



Coyote Valley Open Space Preserve Public Access Improvements Project

Citizen's Advisory Committee Update
September 27, 2021



Project Updates

- Previous public meetings include a joint Use & Management Committee/ CAC in October 2018 and Use and Management Committee in February 2021
- Staff review of biological and cultural inventories, and draft-concept design underway, seeking feedback
- Next Steps:
 - Provide design/engineering consultants direction for concept design. Begin CEQA process.
 - Continue public outreach through website, email notifications, Board of Directors, CAC meetings.
 - Please continue refer the public to our website for the latest project information!



Project Updates

- Initial inventory, analysis phase
- Draft-concept design /costing
- Cultural resources report
- Biological resources report
- Pre-CEQA analysis
- Continued tribal engagement (pre-AB 52)
- Phase 1 scope: accessible trail and related amenities

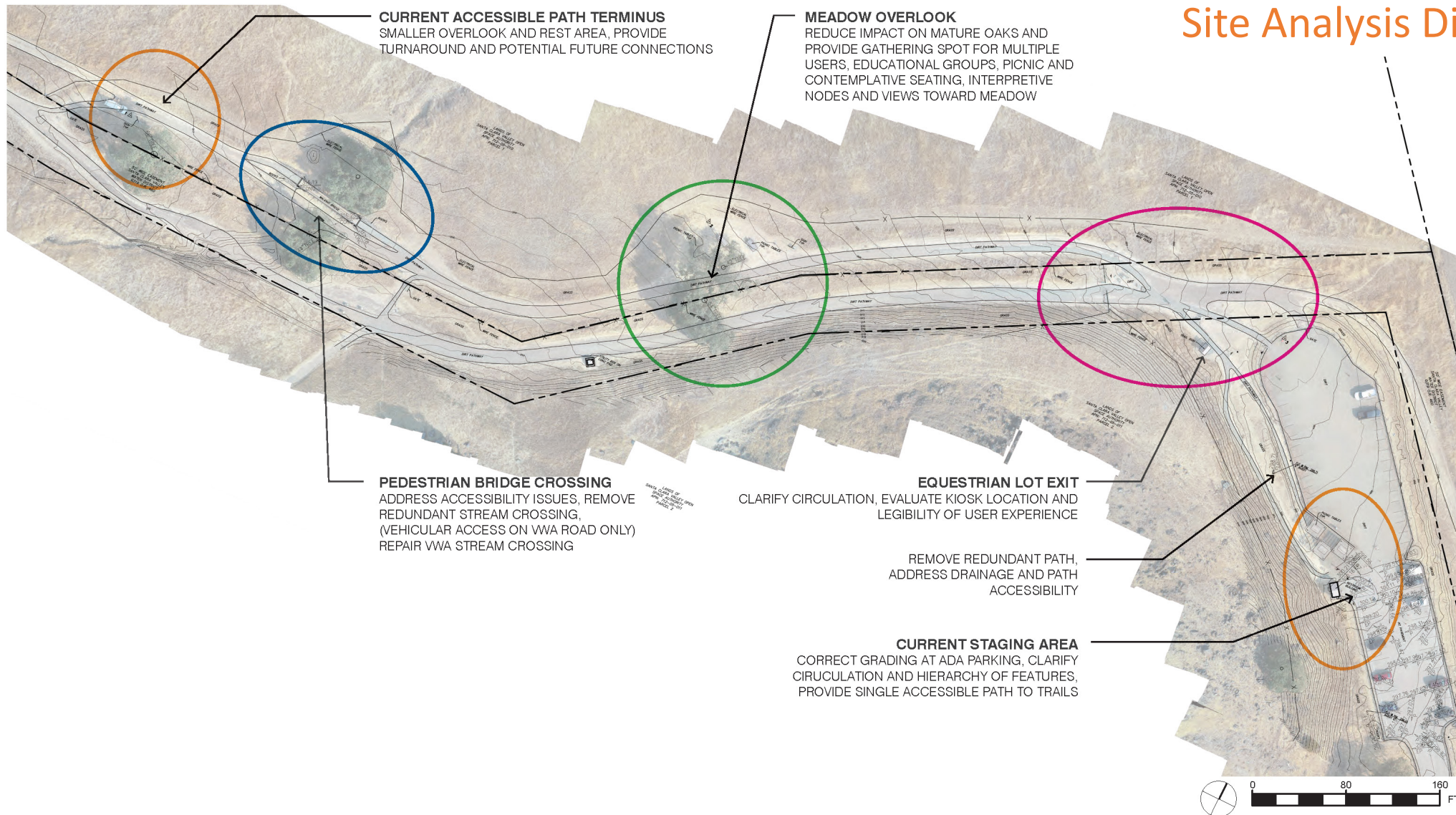
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Public Access Improvements Site Map

