

RESOLUTION 22-40

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
SANTA CLARA VALLEY OPEN SPACE AUTHORITY
APPROVING COYOTE RIDGE OPEN SPACE PRESERVE PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND
AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE PARTICIPATING SPECIAL ENTITY AGREEMENT
WITH THE SANTA CLARA VALLEY HABITAT AGENCY AND TO PAY FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE COYOTE
RIDGE OPEN SPACE PRESERVE PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority (Authority) manages and provides opportunities for recreation on its open space preserves to connect people to nature; and,

WHEREAS, the Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve Public Access Improvement Project (project) would provide necessary infrastructure to allow public access at Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve as well as provide recreational, educational, and interpretive amenities that connect people to nature. The project includes the construction of a parking lot and central gathering area at the Malech Road entrance to Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve, hiking trails, scenic overlooks, seating areas, and interpretive signage, among other features; and,

WHEREAS, the objective of the Authority is to provide public access to Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve; and,

WHEREAS, to achieve this objective, Authority Staff have conducted site analysis and inventory work, permitting, design, and engineering to inform the project; and,

WHEREAS, the project has been evaluated pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.) and CEQA Guidelines (Code Regulations sections 15000 et seq.); and,

WHEREAS, a permit from the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency is necessary to provide take authorization for the project; and,

WHEREAS, the Authority is eligible to receive take authorization as a Participating Special Entity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby approves the Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve Public Access Improvement Project. The Board also hereby authorizes the General Manager to execute the Participating Special Entity Agreement with the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency to secure take authorization for the Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve Public Access Improvement Project, and to pay the required permit fees for the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board further directs that the General Manager is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Authority and in its name, to execute and deliver such documents and to do such acts as may be deemed necessary or appropriate to accomplish the intentions of this resolution.

Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of April 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Kalvin Gill, Chairperson
Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

William P. Parkin, Legal Counsel

Kellie Guerra, Clerk of the Board