gia tăng đăng ký ghi danh và giảm chỉ phí.

Tiết kiệm thời gian Tim hiểu cách thức tiết kiệm thời gian quản lý điểm danh,cách thu học

phí, và nhiều nữa.

Thành phố Garden Grove hợp tác với WeeCare để mang chương trình BOOST đến các trung tâm Giữ trẻ (Child care) tại địa phương.



Đăng ký ngay hôm nay, Chỗ có giới hạn!



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Sở Cảnh Sát Garden Grove sẽ tổ chức đêm cảnh sát "National Night Out" từ 5 giờ chiều đến 8 giờ rưỡi tối Thứ Ba, 1 Tháng Tám, tại sân trước Sở Cảnh Sát Garden Grove, 11301 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840.

https://www.nguoi-viet.com/little-saigon/ garden-grove-sap-co-dem-canh-sat-nationalnight-out/



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WEEKLY MEMO 8-03-2023

# **NEWS ARTICLES**

#### OC REGISTER July 28, 2023

Garden Grove and Anaheim delegation to visit South Korea for celebration, tourism promotion



A group of 10 high school students from Anyang, South Korea, will visit their sister city of Garden Grove starting Saturday, Jan. 19, 2019. Seen here are the exchange students from Anyang who visited the city in 2018. A Garden Grove delegation will visit Anyang for their 50th Anniversary celebrations in September, 2023. (Photo courtesy of the city of Garden Grove)

When Anyang, a city in South Korea, celebrates in September 50 years since its founding, special guests will include Garden Grove city leaders and Anaheim tourism delegates.

Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones and Councilmembers Stephanie Klopfenstein, Joe DoVinh and Cindy Tran will join staffers as well as representatives from Great Wolf Lodge on an eight-day trip to the city located in the Gyeonggi Province. They will be joined by delegates from Visit Anaheim as well as representatives from the Disneyland Resort and Westin Anaheim Resort.

The trip is scheduled from Sept. 15-23.

"Garden Grove, for the past 40 years, has had a very close friendship and cooperative relationship with our sister city in South Korea, Anyang," said Maria Stipe, the assistant city manager. "The city has been invited to help celebrate their 50th anniversary and commemorate their 50 years of cityhood."





In 2019, an Anyang delegation visited Garden Grove where they visited City Hall, toured community facilities that provide care and support services for those affected by dementia and Alzheimer's disease, met with the Korean American Federation of Orange County, and the Korean American Chamber of Commerce of Orange County. As part of the visit, Garden Grove and Anyang City commemorated the 30th Anniversary of their Sister City relationship, by signing an agreement/reaffirmation to continue to promote cooperation and exchange between the two cities. (Courtesy of city of Garden Grove)

The celebration will include activities for staff to participate in, said Stipe.

"I'm looking forward to supporting Anyang City's 50th anniversary of cityhood and learning about international business strategies and best practices from our partners in South Korea," said Jones. "I'm also excited to showcase Garden Grove's hotel resort district to promote and grow tourism for the economic benefit of Garden Grove."

The trip will be twofold: The first half will focus on supporting the Visit Anaheim tourism promotion component, Stipe said, while the second will center on Anyang's anniversary celebrations. Visit Anaheim representatives and one Garden Grove representative will travel to Tokyo instead of Anyang to continue tourism promotion.

In the Visit Anaheim portion of the trip, trade partners will promote Anaheim and the Garden Grove hotel district to South Korean tour operators.

Representatives from Garden Grove and Anaheim, as well as the hotels, each pay \$6,000 to participate in the program. Anyang will fund lodging, ground transportation and interpreters for the whole city delegation during the second portion of the trip, said Stipe.

Garden Grove is setting aside "tourism improvement district assessment funding" to pay for the trip, said Stipe. The funding is coming from a special tax that occupants in hotels north of Lampson Avenue pay -2.5% of their per-night hotel stay. Hotels south of Lampson are subject to a 0.5% tax per night that also goes toward the Garden Grove tourism improvement district assessment fund.

All proceeds from the Garden Grove tourism improvement district assessment funding go toward increasing tourism in the city.

Visit Anaheim's travel and expenses is funded through its budget already earmarked for such trips.

"Visit Anaheim's international sales missions are designed to target key industry partners, including tour operators, travel agents, trade media, consumer media and influencers with the goal of educating and engaging to inspire, motivate and activate travel to Anaheim and Orange County," said Pepe Avila, vice president of tourism and partnerships at Visit Anaheim.

The total cost of the trip was unavailable.

Garden Grove residents can expect that the city's partnership with Anyang will be strengthened, Stipe said. Residents can also expect to benefit, she said, from expanded relationships with South Korean travel and business trade.

"This will result in increased visitation from Korea to Garden Grove's resort district and surrounding businesses, resulting in stronger hotel and sales tax revenues," she said.

The relationship between Anyang and Garden Grove dates back to 1987. Since then, through the nonprofit Sister City Association of Garden Grove, the two cities have participated in an annual student exchange program as well as a public employee exchange program, Stipe said.

The student exchange program is on pause because of the pandemic and is set to resume next year. Usually, in January, 10 students from South Korea visit Garden Grove and stay with a host family for about a week to experience American culture. During spring break, 10 juniors and seniors from the Garden Grove Unified School District travel to Anyang to live with a Korean host family.

Funding for the student exchange program comes from the annual Strawberry Stomp 5K run/walk during the Strawberry Festival.

In October, the Hansang World Korean Business Convention is coming to Anaheim. Garden Grove will also be participating in the convention, with a booth featuring business and partnership opportunities in the city.

During the convention, visitors from Korea will have an opportunity to stay in Garden Grove and Anaheim hotels and visit local businesses, Stipe said.

