

Livermore Area Recreation and Park District

Staff Report

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SUBJECT: Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan
Administrative Draft #2 – 90% Draft Review

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors review the 90% draft of the 2026 Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan to provide feedback and confirm the Board's direction prior to release for a 30-day public review period.

BACKGROUND:

The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District has been developing an updated Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan to guide investment and decision-making for parks, recreation facilities, programs, trails, open space, and community services over the next ten years.

The planning process has included community outreach and engagement, a statistically valid community survey, stakeholder and partner input, evaluation of parks, facilities, trails, and infrastructure, staff assessment, coordination with partner agencies, and a series of Board discussions and workshops.

The Board last reviewed an early administrative draft of the Master Plan on June 24. Since that review, staff has continued refining the document based on Board direction, internal review, additional technical work, and feedback received throughout the planning process.

The current draft is approximately 90% complete. Staff is seeking any additional Board feedback before completing the document and releasing it for public review.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES SINCE JUNE 24 DRAFT:

The current draft maintains the overall direction the Board previously reviewed while providing greater clarity and supporting detail in several key areas.

Executive Summary Revision

The Executive Summary has been substantially revised to function as a stand-alone overview of the Master Plan. It more clearly summarizes the District's key findings, planning standards, and areas of focus, explains how implementation decisions will be made, and highlights major projects and priority trail segments.

The remainder of the Master Plan provides the goals and policies, standards, technical analysis, and project-level detail.

Additional Implementation Context

The main document has been expanded to provide greater context on how projects advance through the Project Readiness Framework.

The draft includes additional information on the funding sources available for reinvestment in existing assets and strategic system expansion. This clarifies that implementation timing can vary based on funding availability and allowable use, property access, partnerships, and other implementation requirements.

City of Livermore Coordination and Major Maintenance

The current draft added language on coordination with the City of Livermore for parks and facilities owned by the City and operated by LARPD.

Many of the District's neighborhood and community parks fall within this ownership structure. The Plan recognizes that major maintenance, lifecycle replacement, and capital reinvestment at these locations require continued coordination through the Master Property Agreement and the City's capital planning process.

Added Appendices

The current draft also includes the appendices that were not included in the June 24 version reviewed by the Board. These appendices provide the detailed background and technical information supporting the main Master Plan, including:

- Community outreach and engagement materials
- Parks, facilities, and trails inventory and condition information
- Programs and services summaries
- The District's 2024 Strategic Plan

Detailed Project Lists

The draft provides additional detail on specific implementation actions, including parks identified for playground and irrigation replacement, major facility planning and maintenance projects, recreation capacity improvements, priority trail segments, and future open space opportunities.

BOARD REVIEW FOCUS:

At this stage, staff is particularly interested in Board feedback on the overall direction and substance of the Plan:

- Does the Executive Summary accurately capture and explain the District's plan for the next ten years?
- Does the implementation framework appropriately explain how projects will be evaluated, funded, and advanced?
- Does the draft reflect the Board's direction regarding reinvestment in existing parks and facilities?
- Are there any significant issues or policy directions that are missing or materially misstated?

Following this review, staff anticipates that remaining changes will primarily consist of incorporating final Board feedback, completing final maps and supporting materials, copyediting, and final document design.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Master Plan project remains within the approved budget and is expected to be completed under budget. Several originally budgeted tasks have been completed in-house or through coordination with partner agencies, allowing available funds to be redirected as project needs evolved.

LARPD Parks, Recreation and Trails Master Plan Budget Tracker

Updated August 2026

Task	Budget	Spend To-Date	Remaining	Notes
Statistically Valid Survey	\$30,000	\$29,600	\$400	Complete
Environmental Review	\$65,000	\$3,961	\$61,039	In progress; anticipated to be completed under budget.
GIS Mapping / Service Area Analysis	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000	Completed in-house with support from the City of Livermore.
Cost Recovery /Funding Analysis	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000	Completed in-house
Graphic Design	\$10,000	\$13,119	(\$3,119)	Additional design needs absorbed available budget from other project tasks.
Totals	\$145,000	\$46,680	\$98,320	Project anticipated to be completed under budget.

As of August 2026, \$46,680 of the \$145,000 project budget has been expended. Final costs will include completion of the environmental review and graphic design work; however, staff anticipates the overall Master Plan project will be completed under budget.

NEXT STEPS:

Following Board review, staff and the consultant team will incorporate final feedback and complete the draft Master Plan for public review. The document is anticipated to be released for a 30-day public review period during September 2026.

