

Field Report Memorandum

To: Sally Gee, LCWA

From: Jesse Aragon, Tidal Influence, LLC

Cc: Eric Zahn, Marcelo Ceballos, Tidal Influence, Salian Garcia, Mark Stanley

Date: May 16th, 2022

Subject: Land Management Field Report

Sites Inspected: Zedler Marsh, Bryant Lease West, Hellman/Gum Grove, State Lands Parcel, & OTD Parcel

Inspection Date: April 29th, 2022

Note: The locations of critical observations and issues noted in this document are called out on the map on the final page. Photos of certain issues/observations are attached at the end of the report.

OTD Parcel

1. Gates – OK
2. Trails – OK
3. Fences – OK
4. Homeless –
 - a. An encampment has established along fence line near the southeast corner of the property. (See Photos)
Tidal Influence staff contacted the LCWA's homeless contractor and the encampment has since been remediated.

Zedler Marsh

5. Gates – OK
6. Trails – OK
7. Fences – OK
8. Homeless – OK

State Lands Parcel

9. Gates – OK
10. Trails – OK
11. Fences - OK
12. Homeless - OK

Hellman

13. Gates – OK
14. Trails –
 - a. Non-native vegetation has encroached onto maintenance trails. (See Photo)
Tidal Influence staff will conduct trail maintenance in the coming month to improve access.
 - b. Coastal Sage Scrub vegetation has encroached onto back access trail and is blocking the access gate between the property and Heron Pointe. (See Photo)

Tidal Influence staff will conduct vegetative maintenance in the coming month to allow access during land tour.

c. Non-native vegetation has encroached onto stewardship event parking area.

Tidal Influence staff has conducted fence line maintenance to allow for stewardship event parking.

15. Fences – OK

16. Homeless – OK

Bryant Lease West

17. Gates –

a. Levee gates found open. (See Photo)

We recommend LCWA staff meet with LA County to determine a new approach to secure this property. We recommend adjusting the fence line location to provide a thoroughfare along the levee path.

18. Trails –

a. A speed limit sign has been damaged.

Tidal Influence staff will resecure the signage in the coming months.

19. Fence –

a. Two fence line breaches were observed in two locations along the eastern fence line. (See Photos)

Tidal Influence staff will continue to monitor the condition of the fence line and conduct repairs in the coming months.

20. Homeless – OK

21. Other –

a. A build up of trash has occurred in the facilities along river near levee gates. (See Photo)

Tidal Influence staff will continue to conduct trash clean up efforts during subsequent walkthroughs.

Map

The photos of the issues and observations detailed above are labeled by number. The number on the map below indicates the location of these issues and observations.



Field Report Memorandum

To: Sally Gee, LCWA

From: Jesse Aragon, Tidal Influence, LLC

Cc: Eric Zahn, Marcelo Ceballos, Tidal Influence, Salian Garcia, Mark Stanley

Date: June 14th, 2022

Subject: Land Management Field Report

Sites Inspected: Zedler Marsh, Bryant Lease West, Hellman/Gum Grove, State Lands Parcel, & OTD Parcel

Inspection Date: May 24th, 2022

Note: The locations of critical observations and issues noted in this document are called out on the map on the final page. Photos of certain issues/observations are attached at the end of the report.

OTD Parcel

1. Gates – OK
2. Trails – OK
3. Fences – OK
4. Homeless – OK
5. Other –
 - a. Roadside vegetation encroaching into adjacent bike path. A staff biologist surveyed the area for nesting birds and other potentially sensitive species before conducting maintenance (See Photo).

Zedler Marsh

6. Gates – OK
7. Trails – OK
8. Fences – OK
9. Homeless – OK
 - a. On May 9th Tidal Influence staff encountered a person experiencing homelessness collecting recyclable materials around the restoration facilities and Zedler Marsh. The individual was approached and insisted he was allowed to work on the property. Tidal Influence staff informed them of the potential damage their actions may cause to endangered Belding's Savannah Sparrow habitat. After the individual refused to vacate the property Tidal Influence staff contacted the LCWA's Homeless outreach contractor. While awaiting the LCWA's homeless contractor the individual left the site. Tidal Influence staff inspected potential impact areas. Overall, no impacts were made to biological resources.
Tidal Influence staff will continue to work towards improving site security and is working to train field staff on handling encounters with homeless.