### THE TRIBUNE

#### August 1, 2023

### The sweet game of Pickleball

By Jim Tortolano/Orange County Tribune



It took several generations to become an overnight sensation. It's named after a dog. And it's everywhere.

Pickleball is its name and it arrived outdoors in Garden Grove with three courts debuting at the Chapman Sports Complex at Chapman Avenue and Knott Street this week.

An amalgam of tennis, badminton and ping pong, an estimated 36.5 million people play the sport, according to the Association of Pickleball Professionals. You can see it played on a high school tennis court and on ESPN.

"It's a game that can be played at any age," said Diana Abruscato, a player, coach, organizer and evangelist for the sport.



RUSSELL JENSEN and Tribune general manager Marilyn Tortolano show how it's done.

"It's intergenerational. Youth and adult and grandma can all play together."

There are several theories as to how the sport was named, but the most commonly accepted one is that in 1965 a family in Puget Sound invented the game as a lark, and when the ball bounced free, the family dog – Pickles – would chase it down.

While it's similar to tennis, it's quite different in some ways. "It's a smaller court, the paddle does not have strings and the ball is a 'whiffle' ball," said Russell Jensen, another top-flight pickleballer. "It's probably more fun than tennis and it's easier on the knees." Part of its growth is that you can fit a pickleball court in a relatively small space. "Everything is about one-third the size of a tennis court," said Abruscato. "The ball is lighter and the net is a little lower than a tennis net. It's a microcosm of tennis."

A recent convert to the sport is Maureen Blackmun, a well-known community leader. "I like it because it's a team sport, it gets me out and brings me joy when the ball goes over the net," she said.

#### Some good news on fireworks

July 25

It may not seem like it for some residents, but the problems associated with the use of illegal fireworks appear to be in decline.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Garden Grove City Council, reports were made suggesting a lessening of calls for service related to the pyrotechnics around the Independence Day holiday.

Police Chief Amir El-Farra told the council that the number of calls for fireworks problems declined from 166 in 2022 to 160 this year. A total of 27 citations were issued by police for using illegal fireworks.



However, there was an increase in other kinds of calls, including domestic violence incidents, El-Farra said.

The GGPD put an extra 24 officers on duty in an effort to curb the July 4 problems.

Division Chief Craig Covey of the Orange County Fire Department – which provides fire and paramedic service for Garden Grove – said that calls for service to OCFA also declined, from 55 to 50, continuing a trend which he attributed in part to the impact of the \$1000 fine for using fireworks that are not "safe and sane."

The council also heard updates on the Civic Center Revitalization Project and the Parks Master Plan.

Next meeting of the city council is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug, 8.





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Monday, July 31, 2023



#### CITY SEEKING DEVELOPER FOR GARDEN GROVE CIVIC CENTER REVITALIZATION PROJECT

The City of Garden Grove is seeking statements of qualification from development teams to begin the procurement process for the Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization project. Through the Request for Qualification (RFQ), a development team will be selected to design, build, and finance the project which includes a new Garden Grove Police Department public safety facility, parking structure, and park area and amenities. The deadline to apply is Monday, August 28, 2023.

"The Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization project is a much-needed reinvigoration to the heart of our city, designed to meet not only the operational needs of the Garden Grove Police Department, but the guality-of-life needs of our community with reimagined green spaces," said Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones.

Over the last year, the City has hosted community workshops, provided surveys, and participated in local events for public input on the Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization project. Community feedback included: active uses for all age groups, interest in removing the duck pond, more recreational space and park amenities, safe parking for vehicles and bikes, and more.

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# CITY SEEKING DEVELOPER FOR GARDEN GROVE CIVIC CENTER PROJECT 2-2-2

"With the increase of sworn officers and civilian staff, the Garden Grove Police Department has outgrown its current facility. A modern police headquarters will consolidate staff to better serve the needs of the community more effectively and efficiently," said Garden Grove Police Chief Amir El-Farra.

Improvements to the Garden Grove Police Department public safety facilities will be based in part on available Measure O funding.

In 2018, Garden Grove residents passed Measure O, a one-cent transaction and use (sales) tax to support police recruitment, maintain 9-1-1 response times, and to evaluate the need to modernize or replace existing Garden Grove Police Department public safety facilities.

For more information about the Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization project, visit <u>www.ggcity.org/civic-center</u>. To apply for the RFQ, visit <u>https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/15118/bo/bo-search</u>.

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### VIET-BAO ONLINE NEWS

# TP Garden Grove thông báo chương trình 'JOBS 1st' nhằm hỗ trợ các doanh nghiệp địa phương

August 1, 2023

Thành phố Garden Grove thông báo chương trình 'JOBS để hỗ trợ cho doanh nghiệp địa phương. Chương trình 'JOBS 1<sup>st</sup>' cung cấp các khoản vay không tiền lời (zero-interest loan) lên đến \$50,000 và chương trình tài trợ (grant) lên đến \$25,000 cho các doanh nghiệp hội đủ điều kiện để tạo ra hoặc duy trì việc làm. Thông tin có thể tìm thấy tại trang: ggcity.org/neighborhood-improvement/jobs-1<sup>st</sup>.

Để hội đủ điều kiện tham gia chương trình 'JOBS 1<sup>st</sup>', các doanh nghiệp phải có giấy phép kinh doanh hợp pháp tại Garden Grove. Các doanh nghiệp muốn nhận khoảng vay \$50,000 cần chứng minh họ đang tạo việc làm cho nhân viên. Những doanh nghiệp muốn nhận được khoản tài trợ (grant) \$25,000 cần chứng minh họ đang giữ việc làm trong khoảng thời gian 3 tháng, và chứng minh doanh thu đã bị giảm hơn 15% hơn vào năm ngoái. Doanh nghiệp nào đã nhận hỗ trợ từ chương trình này trong vòng 5 năm thì không thể ghi danh nữa.