Staff will review comments received during the public review period and incorporate revisions as appropriate before returning the final Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan to the Board for consideration of adoption at the October 14, 2026 Board meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 90% Draft – 2026 Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan
2. Draft LARPD Trails Map

Livermore Area Recreation and Park District



Parks, Recreation, and Trails **Master Plan 2026**

Administrative Draft - August 2026

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide the people of the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District's service area with outstanding recreation programs and a system of parks, trails, and facilities that enhance the quality of life.



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CHAPTER 01

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan establishes Livermore Area Recreation and Park District's (LARPD) roadmap for investing in parks, recreation facilities, programs, trails, open space, and community services. The Plan identifies the District's priorities, guides future decision-making, and provides a flexible approach for implementing projects over the next decade.

Over the next ten years, LARPD's highest priorities are to:

Reinvest in existing parks, facilities, and infrastructure to preserve community assets.

Expand recreation program capacity where demand exists.

Improve trail connectivity throughout the Livermore Area.

Expand LARPD's role in open space acquisition, management, and stewardship.

Plan responsibly for growth while maintaining financial sustainability.



About LARPD

LARPD is an independent special district **established in 1947** to provide parks, recreation, trails, open space stewardship, and community services throughout the Livermore Area. Serving **approximately 93,000 residents**, the District manages **nearly 2,000 acres** of parks, trails, recreation facilities, historic sites, and open space while offering recreation access for residents of all ages.

Parks and recreation are woven into daily life throughout the Livermore Area. Each year, residents and visitors make more than **2.5 million visits** to District parks, trails, recreation facilities, and open spaces, with **more than 35,000 registrations for recreation programs, classes, camps, and events**. These experiences strengthen community connections, and enhance the quality of life that residents value.

In partnership with the City of Livermore, Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District, Alameda County, Zone 7, East Bay Regional Park District, community organizations, and volunteers, LARPD coordinates to preserve community assets, expand recreation opportunities, and connect people with parks, trails, and open space.

Why This Plan Matters

Many of the District's parks, recreation facilities, and infrastructure were developed decades ago and are reaching the point where significant reinvestment will be required. At the same time, the Livermore Area continues to grow, recreation interests continue to diversify, demand for trails and outdoor experiences is increasing, and new development patterns are changing how residents access parks and recreation.

Meeting these challenges requires taking care of existing assets while planning responsibly for anticipated growth.

How This Plan Was Developed

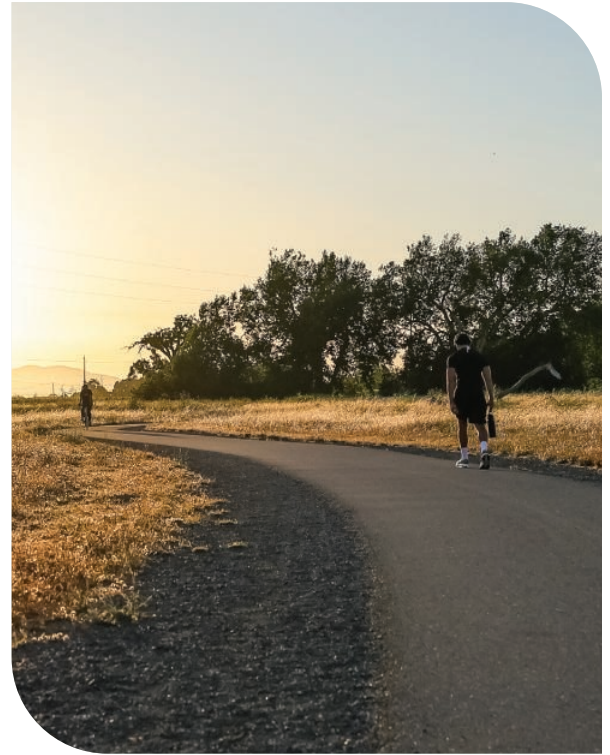
The implementation actions presented in this Master Plan are based on community engagement, facility and trail assessments, Board direction, technical analysis, and coordination with partner agencies. These efforts identified the District's priorities and shaped the implementation actions presented throughout the Plan.



What We Learned

Several key findings emerged through the process:

- Parks, facilities, and recreation programs remain highly valued community assets.
- Trails and open space remain among the community's highest recreation priorities.
- Aging parks, facilities, and infrastructure require significant reinvestment over the next decade.
- Recreation and aquatic facilities experience capacity constraints during peak demand periods.
- Future growth patterns increase the importance of walkability, trail connectivity, neighborhood access, and efficient use of parks and recreation facilities.



Balanced Vision

The Master Plan is centered on two equally important responsibilities.



