



QUICK GUIDE TO

RIO HONDO RIVER TRAIL (SEGMENT D)

DESCRIPTION: This segment of the Rio Hondo River Trail passes through Whittier Narrows Natural Area. From the concrete channel north of Whittier Narrows Golf Course, Rio Hondo opens up into an entirely naturalized channel in this section passing through the western edge of the open space. Riparian vegetation surrounds the channel and the trail winds around the outer edges of the flood plain until it returns to the channel south of the park.

DIRECTIONS: The segment can be accessed from the north via Fletcher Park in El Monte or from the south via Grant Rea Park in Montebello. These access points do not include parking and only serve as pedestrian and bicycle access to the trail.

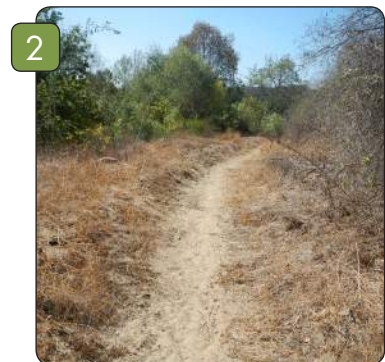
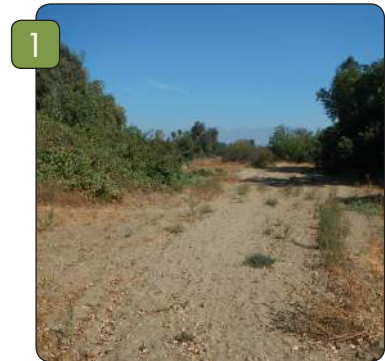
Rio Hondo River Trail Length: 15.50 miles



