

# Tuolumne River Regional Park (TRRP)

500 acres, 7 miles of urban river park



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## Bilingual Story Telling Map Introduction

About 40 years ago, public agencies in Stanislaus County began to purchase privately owned land to develop a public park system along the Tuolumne River in Modesto (TRRP Master Plan, 2001). The participating agencies, Stanislaus County, the Cities of Ceres and Modesto created a Joint Powers Authority to begin the creation of the Tuolumne River Regional Park (TRRP) system.

The TRRP is a hidden gem in Stanislaus County. This park system “consists of over 500 acres of land along a seven-mile stretch of the river east of the Mitchell Road bridge to west of the Carpenter Road Bridge (TRRP Master Plan, 2001).” Today, about 40 - 45 % of this land has been developed for park / recreational purposes (need to fact check this).

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The TRRP parks are located in underserved communities, industrial areas and major thoroughfares (highway 99) in Modesto. Today, there are a number of challenges (i.e. illegal dumping, homeless encampments, loose animals, tagging and illicit activities) that prevent the communities and the public from safely accessing these parks. While these challenges exist, the Tuolumne River Trust is collaborating with residents, community stakeholders and public agencies to change this narrative by leading and supporting education and advocacy efforts, recreation activities, and restoration activities.

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The purpose of this bilingual story telling map is to highlight the positive stories or memories from community members and the public about accessing this park system. This project will help to educate and inform the public about the multiple benefits of the TRRP can have for the surrounding communities.

The creation of the story telling map is a joint project between the Tuolumne River Trust, Santa Clara University and the City of Modesto Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Department. This project has been developed by the generous grant programs of the California Environmental Protection Agency, the Water Foundation and an anonymous foundation.



# Map of the future development of TRRP Carpenter Road Project



The River has always been a special place for me. I grew up about two blocks from it. It is where my father exposed me to the outdoors at a young age. I have many fond memories of fishing on the Tuolumne with him.

As I got older, I continued to explore the river through mountain biking on nearby trails, kayaking, and fishing. It has always been a special place to me, and is my go-to place where I can recharge and connect to our local natural landscapes

(Manuel River – local resident)

El río siempre ha sido un lugar especial para mí. Crecí a unas dos cuadras de allí. Es donde mi padre me expuso al aire libre a una edad temprana. Tengo muy buenos recuerdos de la pesca en el Tuolumne con él.

A medida que fui creciendo, continué explorando el río en bicicleta de montaña por senderos cercanos, en kayak y pescando. Siempre ha sido un lugar especial para mí, y es mi lugar al que ir donde puedo recargarme y conectarme con nuestros paisajes naturales locales.

(Manuel River - residente local)