Maintain Existing Assets

- Proactive Maintenance
- Lifecycle Planning
- Reinvestment



Strategic System Expansion

- Expand Recreation Capacity
- Improve Trail Connectivity
- Expand Role in Open Space
- Respond to Changing Growth Patterns



Planning Framework

The Master Plan guides decision-making through a series of planning tools that establish priorities, evaluate existing conditions, identify investment needs, and determine project readiness. These tools ensure investments remain aligned with the District's vision while providing flexibility to respond to changing conditions.

Goals and Policies

The Goals and Policies in this Plan establish the foundation for transparent decision-making and ensure that the implementation remains consistent with the District's vision and community priorities for parks, recreation, trails, open space, operations, partnerships, and financial stewardship.

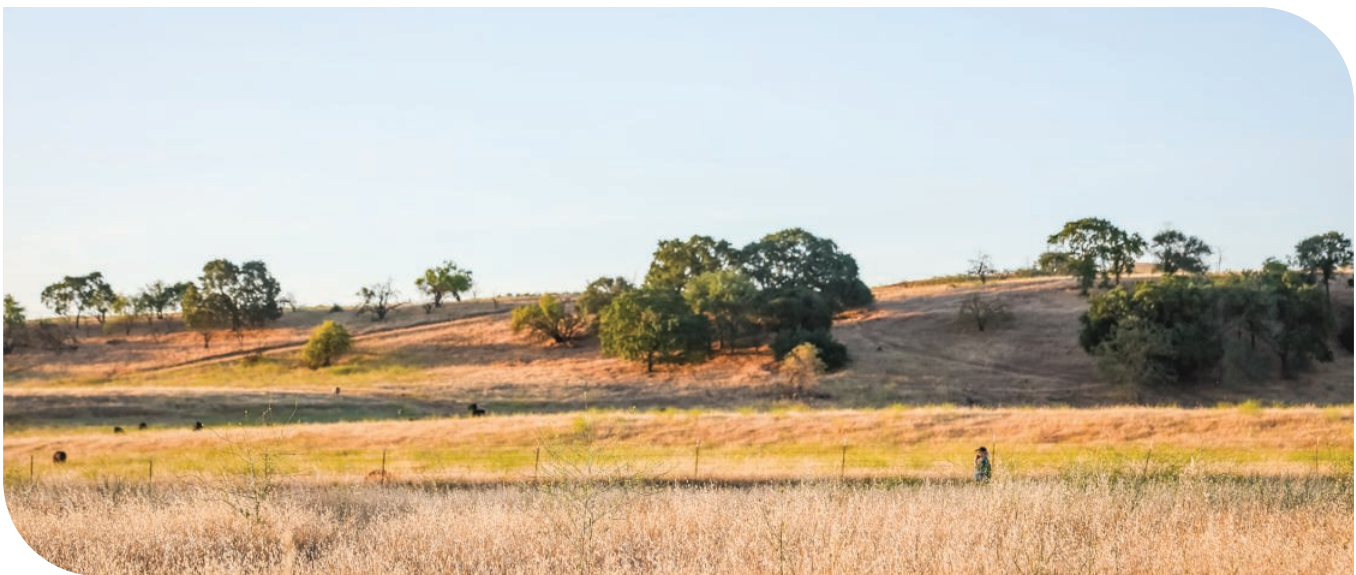
Parks and Open Space Standards

The adopted park and open space standards evaluate service levels, identify service gaps, and guide future investments. They support a balanced system of neighborhood parks, community parks, special-use facilities, and open space throughout the Livermore Area.

Facility Condition and Lifecycle Planning

Facility condition assessments and lifecycle planning identify aging assets, prioritize reinvestment, and evaluate long-term maintenance, replacement, and operational costs. This information supports capital planning, reduces deferred maintenance, and helps limit total lifecycle costs over time.

The District's long-term condition standard is to elevate parks, facilities, and infrastructure from Poor (Orange) to Fair (Yellow) or Good (Green) condition through proactive maintenance, rehabilitation, replacement planning, and capital investment.



Three Factors of Project Readiness

Projects advance toward implementation as readiness factors are achieved while allowing the District to respond to new opportunities.



- 3 of 3 Factors = **Near-Term:** Ready to advance as planning, design, and environmental review allow.
- 2 of 3 Factors = **Mid-Term:** One or more readiness factors remain to be addressed before implementation.
- 1 of 3 Factors = **Long-Term:** Significant planning, funding, site control, or partnership needs remain before implementation.

Readiness Factor 1: District Priority

The implementation actions contained in this Master Plan reflect the District's priorities for investment in parks, recreation facilities, trails, open space, and community services.

Maintaining Existing Assets Priorities

- Address aging or end-of-life facilities.
- Prioritize foundational infrastructure that supports overall facility health (i.e., a building roof or a park irrigation system).
- Improve accessibility and inclusion through ADA improvements and amenities that support neurodivergent users and other underserved groups.

