

Leana Bulay has been with the Park since 2010. Before joining the Park, she studied tropical ecology in Costa Rica and then transferred to the University of California, Santa Cruz where she earned her bachelor's degree in Environmental Studies with an emphasis in Conservation Biology. While in college, she worked with the U.S. Forest Service as a Lead Biological Technician, Interpretive Specialist and a Wildland Firefighter.

After graduating, she moved back to San Diego and worked with the several non-profit environmental organizations as a Project Manager. She had been working in the Park conducting non-native removal prior to her hire as a Park Ranger, which gave her a deeper understanding of the Park's unique ecosystem. She was later promoted to Senior Interpretive Ranger. During her time with the Park, she has worked with thousands of students, volunteers and the community developing numerous programs.

She also serves as the Commissioner Chair for the City of Vista, Park and Recreation Commission and as the President for the Monarch Program, which she has been involved with since 1996. She feels grateful to be able to protect and educate about the Park she grew up in. She believes it is through understanding and appreciation we can save one of the remaining natural treasures in San Diego, the San Dieguito River Park.