



Medical clinic at Knabe / Retreat Parkway approved

The **Riverside County Board of Supervisors** on Sept. 12 gave fast track approval to the construction of a multi-million-dollar health care facility to be constructed at the southwest corner of Knabe Road and Retreat Parkway.

Riverside Medical Clinic, with seven offices in Riverside County, plans to build a three-story, 96,352-square-foot building with 484 parking spaces.

The clinic will have entrances and exits from both streets. Full access is planned from Retreat Parkway. Knabe Road will have a right and left turn into the parking lot and a right turn from the parking lot, but left turns on to Knabe from the parking lot will not be allowed. Neither roadway will have a traffic signal.

Forty physicians are planned to staff the facility and services offered will include internal medicine/family practice, cardiology, pulmonology, dermatology, endocrinology, gastroenterology, general surgery, neurology, OB/gyn, ophthalmology, optometry, orthopedic surgery, otolaryngology, audiology, pediatrics, plastic surgery, podiatry, rheumatology, urgent care/occupational medicine and urology.

Diagnostic and patient support services planned are out-patient surgery, cardiac and pulmonology testing, radiology/imaging, laboratory, pharmacy, health education, a cafeteria and clinical trials/research. Clinic hours will be from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekends and holidays.

The county fast-tracked the project which streamlined land-use approvals and the permit process, and allowed it to bypass a Planning Commission public hearing. To qualify for fast track consideration, a project must meet one of the following:

- Create a minimum of 40 permanent, full-time jobs
- Invest a total of at least \$5 million in land, buildings and/or equipment
- Produce \$12.5 million in taxable annual sales

Construction should begin in spring of next year with an opening date set for fall of 2019. When opened, **Riverside Medical Clinic Temescal Valley** will replace the current facility on Magnolia Avenue in Corona.

Congratulations to **Jerry Sincich** and the **We Are Temescal Valley Development Committee** members who, in meeting with developers over the past three years, have stressed the need for medical services in Temescal Valley.



ABOUT TRAILS: The county has released the draft **Comprehensive Trails Master Plan** and is seeking comments on the document.

Some say Trails Master Plan falls short of what is needed

Are you interested in hiking and biking, and the availability of local trails? The county's **Parks and Open Space District** has released a draft **Comprehensive Trails Master Plan** and is seeking comments on the 294-page document.

The new plan, which reportedly cost \$400,000 to prepare, if approved by the county's Board of Supervisors, would replace the current plan that was prepared in the '90s.

Some members of the county's **Trail Committee** say the draft plan is not what they had envisioned. They thought the plan would include current and future trails, how trail property would be obtained, funded, built and maintained, and that the final document would have enough detail to start the planning process.

Several people with an interest in the county's trails system have reviewed the draft master plan and say they find it confusing and unhelpful. The plan does not pinpoint current trail locations and trailheads, there are current trails not included in the document, as well as inconsistent trail names and labeling. Additionally, the plan does not distinguish whether the trail use is for hikers, bikers or equestrians or a combination of these uses.

The draft **Comprehensive Trails Master Plan** can be viewed online and comments on the plan can be submitted on the same page. **Deadline** for comments is **Thursday, Sept. 28**.

<http://www.rivcoparks.org/trails/trails-homepage/>

Sept. 22 deadline set for power lines comments

The **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission** has set a **Friday, Sept. 22 deadline** for receipt of comments regarding the **Lake Elsinore Advanced Pump Storage (LEAPS)** project.

FERC is reviewing an application resubmitted by **Nevada Hydro Company Inc.** to build the project in the Cleveland National Forest with 32 miles of 500 kV transmission lines and 170 high-voltage steel towers. The plan calls for water from Lake Elsinore to be pumped at night into a to-be-constructed reservoir and then returned via gravity to generate electricity through turbines.

