

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**



**Drone Policy
Inland Empire District**

January 13, 2025

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS ORDER NO. 950-25-002

Supersedes Posted Order 950-24-002

Model aircraft and Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS or “drones”) are an emergent technology that can have a negative impact on park resources and public safety and are generally inconsistent with the park experience. Due to the dramatic growth and popularity of model aircraft and UAS, and based on concerns related to wildlife, aesthetics, visitor safety and privacy, and fire hazards, the following lands and facilities located within the Inland Empire District are restricted as follows:

For the safety and welfare of the public, and under the authority of the California Code of Regulations, Title 14 Sections 4326 and 4301(i), the following regulations regarding Drone/UAS use shall apply to all lands owned or operated as part of Inland Empire District:

- 1) No person shall launch, land, or operate a powered unmanned aircraft or unmanned aerial system (UAS) within Inland Empire District.

Exceptions to this order, at the discretion of the District Superintendent, **may** include:

- a) Commercial filming with applicable FAA Certificate of Authorization (COA), appropriate park unit permits and California Film Commission approval.
- b) Non-commercial use upon completion of the park unit’s special use permit application and applicable FAA registration.
- c) Use by law enforcement under exigent circumstances.
- d) Scientific research with appropriate FAA registration and park unit permits.

If any exception is granted, as described above, all UAS/Drone equipment must be made available for inspection of safety compliance at the time of application.

Exceptions to this order may only be granted in writing by the District Superintendent of Inland Empire District at 17801 Lake Perris Drive, Perris, CA 92571.

- 2) Nothing herein shall affect any existing contracts or property rights. Nothing herein shall be construed in derogation of other provisions of law.

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Kelly Elliott

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District Superintendent

Authority:

State of California Public Resources Code, Sections 5003 and 5008
California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 4300, 4301(i), and 4326.
Copies of this order have been filed with the Desert Division Chief's office.

DECLARATION OF POSTING

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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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Electronic Bicycle Use

January 13, 2025
Inland Empire District

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS ORDER NO. 950-25-003

Revised and supersedes Posted Order 950-24-003

Whereas: California Code of Regulations (CCR) tit. 14, § 4360 states, “Unless designated by the Department, all trails are open to pedestrians and closed to all other uses.” This regulation prevents bicycles, to include e-bikes, on trails unless otherwise designated by the Department through a superintendent’s order.

Whereas: Revisions to the California Vehicle Code (CVC) have removed e-bikes from the definitions of “motorized bicycle” and “motorized vehicle.” Section 312.5(a) of the CVC redefines e-bikes into three classes depending on the bicycle’s level of assistance and speed:

- (1) A “class 1 electric bicycle,” or “low-speed pedal-assisted electric bicycle,” is a bicycle equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling, and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 20 miles per hours
- (2) A “class 2 electric bicycle,” or “low-speed throttle-assisted electric bicycle,” is a bicycle equipped with a motor that may be used exclusively to propel the bicycle, and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 20 miles per hour.
- (3) A “class 3 electric bicycle,” or a “speed pedal-assisted electric bicycle,” is a bicycle equipped with a speedometer and a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling, and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 28 miles per hour

Whereas: Except as otherwise permitted, e-bike use on trails and non-public access (controlled access) roads shall only be allowed in the following unit classifications:

- State Recreation Area (SRA) - Class 1 e-bikes only
- State Vehicle Recreation Area (SVRA)

Therefore:

1. Class 1, 2, and 3 e-bikes are allowed on public roadways within all Inland Empire

District park units per applicable California Vehicle Code sections. Public roadways are roads currently open to public vehicle use.

2. Inland Empire District has three State Recreation Areas (SRA) within the jurisdiction of the Department. Class 1 e-bike use is permitted in the below listed SRAs on trails and non-public access roads already designated for traditional (non-electric) bicycles.

- a) Lake Perris State Recreation Area
- b) Silverwood Lake State Recreation Area
- c) Providence Mountain State Recreation Area

3. Regardless of park unit classification, e-bikes are permitted to be used on paved (asphalt or concrete) trails used for the purpose of local or regional commuting where such use would be consistent with adjacent agency or organization's trail use.

