

# APPENDIX A REGIONAL STUDY AREA PROFILES

This project was previously called the Regional and Rural Edition (RRE) to emphasize its focus on regional and rural recreation needs and priorities. This project name was used during the data collection, and community engagement and outreach phases which occurred primarily in 2021. As this report was being completed in 2022, DPR decided to rename the project the Parks Needs Assessment Plus (PNA+) to clarify and better communicate that this project complements and offers new information not previously included in the 2016 Parks Needs Assessment (PNA), such as mapping and analyses related to population vulnerability, environmental benefits, environmental burdens, and priority areas for environmental conservation, environmental restoration, regional recreation, and rural recreation. (Please note that there remains some text and graphic references to the RRE in this document because that was the project name when some components of this study were completed.)



# **EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY** REGIONAL STUDY AREA PROFILE

# **STUDY AREA ID #8**

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- » Regional Site Inventory
- » Environmental Benefits
- » Environmental Burdens
- » Regional Recreation Parks
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- » Nature-Based Recreation Areas

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- » Regional Site Visitorship
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- » Regional Recreation Priorities
- » Environmental Conservation and Restoration Priorities

# Note

This profile is not intended to stand alone. For definitions of key terms and a full description of the analysis summarized within please refer to Chapters 3 and 4 of the main report as well as Appendix C: Technical Resources.







# **STUDY AREA DESCRIPTION**

# **LOCATION**

The East San Gabriel Valley Study Area contains the easternmost areas of Los Angeles County, and is located south of the Angeles National Forest, north of the Orange County border, and east of Interstate-605. The study area's eastern border is the San Bernardino County line. The study area includes the cities of Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Covina, Diamond Bar, Glendora, Industry, La Puente, La Verne, Pomona, San Dimas, Walnut, and West Covina. Unincorporated areas located within the study area include Avocado Heights, Charter Oak, East Azusa, Glendora (islands), East Irwindale, Hacienda Heights, Northeast La Verne, Rowland Heights, Valinda, South Diamond Bar, South San Jose Hills, Walnut (islands), West and Northeast San Dimas, Covina (islands), West and North Claremont, and West Puente Valley.

# **GEOGRAPHY**

The study area's geography is characterized by valleys and rolling, dry hills. The San Gabriel River runs along the Interstate-605 and the western boundary of the study area. The Puente Hills form the southern border for the study area and include natural areas that offer recreational opportunities for the region. The northern portion of the study area is characterized by the steep upgrade and urbanwildland interface with the Angeles National Forest and San Gabriel Mountains.

# **STUDY AREA ISSUES**

The primary constraints in the study area are a growing shortage of large blocks of developable land and worsening traffic congestion. Many of the traditional suburbs within the study area are maturing and facing infrastructure capacity issues and limited mobility options. Specifically, solid waste and sewerage disposal are concerns. In addition, portions of the cities of Diamond Bar, Pomona, San Dimas, and Walnut, and the unincorporated areas in the study area are on septic systems, which are subject to failure and potential groundwater contamination if not properly maintained. Transportation improvements will be critical for the long-term economic health of the study area. Traffic on the major east-west freeways, including the Interstate-10, Interstate-210 and State Route-60, is heavily congested during peak hours, with commuters generally traveling west in the morning for work and east in the evening to return home.

The study area also includes environmental and hazard constraints. The Puente Hills, which include portions of Rowland Heights and Hacienda Heights, contain fault traces and wildfire threats. Wildfires and landslides also pose safety hazards in the foothill communities. Flood hazards are a concern in low-lying areas centered around West Covina. In addition, the study area contains the following Significant Ecological Areas (SEAs): San Gabriel Canyon, San Dimas Canyon/San Antonio Wash, East San Gabriel Valley and Puente Hills.

# PARK AND RECREATION RELATED ISSUES

- » Areas in the western portion of the East San Gabriel region, including the cities of Baldwin Park and La Puente and several unincorporated communities, were identified as having High or Very High Park Need in the 2016 Countywide Parks Needs Assessment.
- The study area has a limited number of trails. The San Gabriel Valley Greenway Network has the potential to transform channels, washes, and rivers into an interconnected network of bike paths, trails, and greenspaces in a highly developed area. The plan to implement the network is expected to be finalized by the end of 2022 with a list of priority projects.
- » Lack of access to a personal vehicle has left many communities in the East San Gabriel Valley unable to reach the wealth of nearby public lands in the Angeles National Forest.
- The proposed Puente Hills Regional Park will transform a portion of a former landfill into a long-awaited park with specialized regional recreational amenities and a network of multiuse trails that will serve residents of the San Gabriel Valley and beyond.

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# **ANALYSIS FINDINGS**

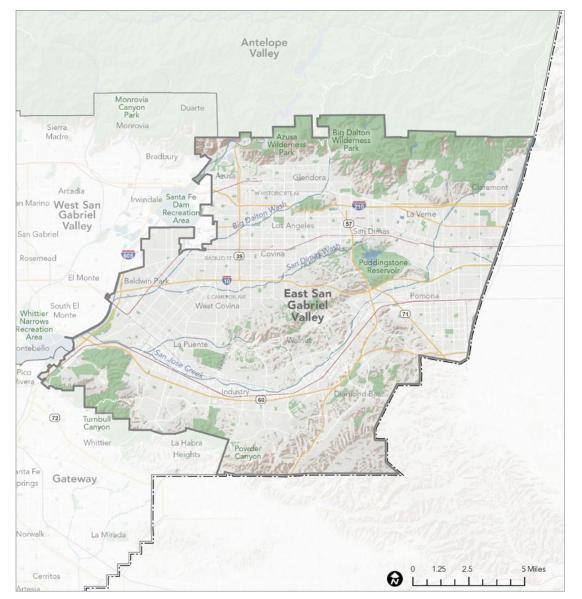
- » The area experiences a moderately high concentration of vulnerable populations, including parts of West Covina and Pomona.
- The regional recreation facilities and trails in the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains are difficult to access without the use of a personal vehicle.
- The area experiences the highest rates of visitorship to various park facilities in the Puente Hills, Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park, and the entries to the Angeles National Forest in Claremont.
- » High Regional Recreation Need is found in pockets across the study area due to their low visitorship rates and disparate vulnerable populations.
- » Several areas located adjacent to existing open space, such as Chino Hills, Puente Hills, and the Angeles National Forest, have been identified as a priority area for conservation.
- » Various areas, including portions of Pomona and south La Verne, have been identified as a priority for restoration due to their relatively poor environmental health.
- » The study area only has 0.19 miles of regional trails per 1,000 residents, which is well below the countywide average of 0.33.

# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** THEMES

- » Heat, distance, lack of transit and safe bike routes, limited information about facilities, safety and accessibility are identified as barriers to park use for residents who live in the study area.
- » Residents say they need more shade, splash pads and access to water, affordable transit, accessible facilities, campsites, trails and trail networks, more multilingual signage and information, and affordable and open access to park programs and facilities.
- » Nearly half of survey respondents (44%) say they are recreating outside more and 81% are looking to do that closer to home because of COVID.



# **EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY REGIONAL STUDY AREA**





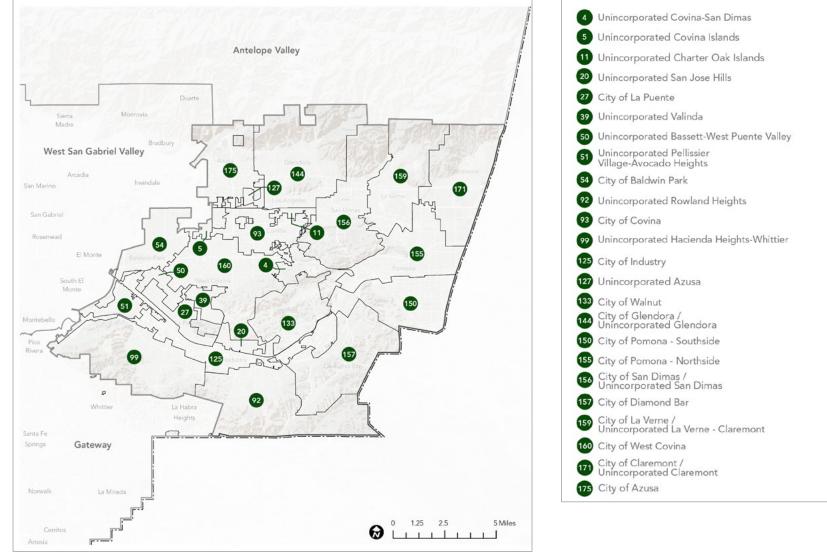
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Note: All Regional Study Profile maps in this chapter include and refer to the sources listed here as basemap layers.