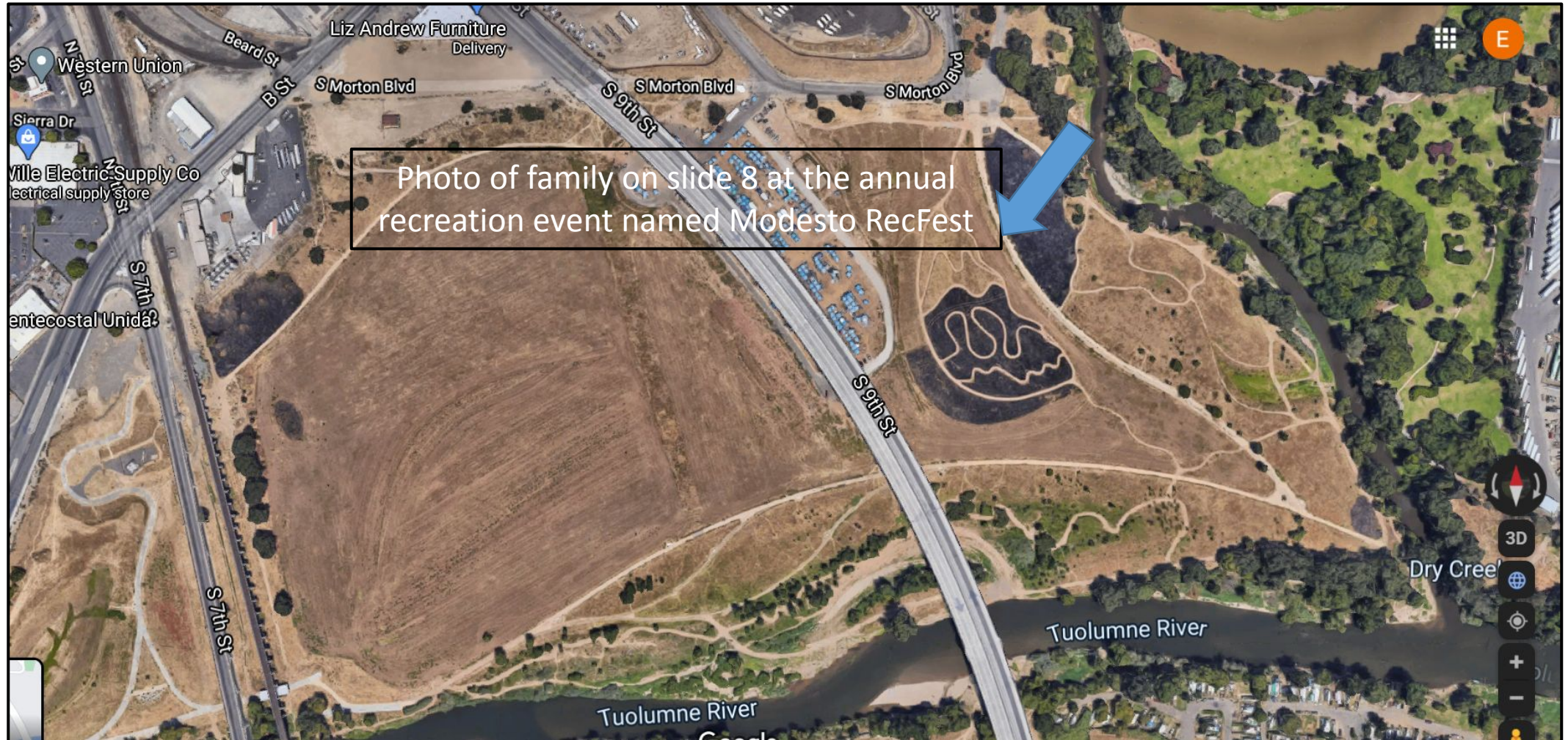


# Map of Neece Drive – West Modesto





# Map of Gateway Park in Downtown Modesto







During a conversation with a family on the trail:

“ I am so glad this park is open again. I remember my mother bringing me here as a child and I will be making it a tradition to bring my family back often to create the memories that my mother made with me.”