Chương trình 'JOBS 1<sup>st'</sup> là một phần của kế hoạch Khuyến Khích Kinh Doanh và Phát động Khả Năng Phục Hồi (Business Resource and Resiliency Plan), nhằm để để hỗ trợ các doanh nghiệp địa phương, kích thích phát triển và tạo việc làm, đồng thời cải thiện kinh tế tại Garden Grove.

Để biết thêm thông tin hoặc ghi danh những chương trình trợ giúp từ thành phố, xin coi tại <u>ggcity.org/neighborhood-improvement/jobs-1st</u> hoặc liên lạc Ban Phát triển Kinh tế tại (714) 741-5131.



### Cảnh Sát Garden Grove Tổ Chức Chương Trình 'National Night Out' Gặp Gỡ Cùng Cộng Đồng

July 21, 2023



Sở Cảnh Sát Garden Grove mời cộng đồng đến tham dự đêm 'National Night Out' vào ngày Thứ Ba, 1 tháng Tám, 2023, từ 5:00 giờ chiều đến 8:00 giờ tối, trước Sở Cảnh Sát, tại địa chỉ 11301 Acacia Parkway.

Cư dân trong cộng đồng có thể tham gia vào những trò chơi giải trí dành cho gia đình, gặp gỡ trò chuyện cùng các nhân viên cảnh sát, có cơ hội trúng các giải thưởng. Chương trình miễn phí này tạo cơ hội để cộng đồng gặp gỡ các nhân viên tuần tra và phòng chống tội phạm, cũng như tìm hiểu về các chương trình bảo vệ khu phố và cách tham gia. Các hoạt động khác bao gồm hướng dẫn an toàn công cộng của đơn vị K-9 và SWAT. Ngoài ra, ban phòng chống tội phạm (Crime Prevention) cũng có mặt để chia sẻ thông tin bên sở cảnh sát với cộng đồng.

Chương trình 'National Night Out' là một cơ hội để gặp gỡ, hợp tác và tương tác với cơ quan thực thi pháp luật địa phương, là sự kiện để phát triển mối quan hệ cảnh dân. Mục tiêu nhằm ngăn chặn tội phạm thông qua giáo dục và quan hệ đối tác cộng đồng và cảnh sát.

Vào Thứ Ba, 1 Tháng Tám, khu vực xung quanh sẽ đóng lại với bảng hướng dẫn đậu xe ở những địa điểm khác.

Những địa điểm có thể đậu xe cho người tới tham gia:

- Nhà thờ First Baptist 12761 Euclid Street
- Purcell Building 11277 Garden Grove Boulevard

- Garden Grove Community Meeting Center 11300 Stanford Avenue
- Trường Trung học Garden Grove 11271 Stanford Avenue
- Healthy Aging Center Acacia 11391 Acacia Parkway
- SteelCraft Garden Grove 12900 S Euclid Street

Để biết thêm thông tin, xem tại trang <u>ggcity.org/events/nno2023</u>, hoặc liên lạc về sở cảnh sát Garden Grove, ban phòng chống tội phạm (Crime Prevention Unit) tại số (714) 741-5760, hoặc gởi email về <u>crimeprevention@ggcity.org.</u>



#### **VIEN-DONG ONLINE NEWS**

# Thành phố Garden Grove thông báo chương trình 'JOBS 1st' để hỗ trợ cho doanh nghiệp địa phương

August 2, 2023

Chương trình 'JOBS 1st' cung cấp các khoản vay không tiền lời (zero-interest loan) lên đến \$50,000 và chương trình tài trợ (grant) lên đến \$25,000 cho các doanh nghiệp hội đủ điều kiện để tạo ra hoặc duy trì việc làm. Thông tin có thể tìm thấy tại trang ggcity.org/neighborhoodimprovement/jobs-1st.

Để hội đủ điều kiện tham gia chương trình 'JOBS 1st', các doanh nghiệp phải có giấy phép kinh doanh hợp pháp tại Garden Grove. Các doanh nghiệp muốn nhận khoảng vay \$50,000 cần chứng minh họ đang tạo việc làm cho nhân viên. Những doanh nghiệp muốn nhận được khoản tài trợ (grant) \$25,000 cần chứng minh họ đang giữ việc làm trong khoảng thời gian 3 tháng, và chứng minh doanh thu đã bị giảm hơn 15% hơn vào năm ngoái. Doanh nghiệp nào đã nhận hỗ trợ từ chương trình này trong vòng 5 năm thì không thể ghi danh nữa.

Chương trình 'JOBS 1st' là một phần của kế hoạch Khuyến Khích Kinh Doanh và Phát động Khả Năng Phục Hồi (Business Resource and Resiliency Plan), nhằm để để hỗ trợ các doanh nghiệp địa phương, kích thích phát triển và tạo việc làm, đồng thời cải thiện kinh tế tại Garden Grove.

Để biết thêm thông tin hoặc ghi danh những chương trình trợ giúp từ thành phố, xin coi tại **ggcity.org/neighborhood-improvement/jobs-1st** hoặc liên lạc Ban Phát Triển Kinh Tế tại (714) 741-5131.



# Cảnh sát Garden Grove tổ chức chương trình 'National Night Out' gặp gỡ cùng cộng đồng

July 21, 2023

Sở Cảnh Sát Garden Grove mời cộng đồng đến tham dự đêm 'National Night Out' vào chiều thứ Ba, 1 tháng Tám, 2023, từ 5:00 giờ chiều đến 8:00 giờ tối, trước Sở Cảnh Sát, tại địa chỉ 11301 Acacia Parkway.

