

Instruction for South Rio Grande
5/10km Walk, Rated 1A, Y1987
Double Eagle Hike and Bike Club

Walk Start Location: 2601 Central Ave NW, Albuquerque NM 87104.

GPS coordinates: 35.09302, -106.67991

Restrooms available at the BioPark and Tingley Beach Depot

Parking: BioPark parking lot.

Driving Directions: From Albuquerque take I-40 to Exit-157A and go South on Rio Grande BLVD for 0.8 miles (second traffic light). Turn right on Central AVE for 0.4 miles (first light) and then go right on New York AVE. Take an immediate left into the Biological Park parking lot.

Walk Completion and Credit: Be sure to log back into the OSB system to finish/complete your online registration after doing the event. The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant's Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the event was walked, the distance walked, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. (Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user's Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user's Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit participant. Note, however, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.)

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1. From the BioPark Administrative Office, **LEFT** and walk through the BioPark gates.
2. **RIGHT** following the sidewalk toward the end of the BioPark bldg. **CONTINUE STRAIGHT**, passing through a pedestrian gate to Central Ave.
3. **RIGHT** at Central Ave and walk along the sidewalk keeping BioPark fence to your **right**.
4. **CROSS** Tingley Ave at the traffic signal, then **BEAR RIGHT** toward the bird sculpture.
5. **PROCEED** onto the asphalt pathway which is the Bosque Trail.
6. **FOLLOW** the paved path as it curves to the **LEFT** (south) and **WALK** through the underpass at Central Ave.
7. **CONTINUE STRAIGHT** ahead on the path.

(At about 1 mile you will see the Tingley Depot for the rail line that runs between the Zoo and the BioPark. In this area, notice the ponds set up for fishing and the spectacular views of the Sandia Mountains to the east.)
8. Just past the depot, you will see a mileage marker "1 Mile SE". **CONTINUE STRAIGHT** ahead to the 1 ³/₄ mile marker. **(NOTE: 5K WALKERS TURNAROUND and RETRACE** steps back to the BioPark.)
9. **10K WALKERS: CONTINUE STRAIGHT** ahead on the path and **PASS** through a metal barricade.
10. **FOLLOW** the paved path through the underpass.
11. Just before a wooden and metal pedestrian bridge, turn **RIGHT** onto the gravel road between the drainage canal and the Rio Grande.
12. At about the 2 Mile SE marker, you will **CROSS** through a metal gate and see a brown diamond sign with "OK" on it. **CONTINUE STRAIGHT** ahead.
13. At about the 2 ¹/₂ Mile SE marker, you will see baseball fields on the **left**. At the end of the fields, you will reach an intersection with a second brown diamond sign.
14. **LEFT** and follow the road access **ACROSS** two canals.
15. **LEFT** onto the paved Bosque Trail and start the return walk.
16. After passing the Bueno Foods plant and the National Hispanic Cultural Center, **CROSS** the canal via the wooden and metal pedestrian bridge.
17. **CONTINUE** along the paved Bosque Trail through the underpass at Cesar Chavez Blvd.
18. Just past the 1 Mile SE marker and a group of red pipes, turn **RIGHT** and **CROSS** the rail line and the road via the pedestrian crosswalk. **(Exercise extreme caution for vehicles in this area.)**
19. **LEFT** and **CROSS** a street and walk down on the gravel trail along the canal. Kit Carson Park and the Albuquerque Country Club will be on your **right**.
20. On the **left** you will pass the fishing ponds and Tingley Train Depot.
21. **CROSS** Central Ave at the light.
22. Turn **RIGHT** and **FOLLOW** the sidewalk back to the BioPark pedestrian gate.
23. **LEFT** through the gate and back to your car.

We hope you've enjoyed this walk and will join us on our other routes in the Albuquerque, Santa Fe, and Los Alamos areas.

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