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1. Jr Lifeguards Sensational Summer 2017
60 Jr Lifeguards, 12 fully certified as lifeguards and 3 alumni hired as VRP (rangers!)
2. Accessibility project in picnic area and ramp to beach...completed, functioning well and contributed significantly to national recognition for GGNRA welcoming all to parks!
3. Winter preparation...maintenance crew monitoring situation in lots to make any adjustments to minimize flooding, surge impacts.
4. Key staff changes: Chief of Natural Resources Daphne Hatch retiring (key figure on Bolinas Lagoon TAC) and Steve Ortega (former liaison to SBVA) changing agencies at beginning of year. Both have been real leaders in the GGNRA and will be missed.
5. for your 2018 calendar: EARTH DAY 2018 is going to be awesome! April 21 marks the Centennial of the Dipsea Women's Hike and there will be a special race that day from Mill Valley to Stinson on the Dipsea PLUS coast clean-up PLUS Earth Day activities....hold the date!
6. NPS staff met with Stinson Beach Water District Board to introduce ourselves, discuss projects ahead and see how to work together if possible.

King Tides are coming to California!

- December 3, 4, and 5, 2017
- January 1 and 2, 2018

The [California King Tides Project](#) helps us visualize how sea level rise will impact our lives. Everyone can help document the highest high tides of today, which preview the average tides of the future.

[It's easy to participate.](#) Just pick a location, take your photos, and share them! Photos will be used to communicate about the effects of flooding and to spread awareness about the importance of protecting communities now. Add your photos to our [Flickr pool](#) to make sure they can be used in future planning and education (and please be sure to select a shareable license). Please also share them on social media with [#KingTides](#) to get immediate visibility in your community.

Stuck inside, live inland, or want to share King Tides with your classroom? California State Parks will be broadcasting live on the morning of December 5th from several locations up and down the coast. Watch King Tides on your computer screen on the Parks [Periscope channel](#) from 9am to 12:30pm as they travel from Cardiff to Prairie Creek.

Head out solo or join a group event!

Check out the following events (and visit the [California King Tides website](#) for updates), or plan your own! However you choose to participate, please be safe as you observe the high tides and watch out for shore birds that may be taking refuge farther up than usual.

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"The power of imagination makes us infinite"....John Muir

