

Westside Parks: Costa Mesa Community Ride with Arlis Reynolds

January 26, 2020 (2pm)

NOTE: numbers are mile markers, not stop locations.

[Map on RideWithGPS](#) - 7.9 miles round trip. [map of [possible detour for wet conditions](#)]



Start at **Marina View Park** **[GROUP PHOTO]**

1035 W. 19th Street, Costa Mesa, 92627. The park “was named after a proposed marina project that was to be located near the park. While the marina was never built, the name remains on the park.”

Head north out of the park, right on 19th, left on Whittier, right on Arbor and enter **Canyon Park**

Foul weather detour (skip Talbert and ride straight to Fairview): Potentially ride down into Canyon Park, but turn around at the start of the dirt trail and return to Arbor Street. Left on Arbor, left on Monrovia, left on National, across Victoria, left on Wilson, right on Canyon Drive to reach Fairview Park.

Follow the road and paved trail through Canyon Park heading west to exit into **Talbert Regional Park**. Head on the main trail (west / north-west) and take a left ~900 feet into Talbert Park to reach **Sheep Hills BMX Park**.

“Talbert Regional Park is located North and South of Victoria Street in Costa Mesa between Pacific Avenue and the Santa Ana River. North Talbert consists of 91.5 acres and South Talbert is approximately 88.5 acres.”

Head back to the main trail and go north-west on the main trail through Talbert Regional Park to reach the undercrossing of Victoria. Cross under Victoria (heading north) and continue on the paved trail until it branches right (~750 feet north of the undercrossing). Take the right at the first two branches to ride along the base of the bluffs and reach **Talbert Regional Park’s “Secret Park”**.

We know of no official name for the wooded area with grass and trees that is a popular destination for walkers and bicyclists at the northern end of the park (at the base of Fairview Park’s bluff).

Head west out of the “secret park” towards the Santa Ana River Trail; head north when you reach the Banning Channel Bikeway (don’t cross the flood channel), then right on the paved bike trail at the northern edge of Fairview Park. Turn right on Placentia, head south on Placentia up the hill, cross at the stoplight (at the top of the hill), enter the park on the paved trail, and then turn right onto a DG trail before you cross 4 railroad tracks to get to **OC Model Engineers**.

Foul weather detour (alternate entrance to the OC Model Engineers): Instead of crossing at the stoplight at the top of the hill, continue south along Placentia and cross Placentia at the stoplight at Estancia North.

Follow the trails back north out of the Model Engineers area, turn right onto the paved path, and take the bridge across Placentia to reach **Fairview Park**.

Ride through Fairview Park to exit southbound on Canyon, right on Wilson, left on Pacific, to reach **Vista Park**.

Exit by going right on Victoria Place, cross Victoria, left on Sea Bluff Drive and then stop at the corner to look at the dirt path **northern entrance to Canyon Park**. Don’t enter the park (*steep dirt path!*).

Head north on Canyon Drive, cross Victoria to head east on the Victoria bike trail, cross Victoria again to head south on National, right on Monrovia, right on Arbor, left on Whittier, right on 19th to **return to Marina View Park**.

Food afterwards: Jugos Acapulco? (19th & Wallace)