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Guides



**Veterans
Parkway**
California



Veterans Parkway California

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In the hustle and bustle of the greater Los Angeles area, the Veterans Parkway provides a cool, peaceful escape just a few minutes from the beach. The 4-mile Veterans Parkway, nestled in a greenway of lush vegetation and flowers seems almost hidden, meandering through the ocean-side suburbs of Manhattan Beach and Hermosa Beach. These communities, about 20 minutes south of Los Angeles, have all the quintessential qualities of classic Southern California towns, including palm-tree-lined boulevards and an assortment of surf shops, beachfront bars, and restaurants.

The soft-surface pedestrian-only trail (no bikes or horses) passes numerous shops selling coffee and lemonade, as well as pancakes, pizza, and burritos, as it runs the length of the two towns sandwiched between Redondo Beach in

the south and El Segundo in the north. Much of it runs within a half mile of popular Pacific beaches.

About the Route

Wood chips give the trail a soft surface through the 24-acre greenbelt sandwiched between Valley Drive and Ardmore Avenue, although Hermosa Beach is installing a firmer surface on a 0.3-mile segment between the Pier Avenue and Eighth Street intersections to make wheelchair use easier.

Eucalyptus and other trees create shady spots along the trail, with other sections grown over with ice plants. Homeowners seeking to beautify their piece of trail provide flowering shrubs and other landscaping. Benches and drinking fountains are located every quarter mile or so.

The northern end of Veterans Parkway heads southwest from a large parking lot just south of Rosecrans Avenue on an access road for the Manhattan Village Shopping and Dining Complex. After passing residential neighborhoods for about a mile, the trail comes to busy playing fields at Dorsey Field and Live Oak Park. Another quarter mile takes trail users to the intersection with Manhattan Beach Boulevard, where the beach is only four blocks away.

Crossing the intersection, there are benches set among seven butterfly totems celebrating the monarchs that are drawn to the local eucalyptus. A wheelchair-accessible parcours sits between 10th and 11th Streets.

Entering Hermosa Beach just past Boundary Place, there is a 1.7-mile segment through quiet neighborhoods and several parks—including Valley Park and South Park—where there are playing fields and gardens with native flora and butterfly habitat.

The trail's southern end is located at Herondo Street on the border with Redondo Beach.



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States: California

Counties: Los Angeles

Length: 4miles

Trail end points: Herondo St. (Redondo Beach)
to N Sepulveda Blvd. (Manhattan Beach)

Trail surfaces: Dirt, Woodchips

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Walking, Wheelchair
Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

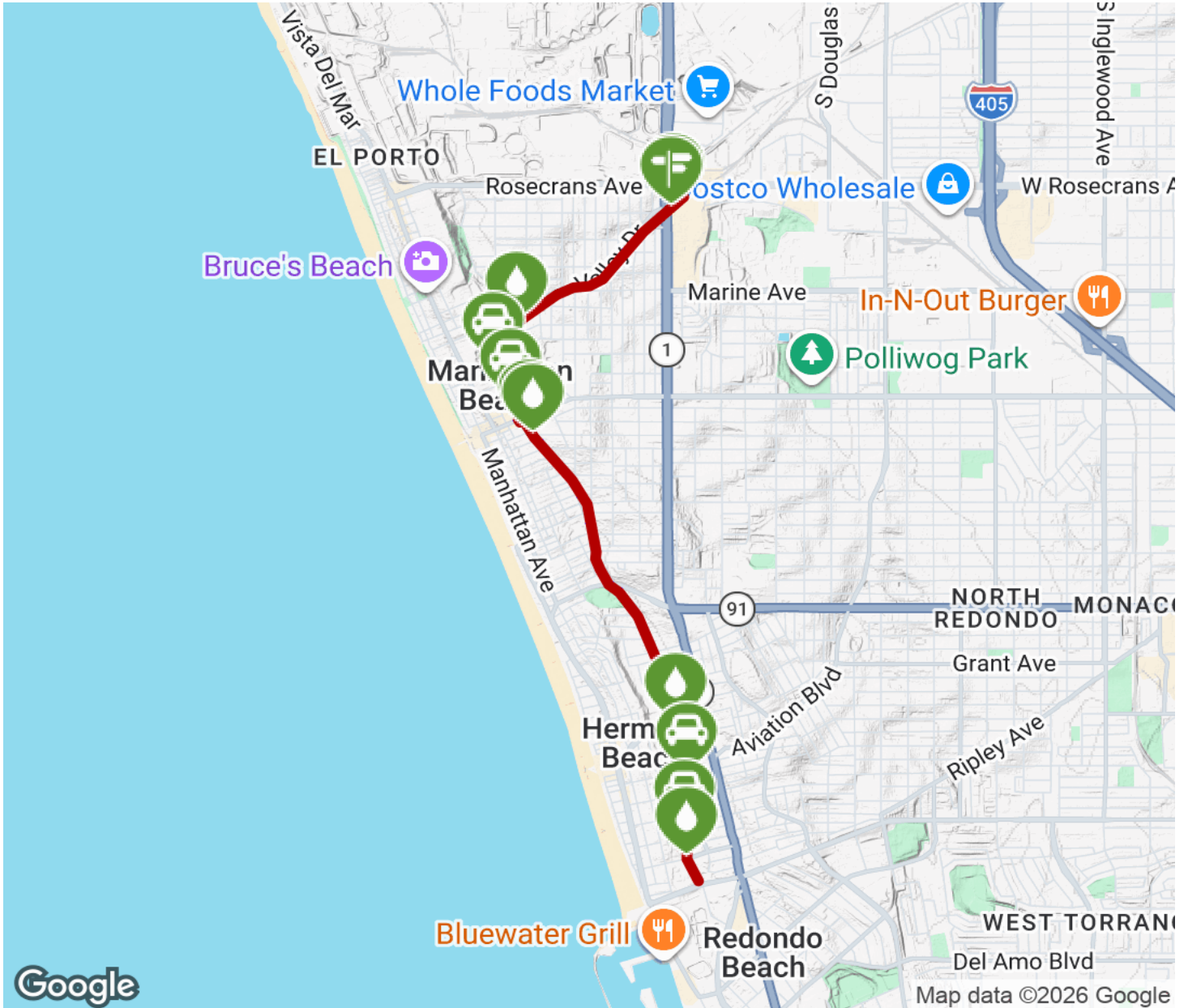
The Veteran's Parkway runs between Herondo St. (Redondo Beach), where parking is available, and N Sepulveda Blvd. (Manhattan Beach).

Please see [TrailLink Map](#) for all parking options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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