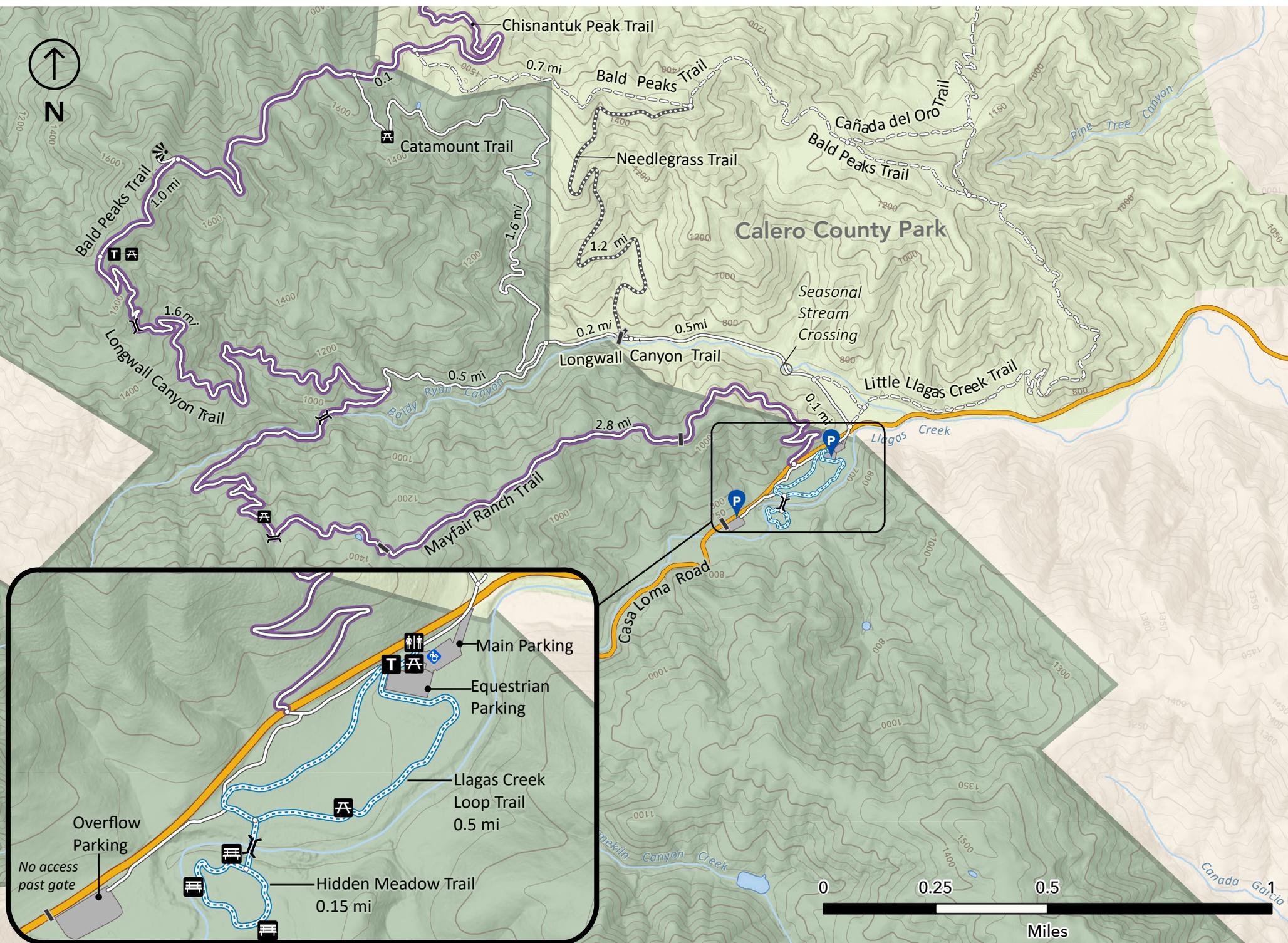


# RANCHO CAÑADA DEL ORO OPEN SPACE PRESERVE



Dual-use Trail



Multi-use Trail



- Multi-use Trail
- Dual-use Trail
- Hike Only Trail
- Accessible Trail  
Smooth, avg <5% Grade
- Bay Area Ridge Trail
- Authority Preserve
- Calero County Park
- Scenic Overlook
- Picnic Table
- Restroom
- Bench
- Horse Trough
- Gate
- Bridge
- Parking Area
- ADA Parking

