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**Big Sur Multi-Agency Advisory Council Meeting**  
Friday, October 24, 2025  
10:00 a.m.  
Big Sur Lodge, 47225 Highway One, Big Sur, CA 93920  
*Congressman Jimmy Panetta and Supervisor Kate Daniels, Co-Chairs*

**MINUTES**

- I. Call to Order**
  - a. Supervisor Kate Daniels called meeting to order at 10:06am
- II. Roll Call and Introductions**
  - a. Big Sur Resident, North Coast – Martha Karstens
  - b. Big Sur Resident, South Coast – Lucas Handy
  - c. Big Sur Chamber of Commerce – Rick Aldinger
  - d. Community Association of Big Sur – Ryne Leuzinger
  - e. County of Monterey Planning Department – Melanie Beretti
  - f. Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District – Ranger Joe
  - g. California Coastal Commission – Breylen Ammen
  - h. Caltrans – Aaron Henkle
  - i. California State Parks and Recreation – Dan Shaw
  - j. NOAA Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary – Absent
  - k. United States Forest Service – Absent
  - l. 5th District, Monterey County Board of Supervisors – Supervisor Kate Daniels
  - m. 30th District, California State Assembly – Dawn Addis
  - n. 17th District, California State Senate – Senator John Laird
  - o. 19th District, United States Congress – Emmanuel Garcia
- III. Approval of the July 11, 2025, Draft Minutes**
  - a. Martha K motioned
  - b. Melanie Beretti seconded
  - c. Rick Aldinger abstained
  - d. Minutes approved
- IV. Honoring Steve Beck**
  - a. Supervisor Kate Daniels welcomed Steve Beck's family
  - b. Congressman Panetta's office honored Steve Beck
  - c. Senator Laird honored Steve Beck and his contributions to Big Sur
  - d. Assemblymember Addis honored Steve Beck and his dedication to the Big Sur community.
  - e. Supervisor Kat Daniels honored Steve Beck and his long-term advocacy in Big Sur.
  - f. Supervisor Kate Daniels opened public comment to the dais.
  - g. Martha Karstens commented and said that Steve was a part of the American Red Cross and he was a key person.
  - h. Rick Aldinger commented and said that whether you have been in Big Sur for more than a week then you should know that Steve has touched your life in some way.

- i. Public comment was opened by Supervisor Daniels
- j. Martha Diehl commented and expressed that Steve showed up all the time. When they were doing the Big Sur Land Use Plan Update, he was involved very early on.
- k. Matt Glazer commented and said Steve was the call to action. He was willing to say what was done well and what needed to be approved. He was on multiple board and an active member in the community. If you have been in Big Sur for a week then Steve has touched your life in some way. Steve was Matt's friend. Steve would call for action. If there is a time to take action, it is now.
- l. Sharron commented and said she probably knew Steve Beck the shorted, and recalled one of her first interactions with Steve. Steve was on the Big Sur Fire Board, he read every policy that Big Sur fire had. Steve did everything not for money or glory but because it was the right thing to do. When Steve passed, Sharon told her friends that he was a true man of the soil.
- m. Marucs Foster commented and expressed that Steve Beck was his mentor and he taught him about the BSLUP. He spoke about the importance of the BSLUP. Marcus would like to honor Steve by enforcing the BSLUP. Steve was the epitome of what you think of when you of Big Sur, think of Steve Beck.
- n. Member of the public commented and said that he (Steve Beck) was passionate and did it with kindness and presence. His advocacy was never done in an escalated way, he modeled it and did it from the heart.
- o. Supervisor Daniels – forgot to approve the minutes. Martha Karstens motioned and Melanie Beretti seconded. Rick Aldinger abstained due to absence at July 11, 2025 BSMAAC. Motion carried to approve July 11, 2025 minutes.

**V. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items – limited to 3 minutes**

- a. Mr. Koning – Speaking on behalf of his daughter. The comment was focused illegal passing of school buses. The cameras were not approved due to due process. She believes that this impacts children and the BSMAAC meeting time does not consider other people that could contribute to the meeting.
- b. Sharon commented and said that the Big Sur River Run is tomorrow (October 25), at this moment they have 670 participants. People can still sign up to get to 700 participants.
- c. Janet Centerville commented and said thank you to all the people who were patient for the last 12 years and seeing the Vacation Rental Ordinance. Thanked the neighbors, Carmel residents, county planners, CCC for commercial vacation rentals and not allowing them in the Big Sur area. Janet proposed a few questions about short term rentals.
- d. Rita commented and said this is her first BSMAAC. She explained that she would've come to honor Steve Beck . She explained that she is from Esalen Institute and they have a massage school. She said that she has heard that the County is changing an ordinance from 100 hours to 500 hours requirement. She requested that the ordinance change be put aside and they create a greater timeline be put in place if they are looking to make the change to 500 hours so that they (Esalen) be better prepared.

