

Llagas Creek Bridge and Day Use Area

Meeting of the Board of Directors
March 23, 2023





Agenda

- Project Overview
- CEQA Process and Conclusions
- Permitting and Participating Special Entity Agreement

Llagas Creek Bridge and Day Use Area Project Recommended Board Actions

1. Adopt the Llagas Creek Bridge and Day Use Area Project IS/MND and MMRP
2. Approve the Llagas Creek Bridge and Day Use Area Project
3. Authorize Execution of the PSE Agreement



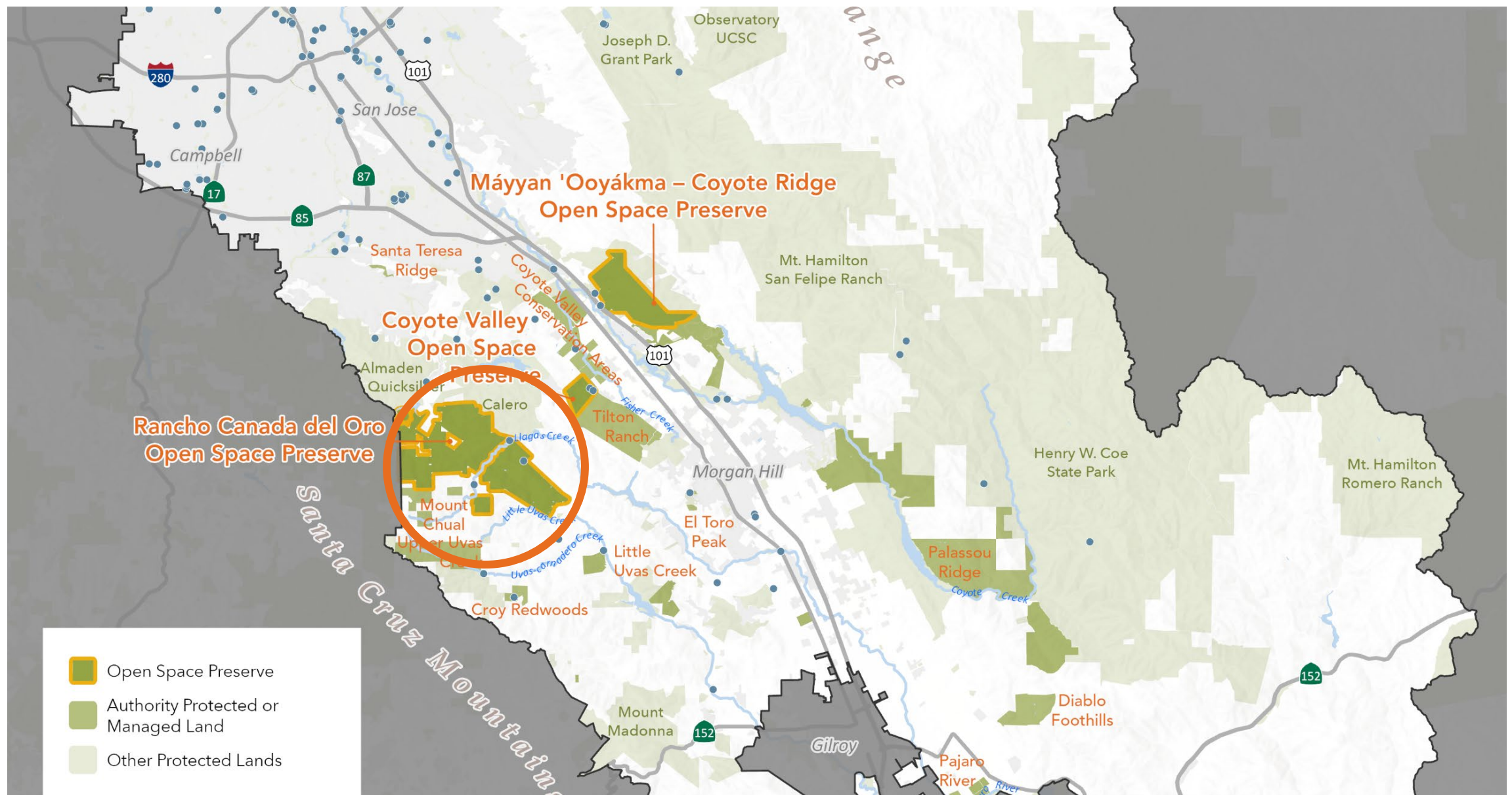
Project Goals

- Expand public access at existing open preserve.
- Install a bridge over Llagas Creek to provide improved access (public and operational) to meadow day-use area and former Blair Ranch property. Abandon ford through creek.
- Create an accessible interpretive trail and day-use area at south meadow.
- Provide flexible use areas to accommodate a variety of environmental education programs.



