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“ The bold vision that emerged two decades ago – of a 55-mile river preserve spanning the San Diego region from the ocean, to the mountains, and on to the desert – is being realized.” Quoted from a wonderful piece by the San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy (SDRVC), this is indeed an “ambitious conservation project” that will ultimately bring together all the land surrounding the San Dieguito River Valley.

On Sunday June 26<sup>th</sup>, the Chris Khoury, a dedicated volunteer from the SDRVC, and several people from the Rancho Santa Fe Foundation gathered at Lake Sutherland East to view the lake and to hike into the area around it. Lake Sutherland East is one of the properties currently being acquired by the conservancy to add to its inventory of river valley protected properties.

The Rancho Santa Fe Foundation has partnered with people in our community to provide more than \$10,000 towards the total acquisition price of \$1,050,000. The SDRVC has set a target for private fund-raising of \$400,000, and the remainder will come from grants and other resources that the Conservancy has. To date, they have raised \$250,000. Should you wish more information on the SDRVC or to make a contribution, please visit their website at [www.sdrp.org](http://www.sdrp.org), or contact Craig Adams, Executive Director at 858-755-6956.