Cư dân trong cộng đồng có thể tham gia vào những trò chơi giải trí dành cho gia đình, gặp gỡ trò chuyện cùng các nhân viên cảnh sát, có cơ hội trúng các giải thưởng. Chương trình miễn phí này tạo cơ hội để cộng đồng gặp gỡ các nhân viên tuần tra và phòng chống tội phạm, cũng như tìm hiểu về các chương trình bảo vệ khu phố và cách tham gia.

Các hoạt động khác bao gồm hướng dẫn an toàn công cộng của đơn vị K-9 (chó nghiệp vụ) và SWAT. Ngoài ra, ban phòng chống tội phạm (Crime Prevention) cũng có mặt để chia sẻ thông tin bên sở cảnh sát với cộng đồng.

Chương trình 'National Night Out' là một cơ hội để gặp gỡ, hợp tác và tương tác với cơ quan thực thi pháp luật địa phương, là sự kiện để phát triển mối quan hệ cảnh dân. Mục tiêu nhằm ngăn chặn tội phạm thông qua giáo dục và quan hệ đối tác cộng đồng và cảnh sát.

Vào thứ Ba, 1 tháng Tám, khu vực xung quanh sẽ đóng lại với bảng hướng dẫn đậu xe ở những địa điểm khác.

Những địa điểm có thể đậu xe cho người tới tham gia:

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- Purcell Building 11277 Garden Grove Boulevard
- Garden Grove Community Meeting Center 11300 Stanford Avenue
- Trường Trung học Garden Grove 11271 Stanford Avenue
- Healthy Aging Center Acacia 11391 Acacia Parkway
- SteelCraft Garden Grove 12900 S Euclid Street

Để biết thêm thông tin, xem tại trang ggcity.org/events/nno2023, hoặc liên lạc về sở cảnh sát Garden Grove, ban phòng chống tội phạm (Crime Prevention Unit) tại số (714) 741-5760, hoặc gởi email về crimeprevention@ggcity.org.



### **NGUOI-VIET ONLINE NEWS**

### Garden Grove có chương trình hỗ trợ nhà trẻ miễn phí

August 2, 2023

**GARDEN GROVE, California (NV)** – Thành phố Garden Grove và WeeCare, mạng lưới chăm sóc trẻ em lớn nhất Hoa Kỳ, vừa giới thiệu chương trình BOOST (Business Operations and Optimization Support Tool), nhằm cung cấp cho trung tâm giữ trẻ/nhà trẻ các công cụ kỹ thuật và hỗ trợ kinh doanh miễn phí trong một năm nếu hội đủ điều kiện về thu nhập.

Thị Trưởng Steve Jones nói: "Thành phố Garden Grove rất vui mừng được bắt tay vào mối quan hệ hợp tác mới này với WeeCare để hỗ trợ cho nhà trẻ các dịch vụ quan trọng, tăng cường khả năng cung cấp dịch vụ chăm sóc phẩm chất cao hơn cho trẻ em của chúng ta và các dịch vụ giá cả phải chăng hơn cho các gia đình."



Chương trình BOOST là tin vui cho các cơ sở giữ trẻ tại Garden Grove. (Hình: Garden Grove cung cấp)

Thông qua chương trình BOOST, các trung tâm giữ trẻ/nhà trẻ có thể truy cập miễn phí vào các công cụ kỹ thuật của WeeCare, giới thiệu gia đình, huấn luyện kinh doanh và hỗ trợ kinh doanh trực tiếp.

Chương trình BOOST miễn mọi khoản phí cho ứng dụng quản lý chăm sóc trẻ em của WeeCare, cho phép các nhà trẻ cung cấp toàn bộ hoạt động và điều hành doanh nghiệp hiệu quả hơn từ thiết bị di động của họ. Từ việc tự động hóa phần quản lý tài chính, ứng dụng này cũng cung cấp các công cụ giao tiếp như tính năng chia sẻ ảnh và video.

Thành phố đã phân phối \$102,000 tài trợ của Bộ Gia Cư và Phát Triển Đô Thị (HUD) cho chương trình BOOST, trong đó WeeCare cung cấp số tiền tương ứng với số tiền được phân phối.

#### Garden Grove sắp có đêm cảnh sát 'National Night Out' July 29, 2023

**GARDEN GROVE, California (NV)** – Sở Cảnh Sát Garden Grove sẽ tổ chức đêm cảnh sát "National Night Out" từ 5 giờ chiều đến 8 giờ rưỡi tối Thứ Ba, 1 Tháng Tám, tại sân trước Sở Cảnh Sát Garden Grove, 11301 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840.

Đây là nỗ lực của sở cảnh sát để tạo cơ hội gặp gỡ và tiếp cận cư dân trong cộng đồng.



Mọi người có thể tham gia vào những trò chơi giải trí dành cho gia đình, gặp gỡ trò chuyện cùng các nhân viên cảnh sát, có cơ hội trúng các giải thưởng.

Chương trình miễn phí này là cơ hội tốt để cộng đồng gặp gỡ các nhân viên tuần tra và phòng chống tội phạm, cũng như tìm hiểu về các chương trình bảo vệ khu phố cũng như cách tham gia.

Ngoài ra chương trình cũng có phần hướng dẫn an toàn công cộng của đơn vị K-9 và SWAT. Chưa hết, Ban Phòng Chống Tội Phạm (Crime Prevention) cũng có mặt để chia sẻ thông tin với cộng đồng.

Đêm cảnh sát "National Night Out" là một cơ hội để gặp gỡ, hợp tác và tương tác với cơ quan thực thi pháp luật địa phương, là sự kiện để phát triển mối quan hệ cảnh dân.

"National Night Out" có mục tiêu là ngăn chặn tội phạm thông qua giáo dục và quan hệ đối tác cộng đồng và cảnh sát.