Previous Public Meetings

- April 26, 2018: Joint CAC and U+M Meeting
- July 23, 2020: Board of Directors Meeting
- July 27, 2020: CAC Meeting
- February 25, 2021: U+M Meeting
- May 24, 2021: CAC Meeting
- August 11, 2022: Board of Directors Meeting





Proposed Project Features

- Interpretation
- Day-Use Features
- Trail Access Routes
- Bridge Crossing
- Limit of Work

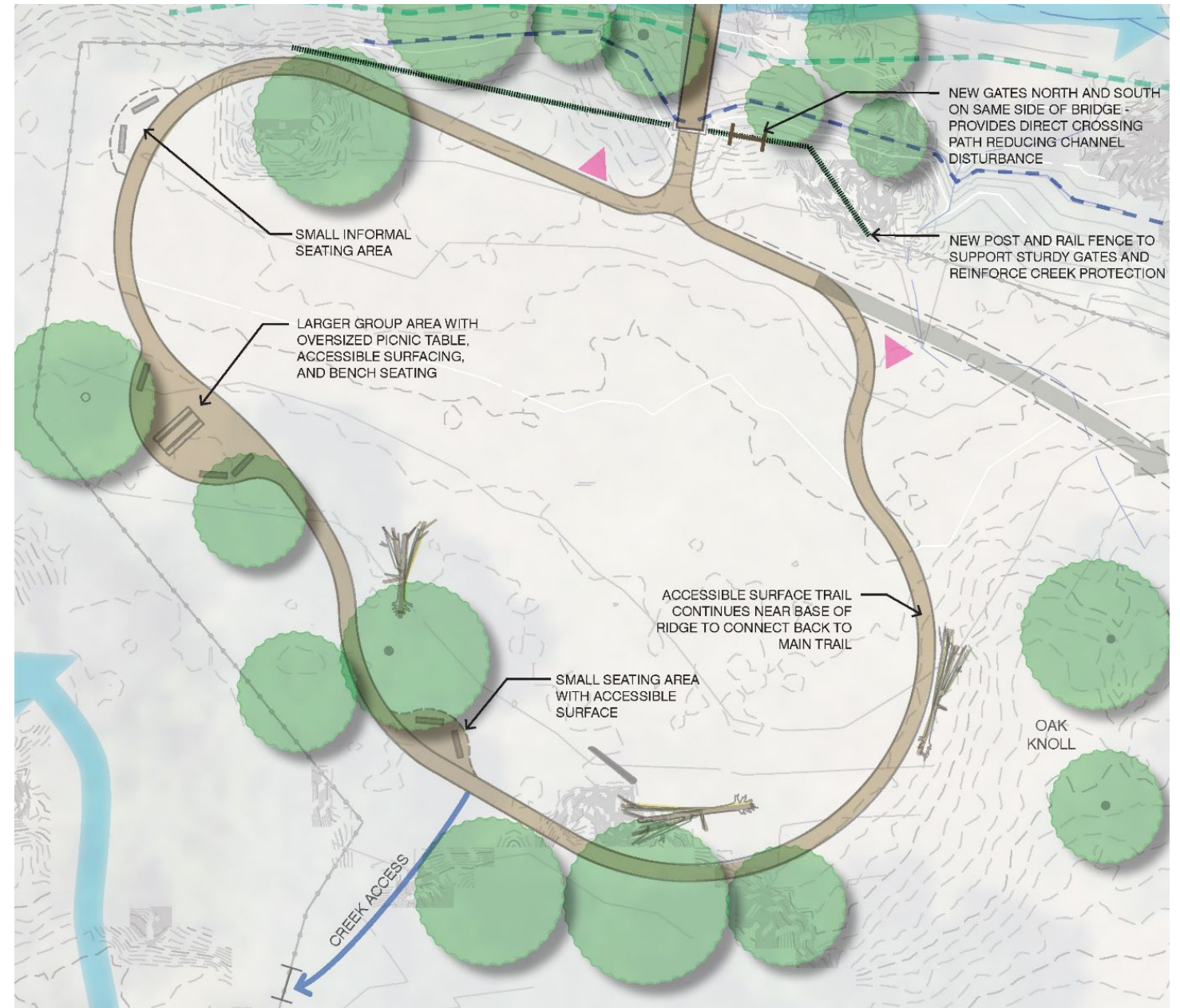
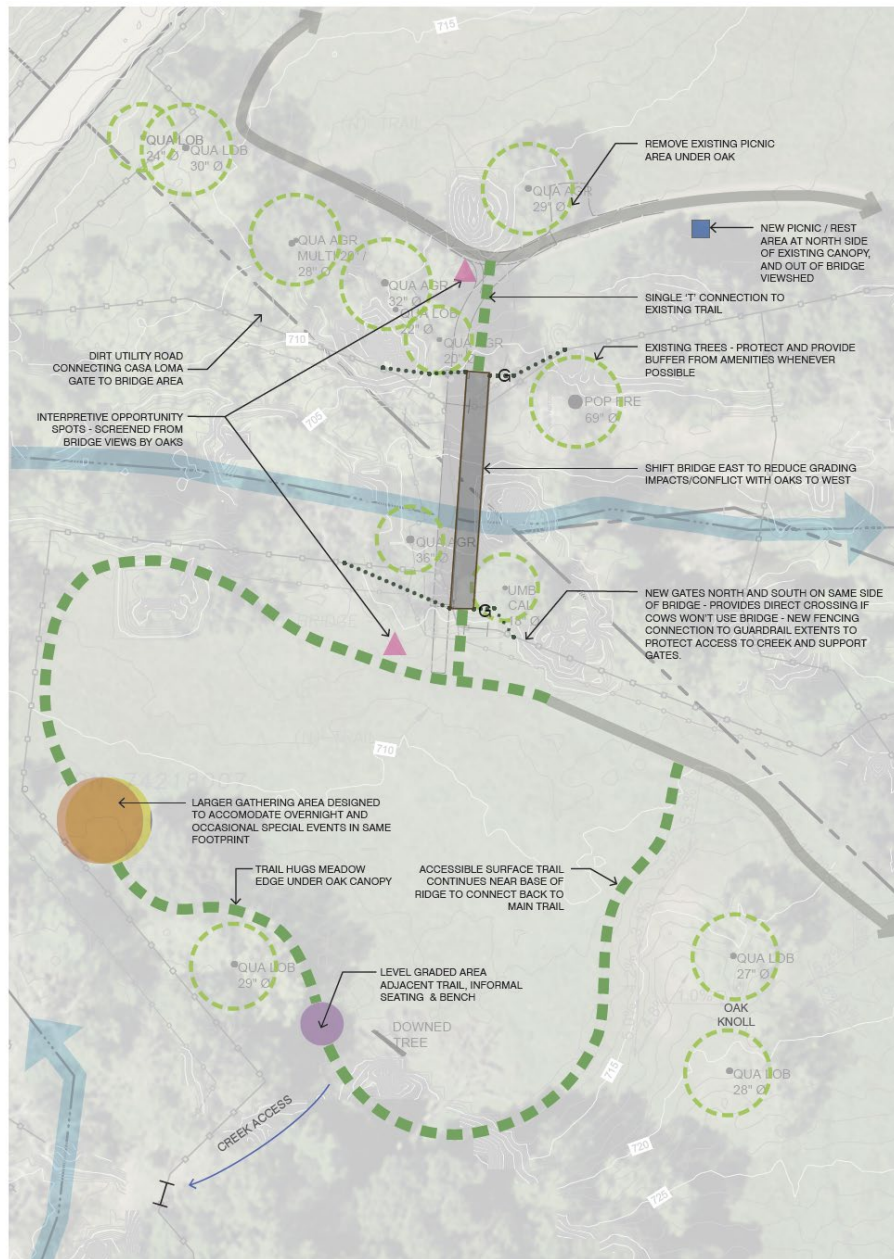
Existing Public Access Features

