Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program Recommended Project Narrative Format

(10-Page Limit, 12-point font)

Provide the following information

Project Sponsor Name: County of San Bernardino Special Districts Department
Name of Park/Property: North Etiwanda Preserve (NEP)
Project Title: North Etiwanda Preserve Land Acquisition & Parking Lot Improvement Project
Name of Property Title Holder: CSA 120 - ETIWANDA PRESERVE
Project Property Address/Location: 4890 Etiwanda Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739
2010 Project Property Census Jurisdiction Population (must be over 50,000): 177,603
Name of Applicable Census Delineated Urban Area: Rancho Cucamonga City
Select the Applicable Project Type:
☐ Acquisition ☐ New Development ☐ Renovation ☐ Combination (Acquisition/Development)
Select the Applicable Project Result:
☐ New Park ☐ Expanded Existing Park ☐ Neither Expanded nor New Park
Was the park or site previously protected through an LWCF or UPARR grant and/or obtained through the Federal Parks to Lands program? ☑ No ☐Yes: ☐LWCF ☐UPARR ☐FLP
Project Summary (250-word limit): The North Etiwanda Preserve, managed by the San Bernardino County Special Districts Department desires to purchase land adjacent to the widely used trail entry way to expand parking amenities to the hundreds of community members who visit the site daily. The land to be purchased will be renovated and transformed into an all dirt parking lot, creating much needed parking options in an area that currently has very limited options for site-goers. The project also seeks to install new signage and educational kiosks throughout the trail to improve the benefits of site usage to people of all ages.

Project Overview (2-page word limit):

The North Etiwanda Preserve was established as a habitat preservation area on February 10, 1998, when the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors accepted mitigation land from San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) for impacts related to construction of the 210 Freeway. The initial 762 acres acquired for the North Etiwanda Preserve consisted primarily of a unique Riversidean Alluvial Fan Sage Scrub plant community and was purchased by SANBAG to be preserved as natural habitat for impacts to the

Coastal California Gnatcatcher and similar habitat consumed by the development of the freeway. Ongoing conservation efforts have enabled expansion of the Preserve to over 1200 acres.

Over the years, the North Etiwanda Preserve has become a well-known place for trail hiking and outdoor recreation. At the peak of the trail loop is a beautiful attraction known as the North Etiwanda Falls. While thousands of people enjoy this location on a weekly basis, one of the largest concerns for public safety has been the lack of parking space.

The proposed project includes the acquisition of a piece of land adjacent to the trail head as well as the light construction necessary to turn it into an all-dirt parking lot. In 2015, the San Bernardino County Special Districts Department had an appraisal conducted on the land. At that time, it was valued at \$92,500 at that time. Luckily, the land should transition easily into a parking lot as there is estimated to only be about \$100,000 needed in grading and parking lot improvements to make this amenity available to the public. In addition to the parking lot improvement component of the project, new signage and visitor kiosks will be installed to improve the educational components accessible to site users of all ages.

This location and anticipate parking lot improvements have been supported by the community for years. Unfortunately, the District simply has not had the funding to execute the project. At this time, due to the growth in usage and because this site has become a staple in the community, this project is now a priority for the District. Mentioned on many "things to do" lists and featured on several popular trail focused websites, the North Etiwanda Preserve has strived to invite the community to experience the outdoors. During the pandemic, this site saw an increase in trail usage due to people being home more and this being an ideal location to properly social distance and enjoy the natural environment.

Prior to COVID-19 restrictions, the Preserve had an outdoor education program that introduces students to the environment in a way that supports achievement of California State Education Common Core Standards. The program is currently free to all K-12 grade levels and is offered in partnership with the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District. The Wildlife Trail Education Program was made possible from a Habitat Conservation Grant awarded to County Special Districts by California State Parks Office of Grants and Local Services. Naturalists guide groups and teach lessons in ecology, native tribes and culture, geology, plant communities, conservation, species survival, and environmental change. Lesson plans provide opportunities for students to explore, experience, and engage in activities and interactive hike experience that immerses them in scientific study. Grade level programs can be customized to meet the education goals of each individual class in support of classroom teachings. Lesson plans offer teachers an assortment of student worksheets and fun activities for the classroom that can be used to reinforce learning objectives either before or after trip visits to the Preserve. The District has plans to reinstate this program once youth are back to in-person learning this fall.

