

# MetroABQ Real Estate Newsletter

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## MetroABQ Pocket Neighborhoods & Limited-Access Communities



### Where in the MetroABQ are you?

Our unique city has unique neighborhoods, of course: dozens of nook & cranny areas that might be missed unless you know where to turn. Pocket neighborhoods may only have a few ways in or out, or may share elements like common architectural styles, age or location. Examples can be found on [Manzano Court](#), in [La Luz del Oeste](#), around [Netherwood Park](#), the [Spruce Park neighborhood](#), [La Sala Grande](#) in the NE Heights, & [Silver Hills](#) south of the UNM Campus.

Limited-access communities are larger developments with minimal ways to enter & exit. They can be hidden behind an unassuming stoplight that you drive right past. Below are two limited-access communities that if you miss the turn, you miss some incredible views, newer homes of all sizes, parks, trails & greenspaces, & some unique places to live.

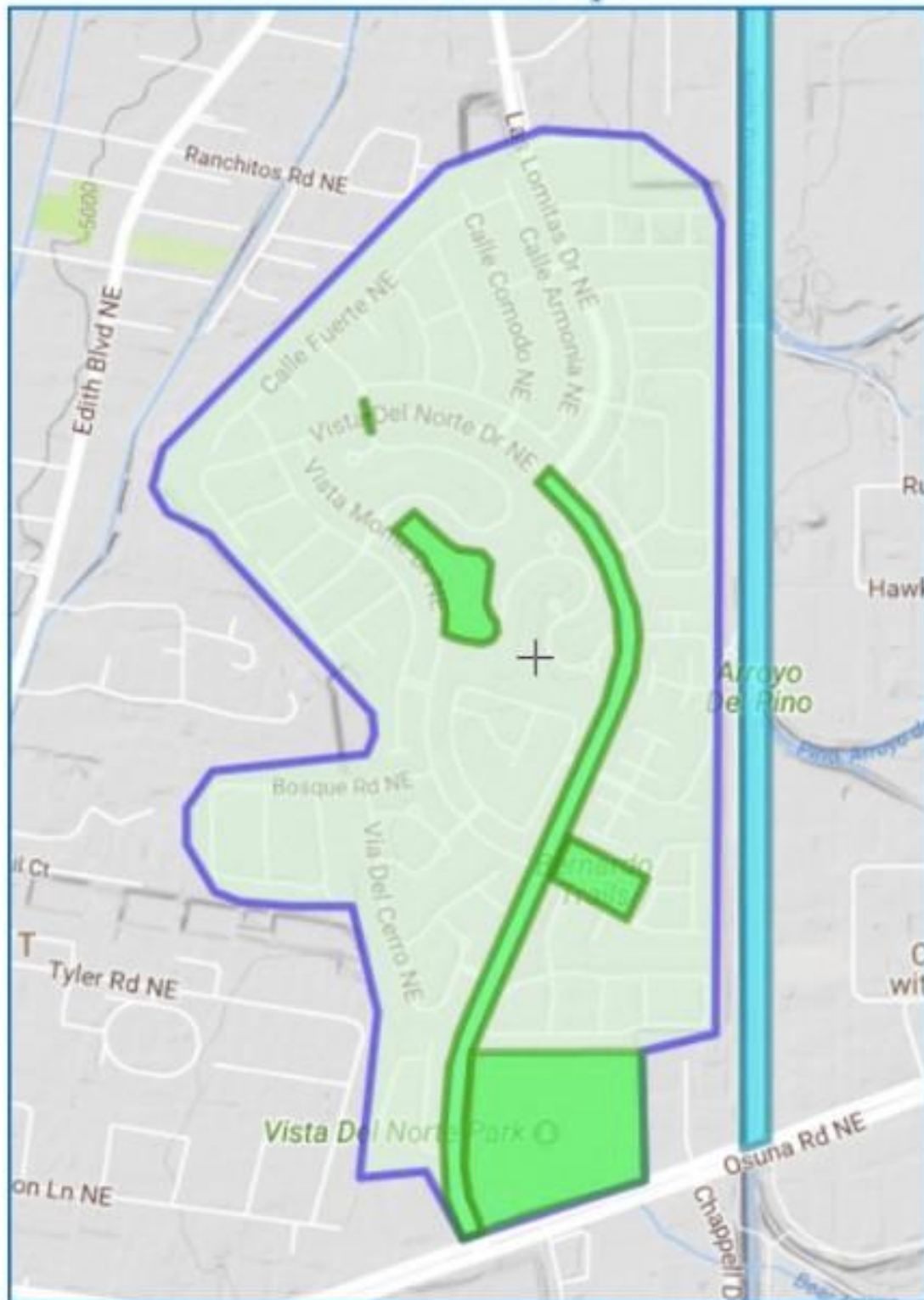
Driving on Osuna Blvd, Vista del Norte is easy to miss: coming from the North Valley past small commercial strips, if you pass through the stoplight, you'll miss the limited-access community with almost 4000 people sitting on 350+ acres. Above is an aerial of the Vista del Norte Alliance community, outlined in blue. Directly east of the community is the [North Channel Bike Path](#), which runs from the UNM Campus all the way to the northern reaches of the city past Alameda Blvd.

