



Holly Oaks Park & Trail

ACCESS: From Hwy 67 (Main St. in Ramona), southeast on Dye Rd. to the Holly Oaks Staging Area on the right (south) side of Dye Rd. where it intersects with Southern Oak Rd.

The Holly Oaks Staging Area was developed solely by the volunteers of RTA and other members of the community, with notable thanks to the time and equipment donations of Gidget Renning for her water truck, Art Tobiason for tractor grading, Bob Minton for auger digging fence post holes, Art Thompson for water supply and Ralph Turner for making a donation toward grading. In addition, a huge picnic table, shade awning and informational kiosk have been built and installed there for public use. The table was an RTA-sponsored Eagle Scout project by Scout Brian Myrick of Troop 768 and the kiosk by Scout Frank Boruff of Troop 679. A shade awning for the table is another project in the works. The Staging Area contains an arena which is available for individual use on first-come, first-served basis as well as for special events by other community organizations, with prior written permission from RTA who leaseholds this section of the Holly Oaks Park from San Diego County Parks & Recreation. The arena, as well as the Staging Area perimeter fencing, was funded through a grant from Supervisor Dianne Jacob and installed by RTA volunteers.

LENGTH AND ELEVATION: 2 miles one way; 1430' to 1480'.

DESCRIPTION: Leaving the Staging Area, the Holly Oaks trail system of Pathways begins along Southern Oak Road. A short spur on Mesa Oak Court allows residents of that street access to the main trail.

Continuing along Southern Oak, the trail forks to the right at Oak Shade. Here, the trail user may venture into the Open Space Preserve which is, as of February 2004 and thanks to years of determined effort by Planning Group member Patrick Uriel and Holly Oaks resident George Eastwood, now open to the public.

The other fork to the left continues on along Southern Oak, to a point where development has temporarily stopped. When Southern Oak is completed, the trail will continue to its end. RTA hopes that one day the trails of Holly Oaks will link together with Barnett Ranch Open Space Preserve to the east as well as to Dos Picos Park and Iron Mountain Open Space Preserve to the west.

RECOMMENDED USES: This Pathway and Trail are suitable for all categories of non-motorized recreational and transportation uses.

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