

# ***Parks and Recreation Month***

## ***July 2023***



**Ventura County Parks Dept.**

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# Park Department

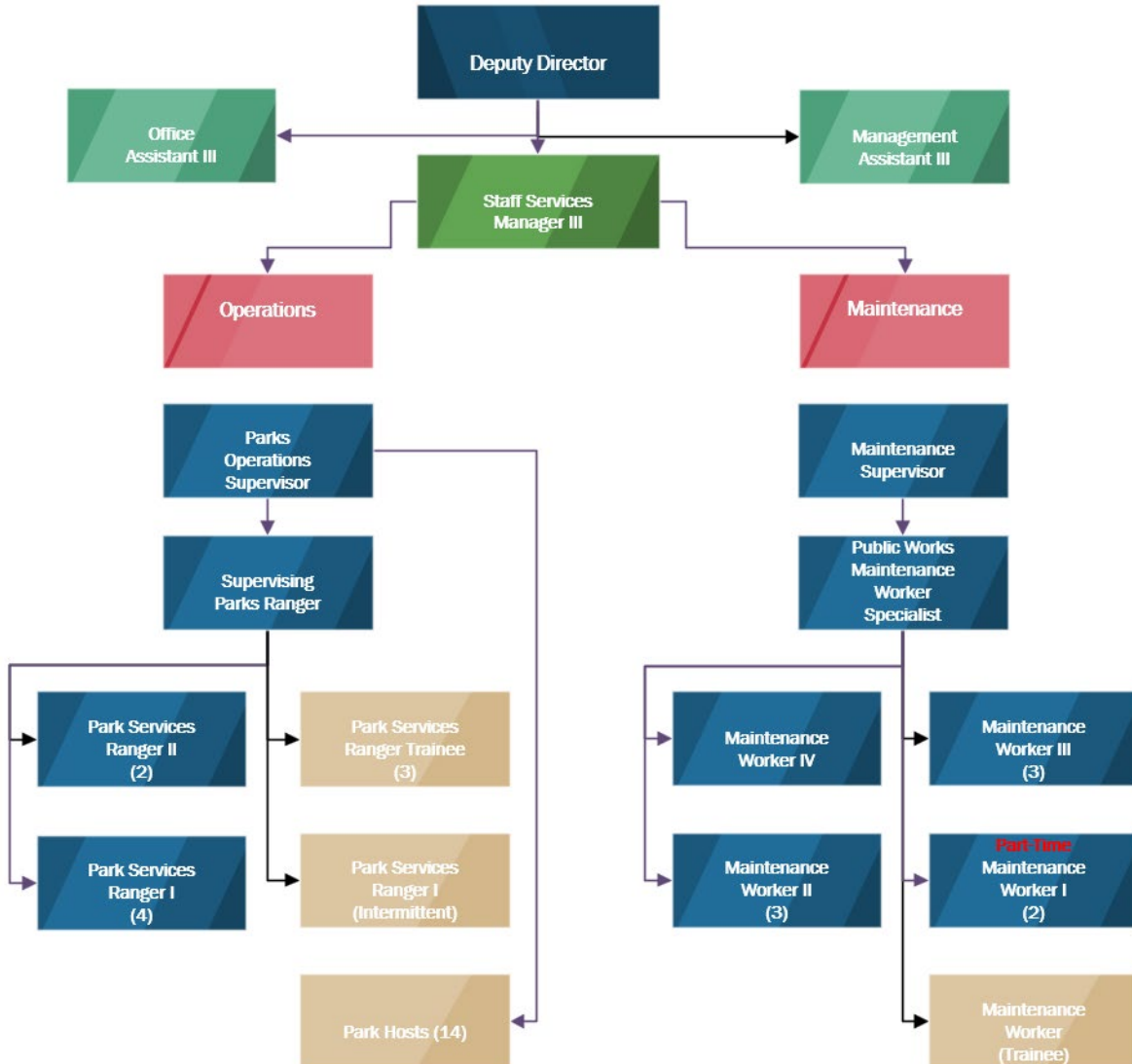
- Annual O & M budget: \$6.8M
- Enterprise Fund
- 15 regional parks (466 camping spaces)
- 1 leased park (Steckel KOA)
- 4 regional trails
- 6 local parks and 1 skate park
- 3 leased golf courses
- 5 community centers
- 3 historic properties
- 5,321 acres and 23.25 miles of trails
- Staff: 5 Admin, 7 Park Rangers, 10 Maintenance Workers



Photos: Camp Host Program(left);  
Hobson Beach (right); Coastal  
Clean-Up



# General Services Agency Parks Department



## Mission:

To enhance the quality of life for the residents of Ventura County through:

- Equitable provision recreational facilities and park lands.
- Improved physical and mental health through outdoor recreation.
- Fostering partnerships to expand community activity opportunities.