- e. Debora commented that teachers have 100 hours, but they do not have 500 hours. It would make it harder to get hours. They want to have more input on hours.
- f. Marcus commented on the proposed restrooms at Soberanes and Garapata . He has spoken to people and there seems to be some flexibility with the critical viewshed. The BSLUP, states that screening is required for development, and this is applicable to state parks. He also spoke about Car Week and that it has gotten out of control, and we should scale it back. Expressed dissatisfaction with See Monterey and their sustainable tourism.
- g. Heather – commented on the highway, people crossing the highway unsafely and the garbage. They are not thinking of long-term solutions such as cones and safety tape which will contribute to pollution/waste. Whose responsibility is it to care for the highway and maintain the highway? How can residents help? We need longer term solutions than orange cones. When areas say they have construction and some do and some don't. It confuses the public and it should be maintained.
- h. Supervisor Daniels expressed that we got a lot of questions, and the members can answer the questions during their reports.

## **VI. New Business**

- a. Big Sur Multi-Agency Advisory Council Bylaws
  - i. Supervisor Daniels introduced the topic. Why the council was created and the intention behind it.
  - ii. Supervisor Daniels read the purpose and duties of the BSMAAC bylaws.
  - iii. Supervisor Daniels expressed that there was several resolutions that were passed. The resolutions allowed for various agencies and representatives to be appointed to the BSMAAC. The original resolution explains how to add people to the BSMAAC council.
  - iv. Supervisor Daniels welcomed members to comment and ask questions
  - v. Supervisor Daniels opened public comment
  - vi. Martha Diehl commented said that BSMAAC is a place where people come face to face to have actual conversations. It is the opportunity to identify overlaps and conflicts, it is a special meeting. She said that one of the categories that is inadequately represented is public utilities, and AT&T and PG&E needs to be added to the BSMAAC. Inviting PG&E and subcontractors to the meetings and to join BSMAAC.
  - vii. Matt Glazer commented and said the second paragraph of the Bylaws should include the Carmel Unified School District to the BSMAAC. Especially as Elinor Koning (her father spoke on behalf of her) commented and expressed that the meeting time is not inclusive and doesn't allow for other people to join the meeting.
  - viii. Supervisor Daniels encouraged members of the public to follow the Bylaws on how to request an addition to the BSMAAC
  - ix. Michael Whilden from County Council explained that there would need to be an amendment to the Bylaws. They would need a majority vote, and they must follow Robert Rules of order (2/3rds vote). Another key

requirement is specific notice. There has to be advance special notice. The next meeting notice should include the potential amendment that is being considered at that meeting.

- x. Rick Aldinger commented and asked for clarification. When there is an amendment to the bylaws, is there a differentiation to voting and non voting members. They would be added as a non-voting member.
- xi. Supervisor Daniels explained the Bylaws and what are the roles of the new additions to the BSMAAC.
- xii. Matt Glazer said that because the Bylaws were noticed and requested the Carmel Unified School District could be given full voting rights.
- xiii. Kate Daniels said we can agendaize this item to continue at the next meeting. Have the full CUSD at the next BSMAAC as well.
- xiv. Mike Whilden from County Counsel briefly explained how Bylaws could be amended, BSMAAC follows Roberts Rules of Order, and there would be a different noticing requirement if there will be proposed amendments to the Bylaws at a meeting.
- xv. Rick Aldinger commented and reiterated when discussing amendments to the Bylaws is that for a full voting member or is there a differentiation between voting and non-voting.
- xvi. Supervisor Daniels explained that in the Bylaws the BSMAAC could offer a non-voting membership without amendment. However, we have seen resolutions adopted by the Board of Supervisors that adds voting members and thus amends the Bylaws to include the new full voting member.
- xvii. Jasmine Venegas from PG&E introduced herself. Explained her role, and they she is a point of contact for PG&E.
- xviii. Kate Daniels requested that Jasmine should continue to attend BSMAAC.
- xix. Senator John Laird commented.
- xx. Melanie Beretti commented and expressed that she appreciated the Bylaws coming forward and how they have been looking for them. She would like to get an updated version that includes what has already been approved and what they should say today.
- xxi. Ryne L. expressed that coastal property owners association should be changed to community association to reflect CABS updated name.
- xxii. Rick Aldinger asked if we wanted to wait before amending
- xxiii. Kate Daniels expressed that we would wait to amend to ensure all edits are included.
- xxiv. Assemblymember Addis commented, thanks PG&E, and requested that PG&E presentation be agendaized for the next BSMAAC meeting.