Responses to ORLP project review criterion - Respond to the ORLP Criterion in the remaining pages. Refer to Section E1 in the Notice of Funding Opportunity for an explanation of each Criterion and the required information. Within criterion 1, local community refers those within a .5 mile or 10-minute walk of the

recreation area (or 1 mile if recreation site serving multiple communities) and the proposed project/work refers to only the work that would be completed if an ORLP grant is awarded (not the larger project).

Criterion 1 – Extent of Outdoor Recreation and Economic Needs (20-points)

Response:

North Etiwanda Falls and Preserve Loop is a 4.7 mile heavily trafficked loop trail located near Rancho Cucamonga, California that features a waterfall and is rated as moderate. The trail is primarily used for hiking and nature trips and is accessible year-round. Because the entire site is outdoors, having proper access to this location means improved outdoor recreation options for the community. Many have cited the lack of parking as reasons they prefer not to utilize the location, however, even with this existing deterrent, the current parking lot is typically beyond maximum capacity. This has led to parking citations and towing in past events, things that this project is seeking to mitigate.

Between the year 2000 and 2010, the Inland Empire's population expanded by almost one million and has since expanded another 30%. The urban area that houses the North Etiwanda Preserve, known as UA 51445-Los Angeles—Long Beach, has a population of \$12,531,334. The median age is 37.1 with an evenly split female and male population. The poverty rate is 12.7% which is higher than the United State's average. Having a population where the average commute to work is over 30 minutes which is 20% higher than the National average, it is clear that there is a sincere need for outdoor activities in this area. However, because the Preserve is located in a special district, funding is severely limited.

The median household income is \$76,278 in this urban area, however, with a median house cost of \$661,500 many are priced out of the ability to buy a home in this area. There is a need for free recreation opportunities for people of all ages, specifically those underserved youth who live in the impoverished neighborhoods within the urban area that tend to get overlooked. Studies have shown how increasing outdoor recreation that has nature-based activities can lead to better overall health to include lower rates of heart disease and asthma. There are also numerous mental health benefits associated with increasing recreation activities for children.

The District has not had funding to support the project in the past, however, parking lot revenue and reserves are what is anticipated to fund the match necessary for this expansion.

Criterion 2 — Appropriateness of Project to Meet Community Outdoor Recreation and Economic Needs (20-Points)

Response: Due to the present lack of parking availability, vehicles are known to inappropriately park and get towed at this location. The location has a small parking lot that is open between sunrise and sunset, but when the lot fills up, vehicles tend to park elsewhere.

Without grant opportunities such as this, the project will remain unfunded, and the problem presented will persist.

Criterion 3 – Community Involvement in, and Support of, Proposed Project (20-points)

Response: Simply put, the community adores this location but does not feel it is fair to have to come back at another time if there is no parking available. The trail is several miles long and has the capacity to allow hundreds to enjoy it at once. The lack of parking space discourages recreation which is why the community has been outspoken in their desires for increased parking. Comments have been made at Board of Supervisor Meetings, Council meetings for the City of Rancho Cucamonga and on several public websites featuring the Preserve. At this time, there is no known negative sentiment about the proposed project, only enthusiasm and anticipation of increased parking capacity and improved signage throughout the trail.

Criterion 4 — Embracing New Parks and Innovative Project Attributes (10-points)

Response:

Many do not consider the importance of adequate parking when considering recreation components. The mere addition of a parking lot to this recreation offering in this community will lead to new and innovative uses of the preserve. There will be room for larger education events, more trail groups, decreased accidental vandalism due to cars parked too close to one another, etc. The District doesn't need a new park at this time but it does need to improve upon and expand the existing ones that have growing interest within our communities.

Criterion 5 – Project Alignment with SCORP and Other Applicable Plans (10-points)

Response: The 2021-2025 SCORP Action Plan calls for new park access. The parking lot will allow for never-before-seen access to the Preserve. The plan also calls for safety, beautification, preservation and multi-age usage. This project will ensure visitors can park in a safe distance, allowing strollers, bikes, and mobility assistance units to be used with adequate space. The project will also support the SCORPS plan for acquiring private land from willing sellers to make certain enhancements for community benefit.