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Để biết thêm thông tin, truy cập tại <u>ggcity.org/events/nno2023</u>, hoặc liên lạc Sở Cảnh sát Garden Grove, Ban Phòng Chống Tội Phạm (Crime Prevention Unit) (714) 741-5760, hoặc gởi email về <u>crimeprevention@ggcity.org</u>. **(ĐG)** 

### MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS August 3, 2023

- 1. Calendar of Events
- 2. Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) eCurrents Newsletter August 2023.
- 3. League of California Cities articles from July 28, 2023 to August 3, 2023.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 3, 2023 – September 8, 2023

Thursday	August 3	6:30 p.m.	Summer Concert in the Park – Stevie Nicks Illusion Eastgate Park, 12001 St. Mark St.
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC CANCELLED
Tuesday	August 8	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	August 10	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC CANCELLED
			\$2 Casual Dress Day
Thursday Sunday	August 10- September 17		One More Productions presents "La Cage Aux Folles," The Gem Theater
Friday	August 11		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
		8:30 p.m.	Outdoor Movie Series: Top Gun: Maverick, Garden Grove Park, 9301 Westminster Blvd.
Thursday	August 17	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Tuesday	August 22	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority, CMC Sanitary District Board, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	August 24	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
		11:30am	Employee Appreciation Luncheon, CMC AB Room
Friday	August 25		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Monday	September 4		City Hall Closed – Labor Day
Thursday	September 7	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	September 8		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure



# The top bills to brush up on while

# lawmakers are on break: Part II

Aug 2, 2023

Here are the remaining environmental, infrastructure, labor, and governance bills cities need to know about before summer recess ends. This is the second installment of

#### a two-part story.

It's the calm before the storm. Summer recess ends on Aug. 14. When lawmakers return, they will have one month to get their bills through a barrage of legislative deadlines. Here are some of the top bills that should be front and center for city officials once the session resumes.

# Three infrastructure bills to oppose

Although it's been a mostly positive year for cities when it comes to infrastructure bills, there are three notable infrastructure measures that cities should consider opposing. AB 825 (Bryan) would prohibit cities from fining cyclists for biking on a sidewalk. Biking on the sidewalk is inherently unsafe for pedestrians. Cyclists can go too fast, lose control, and collide with pedestrians. This situation can be particularly dangerous for vulnerable populations, including the disabled, elderly, and younger children.

Another measure, AB 1082 (Kalra), would curb the ability of cities to enforce repeated parking violations. Parking enforcement helps keep streets and water systems clean, allows cities to deliver vital services, and provides access to local businesses. The bill would remove one of the few parking enforcement tools cities have left and reward people who fail to pay their parking tickets — regardless of their income — therefore making it challenging to provide those services.

AB 1637 (Irwin) would require all local agencies to transition their web services to a .gov domain. This would come at a significant and unnecessary cost to local governments. The bill has received some pushback during the legislative process.

"There aren't any known examples of fraudsters impersonating local government websites in California," noted the Senate Governance and Finance Committee in its analysis of the bill. "The Committee may wish to consider whether there is sufficient evidence that such fraud exists to justify additional costs and work for local governments, and whether the bill would effectively address such fraud." Other priority bills include:

- AB 316 (Aguiar-Curry) Transportation: Autonomous Vehicles
   Cal Cities Position: Support
- AB 744 (Carrillo) Transportation Planning Cal Cities Position: Support

- AB 7 (Friedman) Transportation Planning: Project Selection Cal Cities Position: Pending
- SB 30 (Umberg) Transportation: Zero-Emission Vehicle Signage Cal Cities Position: Pending Support
- AB 41 (Holden) Telecommunications: DEVCA Cal Cities Position: Concerns
- AB 400 (Rubio) Public Contracts: Design Build Cal Cities Position: Sponsor
- SB 706 (Caballero) Public Contracts: Progressive Design Build Cal Cities Position: Sponsor
- AB 334 (Rubio) Public Contracts: Conflict of Interests
   Cal Cities Position: Support

Changes to SB 1383, water service rates, and rising sea level planning could be on the way

Lawmakers could make a key change to California's organic waste law, SB 1383 (Lara). The 2016 law requires cities to reduce organic waste — a major driver of climate change — in part by procuring or purchasing organic waste products. However, many cities have struggled to meet their procurement targets due to the state's limited organic waste infrastructure.

AB 573 (Garcia) would make it easier for cities to meet their procurement targets by allowing cities near the border to purchase California-derived compost at existing out-of-state facilities under certain conditions. The League of California Cities supports the measure.

Cal Cities and a broad group of local government stakeholders currently oppose AB 755 (Papan). This measure would require water utilities to introduce hypothetical usage scenarios when conducting a cost-of-service analysis. Service rates are based on this analysis. The hypothetical analysis could lead to inaccurate water rates and new litigation risks. The author's office is working with Cal Cities to address these concerns. Cal Cities is also closely tracking SB 272 (Laird). The bill would require cities within the coastal zone and the San Francisco Bay to include sea level rise planning in their local coastal programs or shoreline resiliency plans. Although Cal Cities has a neutral position on the bill, it is working with Sen. Laird to discuss ways to implement this policy without penalizing the cities with existing sea level rise plans. Other priority bills include:

- AB 1572 (Friedman) Non-functional Turf Cal Cities Position: Support
- SB 751 (Padilla) Franchise Agreements: Labor Impasse Cal Cities Position: Support
- AB 50 (Wood) Energy Utility Communication Cal Cities Position: Support
- AB 1567 (E. Garcia) and SB 867 (Allen) Drought, Flood, and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, Park Creation and Outdoor Access, and Clean Energy Bond Act of 2024 Cal Cities Position: Support if Amended

# Lawmakers weigh major changes to labor laws

Legislators are considering a suite of overly broad and potentially confusing changes to the state's labor laws: AB 504 (Reyes), AB 1484 (Zbur), and SB 399 (Wahab). Cal Cities opposes all three measures.