**VII. Old Business**

- a. None

**VIII. Reports from Member Agencies**

- a. Big Sur Resident, North Coast – Martha Karstens
  - i. Martha K. provided her report
  - ii. Grange:
    - 1. They got a new cook in the kitchen. The Grange is in good shape. They had a potluck and a viewing of the movie, Big Sur and the Way It Was. The movie was popular.
    - 2. Big Sur Fire had community meeting.
    - 3. Big Sur Health Center uses it
    - 4. They are looking to install a generator and the Red Cross supports the idea. They have over 100 members
  - iii. Historical Society:
    - 1. The cookbook is done
      - a. She identified a minor typo regarding the amount of peppers saying 40 but it should be 4 oz of peppers.
    - 2. It was great and they had a potluck.
    - 3. Lastly, they could use some volunteers
  - iv. Big Sur Cert:
    - 1. On hold until Sheriff's Office provides approval from Department of Emergency Management.
    - 2. Red cross put 200 cots, goodie bags, etc.
    - 3. That will be ready
    - 4. They are going to do disaster shelter training
    - 5. They have one more CPR CLASS.
    - 6. There is a full cert class in Monterey. They could use more members on their team
    - 7. Trailhead ambassador program. You can greet people, remind them to pack in and out, and to not build illegal campfires. Have a filter or take enough water because people are becoming dehydrated and then needing medical support via helicopter.
    - 8. Choose ridge lookout, the roof was leaking and donations helped them replace their roof. Due to the government shutdown they haven't been able to replace.  
Is September 20<sup>th</sup> Always coastal cleanup date?
    - 9. Breylene Ammen from CCC commented and said that it is always a Saturday in September.
- b. Big Sur Resident, South Coast – Lucas Handy
  - i. Several issues were brought forth and some of the challenges were addressed by the agencies. They have seen progress with the highway contractor reckless driving by subcontractors working along Highway 1. Caltrans addressed it immediately. The contractor issued a sincere apology to South Coast residents. Mail and package delivery issues were highly inconsistent, they saw actions by Congressman Panetta's office. His staff worked directly with USPS, and they expressed it would be too costly and risk disruption for North Coast residents. However to improve their services in the meantime they agreed to increase delivery from once to twice weekly (Tuesdays and Fridays effective on October 7). Multiple

offices tried to contact FEDEX and UPS but the private companies did not get back to them. As of October 6, SLO County Waste Management agreed to picking up trash weekly and taking over for Monterey County of Monterey . Thanked Congressman Panetta's Staff and District 5 Staff.

- ii. Ongoing issues- Residents needing access to Medical coverage, residents have received delays or outright denials from SLO county due to 3 years of the closure. Nacimiento Ferguson Road maintenance and on the west side it has been maintained but not the other side. Shell Point and Mud Creek new recreational access area seems to be complete. The site currently lacks basic amenities and confusing signage. Residents were approached by Fish and Game officers. Will this area be named shell point? Residents requested tribal consultation for naming. Dirt Berms pose extreme danger and they are death threats. Regents slide reopening, the announcement brings extreme relief to residents and provides them with hope. They request consistent communication until the end of the project.
- c. Big Sur Chamber of Commerce – Rick Aldinger
  - i. The River Run has been going on since 1981 and it benefits Big Sur Fire and the Health Center. It deserves all the community support. Post Ranch Inn has received the Michelin award and is being nominated for the new Michelin award nomination. Finally, congratulations to County Staff for getting the Vacation Rental Ordinance over the finish line.
- d. Community Association of Big Sur – Ryne Leuzinger
  - i. Community and Workforce Housing
    - 1. Two milestones this year to help with community housing:
      - a. Local Coastal Planning Area: Short-Term Rentals / Vacation Rentals Ordinance - This has taken over 10 years for the County to carve out a middle ground and a balanced approach.
        - i. August 2024: approval by the Board of Supervisors of this Ordinance (3:2).
        - ii. August 2025: California Coastal Commission hearing to certify Monterey County's Implementation Plan - approved.
        - iii. September 23, 2025: official adoption by the Board of Supervisors of the Vacation Rental Ordinance.  
\*The Ordinance will go into effect on October 24, 2025.
    - Much gratitude to our Monterey County Staff, Craig Spencer, Melanie Berretti, and Supervisor Kate Daniels for all their years of work on this, especially their combined presentation at the Coastal Commission hearing in August that made this a home run.
    - 2. Monterey County's LCP ADU Amendment - Certified by the California
      - a. Coastal Commission hearing on October 10, 2025 - unanimous consent by the Coastal Commissioners.

