



POLICY TITLE: East-West Ranch Bench Placement Policy

POLICY NUMBER: 2235

Benches are allowed to be placed on the East-West Ranch as described in the adopted Management Plan. Benches are recognized as an allowed use by the Conservation Easement recorded for the property. The purpose of benches placed on the Ranch is to provide locations for quiet rest, contemplation, and enjoyment of the surroundings without disrupting the natural state of the land. This Policy will establish guidelines for the number, design and location of benches on the West Ranch, as well as to establish the required donation for memorial benches and the responsibility for maintenance and repair of these benches.

1. Benches will be limited to a total of 17 on the West Ranch portion of the East-West Ranch properties, including existing benches. The number and location of benches on the East Ranch portion will be determined at a future date by the CCSD and NCSWAP, following the completion of the park plan and trail locations for that area.
2. Existing driftwood benches on the Bluff Trail will remain in place, and maintained in their current state, until such time as they must be replaced due to excessive disrepair or for safety reasons. If replaced, these benches may be relocated if necessary to comply with this policy or the Management Plan.
3. Of the three benches that have been placed since public acquisition of the property has been completed, one will be dedicated to one of the four major contributors to the acquisition fund. Three new benches will be constructed and placed for the remaining three major contributors.
4. Of the two remaining benches placed since acquisition, one will remain dedicated to the Friends of the Ranchland, in honor of their major role in acquiring the property, and one will be dedicated to the volunteer Ranch Hands, in recognition of their continuing contribution to the project.
5. Any new benches placed on the West Ranch shall be in conformance with this policy and shall require a donation of \$50,000 to NCSWAP to be used solely for the benefit of the East-West Ranch project. NCSWAP shall be responsible to maintain these benches and dedication plaques in good condition in perpetuity. All costs related to the construction, maintenance and any necessary replacements over time, shall be the responsibility of NCSWAP.
6. An application and approval process shall be established by NCSWAP for the purpose of the placement of new benches under this policy. Such process shall be subject to the approval of the CCSD District Counsel and General Manager.
7. Benches may only be placed on predetermined sites, agreed upon by NCSWAP and the CCSD. A map of the property, including the identification of the approximate predetermined sites is on file with the Ranch Manager and NCSWAP Executive Officer. Exact locations for bench placement shall be determined on a case by case basis by the Ranch Manager and NCSWAP.
8. The design of benches placed on the ranch must conform to the Management Plan and are subject to the approval of the Ranch Manager (CCSD) and Easement Holder (NCSWAP).