The project involves transmission lines that would cross the Santa Ana Mountains. One set of transmission lines would run northeast across the mountains then head east, crossing Temescal Valley and the I-15 to connect to Edison's Valley-Serrano lines that run across the Temescal Mountains. **Glen Eden, Terramor, Sycamore Creek** and **Horsethief Canyon Ranch** would be the closest communities to the lines.

The project was originally submitted in 1995. FERC approved the application in the early 2000s but then dismissed it in 2011 because of uncertainty over whether Nevada Hydro had rights to use Lake Elsinore water.

Nevada Hydro is asking FERC to approve its license application based on an Environmental Impact Statement that is now 10 years old and with no additional project review or public scoping. None of the power generated by the project would benefit Temescal Valley consumers.

CERT training set Sept. 29 – Oct. 1 in Temescal Valley

If a disaster struck – a really big disaster, would you be prepared to help yourself, your family, your neighbors?

The county's **Emergency Management Department** has scheduled a **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)** training program in Temescal Valley from 6 to 10 p.m., **Friday, Sept. 29** and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., **Saturday, Sept. 30** and **Sunday, Oct. 1**.

The training will be in the community room at **Deleo Regional Sports Park**, 25655 Santiago Canyon Road, Building A. To obtain certification, people must attend all 20 hours of training.

In the absence of emergency responders, the program teaches people basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations.

Pre-registration for the free training is a must and can be made online at RivCoCERT.org or call 951-955-4700. Class size is limited to the first 40 people to register.



MORE TRANSMISSION TOWERS?: These Edison 500kV power lines that divide the California Meadows, Wildrose Ranch, Montecito Ranch and Hunt/Lawson neighborhoods are similar to the lines Nevada Hydro would place adjacent to Glen Eden, Terramor, Sycamore Creek and Horsethief Canyon Ranch.

Since the project's dismissal in 2011, Riverside County has approved land use changes in Temescal Valley adjacent to and under the planned transmission lines. New development has been constructed directly under the proposed lines and other projects have received preliminary approval by the county.

**LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROJECT HERE
AND HOW COMMENTS CAN BE SUBMITTED TO FERC:**
<http://www.wearetv.org/2017/08/08/transmission-towers-could-cross-valley/>

Last chance to take Temescal Valley high school survey

Hello Neighbors!

The **WeAreTV Education Committee** continues to meet with Corona-Norco Unified School District administrators and our elected board member, Trustee **Bill Pollock**, to bring a high school to Temescal Valley.

The committee has created a survey to find out the type of high school the majority of Temescal Valley residents would prefer – a small vs. large campus to be built sooner vs. later?

We are asking all Temescal Valley residents to participate in the survey whether you have students in your household or not. We all pay school district taxes and we all care about property values. A high school located here would increase property values and at the same time decrease commute-time traffic on our roadways caused by parents driving students to Corona schools.

Won't you please take a minute to share your opinion? The survey is short – just three questions and a place to comment if you so desire.

Thank you ...
Larissa Adrian, Chairwoman
WeAreTV Education Committee

TAKE THE SURVEY:
<http://tinyurl.com/TVECHighSchool>

Supervisor backs valley's need for traffic improvements

County Supervisor Kevin Jeffries on Sept. 13 announced on the We Are Temescal Valley Facebook page that the **Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC)** had approved \$50 million to begin the necessary studies to extend the express lanes, when completed, from Cajalco Road to Highway 74.

"I know that many of us really dislike express lanes," Jeffries posted, "but it's the **ONLY** state funding available for us. I will take this capacity / widening over nothing! We need it yesterday!"

Construction on the I-15 Express Lanes from SR-60 south to Cajalco Road is scheduled to begin next year with a mid-2020 completion date. RCTC had anticipated beginning construction in 2026 to continue the lanes south from Cajalco to Highway 74. It's hoped the approval of the \$50 million will allow the project to begin a sooner.

Tricia Almiron, the supervisor's community rep, explained the difference between a toll road and an express lane later that evening at the **Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council** meeting. According to Almiron, freeways with toll roads require all motorists using the highway to pay a fee. Express lanes give motorists the option to use the lane and pay a fee, or to continue driving in the open lanes.