Strategic Expansion Priorities

Trail Projects

- Close gaps in the trail network.
- Improve connections between neighborhoods, parks, schools, open space, and regional destinations.
- Expand trail access in underserved areas.
- Advance larger trail projects as partnership, funding, or property opportunities arise.

Recreation Facility Projects

- Address unmet recreation needs and facility capacity constraints.
- Expand access by addressing identified service gaps.



Readiness Factor 2: Funding

Funding availability influences when projects can move forward. No single funding source can support implementation of every action identified in this Master Plan. Because funding sources are often restricted to specific project types, the timing of individual projects depends not only on District priorities, but also on funding availability.

Funding Sources

Maintaining Existing Assets

- **GENERAL FUND** – Routine operations, maintenance, and smaller capital improvements.
- **RESERVE FUNDS** – Major capital repairs, lifecycle replacement, and reinvestment in aging parks, facilities, and infrastructure.
- **ONE-TIME REVENUES** – Capital projects that do not rely on ongoing operating funds.
- **CITY OF LIVERMORE CAPITAL FUNDS** – Major maintenance for City-owned, LARPD-operated facilities
- **GRANT FUNDING** – Can support eligible maintenance, trail, recreation, environmental, and capital improvement projects across both categories.

Strategic System Expansion

- **DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES (AB 1600)** – New parks, recreation facilities, and improvements needed to serve new developments.
- **PARTNERSHIPS** – Shared funding and implementation with agencies, schools, developers, nonprofits, and other organizations.
- **GRANT FUNDING** – Can support eligible maintenance, trail, recreation, environmental, and capital improvement projects across both categories.



Readiness Factor 3: Site Control

Successful implementation depends on securing site control and coordinating with partner agencies early in the process. Depending on the project, implementation may require property ownership, easements, access agreements, or formal partnerships.

Examples include:

- Easements, right-of-way agreements, or property acquisition for trail connections and park improvements.
- Coordination with the City of Livermore through the Master Property Agreement for improvements to City-owned parks and facilities.
- Trail partnerships with agencies such as East Bay Regional Park District, Alameda County, Zone 7 Water Agency, and the California Department of Water Resources.



Implementation Plan

The actions presented in this Master Plan guide decisions for parks, recreation facilities, trails, open space, and community services over the next decade. The key focus areas below reflect community input, existing conditions, and Board direction.

01: Take Care of What We Have

LARPD's primary area of focus is to preserve and reinvest in the parks, facilities, and infrastructure that serve the community today. As District assets reach the end of their useful life, proactive maintenance and capital investment will protect prior investments while ensuring parks remain safe, functional, and enjoyable for future generations.

Many neighborhood and community parks are owned by the City of Livermore. Successful lifecycle planning will require close coordination under the Master Property Agreement. The agreement governs the capital reinvestment of facilities owned by the City of Livermore and operated by LARPD, prioritizing major maintenance, aligning capital projects, and maximizing public investment.

KEY IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS

Implement the Playground Replacement Program

(Playgrounds identified as being in poor condition)

- ○ Al Caffodio Park
- ○ Almond Park
- ○ Altamont Creek Park
- ○ Christensen Park
- ○ El Padro Park
- ○ Hagemann Park
- ○ Lester J. Knott Park
- ○ Ralph T. Wattenburger Park

Implement the Irrigation Replacement Program (Irrigation systems identified as being in poor condition)

- ○ Almond Park
- ○ Bruno Canziani Park
- ○ Christensen Park
- ○ Hagemann Park
- ○ Ralph T. Wattenburger Park
- ○ Vista Meadows Park

● ○ Robert Livermore Community Center roof replacement

● ○ Evaluate improvements to the Bothwell Recreation Center

■ ○ Complete a comprehensive evaluation of the May Nissen Swim Center

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| ● LARPD Owned | ○ LARPD Operated |



02: Address Recreation Capacity

To address recreation needs and facility capacity constraints consistent with current conditions and anticipated growth, LARPD will expand recreation facilities, community centers, partnerships, and programs to improve access, increase capacity, and address identified service gaps throughout the Livermore Area.

KEY IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS

- Implement Master Joint Use Agreement with Livermore Joint Unified “Valley” School District
- Evaluate improvements at William “Bill” Payne Sports Park
- Advance the Sycamore Grove Amphitheater project

03: Improve Trail Connectivity

Building on community support for trails, LARPD will work with partner agencies to complete priority trail connections that improve access between neighborhoods, parks, schools, open space, and regional destinations.

