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Guides



**Arroyo
Colorado Hike
& Bike Trail**
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About the Route

The Arroyo Colorado Hike & Bike Trail runs between McKelvey Park (1325 S 77 Sunshine Strip) and Dixieland Road in Harlingen.

For the majority of its route, the trail meanders along a tree-lined waterway called the Arroyo Colorado. The trail crosses the water several times along the route via pedestrian bridges with boardwalk surfaces.

From its northeast end in McKelvey Park, the trail meanders west along the Arroyo Colorado. The park has a playground, covered picnic areas, restrooms, a drinking fountain, a bike rental station, outdoor fitness equipment, trail signage, and parking.

The trail passes under a railroad trestle bridge, which offers a picturesque scene against the Texas sky and landscape. It passes Harlingen Thicket, a 40-acre nature reserve and popular birding spot.

Continuing west along the trail, the route splits. The north fork (right) is a short spur that connects the trail to C.B. Wood Park (400 W Harding Ave), which is a family-friendly spot with a playground, covered picnic shelter, parking, and a drinking fountain.

The south fork (left) crosses the waterway and runs west along the edge of a car dealership. The route splits again with the south fork (left) leading to a small parking lot dedicated for trail use on S Expressway 83. The north fork (right) crosses the waterway and continues west, passing under S Expressway 83.

After passing under the expressway, the trail crosses the waterway again and meanders southwest along the Arroyo Colorado. It crosses the waterway again before coming to its southeast end on Dixieland Road.



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States: Texas

Counties: Cameron

Length: 4.6 miles

Trail end points: McKelvey Park (1325 S 77 Sunshine Strip, Harlingen) to Dixieland Rd (Harlingen)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Boardwalk

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Wheelchair Accessible, Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Arroyo Colorado Hike & Bike Trail runs between McKelvey Park (1325 S 77 Sunshine Strip), where parking is available, and Dixieland Road in Harlingen.

From east to west, parking is available at

- McKelvey Park (1325 S 77 Sunshine Strip), which has a paved parking lot, restrooms, and a drinking fountain.
- Harlingen Thicket (311 E Taft), which has a paved parking lot and restrooms.
- Arroyo Park (intersection of New Hampshire St & Hale St), which has a paved parking lot, restrooms and a drinking fountain.
- C.B. Wood Park (400 W Harding Ave), which has a paved parking lot and a drinking fountain.
- a small paved parking lot by the trail on S Expressway 83 (next to 2521 S Expressway 83)



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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