



You ask: How can I make a voluntary Trail Easement to the county?

The Valley Center Trails Association (VCTA) will assist you as property owner through every step of the process:

1. **CONTACT THE VCTA:** We will help you see how your dedication of a voluntary trail easement fits with the county's "Trails Master Plan" for Valley Center. This is the county's game plan for developing interconnected pathways and trails for non-motorized travel including walking, bicycling and equestrian use. (Go to the VCTA web site at www.vctrails.org, and click on "Contact Us").

2. **INTENT LETTER:** Prepare and sign a letter to the county Trails Coordinator stating you are willing to voluntarily dedicate an easement on your property for a trail. VCTA will help you, if you desire.

3. **COUNTY REVIEW:** The county Trails Coordinator and VCTA will set up a meeting with you, walk the proposed route, determine the easement width, and plot it with GPS and GIS technology.

4. **DOCUMENT PREPARATION AND RECORDING:** If the county Trails Coordinator recommends approval, county Department of General Services will prepare the necessary legal documents, return them to you for signature, and have them recorded. The county will pay all costs for preparation and recordation!

Dedication to the county will give you the protection of the county's Trail Indemnification Ordinance. It provides legal defense and indemnification by the county of lawsuits brought against property owners for incidents arising on your trail or your adjacent property.

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