KEY IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS

- Advance priority trail gap closures
- Improve regional trail connections
- Expand neighborhood trail access
- Coordinate with regional partners
- Improve trail signage, amenities, and user experience

Priority Trail Projects

- T5-D and G: Isabel Trail
- T6-E1 and E2: Arroyo Las Positas Trail
- T8-A and B: Patterson Pass Trail (Note: alternative alignment to T16)
- T10-B and G: South Livermore Valley Trail
- T11-A: Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Trail
- T13-B: Arroyo Road Trail
- T15: South Bay Aqueduct Trail
- T16: Iron Horse Trail
- T19-C: El Charro/Arroyo Mocho Trail
- T22: Brushy Peak Connector

04: Expand LARPD’s Role in Open Space Stewardship

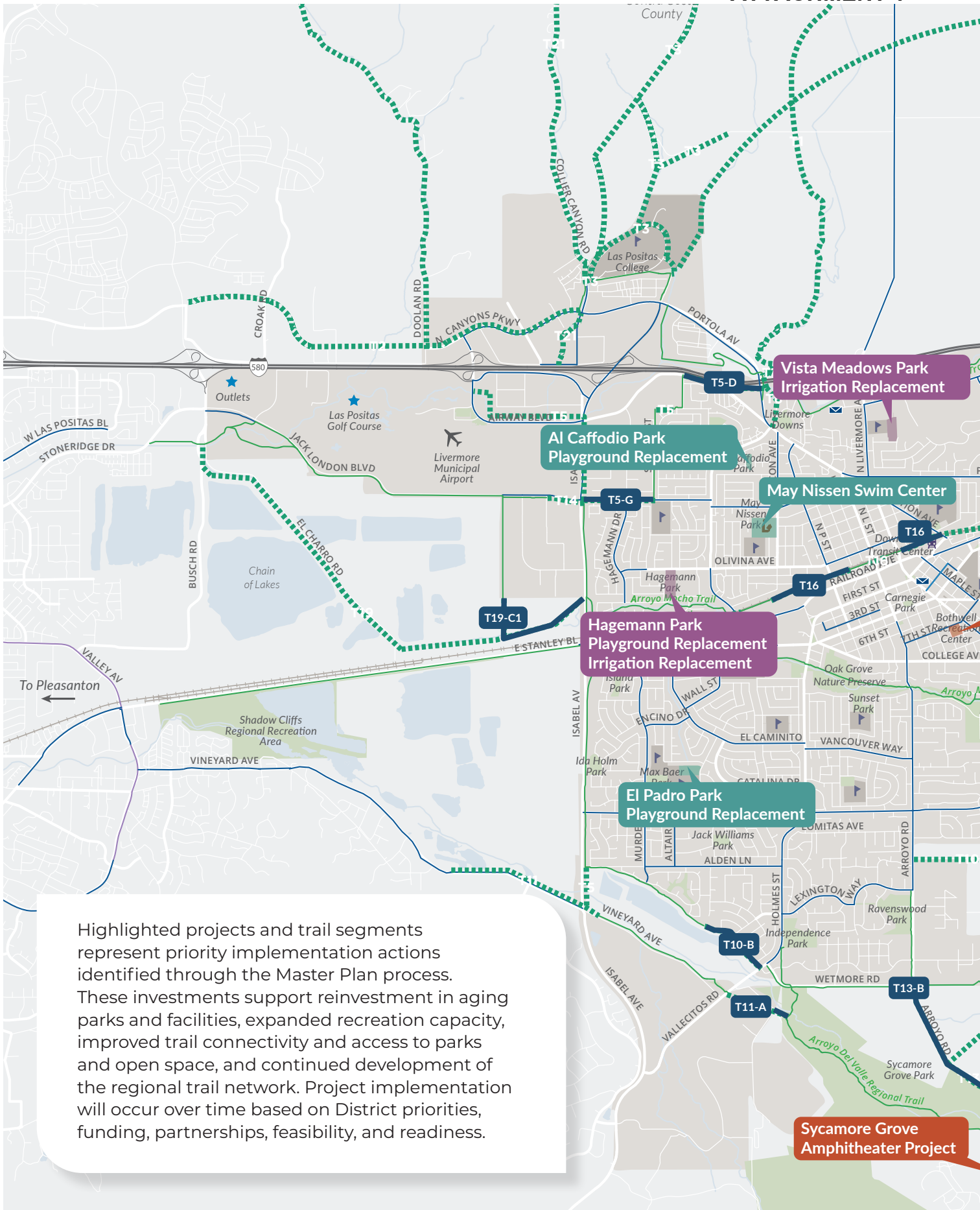
The District will expand its role in stewardship of open space while providing recreation, environmental education, and responsible public access. In coordination with regional partners, LARPD will balance conservation, recreation, and stewardship to enhance the community's connection to the natural landscape.