Contour Interval 50 feet

- No Picking Flowers or Plants
- No Harassing Wildlife
- No Dogs
- No Drones
- No Smoking
- No Loud Music

**For emergencies call 911**

To contact the Open Space Authority, call (408)224-7476 or visit our website.

Email [ada@openspaceauthority.org](mailto:ada@openspaceauthority.org) for specific accessibility resource requests, questions or concerns.

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## RECOMMENDED HIKES

### Accessible Trails: Llagas Creek Loop, Bridge and Hidden Meadow Trail

**Distance:** 0.7 miles | **Average grade:** <5%

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## TRAIL RULES & SAFETY

- From April 16 to Sept. 15, hours are 6:00 a.m. to sunset. From Sept. 16 through April 15, hours are 7:00 a.m. to sunset.
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- Keep a respectful distance from cattle and approach slowly if they block the trail, allowing them to move on their own. Avoid loud noises, touching or close-up photos. Always close gates behind you to help keep cattle contained.

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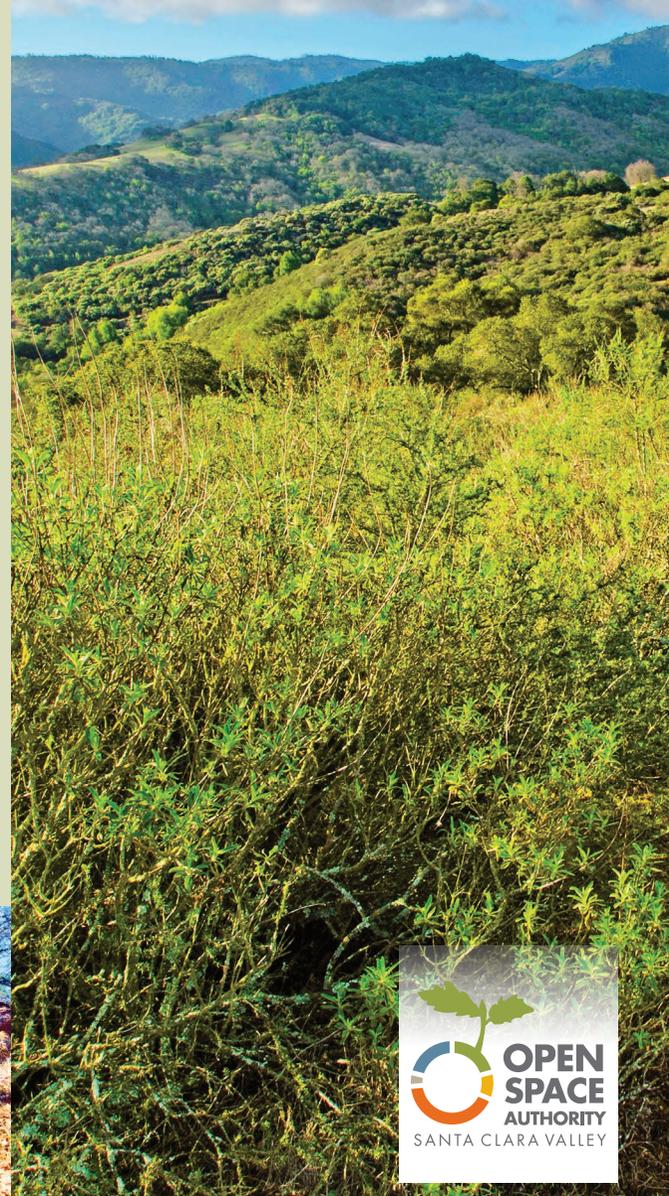
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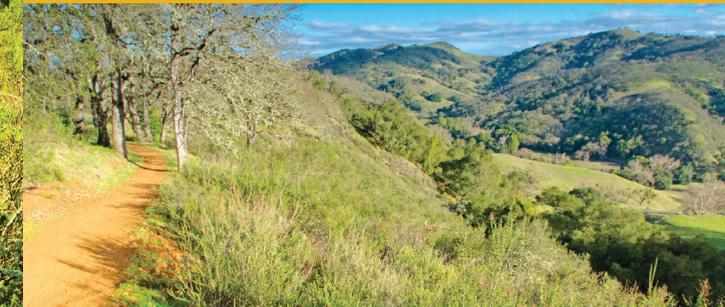
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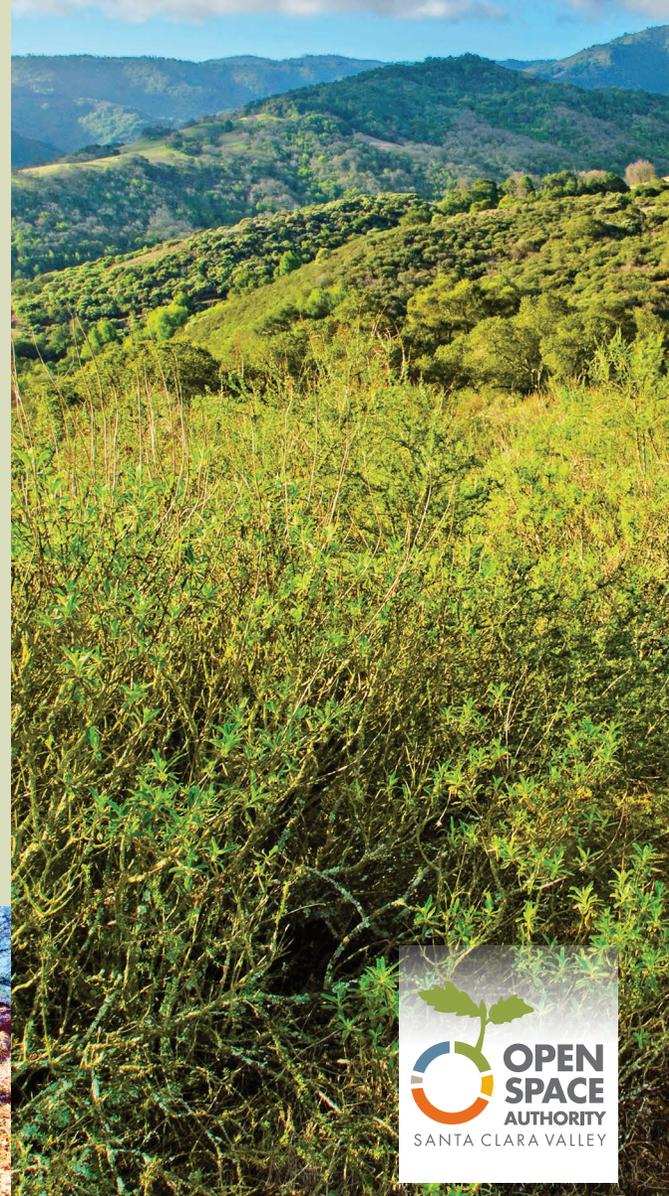
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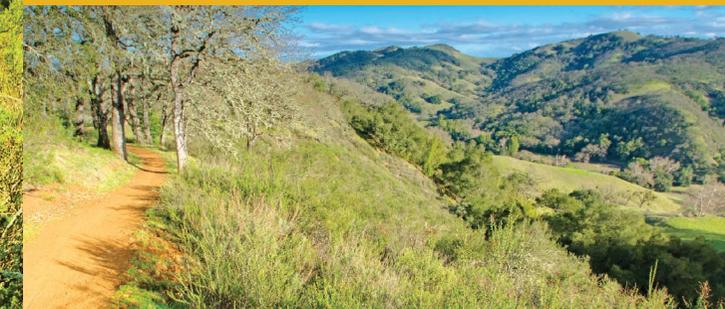
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