*(Joanne Azevedo, retired City of Modesto staff)*

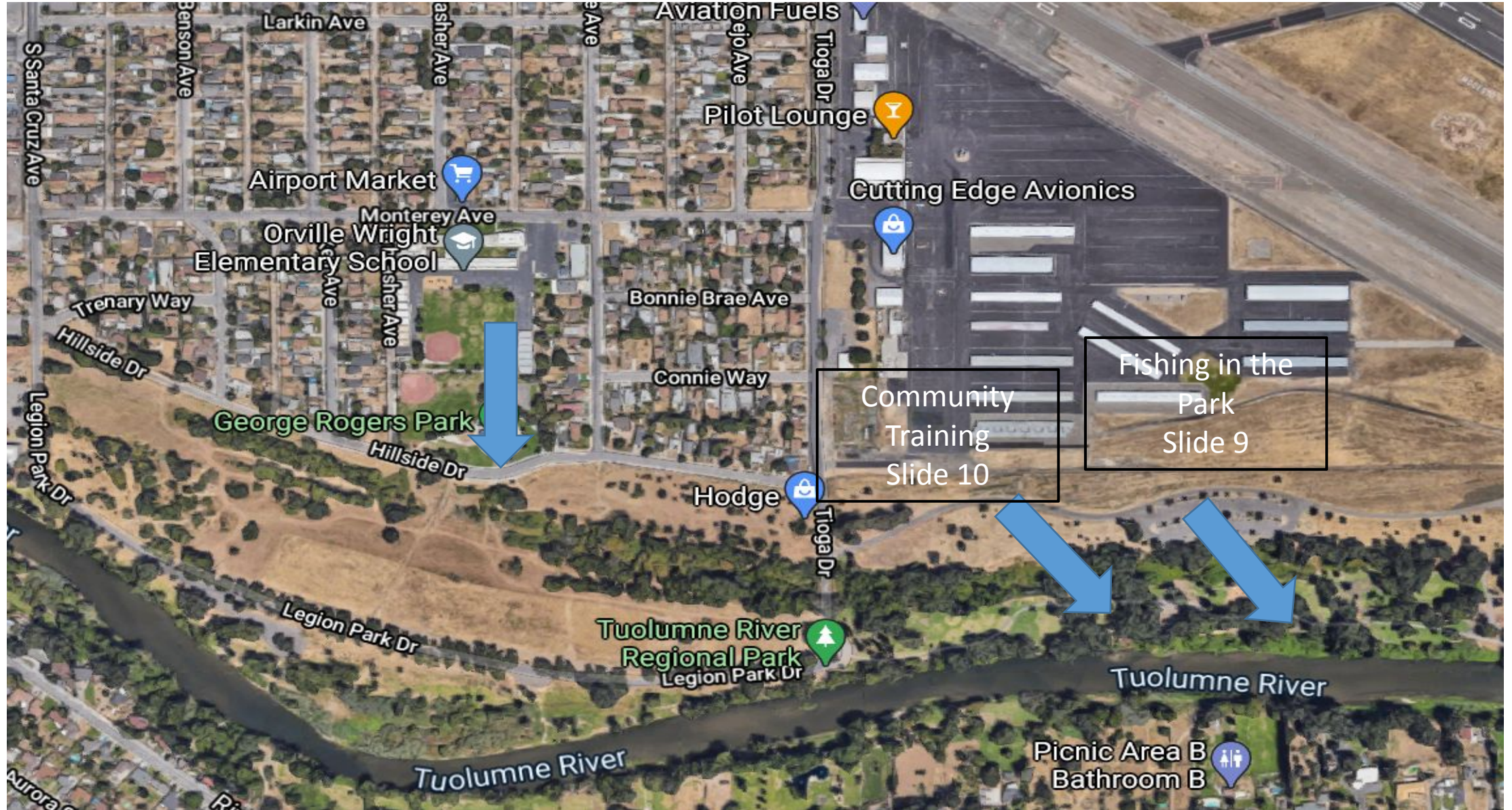


## Durante una conversación con una familia en el camino:

“Estoy muy contento de que este parque vuelva a estar abierto. Recuerdo que mi madre me trajo aquí cuando era niña y haré que sea una tradición traer a mi familia de regreso a menudo para crear los recuerdos que mi madre hizo conmigo.”

