

June 9, 2023

Hello park supporters,

Spring is not done yet, and with expected cooler-than-average temperatures over the next week it may be a great time to head out and explore your local parks. As a reminder, in the Briones Pilot Project [Zone](#) bikes are allowed on ODD weekend dates and horses are allowed on EVEN weekend dates; hikers are allowed at all times. This **Saturday, May 10** equestrians and hikers are OKAY (no bikes) and on **Sunday, May 11** bikers and hikers are OKAY (no horses). If you need to bypass the zone from Alhambra Creek Staging Area on an off day, you may take Orchard Trail west to Toyon Canyon Trail.

Since the Briones Pilot Project began nearly two months ago, project staff have received lots of valuable feedback from the public, both critical and supportive of the program. Staff are considering all of these comments as we work to improve the Pilot Project. If you have any specific feedback for the project team, [please send us a comment here](#).

Staff and volunteers (many thanks to our May 13 Dig Day volunteers – photos below!) have been busy maintaining trails in the Pilot Zone while working to restore bootleg trails back to natural habitat. While recreation in the Regional Parks is valuable and important, large areas of land need to remain untouched as they serve as refuge for native plants and animals. With so much development around our parklands, there are few places left that these critters can call home. While it may be tempting to ride off trail, doing so cuts through, disturbs, and damages the homes of wildlife.

Here are some useful links, and thank you for supporting your Regional Parks!

- [Briones Pilot Project](#) page with general information, FAQs, upcoming weekend odd/even dates
- *How Trail Designers Build Good Hikes* [Video](#)
- Briones Pilot [Zone Map](#); you can also [Download Briones Pilot Project Map](#) available in Avenza ([Apple App Store](#) / [Android App Store](#))
- Briones Pilot [Schedule](#)
- Briones Pilot [Dig Days](#) (space available on Aug 13)

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Volunteers help with Briones pilot project "Dig Day" on May 13, 2023