# PNA STUDY AREAS LOCATED WITHIN REGIONAL STUDY AREA

This map shows the relationship of Regional Study Area to the boundaries of the study areas that were analyzed in the 2016 PNA.





# **STUDY AREA DEMOGRAPHICS**

# Population, Race, Ethnicity, Gender, Income, Age, and Education Level

Population					
Total	933,116				
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Race	Percentage				
White	49.7%				
Black or African American	3.5%				
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.58%				
Asian	21.3%				
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.17%				
Some Other Race	21.1%				
Two or More Races	3.6%				
Total	100%				

Ethnicity	Percentage
Hispanic or Latino	53.5%
Not Hispanic or Latino	46.5%
Total	100%
Income	Percentage
Less than \$25,000	16.0%
\$25,000-\$49,999	21.8%
\$50,000-\$74,999	19.0%
\$75,000-\$99,999	14.4%
\$100,000-\$150,000	16.5%
\$150,000+	12.2%
Total	100%

Gender	Percentage		
Male	49.1%		
Female	50.9%		
Total	100%		

Age	Percentage
Under 5 years	5.8%
5 to 9 years	6.2%
10 to 14 years	7.0%
15 to 19 years	8.4%
20 to 29 years	15.6%
30 to 39 years	12.4%
40 to 49 years	13.7%
50 to 59 years	13.1%
60 to 69 years	9.6%
70 to 79 years	4.9%
80+ years	3.3%
Total	100%

Education Level	Percentage
Less than 9th Grade	12.3%
9th-12th grade	9.8%
HS Grad	23.8%
Some college, no degree	20.5%
Associates	7.8%
Bachelors	17.8%
Graduate or professional degree	8.4%
Total	100%

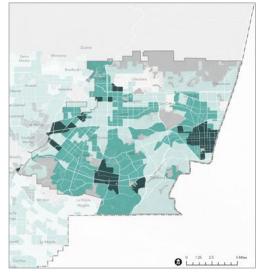
Source: Planning Area Framework, The Los Angeles County General Plan 2035.

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Note: At the time that this report was prepared, 2020 Census results were not available.

# **POPULATION VULNERABILITY DIMENSIONS**

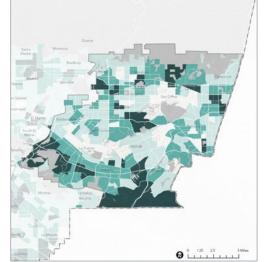
## Social Barriers Dimension



### Indicators:

- » High Poverty Rate
- » High Unemployment Rate
- » Majority-Minority Population
- » High % of Young Children
- » High % of Elderly Residents
- » High % of Non-English-Speaking Residents
- » Low % of Two-Parent Households

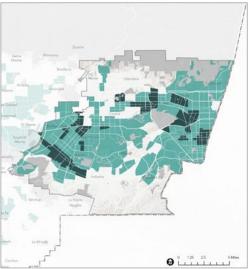
# Transportation Barriers Dimension



Indicators:

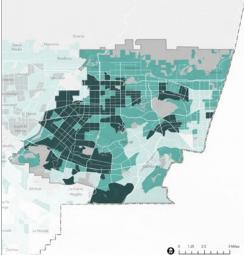
- » Low Automobile Access
- » Low Public Transit Access
- » Low Active Commuting Rate
- » High Traffic Density
- » High Pedestrian Injuries

# Health Vulnerability Dimension



- Indicators:
- » Low Park Access
- » Low Tree Canopy
- » High % Impervious Surface
- » High Number of Excessive Heat Days
- » High Urban Heat Island Index Score





## Indicators:

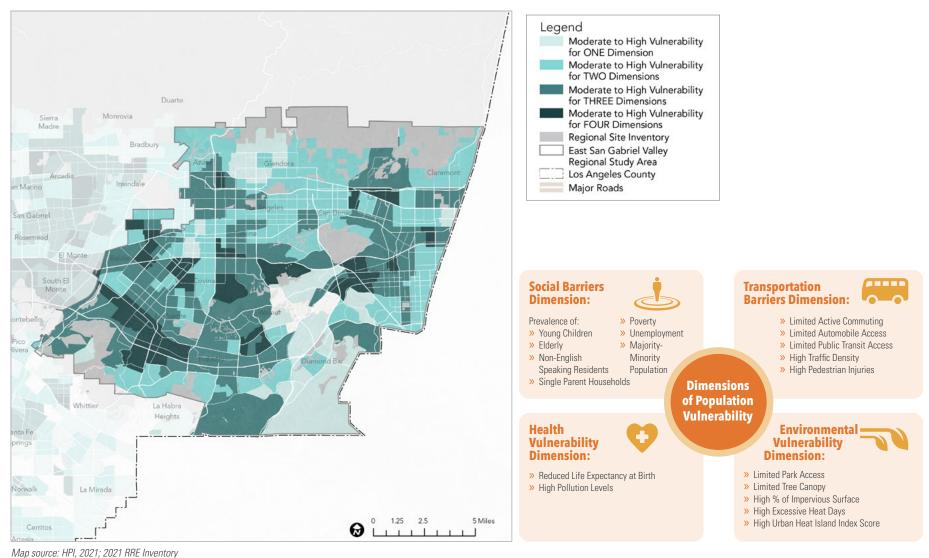
- » Reduced Life Expectancy at Birth
- » High Pollution Levels

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	Low
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	Regional Site Inventory
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	Major Roads

Maps source: HPI, 2021; 2021 RRE Inventory

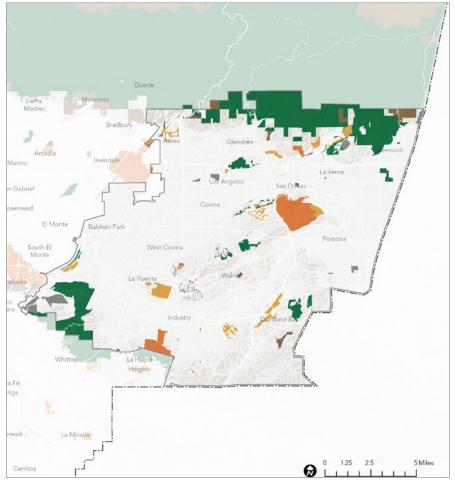
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# **COMPOSITE POPULATION VULNERABILITY**

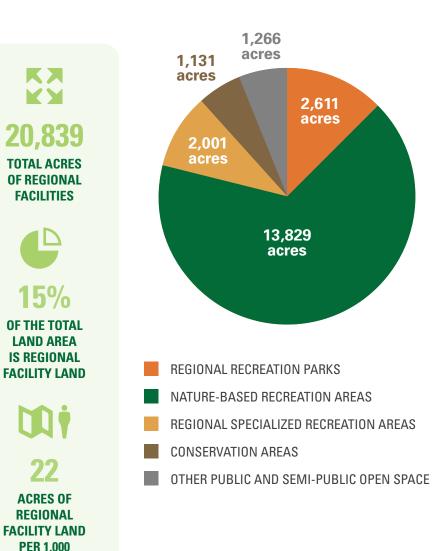




# **REGIONAL SITE INVENTORY**



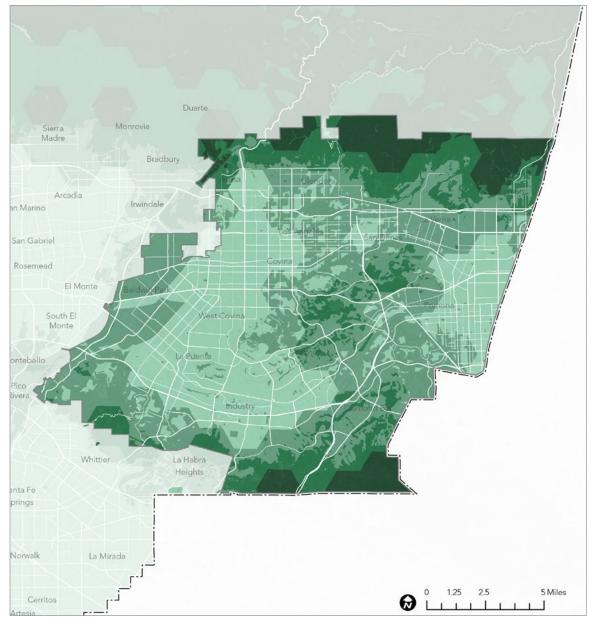
Map source: 2021 RRE Inventory



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**PER 1,000 RESIDENTS** 

# **ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS**



Legend LOWEST HIGHEST East San Gabriel Valley Regional Study Area Los Angeles County Major Roads

# **INDICATORS**

**Species Diversity.** Species diversity data represent a count of the number of different species for amphibians, aquatic macroinvertebrates, birds, fish, mammals, plants, and reptiles.

