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# GREAT GREENWAY

MARATHON RELAY

 *Run. Pass. Repeat* 

**San Antonio Roadrunners**

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## RACE GUIDE

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# RACE INFO

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Welcome to the 2026 **Great Greenway Marathon Relay**, a celebration of the Howard Peak Greenway System and a chance for the running community to experience 26.2 miles of this wonderful trailway. Here are the main things your runners need to know:

- There is NO packet pickup on race day. Packets must be picked up at Packet Pickup prior to race day (check website for details.)
- Race starts at 7am at The Rim Trailhead (17612 Vance Jackson Rd,). Race cutoff is 2pm.
- Timing chip is on the baton, which will be handed out race morning.
- There will be water coolers along the route. You must carry your own cups or containers.
- MAKE A TRANSPORTATION PLAN! There will be NO shuttles provided. Each team is responsible for getting their runners to the right relay point and picking them up. (This is part of the adventure and fun of a point-to-point relay race.)
- If you get injured or need help during the race or see another runner who needs help, please inform one of our volunteers.
- Awards will be given to Top 3 teams in each team category, subject to verification by race officials.
- An award will be given to best team shirts.

# RACE RULES

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Here are the race rules. Breaking the rules can get your team disqualified.

- All runners must carry the baton while running and hand-off to their next runner.
- This is an open course and will NOT be closed to the public. Watch out for cars, bikes, and other pedestrians. Run on the right side of the path. There are some street crossings along the course. BE CAREFUL!
- Each runner must complete their entire leg (or legs if running more than one). Baton handoffs must take place at designated relay points. There will be a relay coordinator at each handoff point writing down bib numbers as the runners come through to make sure all legs have been completed.
- A team's last runner MUST wear the red race bib/number.
- Teams that have a runner with a baby stroller or pet will not be eligible for awards.
- In case of bad weather, the race may start later, be postponed, be cancelled, or the course may have to be altered or shortened, based on recommendations from safety and race officials.

# 1. THE COURSE

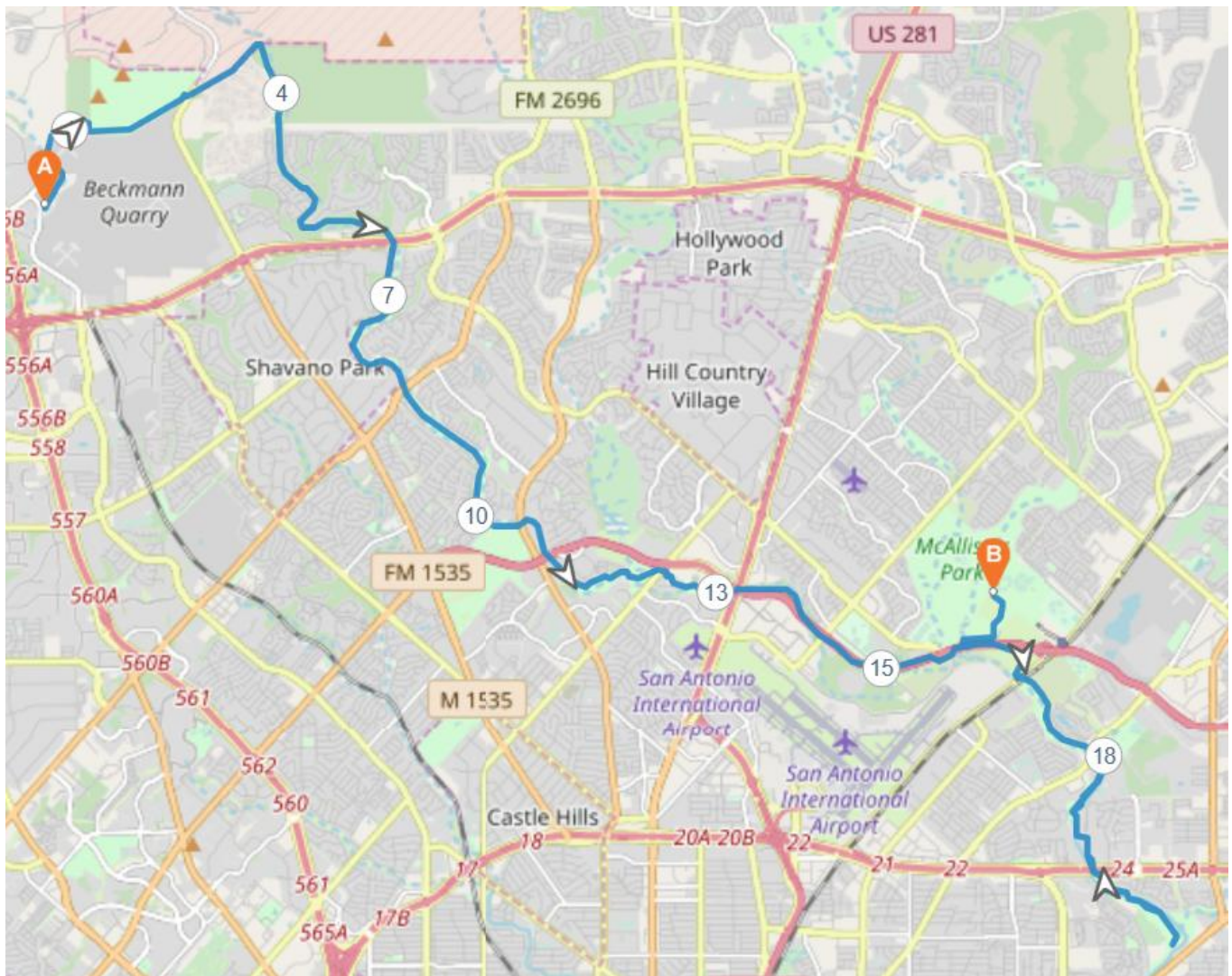
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**This is a point-to-point 26.2 mile course along the Leon and Salado Creek Greenway.**

The race starts at the Rim Trailhead off Vance Jackson Road. The first relay handoff (Relay 1) is the 1604 trailhead. Relay 2 is at Walker Ranch Park, and Relay 3 is at the LBJ Park Trailhead. Relay 4 (the handoff to the last runner) is also at the LBJ Park Trailhead. The race ends at the McAllister Dog park trailhead where a celebration and medals will be waiting for your team.

A detailed description and maps of each leg are included in this packet. Here is the link to the course: <https://www.plotaroute.com/route/3208167>.

## COURSE MAP:



## COURSE ELEVATION:



## 2. RELAY LEGS

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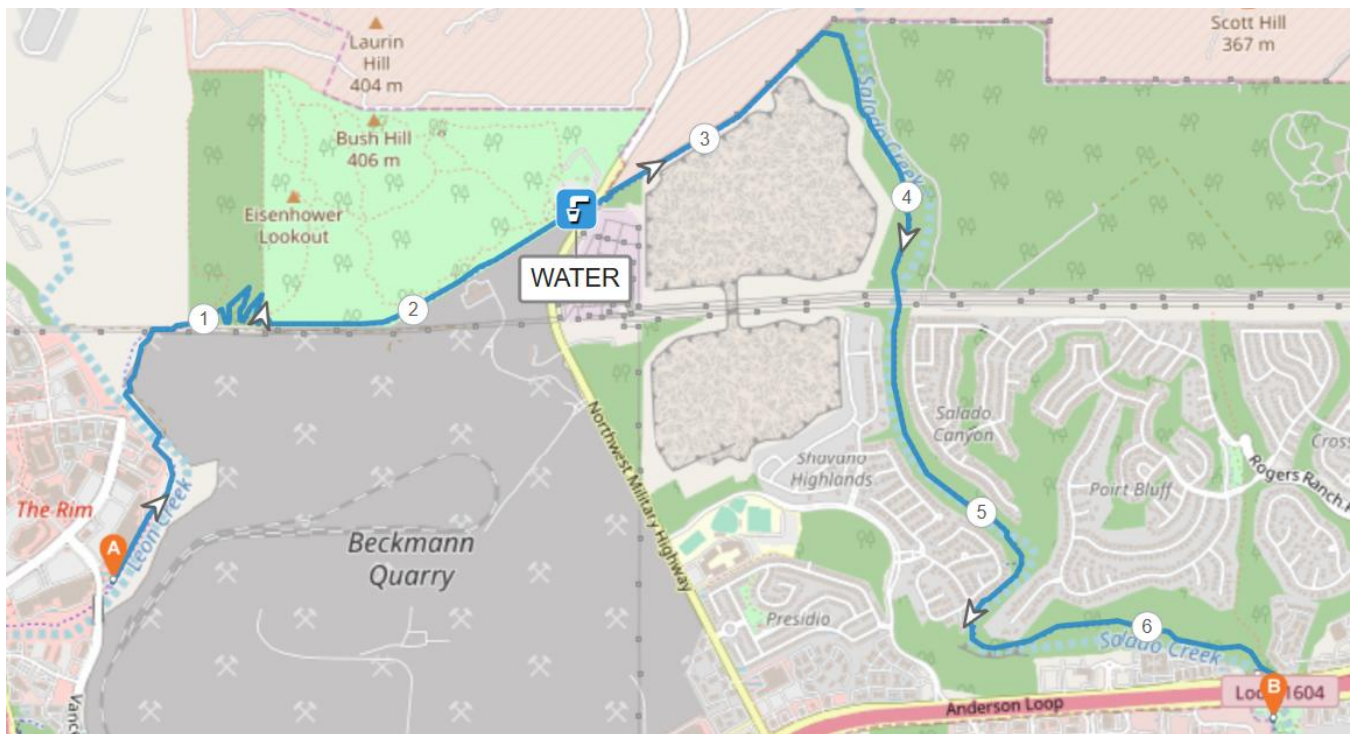
### LEG #1 (The Twisted-Sister-Hill Leg)

ROUTE: 6.5 Miles <https://www.plotaroute.com/route/3209029>

START: The Rim Trailhead, 17612 Vance Jackson Rd, 78257 ([location](#)). Parking available at The Rim.

END: 1604 Trailhead, 3104 N Loop 1604 W Access Rd, 78231 ([location](#)). VERY limited parking at Trailhead. Best to be dropped off.

NOTES: Longest and hardest leg. Right after first mile is the big, Twisted Sister Hill climb. Water stop at Eisenhower Park. Caution at crosswalk at NW Military, expect car traffic.





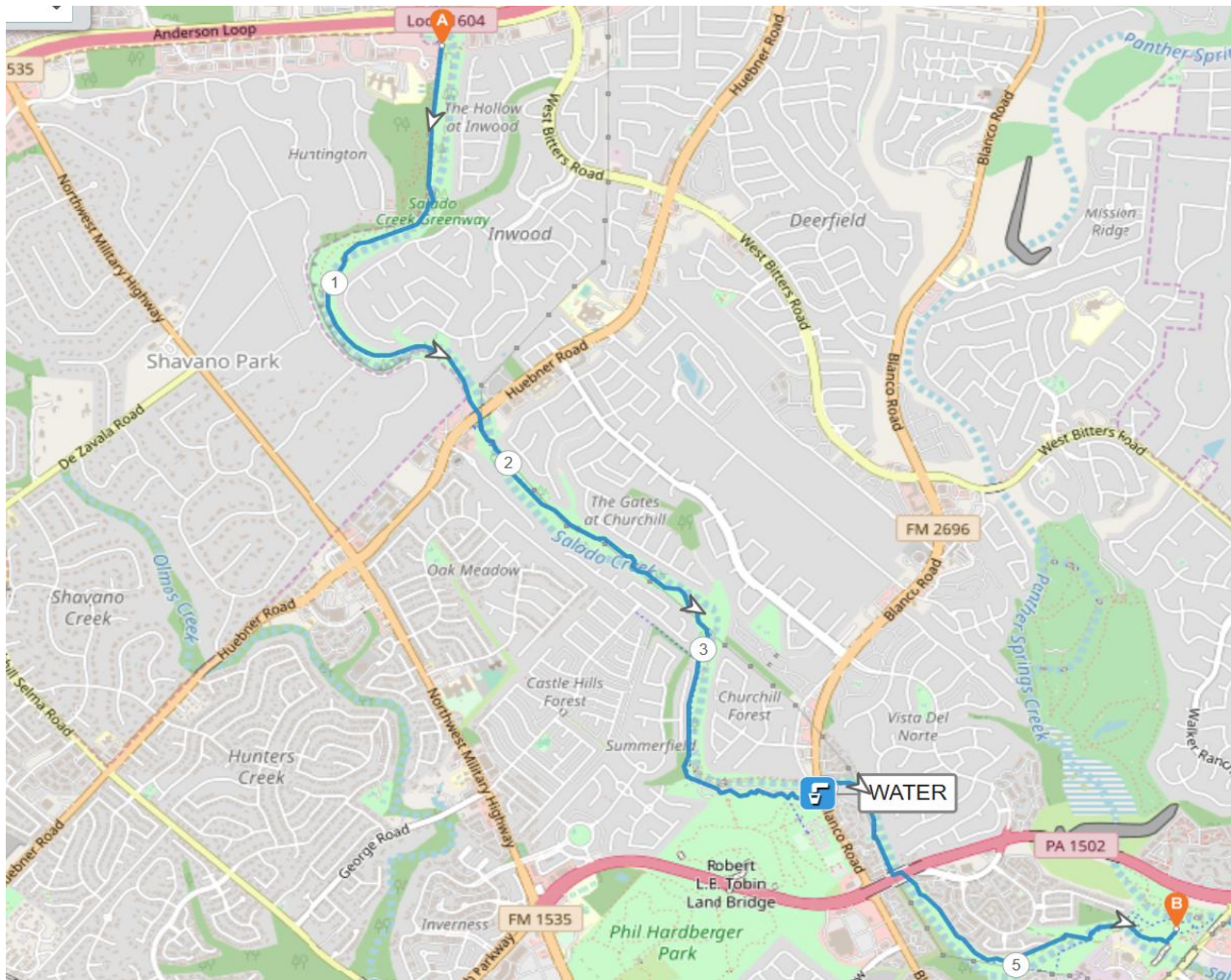
## LEG #2 (The Salado-Afficionado Leg)

DISTANCE: 5.6 Miles     <https://www.plotaroute.com/route/3209032>

START: 1604 Trailhead, 3104 N Loop 1604 W Access Rd, 78231 ([location](#)). VERY limited parking at Trailhead. Best to be dropped off.

END: Walker Ranch Park, 12603 West Ave, 78216 ([location](#)). Limited parking at Trailhead, overflow at Walker Ranch Senior Center.

NOTES: Downhill and fast. Follow race signs carefully through Hardberger Park (it's easy to get lost). Stay on Salado Creek Greenway through the park. Water stop at Blanco Road.





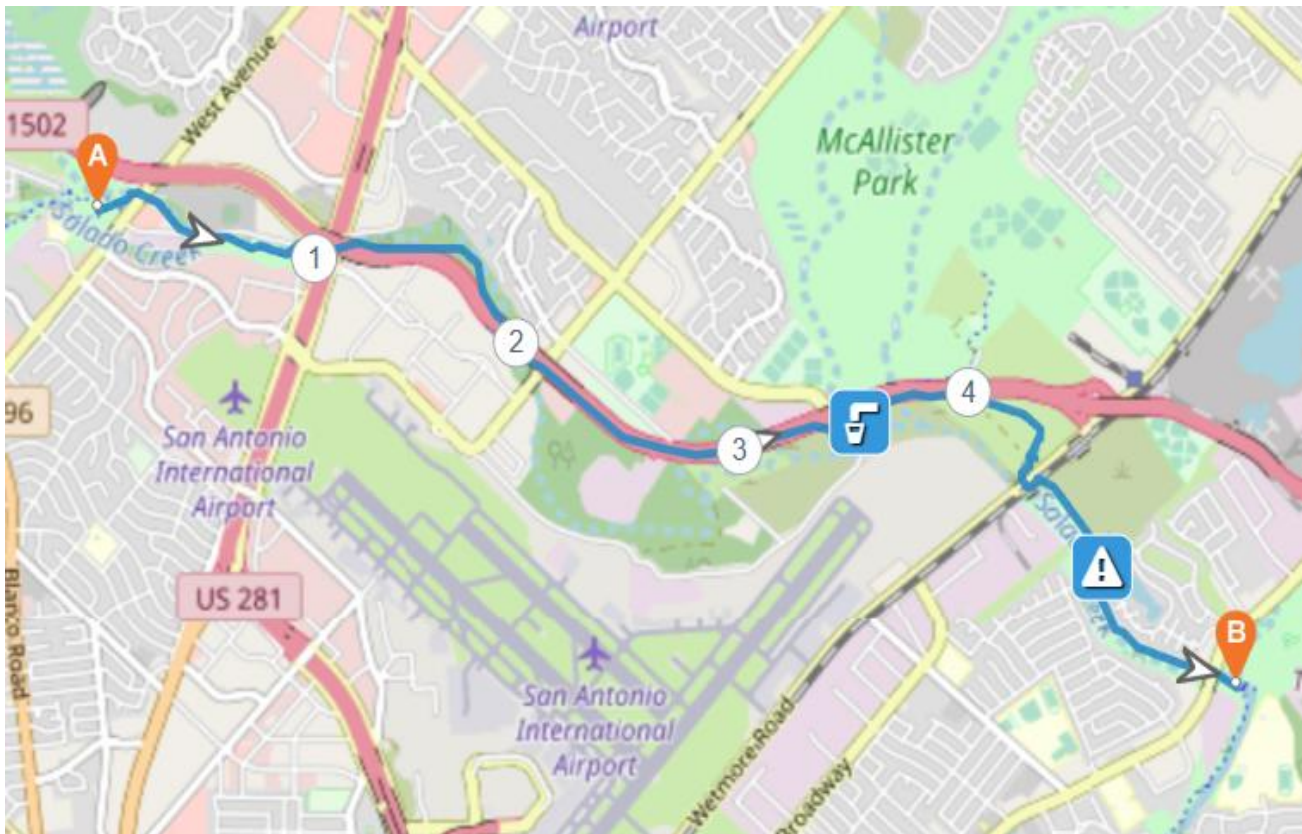
### LEG #3 (The Boardwalk Leg)

DISTANCE: 5.8 Miles     <https://www.plotaroute.com/route/3208398>

START: Walker Ranch Park, 12603 West Ave, 78216 ([location](#)). Limited parking at Trailhead, overflow at Walker Ranch Senior Center.

END: LBJ Park, 10700 Nacogdoches Rd, San Antonio, TX 78217 ([location](#)). Parking available inside the Park.

NOTES: Mostly downhill but big hill around Mile 4.25. CAUTION crossing the Boardwalk near the end of this route as it can be slick when wet. Water stop at Northeast Entrance Road.



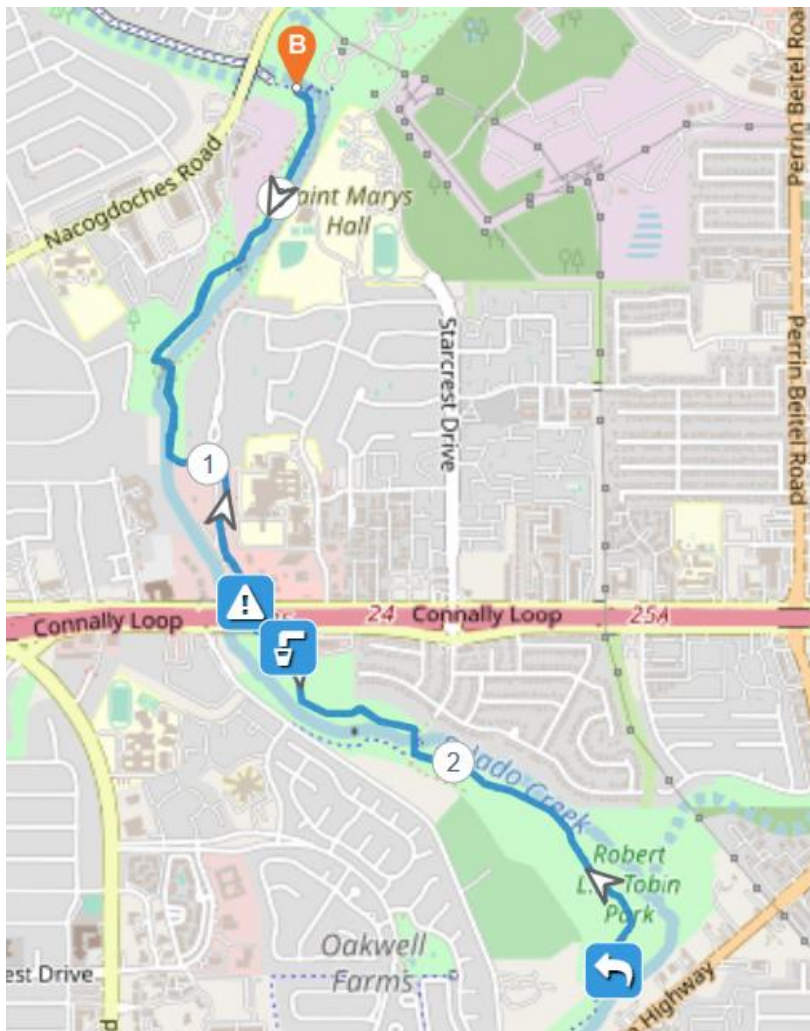
#### LEG #4 (The Out-and-Back Leg)

DISTANCE: 5.3 Miles <https://www.plotaroute.com/route/3208412>

START: LBJ Park, 10700 Nacogdoches Rd, San Antonio, TX 78217 ([location](#)). Parking available inside the Park.

END: LBJ Park, 10700 Nacogdoches Rd, San Antonio, TX 78217 ([location](#)).

NOTES: This is an out-and-back course for this leg. The turnaround will be marked (around Mile 2.6)  
Water stop at Tobin Park.



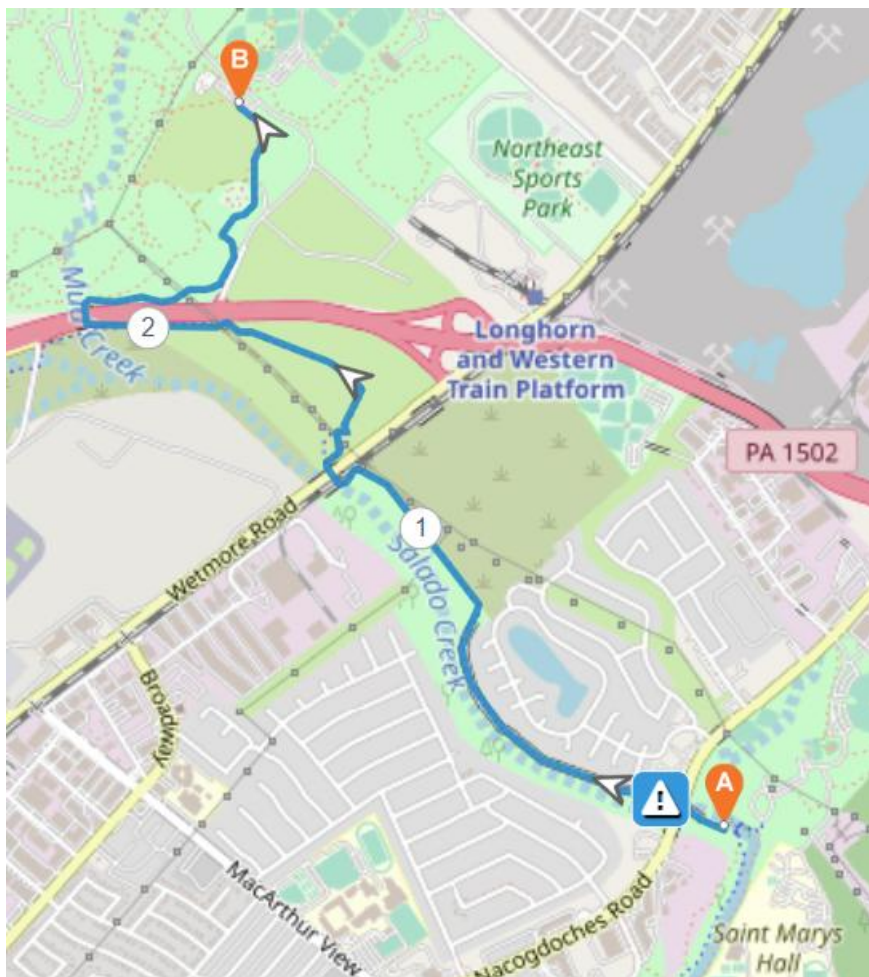
### LEG #5 (The Bring-It-Home Leg)

DISTANCE: 3.0 Miles <https://www.plotaroute.com/route/3208416>

START: LBJ Park, 10700 Nacogdoches Rd, San Antonio, TX 78217 ([location](#)). Parking available inside the Park.

END: McAllister Dog Park, 8418 Buckhorn Road, 78247 ([location](#)). Parking available at Trailhead.

NOTES: The shortest leg of the race. Be extra careful at the start when you cross the Boardwalk, which can be slick when damp. Be sure to collect the medals for your team when you cross the finish line.





### 3. PARKING

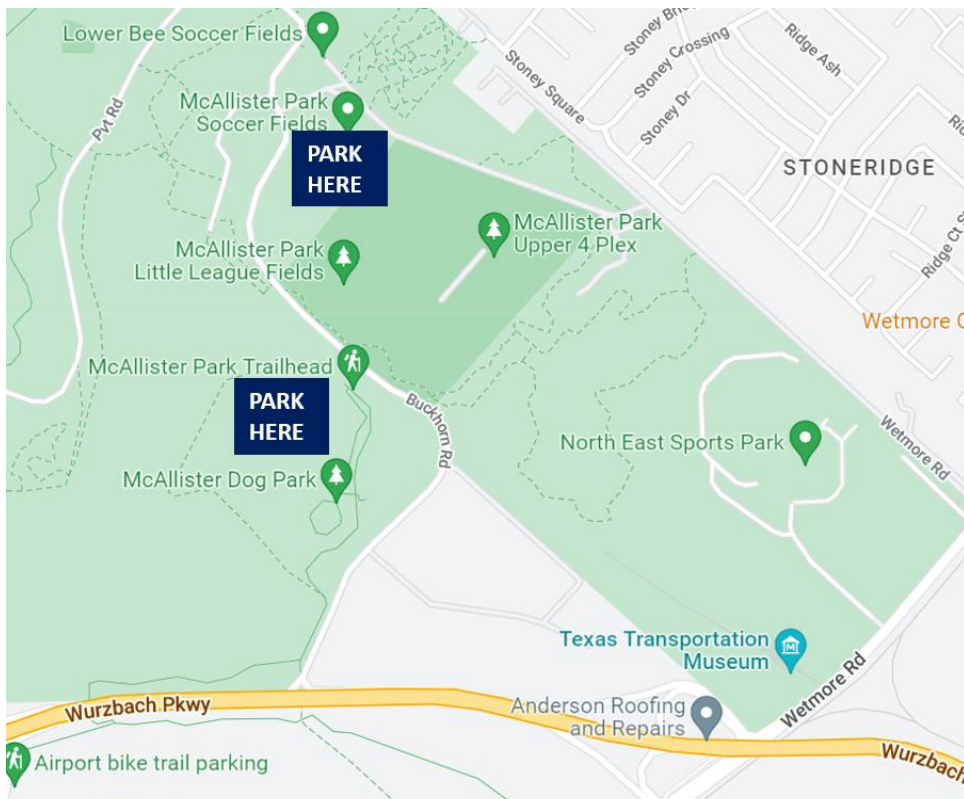
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Part of the fun of a point-to-point relay race is getting your runners to the right spots and the right time. **MAKE A TRANSPORTATION PLAN!** You will need to drop-off and pick-up your runners at different spots along the course. Figure out about what time each of your runners will arrive at their Relay Hand-off Spot. Make sure your next runner is at their spot waiting for the hand-off. We recommend each Leg runner arrives about 30 minutes before they expect their hand-off to take place.

Parking is extremely limited at these trailheads. So, it is best if you can do a drop-off / pick-up for each runner. But if you need to park, below are the recommendations regarding where to park. Only park in designated spots. The city will tow cars not in valid parking spots.

#### **PARKING – McAllister Park Trailhead**

Park at McAllister Park parking lot near trailhead or overflow parking is down the street near the soccer fields. Do not park on the grass or on the side of road. Also, do not park in the small lot that is reserved for the dog park.



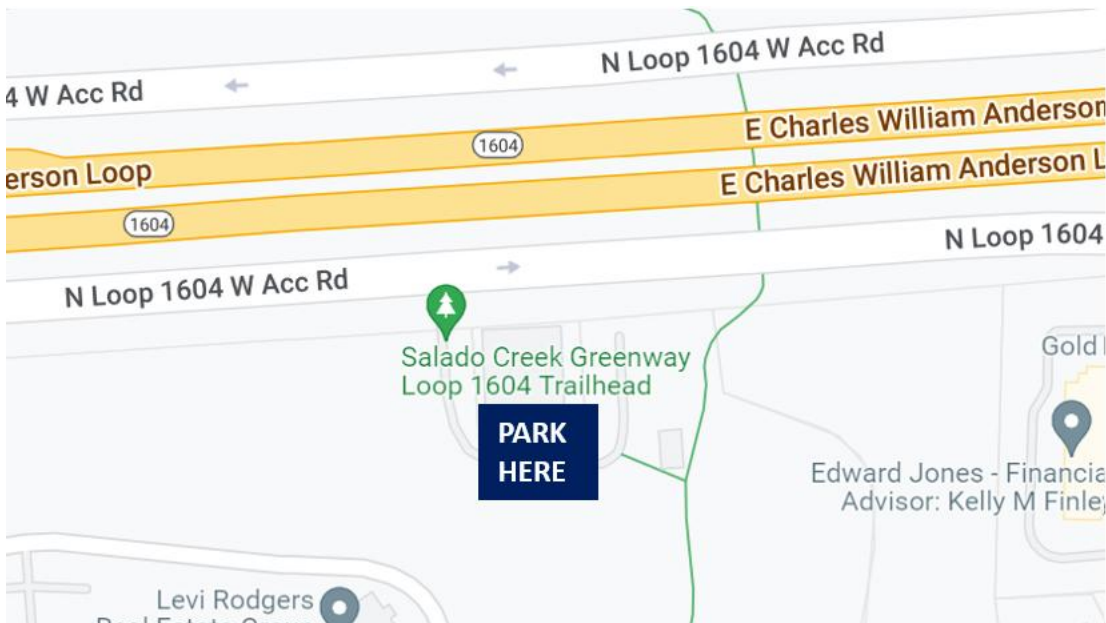
### **PARKING – Walker Ranch Trailhead**

Park at Walker Ranch parking lot or overflow parking is at Walker Ranch Senior Center (off Rhapsody Dr).



### **PARKING – 1604 Trailhead**

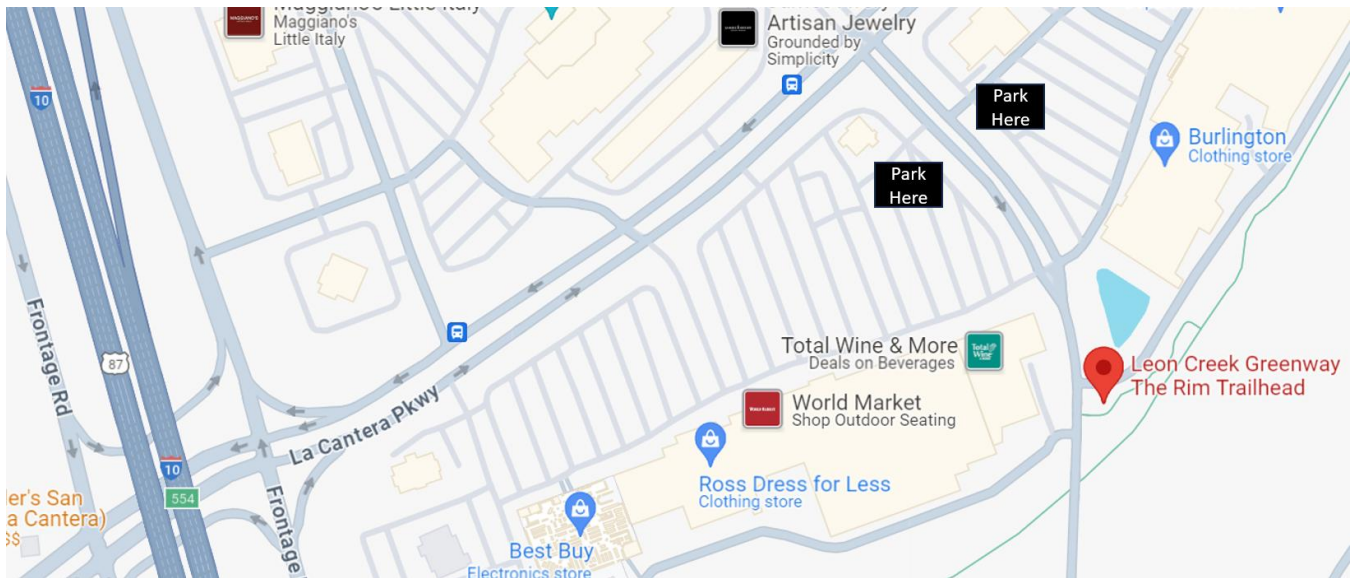
There is very limited parking at this trailhead and no good overflow parking spots. Highly recommend runners get dropped off and picked up instead of parking.





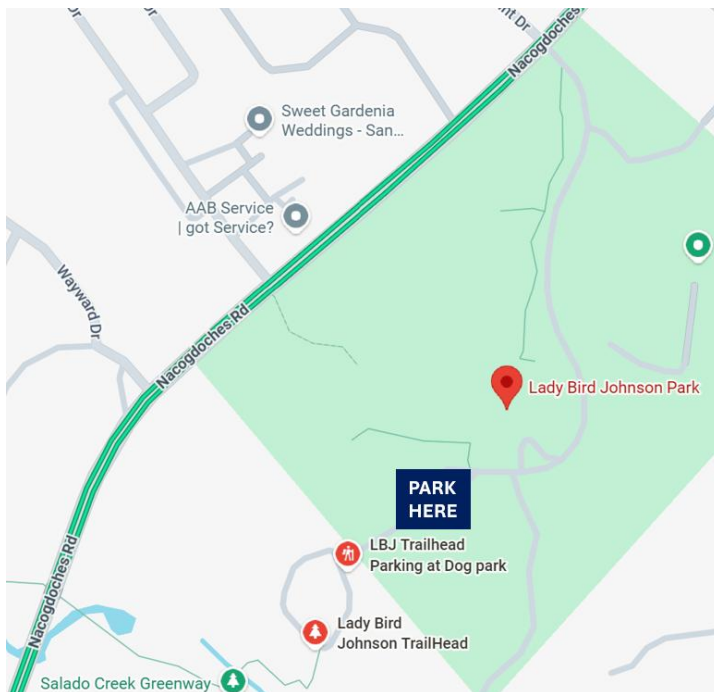
## **PARKING – The Rim Trailhead**

Park in Rim parking lot.



## **PARKING – LBJ Park**

Enter LBJ Park off Nacogdoches and drive to the back to find parking closest to the trailhead.



## 4. FAQs

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### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Q. Do I have to have 5 runners on my team?

A. No, you can have anywhere from 2 to 5 runners per team.

Q. If I have less than 5 runners, is my team eligible for category awards?

A. Yes, all teams are available for awards. However, it is assumed that teams with more runners will have an advantage over teams with fewer runners.

Q. If I have less than 5 runners does that mean some of my runners have to run more than one leg?

A. Yes, all teams must run the 26.2 miles but you decide which of your runners run which legs. For example, if you have 3 runners on your team you may want to have Runner A run Legs 1 & 2, Runner B run Legs 3 & 4, and Runner C run Leg 5. Alternatively, you could have Runner A run Legs 1 & 4, Runner B run Legs 2 & 5, and Runner C run Leg 3. Whatever works best for your team.

Q. Are dogs or strollers allowed?

A. This course is too narrow to safely allow dogs or strollers. If any of your team members run with a dog or stroller then your team will not be eligible for awards.

Q. Is this a closed course?

A. No, the Greenway is open to the public, but it is expected that pedestrian and bike traffic in February will be subdued. Please be courteous to others on the trail. We will have signs indicating to others that a race is in progress. Also, there are some crosswalks on the course where you will be crossing traffic lanes. WATCH FOR CARS!

Q. Will there be shuttles to take runners between relay spots or to the start or finish line?

A. No, part of the adventure of a point-to-point relay is coordinating getting your runners to the right place at the right time.

Q. Do teams need to supply their own baton?

A. No, teams must use the official batons because the batons will have a timing chip on them.

Q. Are all runners timed?

A. Individuals are not timed. We will track when teams start and when they finish.

Q. Will there be packet pickup the morning of the race?

A. No.

Q. Can a team use a different relay spot to handoff the baton?

A. No, all teams must use official relay spots for baton handoffs. There will be Relay Monitors at each Relay Spot to track teams coming through.

Q. Is there a time cutoff?

A. Yes, the race will close 7 hours after the start. The course will remain open since it is open to the public, but time tracking will end at 2pm.

Q. What if there is bad weather?

A. The race will take place as scheduled unless there is lightning or flooding or other conditions that prevents runners from safely participating.

Q. Will there be a post-race party?

A. YES! Please have your entire team meet at the finish line to cheer in your last runner and get your team medals. There will also be food, beer, and a DJ to keep the party going while teams finish throughout the day.

## 5. AWARDS

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Awards will be given for top 3 teams in the following categories:

- Junior Ages 14-20 (Open)
  - Open (All Male, All Female, Mixed)
  - Masters Age 40+ (All Male, All Female, Mixed)
  - Super Masters Age 50+ (All Male, All Female, Mixed)
  - Non-Binary (Only First Place team awarded in this category).
- NOTE:* All Mixed categories must have at least 2 females per team.

Also, there is an Award for the team with the best team shirts.

### **COURSE RECORDS:**

- Open Mixed - Wolfpack Eagle (2024), 2:50:40
- Open Male - Alpha Pack (2025), 2:25:27
- Open Female - The Swift She-Wolves (2025), 2:50:13
- Masters (Male) - South Texas Rollers EOFF (2024), 2:38:09
- Masters (Female) – Wolfpack Ultra Runners (2025), 3:18:52
- Masters (Mixed) – Wolfpack Mixed Geezers (2025), 3:06:25
- Super Masters (Male) – Wolfpack Firecrackers (2024), 3:04:49
- Super Masters (Female) – Golden Wolves (2024), 3:34:26
- Super Masters (Mixed) – Wolfpack Gurus (2025), 3:06:30
- Juniors – MileStoners (2024), 3:00:29
- Non-Binary – Not Fast, Just Furious (2024), 5:09:06