State Lands Parcel

10. Gates – OK
11. Trails – OK
12. Fences - OK
13. Homeless - OK

Hellman

14. Gates – OK

15. Trails –

- a. Non-native vegetation has encroached onto maintenance trails. (See Photo)

Tidal Influence staff will conduct trail maintenance in the coming month to improve access for public programs.

- b. Coastal Sage Scrub vegetation has encroached onto back access trail and is blocking the access gate between the property and Heron Pointe. (See Photo)

Tidal Influence staff has conducted trail maintenance and the path is now accessible for public programs.

16. Fences – OK

17. Homeless –

- a. On May 5th, Hellman operators spotted two individuals on the property near the electronic access gate. The Hellman's escorted the individuals off the property and notified Tidal Influence staff. Tidal Influence staff conducted site and perimeter walkthroughs during which no evidence of current or past campsites were found. Two potential entry points were located along the Western fence line shared with the Landing Hill neighborhood and Gum Grove Park. (See Photos)

Tidal Influence staff has remediated one entry point and will work to remediate the second entry point in the coming months.

Bryant Lease West

18. Gates –

- a. Levee gates found open. (See Photo)

We recommend LCWA staff meet with LA County to determine a new approach to secure this property. We recommend adjusting the fence line location to provide a thoroughfare along the levee path.

19. Trails – OK

20. Fence –

- a. Two fence line breaches were observed in two locations along the eastern fence line. (See Photos)

Tidal Influence staff will continue to monitor the condition of the fence line and conduct repairs in the coming months.

21. Homeless – OK

22. Other –

- a. A build up of trash has occurred in the facilities along river near levee gates. (See Photo)

Tidal Influence staff will continue to conduct trash clean-up efforts during subsequent walkthroughs.

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Field Report Memorandum

To: Sally Gee, LCWA

From: Jesse Aragon, Tidal Influence, LLC

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Date: July 14th, 2022

Subject: Land Management Field Report

Sites Inspected: Zedler Marsh, Bryant Lease West, Hellman/Gum Grove, State Lands Parcel, & OTD Parcel

Inspection Date: June 28th, 2022

Note: The locations of critical observations and issues noted in this document are called out on the map on the final page. Photos of certain issues/observations are attached at the end of the report.

OTD Parcel

1. Gates – OK
2. Trails – OK
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Zedler Marsh

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State Lands Parcel

9. Gates – OK
10. Trails – OK
11. Fences - OK
12. Homeless - OK

Hellman

13. Gates – OK
14. Trails –
 - a. Non-native vegetation has encroached onto maintenance trails. (See Photo)
Tidal Influence staff has conducted trail maintenance in order to improve access for public programs.
15. Fences –
 - a. On July 6th, Tidal Influence staff conducted annual vegetation maintenance in the southeastern corner of the property as part of a fire safety and fuel reduction program. The maintenance was conducted along a fence line shared with Surf Place and Coastline Drive neighborhoods to provide a breadth of 30 feet. (See Photos)

16. Homeless –

- a. On May 5th, Hellman operators spotted two individuals on the property near the electronic access gate. The Hellman’s escorted the individuals off the property and notified Tidal Influence staff. Tidal Influence staff conducted site and perimeter walkthroughs during which no evidence of current or past campsites were found. Two potential entry points were located along the Southern fence line shared with the Landing Hill neighborhood and Gum Grove Park. (See Photos)

Tidal Influence staff has remediated the second entry point and will continue to monitor fence line conditions to maintain site security.

17. Other –

- a. To facilitate the final design of the Southern Los Cerritos Wetlands Restoration project, geotechnical soil samples were collected at fourteen locations throughout Southern Los Cerritos Wetlands Restoration Project. Sample collection involved the use of a drill rig at five of the fourteen locations. A hand auger was utilized at the remaining nine locations. Biological, cultural, and archeological monitors were present throughout the sample collection process in order to prevent impacts to biological, cultural, and archeological resources. Overall, no impacts were observed by the monitors. Following the geotechnical borings, eight bins filled with extracted soil were removed from the project area for disposal. (See Photos)

Bryant Lease West

18. Gates –

- a. Levee gates found open. (See Photo)

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19. Trails – OK

20. Fence –

- a. Two fence line breaches were observed in two locations along the eastern fence line. (See Photos)

Tidal Influence staff will continue to monitor the condition of the fence line and conduct repairs in the coming months.

