



Big Basin Briefing #2: October 2021

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MAKING BIG BASIN SAFE FOR PEOPLE AND WILDLIFE

- ❑ Big Basin received over 10 inches of rain in 24 hours during the October 25, 2021, atmospheric river storm event. U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is surveying for possible landslides and debris flows following this event. Park staff continue to clear debris and sediment from roadways and drainage features.
- ❑ California State Parks is working in collaboration with Parks California and Save the Redwoods League to create a forest management strategy for long-term forest stewardship across Big Basin, Año Nuevo, and Butano State Parks. Data collection to inform this strategy has been completed in 45 of 300 sub-watersheds.
- ❑ California State Parks is working on a contract to remove remaining hazard trees that were identified by CalOES but were left standing after their departure. This contract will also address trees that have the potential to impact the Sempervirens Reservoir, the primary water source for the park.

LEARN ABOUT BIG BASIN'S RECOVERY

- ❑ A recently published book highlights the role of women in preserving Big Basin. It features a foreword by Santa Cruz District's own Martin Rizzo and Mark Hylkema and an epilogue on the CZU Complex Fire. It is available from the Friends of Santa Cruz State Parks website (<https://thatsmypark.org/products/big-basin-redwood-forest-californias-oldest-state-park-by-traci-bliss/>). Proceeds directly support the recovery effort.
- ❑ On October 13, 2021, the Advisory Committee for the Reimagining Big Basin project met to discuss the overarching goals and planning process for Big Basin Redwoods State Park. Advisory Committee members are listed on the Reimagining Big Basin website.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

- ❑ Share your memories via the Memory Mapping tool (<https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/a241fef0a2f340659ad1afc5c54fa0f0>) for Big Basin to highlight how the park's resources and facilities shaped your experience.
- ❑ Donate directly (<https://reimaginingbigbasin.org/donations/>) to the recovery effort via one of our partner organizations.



STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

- ❑ Sign up for the mailing list (<https://reimaginingbigbasin.org/opportunities-to-participate/>) to stay aware of participation opportunities or contact us at BigBasin@parks.ca.gov with questions and suggestions.

Thank you for your support! Here's to cherishing the past, present, and future of Big Basin: California's oldest state park.

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