4. Mount San Jacinto State Park— All trails closed to bicycles, personal electric transporters and other motorized transportation devices.

5. Class 1 e-bikes are permitted in Wildwood Canyon (Unclassified Property) on trails where bicycles are allowed.

6. Class 1 e-bikes are permitted in Chino Hills State Park on trails where bicycles are allowed:

- a) Closures to all bicycles:
 - Water Canyon Trail
 - Easy Street
 - Hills for Everyone Trail
 - Gilman Trail
 - Bobcat Loop

7. Requests by individuals for e-bike use for the purpose of providing access to people with disabilities shall follow Departmental Notice 2015-04 Other Power-Driven Mobility Devices.

8. The District Superintendent, or designee, may grant exemptions to this order as determined necessary for the proper administration of the park, and to protect the safety and welfare of its visitors, employees, wildlife and resources. All exemptions, except for emergency personnel, must be obtained in writing. Requests for exemptions may be made by contacting the District Superintendent, Inland Empire District, 17801 Lake Perris Drive, Perris, California, 92571.

9. Nothing herein shall affect any existing private contract or property rights.

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Trail Use within Chino Hills State Park

January 13, 2025

Inland Empire District

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS ORDER NO. 951-25-001

Revised and Supersedes Posted Order 951-24-001

Whereas: Most trails within Chino Hills State Park are designated as multi-use,

Whereas: North Ridge Trail conditions remain unsafe west of Gilman Trail due to erosion and use is not permitted until proper trail repair can be conducted,

Therefore:

1. All designated roads and trails within Chino Hills State Park are open to public entry by foot, bicycle and horse with the exception of:
 - A. Closure to **BICYCLE** and **HORSE** use:
 1. Water Canyon Trail
 2. Easy Street
 3. Hills for Everyone Trail
 - B. Closed to **ALL USE**: North Ridge Trail west of Gilman Trail due to unsafe conditions
 - C. Closed to **ALL USE**: during Red Flag wind conditions and for at least 48 hours after ceasing of any rain or inclement weather where more than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch of precipitation has fallen. Bane Canyon and Carbon Canyon entrances will be posted for closure on affected days.
2. All persons shall stay on designated trails. Designated trails will be marked.
3. Speed limit on all trails and roads within Chino Hills State Park is 15 mph.

4. The District Superintendent, or designee, may grant exemptions to this order as determined necessary for the proper administration of the park, and to protect the safety and welfare of its visitors, employees, wildlife and resources. All Exemptions, except for emergency personnel, must be obtained in writing. Requests for exemptions may be made by contacting the District Superintendent, Inland Empire District, 17801 Lake Perris Dr., Perris, California 92571.
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**Other Power-Driven Mobility Device (OPDMD) Policy
Chino Hills State Park
and
California Citrus State Historic Park**

January 13, 2025
Inland Empire District

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS ORDER NO. 951-25-002
Supersedes Posted Order 951-24-002

In order to ensure public safety and minimize adverse resource impacts, OPDMD's may only be operated within Chino Hills State Park and California Citrus State Historic Park by individuals with mobility disabilities and in accordance with the following criteria.

1. Evidence of Mobility Disability

Unless otherwise authorized, the use of OPDMD's is restricted to people with mobility disabilities as defined in §35.104 of Title II of the American with Disabilities Act. All users of OPDMD's must provide credible assurance that the mobility device is required because of their disability. Credible assurance may be provided by showing a National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Access Pass or proof of assignment of any State's valid disabled parking placard or card assigned to the person who will be using the OPDMD. If a person does not have a state issued placard or card, employees must accept as a credible assurance a verbal representation, not contradicted by observable fact, that the OPDMD is being used for mobility disability.

2. Types of OPDMD

- a. **Size:** OPDMD shall not be wider than 36" or longer than 48"
- b. **Weight:** The overall weight of the device and user(s) shall not exceed 550 pounds
- c. **Speed:** OPDMD shall not be operated at speeds in excess of 5 miles per hour
- d. **Noise:** OPDMD shall not produce noise levels in excess of 70 decibels
- e. **Emissions:** OPDMD shall not exceed zero emissions during use.

