

## ***Main Gate Security Posting***

### ***September 2, 2025***

The barrier arm and associated credential reader have been placed into permanent service. Please review the bullets below for additional information regarding this project.

#### **Discussions, Votes, Planning, Construction**

- This project provides for a long-term solution to unsustainable processes and methods relating to Main Gate security.
- The inability to exit the Main Gate without a key was a major safety and liability concern.
- The previous key/lock system required keys to be issued by voluntary labor every four to five years and the cost of keys has doubled during the last ten years. This process has been eliminated. Credentials should only need to be replaced if lost or stolen.
- Keys could not be deactivated when owners sold properties or keys were stolen or lost, allowing unauthorized people to enter Smith Ranch. Credentials of unauthorized users can be deactivated as required.
- Until recently, individuals could always walk into and out of Smith Ranch without opening Main Gate through the opening on the north side of the fence. That ability has been restored.
- Any person other than law enforcement that enters Smith Ranch without authorization from an owner is trespassing. This statement would be accurate if there were no gate in place.
- This project was an agenda item for three consecutive Annual Member Meetings, and all votes taken were unanimous in support of the project. There was an average of 35 Member/Owners at these meetings.
- This project was also an agenda item for at least 4 meetings of the Board of Directors during the previous 3 years, and all votes taken were unanimous in support of the project.

#### **Information Regarding Access, Security and Monitoring**

- The panel on the north side is temporary. A more aesthetic permanent barrier will be installed soon narrowing the gap at the end of the arm.
- There is no continuous monitoring of the camera or the reader.
- Direct access to this data is limited to the SRPOA Security Committee (consisting of SRPOA President, General Manager, additional Director), the SRPOA Security Contractor and law enforcement agencies.

In closing, this project represents a long-term sustainable process to Smith Ranch that balances the financial and security requirements for Smith Ranch owners.

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