**Significant Habitat.** Significant habitat values represent terrestrial habitats or vegetation types that are the focus of state, national, or locally legislated conservation laws, as well as key habitat areas that are essential to the survival and reproduction of focal wildlife species.

**Habitat Connectivity.** Habitat connectivity values summarize information on the presence of mapped terrestrial corridors or linkages and juxtaposition to large, contiguous, natural areas.

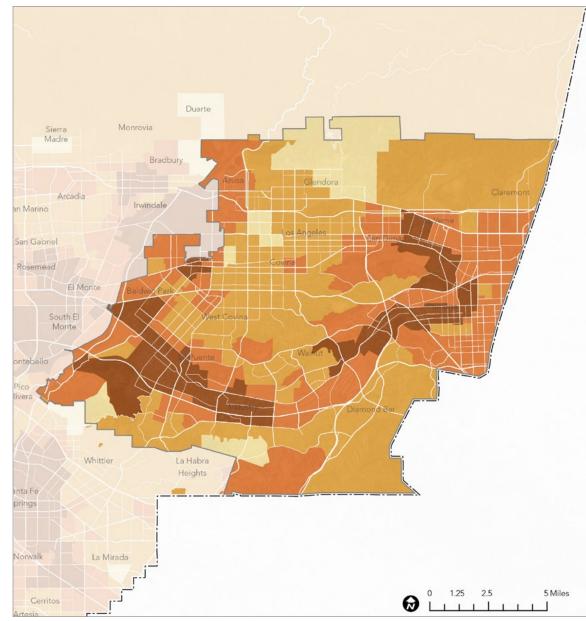
**Proximity to Waterbody.** Proximity to waterbody represents the distance to a water drainage network of the US. Proximity was categorized as less than 0.1 mile (highest benefit), 0.1 to 0.25 mile, 0.25 to 0.5 mile, 0.5 -1.0 mile, or greater than 1.0 mile (lowest benefit).

**Habitat Type.** Habitat types are divided into natural vegetation (high score), agriculture/barren/other (low score), and urban (lowest score).

Map source: CDFW ACE, 2021; USGS, 2021; COEHHA, 2021; CalFire FRAP 2015



# **ENVIRONMENTAL BURDENS**



Map source: CDFW ACE, 2021; USGS, 2021; COEHHA, 2021; CalFire FRAP 2015



# **INDICATORS**

**Groundwater Threat.** Groundwater threats come from many sources, including storage and disposal of hazardous materials on land and in underground storage tanks, dairy farms, concentrated animal-feeding operations, and water ponds generated for oil and gas development also pose threats to groundwater reserves.

**Hazardous Waste.** Hazardous waste facilities and generators pose widespread concerns for both human health and the environment from sites that serve to process or dispose of hazardous waste.

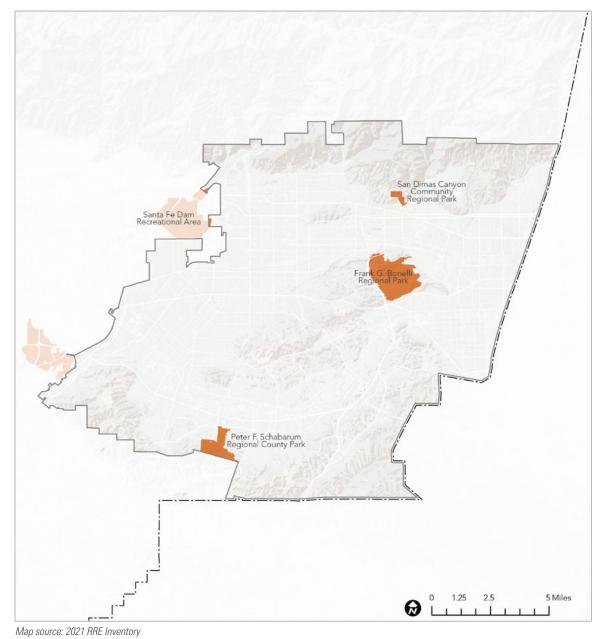
**Drinking Water.** Drinking water contaminants are introduced into drinking water sources in many ways, including natural occurrence, accidental discharge, industrial release, agricultural runoff and certain water disinfection methods.

**PM2.5.** Fine particulate matter (PM) that measures 2.5 microns or less in width represents a major contributor to air pollution and has been shown to cause significant adverse health effects, including heart and lung disease.

**Pollution Burden.** Pollution burden is composite indicator derived from seven exposure indicators (ozone and PM2.5 concentrations, diesel PM emissions, drinking water contaminants, children's lead risk from housing, pesticide use, toxic releases from facilities, and traffic density) and five environmental effects indicators (cleanup sites, impaired water bodies, groundwater threats, hazardous waste facilities and generators, and solid waste sites and facilities).



# **REGIONAL RECREATION PARKS**

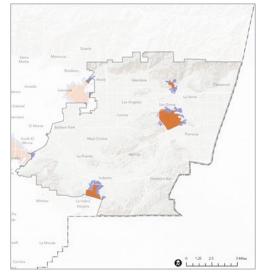




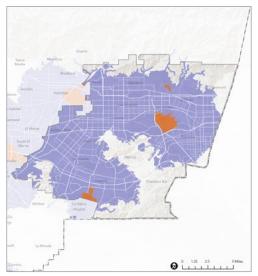
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# **REGIONAL RECREATION PARK ACCESS**

### Walking Distance (0.5 miles from entry)



## Driving Distance (5 miles from entry)



Legend Areas within a 0.5-mile walk of a Regional Recreation Park Entry Regional Recreation Park East San Gabriel Valley Regional Study Area Los Angeles County Major Roads

1% X OF RESIDENTS LIVE WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF A REGIONAL RECREATION PARK

Areas within a 5-mile drive of a

**Regional Recreation Park** 

East San Gabriel Valley

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**OF RESIDENTS LIVE WITHIN** 

**REGIONAL RECREATION PARK** 

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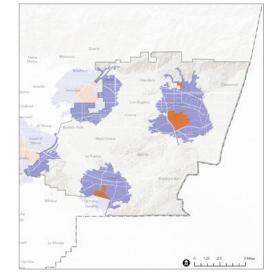
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**Regional Recreation Park Entry** 

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86%

# Cycling Distance (2.5 miles from entry)

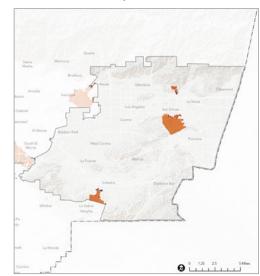


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Areas within a 2.5-mile bicycle ride of a Regional Recreation Park Entry Regional Recreation Park East San Gabriel Valley Regional Study Area Los Angeles County Major Roads

27% 25 OF RESIDENTS LIVE WITHIN CYCLING DISTANCE OF A REGIONAL RECREATION PARK

## Transit Service (entry is within 0.5 miles of transit stop)



### Legend

- Entry Point Served by Public Transit (located within a half mile of a Transit Stop)
- Entry Point Not Served by Public Transit (not located within a half mile of a Transit Stop)
- Regional Recreation Park
- East San Gabriel Valley
- Regional Study Area
- Major Roads

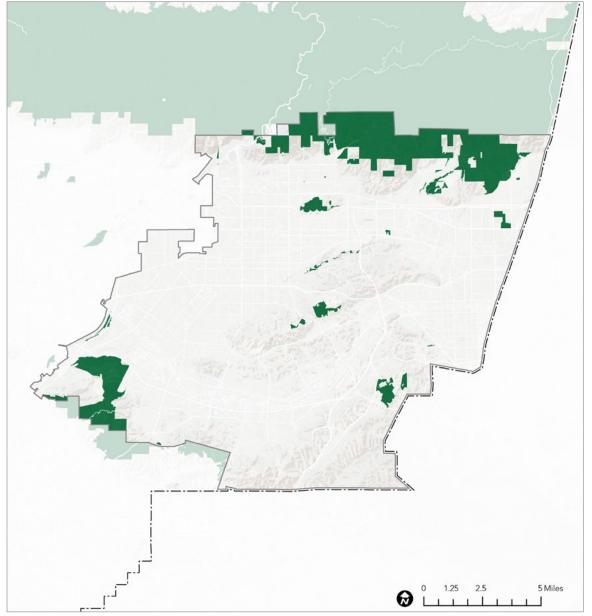
30%

OF REGIONAL RECREATION PARK ENTRANCES ARE LOCATED WITHIN A HALF-MILE WALK OF A PUBLIC TRANSIT STOP

Maps source: ArcGIS StreetMap Premium, 2021; 2021 RRE Inventory

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# **NATURE-BASED RECREATION AREAS**



