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Construction of the Conejo Recreation and Park District's Paige Lane Neighborhood park is now complete and open to the public.

The 14 acre neighborhood park development includes multi-use walkways and looped equestrian trail, Chumash themed playground, fitness equipment nodes, sand volleyball and basketball courts, (3) shaded picnic areas, single restroom and small parking lot, native and drought tolerant landscaping. The project will provide parkland for current and future residents of the neighborhood.

Due to the current drought and the Conejo Recreation and Park District's continued efforts towards water conservation, the planned three acres of turf areas will not be installed at this time. Turf areas will be prepared with mulch cover and underground irrigation infrastructure for possible future implementation of turf at a later date, depending on forecasted drought conditions. To find out more about the District's water conservation efforts, please visit <a href="https://www.crpd.org/water">www.crpd.org/water</a>.

The project was made possible through a partnership between the Conejo Recreation and Park District and the City of Thousand Oaks. The City provided \$1,500,000 grant towards the approximate \$4,250,000 project. The Conejo Recreation and Park District provided the balance of the funding and project management. "The City has been a tremendous partner," stated Conejo Recreation and Park District Chair Nellie Cusworth, "the grant supports the District's goals of providing the community parkland to play and enjoy the outdoors, and so much more. We are so grateful to the City and their partnership."

The park was acquired in 1972 by the Conejo Recreation and Park District and is one of few remaining undeveloped parcels of the District-wide Conejo Creek Park Complex.

To celebrate the opening of the new park facility, the District will hold a ribbon cutting ceremony with crafts, games, and light refreshments from 10:00am to 12:30pm on Saturday, October 29, 2022.

Please visit the park page at <a href="https://www.crpd.org/plp">www.crpd.org/plp</a> for detailed project information and construction photos.