Early Site Map



Site Analysis Diagram



SITE OVERVIEW DIAGRAM

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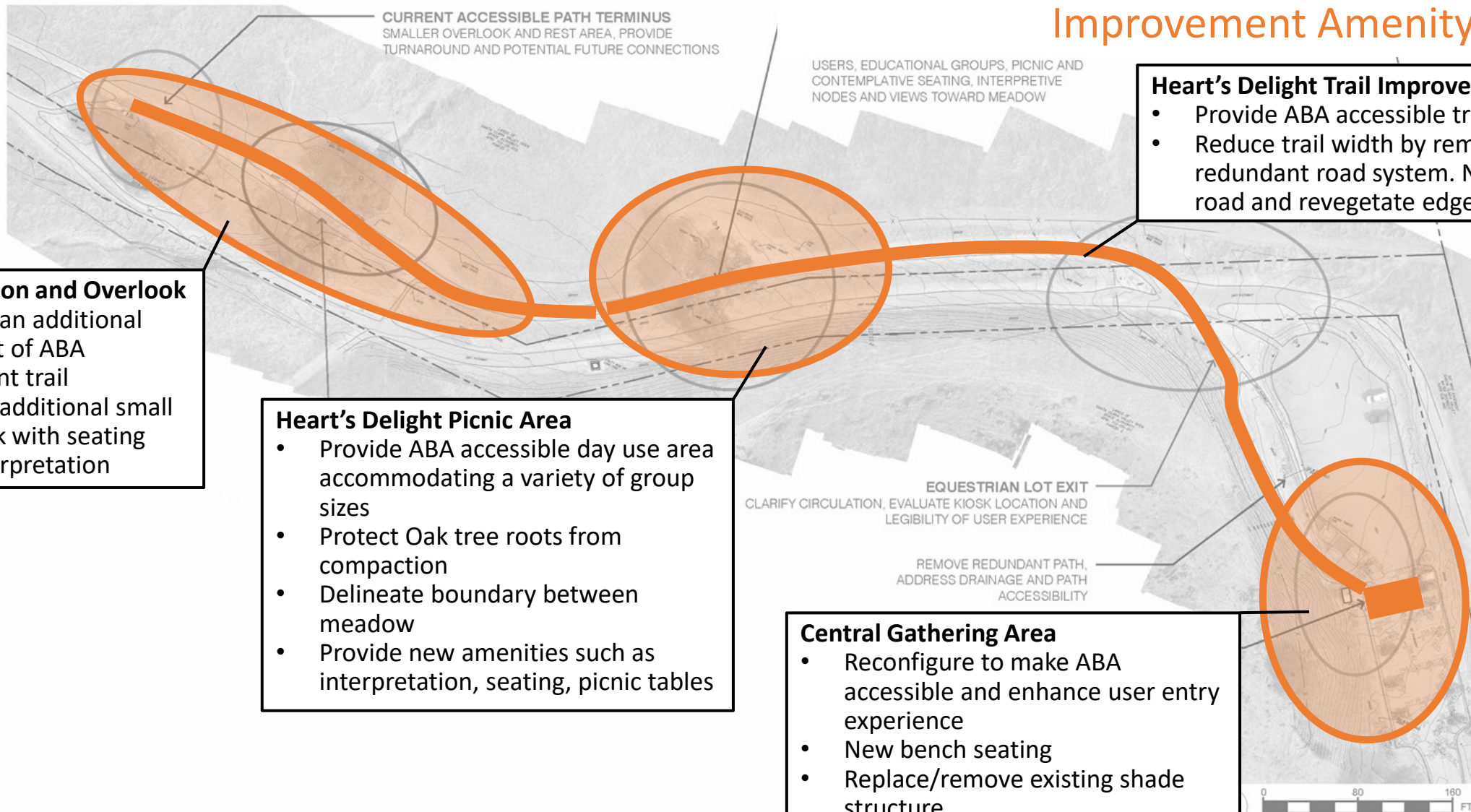