Jeff Greene, the supervisor's chief of staff, also used the WeAreTV Facebook page on Sept. 14 to post this:

"Supervisor Jeffries has made an official request of Transportation to consider solutions to the chokepoints at Weirick, and at Temescal Canyon Road at Tom's Farms, specifically looking at barriers or restrictions to prevent the cheating" (cutting into the right turn lane at the last moment), "or possibly restriping to better permit flow under the freeway. Any solutions there would be cheaper and faster than an actual widening type project, but will still require Caltrans approval because it goes under the freeway."

Learn more about the I-15 Express Lanes project:
<http://i15project.info/project-benefits/>



CHEATERS: Motorists cutting in at the last minute at the intersection of Knabe and Weirick Roads have been cited by the CHP to the delight of other drivers who wait 30 to 40 minutes to get to the I-15.



AFTERMATH: This striking Temescal Valley photo was shot by **ROB MUCHA**, a Retreat resident, following a recent thunderstorm.

Landfill's Oversight Committee to meet; discuss annual report

The **El Sobrante Landfill Citizens Oversight Committee (COC)**, will meet at 10 a.m., **Thursday, Sept. 28** at the Temescal Valley Water District, 22646 Temescal Canyon Road.

USA Waste, owner of the landfill, is required to submit an annual report to the county's Board of Supervisors documenting its conformance with the conditions and mitigation measures imposed on El Sobrante. Think of it as a report card – things we've done well, improvements made and issues that need improvement.

The report is first vetted by the **Annual Review Committee (ARC)**, comprised of three county employees appointed for that purpose, and then by the COC for final review and comments. The ARC met in July to review the 2016 report, and now is passing it onto the COC for its review, comments and recommendations.

Public comments and questions about the landfill – no longer than three minutes per person, can be made at the meeting.

COC members are appointed by county supervisors **Kevin Jeffries** and **John Tavaglione**. They are: Chairman **Paul Rodriguez** (Wildrose Ranch), Vice Chairman **Jana Walche** (El Cerrito), **Amie Kinne** (Dawson Canyon), and **Floyd Mohr** (Trilogy). There currently is an open seat on the COC.

View the meeting agenda and the 2016 Annual Report:
[http://www.rcwaste.org/Portals/0/2017-09-28-COC-Agenda%20Packet 1.PDF](http://www.rcwaste.org/Portals/0/2017-09-28-COC-Agenda%20Packet%201.PDF)

Neighborhoods to host huge garage sales

Sycamore Creek will feature a community-wide garage sale on **Saturday, Sept. 16**. Wildrose Ranch, Trilogy and Montecito Ranch also will have community-wide garage sales on **Saturday, Oct. 7**. The sales start at 7 a.m.



AUGUST PHOTO WINNER

The theme was “Shadowy.” Congratulations to Jannlee Watson, a resident of Wildrose Ranch, for her entry, “Look up in the sky! It’s a bird ...” (Actually, it was a shadow created by the bird feeders)

Calling all photographers! The theme for the September contest is anything that begins with the letter P.

Find out how to enter:

<http://www.wearetv.org/blog/faire/2018photo.pdf>

Comment by Sept. 24 on Temescal Canyon Road widening project

The Riverside County Transportation Department plans to widen two stretches of Temescal Canyon Road and held an informational workshop on Sept. 12 for community input and questions.

The \$23 million project will widen the roadway from two to four lanes between Dawson Canyon Road north to the Wildrose Business Park and from Leroy Road north to Dos Lagos Drive – a total of 1.3 miles. Other construction includes storm drain improvements, the relocation of power poles, driveways, curbs, sidewalks and bike lanes on one or both sides of the street.

The project costs, beyond construction, includes right-of-way acquisition, utilities and engineering, plus the cost for studies, including an environmental analysis of the area. The project is being funded by Measure A taxes and other funding sources.