Legend Nature-Based Recreation Area East San Gabriel Valley Regional Study Area Los Angeles County Major Roads

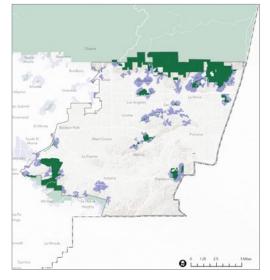
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ACRES OF NATURE-BASED RECREATION AREA LAND PER 1,000 REGIONAL STUDY AREA RESIDENTS

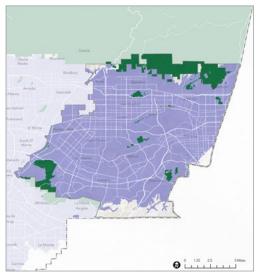
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# **NATURE-BASED RECREATION AREA ACCESS**

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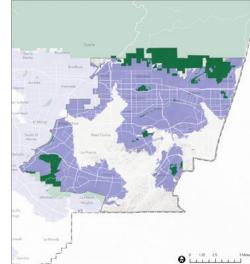
## Driving Distance (5 miles from entry)



### Legend

- Areas within a 0.5-mile walk of a Nature-Based Recreation Area Entry Nature-Based Recreation Area East San Gabriel Valley
- **Regional Study Area** Los Angeles County Major Roads

# **OF STUDY AREA RESIDENTS LIVE** WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF A **NATURE-BASED RECREATION AREA**



Cycling Distance (2.5 miles from entry)

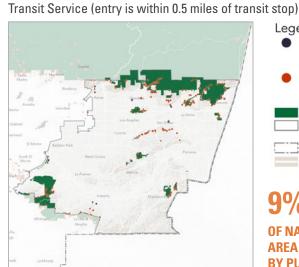
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Major Roads





## Legend

- Entry Point Served by Public Transit (located within a half mile of a Transit Stop)
- Entry Point Not Served by Public Transit (not located within a half mile of a Transit Stop)
- Nature-Based Recreation Area
- East San Gabriel Valley
- Regional Study Area Los Angeles County
- Major Roads



## **OF NATURE-BASED RECREATION AREA ENTRY POINTS AREA SERVED BY PUBLIC TRANSIT**

Maps source: ArcGIS StreetMap Premium, 2021; 2021 RRE Inventory

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# **REGIONAL RECREATION AMENITIES**









# **REGIONAL RECREATION OPPORTUNITY TYPES**

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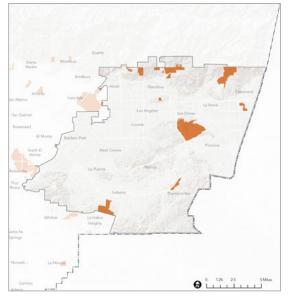
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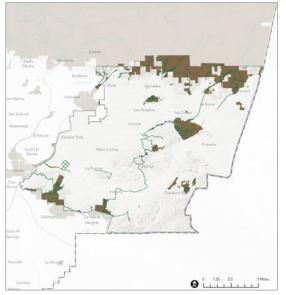
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#### **Gathering Spaces**

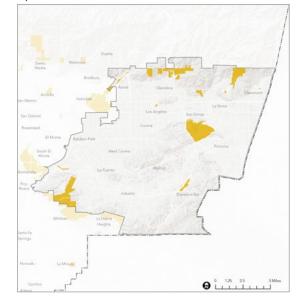


### Trails and Pathways

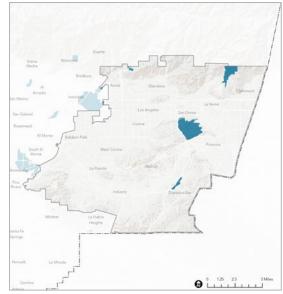




#### Sports Facilities



### Water-Based Recreation





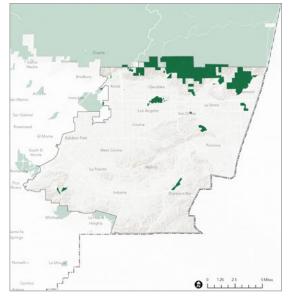
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Maps source: 2021 RRE Inventory

# **REGIONAL RECREATION AMENITY ANALYSIS**

## **Experiential Learning Opportunities**





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- Regional Sites with Experiential Learning Opportunities
- East San Gabriel Valley
- Regional Study Area Los Angeles County
- Major Roads

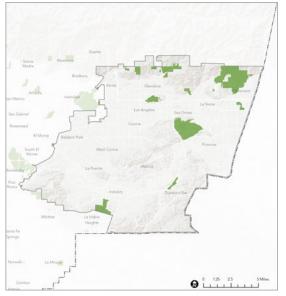
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**Overnight Accommodations** 



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# **Support Facilities**





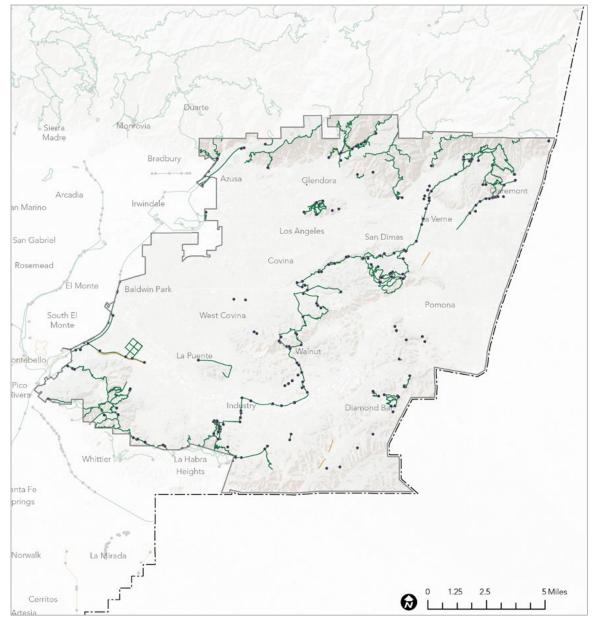
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# **REGIONAL TRAILS**



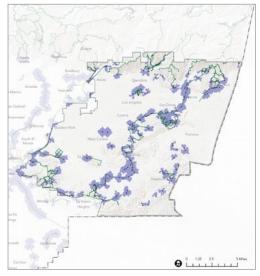


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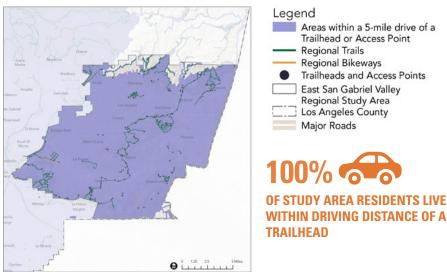


# **REGIONAL TRAIL ACCESS**

Walking Distance (0.5 miles from entry)



## Driving Distance (5 miles from entry)



#### Legend

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- Areas within a 0.5-mile walk of a Trailhead or Access Point **Regional Trails Regional Bikeways**
- Trailheads and Access Points East San Gabriel Valley
- Regional Study Area Los Angeles County

Major Roads **OF STUDY AREA RESIDENTS LIVE** 

WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF A **TRAILHEAD** 

Trailhead or Access Point

Trailheads and Access Points

**Regional Trails** 

**Regional Bikeways** 

East San Gabriel Valley

**OF STUDY AREA RESIDENTS LIVE** 

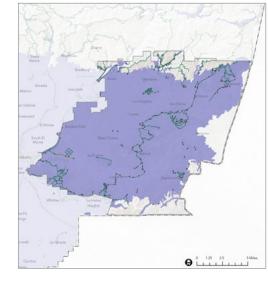
**Regional Study Area** 

Los Angeles County

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100%

### Cycling Distance (2.5 miles from entry)

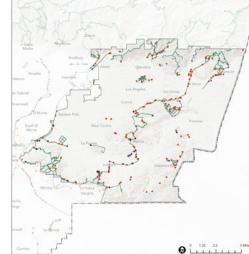


#### Legend

- Areas within a 2.5-mile bicycle ride of a Trailhead or Access Point **Regional Trails**
- **Regional Bikeways**
- Trailheads and Access Points
- East San Gabriel Valley
- **Regional Study Area** Los Angeles County
- Major Roads