Criterion 6 – Project Feasibility and Likelihood of Success (20-Points)

Response:

The land that will be acquired for the parking lot has been long considered for purchase by the County. With the funding requested in this grant, in conjunction with accumulated match funding, the project has a 100% feasibility of timely completion and will ensure great success for patron appreciation and increased recreation in the community. The District has been responsible for completing projects of similar size and scope, therefore, the likelihood of completing the project on time and under budget is high.

The following are recent park improvement examples from hundreds of projects completed annually to show the technical capacity of our team to complete such a project:

Kessler Park, 18400 Jurupa Ave., Bloomington, CA 92316: The ballfield improvement project was a multiphased project consisting of 5 phases. The District completed a total of 6 phases to Kessler park with Phase 1 being the Tennis Courts conversion to Skate Park; Phase 2 was the eastern ballfields, irrigation, Musco ballfield lighting and gazebo shelters; Phase 3 (completed in sub-phases 3a, 3b, and 3c) was the north parking lot rehab and bio swale, the western ballfields and Musco Lights; Phase 4 was the equestrian center and landfill repairs. Other intermediate projects like electrical upgrades (for the new and future ballfield lighting), snack bar and restroom building rehab, purchase and installation of the equestrian restroom and concession trailer with handicap ramping were completed by the District. The projects spanned over 15 years with each phase being funded by either the supervisorial district, grant funding (CDBG or other) or district funded. Here is the breakdown by phases:

- 1. Phase 1 Skate Park/Basketball Court:
 - a. Project Started 4/03/2007; Project Completed 9/20/2007
 - b. Total Cost (approx.) \$486,943
 - c. Funding Source(s): District Funded
 - d. Scope of work included some irrigation/planting, 2 hexagonal picnic shelters, skate park and basketball court. Please note that there was a subsequent skate park addition, that was made several years later that converted the basketball court into a double half court and the skate park was expanded.
- 2. Phase 2 East Ballfields & Lighting:
 - a. Project Started 12/18/2007; Project Completed 5/9/2008.
 - b. Total Cost (approx.) \$963,770
 - c. Funding Source(s): Prop 40 and District
- d. Scope of work included the rehabilitation of existing 2 eastern baseball fields, irrigation and turf, new dug outs, backstops and netting, picnic shelter, public restroom facility and Musco Lighting.
- 3. Phase 3a North Parking Lot:
 - a. Project Started 6/1/2011; Project Completed 12/27/2011
 - b. Total Cost (approx.) \$474,776
 - c. Funding Source(s): CDBG & ARRA (grants)
- d. Scope of work included the North Parking Lot improvements consisting of new asphalt paving, curbs and gutters, drains, bio swale, sidewalks and walkways, fencing, striping, irrigation and landscaping.
- 4. Phase 3b West Ballfield/Soccer Field/Electrical Improvements Project:
 - a. Project Started 10/7/2014; Project Completed 11/18/2015
 - b. Total Cost (approx.) \$719,165
 - c. Funding Source(s): District & 5th District
- d. Scope of work included various smaller projects including ballfield fencing, backstops, irrigation (accomplished by District in-house labor forces), hydro seeding.
- 5. Phase 3c Musco Ballfield Lighting western ballfields/soccer field:
 - a. Project Started 10/7/2014; Project Completed 5/20/2015

- b. Total Cost (approx.) \$617,594
- c. Funding Source(s): CDBG
- d. Scope of work included installation of Ball Field Lighting at 2 western baseball and multipurpose field and all electrical to include panels, boxes, wiring, conduit and appurtenances.
- 6. Phase 4 Equestrian Center and Landfill Repairs:
 - a. Project Started 02/04/2012; Project Completed 08/30/2013
 - b. Total Cost (approx.)\$ 550,000
 - c. Funding Source(s): District
- d. Scope of work included import of approximately 250,000 CY of fill material and grading of the landfill prism area. Also included relocation, purchase and installation of equestrian corral fencing and associated dirt preparation at arenas.