- Trail
- Road
- Staging Area

Other

- Preserve Boundary
- Other Protected Land







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	\$130,000
Environmental Planning, CEQA	CEQA documentation	\$110,000
Design, Engineering, Permitting	construction documents, architecture, interpretive design, permit strategy and City of San Jose applications/fees	\$200,000
Construction (Includes Llagas Creek bridge, approach, day-use-area in meadow)	construction (labor, materials, overhead, markup, etc.) to complete project	\$860,000
TOTAL PROJECT COST		\$1,300,000

Grants Awarded

State Parks Per Capita (secured) \$1,120,020

Note: All costs are estimates and subject to change. Construction contract will be approved by Board of Directors prior to construction.

Schedule

Milestone	Expected Completion Date	Complete
Public Outreach	Ongoing	
Site Inventory and Analysis	Q4 2019	X
Concept Design Phase	Q2 2020	X
Schematic Design Phase	Q3 2020	X
Completion of CEQA Analysis and Documentation	Q3 2022	X
Design and Construction Documents Complete, Permitting	Q2 2023	
Construction Bidding and Contract Negotiation	Q2 2023	
Project Construction Begins	Q3 2023	

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



CEQA Process

Initial Study and Mitigated Neg. Declaration

Notice of Intent + 30-day Public Comment Period:

- Comment Period
(Jan. 24, 2023 – Feb. 24, 2023)
- County and State Filing
- Interested Parties, Responsible Agencies, and Preserve Neighbors
- Posted:
 - Preserve Informational Kiosk
 - SJ Post Record
 - Administrative Office
 - Website



CEQA Determinations

Initial Study and Mitigated Neg. Declaration

Less than significant impacts with mitigation:

- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Tribal Cultural Resources



Habitat Agency Permitting

Application Process

- Biological resource surveys
- Design impact calculations and mapping
- Fee calculations
- Application submittal
- HA + Wildlife Agencies review



Habitat Agency Permitting

Conditions of Approval

- Avoid Direct Impacts to Special Status Species
- Water Quality BMPs
- In-Stream Avoidance and Minimization
- Minimization of Ground Disturbance and Revegetation Post-construction
- Fuel Buffers
- Preconstruction Surveys



Other Permits

California Department of Fish and Wildlife

- ✓ LSA Complete by Operation of Law

Regional Water Quality Control Board

- ✓ General Waste Discharge NOA

Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency

- ✓ Participating Special Entity Agreement

City of San José

- ✓ Granted permit exemption for project



Next Steps

Design

- 100% Design Documents/Bid Documents

Construction

- Request for Bids
- Construction Contract Approval by Board of Directors
- Construction



Question + Answer