**92% OF STUDY AREA RESIDENTS LIVE** WITHIN CYCLING DISTANCE OF A **TRAILHEAD** 

# Transit Service (entry is within 0.5 miles of transit stop) Areas within a 5-mile drive of a



### Legend

- Trailhead or Access Point Served by Public Transit (located within a half mile walk of a Transit Stop)
- Trailhead or Access Point Not Served by Public Transit (not located within a half mile walk of a Transit Stop)
- **Regional Trails**
- **Regional Bikeways**
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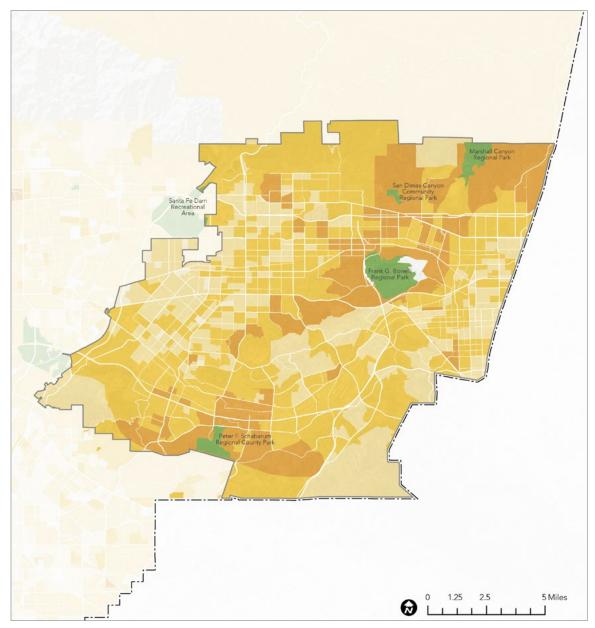


**OF TRAILHEADS ARE SERVED BY PUBLIC TRANSIT** 

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# **REGIONAL SITE VISITORSHIP**





# REGIONAL SITES INCLUDED IN VISITORSHIP ANALYSIS

- » Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park
- » Marshall Canyon Regional Park
- » Peter F. Schabarum Regional County Park
- » San Dimas Canyon Regional Park

Map source: Unacast, 2021; 2021 RRE Inventory

# **VISITORSHIP REPORT 2019 - 2020** Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park

# VITAL STATISTICS



#### DESCRIPTION

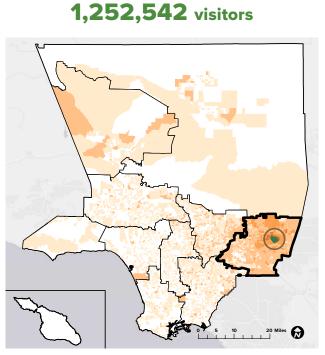
Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park is a 1,800-acre facility with a 250-acre lake and 14 miles of multi-use trails. Located Northwest of Pomona and south of La Verne and San Dimas, visitors can enjoy recreational activities such as boating, jet skiing, camping, fishing, swimming, family and group picnicking, nature walks, hiking, jogging and biking. Concessionaires offering RV camping, hot tubs, wedding venues and horseback riding are also available for use. Yearly events include fishing tournaments, concerts, triathlons, water sports and cultural events.

#### WEBSITE

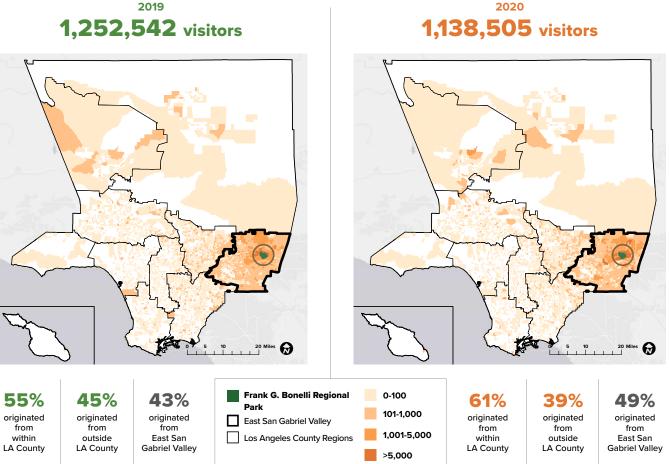
www.parks.lacounty.gov/frank-g-bonelli-regional-park/

#### **KEY PARK** AMENITIES

- Boating Areas Swim Beaches
- Camping Sites
- · Children's Play
- Areas Concession
- Stands
- Equestrian
- Facilities Fishing Lakes
- Group Picnic Areas
- · Hiking Trails
- Mountain Biking
- Trails Outdoor Performance
- Areas Softball Fields



**ANNUAL VISITORSHIP / VISITOR ORIGIN** 



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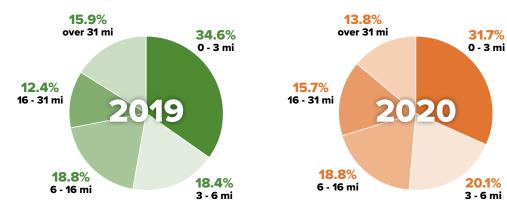
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# VISITORSHIP REPORT 2019 - 2020 Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park



**TRAVEL DISTANCE** 



### DEMOGRAPHICS

#### EDUCATION

	High School Diploma	Some College, No Degree	Associates Degree	Bachelors Degree	Masters Degree & Above
2019	13.0%	22.9%	8.2%	16.0%	7.6%
2020	13.6%	22.6%	8.3%	16.7%	7.8%

#### INCOME

	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 - \$49,999	\$50,000 - \$74,999	\$75,000 - \$99,999	\$100,000 - \$124,999	More than \$125,000
2019	16.9%	12.3%	16.1%	10.2%	13.4%	30.8%
2020	15.4%	12.3%	16.5%	11.0%	13.4%	31.2%

#### GENDER IDENTITY

	Male	Female
2019	52.2%	47.7%
2020	51.8%	48.2%

RACE/ETHNICITY							
Amer-Indian Asian Black Hispanic White 2 or More Other							
2019	0.3%	11.7%	3.6%	45.7%	36.6%	1.7%	0.2%
2020	0.3%	12.3%	4.1%	45.0%	36.2%	1.8%	0.2%

AGE							
18-29 30-39 40.49 50-59 60-69 70-79 8							80+
2019	18.4%	20.6%	20.6%	16.2%	14.9%	5.8%	3.4%
2020	18.8%	19.5%	19.9%	16.8%	15.0%	6.2%	3.8%

# VISITORSHIP REPORT 2019 - 2020 Marshall Canyon Regional Park

# VITAL STATISTICS



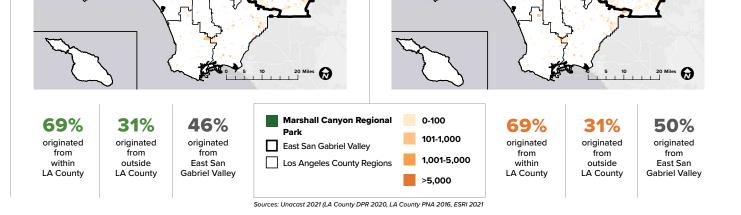
#### KEY PARK AMENITIES • Camping Sites • Hiking Trails • Biking Trails • Equestrian Facilities • Horseshoe Pits

Group Picnic
 Areas

#### DESCRIPTION

WEBSITE

Marshall Canyon Regional Park is a 119acre facility nestled in the foothills of La Verne. This facility offers recreational camping, gatherings, and hiking, with horseshoe pits, built-in barbeques, a sand volleyball court, a full-size stage, dance floor and circle fire pit. It also houses a tree nursery and The Fred M. Palmer Equestrian Center, which offers a full-size training arena, water troughs and individual horse corrals. The facility also offers trails for bird watching and mountain biking.