What makes Vista del Norte unique is that the homes were built this century, & there are numerous parks & greenspaces & walking paths, along with soccer fields,

METROAVQ features: Balloon Fiesta Park, North Valley Parks Greenspaces & the Rio Grande; the 100's of shops & restaurants along Paseo del Norte & the Journal Center; The Sandia Mountain & Foothills, & bike paths & walking trails that connect into the 50+ mile city-wide loop system encircling the Metro, with over 400 biking route miles in the city.

Below is a map of the parks & greenspaces in Vista del Norte; green for parks & greenspaces & blue designates the North Diversion Bike Path.

## Vista del Norte Parks & Greenspaces



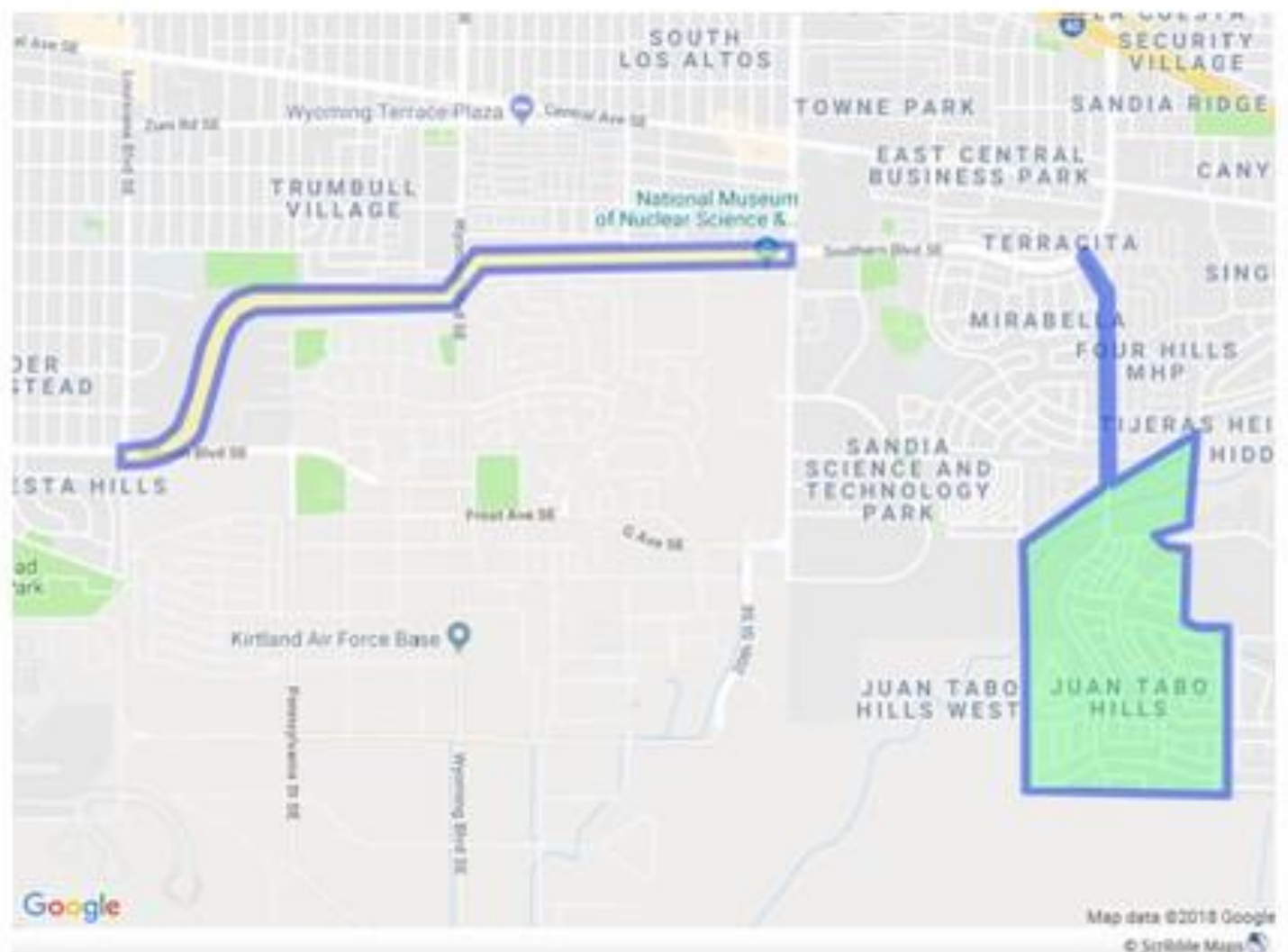


Above are the road & walking path entrances to the Vista del Norte Alliance neighborhood; Las Lomas Drive is the northern entrance & can be accessed from the North Valley.