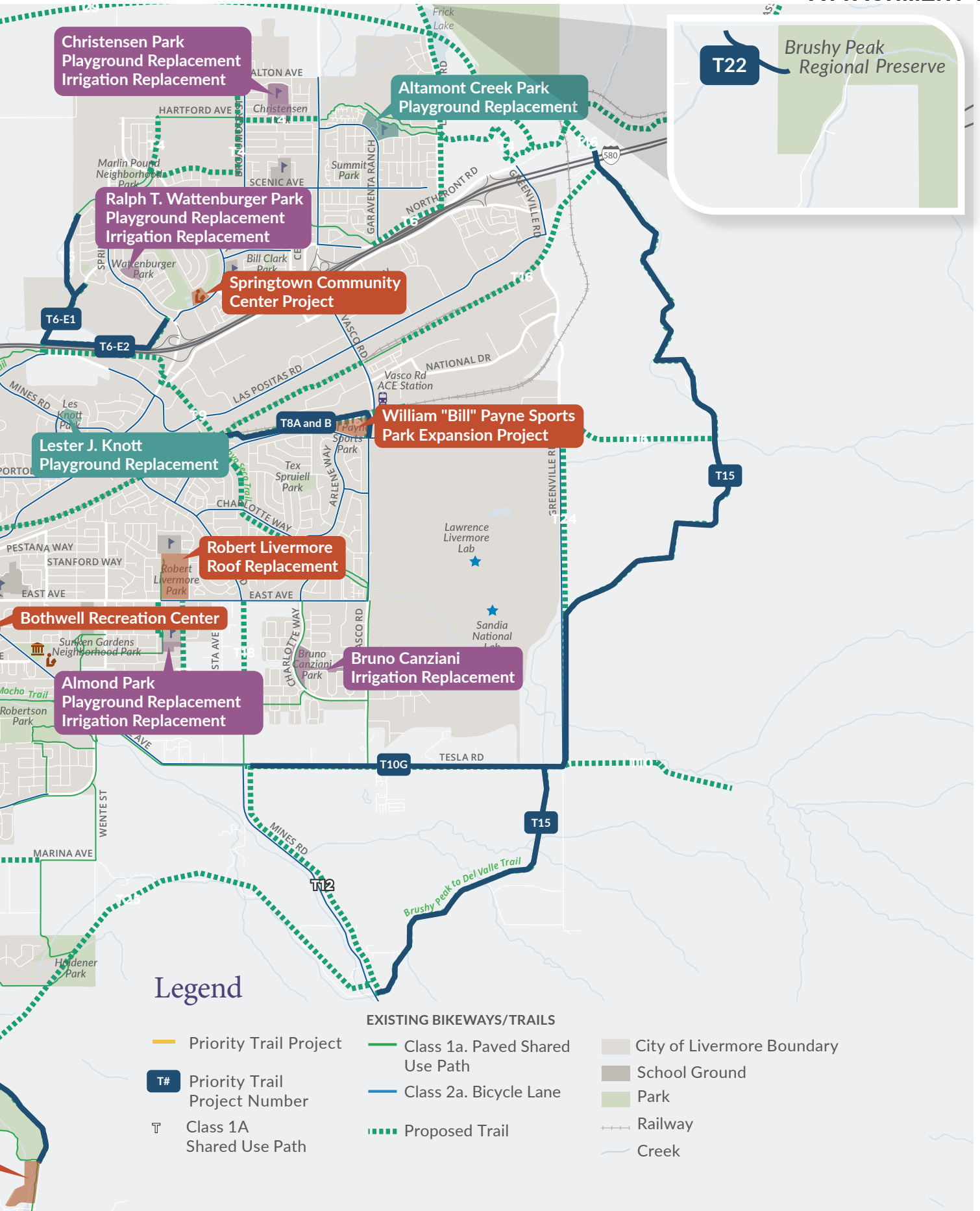
KEY IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS

- Expand open space acquisition, management, and stewardship partnerships
- Improve public access
- Protect natural and cultural resources
- Support environmental education and interpretation

The Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan establishes LARPD's priorities for the next decade and provides a clear direction for investing in the parks, recreation facilities, trails, open space, and community services that define the Livermore Area.