*(Joanne Azevedo, personal jubilado de la ciudad de Modesto)*

# Map of Tuolumne River Regional Park (TRRP) in Airport Neighborhood









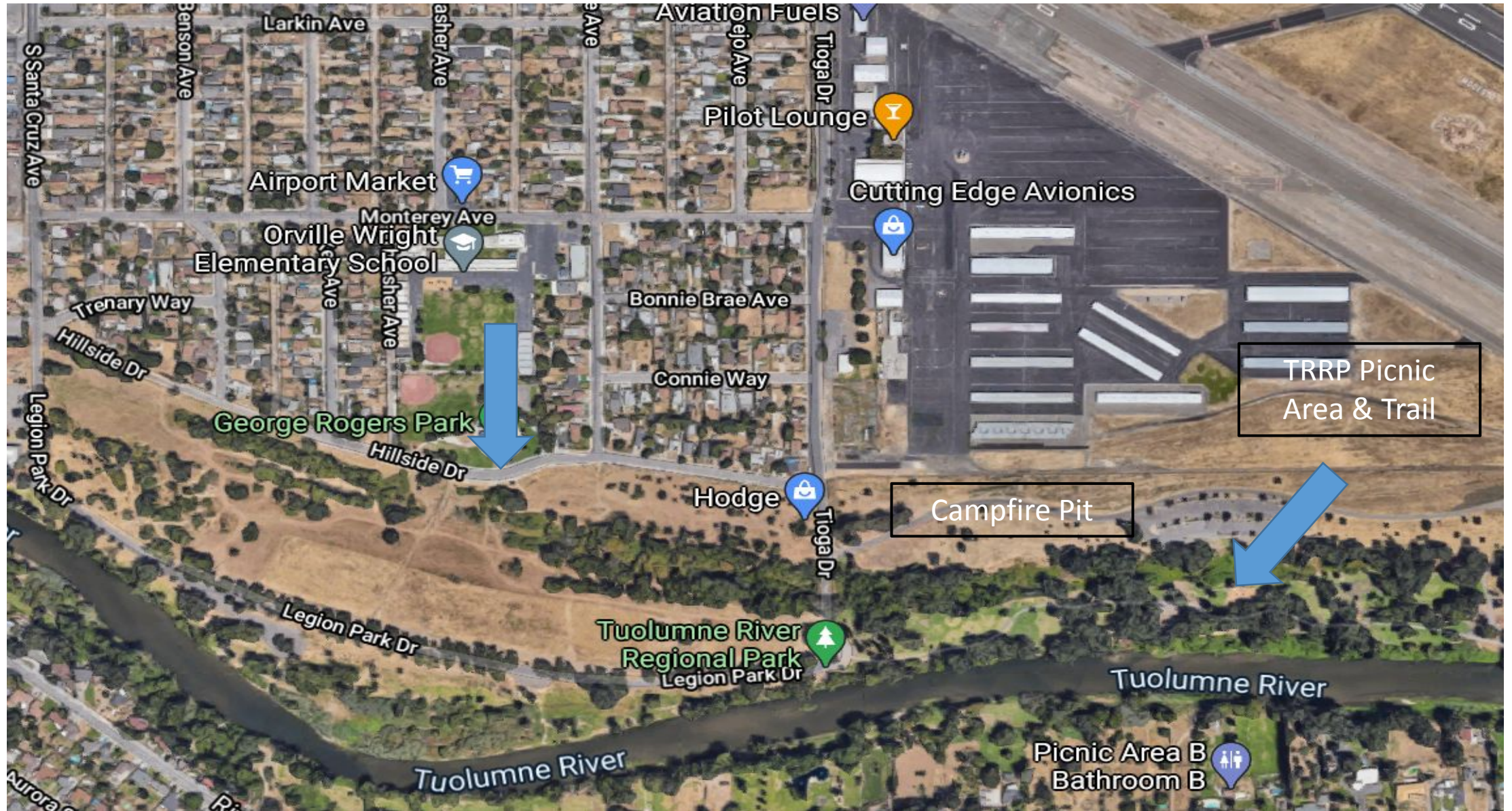
“I like outdoor activities because I get to learn new things like how to fish/cast. I like to see what fishes are out there in the river.” – Alvaro Davalos (Fishing activity in the Tuolumne River Regional Parks Airport Neighborhood)



As Alvaro Davalos, a youth participant in our Central Valley programming, puts it, “I like outdoor activities because I get to learn new things like how to fish/cast. I like to see what fishes are out there in the river.”



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