AB 504 would make sympathy striking and honoring the picket line a human right. This change would upend the current bargaining process and undermine the ability of cities to provide critical services during a strike. Many unions have no-strike provisions in their contracts due to the vital nature of their jobs, which this bill would void. It is also unclear how this bill would impact employees that work in multiple jurisdictions, such as members of a public safety task force.

Another union-specific measure, AB 1484, would automatically include temporary employees in the same bargaining unit as permanent employees. The bill's overly broad language means it would impact nurses, election workers, interns, lifeguards, and even summer camp counselors. AB 1484 would undermine the existing bargaining process and conflict with existing law.

SB 399 would prohibit an employer from requiring employees to attend an employersponsored meeting about religious or political matters. Many of the issues that go before city councils would fall under the bill's definition of political matters, making it incompatible with everyday government functions. Moreover, existing law already restricts local government communications with employees. If passed, SB 399 would create significant new legal risks for cities.

Other priority bills include:

- SCA 7 (Umberg) Employment: Workers' Rights Cal Cities Position: Concerns
- AB 764 (Bryan) Elections: City and County Redistricting Cal Cities Position: Oppose Unless Amended
- AB 557 (Hart) Open Meetings: Local Agencies: Teleconferences
   Cal Cities Position: Sponsor/Support
- AB 270 (Lee) and SB 24 (Umberg) Political Reform Act of 1974: Public Campaign Financing
  - Cal Cities Position: Support
- AB 37 (Bonta) Political Reform Act of 1974: Campaign Funds: Security Expenses
   Cal Cities Position: Support
- SB 329 (Dodd) Cities: City Council Members: Compensation Cal Cities Position: Sponsor/Support
- SB 252 (Gonzalez) Public Retirement Systems: Fossil Fuels: Divestment Cal Cities Position: Oppose

# What's next?

After lawmakers return from summer recess, they will have until Sept. 1 to get their bills through appropriations committees. They then have until Sept. 14 to get their bills passed and onto Gov. Gavin Newsom's desk. The Governor has until Oct. 14 to take action on any bills.

Each of these moments is an opportunity for city leaders to make their voices heard. To learn more about which measures to consider advocating for or against, subscribe to *Cal Cities Advocate* or contact your regional public affairs manager. Action alerts can happen quickly and often, so make sure to stay informed.



# Guide to Local Recovery Update: August 2

Aug 2, 2023

Applications for two key federal grant programs — one for infrastructure resilience and another for residential solar — are due later this month. The Local Infrastructure Hub and the National League of Cities both have new recovery resources for cities.

### Protect local infrastructure from climate change

Applications for the federal PROTECT Grant program are due Aug. 18. Funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the program helps safeguard surface transportation systems — including public transportation and evacuation routes — from natural disasters and climate change.

Projects should utilize innovative and collaborative approaches to risk reduction, including nature-based solutions. This includes strategies like conservation, habitat restoration, use of native vegetation, and other types of "natural infrastructure."

Two types of grants are available: planning grants and resilience improvement grants. A benefit-cost analysis is required.

### Solar program focuses on low-income communities

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is providing \$7 billion in competitive grant funding through its Solar for All program. Funded by the Inflation Reduction Act, the program helps cities, nonprofits, and other stakeholders ensure low-income families have equitable access to residential rooftop and residential community solar power. The program focuses on communities that were ineligible for funding under previous programs.

Although California has more rooftop installations than any other state, solar energy is still out of reach for many low-income residents. Many spend significantly more on electricity than their wealthier neighbors. The program will guarantee a minimum of 20% total electricity bill savings for households.

Applicants must submit a notice of intent by Aug. 14.

#### Local Infrastructure Hub and National League of Cities resources

The Local Infrastructure Hub is holding a webinar on ways to advance clean water infrastructure on Aug. 8. Federal environmental policy experts, mayors, and leaders in the field will discuss strategies for working with state leadership and how to develop competitive, outcomes-driven applications.

The National League of Cities (NLC) released a brief on municipal broadband deployment. The brief mostly focuses on navigating state actions that preempt local broadband networks, which are relatively less common in California. However, it does include some helpful case studies and a local broadband checklist that could be helpful for all cities.

NLC is also holding an eight-week economic development course. The online, ondemand course focuses on ways to attract and retain businesses that honor the vision of each community. The course is broken into eight sessions and will cover a wide range of related topics. The course also includes live office hours with retail policy experts and customized, city-level reports. Registration is \$1,920 per person and closes Aug. 7.

City officials looking for additional information about the American Rescue Plan Act, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the Inflation Reduction Act, or additional recovery tools can visit the Cal Cities Guide to Local Recovery portal.



# New regulations clarify campaign finance law for local elected officials

Aug 2, 2023

Regulations <u>clarifying a new financial interest law</u> take effect on Aug. 12. The Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) passed the regulations in response to concerns from the League of California Cities and others about the law's lack of clarity. The new law, <u>SB 1439 (Glazer, Chaptered, 2022)</u>, expands <u>the Levine Act</u> to local elected officials. The Levine Act previously restricted campaign contributions to appointed officials, such as planning commissioners and members of joint powers authorities. SB 1439 extended that limitation to local elected officials in their role as elected officials.

The new law's ambiguous language <u>raised many questions</u>. The regulations clarify who the Levine Act impacts and when a local elected official must comply with its disclosure and recusal requirements.

What does the Levine Act now require?

Local elected officials must now recuse themselves from most license, permit, contract, or other entitlement decisions involving a person who contributed \$250 or more to their political campaigns within the 12 months before the decision, unless they comply with specific disclosure and refund requirements.