21. Homeless – OK

22. Other –

- a. A build up of trash has occurred in the facilities along river near levee gates. (See Photo)

Tidal Influence staff has removed the trash and will continue to monitor and manage the presence of trash throughout LCWA properties.

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Coastal Sage Scrub encroaching onto back access trail



Non-native vegetation encroaching onto maintenance trail



Fence line maintenance conducted in stewardship parking area



Breaches along eastern fence line



Levee gates left open



Trash build up around facilities



Campsite established along southern fence line remediated

Hellman



Unofficial entry point remediated

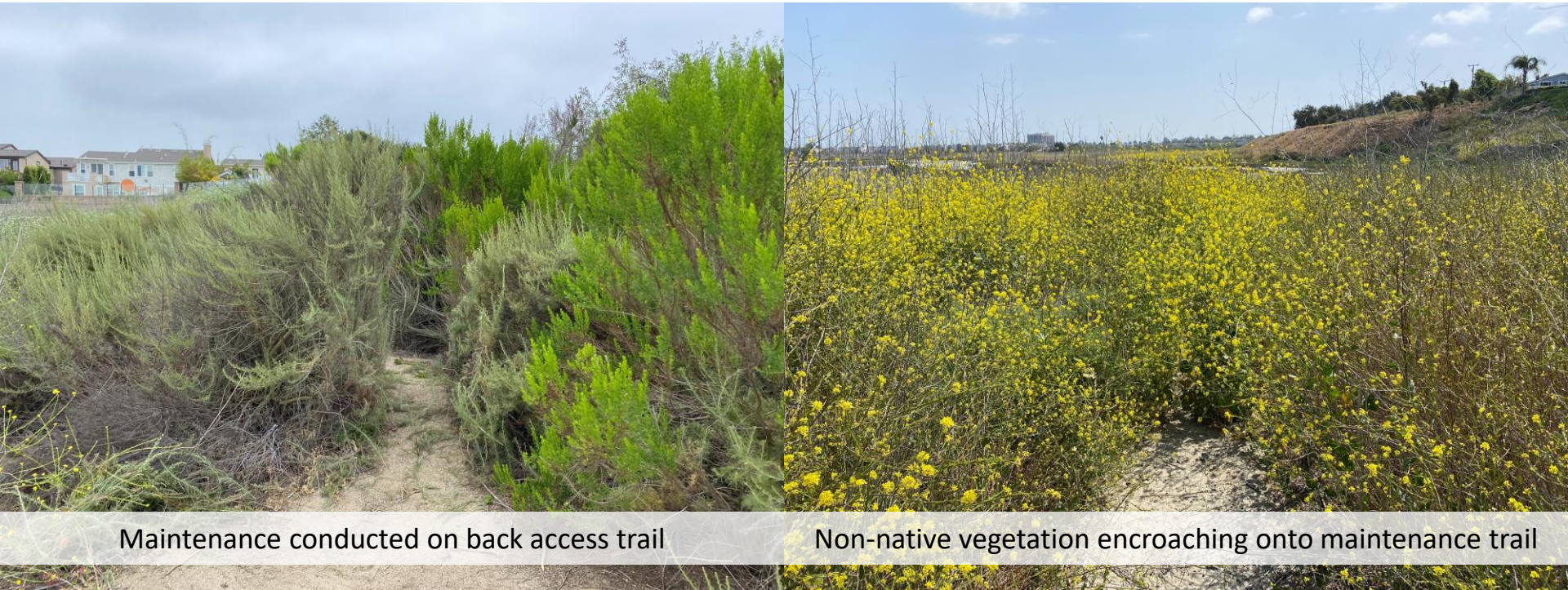


Fence breach on western fence line



Trespasser in wetlands

Hellman



Maintenance conducted on back access trail

Non-native vegetation encroaching onto maintenance trail

Hellman



Fence breach on southern fence line repaired



Trail maintenance conducted

Hellman



Geotechnical borings conducted throughout South LCWA



Soil bins removed from project area



Fence line maintenance conducted

Bryant West



Breaches along eastern fence line



Levee gates left open

Trash around facilities cleaned up

OTD



Maintenance conducted on roadside