Sunburst Park, 6171 Sunburst Ave, Joshua Tree, CA 92252: the Sunburst Park improvement project was completed in three phases consisting of a Skate Board Park, Water Play Park, and Ballfield Irrigation & Turf. The project was multi-year with various sources of funding. Breakdown as follows:

- 1. Phase 1 Skate Park:
 - a. Project Started 11/1/2005; Project Completed 4/12/2006
 - b. Total Cost (approx.) \$255,063
 - c. Funding Source(s): 2000 Parks Bond Act
- d. Scope of work included construction and installation of modular skate park system as designed and bid including fencing, concrete slab, grading and all modular equipment.
- 2. Phase 2 Water Play Park:
 - a. Project Started 9/5/2006; Project Completed 3/25/2008
 - b. Total Cost (approx.) \$252,312
 - c. Funding Source(s): CDBG
- d. Scope of work included construction of water splash play area including a recirculation and irrigation system, concrete pad, drains and all water play appurtenances.
- 3. Phase 3 Ballfield Irrigation:
 - a. Project Started 2/9/2009; Project Completed 5/5/2009
 - b. Total Cost (approx.) \$145,619
 - c. Funding Source(s): 2000 Parks Bond Act
- d. Scope of Work included installation of flood irrigation system at small ballfield including all piping, controllers, backflow preventer, valves, and grass turf.

Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program Recommended Budget Narrative Format (5-Page limit)

Budget must agree with budget information in the SF424, Application for Federal Assistance, and 424C, Budget Information for Construction Programs. List cost items individually under each cost category (insert lines as needed).

Cost Categories	Unit of Measure & # of Units	Cost Per Unit	Federal Share	Match Share	Total Cost	If Pre- Agreement Cost - Dates Incurred	Amt subject to 25% budget cost limitations (Enter \$ figure)
1. Administration and Legal expenses							
Div. Mgr Project Management	24 HR	\$123	\$1,474.50	\$1,474.50	\$2,949		
Sr. Project Manager	40HR	\$102	\$2,040	\$2,040	\$4,080		Tringer also the telephone and tringer and
Project Manager	160 HR	\$90	\$7,175	\$7,175	\$14,350	:	
Eng. Tech III	20 HR	\$60	\$599	\$599	\$1,198		
Staff Analyst II	40 HR	\$59	\$1,172.50	\$1,172.50	\$2,345	i angles and a comment of the second	
Construction Inspector	160 HR	\$73	\$5,864	\$5,864	\$11,728		
2. Land, Structures, Rights-of-Way, Appraisals					and the second		
Land Acquisition	1	\$130,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$130,000		
3. Relocation Expenses and Payments							
4. Architectural and Engineering Fees							
Engineering/Design	1	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$20,000		
Environmental	1	\$120,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$120,000	.,L.,	
5. Other Architectural and Engineering Fees		· , · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
6. Project Inspection Fees							
7. Site Work							
Pave Entry of Road (10'0x30')	1	\$65,000	\$32,500	\$32,500	\$65,000		
Turn acquired land into parking lot with road base	1	\$75,000	\$37,500	\$37,500	\$75,000		
8. Demolition and Removal	An agent that more days in a trigonous		100 to 10				
9. Construction		:	i		E		

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Park Hub Contactless Parking Payment Program	1	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$25,000		
Signage Improvements	1	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$15,000		
11. Escalation	3%		\$8,894.50	\$8,894.50	\$17,789		. 1997/1997 - 1987/1 1977 - 1984/1 1977 - 1984/1977 - 1977/1977
12. Contingencies	20%		\$49,415	\$49,415	\$98,830		
13. Indirect Costs					1000		
GRAND TOTAL		\$610,770	\$305,385	\$305,385	\$610,770		

List Each Matching Share Contributor (Add lines as necessary)

Matching Share Contributors (Name and funding source):	Match Amount/Value	Type (cash, donated land, etc.)	is Match Secure or firmly committed. If committed, list date expected to be secured.
CSA 120 Fund Balance	\$305,385	cash	Secured
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GRAND TOTAL	\$305,385	5	Alternative transfer and the second of the s
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Criterion 6 - Project Feasibility and Likelihood of Success

The project components featured in this project have been a priority of the County Board of Supervisors, specifically 5th District's Supervisor Mr. Joe Baca Jr. Below are several projects completed by the organization to show evidence of a superb ability to complete the project.

