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PRESS RELEASE

**Come out and view Ume Cherry Trees
in full blossom at
Schabarum Regional Park in Rowland Heights, CA**

Rowland Heights -The Ume Cherry trees are in full blossom at the County of Los Angeles, Schabarum Regional Park, and since their initial planting 17 years ago, they continue to bloom every year from mid January through February. The fragrant pink and white blossoms are only here for a short time, so come out soon and see these trees in all of their pink and white splendor. The trees are located at the far south section of the park between the youth campground and the equestrian concession areas.

Schabarum Regional Park's Ume trees were donated in 1992 by Schabarum Park's "sister-park," Mito Kairakuen Park, located in Ibaraki Prefecture, Japan. The funds required to maintain the original 500-tree grove come from an initial donation by the same park in Japan. The funds provide for inspections, required pruning, pest spray applications, or the replacement of dead trees. These services are performed by a certified arborist who comes to the Park each week.

Schabarum Park, located at 17250 Est Colima Road, Rowland Heights, CA 91748, charges a \$4.00 vehicle entrance fee on weekends and holidays, but is free of charge during the week. The park is currently open from 6:00 a.m. to dusk on week days and 7:00 a.m. to dusk on weekends. Park hours are extended during daylight savings time months. For more information call: 626-854-5560 or the website at: www.parks.lacounty.gov:

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