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Experience Carmel River—where nature and people connect

THE SOUTH BANK TRAIL

Experience Carmel River is a vibrant, community-based program that will safeguard the Carmel River into the future. Through the efforts of The Big Sur Land Trust and its key partners, a number of the program's important goals have been reached. One important milestone is the opening in Fall 2011 of the South Bank Trail, which now offers local communities the opportunity to reconnect to the Carmel River and to Palo Corona Regional Park, one of the region's most iconic landscapes.

Part of the Land Trust's strategic commitment to build long-term support for the river's protection and restoration, the South Bank Trail begins at Rancho San Carlos Road and heads 1.5 miles west to the boundary of Palo Corona Regional Park. This beautifully scenic trail, open to everyone, begins on a private farm road, then meanders off the road to meet the river before gently climbing onto pasture land where it meets the boundary of Palo Corona Regional Park.

SOUTH BANK TRAIL ETIQUETTE

The Carmel River is a special environment that provides vital habitat for a diversity of plants and animals, as well as a place for people to connect with nature. As you enjoy the trail, please be mindful and respectful of the natural wonders around you and follow these important steps. Well-mannered dogs are welcome on the South Bank Trail; however

dogs must be leashed at all times and you are responsible to pick up and dispose of their waste. Horses are not allowed on the South Bank Trail. Stay on the public paved trail at all times. Pedestrians and cyclists share the trail, so please be aware of others. Leave no trace: pack it in, pack it out. You are responsible for your own trash. Use the South Bank Trail at your own risk.

CONNECTING WITH PALO CORONA REGIONAL PARK

No permit is required to use the South Bank Trail; however a daily permit is required to pass through the trail's west gate into Palo Corona Regional Park. To request a permit, contact Monterey Peninsula Regional Park at (831) 372-3196, or at www.mprpd.org. Please note that Palo Corona Regional Park is open dawn to dusk and that no dogs, horses or bicycles are allowed inside the park. A bike rack is provided at the terminus of the South Bank Trail so that those entering the park can safely leave their bikes behind for later pick up.

NEXT STEPS

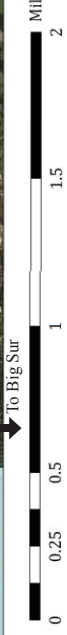
Experience Carmel River has attracted growing attention from property owners along the river. As we advance in our goals, the Land Trust looks forward to continuing our work with local landowners and communities to plan for extending access to and enjoyment of the river. Looking into the future, the Land Trust will work with its partners to plan for and develop a permanent, community-supported partnership—the Carmel River Trust—that will focus on long-term funding support and capacity for implementing projects and programs.





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PROJECT PARTNERS:



- Public Parkland & Open Space
- Future Trails
- New Trails
- Existing Trails
- Carmel River