Construction should begin in fall of 2018 or upon acquisition of the necessary right-of-way properties, and is expected to take 12 months to complete. Full road closures are not anticipated.

Comments about the widening project and the analysis are being accepted by the county **now through Sunday, Sept. 24** and should be emailed to **Marcia Frances**

Rose, MFRose@rivco.org. Here’s the link to the analysis:

http://rcprojects.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/Temescal_Dawson_Draft-ISMND_082217.pdf

CALENDAR

EVENTS

- **Community Garage Sale:** Throughout Sycamore Creek, 7 a.m., **Saturday, Sept. 16.**
- **Day of Wonder: FREE** at the Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., **Saturday, Sept. 16.** “Living With Coyotes.” 11875 Indian Truck Trail. Center is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Thursday, Friday and Saturday.
- **Jog-A-Thon:** Todd Academy, **Friday, Sept. 22.**
- **Mother-Daughter Paint Night:** Temescal Valley Elementary School, 6 p.m., **Friday, Sept. 22.**
- **Rattlesnake Training for Dogs:** Sponsored by Snakework and the Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center, 9 a.m., **Saturday, Sept. 23,** 11875 Indian Truck Trail. \$75 payable by check or cash the day of the class. Dogs must be registered by Sept. 22 — 951-277-0219.
- **Santiago Bumper Bash:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., **Saturday, Sept. 23.** Car and bike showcase at the high school.
- **No School:** It’s a Staff Development Day on CNUSD campuses, **Friday, Sept. 29.**
- **Community Garage Sale:** Throughout Wildrose Ranch, Montecito Ranch and Trilogy, 7 a.m., **Saturday, Oct. 7.**
- **El Cerrito County Library:** 7581 Rudell Road, behind El Cerrito Middle School. Many fun activities for the kids! 951-270-5012 or check out the September activities [HERE](#)
- **Tom’s Farms: FREE!** Every weekend — **Craft Faire**, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; **Magic Show**, noon and 2 p.m.; **live music**, 12:30 to 5 p.m. Other attractions [HERE](#)

TEMESCAL VALLEY MEETINGS

- **We Are Temescal Valley Education Committee:** 6:30 p.m., **Thursday, Sept. 21,** Senior Tom’s restaurant.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Public Safety Committee:** 6:30 p.m., **Monday, Sept. 25,** Trilogy’s Blue Water Sports Club, Center for Well-Being Room, 24491 Trilogy Parkway.
- **Temescal Valley Water District Board Meeting:** 8:30 a.m., **Tuesday, Sept. 26,** 22646 Temescal Canyon Road.
- **El Sobrante Landfill Citizens Oversight Committee:** 10 a.m., **Thursday, Sept. 28,** Temescal Valley Water District, 22646 Temescal Canyon Road.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Identity Committee:** 6 p.m., **Thursday, Oct. 5,** Senior Tom’s restaurant.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Beautification Committee:** 7 p.m., **Thursday, Oct. 5,** Senior Tom’s restaurant.
- **We Are Temescal Valley citizens’ group:** 8:30 a.m., **Saturday, Oct. 7,** Trilogy Lake Center, Tahoe Room, 24477 Trilogy Parkway.
- **Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council:** 7 p.m., **Wednesday, Oct. 11,** Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.

MEETINGS THAT AFFECT US

- **Corona-Norco Unified School District:** Study session, 6 p.m., **Tuesday, Sept. 19;** Business meeting, 7 p.m., **Tuesday, Oct. 3,** 2820 Clark Ave., Norco.
- **Riverside County Planning Commission:** 9 a.m., **Wednesday, Sept. 20** and **Wednesday, Oct. 4,** Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Riverside County Board of Supervisors:** 9 a.m., **Tuesday, Sept. 19** and **26,** and **Tuesday, Oct. 3,** Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Lake Elsinore Unified School District:** 6 p.m., **Thursday, Sept. 14,** 545 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore.
- **Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Board Meeting:** 4 p.m., **Thursday, Sept. 14** and **28,** 31315 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore.