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**Subject:** Los Banos Dog Park – Opening April 19

The Los Banos City Council and the Public Works Department would like to announce the opening of the Los Banos Dog Park!!! Parks and Recreation staff will be opening the gates at 9:00 a.m. on April 19, 2021. The Dog Park is the first off-leash dog park in Los Banos and contains a mixed dog section and a small dog section which is intended for dogs under 30 pounds in weight. The Dog Park covers a space of approximately one acre and is located at the AG Sports Complex at 700 N. Mercey Springs Road.

The Dog Park features benches, over 50 shade trees, drinking fountains for both humans and dogs, and a large parking lot area. The facility is accessed by Highway 165 or residentially through the St. Francis neighborhood and will be open during park hours daily from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Rules for use of the park will be posted on site and are also available to review on the Parks and Recreation page of the City's website at [www.losbanos.org](http://www.losbanos.org).

*"Today is a great day for our furry family members, to have a place where they can safely engage in exercising and playing. Thank you Los Banos for making this dog park possible!"*

*~Deborah Lewis, Council Member – District 4*

When COVID-19 protocols allow for larger group gatherings, a grand opening event will be scheduled by Parks and Recreation staff so the community may join together to celebrate this new addition to the parks system in Los Banos.

*"We are thrilled to open Los Banos' first dog park. We expect the Dog Park to be one of the most popular park destinations for the community. The project has been a long time in the making and I'd like to thank the Los Banos City Council for their approval of the project. We can't wait to get out to the park and see all of the fun dog owners will have."*

*~Joe Heim, Parks and Recreation Operations Manager*

For more information about the Dog Park, please contact Joe Heim, Parks and Recreation Operations Manager, at 827-7034 ext. 13 or email [parksandrecreation@losbanos.org](mailto:parksandrecreation@losbanos.org).