Project Name	Address	Scope of Work	Total project Cost	Funding Sources	Start Date	Date of Complet ion
Kessler Park	18400 Jurupa Ave, Bloomington, CA 92316	The ballfield improvement project was a multi-phased project consisting of 5 phases. The District completed a total of 6 phases to Kessler park with Phase 1 being the Tennis Courts conversion to Skate Park; Phase 2 was the eastern ballfields, irrigation, Musco ballfield lighting and gazebo shelters; Phase 3 (completed in sub-phases 3a, 3b, and 3c) was the north parking lot rehab and bio swale, the western ballfields and Musco Lights; Phase 4 was the equestrian center and landfill repairs. Other intermediate projects like electrical upgrades (for the new and future ballfield lighting), snack bar and restroom building rehab, purchase and installation of the equestrian restroom and concession trailer with handicap ramping were completed by the District. The projects spanned over 15 years	\$3,812,248	Prop 40, District Funding, CDBG, ARRA	4/3/2007	11/18/15
		with each phase being funded				

		by either the supervisorial district, grant funding (CDBG or other) or district funded.				
Sunburst Park	6171 sunburst Ave, Joshua Tree, CA 92252	Sunburst Park improvement project was completed in three phases consisting of a Skate Board Park, Water Play Park, and Ballfield Irrigation & Turf. The project was multiyear with various sources of funding.	\$1,305,988	CDBG, 2000 Parks Bond Act	11/1/05	5/5/09
Big Bear Zoo	747 Club view Dr, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315	Construct new zoo welcome center, parking lot, exhibits and buildings for 160 animals, walking paths, and surgery center on 6 acres of vacant undeveloped land.	\$18,200,000	Private donation, District contribut ion and General fund loan	12/1/16	11/30/20

Below is the maintenance budget breakdown showing the monthly and annual total expected cost to operate and maintain this proposed PROJECT.

Expense Category	Monthly Total	Annual Total	
Utilities	\$0	\$0	
Routine repairs/upkeep	\$802.50	\$9,630	*************
Staffing Cost	\$3,645.33	\$43,744	

Currently, the planned funding sources to operate and maintain the project include property taxes from the special district that the park is located in.

The following weblink shows a list of parks and facilities the organization currently oversees.

http://www.specialdistricts.org/index.aspx?page=80

STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION PROJECT TIMELINE FORM

Th ad ad	SKS e below list can be justed/reorganized with tasks ded/removed unique to each OJECT.	START DATE (MM/YY)	END DATE (MM/YY)	responsible for task and contact information	NOTES ABOUT ANY POTENTIAL DELAYS/ISSUES
1.	Appraisal and Purchase Agreement (for ACQUISITION)	10/2022	12/2022		Appraisal Complete
2.	Close of escrow (for ACQUISITION)	12/2022			N/A-Completed
3.	Schematic/concept level design with community-based planning and ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) considerations				N/A-Completed
4.	Site risk assessment for possible contaminants and other complications	01/23	01/23	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	
5.	CEQA for the construction scope	01/23	04/23	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	
6.	Engineer cost estimate	09/20	02/21	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	N/A - Completed
7.	Consultation with CONSERVATION CORPS to consider feasibility of CORPS' service	10/20	10/20	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	N/A - Completed
8.	Construction Documents (final design includes the community based planning results)	07/20	03/21	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	N/A - Completed
9.	Construction Permits	01/2023	05/2023	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	
10	Other permits (Note if Department of Toxic Substances Control, Division of the State Architect, US Army Corps of Engineers, or other regulatory permits as				N/A

PROJECT TIMELINE FORM (CHECKLIST #7)

TASKS The below list can be adjusted/reorganized with tasks added/removed unique to each PROJECT.	START DATE (MM/YY)	END DATE (MM/YY)	responsible for task and contact information	NOTES ABOUT ANY POTENTIAL DELAYS/ISSUES
applicable to site, are required)				
11. Environmental cleanup/remediation				N/A
12. Construction Bid Package Preparation/start Bid Process	03/23	07/23	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	
13. Bid Approval for Construction	107/23	11/23	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	
14.Environmental cleanup/remediation	11/23	11/23	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	
15. Construction Period	11/23	12/24	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	
16. Grand Opening/completed for public use with grant completion package (three months before the end of the GRANT PERFORMANCE PERIOD).	01/25	01/25	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	
17. Thirty years of operation and maintenance for public use.	01/25	01/55	County of San Bernardino- Special Districts	Thirty years beginning with APPROPRIATION DATE

