



The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) staff maintains the Chino Creek Wetlands and Educational Park and conducts field trips and tours of the park. IEUA is committed to meeting the needs of the region by providing essential services in a regionally planned and cost effective manner while safeguarding public health, promoting economic development, and protecting the environment.

Education Programs

IEUA's education programs empower students with knowledge of water preservation and environmental stewardship while encouraging motivation to take action in school and at home.

Water Discovery Program

The Chino Creek Wetlands and Educational Park offers free environmental education programs focusing on water conservation, wetlands, and watershed issues. The program consists of various hands-on stations encouraging observation, imagination, and critical thinking.

Owlie's Virtual Adventures

IEUA presents a series of free, online educational resources through "Owlie's Virtual Adventures." This award-winning program features a virtual field trip program, Wally's Water Conservation Camp, Water Scout Badge Program, At-Home Activities, how-to videos on YouTube, and more.

To book a field trip or for more information, visit ieua.org.



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About the Park

The Chino Creek Wetlands and Educational Park opened in 2007 and was partially funded by a grant from the State Water Resources Control Board. The park is a natural treatment wetlands, which was designed to direct flows through the park. These flows end up in the Chino Creek and then travel to the Santa Ana River.

The park consists of 22 acres and 1.7 miles of trails landscaped with a wide variety of climate appropriate and low water use plants, and features a state-of-the-art irrigation management system. The park is open to the public throughout the year to enjoy at their leisure during daylight hours.

Purpose

The park serves as a demonstration area for the community to showcase the value of conservation and the importance of wetlands in the structure of our environment for improving water supply, stormwater treatment and water-use efficiency.

The park also provides an educational experience to students through the Water Discovery Field Trip Program. Educational awareness is facilitated through a series of programs, which include tours and activities that promote environmental stewardship and resource awareness.

Additional park features include wetlands and riparian habitat, trails, sampling stations, picnic area, education center, parking, bridges, and an amphitheater.

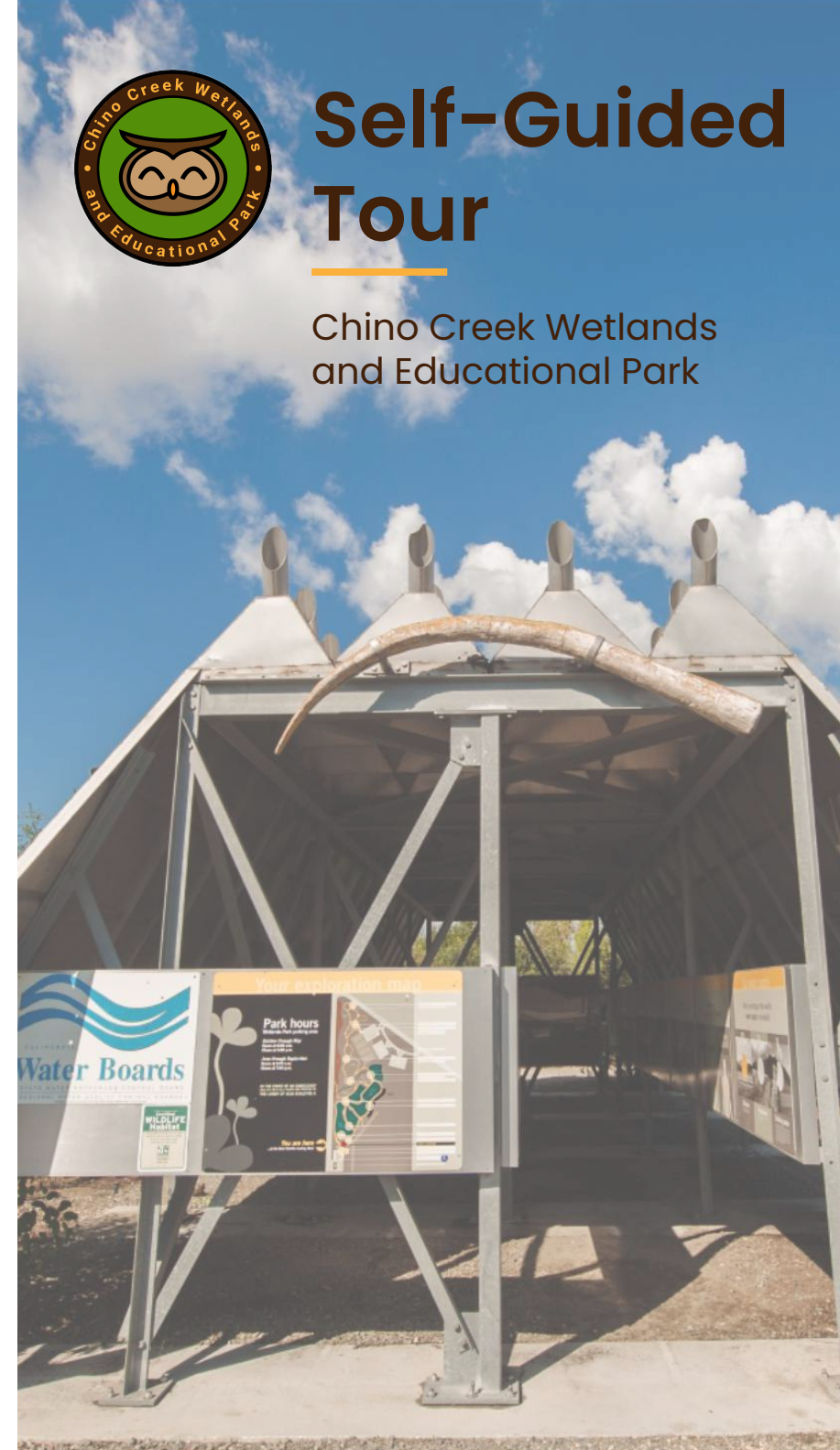


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Self-Guided Tour

Chino Creek Wetlands and Educational Park





Plants

- 3. California Sagebrush
- 4. California Black Walnut
- 6. Duckweed (Present during summer)
- 8. California Blackberry
- 10. California Rose
- 12. Toyon
- 13. Western Sycamore
- 17. White Sage

19. Purple Sage:

The park is home to three different types of sage: purple, black, and white. Purple Sage is best known for its bright purple flowers and aromatic scent.



- 21. Golden Currant
- 22. Coast Live Oak



Structures

- 1. Pipe Man
- 2. Boat Clarifier/Mammoth Tusk
- 5. Watershed Bridge:** Depicts how in a watershed, rainwater runs off the top of the bridge (mountains), connects to streams and rivers, and flows out to a body of water (ocean).



- 7. Observation Tower
- 15. Storm Drain Pipe:** There are two storm drain pipes on the trail. These were once used underground to help transport water.



- 16. Willow Bridge



Points of Interest

- 9. Surface Ponds:** There are a total of six ponds in the park that patrons can enjoy as they walk the trails. The water flows through each one until it reaches the outlet located next to pond six. Make sure to keep an eye out! A lot of wildlife can be found near these ponds.



- 11. Birdhouses
- 14. Pipe Garden

- 18. Outlet
- 20. Amphitheater



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