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Grand Opening of the Crystal Cove State Park Michael and Tricia Berns Environmental Study Loop tomorrow

Celebrate the California State Park's 150th Anniversary and the Grand Opening of the Michael & Tricia Berns Environmental Study Loop, a half-mile of mini-field stations where visitors can perform valuable and educational "citizen science" endeavors in the Moro Canyon section of Crystal Cove State Park.

The celebration will be on Saturday, Feb 1 from 1-6 p.m.

Activities include: hikes, free watercolor painting classes, Citizen Science projects, and the "ultimate campfire program."

There will be a ceremonial inaugural lighting of the new Campfire at 5 o'clock.

The Berns contributed \$1,000,000 to establish the sustainable Study Loop in Moro Canyon. Construction began last May.



Tricia and Michael Berns (above) said earlier this year, "This is our 'backyard' – where we hike and mountain bike two or three times a week. We love it here. And we feel strongly that school-age children should learn the importance of protecting our environment. They should know about plant-animal interactions and just have basic knowledge of nature."

Free admission this Saturday and parking in Moro Canyon day use lot (PCH inland at Stoughton School-State Park) after 1 p.m.

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