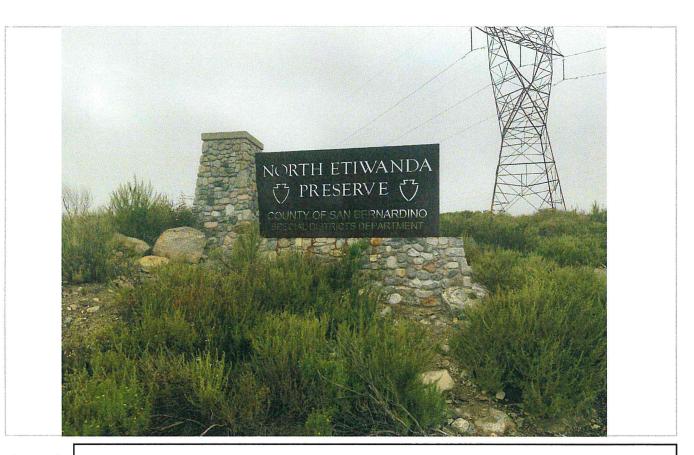
Project Images Worksheet

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Caption: Image 1 Entrance to Parking Lot

Date Taken 6/1/2021 Credit SDD



Welcome Sign

Date Taken

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Caption: Image 3

Proximity to residential

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Limited Parking

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Caption: Image 5

Limited Parking

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Entrance Gate

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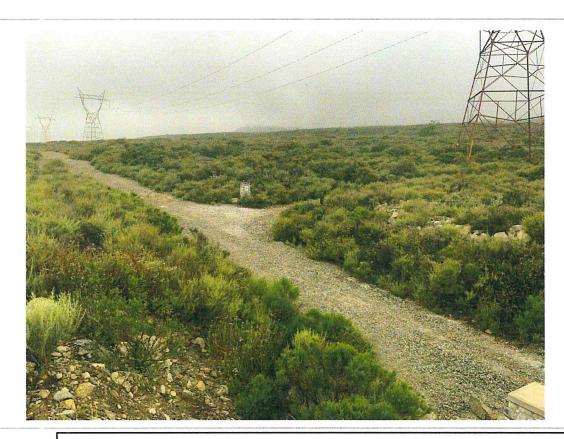
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Location map

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Utility road way

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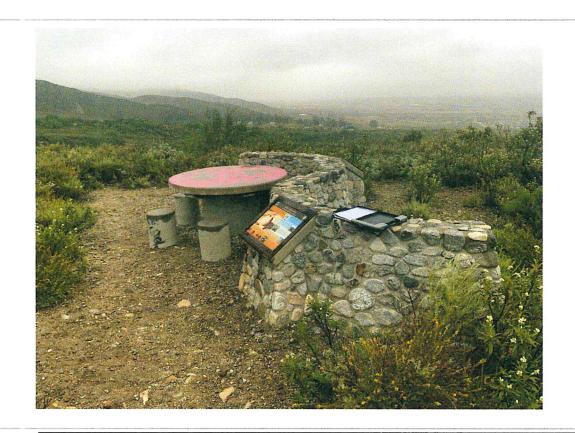
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Parking lot

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Trail Exhibit in need of rehab

