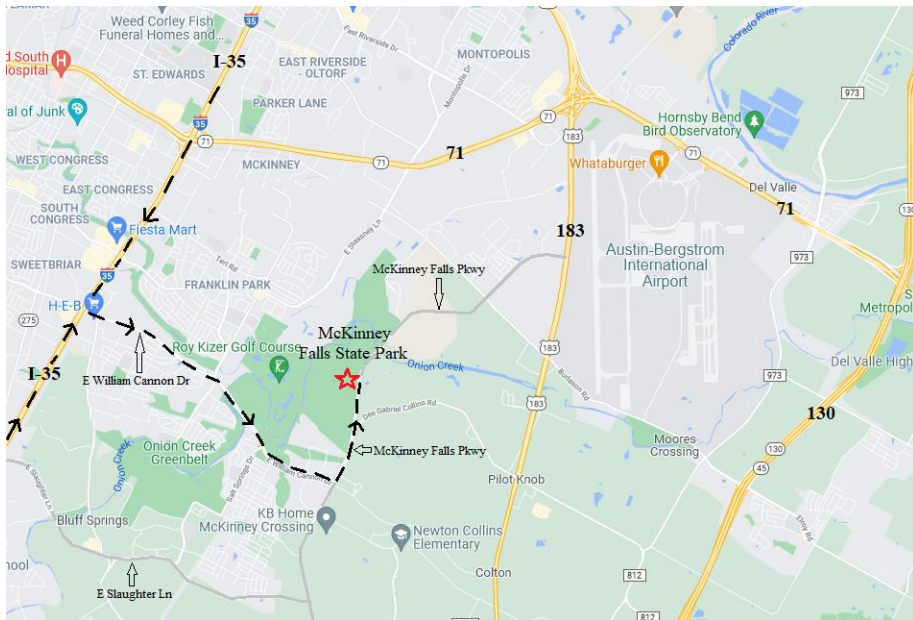


**DIRECTIONS: From the South and Driving North on I 35:**

Take exit #228 (William Cannon). Right on William Cannon for about 3.5 miles. Left on McKinney Falls Pkwy for about 1.25 miles to the entrance of the park on your left. After registering at park ranger station, take your second right off the park road. Take next right to Smith Visitors Center.

**From the North and Driving South on I 35:** There are a number of good ways to drive, i.e., stay on I 35 to exit #228. Left over the interstate on William Cannon for about 3.5 miles, and left on McKinney Falls Pkwy for about 1.25 miles to entrance on left. Also could exit I 35 earlier and go east on 130 toll road, or east on 183.



The Colorado River Walkers  
Present a Volksmarch

**McKinney Falls State Park**  
Austin, TX

Saturday, February 26, 2022



Lower Falls at McKinney Falls State Park

10Km/6Km Walk – “B” Awards  
Event ID: SW22 / 121299  
AVA – 77, TVA -24

**HISTORY:** *The Spanish arrived in the New World in 1492. As they moved northward from central Mexico, explorers, missionaries, and soldiers travelled on long-established Indian trails. El Camino Real de los Tejas was the northeastern segment of a network of royal roads. In 2004 El Camino de los Tejas National Historic Trail was added to the National Trail System. McKinney Falls State Park is one of many places in Texas where you can see traces of the trail.*



**LOCATION Start/Finish:** Smith Visitors Center, McKinney Falls State Park, 5808 McKinney Falls Parkway, Austin, TX 78744

**START / FINISH TIMES:** Start between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon; finish by 3:00 p.m.

**ROUTE:** The walk is in wooded areas and on park roads. Walkers see both the Upper and Lower Falls, the prehistoric rock shelter, and "Old Baldy", a 500-year-old Bald Cypress tree. Both the 10k and 6k routes are primarily on crushed granite walking trails and paved Hike and Bike trails. A small portion is on exposed volcanic rock or on dirt trails with rocks, so a walking stick and sturdy shoes are advised. There is a small set of stairs. Rating for both 10k and 6k is 1B.

**AWARDS:** "B" awards from previous walks will be available. Children under 12 are eligible for a free "B" award.

**FEES:**

"B" Award & IVV credit	\$4.00
All walkers (credit or non-credit)	\$3.00
Children under 12 are \$1.25 to cover the AVA fee.	

**PARK ENTRANCE FEES:**

1. If you, or anyone in your vehicle, have an Annual Texas Parks Pass (\$70), all in vehicle are free.
2. If you possess a Texas Parkland Passport, 65+, you will pay a \$3 entrance fee. If you do not have one and would like one, you will have to park and go inside, showing proof of age, and be issued one free.
3. All others pay \$6, children 12 and under are free.

**ADVANCE DAY USE RESERVATIONS:** McKinney Falls State Park reaches capacity on weekends, so we strongly urge you to make an advanced day use reservation at: <https://texasstateparks.reserveamerica.com/> Reservations may be made up to 1 month in advance and are non-refundable. We don't want anyone to be turned away at the park entrance due to lack of available slots.

**Please Note** that all COVID precautions should be followed as appropriate at the time of the walk.

**DISCLAIMER:** The Colorado River Walkers are not responsible for accidents, injuries, or any lost or stolen items during the event. Reasonable effort will be made to make this a safe, enjoyable event.

**EVENT CONDITIONS:** The event will be held regardless of weather conditions. All participants must carry a Start Card. Walk route twice on same Start Card for additional distance credit. Events are noncompetitive. Walk, jog, or run at your own pace. Pets are allowed on the trail, but must remain on a leash with owner doing cleanup.

**AMENITIES:** Water and restrooms are available at the Start/Finish and at other places along the route.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Everyone is welcome. These events are open to all, regardless of age, sex, creed, race or nationality. An adult must accompany children under age 12.

**IVV CREDIT:** This event is sanctioned by the American Volkssport Association (AVA), a member of the International Federation of Popular Sports (IVV) and counts toward acquisition of IVV Achievement Awards. IVV books may be purchased at the event for \$6.00. New Walker packets are available for \$5.00.

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS:** the TVA El Camino Real de los Tejas Special Program.

**CONDUCT:** Please remember that this event is open to all, including families. Please conduct yourself accordingly.

**INFORMATION:** For more information, contact Carol Obianwu at (512) 771-9566 (cell) or [cobianwu@utexas.edu](mailto:cobianwu@utexas.edu).

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