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Arroyo Simi Bike Path California



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The 8.6-mile Arroyo Simi Bike Path traverses Simi Valley in Ventura County. The majority of this rail-with-trail follows the Arroyo Simi, the creek for which the trail is named, and which serves as a flood-control channel. The trail runs along both the northern and southern sides of the creek for much of the trail. Multiple bridges allow users to switch between the northern and southern sides.

To follow the southern side, begin at Tierra Rejada Road and Stargaze Place. From here, users will enjoy a short onroad segment within a residential neighborhood featuring lovely landscaping, flowers, and a soft surface. The surface quickly changes to paved as the trail transitions to a greenway heading up a somewhat steep hill with scenic views. Users with accessibility needs may want to skip this part of the journey and start at Madera Road, 0.8 mile east

of the western endpoint. Madera Road is also the first point at which you can access the trail's northern side.

The trail continues over a footbridge and then takes its typical formation along the Arroyo Simi. This main part of the trail includes some minor hills, dips, and bumpy sections that could be challenging for wheelchairs. In addition, many of the street access points and crossings are heavily trafficked and lack on-street bicycle infrastructure.

For most of the journey, the trail sits above the Arroyo Simi. Near East Los Angeles Avenue, however, the trail goes beneath an on-street bridge and brings users down closer to the creek. Be on the lookout for turkey vultures, hawks, greater yellowlegs, belted kingfishers, killdeers, common yellowthroats, American kestrels, and ducks.

A highlight of the trail is the beautiful Rancho Simi Community Park, which includes sports facilities, water fountains, restrooms, and the tree-rimmed Rancho Simi Park Lake, a popular local duck pond and fishing hole. About a half-mile farther down the trail, you will arrive at the much smaller Frontier Park, which boasts a historical cannon and playground equipment. The portion of trail following the southern side of the creek ends at Vista Del Arroyo Park, a modern facility with a playground, a gazebo with a picnic table, and a basketball court. Adjacent to the park is the Arroyo Simi Equestrian Center. Horseback riding, while permitted on the trail, is more popular on the regional trails around the equestrian center, especially heading east from here

The portion of trail following the northern side of the creek continues past the Simi Valley rail station, where Metrolink's Ventura County Line and Amtrak are both available. You may even catch a glimpse of a train on this rail-with-trail segment. Near the end of the trail, you will find the grassy Arroyostow Park, which offers mountain views and play equipment. The trail ends at Yosemite Avenue near Damon Street.





States: California **Counties:** Ventura Length: 8.6miles

Trail end points: Tierra Rejada Rd & Stargaze Pl.(Simi Valley) to Yosemite Av, just south of

Damon St (Simi Valley)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Crushed Stone

Trail category: Rail-Trail **Trail activities:** Bike,Inline

Skating,Fishing,Wheelchair

Accessible, Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Simi Valley station serves as a stop for the Simi Valley Transit (SVT) bus system, the Ventura County bus system (VCTC), Metrolink trains, and Amtrak.

Parking is available at Rancho Simi Community Park (1765 Royal Ave), at Arroyo Simi Equestrian Center (2900 Royal Ave), and at Simi Valley Transit Station (5050 E Los Angeles Ave).

Visit the <u>TrailLink map</u> for all options, available transit lines, and detailed directions.