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Caption: Image 11

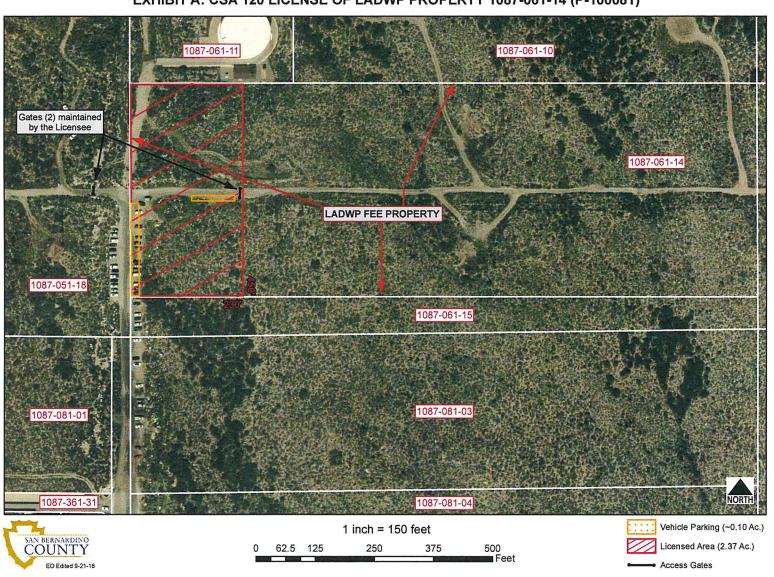
Entrance Gate showing proximity to residential and access road

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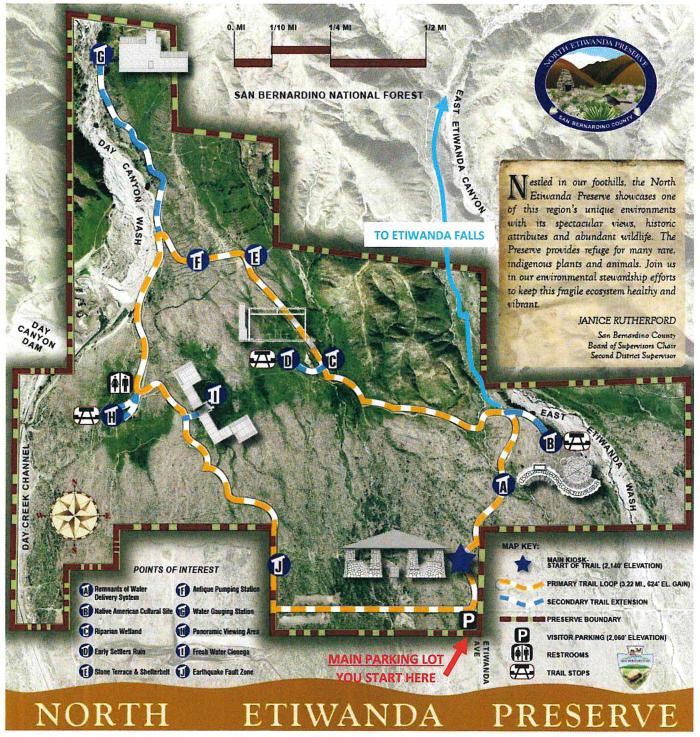
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EXHIBIT A: CSA 120 LICENSE OF LADWP PROPERTY 1087-061-14 (P-100081)





Printable Trail Map



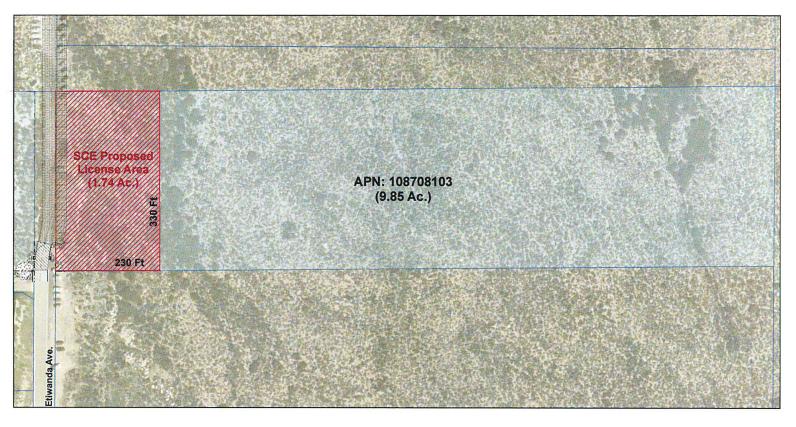
Approximate Location: 4800 Etiwanda Ave., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730 **Hours of Operation:** 7 days/ week, open from dawn to dusk (check website for closures)



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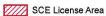