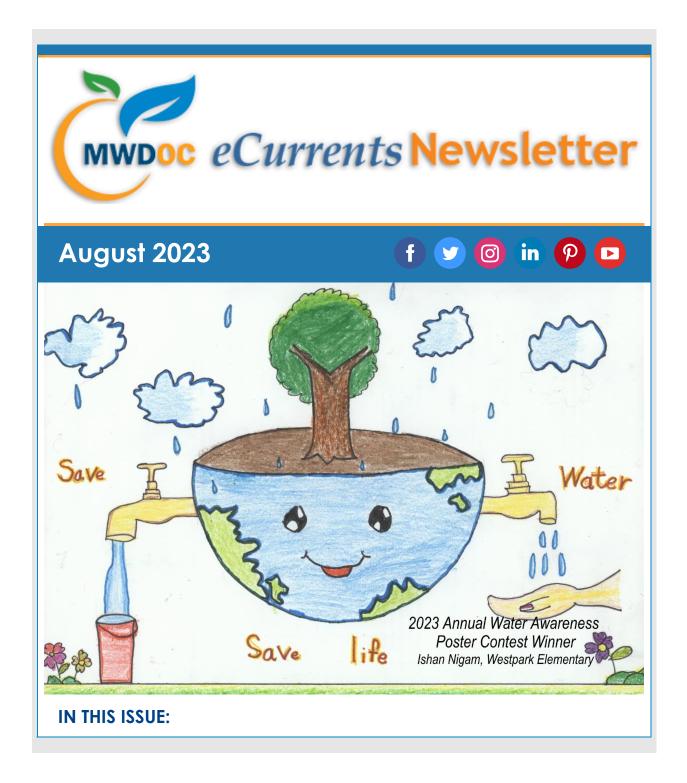
The law also prohibits local elected officials from accepting, soliciting, or directing campaign contributions over \$250 from a party or participant involved in a pending proceeding to any political campaign committee — their own or others. This prohibition lasts 12 months after a final decision.

The FPPC Committee of Cal Cities City Attorneys Department <u>submitted comment</u> <u>letters</u> throughout the rulemaking process. It successfully secured amendments that will help local officials more easily comply with Levine Act's new requirements. Some helpful clarifications include:

- **Pending proceedings.** A decision is "pending" when it is before the official, such as an item placed on a meeting agenda. A proceeding is also "pending" when it is reasonably foreseeable the decision will come before the official and the official knows or has reason to know the decision is within the jurisdiction of the agency. This could be when a formal application is filed or when staff inform the city council of an anticipated agenda item.
- Willful contributions. An official willfully or knowingly receives a contribution when the official has actual knowledge that the contribution came from someone with a connection to a pending proceeding or if specified facts exist. The mere fact that a contribution is in a campaign report, as required by law, does not by itself establish that the official knows or has reason to know of the contribution and the donor's connection to a pending proceeding.
- **Disclosure timelines.** An official who learns of a financial interest or contribution during a proceeding must disclose the contribution before participating further in the proceeding. This could occur during a hearing. The official may participate if the official discloses the disqualifying contribution on the record, confirms that the contribution will be returned within 30 days of when the official knew or should have known about the contribution, and the contribution is returned within that time.
- **Donation amounts.** Contributions are aggregated. A \$200 campaign donation made to a local elected official by a company or its agents in February 2023 must be added to a \$50 contribution by that party or its agents in March 2023. This would trigger the disclosure and recusal requirements in a proceeding pending before the official involving that company until at least March 2024.
- Legally required participation. Officials who would otherwise be disqualified from engaging in a proceeding can participate if their participation is legally required. Some possible examples include if all council members would be disqualified from engaging in a proceeding under the Levine Act, but the council needs three votes to adopt a resolution or four votes to exercise eminent domain. This could also occur if two or one council seats are vacant. However, an absence is generally not sufficient to trigger the rule of legally required participation.

Even with the FPPC's clarifying regulations, the Levine Act is complex and nuanced. For more information about SB 1439, please watch a <u>recent Institute for Local</u> <u>Government webinar</u>. For specific questions about how the Levine Act will apply to you, please consult your city attorney.

The League of California Cities will also hold a presentation on SB 1439 during the <u>Annual Conference and Expo on Sept. 22</u>. For general questions about SB 1439, please contact <u>Legislative Affairs Lobbyist Johnnie Pina</u>.





Welcome to the August 2023 issue of the Municipal Water District of Orange County's (MWDOC) eCurrents newsletter. We recap our summer highlights in this latest issue, including the June MWDOC Water Policy Forum & Dinner and the highly anticipated Westminster Watersmart Conservation Garden unveiling. And looking ahead, mark your calendars for upcoming events you won't want to miss, like the annual Festival of the Butterflies this weekend!

Additionally, with the summer sun heating up, we offer our favorite tips to help you and your plants stay cool, calm, and collected, as well as benefits to living landscapes that may inspire you to start planning your water-smart garden now! Finally, we're excited to introduce a Real OC Transformation segment showcasing a local turf removal project with remarkable results. All this and more news, events, and resources are in this August issue of eCurrents.

As always, if you have any comments or suggested topics for future articles, please email us at info@mwdoc.com. Thank you for subscribing!

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# **MEETINGS CALENDAR**



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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**



# FESTIVAL OF THE BUTTERFLIES

Saturday, August 5, 2023

Looking for something fun to do this weekend? Join us this Saturday at Goin Native Therapeutic Gardens' 5th annual Festival of the Butterflies! Located at Los Rios Park in San Juan Capistrano, this family-friendly event offers garden talks, tours, live music, food, kid's activities, and more. We can't wait to see you there!

**CLICK HERE** for more details.

#### SCOUTS BSA & GIRL SCOUT CLINICS Registration Now Open!

What are three ways you can protect the health and security of our natural resources? Find out at one of our upcoming STEMbased Scout clinics! If you're a Scouts BSA or Girl Scout here in Orange County, you're invited to attend these interactive workshops that include water infrastructure tours, hands-on activities, and an opportunity to earn a badge or patch.

