

With more than 170 miles of bike trails, lanes, and paths, Bakersfield is made for bike adventures! Start with our more-than-30-mile paved path along the Kern River. The Kern River Parkway Trail takes you through preserved riparian habitat, where you might see rabbits, roadrunners, and other wildlife, all protected from development.

The scenery along the trail constantly changes. At the far eastern end, you will see the Sierra Nevada and Lake Ming. You then will pass through the Panorama Vista Preserve, with the Kern River on your right and the towering Panorama Bluffs on your left. Soon you will pass the Kern County Museum, Sam Lynn Ballpark, and several city parks with water, restrooms, and other amenities. Along the way, you will find volleyball courts, a disc golf course, and a parcourse. The path will pass Dignity Health Amphitheatre in the Park at Riverwalk, then terminate at Enos Lane (State Route 43).

Easy access is provided by several free parking lots along the way, as well as links to local roadways, so you can ride the Kern River Parkway Trail a section at a time or all in one day. The trail also provides a convenient link to California State University, Bakersfield, and a connecting path through the university takes you to shopping, restaurants, movie theaters, and a hotel.



KERN RIVER PARKWAY

Beginning at the mouth of Kern Canyon, the Kern River Parkway includes more than 6,000 acres of trails, parks, and waterways extending 30+ miles westerly to Interstate 5 and beyond.

Parkway uses include all forms of outdoor recreation and nature study, such as biking, hiking, paddling, and photography.

The parkway is an evolving community resource developed by volunteers, service organizations, businesses, and individuals with the use of public and private grants.

Please enjoy the Parkway and thank you for taking care of it!

-The Kern River Parkway Foundation



