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## Land Swap To Benefit Community Recreation and Health

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**LAKE ARROWHEAD**—The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors approved an even land swap today that will help the Lake Arrowhead mountain communities’ only hospital grow its services while providing room for the community’s only park to expand.

The deal calls for County Community Service Area (CSA) 70 D-1, which primarily oversees maintenance of the dam between Papoose Lake and Lake Arrowhead, to deed 37,558 square feet of vacant land to the San Bernardino Mountains Community Hospital District in return for 37,557 square feet of vacant land owned by the hospital district.

“The land we’re getting from the hospital is next to MacKay Park, and the land we’re trading is next to the hospital’s property,” San Bernardino County Second District Supervisor Janice Rutherford said. “It was really an easy choice to swap the two parcels so both the County and the Hospital District can start working on putting the land to good use for the community.”

CSA 70 D-1 opened MacKay Park in 2013. The park is named after longtime Lake Arrowhead resident and CSA 70 D-1 Commission member Audrey MacKay and her grandson, Sheriff’s Deputy Jeremiah MacKay, who was killed in the line of duty the year the park opened. The park features a picnic shelter, hiking trails, viewing platform, play area and restrooms.

While there are no exact plans for how the property will be incorporated into the park, the size of the property and its proximity to both the original park phase and the recent improvements to the east provide a blank canvas for future recreation opportunities for mountain residents. Meanwhile, the San Bernardino Mountains Community Hospital District plans to use the land to expand the health services it provides in the mountain communities.