**CLICK HERE** to register for a clinic near you!





# SAVE OUR WATER BOOTH Orange County Fair

Did you know? MWDOC is partnering with Save Our Water at the OC Fair! Save Our Water is a statewide program focused on making water conservation a daily habit. Stop by the booth, located near Centennial Farm, for water-wise giveaways, garden resources, kid's activities, and more!

**CLICK HERE** for more information.

# 15th ANNUAL OC WATER SUMMIT

Friday, October 13, 2023

The annual OC Water Summit is just two months away! Join master of ceremonies Fritz Coleman and 300+ business professionals, elected officials, academics, and water leaders for "Finding Reliability." With a full line-up of engaging speakers from authors to water experts, this is one event you don't want to miss.

**CLICK HERE** to register today!



# CORONET WATERSMART CONSERVATION

15252 Oakcliff Dr., Westminster, CA

Do you want to create a water-smart garden but don't know where to start? Check out the newly unveiled Coronet Watersmart Conservation Garden in the City of Westminster! This 5,011 sq. ft. demonstration garden features more than 20 native plant varieties, permeable landscape materials, waterefficient irrigation, and more!

**CLICK HERE** to get started.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

GARDEN

#### SMART IRRIGATION MONTH July 1-30, 2023

In July, MWDOC celebrated Smart Irrigation Month by sharing water-smart irrigation tips and activities with OC community members. Simple actions like adding drip irrigation or replacing broken sprinkler heads with rotating nozzles can save residents and businesses plenty of water, time, and money!

**CLICK HERE** for ways to save all year long.





#### ONE WATER AWARD City of Huntington Beach

Have you heard? Over the next 10 years, the City of Huntington Beach expects to save 182 million gallons of water! This July, MWDOC and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MET) director Karl Seckel presented MET's One Water Award to Huntington Beach Mayor Tony Strickland and City staff for their new Neutral Output Discharge Elimination System. The system captures water flushed from fire hydrants during routine maintenance for reuse instead of letting it flow into the street.

**CLICK HERE** to learn more about the project.

# WATER POLICY FORUM & DINNER

Thursday, June 22, 2023

What does it take to have abundant water supplies in California? Attendees of MWDOC's June Water Policy Forum & Dinner heard from Ed Ring, renowned author and senior fellow of the California Policy Center, who provided valuable insight into the future of California's water supply.

**CLICK HERE** to watch the event recording.



# **DID YOU KNOW?**



6 QUICK TIPS! To Beat the Summer Heat Tiffany Baca, Public Affairs Manager Municipal Water District of Orange County

With temperatures on the rise, here's some quick tips to help keep you cool this summer. Your plants will thank you too!

**CLICK HERE** for more.

#### 5 UNIQUE ADVANTAGES! Of Living Landscapes

Claire Johnson, Public Affairs Coordinator Municipal Water District of Orange County

Living landscapes are more than just healthy, thriving plants. From less maintenance to more pollinators, here's a few benefits that may surprise you!

**CLICK HERE** for more.



# **PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT**



### DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES Now Showing!

Waiting in line at the DMV doesn't have to be boring! Now showing in select DMV locations across Orange County, MWDOC has created rotating video ads offering viewers information and access to water-saving rebate opportunities.

**CLICK HERE** to get a sneak peek.

# **REAL OC TRANSFORMATIONS**

#### REAL PEOPLE, REAL SAVINGS City of Orange

You may have noticed that landscapes are changing in your neighborhood. Since the latest drought, OC residents are trading portions of their thirsty green lawns for water-smart plants and irrigation techniques that save water, time, AND money. Check out this OC transformation that's seeing real savings!

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for an overview that includes the project plant palette, irrigation equipment, sustainable landscape features, and more!





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This OC Resident received a rebate through MWDOC's Turf Removal AND Spray-to-Drip Rebate Programs FEATURES

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# **RICKY ON THE RUN**



#### WESTMINSTER SAFETY DAY Wednesday, July 19, 2023

Ricky the Rambunctious Raindrop<sup>™</sup> was spotted on the run at the City of Westminster's Public Awareness Safety Day! Ricky partnered with the City's water department and other local safety officials to bring smiles, safety, and water-saving tips to the residents of Westminster. Where in Orange County will Ricky be seen next?

CLICK HERE to see Ricky in action!

# **POLLING PLACE**

Water use increases two to four times in the summer months. How do you plan to save?

Install a smart sprinkler timer	Select
Convert from spray to drip irrigation	Select
Add a layer of mulch to plants	Select
Replace your old appliance with a high-efficiency model	Select
Reuse cooking water on thirsty plants	Select
Other ideas? Tell us at publicaffairs@mwdoc.com	Select



# **FAVORITE TWEETS AND POSTS**



Hey OC Scouts! MWDOC is presenting three (3) Merit Badge Clinics in partnership with @OCBoyScouts, @SMWDwater, @eltorowater, and @mesawater!

#OCBSA #scouting #boyscoutsofamerica #ScoutsBSA || For more information or to register, visit mwdoc.com/Scouts - Twitter, July 21

Welcome to the Coronet Watersmart Conservation Garden, located in the great **@cityofwestminsterca!** This park is a place where you can sit, relax, and also learn and discover. It offers valuable resources that can help you transform your landscape into a beautiful watersmart oasis! **#OCisWaterSmart #MWDOC #CoronetPark** -Instagram, July 26

Did you know? The Lantana is a beautiful flowering shrub that can be a great addition to a droughttolerant garden. You can save water, time, AND money by planting Lantanas and other drought-tolerant plants in your water-saving landscape. **#OCisGardenS** mart || For more watersmart resources, visit: <u>www.ocwatersmartg</u> <u>ardens.com</u> -Facebook, July 16

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