Much gratitude again to our Monterey County Staff for their leadership and dedication to these amendments specific to the Big Sur area.

CABS continues to help solve the critical issue of community / workforce housing.

- ii. CABS Traffic Counter - CABS has been sharing this monthly raw data with Monterey County and the Big Sur Byways Organization for over a year. Now we are including a “visual” view of these raw numbers and also sharing through CABS Notifications. These monthly traffic reports are also on our Website home page. This tool helps residents, planners, and visitors understand traffic patterns, peak times, and long-term trends that affect everything from safety to sustainable tourism. A reminder that the CABS Notifications are “free”. If you would like to receive these notifications, please go to our website and click on the “Subscribe button”.
- iii. Fire Adapted Big Sur –
  1. Big Sur Chipping Program – The Program has completed 155 chipping requests this year, chipped 2,900 cubic yards of slash from 441 acres Or treated vegetation to create defensible space from wildfires for Big Sur residents and businesses. The Program operates year-round, and with burn season approaching, we encourage residents to chip in lieu of burn piles, where possible. There is no fee to participate in the Program. The Program employs Big Sur residents (Perez Services, Big Sur Fire Ground Division).
  2. Wildfire Preparedness Assessments– The assessment follows guidelines published by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA®), the gold standard for fire safety, recognized by fire authorities and insurers. What’s Involved?:
    - a. Walk your home exterior, outbuildings, and landscaping with you to spot vulnerabilities and potential mitigations.
    - b. Identify barriers to access by fire engines and other first responder Vehicles.
    - c. Recommend cost-effective improvements based on the latest NFPA and CAL FIRE standards.
    - d. Prioritize actions so you know what to tackle first.
    - e. Share resources and connections to help you get work done if Needed.
    - f. Leave you with a written, easy-to-understand summary that you can use, or share, however you choose.

Your assessment stays between you and the assessor. Insurers, fire authorities, or other agencies will not see your assessment unless you share it with them. This is an informational assessment, not an official inspection.

- iv. U.S. Forest Service Visitor Use Management Implementation Plan - with the government shutdown this has been placed on pause and the community stakeholder advisory group is standing by.
- v. CABS supports & recommends that a PG&E representative participate in the quarterly BSMAAC meetings.
- vi. Please support CABS and other Big Sur nonprofits in this year's Monterey County Gives! Campaign. The campaign starts on November 13th and runs to the end of the year. CABS works tirelessly to deliver essential disaster relief, advocate for community housing, manage visitor impacts, and facilitate fire-resilient practices in our neighborhoods. Whether you wish to support these initiatives, have enjoyed our community meetings, or depend on staying informed through our free email newsletters, we invite you to consider a donation through MCGives this year.
- e. County of Monterey Planning Department – Melanie Beretti
  - i. The Vacation Rental regulations were in place and will go into effect in the Coastal Zone. The regulations are structured so that there is two months to have operators come into compliance. Applications should be made by December 24. The Vacation Rental Ordinance webinar took place on October 24, 2025
  - ii. CCC approval of the ADU regulations and will go before the Board of Supervisors in November. HCD will follow a similar model of outreach once regulations are adopted.
  - iii. On October 28<sup>th</sup> HCD will bring an update on the Housing Element to the Board of Supervisors. There are a number of opportunity sites in the HE at the mouth of the Carmel Valley.
- f. Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District – Joe Narvaez
  - i. Introduced the new general manager, Eric Morgan. He came from BLM, Fort Ord National Monument, and they are happy to have him aboard.
  - ii. Rancho Canada floodplain project is under way and it has been a plan for several years. They are rewilding it. The first phase is complete.
  - iii. They are continuing winter preparation. The Garland Park and foot bridge will be coming out.
  - iv. They are currently hiring.
  - v. Millcreek Wood Preserve remains closed.
- g. California Coastal Commission – Breylen Ammen
  - i. The 41st annual Coastal Cleanup Day, which is the State's largest annual volunteer event, was held on September 20th, 2025. This year's theme was treasure hunt; special prizes were hidden for volunteers to find during the cleanup. Participants won everything from hotel stays, tickets to theme and amusement parks, gift cards, tickets to a Giants baseball game, a ceremonial first pitch at an A's game, an e-bike, and many more worthy prizes. As usual, the most common items collected included cigarette filters, food wrappers, plastic straws, and other utensils. This year's award for the most unusual item was an emotional support pickle.
  - ii. Since the last BSMAAC, the Commission approved two amendments to the Monterey County Local Coastal Program, or LCP, as submitted by the