### **ANNUAL VISITORSHIP / VISITOR ORIGIN**

2019

98,648 visitors

www.parks.lacounty.gov/marshall-canyon-regional-park/

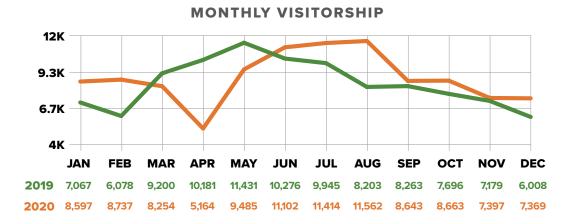
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2020

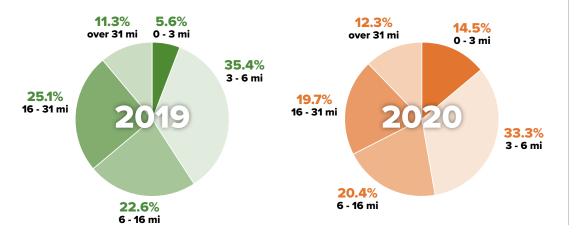
103,350 visitors

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# VISITORSHIP REPORT 2019 - 2020 Marshall Canyon Regional Park



**TRAVEL DISTANCE** 



### DEMOGRAPHICS

#### EDUCATION

	High School Diploma	Some College, No Degree	Associates Degree	Bachelors Degree	Masters Degree & Above
2019	15.3%	21.0%	7.0%	17.7%	7.7%
2020	14.8%	20.6%	8.3%	19.4%	8.5%

#### INCOME

	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 - \$49,999	\$50,000 - \$74,999	\$75,000 - \$99,999	\$100,000 - \$124,999	More than \$125,000
2019	16.2%	13.2%	19.5%	13.4%	11.2%	26.5%
2020	14.5%	12.3%	18.4%	13.0%	12.6%	28.9%

#### GENDER IDENTITY

	Male	Female
2019	48.2%	51.8%
2020	47.7%	52.3%

#### **RACE/ETHNICITY** Amer-Indian Asian Black Hispanic White 2 or More Other 2019 0.3% 17.6% 37.4% 37.1% 2.3% 0.3% 4.8% 2020 0.3% 16.0% 6.0% 37.2% 37.9% 2.1% 0.2% AGE

	18-29	30-39	40.49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80+		
2019	23.3%	15.6%	17.3%	17.4%	12.9%	8.2%	5.2%		
2020	21.1%	15.2%	17.5%	18.4%	13.9%	8.5%	5.5%		

# VISITORSHIP REPORT 2019 - 2020 Peter F. Schabarum Regional County Park

83%

originated

from

within

LA County

17%

originated

from

outside

LA County

68%

originated

from

East San

Gabriel Valley

# VITAL STATISTICS

KEY PARK

Outdoor Performance Areas
Camping Sites
Children's Play

Areas

Equestrian Facilities
Fitness Zones
Group Picnic Areas
Hiking Trails

Biking TrailsSoccer Fields

Tennis Courts



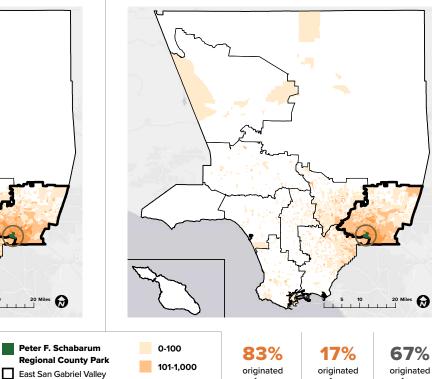
#### DESCRIPTION

Peter F. Schabarum Regional Park is a 575-acre park located in Rowland Heights. The park has over 75 acres developed for walking, hiking, picnics, youth camping and sports. Youth tennis lessons are offered year-round and exercise classes are free of charge. Visitors have access to an amphitheater, picnic areas, outdoor kitchens, nature and bird walks, and other areas designated for exercise and fitness. There is a federally protected blue-line stream and many acres of the park have been left in their natural state. Many of the hiking, biking and horseback riding trails connect to the historic Juan Bautista De Anza National Trail

#### WEBSITE

www.parks.lacounty.gov/peter-f-schabarum-regional-county-park/

# ANNUAL VISITORSHIP / VISITOR ORIGIN 389,656 visitors 325,6



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from

within

LA County

from

outside

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#### Sources: Unacast 2021 (LA County DPR 2020, LA County PNA 2016, ESRI 2021

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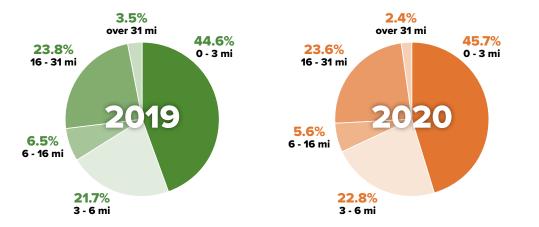
325,631 visitors

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VISITORSHIP REPORT 2019 - 2020 Peter F. Schabarum Regional County Park



## TRAVEL DISTANCE



### DEMOGRAPHICS

#### EDUCATION

	High School Diploma	Some College, No Degree	Associates Degree	Bachelors Degree	Masters Degree & Above
2019	18.3%	17.2%	7.3%	19.9%	6.2%
2020	18.6%	16.4%	7.2%	20.0%	5.9%

#### INCOME

	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 - \$49,999	\$50,000 - \$74,999	\$75,000 - \$99,999	\$100,000 - \$124,999	More than \$125,000
2019	15.7%	14.8%	21.1%	13.4%	10.1%	24.8%
2020	16.6%	16.9%	20.9%	12.9%	9.8%	22.9%

#### GENDER IDENTITY

	Male	Female
2019	48.7%	51.3%
2020	49.0%	51.0%

	RACE/ETHNICITY								
	Amer-Indian Asian Black Hispanic White 2 or More Other								
2019	0.2%	36.0%	2.2%	44.2%	15.6%	1.4%	0.2%		
2020	0.2%	34.9%	2.2%	46.1%	14.8%	1.3%	0.2%		
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	18-29	30-39	40.49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80+
2019	21.0%	15.9%	17.6%	17.0%	14.7%	8.5%	5.3%
2020	21.9%	17.4%	17.3%	16.4%	14.3%	7.8%	4.9%

# VISITORSHIP REPORT 2019 - 2020 San Dimas Canyon Community Regional Park

# VITAL STATISTICS

KEY PARK

Animal Sanctuary and Museum
Camping Sites
Children's Play Areas
Basketball

Courts

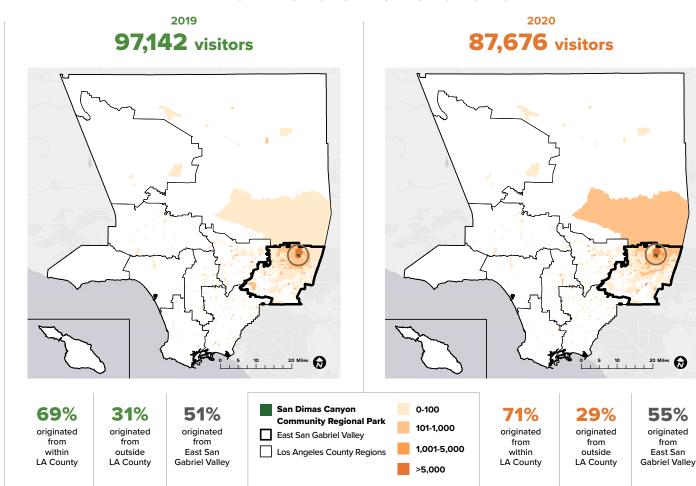
Hiking Trails
Horseshoe Pits

Picnic AreasSoftball Fields



#### DESCRIPTION

The San Dimas Canyon Community Regional Park is located in the foothills of San Dimas. This natural area encompasses a total of 138 acres and offers visitors areas for camping, hiking and sports. There is an animal sanctuary, rehabilitation areas for birds of prey and a museum. Visitors have access to public restrooms, a campground, basketball courts, softball fields, horseshoe pits, picnic tables, and children's play areas.