Segment Length: 3.66 miles

Segment Avg Width: 7.01 feet

Segment Elevation Gain: 55 feet

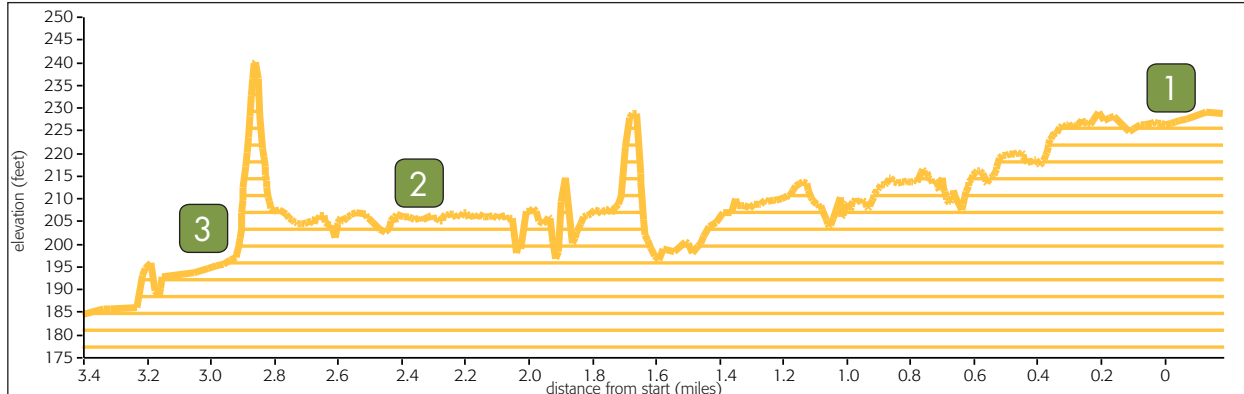


Access & Features

Trail Access Point

Trail Type

Natural Trail





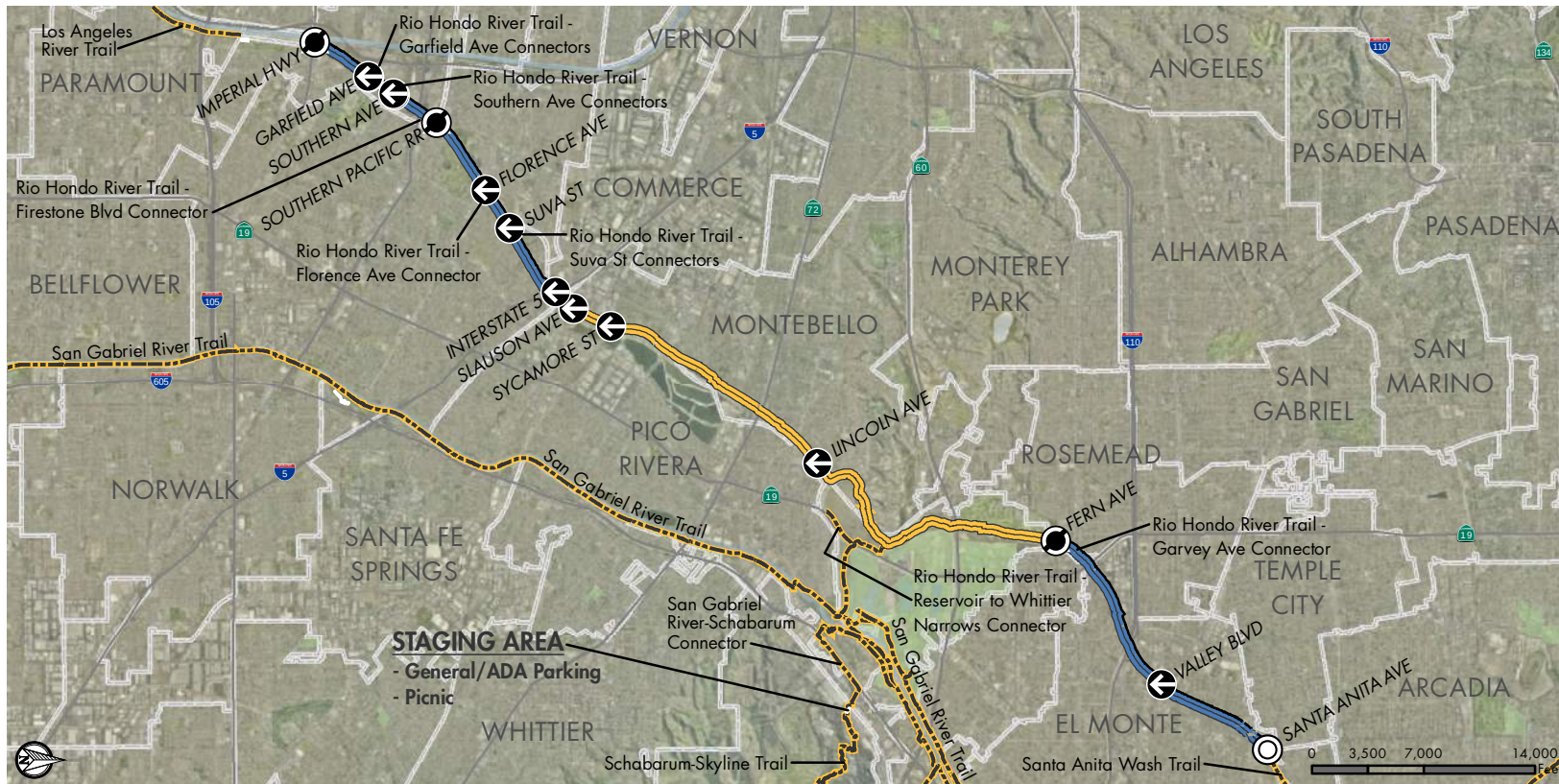
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DESCRIPTION: This multi-use trail runs parallel to Rio Hondo through the San Gabriel Valley. The northern end starts along the reservoir at the Peck Road Water Conservation Park and follows along the the channel to Whittier Narrows Recreation Area. Connect to the San Gabriel River Trail here or continue on south to the trail along the lower portion of the Los Angeles River. The Rio Hondo River Trail is a popular bicycle route and it is important to be mindful of all trail users.