County. As many of you know, the LCP is the overarching document that governs land use in the County's coastal zone, and a component of the LCP is the Big Sur Coast Land Use Plan. The first amendment regulates short term rentals, and includes a ban on certain short term rentals in Big Sur. The second amendment updated the County's ADU regulations for better consistency with State ADU law. It will allow ADUs on parcels where other residential uses are allowed, and will streamline the ADU permitting process while maintaining LCP coastal resource protections, including the critical viewshed protections in the Big Sur Land Use Plan. I want to extend our thanks to County staff for their hard work and collaboration on these two amendments.

- iii. The Commission's draft 2026-2030 strategic plan is currently available for public review and comment. You can find the draft plan and instructions on how to provide comments on the Commission's website at [www.coastal.ca.gov/strategicplan](http://www.coastal.ca.gov/strategicplan). Comments are due by November 10.th
  - iv. Finally, I wanted to introduce the Commission's new Southern California transportation program manager, Eric Stevens. Eric was previously the lead planner for transportation projects on the central coast, and as manager he will cover Monterey County through San Diego.
  - v. As always, Commission staff continue to coordinate with Caltrans, Monterey County, State Parks, and other partners on forthcoming projects in Big Sur. If I didn't cover something you are interested in or if you have any questions feel free to ask or come up to me after the meeting to talk. Erik commented and said that Shell Point isn't open yet, but the intention is for it to be open to the public.
  - vi. Supervisor Kate Daniels commented and thanked CCC staff for their work related to Short Term Rental Ordinance.
- h. Caltrans – Aaron Henkle
- i. Caltrans design team will reach out to the public when they are ready to ask the community for feedback regarding bridge rails project.
  - ii. Provided a brief update on speed reduction.
  - iii. Member of the public – commented on Old Coast Road speed reduction.
  - iv. Caltrans - They are planning for the one lane road at rocky creek would be returned and it would be like this for potentially up to 2 years. They have a bid out for a contractor right now.
  - v. Assemblymember Addis - recommended for them to reconsider.
  - vi. Martha K. - explained that the marathon will occur in April.
  - vii. Caltrans – they would need to speak with encroachment regarding the marathon.
  - viii. Martha K. - it was a mess last year at rocky creek during the marathon last year with the road closures.
  - ix. Caltrans – elecoclорide extraction is the treatment that will cause a potential 1 lane, up to a 2 year closure.
  - x. They will bring mud creek back to byways.
  - xi. Heather – is Caltrans responsible for the orange cones at Bixby?
  - xii. Caltrans – no

- i. California State Parks and Recreation – Dan Shaw
  - i. Brent Marshall retired a year ago and now Dan Shaw is the new Deputy District Superintendent for the Monterey District of Ca State Parks.
  - ii. State Parks wants to get the original lens back into the lighthouse. State parks will be seismically upgrading the lighthouse and ensure the lens is protected. Re-roofed the MAF Visitor Center for all the seasonals for the Forest Service and State Parks. They have funding to fix the road near by. They have burned over 60 acres, mostly grassland restoration with the help of CalFire and Forest Service. Rocky Ridge Realignment, they are working on the CEQA document. The Point Lobos Shuttle, they are working on a CDP with the County and the CCC. They have proposals for restrooms at State Parks in Big Sur.
- j. NOAA Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary
  - i. Absent
- k. United States Forest Service
  - i. Absent
- l. 5<sup>th</sup> District, Monterey County Board of Supervisors – Supervisor Daniels
  - i. Thanked her team, Claudia Link and Kimbley Craig. Thanked the Big Sur Lodge for hosting the BSMAAC meetings. Supervisor Daniels thanked Jessica and Martha Diehl, planning commissioners. Supervisor Daniels and the Ad Hoc Committee have been working on reducing edits to the Big Sur Land Use Plan (BSLUP) and using the guidance from the CCC to do so. Another draft of the BSLUP will be released soon. Thanked HCD staff, CCC staff for the work related to the Short Term Rental Ordinance. There were comments about the Housing Element, and she understand that it has become extremely challenging to be able to find housing in Monterey County. She is working on helping find solutions. She wants to see progress on the Housing Element. Progress on mail and trash pickup. Her team is working on the massage therapist hours, and the issue related to medical. Kimbley Craig is working on making progress on those two items.
- m. 30<sup>th</sup> District, California State Assembly – Assemblymember Addis
  - i. Expressed gratitude to members of the BSMAAC and her staff members, Mauricio. She extended her support to the efforts related to Medical. She was speaking to Congressman Farr the other day. She extended her gratitude to the late Steve Beck. They have recovered close to \$6000 for constituents. Through her office they hosted an insurance town hall related to wildfire hardening, scam stopper seminar, insurance scams which are online for the community to review. They have heard the need to boost patrolling in the Big Sur area. On the budget side, 512k went to youth groups.
- n. 17<sup>th</sup> District, California State Senate – Senator Laird
  - i. He is going to the Clinic. They got the money for the bridges. He is happy to hear that Sam Farr is nostalgic about the meetings. They have regular calls on Rocky Creek. He thanked Supervisor Daniels for her advocacy

