



# Portola and Castle Rock Foundation

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*Inspiring the Protection of Castle Rock and  
Portola Redwoods State Parks Through  
Quality Educational Experiences and  
Infrastructure Improvements*

June  
2018 Newsletter

## PCRF Members and Volunteers Appreciation Day

On May 19th, PCRF members and volunteers joined us at the interpretive shelter at Castle Rock for a light lunch, and some fun. The weather was beautiful for this first Appreciation Day held in the spring at Castle Rock.

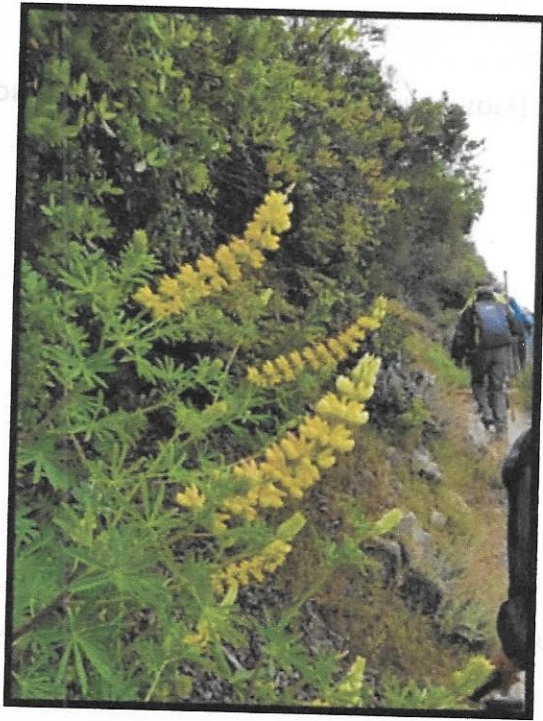


[Click here for more info and event photos.](#)

## Prop. 68 for Safe Parks and Clean Water Passes

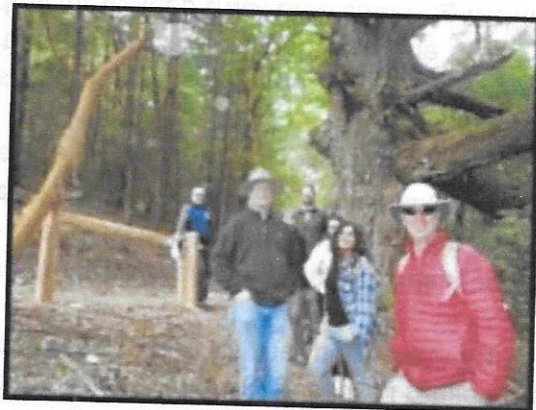
We are happy to announce that Californians passed Proposition 68, the Clean Water and Safe Parks Act, on June 5, 2018 with 56 percent of the vote. The Portola and Castle Rock Foundation was proud to endorse and promote the Yes on 68 campaign.

[Click here for more information about Proposition 68.](#)



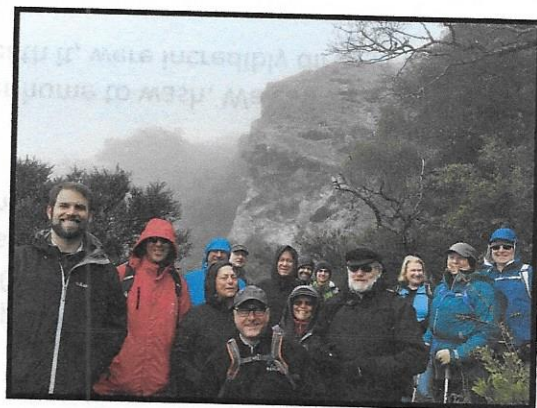
## New Parks Docents

During the early months of 2018 a new group of ten Volunteers underwent training by Park staff. The Volunteer Docents were educated on the natural and human history of Portola Redwoods and Castle Rock State Parks. They are now prepared to enhance the experience of visitors with guided hikes, conducting Little Ranger and Campfire programs, and also staffing the the Portola Visitor's Center store. Congrats to the graduates!



## New Wilderness Patrol Volunteers

These Volunteers hike the trails in the Santa Cruz District State Parks and help advise visitors on hikes and help with trail maintenance. With these new Patrollers, there are now 35 Wilderness Patrollers who help care for Portola Redwoods and Castle Rock State Parks.



[Click here for more information about Volunteer Programs.](#)

## New Portola Redwoods Bandanna Available



The new Portola Redwoods bandanna features a map of the park and its trails. It is sold in the Portola Visitor Center Store for \$10. If you are a PCRFB Member you will receive a 20% discount. [Click here to become a member.](#)



## Parks and Partners Activities

### California State Parks

#### Portola Redwoods State Park is open for camping

Campers and visitors will enjoy visiting the PCRFB Store in the Visitor Center. Camping supplies, nature books, souvenirs and convenience items are available. During the summer guided hikes, Campfire, and Little Ranger programs are offered.

#### Registration for California State Parks Backpacking Adventure is open!

Web: [https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page\\_id=28503](https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=28503)

Phone: (831) 335-1743

Email: [Backpacking@parks.ca.gov](mailto:Backpacking@parks.ca.gov)

### Save the Redwoods League Centennial Events

Free Second Saturdays at Redwood State Parks all year long, Sustaining Grandeur Exhibition, Redwood Grove Summer Concerts, and more:

<https://www.savetheredwoods.org/100-years/centennial-events/>

### Sempervirens Fund

Sempervirens Fund has opened a new website dedicated to celebrating Castle Rock State Park's 50th anniversary. The site includes video of the new ethnobotanical garden that is being planted at the new Kirkwood Entrance along with historical pictures of the park. The public celebration will take place on 9/28. For details visit: <https://www.castlerock50.com/>

### Peninsula Open Spaces Trust

POST sponsors various activities in the many open space reserves. Go to:

<https://openspacetrust.org/get-involved/>

### REI Classes

REI holds climbing and outdoor classes in both Castle Rock and Portola Redwoods State Park. [For current classes, visit REI.com.](#)

## Membership



*It is prime hiking season in the Parks. Not sure where to hike? Become a member of Portola Castle Rock Foundation today and we will provide you with free detailed hiking maps of both Portola Redwoods and Castle Rock State parks. Other Membership benefits include a 20% discount at Portola Redwoods Visitor Center Store, free docent led hikes and special events and invitation to our annual membership appreciation event. Click here to learn more: <http://www.portolaandcastlerockfound.org/become-a-member/>*

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