DIRECTIONS: To access the northern trailhead in El Monte, follow Peck Road to the intersection with Rio Hondo Parkway. Peck Road Water Conservation Park is located on the east side of Peck Road. The trail starts just south of the main parking lot for the park.



Length: 15.50 miles
Avg Width: 7.3 feet
Elevation Gain: 220 feet

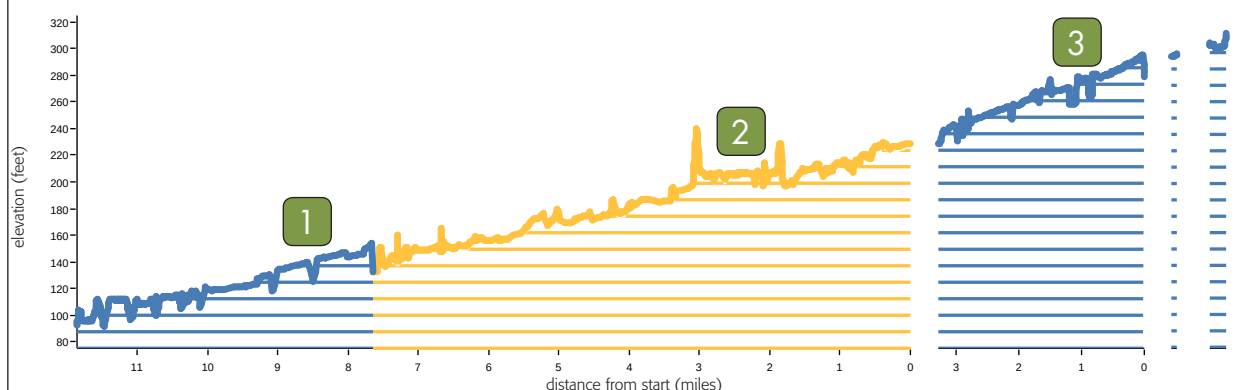


Access & Features

- Trailhead
- End of Public Trail
- Trail Access Point

Trail Type

- Natural Trail
- Flood Control Channel



QUICKGUIDE INFORMATION

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SAFETY FIRST



In case of **EMERGENCY** dial 911.

For non-emergencies on County trails call the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Parks Bureau Dispatch at (800) 834-0064.

HAZARDS ON THE TRAIL



Rattlesnakes occasionally sun themselves in the middle of the trail. If encountered, keep your distance and allow space for the snake to retreat.



Poison oak can be identified by groups of 3 leaves going up the branch. It's best avoided by staying on the trail and wearing long pants and long-sleeved shirts to prevent contact with skin.



Ticks are most often found in shaded, grassy areas off the beaten path. Stick to established trails and wear long pants to avoid contact. Check for ticks frequently, especially the scalp, waist and other dark places where they can hide.

SHARE THE TRAIL



When trail conditions require a right of way for safe passage, **equestrian users have the primary right of way, hikers next and then mountain bikers.** When trail conditions allow and when there is width to safely pass, common courtesy should prevail for all users. Stand to one side of the trail and allow them to pass. When in a group, avoid blocking the trail. **Mountain bikers yield to all trail users.** Anticipate other trail users as you ride around corners. Mountain bikers traveling downhill must yield to all users, including other mountain bikers, headed uphill. In general, make each pass a safe and courteous one.

WHAT TO BRING

- ✓ Water for you and your animal(s)
- ✓ Trail map
- ✓ High energy snacks
- ✓ Waste bags for your dog
- ✓ First aid kit
- ✓ Extra clothing
- ✓ Sunglasses/hat
- ✓ Sunscreen
- ✓ Insect repellent
- ✓ Trekking poles (optional)
- ✓ Flashlight (optional)

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For information visit trails.lacounty.gov or any of our partners' websites at nps.gov, parks.ca.gov, smmc.ca.gov, lamountains.com, or rmc.ca.gov. Visitor Center for Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, (805) 370-2300

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