- related to Short Term Rental Ordin. They just appropriated the first 3B to the climate bond. Now the money has been appropriated to the Coast trail.
- o. 19<sup>th</sup> District, United States Congress – Emmanuel Garcia
    - i. Currently the government remains shut down as they continue to negotiate funding. There has not been any votes, committee hearings. Thousands of federal works have been fired and rescinded federal programs. Coast Guard, fed law enforcement, remain intact. Health related services remains intact. SNAP/food benefits, or snaps, or WIC, head start may be impacted. [Panetta has created a guide that help people](#). His five offices remain open and their offices may be able to provide help. Many staff members from Federal agencies are not able to attend BSMAAC due to furlough or required to work with lack of pay, Panetta is working closely with them. 33K can see their health care cost rise considerably. This also affects small businesses. They are looking towards a bipartisan path. California has many wildfires a year, and he will do what is right for the 19<sup>th</sup> congressional district. He is continuing to work with his colleague to distribute the disaster funds. He will work with his colleague to provide funds. They are working to be a NOAA weather transmitter to Big Sur

#### **IX. Report from Non-Member Agencies on Issues Pertinent to Big Sur**

- a. United States Forest Service, Law Enforcement Officer
  - i. Absent
- b. California Highway Patrol - Lieutenant Chris Dugger
  - i. Thank you for having us. He heard the various complaints, and he will speak to his officers about the cones. He understands the residents of Monterey county regarding car week. He will also speak regarding the school bus issues. Commander King is transferring to the Barstow area. Captain Eric Elias will be there.
  - ii. Supervisor Daniels will be providing certificates for Captain King.
- c. Monterey County Sheriff's Office – Commander Brandon Smith
  - i. Their staffing – they are at 46 deputies . They have a lot of trainees in the training program. They have the search and rescue team. They want 100 volunteers to be in similar size to SLO and the Bay Area. They have 17 volunteers for C team. They work special events, parade, major emergencies, etc. They want that volunteer team to grow.
- d. Big Sur Fire – Chief Matt Harris
  - i. Reported on three divisions. The hand crew was wrapping up work that week. The hand crew has been a complete success. They did an immense amount of work.
  - ii. They are hosting a safety meeting on Monday. Fundraising season will be coming up soon – MC Gives for all non-profits. They have ran 225 calls this year.
  - iii. Honored the late Steve Beck
  - iv. They have board seats available.
- e. Big Sur Byway Organization – Martha Diehl
  - i. Next meeting is Nov 19 from 10:00am-12:00pm. The meeting will be at the Big Sur Lodge. The CHMP will be the main discussion item. They use

the CHMP to develop the highway and maintain the highway. Thanked Aaron and John for bringing a new outlook to the bridge issue.

- ii. Another BSBO meeting will address transportation, and they would like to invite MST to that meeting.
- f. Big Sur Health Center
  - i. Absent
- g. California State Parks, Law Enforcement Officer – Mike Dipple
  - i. Limekiln State Park- it has been open for day use during the closure. It is a beautiful park. They are down staff members, and they usually have eleven but they have six right now. They would love to see those numbers increase.

**X. Adjournment**

- a. Supervisor Daniels adjourned the meeting at 1:02pm

Next Meeting – February 6, 2026

~Thank you to the Big Sur Lodge for your hospitality and for the use of the conference room at the Big Sur Lodge~

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