

THE PRESERVE GOLF CLUB NAMES KYLE BUTLER GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

Carmel, Calif. (Jan. 10, 2018) – The Preserve Golf Club at Santa Lucia Preserve has elevated Kyle Butler to the lead position of golf course superintendent at the award-winning Tom Fazio golf course, ranked among "America's 100 Greatest Golf Courses" by *Golf Digest* magazine.

Serving as assistant superintendent since December 2016, Butler now will oversee all maintenance of the golf property that winds through the majestic Santa Lucia mountain range close to Carmel-by-the-Sea. He also will assume a leadership role in The Preserve's ongoing turfgrass conversion and water retention projects that together will eventually result in a water savings of 30 percent annually.



"Kyle Butler has been an important member of our staff the past year, showing the ability to conquer a variety of unique tasks throughout the golf course," said Karen Baxter, Chief Executive Officer of the Santa Lucia Preserve. "His strength in team development, as well as in maintaining the exceptional standard of course conditions at The Preserve, make him a natural for this assignment."

Butler came to The Preserve from nearby Carmel Valley Ranch, where he was assistant golf course superintendent for five years. Prior to that, Butler began his career on the staff at Pebble Beach Company, as assistant superintendent for The Links at Spanish Bay, from 2006 to 2011.

Born and raised in Fort Collins, Colo., Butler is a 2006 graduate of Colorado State University, where he majored in Landscape Management, earning a degree in Landscape Horticulture/Turf Management.

"I am excited for this opportunity," Butler said of his first position as a head superintendent. "I have always thought The Preserve was amazing. I appreciate being selected and look forward to enhancing the golf experience at The Preserve."

The Preserve Golf Club is regarded as a perfect blend of golf and nature, carefully crafted into an expansive wilderness setting. The golf course is the centerpiece of a private community of only 300 home sites situated on 20,000 acres. Residents are devoted to the founders' mission of habitat conservation, establishing the only community in America with a perpetually endowed nature conservancy.

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