RESTROOMS AND WATER are not available on the trails.

BE AWARE of the potential and inherent dangers that exist in any wilderness setting. Watch for and avoid rattlesnakes, poison oak, stinging nettle and scorpions.

DOGS must be on leash at all times as required by City of RPV Municipal Code Section 12.16.050. Please remove dog waste and pack out all litter.

FIRE AND SMOKING are not permitted in the Preserve due to the potential for serious fire damage.

NATURAL FEATURES are protected in the Preserve and are to be admired, but not removed.

FIREARMS are not permitted on the Preserve. City of RPV Municipal Code Section 9.08.010.

BICYCLES AND HORSES are allowed in the Preserve only on designated trails.

TRAVEL ON DESIGNATED TRAILS It doesn’t take much off-trail activity to beat down sensitive vegetation whether you are on horse, foot or bicycle. You can help balance preservation with recreation by staying on designated trails as shown on the trail map. Bicyclists must yield to foot and equestrian traffic.

TRAIL CLOSURES will be in effect during and following significant rainfall to protect trails. Closures may also go into effect at various times for habitat protection and erosion prevention when deemed appropriate. Please respect any signs regarding these closures.

TRAIL MODIFICATIONS of any kind are not permitted in the Preserve. This includes construction of jumps, wooden ladders, earthen mounds, formation of berms and brush clearing.

How You Can Help

If you would like to donate, participate in trail work or other volunteer projects, join a nature walk or become a member, please visit the PVPLC website at: www.pvplc.org or call (310) 541-7613.

San Ramon Reserve, 95 acres, was formerly called the “Switchbacks” for the twisting path of Palos Verdes Drive East through this property. Pull-outs on the road provide impressive views toward the harbor and Catalina Island.

The San Ramon Reserve is a 95-acre conservation area located along the Palos Verdes Peninsula. It is managed by the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy, a non-profit organization dedicated to land conservation and public access. The reserve is open to the public for hiking, nature walks, and educational programs.

In the event of an emergency, dial 911. Crimes should be reported to the Lomita Sheriff at (310) 539-1661. Infringements of Preserve rules or regulations should be reported to RPV City Park Rangers at (310) 491-5775.

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San Ramon Reserve
Limited parking at three scenic turnouts along Palos Verdes Drive.
No one is permitted in the preserve after dark except by permit
The winding switchback that surrounds the San Ramon Reserve offers towering views over the Pacific Ocean. This parcel of open space offers a small loop of trails that provides views to the east of the Los Angeles Harbor and to the west to Vicente Bluffs Reserve along the Peninsula. There is street parking near the entrance to the Marymount Trail which connects to Switchback Trail and onto Wanderer Trail. Enjoy the surrounding coastal sage scrub and look for a cactus wren or other unique species of the Peninsula.