INTRODUCTION

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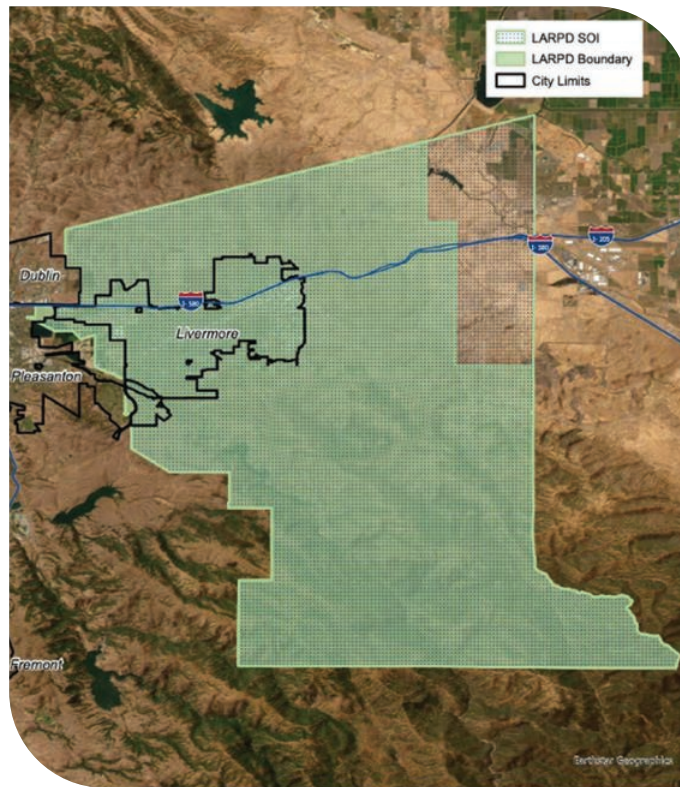
INTRODUCTION

Parks, recreation, trails, and open spaces are essential public infrastructure. They strengthen community, support physical and mental well-being, connect people with nature, preserve local history and natural resources, and contribute to the quality of life that defines the Livermore Area

As the region continues to evolve, the District faces both opportunities and challenges. **Population growth, changing development patterns, aging infrastructure, and growing demand for recreation services require thoughtful long-term planning and investment.**

This Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan establishes the District's direction for parks, recreation, trails, facilities, and open space. It identifies long-term priorities and implementation actions that will help LARPD invest strategically.





About the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District

The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARPD) was established by local voters in 1947 as an independent special district dedicated to parks, recreation, trails, and open space. The District serves a **243.5-square-mile area** in Eastern Alameda County bounded by Contra Costa County to the north, San Joaquin County to the east, Santa Clara County to the south, and Pleasanton and Dublin to the west. Today, the District manages more than **1,900 acres of parks, trails, and open space, and recreation facilities that serve approximately 93,000 residents** throughout Livermore and surrounding unincorporated communities.

LARPD provides recreation programs, environmental education, volunteer opportunities, cultural experiences, community events, and stewardship of natural and historic resources.

The District works closely with the City of Livermore, Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District, Alameda County, Zone 7 Water Agency, East Bay Regional Park District, local organizations, and partner agencies to expand recreation opportunities, strengthen regional trail connections, and steward the area's natural and cultural resources.

Growth, changing recreation interests, aging infrastructure, and expanding opportunities for regional trail connections continue to shape the District's work. This Master Plan builds on those trends by identifying where LARPD will focus its efforts over the next decade while maintaining the parks, facilities, and open spaces the community depends on.



Community Profile

The City of Livermore General Plan 2045 identifies several demographic and development trends that provide important context for this Master Plan. Continued population growth, an increasing number of older adults, and new housing within existing neighborhoods will place greater importance on accessible parks, recreation facilities, trail connections, and community spaces. These trends reinforce the need to balance reinvestment in existing assets with strategic expansion as the Livermore Area continues to grow.

Placeholder for
community
photo





Community Outreach and Engagement

Community input played a central role in shaping this Master Plan. Through a statistically valid community survey, open-link survey, partner workshops, stakeholder interviews, and outreach events, residents consistently expressed strong support for LARPD's parks, recreation facilities, trails, open space, and programs. Survey results also demonstrated how frequently residents use and value the District's parks and recreation system.

Community Survey Highlights

- Nearly half of residents use parks or facilities more than once per week
- 70% use parks and facilities three to four times per month

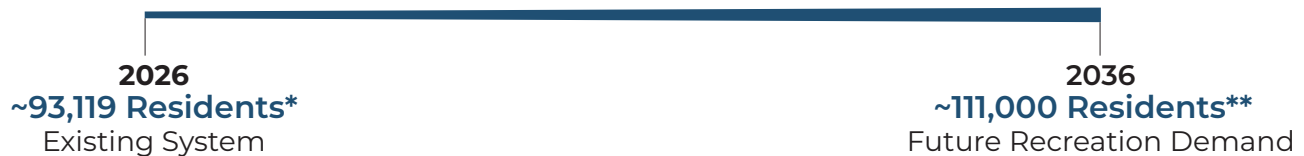


Foundational Documents

This Master Plan builds upon:

- 2024 LARPD Strategic Plan
- 2017 LARPD Asset Management Plan
- 2016 LARPD Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan
- City of Livermore General Plan 2045

