

**Del Monte Forest Property Owners (DMFPO)  
Hiking and Equestrian Trails Committee (HETC) Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, July 13, 2022 4:00 p.m.  
PBCSD Board Room**

**Leadership present:** *DMFPO Board Members:* Bob Ogle, Ned Van Roekel, Lisa Huntley  
*Del Monte Forest Conservancy (DMFC) Board Member:* Don Eastman  
*DMFPO Member:* Kelly Getreu

**Resources present:** *Pebble Beach Company (PBC):* None  
*Pebble Beach Community Services District:* Mike Niccum  
*OSAC:* Rick Verbanec, Bob Ogle

**Others Present:** Erika Azevedo, Pinky Eastman

1. **Announcements** – Chair Ogle announced that due to a PBC event conflict, there would be no PBC representative at today’s meeting. A French Broom weeding event is planned for Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at 10am SFB Morse Drive near the gate by the engineered creek.
2. **Call to Order** – Chair Ogle called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
3. **Acceptance/Modification of Agenda** – There were no requested changes to the agenda.
4. **Public Comment** – Pebble Beach resident, Erika Azevedo voiced her concern of mountain bikers riding on hiking trails, cutting unauthorized trails, causing damaging water diversion, using buckets, shovels, and carpets to create ramps and jumps, speeding down sections past hikers, disrespecting, sometimes rudely, the hierarchy of trail use: horses then hikers and pets - only. Chair Ogle gave an overview of the measures PBC has taken to dismantle ramps and jumps and station security to try and intercept bikers. He recommended photos be taken of ramp and jump sites found, trail damage, etc. and send the photos (that automatically geo-locates the photo location) along with details of the problem via the trail problem reporting portal on the dmfpo.org website at <https://dmfpo.org/trail-report/>
5. **Minutes** – It was moved/seconded/carried to approve the April 13, 2022 minutes.
6. **Pebble Beach Community Services District (PBCSD)/Cal Fire**  
General Manager Niccum noted fuel reduction work will focus along collector roads and dozers will be clearing fire roads. The goats are finished in the Forest for the year.
7. **Pebble Beach Company**
  - a. There were no PBC representatives present. At Monday’s DMFPO board meeting, Dawn Mathes reported hikers on the Red Trail had been approached by Spyglass personnel and told not to hike along that portion of the trail. On the Blue Trail at Poppy Hills Golf Course and Lopez Road signs had been placed stating no hiking or trespassing. She stated that a meeting of key people involved is being arranged, and the Red Trail route will be better marked to best avoid hikers ending up on the cart path.

8. Kelly Getreu reported small areas of bamboo and other vegetation had been cleared. PBC removed a yellow jacket nest at Indian Village. Materials in what looked to be an encampment were bagged up and placed at Fire Roads 5 & 7 for PBC to pick up. PBC removed bike ramps from an area across from the Equestrian Center however environmental damage remains until and if it heals. Ms. Getreu appreciated the warning signs and rumble strips placed by PBC at the horse crossing on 17 Mile Drive.

Tree growth obscures oncoming traffic line-of-sight from trail crossings in two areas and needs to be cut back. A club chair, ping pong table without legs, trash cans, and trash have been left atop the “big sand dune” and need to be removed.

9. **New Business** – None

10. **Old Business** – Bikes on trails was further discussed. Ms. Azevedo suggested horse stile type gates be installed at certain trail locations, especially on single-track trails where cyclists speeding downhill can be intercepted, i.e., Huckleberry Hill to Trail 21. The stiles allow horses and pedestrians through easily but hamper mountain bike and motorcycle passage.

11. **Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

**Next Meeting Wednesday, October 12, 2022**

*Respectfully submitted by Laura Paxton*