

HIKES IN THE PUENTE CHINO HILLS WILDLIFE CORRIDOR

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 2024-2025		DATE
1	Powder Canyon (Rowland Heights)	Oct 19
2	Lower Aliso Canyon Trail, (CHSP)	Nov 23
3	Gilman Peak (CHSP)	Dec 14
4	La Vida Trail (CHSP)	Jan 18
5	Rim Crest (CHSP)	Feb 22
6	Skyline Trail, Buddhist Temple (Hacienda Heights) 10 am	Mar 22
7	7th Avenue (Hacienda Heights)	Apr 12
8	Fence Line Trail (CHSP)	May 17

DETAILED HIKE DESCRIPTIONS

Hike 1

Oct 19 Sat

O: Powder Canyon: (La Habra Heights)

Enjoy a 5 mi, 1,000-foot gain hike and info about the Powder Canyon Significant Ecological Area. Meet 9 am at the Powder Canyon entrance (equestrian ring) along Old Fullerton Rd , 400 yards W of Harbor Blvd (near Pathfinder) in La Habra Heights. Parking is limited so you may have to park on Fullerton Road and walk to the ring. Bring water, a snack, and sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels. Leaders: Fred Reed and Eric Johnson, 714 325-2710

Note: Take note to find the right parking lot. This is the Old Fullerton Rd/Harbor Blvd intersection in La Habra Heights, near 2345 Fullerton Rd, La Habra Heights, not the more southern Fullerton Rd/Harbor Blvd intersection.

(GPS: 33°57'51"N, 117°55'18"W) (33.964 N,117.922 W)

Hike 2

Nov 23 Sat

O: Lower Aliso Canyon Trail, Chino Hills State Park

Enjoy a hike along a ridge and through this gentle sloping valley. This is a 7 mile, 800 ft gain hike. Meet 9 am at the park headquarters at the Rolling M Ranch Barn. Ridesharing encouraged, \$10 fee for parking. Bring water, snack, and

sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels. Leaders: Eric Johnson, Fred Reed, 714 325-2710

(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 from the entrance.

Hike 3

Dec 14 Sat

O: Gilman Peak (Yorba Linda), Chino Hills State Park

We'll ascend Gilman peak with a stunning 360° view. This is a 6 mile, 1200' gain hike including some very steep sections. 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: Fred Reed, 714 325-2710, Eric Johnson

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

Hike 4

Jan 18 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 4.5 mile loop, 1000 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: 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 7 mile 950' 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: Fred Reed, 714 325-2710, Eric Johnson

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

Hike 6

Mar 22 Sat

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

A leisurely hike with a couple of steep sections along the ridge between La Habra Heights and Hacienda Heights, with lunch at the turnaround point of the Buddhist Temple on Hacienda Blvd. A 1000 foot gain over 4 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 (\$10) with time to look around the largest Buddhist temple in the Western Hemisphere. Bring water, and sturdy shoes. No tank tops/sleeveless or shorts allowed onto the temple grounds. Leaders: Fred Reed, Eric Johnson 714 325-2710 (GPS: 33°58'45"N, 117°59'17"W) (33.979 N, 117.988 W)

Hike 7

Apr 12 Sat

O: 7th Avenue (Hacienda Heights)

Hike with us in the hills of Hacienda Heights with great views of the San Gabriel Mtns. 5 mi, 1100' gain. The preservation of this land launched the Habitat Authority effort. Meet 9 am at 7th Ave and E. Orange Grove Ave, Hacienda Heights. Bring water, snacks, and sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels.

Co-leaders: Fred Reed and Eric Johnson, c 714 325-2710

14600 Orange Grove Ave, Hacienda Heights, CA

(GPS: 34°00'34.89 N, 117°59'38.45"W) (34.011 N, 117.997 W)

Hike 8

May 17 Sat

O: Fence Line Trail (Chino Hills), Chino Hills State Park

We'll start at the CHSP headquarters at the Rolling M Ranch barn, and for 6 miles and 1000 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, \$10 fee for parking. Bring water, snacks, and sturdy shoes. Rain within 48 hours cancels.

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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. These are all front country hikes.
- 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.org
Habitatauthority.org
Savethemissingmiddle.org
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