

River-side Gateway Park Project Suite Update

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department

Park and Recreation Commission June 21, 2021

BACKGROUND

- 1. 2003 and 2009 Santa Ana River Task Force recommends improvements to parks and open spaces along the Santa Ana River;
- 2. 2014, the Santa Ana River Conservancy was formed;
- 3. 2019 Submission of California Coastal Conservancy Grant for \$2,358,000;
- 4. 2019 2020 Grant received, and agreement executed; and,
- 5. 2021 Contract awarded to conduct community outreach, prepare master plans, and conduct California Environmental Quality Act project reviews for 9 park and recreation sites along the river, and to acquire a 4-acre parcel.

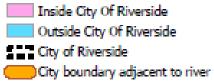


RIVER-SIDE GATEWAY PROJECT SUITE





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 Area of Santa Ana River inside City boundary excluding developed City parks: 855 acres (includes 138-acre old landfill area)

Area of Santa Ana River outside City boundary: 2,099 acres

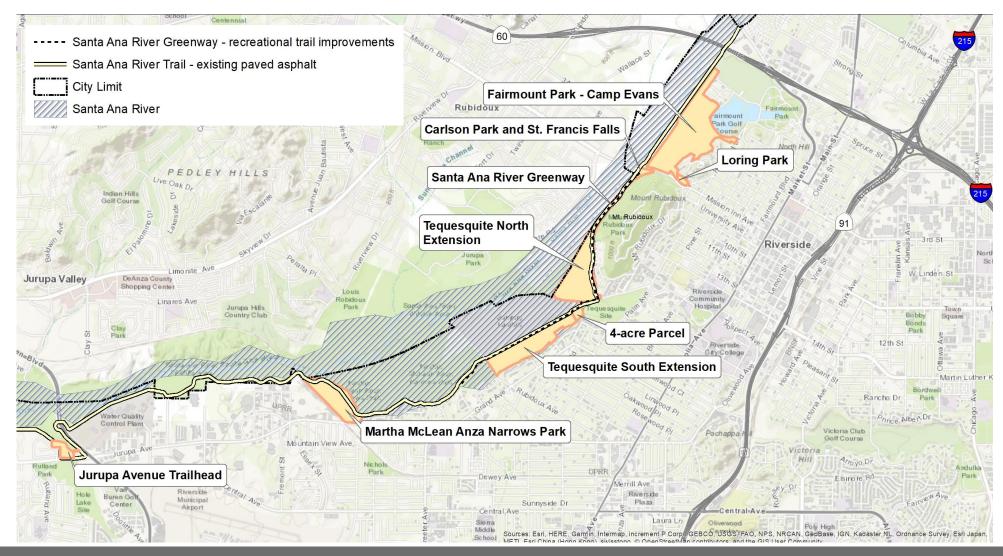
Linear feet of City of Riverside boundary from Wilson St to Crestview Dr/Etiwanda: 12 miles





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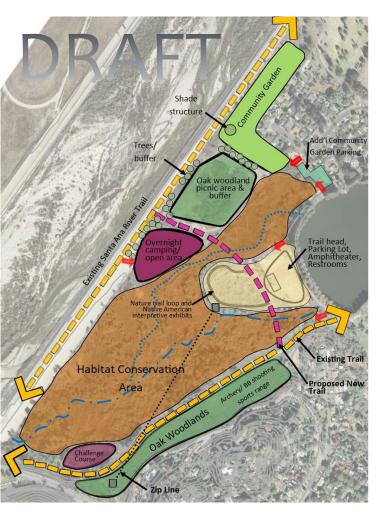




FAIRMOUNT PARK - CAMP EVANS MASTER PLAN







Potential Opportunities:

- 1. Habitat conservation area
- 2. Oak woodlands
- 3. Trailhead parking lot
- 4. Small amphitheater
- 5. Restrooms
- 6. Nature/cultural interpretive trail
- 7. Challenge course
- 8. Zip line
- 9. Camping area
- 10. Picnic area
- 11. Community garden
- 12. Archery/BB shooting sports range
- 13. Improved Fire Dept. access



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LORING PARK - MASTER PLAN



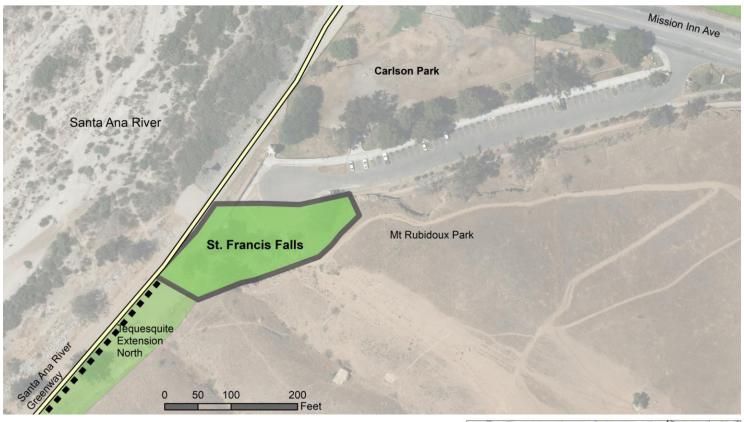


Potential Opportunities:

