

# HIKES IN THE PUENTE CHINO HILLS

## WILDLIFE CORRIDOR

(UPDATED SEPT 16, 2019)

Join us on these hikes and become familiar with everything our hills have to offer. The Puente-Chino Hills Task force (PCHTF), a group within the Sierra Club, organizes the hikes. The PCHTF is working towards the preservation of the Wildlife Corridor as an island of beauty and biological significance in a sea of urbanization. The hikes should appeal to people who want to stay in shape, are eager to enjoy the outdoors, and want to know more about their hills and wildlife.

HIKE SUMMARY 2019-2020		DATE
1	Rim Crest (CHSP)	Oct 19
2	Fence Line Trail (CHSP)	Nov 23
3	Upper Aliso Canyon/Faultline Trail (CHSP)	Dec 14
4	La Vida Trail (CHSP)	Jan 25
5	Lower Aliso, CHSP	Feb 22
6	Telegraph Canyon (CHSP)	Mar 21
7	Skyline Trail, Buddhist Temple (Hacienda Heights) <b>10 am</b>	Apr 4
8	Powder Canyon (Rowland Heights)	May 16

### DETAILED HIKE DESCRIPTIONS

Hike 1

**Oct 19 Sat**

**O: Rimcrest (Yorba Linda), Chino Hills State Park**

Join us on a hike as we travel along a ridgeline and shaded valley in Chino Hills State Park. This is a 6.5 mile 1,000' gain hike. Meet 9 am at Rim Crest Dr. in Yorba Linda (park on NE side, note parking warnings). Bring water, a snack, and sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels. Leaders: Jim McCullough, Fred Reed, 714 442-1521

(GPS: 33°54'31"N, 117°46'49"W) (33.909 N, 117.780 W)

Hike 2

**Nov 23 Sat**

**O: Fence Line Trail hike, Chino Hills State Park**

We'll start at the CHSP headquarters at the Rolling M Ranch barn, and for 5.5 miles and 1500 feet vertical; hike the hills and valleys to the east with some great views both of the park and east into Corona. Meet 9 am. Ridesharing encouraged, \$5 fee for parking. Bring water, snack, and sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels. Leaders: Fred Reed, 714 325-2710, Eric Johnson (GPS: 33°55'25"N, 117°42'22"W) (33.923, 117.706)

*Note: The park is located 10 miles northwest of Corona. Take the 91-Freeway to Highway 71-North, turn left at Soquel Canyon. Proceed to Elinvar and turn left. Elinvar merges into Sapphire to the left, the park entrance is located on the right at 4721 Sapphire Road. The Barn is a 3 mile drive into the park.*

Hike 3

**Dec 14 Sat**

**O: Upper Aliso Canyon/Faultline, Chino Hills State Park**

Starting at the CHSP headquarters at the Rolling M Ranch barn, we'll hike the hills to the northwest with some great views of the park. 4.5 miles and 1000 ft vertical. Meet 9 am. Ridesharing encouraged, \$5 fee for parking. Bring water, snack, and sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels. Leaders: Fred Reed, 714 325-2710, Eric Johnson

(GPS: 33°55'25"N, 117°42'22"W) (33.923, -117.706)

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Hike 4

**Jan 25 Sat**

**O: La Vida Trail: (Brea), Chino Hills State Park**

Hike a remote and relatively unknown loop through the back hills of Brea in the Chino Hills State Park. A 4 mile loop, 1,300 foot gain, along a trail crossing Sonome Creek. Meet 9 am in Olinda Village at 200 Verbena Ln (and Olinda Dr, not Place); off Carbon Canyon Rd) Bring water, a snack, and sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels. Leaders: Eric Johnson and Fred Reed , 714 325-2710 (GPS: 33°55'49"N, 117°48'13"W) (33.930 N, 117.804 W)

Hike 5

**Feb 22 Sat**

**O: Lower Aliso Creek Trail, Chino Hills State Park**

Enjoy a hike along a ridge and through this gentle sloping valley. This is a 6.3 mile, 1100 ft gain hike. Meet 9 am at the park headquarters at the Rolling M Ranch Barn. Ridesharing encouraged, \$5 fee for parking. Bring water, snack, and sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels. Leaders: Jim McCullough, Fred Reed, 714 325-2710

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Hike 6

**Mar 21 Sat**

**O: Telegraph Canyon (Discovery Center, Brea), Chino Hills State Park**

Hike along Telegraph Canyon and South Ridge in the Chino Hills State Park for 7 miles and 700 foot gain. Meet at the Discovery Center (\$5 parking) at 9:00 AM. Bring water, a snack, and sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels. Leaders: Jim McCullough and Eric Johnson, 714 442-1521

(GPS: 33°55'13" N 117°49'37"W) (33.920 N, 117.827 W)

Hike 7

**Apr 4 Sat**

**O: Skyline trail/Buddhist Temple, (Hacienda Heights)**

A leisurely hike along the ridge between La Habra Heights and Hacienda Heights, with lunch at the turnaround point of the Buddhist Temple on Hacienda Blvd. 1,100 foot gain over 3½ miles through walkways under Colima and Hacienda Blvds. **Meet 10:00 AM.** Park on S. Holmes Circle between S. Hermitage Dr and E. Cargreen Ave. Vegetarian lunch (\$7) with time to look around the largest Buddhist temple in the Western Hemisphere. Bring water, and sturdy shoes. No tank tops or shorts allowed in the inner temple. Leaders: Fred Reed, Eric Johnson 714 325-2710  
(GPS: 33°58'45"N, 117°59'17"W) (33.979 N, 117.988 W)

Hike 8

**May 16 Sat**

**O: Powder Canyon: (Rowland Heights)**

Enjoy a 5 mi, 1,100 foot gain hike and info about the Powder Canyon Significant Ecological Area. Meet 9 am Powder Canyon entrance (equestrian ring) along Old Fullerton Rd , 400 yards W of Harbor Blvd (near Pathfinder) in Rowland Heights. Bring water, a snack, and sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels. Leaders: Jim McCullough and Eric Johnson, 714 442-1521  
*Note: people new to this hike should be careful to find the right parking lot. This is the Old Fullerton Rd/Harbor Blvd intersection in Rowland Heights, not the more southern Fullerton Rd/Harbor Blvd intersection in La Habra Heights.*  
(GPS: 33°57'51"N, 117°55'18"W) (33.964 N, 117.922 W)

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

- The "O" in front of each hike is a Sierra Club designation that means that it is a trail hike not requiring use of map and compass.
- The GPS coordinates are listed for each trailhead.
- For all hikes, please bring good walking shoes (lug soles recommended), water, a snack, and sunscreen and/or a hat.
- CHSP = Chino Hills State Park

For more information regarding these hikes, please contact the leaders:  
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For more information about the wildlife corridor that extends from Whittier to the Anaheim Hills, go to:

<http://Savethewildlifecorridor.org>  
[Hillsforeveryone.com](http://Hillsforeveryone.com)  
[Habitatauthority.org](http://Habitatauthority.org)  
[Savethemissingmiddle.org](http://Savethemissingmiddle.org)  
[Chinohillsstatepark.org](http://Chinohillsstatepark.org)

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There is a pleasure in the pathless woods,  
There is a rapture on the lonely shore,  
There is society, where none intrudes,  
By the deep sea, and music in its roar:  
I love not man the less, but Nature more.      Lord Byron