# ANNUAL VISITORSHIP / VISITOR ORIGIN

Sources: Unacast 2021 (LA County DPR 2020, LA County PNA 2016, ESRI 2021

#### WEBSITE

www.parks.lacounty.gov/san-dimas-canyon-community-regionalpark/ PARKS

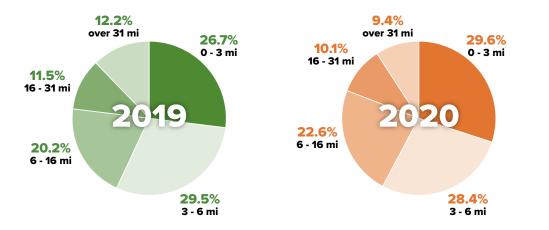
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# VISITORSHIP REPORT 2019 - 2020 San Dimas Canyon Community Regional Park



### **TRAVEL DISTANCE**



### DEMOGRAPHICS

# EDUCATION

	Diploma	No Degree	Degree	Degree	& Above
2019	15.8%	20.0%	7.1%	17.7%	6.8%
2020	15.7%	20.4%	7.5%	18.1%	7.9%

#### INCOME

	Less than \$24,999	\$25,000 - \$49,999	\$50,000 - \$74,999	\$75,000 - \$99,999	\$100,000 - \$124,999	More than \$125,000
2019	17.3%	14.0%	18.5%	13.6%	11.5%	25.0%
2020	16.1%	13.2%	18.9%	13.4%	12.0%	26.4%

#### GENDER IDENTITY

	Male	Female
2019	49.0%	51.0%
2020	49.3%	50.7%

#### **RACE/ETHNICITY** Amer-Indian Asian Black Hispanic White 2 or More Other 2019 0.2% 0.4% 15.6% 33.6% 6.5% 41.7% 1.9% 2020 0.3% 17.5% 6.9% 39.0% 33.4% 2.5% 0.2%

	AGE										
18-29 30-39 40.49 50-59 60-69 70-79 80+											
2019	23.1%	17.1%	16.7%	17.7%	13.8%	7.7%	4.0%				
2020	22.2%	15.5%	17.2%	17.8%	14.4%	8.1%	4.7%				

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# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT THEMES**

# **BARRIERS RESIDENTS EXPERIENCE TO USING REGIONAL PARKS AND FACILITIES**



# HEAT

Heat and related pollution impacts make outdoor recreation activities difficult for many residents during warmer months of the year.



# LACK OF SHADE

Without shade, many parks are unusable during hot months.



# DISTANCE

Many park amenities are not available nearby.



# LACK OF TRANSIT

Public transit to parks is limited and travel times are long. There are not many affordable options to reach amenities further away.



# **LIMITED PARKING**

Not enough parking at trailheads, beaches, and at regional parks like Bonelli.



# LACK OF INFORMATION

Residents do not know where parks are located, what facilities are available, or how to use and get to amenities.



# SAFETY

Concerns about unhoused people in parks and along bike trails, as well as pandemic safety precautions at popular parks and trails.

# **NOT FEELING WELCOME**

Many people of color are concerned about not feeling welcome and safe at parks and facilities.

# LIMITED ADA AND SENIOR ACCESSIBILITY

Facilities are not accessible to disabled and older residents, many of whom do not have access to transportation to get to parks.

# LACK OF CONNECTIVITY

Bike paths along waterways are not always open for use, and there are not enough trail networks or safe biking and pedestrian options.

# NOT ENOUGH MAINTENANCE AT PARKS AND FACILITIES

Park areas and trails need repairs, maintenance and restoration.

# LACK OF OUTDOOR RECREATION AREAS

Including trails, pet-friendly areas, campsites and affordable water-based recreation.

"Lack of parking at Mt. Baldy forces us to look for local hikes elsewhere."

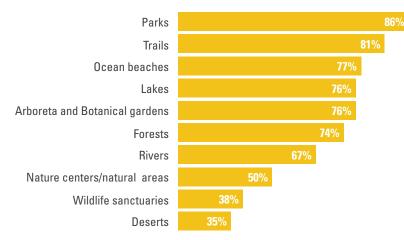
> "Extreme heat has increasingly impacted the local environments and the way people experience nature. Extreme heat can deter residents from traveling to their local parks or green spaces."

"Residents who travel outside of their city to access parks/ outdoor spaces are worried about the long commute time for public transportation, stating sometimes it can take hours to visit nearby recreational or natural areas."



### **•** Residents Regional Parks Use and Activities

# I visit these types of regional parks and facilities the most...

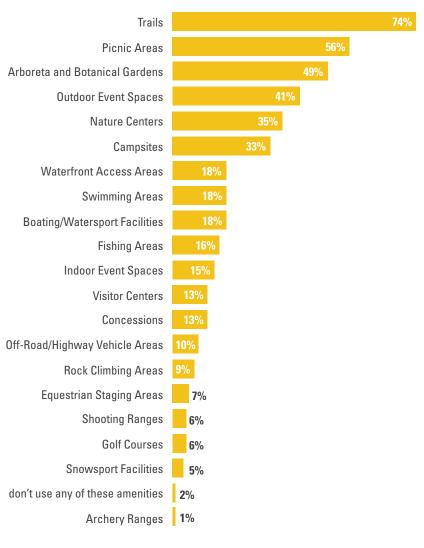


# I can't go outside or to parks because...

				I am too busy with work
<b>41</b> %			l didn't know this was an option	
	<b>38</b> %			l don't have the gear/equipment needed
		23%		lt is too far
		1%	21	l don't feel safe
			18%	l don't have enough time
			17%	Presence of homeless/unhoused individuals
			15%	The gear/equipment needed is too expensive
			13%	It costs too much
			13%	It is too busy/congested
			13%	It takes too long to get there
			10%	I cannot access the outdoors
			7%	I am not interested
			6%	I do not have transportation

I do not have transportation 6%

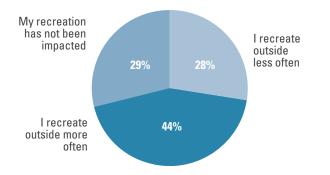
# I use these regional park amenities most often:



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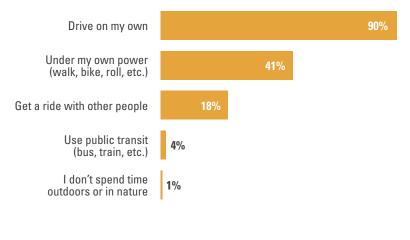
# Covid-19 Impacts on Recreation for Residents in the East San Gabriel Valley Region

# **COVID** has affected how I recreate...

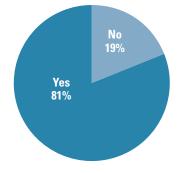


# Travel to Parks

# When I travel to parks, these are all the ways I get there...



# Because of COVID I am looking for recreation opportunities closer to home...



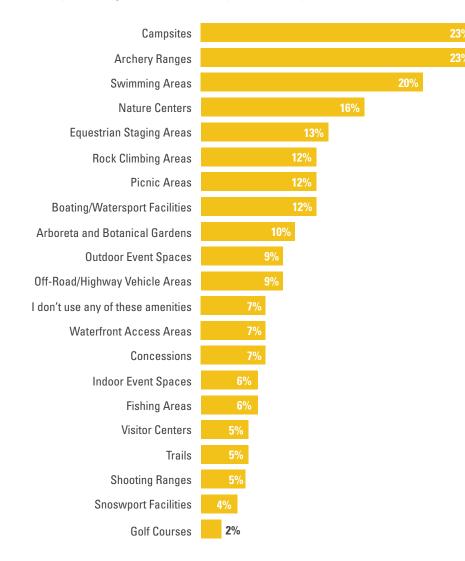
# I'm willing to travel this many minutes to parks and amenities...

Off-Road/Highway Vehicle Areas			More than 60
Golf Courses			More than 60
Campsites			More than 60
Snowsport Facilities			More than 60
Boating/Watersport Facilities			60
Fishing Areas			45
Waterfront Access Areas			45
Shooting Ranges			45
Equestrian Staging Areas		30	
Arboreta and Botanical Gardens		30	
Nature Centers		30	
Visitor Centers		30	
Swimming Areas		30	
Rock Climbing Areas		30	
Archery Areas		30	
Outdoor Event Spaces		30	
Indoor Event Spaces		30	
Trails		30	
Picnic Areas		30	
Concessions	15		



# we all need

# Regional Parks Needs in the East San Gabriel Valley Region The greatest parks needs in my community include...



Quality of Regional Park Amenities in the East San Gabriel Valley Region These amenities received the highest rate of good, fair or poor quality ratings from respondents...

### Good

Archery Ranges	100%
Snowsport Facilities	<b>75</b> %
Arboreta and Botanical Gardens	<b>70</b> %
Trails	<b>62</b> %
Waterfront Access Areas	57%

### Fair

Shooting Ranges	75%
Rock Climbing Areas	57%
Campsites	<b>56%</b>
Equestrian Staging Areas	<b>50%</b>
Outdoor Event Spaces	<b>48</b> %

## Poor

Off-Road/Highway Vehicle Areas	<b>63</b> %
Eqeustrian Staging Areas	<b>50</b> %
Swimming Areas	<b>47</b> %
Nature Centers	31%
Rock Climbing Areas	<b>29</b> %
Waterfront Access Areas	<b>29</b> %

# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT THEMES**

# **COMMUNITY SUGGESTIONS TO INCREASE AND IMPROVE VISITS TO REGIONAL PARKS AND FACILITIES**



# MORE SHADE

More shade structures and trees in gathering and playground spaces and along trails.



# ACCESS TO WATER

Water fountains for users and animals in parks and along trails, more splash pads and water features for cooling off, better access to lakes, rivers and streams in the area.