# 2023 Storm Damage

- ❖ Foster Park - \$1.5M +
- ❖ OVT - \$1M +
- ❖ Soule Park Golf Course - \$4M +
- ❖ Camp Comfort - \$85K
- ❖ Foster Residence Campground - \$110K
- ❖ Foster Red Mountain Campground - \$17K





# Foster Park

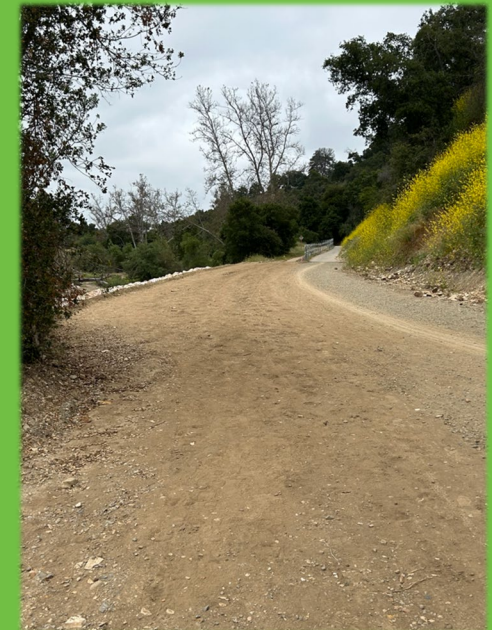
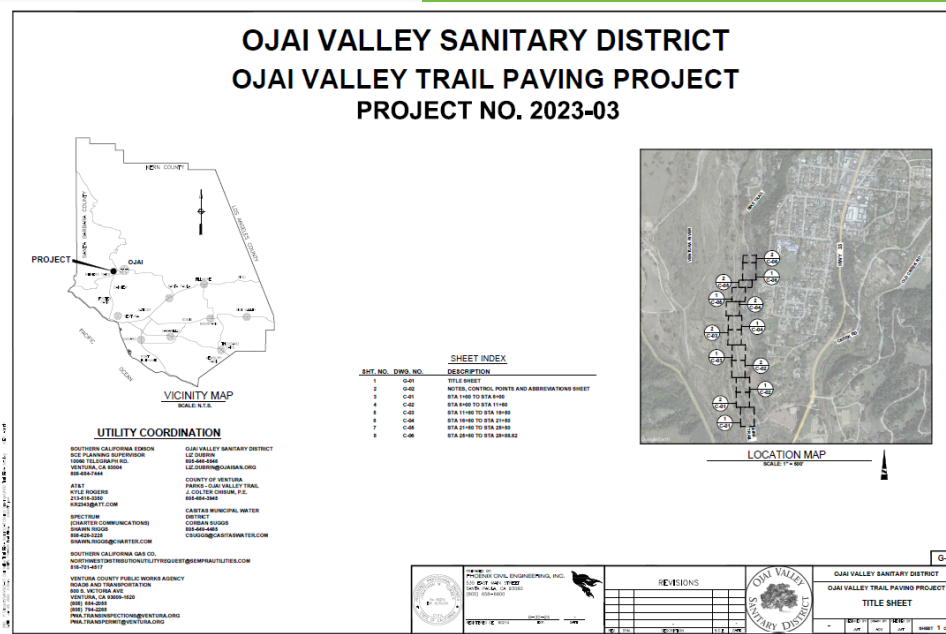
- ❖ 10.5 Acre Historic Park – Completely inundated
- ❖ Lost all electrical, irrigation, trash facilities, host site, picnics sites, bike camping sites, play equipment and turf areas
- ❖ 2,500 Cyds of debris and sediment
- ❖ Phase I clean-up complete
- ❖ Tri-County Transportation under contract for sediment removal
- ❖ Phase II clean-up July-August
- ❖ Interim Opening targeted for August 1<sup>st</sup>
- ❖ Reconstruction October 2024





# Ojai Valley Trail

- ❖ Phase I clean up and repair complete
- ❖ Phase II design complete
- ❖ Phase II construction fall 2023
- ❖ New OVT overlay 2025





# Soule Park Golf Course

- ❖ Phase I stabilization complete
- ❖ Phase II design out for FRP July
- ❖ Phase II construction 2024/25









# **Thank you & come see us out in your parks soon!**



**Coastal Clean up Day – Sept 23  
Rincon and Steckel Park  
9am to Noon**