Below is an aerial of the Juan Tabo Hills community, a limited-access neighborhood built starting 10 years ago & still building residential homes & some apartments. If you miss the light around the winding turn at Juan Tabo & Southern Blvd, you miss the neighborhood. Juan Tabo Hills is adjacent to Kirkland Air Force Base on the south & west sides--which allows for some amazing views across the mesa to the southern Cibola Forest mountainscapes--& is bounded by the Four Hills community to the east, although you can't get there from there...

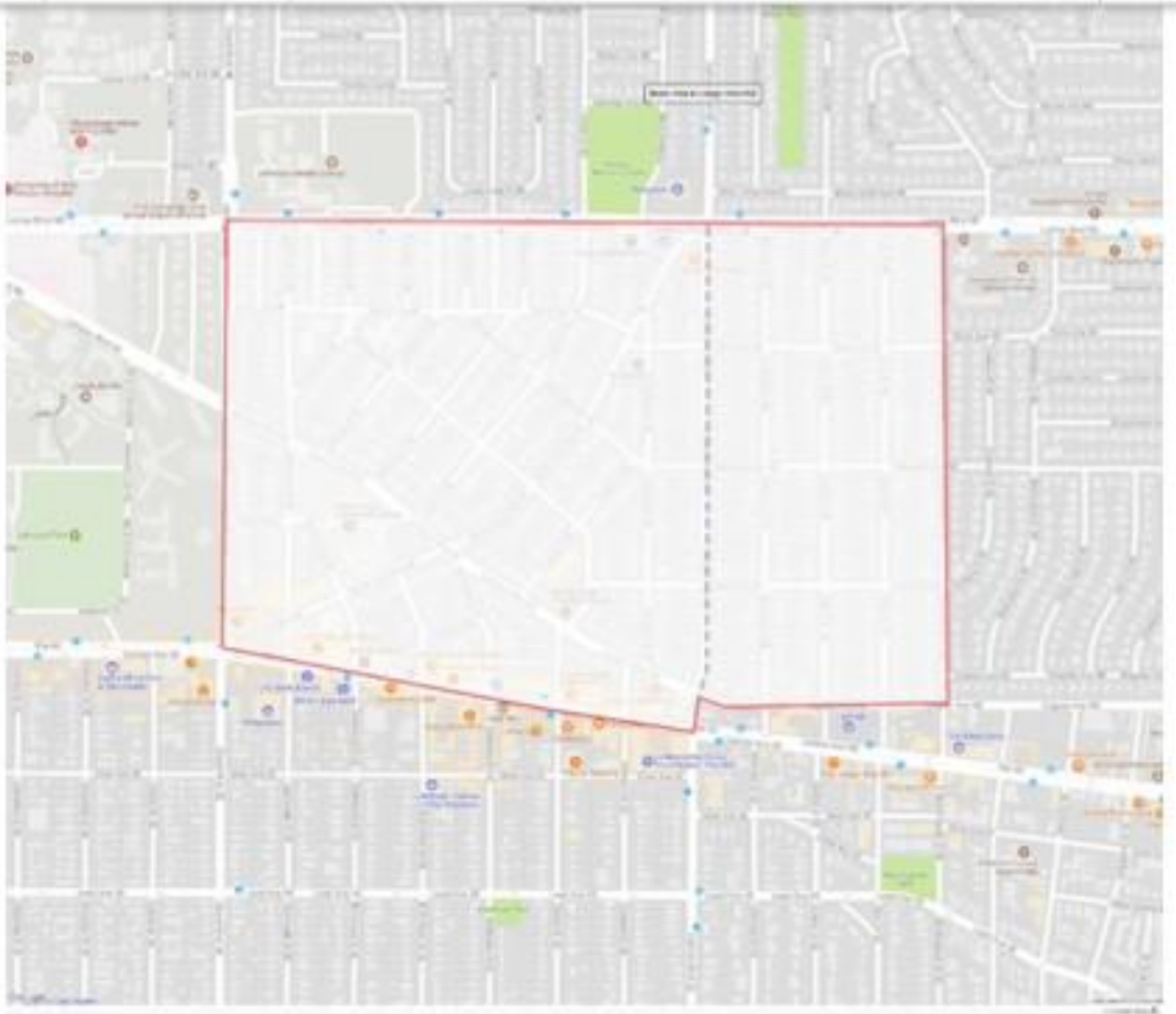


Below is a proposed new shortcut across the top of Kirkland Air Force Base that would connect Gibson Blvd--including a flyway over the top of Wyoming Blvd--to



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