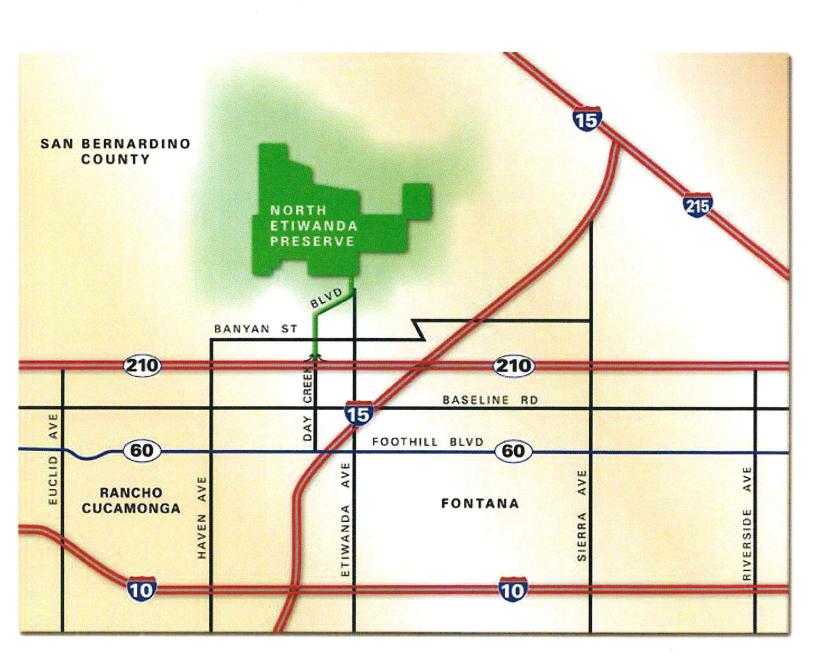


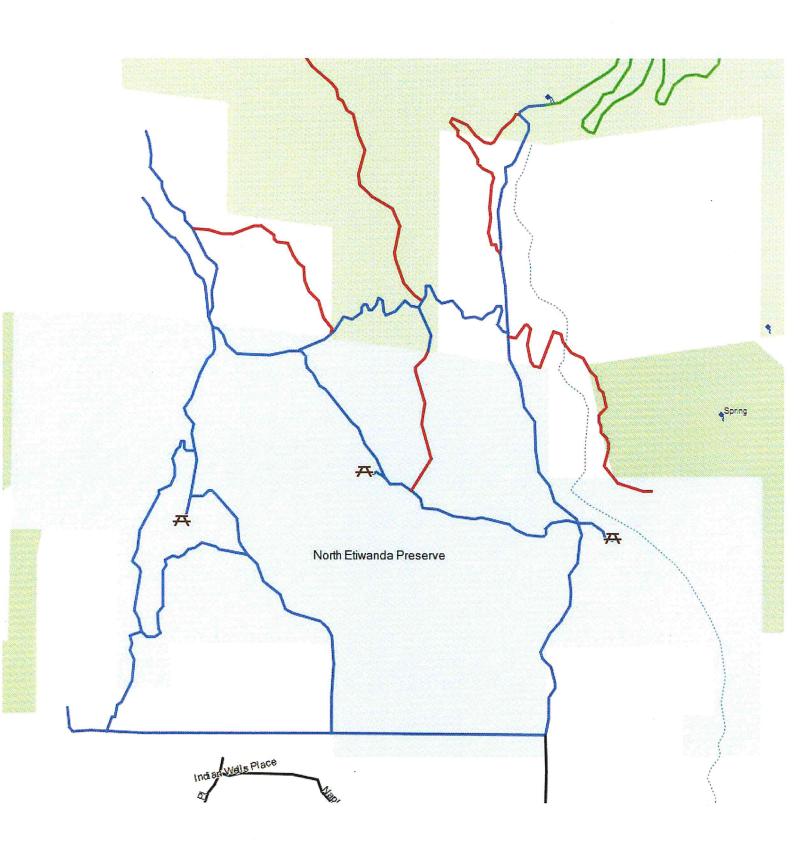
County Service Area 120 SCE License Area Proposal Legend

SCE Property











Department of Public Works Brendon Biggs, M.S., P.E. **Special Districts**

Trevor Leja **Assistant Director**

Overlap or Duplication of Effort Statement

There are no overlaps or duplication between this application and any of our other Federal applications or funded projects, including in regards to activities, costs, or time commitment of key personnel.