3. Areas of Authorized Use

OPDMD's that meet the above criteria are allowed in the following locations at Chino Sector of California State Park:
California Citrus State Historic Park- All trails
Chino Hills State Park – All roads/trails where mountain bikes are currently permitted to travel. This includes:

Powerline Trail
South Ridge Trail
Telegraph Canyon Trail
Diemer Trail
Sycamore Trail
Little Canyon Trail
McDermot Trail
Raptor Ridge Trail
Bovinian Delight Trail
Faultline Trail
Ranger Ridge Trail
Aliso Canyon Trail
Bobcat Ridge Trail
Bane Canyon Trail
Scully Ridge Trail
Scully Hill Trail

Alluvial Trail
Santa Ana River Trail
Brush Canyon Trail
Pomona Trail
Slaughter Canyon Trail
East Fenceline Trail
Sidewinder Trail
Long Way Around Trail
Bane Ridge Trail
Corral Trail
Old Edison Trail
Coal Canyon: Pipeline and
Coal Canyon Trails
Sonome Canyon; Lilac
LaVida and Tower Trails

OPDMD's are allowed in and around the Rolling M Ranch and Campground.

4. The use of OPDMD's is prohibited unless they meet the above criteria for type of device, are being operated by persons with mobility disabilities on the above-described locations.
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**Hours of Operation
Chino Hills State Park**

January 13, 2025
Inland Empire District

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS ORDER NO. 951-25-003
Supersedes Posted Order 951-24-003

1. Chino Hills State Park operating hours for vehicle day use parking are 8:00 am to 5:00 pm daily from October 1st to the first Sunday in April
2. From the first Sunday in April to September 30, Chino Hills State Park operating hours for vehicle day use parking are 8:00 am to 7:00 pm daily.
3. Chino Hills State Park operating hours for pedestrian, equestrian, or bicycle use is sunrise to sunset, year-round.
4. The District Superintendent, or designee, may grant exemptions to this order as determined necessary for the proper administration of the park, and to protect the safety and welfare of its visitors, employees, wildlife and resources. All Exemptions, except for emergency personnel, must be obtained in writing. Requests for exemptions may be made by contacting the District Superintendent, Inland Empire District, 17801 Lake Perris Dr., Perris, California 92571.
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**Fire Restrictions
Chino Hills State Park**

January 13, 2025
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DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS ORDER NO. 951-25-004
Supersedes Posted Order 951-24-004

Chino Hills State Park is surrounded by dense brush and vegetation. Atmospheric conditions and summer heat can increase the likelihood of wildfire, which endangers life, property and resources. The following are fire restrictions for Chino Hills State Park.

1. Open fires, including campfires and barbecues are not permitted within Chino Hills State Park except for designated campsites within the Rolling M Ranch Campground.
2. Additionally, as needed to parallel other local fire agency restrictions and fire related weather conditions, open fires, including campfires and charcoal barbecues may not be permitted within the Rolling M Ranch Campground. Portable gas fueled camp stoves, heaters, lanterns, and pits with an on/off switch will continue to be permitted within designated campsites during such restrictions, but must be at least 20 feet away from brush or vegetation.
3. Smoking, including "E" cigarettes is not allowed in the park except in developed area parking lots. Smoking on trails is never allowed. Smoking shall not be within 20 feet of any building or vegetation area. Smoking is allowed at the Rolling M Ranch Campground within the designated campground footprint. It is the user's responsibility to ensure that all cigarettes / cigars are properly extinguished and disposed of.
4. During "Red Flag" which is an atmospheric condition of high winds and heat and low humidity designated by the National Weather Service, the entire park including trails, campground, and most facilities will be closed. No park visitors are allowed during this closure.
5. Due to its proximity to a safe egress route, the Discovery Center facility can remain open if there is a pre-arranged school tour. A DPR coordinator must remain with the school group at all times. The general public will not be allowed in the lot or have access to trails.

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