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LACK OF PLANNING THREATENS CHATSWORTH PARK SOUTH Public Hearing to be Held 5 p.m. Thursday

The Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners, in response to a request by the Santa Susana Mountain Park Association, will conduct a public hearing <u>5 p.m. Thursday October 13, 1977</u> to receive input on the planning and development of Chatsworth Park South. The session will be held at the new community building at Mason Park Recreation Center, 10500 Mason Ave, Chatsworth.

The controversy erupted when the department staff proposed that a recreation building be constructed somewhere in the middle of the park. The building would cost nearly \$1,000,000 and would be funded as a part of a federal grant to the City of Los Angeles.

The Board of Directors of SSMPA have taken the position that the nature of this park <u>mandates</u> well thought out long range planning for its ultimate development. The area will be adjacent to the future state park and is the most logical access to the "Stagecoach Trail State Park" and the site to the west which is on the National Register of Historic Places.

A multijurisdictional approach must be used in planning and developing this park. The alternative is an uncoordinated, unplanned and unnecessary waste of taxpayer's dollars. A proposal for this type of development without even having site or architectural plans prepared is possibly illegal at worst, unprofessional and unethical at best.

SSMPA will fight to protect the integrity of Chatsworth Park South. Your attendance and participation at this hearing will greatly strengthen our efforts. Thank you.

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