- 1. Walking trails
- 2. Stairs connect to Camp Evans and SART
- 3. Vista point
- 4. Landscape and irrigation
- 5. Parkour/exercise stations
- 6. Public art



CARLSON PARK – ST. FRANCIS FALLS RESTORATION



Santa Ana River Trail

Santa Ana River Greenway



Potential Opportunities:

- 1. Public art competition to receive proposals to renovate historic water feature to use lights or other artistic method to simulate running water
- 2. Re-install the historic neon sign
- 3. Trailhead amenities



SANTA ANA RIVER GREENWAY – RECREATIONAL TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS





Potential Opportunities:

- Add decomposed granite trail parallel to existing paved asphalt trail to separate slower pedestrian traffic
- 2. Trees, landscaping, irrigation
- 3. Lighting
- 4. Signage
- 5. Emergency phones
- 6. Drinking fountains
- 7. Seating/rest areas

Santa Ana River Greenway Recreational Trail Improvements

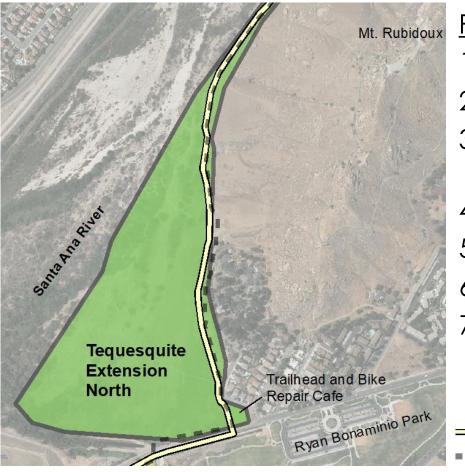
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TEQUESQUITE NORTH EXTENSION - MASTER PLAN AND TRAILHEAD IMPROVEMENTS





Potential Opportunities:

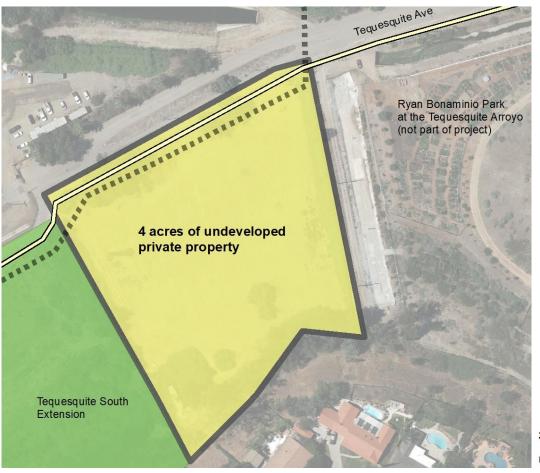
- 1. Habitat
- 2. Native plant interpretive garden
- 3. SART trailhead with signage, rest area, drinking fountain
- 4. Bike repair café
- 5. Educational/interpretive trails
- 6. Lighting
- 7. Vehicle access control to block unauthorized access to river bottom
 - Santa Ana River Trail
- 🛯 🗖 Santa Ana River Greenway



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PRIVATE PROPERTY PURCHASE – 4 ACRES





Potential Opportunities:

- 1. Acquisition
- 2. Dog park
- 3. Skate park
- 4. Community garden expansion, agriculture

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TEQUESQUITE SOUTH EXTENSION - MASTER PLAN



Potential Opportunities:

- 1. Habitat
- 2. Agriculture, small farm incubator
- 3. Educational/interpretive trails
- 4. Oak woodlands
- 5. Nature playground
- 6. Dog park depending on community input
- 7. Horse stables with rentals and classes
- 8. Skate park



MARTHA MCLEAN ANZA NARROWS PARK -RIVERSIDE GATEWAY MASTER PLAN





[💳] Santa Ana River Trail

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Potential Opportunities:

- 1. River Gateway improvements
- 2. Circulation & vehicular control throughout park
- 3. Remove and relocate existing restroom
- 4. Santa Ana River Trail monument sign on Jurupa Ave
- 5. Landscape and irrigation refurbishment throughout park, California native plants
- 6. Recreational decomposed granite trail along park edge adjacent to existing paved Santa Ana River Trail

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MARTHA MCLEAN ANZA NARROWS PARK -RIVER GATEWAY AREA PRELIMINARY CONCEPT





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JURUPA AVENUE TRAILHEAD



Santa Ana River Trail

Potential Opportunities:

- 1. Drinking water
- 2. Shady resting areas
- 3. Parking for cars and trailers
- 4. Equestrian facilities (water, hitching, etc.)
- 5. Bike lockers/racks (to encourage active transportation)
- 6. Bicycle repair station



CONSULTANT SCOPE OF WORK

- 1. Community Outreach
- 2. Site Inventory and Analysis
- 3. Conceptual Designs and Master Plans
- 4. California Environmental Quality Act reviews and documents



NEXT STEPS

Seek grant funding for:

- 1. Preparation of detailed design and construction documents, and
- 2. Construction



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POTENTIAL GRANTS

- 1. California Coastal Conservancy Prop 68;
- 2. California State Parks
 - a. Statewide Park Program
 - b. Land and Water Conservation Fund
 - c. Recreational Trails
 - d. Habitat Conservation Fund
- 3. California Natural Resources Agency
 - a. Urban Greening
 - b. Urban Flood Protection



RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Park and Recreation Commission provide feedback and receive report for file.



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