

Aircraft retrieval from protected habitat surrounding OCMA Bob Swenson Field

OCMA Bob Swenson Field is bordered North, East and South by PROTECTED HABITAT. We are to operate our aircraft inside these boundaries. However, in the unlikely event that your aircraft lands outside these boundaries, it is in PROTECTED HABITAT and there is clear and simple procedure from OC Parks for recovery.

Procedure

Before crossing the fence into PROTECTED HABITAT, call OC Parks at this number: 714-973-6696

It is a voice mail box. Leave a message identifying yourself and in general, where you are going to retrieve your aircraft. This voicemail is immediately forwarded to OC Parks and Open Space Rangers so whoever is on duty will be aware.

Specifically

OCMA members are to call OC Parks and leave a message in the rare event that a plane goes down outside of the Swenson field area. If it is something near the field border fence that can easily be retrieved, it is ok to do so after leaving a message.

If it is well beyond the fence or not far but in a remote or rugged area that will require trampling through (for example) 50 yards of brush or climbing trees, please leave a message and Rangers will coordinate with the member ASAP to provide access for retrieval in a way that minimizes impacts to the protected habitat.

It is MANDATORY any OCMA member who needs to access the Open Space areas outside of Swenson Field (either to the south, north, or east) to leave a message on the voicemail line.

Your voicemail will also explain your presence should you show up on any of the Open Space security cameras placed throughout the area.

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