



SAN LUIS REY BONSALL COMMUNITY AND RIO PRADO PARKS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

General Questions

1. When did the County acquire the Rio Prado Park (formerly SLR Dulin) site?

The County acquired the 68-acre Rio Prado Park site in 2009. This parcel is located off Old Hwy 365 at the end of Dulin Road.

2. When did the County acquire the Bonsall Community Park (formerly SLR Downs) site?

The County acquired the 63-acre Bonsall Community Park site in 2015. This parcel is located at Camino Del Rey and West Lilac Road, across from Bonsall Elementary School.

3. What is the distance between Bonsall Community Park and Rio Prado Park?

Bonsall Community Park and Rio Prado Park are 6.5 miles apart.

4. What are the timelines for the two projects?

The County received funds in Fiscal Year 2019-2020 to complete an environmental review and to begin the design process for both projects. Environmental surveys and conceptual design of the sites are taking place now. Once those are complete, we can launch the design-bid-build process. Final design and environmental analysis are slated for completion in Spring 2020. Next, we will seek Board approval to fund construction and begin the construction process. The timeline is subject to change due to funding and resource availability. Regardless of the timeline, these two sites are dedicated park land and will be developed into a park. If the timeline changes, the County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) will post that information on the website and/or may relay that information at a future public meetings.

5. What outreach has happened for Bonsall Community Park and Rio Prado Park?

The first design public meeting for both parks was held on 4/29/19 to gather input on desired amenities. An online survey was posted for those who could not attend the public meeting. A second public meeting for Rio Prado park was held on 10/2/19. A second public meeting for Bonsall Community Park was held on 10/3/19. An online survey was posted for those who could not attend the second public meetings. The County has also attended several Community Sponsor/Planning Group meetings with both the Bonsall CSG and the Fallbrook CPG. The County has also attended Community Service Area (CSA) 81 meetings, Rancho Monserrate HOA meetings, and an SL Rey HOA meeting to provide updates and take input.

6. Will there be another public meeting?

At this time no future public meetings are scheduled.

7. How can I stay informed?

If you would like to be included on the distribution list please leave your name and contact information on the sign-in sheet at the meetings. The County will send save-the-date flyers to residents and businesses within a 1.5-mile radius of each park, before each public meeting. DPR will also continue to work with Community Sponsor/Planning Groups, and may post event announcements on social media (Facebook and Twitter). To learn more about these projects,



and other DPR development projects, visit sdparks.org > Plans > Development Projects. The Park Project Manager for these projects is Nina Pisano, nina.pisano@sdcounty.ca.gov, (858) 966-1353.

Traffic/Safety Questions

8. What will happen on Dulin Road? (Rio Prado Park)

Dulin Road is a public road that will provide access to Rio Prado Park. When preliminary design is complete, a traffic study will be done to determine safety needs. Safety is a priority for DPR – staff will work with the County’s Public Works Department to make sure the appropriate safety measures are in place. Feedback from surrounding residents will be taken into consideration.

9. What will happen on Camino Del Rey? (Bonsall Community Park)

The entrance to the park will be situated in a location off of Camino Del Rey and/or W. Lilac Road. When preliminary design is complete, a traffic study will be done to determine safety needs. Safety is a priority for DPR – staff will work with the County’s Public Works Department to make sure the appropriate safety measures are in place. Feedback from surrounding residents will be taken into consideration.

10. I live adjacent to Rio Prado Park or Bonsall Community Park – how will you keep visitors from entering my property?

DPR will place signage to direct visitors to parking lots and staging areas. Designated areas will be marked. Park staff will patrol the areas.

11. What security will each site have?

Park rangers will patrol each area, seven days a week. DPR also partners with the law enforcement to report and mitigate safety concerns. We encourage all park users to flag issues in/around the area by calling park staff, the Sheriff’s Office, or 911. Info will be included in each park’s kiosk sign, located at the park entrance.

12. What will be done about homeless encampments?

DPR park rangers patrol this area regularly. If a homeless encampment is found on DPR land or on an adjacent property, the encampment size and location is documented. If an encampment is not on DPR land, DPR informs the property owner and connects the property owner with homeless resource organizations. If an encampment is on DPR park land, the occupants are informed that unpermitted camping is prohibited. DPR staff then coordinates with homeless resource organizations to offer resources to the occupants. After services are offered, DPR posts a notice to vacate. If the occupants do not cooperate, DPR coordinates with the local law enforcement agency to assist and on occasion, these interactions also involve support from the County’s Health and Human Services Agency.

13. What maintenance will be done at each site before the parks open?

DPR staff will provide general park maintenance which includes mowing, tree/shrub maintenance, storm water management and erosion control, protection of natural and cultural resources, debris removal, graffiti abatement, and enforcement of all DPR codes and policies.



Trail Questions

14. When will the trails open?

Trails within the park sites will be constructed at the same time as the park.

15. What user groups will be using the trails?

Trails will be open to all users, including the equestrians, hikers, mountain bikers, kids, families, and those wanting to enjoy and learn more about nature and local wildlife. Motorized vehicles will not be permitted.

16. What material will the trails be?

Trail construction, in general, will be based on the location of the trail and performed in a manner that is consistent with DPR trail standards. Trails will be soft surface, native soil or decomposed granite.

17. Will there be loop trails?

Loop trails will be provided, where feasible.

Parking/Staging Areas

18. How many staging areas will be included?

We are currently investigating appropriate sites for staging areas large enough to accommodate both cars and horse trailers.

19. Will there be parking at Rio Prado Park?

Yes. There will be sufficient parking for users at Rio Prado Park. The exact number of spaces will be determined during the design phase.

20. Will there be parking at Bonsall Community Park?

Yes. There will be sufficient parking for users at Bonsall Community Park. The exact number of spaces will be determined during the design phase.

Environmental Questions

21. Will the projects comply with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)?

Yes. The Rio Prado Park Active Recreation Site was anticipated in the Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the San Luis Rey River Park Master Plan. The project will be examined to make sure it is adequately covered in the PEIR to determine if additional CEQA analysis is required. Bonsall Community Park Active Recreation Site project will be examined to determine the appropriate CEQA document and analysis.

22. What biological resources are anticipated in the open-space preserve area?

The San Luis Rey River Park contains riparian and upland habitats that supports or has a potential to support a wide variety of species, including the least Bell's vireo, California gnatcatcher and arroyo toad. Environmental surveys will take place to determine if any of these species are present.



23. Are these projects part of the MSCP?

Bonsall Community Park and Rio Prado Park are within the Draft North County MSCP.

Facility Questions

24. What amenities will be built in Rio Prado Park?

The amenities provided in Rio Prado Park will reflect the desires from the community. The community has shown support for multi-use trails, community center, community garden, equestrian staging area, dog park, sports fields, picnic areas, and a disc golf course.

25. What amenities will be built in Bonsall Community Park?

The amenities provided in Bonsall Community Park will reflect the desires from the community. The community has shown support for multi-use trails, fitness stations, dog park, picnic areas, play area, sports fields, multi-use courts, skate features, and a bicycle course.

26. Will there be restrooms?

Yes. Both parks will have public restroom facilities, including ADA stalls, which will be maintained by park staff.

27. What are the park hours?

Both parks will be open from sunrise until sunset. The gates will be locked at all other times.