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PALM SPRINGS AERIAL TRAMWAY SET TO REOPEN APRIL 1 **Popular Attraction Closed for 46 Days After February Flood**

PALM SPRINGS, CA (March 25, 2019) The Palm Springs Aerial Tramway is scheduled to reopen Monday, April 1 after completing repairs from damages sustained in the February 14 flood.

In addition to a section of the road being washed-out over a drainage culvert, a second section of road was also replaced due to subsidence from rain run-off. Additional repairs included restoration of power to Mountain Station, minor repairs to the Mountain Station roof, repair of the Valley Station fire suppression system, repair of the Valley Station freshwater system, repair of the Valley Station wastewater system, minor damage to the Valley Station façade, and removal of rocks and debris from streams, parking lots and roadways.

While the Tramway was on track for record attendance in fiscal year 2018-19, it is estimated that nearly 100,000 visitors were displaced due to the 46-day closure (based upon the prior year's attendance numbers). The Tram also estimates that the incident resulted in almost \$4 million in repair costs and lost ticket revenues.

According to **Tramway General Manager Nancy Nichols**, "We truly look forward to welcoming back Tram visitors beginning April 1st. Also, I wish to extend a sincere thank you to the entire Tramway staff for their efforts during our closure. And I'd like to offer a special thanks to our maintenance department for their tireless repair efforts and to our security department for their gracious greeting at our entry gate of disappointed patrons."

About Palm Springs Aerial Tramway

The Palm Springs Aerial Tramway is the world's largest rotating tram car. Opened in 1963, the Tram's 80-passenger cars travel along the breathtaking cliffs of Chino Canyon from the Valley Station (elevation 2,643 ft.) to the Mountain Station (elevation 8,516 ft.) in approximately 10 minutes. For more information, please call 888.515.TRAM or 760.325.1391, or visit us at www.pstramway.com.

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