# **TRANSIT OPTIONS**

Provide free and more frequent transit, including direct bus routes and shuttles, to ski areas, the beach and parks.



# **ENHANCED SAFETY MEASURES**

Provide more lighting and ensure visitors are adhering to social distancing and other protective measures during the pandemic.



# ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS

Expand services to support unhoused people who use parks.



# BETTER ACCESS TO INFORMATION

More and multilingual information about events at regional parks, available amenities and opportunities to provide input.

# **IMPROVED SIGNAGE**

Provide additional wayfinding, interpretive and multilingual signage in parks and along trails and ensure accessibility for users with limited vision.







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# EXPAND NATIVE AMERICAN ACCESS AND EDUCATION

Provide access to ceremonial spaces for gatherings and events and provide spaces for indigenous-led education centers and activities.

# EXPAND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Provide more outdoor spaces for concerts and events and open up park spaces for community use.

# IMPROVED MAINTENANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Clean and maintain restrooms, trails and campsites, and provide more picnic tables and seating.

# **ADDITIONAL STAFF**

Hire more park guides and maintenance staff to take care of trails and park infrastructure.

# **BETTER ACCESS TO PROGRAMS**

Improve and standardize the online reservation system, gather community input to improve the variety of recreation classes, and provide affordable equipment and classes for all ages, especially youth and seniors.

# **EXPAND CONCESSIONS**

Allow local food vendors and set up more hydration locations in parks and facilities.



# **MORE RECREATION FACILITIES**

Extend facilities hours, provide more outdoor equipment and build additional playgrounds, courts, skate areas and dog parks.



# **EXPAND TRAILS AND ACCESS**

Provide more pedestrian, biking and equestrian trails near other facilities and activities.



# **ENHANCE CONNECTIVITY**

Provide greenways and trail networks that connect communities to parks, trails and the watershed, and provide safe transportation corridors for bicyclists, equestrians and pedestrians.



# EXPAND AND PRESERVE GREENSPACE

More trees, pocket parks, native habitat areas, community gardens, and natural open spaces.



# PARTNERSHIPS WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND SCHOOLS

Expand park use and greenspace access through community and school partnerships and make it easier for groups to register and use parks and facilities.



"Neighborhood parks in lower income neighborhoods should have water features for kids to play in. This is an inland area that gets very hot." "Bonelli should be more accessible for residents — particularly lower income residents in Pomona. There is no direct bus route to Bonelli there are no bike lanes, etc."

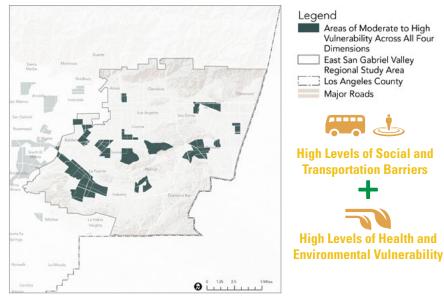
"We definitely need our parks in the Pomona valley to reflect and be more connected to the history of the indigenous people of this area... Many don't know that this was Toibingna and Pemookanga which is Tongva land. We need to educate our communities on that history."

More walking/hiking trails. People love to take advantage of this resource but there are not enough. Just placing corridors/walking areas in the middle of urban spaces would make such a huge difference as a public health initiative. An example of this is the walking path in Philips Ranch area."

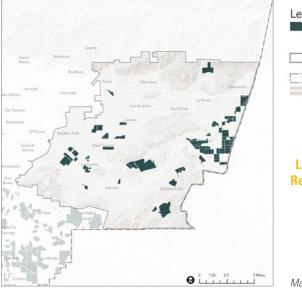
"I always go to the Santa Fe Dam recreation area for model rocket club launches. This is a very important activity for me and my two sons to teach them science and engineering. There are no other locations like this in LA County for model rocketry, I feel it would be a great loss for my family not to have access to this activity not only because of it is educational value but because it brings our family together to enjoy an activity we all can share safely."

# **REGIONAL RECREATION PRIORITY ANALYSIS**

Areas Experiencing the Highest Levels of Barriers and Vulnerability



Areas With Low Visitorship Rates to Regional Recreation Sites



#### Legend



Areas of Moderate to High Vulnerability Across All Four

East San Gabriel Valley Regional Study Area Los Angeles County

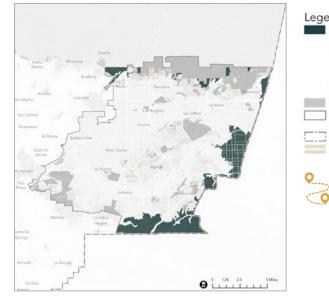
Dimensions

Major Roads

### Low Visitorship Rates to **Regional Recreation Sites**

Map source: Unacast, 2021; 2021 RRE Inventory

Areas Located in Low Proximity to Regional Recreation Sites



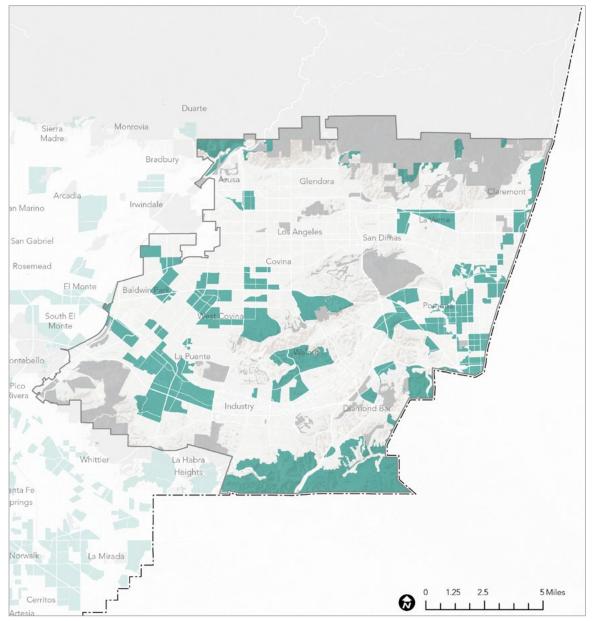
Legend Areas in Low Proximity to Regional Recreation Facilities (beyond a 2.5-mile bicycle ride to any Regional Recreation Park Entry Points, Nature-Based Recreation Area Entry Points or Trailheads and Access Points) Regional Site Inventory East San Gabriel Valley Regional Study Area Los Angeles County Major Roads Low Proximity to Regional

**Recreation Sites** 

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# **REGIONAL RECREATION PRIORITY AREAS**





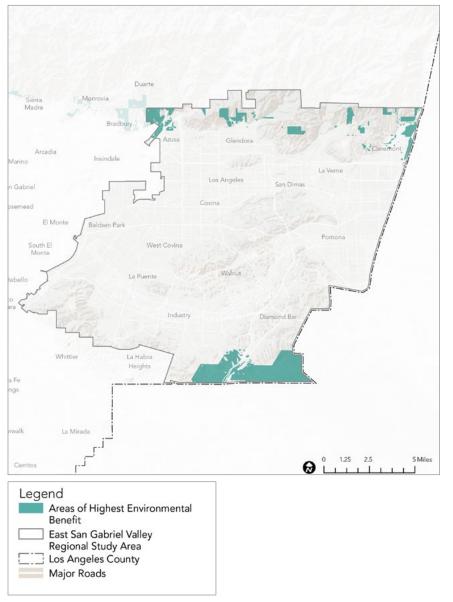


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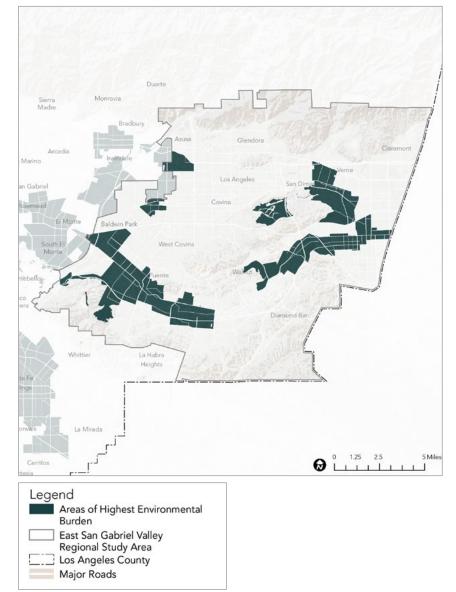


# **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION PRIORITY AREAS**

### Priority Areas for Conservation



Priority Areas for Restoration



Maps source: CDFW ACE, 2021; USGS, 2021; COEHHA, 2021; CalFire FRAP 2015