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***San Mateo County Parks to Unveil 16 Draft Fitzgerald Marine Reserve Interpretive Signs at Public Meeting***

**MOSS BEACH, Calif.** – The public is invited to view 16 draft interpretive signs designed to help visitors better understand the complexity of the Fitzgerald Marine Reserve at a special meeting on Thursday, June 11, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Cypress Meadows Event Center.

Signs are to be placed numerous locations, including Pillar Point Marsh, Pillar Point Bluff, Seal Cove, Nye's Overlook, Moss Beach Reef pathway and at the Reserve's parking lot in Moss Beach.

The draft Interpretive signs have been designed to help visitors learn about the natural history of tidepools, marsh and uplands habitats, the human history of early residents and those of recent times, geology, tides, and ocean processes. Welcome and regulatory signs offer information about the Reserve's features, facilities, rules and regulations. Another sign describes the big wave at Mavericks surf spot. The signs will support informal individual and family visits as well as enhance the tours of docent-led school groups in the Reserve.

At the Public Meeting, County Park staff and representatives from Fallon Multimedia will make short presentations, answer questions and accept public comment about the project. The Cypress Meadows Event Center is located at 343 Cypress Ave., Moss Beach. Directions can be found at [www.cypressmeadows.net](http://www.cypressmeadows.net)

Small photos of the signs, proposed sign locations and a sign location map will be posted on the County Parks website at [www.smcoparks.org](http://www.smcoparks.org). For more information, contact Cecily Harris, Financial Services Manager, at (650) 363-4027 or [charris@co.sanmateo.ca.us](mailto:charris@co.sanmateo.ca.us).



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