Project Goals and Objectives

- **Provide equitable public access connecting people to nature on and along the Heart's Delight trail**
 - Retrofit existing trail to meet ABA guidelines. Connect from ADA parking to use area.
 - Provide new accessible features (trail, use areas, interpretive elements, signage and wayfinding)
 - Consider wayfinding and user experience. Provide new accessible signage and wayfinding
 - Incorporate the Authority's JEDIA goals into project
- **Protect and highlight existing natural features (natural and cultural)**
 - Protect tree roots from compaction
 - Clearly delineate day use areas and meadow
 - Phase 2 archeology investigation and tribal engagement
 - Minimize biological impacts
 - Remove redundant roadways, increase habitat through revegetation
- **Utilize funds and meet the spirit of Valley Water Grant funds originally awarded for "Outdoor Education Center" project**
 - Complete project construction by June 30, 2024

Improvement Amenity Areas



Trail Extension and Overlook

- Provide an additional segment of ABA compliant trail
- Provide additional small overlook with seating and interpretation

Heart's Delight Picnic Area

- Provide ABA accessible day use area accommodating a variety of group sizes
- Protect Oak tree roots from compaction
- Delineate boundary between meadow
- Provide new amenities such as interpretation, seating, picnic tables

Heart's Delight Trail Improvements

- Provide ABA accessible trail
- Reduce trail width by removing redundant road system. Narrow road and revegetate edges

Central Gathering Area

- Reconfigure to make ABA accessible and enhance user entry experience
- New bench seating
- Replace/remove existing shade structure
- Replace/relocate information kiosk
- Bring ADA parking up to code

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- How does this project fit in to future Coyote Valley Conservation Area Master Plan and regional planning efforts?

Schedule

Milestone	Expected Completion Date	Complete
Public Outreach	Ongoing	
Site Inventory and Analysis	Q4 2021	Pending
Concept Design Phase	Q4 2021	Pending
Schematic Design Phase	Q1 2022	
Completion of CEQA Analysis and Documentation	Q4 2022	
Design and Construction Documents Complete, Permitting	Q1 2023	
Construction Bidding and Contract Negotiation	Q2 2023	
Project Construction	Q3 2023	
Preserve Opening	Q2 2024	

Note: Draft Schedule Only – Subject to Change Based on Design, Permits and Construction

Budget

Task	Activity/Work Product	Cost
Pre-planning, Conceptual Design, and Environmental Studies	topographic survey, conceptual design, biological and cultural surveys, pre-con surveys, site visits	\$85,000
Environmental Planning, CEQA	CEQA documentation	\$85,000
Design, Engineering, Permitting	construction documents, architecture, interpretive design, permit strategy and County of Santa Clara applications/fees	\$200,000
Construction (ABA accessible trail, picnic/use areas, interpretive features, and wayfinding)	construction (labor, materials, overhead, markup, etc.) to complete project	\$830,000
	TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$1,200,000

Grants Awarded

Valley Water: \$200,000 (extension in progress)

Note: All costs are estimates and subject to change.



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