

# BEN LOMOND PARK IMPROVEMENTS



The County of Santa Cruz Parks Department was informed of a grant opportunity through the California State Parks Department in late October of this year. The Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program is a competitive grant program through Proposition 84 that funds new parks and new recreational opportunities in critically underserved areas throughout California. The County of Santa Cruz Parks Department identified Ben Lomond Park as a location that meets the grant criteria for eligibility. On January 12, 2010, the County of Santa Cruz Board of Supervisors approved the submittal of this application by the Parks Department. The minimum grant request is \$100,000 and the maximum request is \$5,000,000. There is no match requirement for this grant. The grant application is due March 1, 2010. Awards are announced in September 2010.

One of the critical components of the application is the “Community Based Planning” criteria. This scores applicants on outreach to community members prior to the grant submittal. The Parks Department has planned a series of meetings with the Ben Lomond residents to gather their ideas and feedback for the Ben Lomond Park Improvements. The schedule of meetings is listed below:

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| January 14, 2010 | Meeting at Ben Lomond Fire Station at 7:00pm<br>9430 Highway 9 Ben Lomond, CA 95005-9228                       |
| February 3, 2010 | Meeting at Highlands Park Lorenzo Room at 7:00pm<br>8500 Highway 9, Ben Lomond, CA 95005                       |
| February 8, 2010 | Draft plan Presentation to Parks and Recreation Commission at 7:15pm<br>701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95061  |
| March 8, 2010    | Public Hearing at Parks and Recreation Commission (for plan approval)<br>701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95061 |

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