Planning for the Future



**Population baseline of 93,119 residents within the LARPD service area is cited from the Alameda County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) 2024 Final Report.*

***Based on an assumed annual population growth rate of approximately 1.5%.*





Key Trends

A Growing Community

- Planning assumption of approximately 1.5% annual population growth
- Population could exceed 111,000 residents by 2036
- Continued population and employment growth
- Changing demographics and household composition
- Residents at different life stages
- Evolving recreation interests and needs

More Compact and Connected Development

- Higher-density housing
- Mixed-use development
- Walkability and active transportation

Growing Demand for Outdoor Recreation

- Trails and open space access
- Nature-based recreation
- Walking and bicycling opportunities

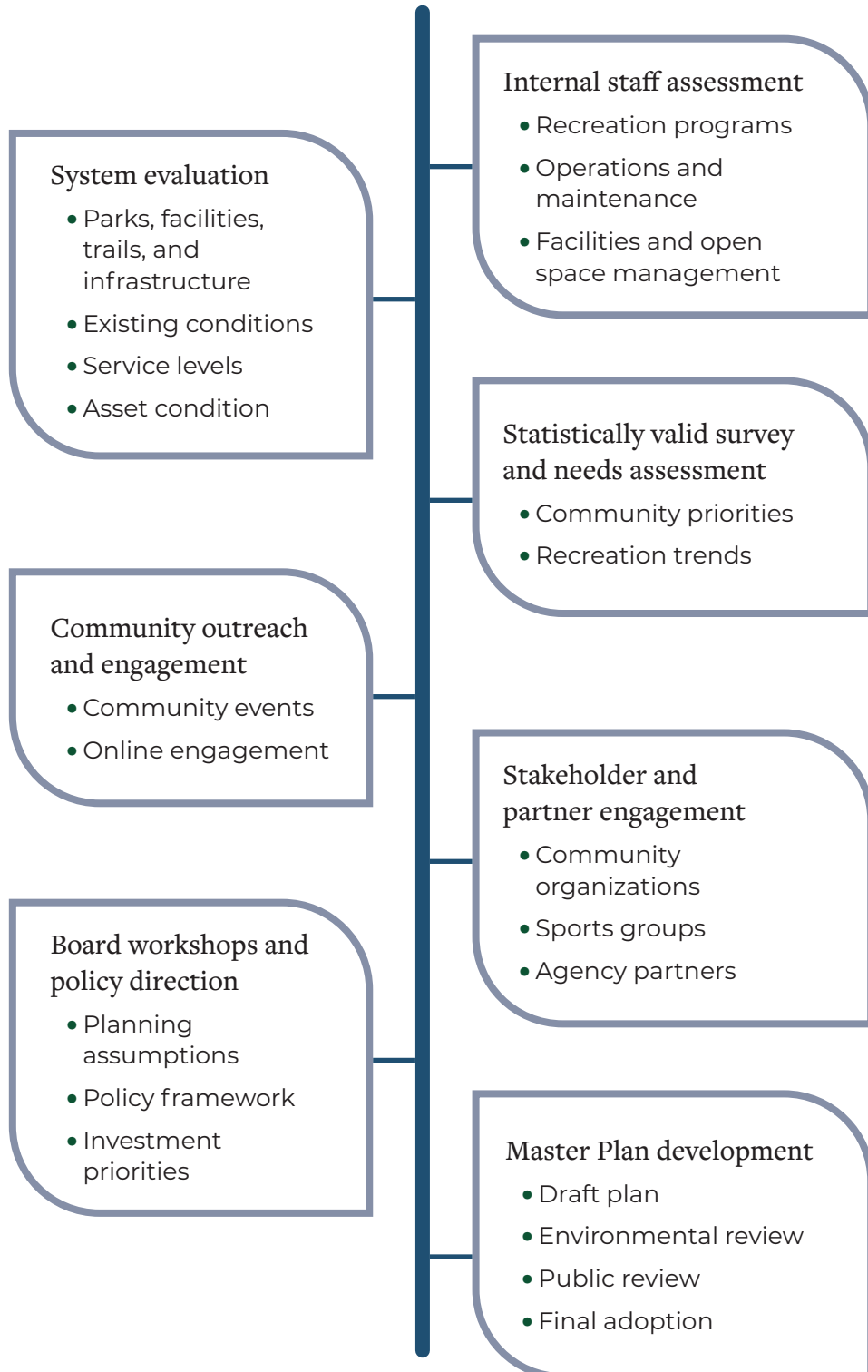
Aging Infrastructure

- Deferred maintenance
- Lifecycle reinvestment
- Long-term funding pressures

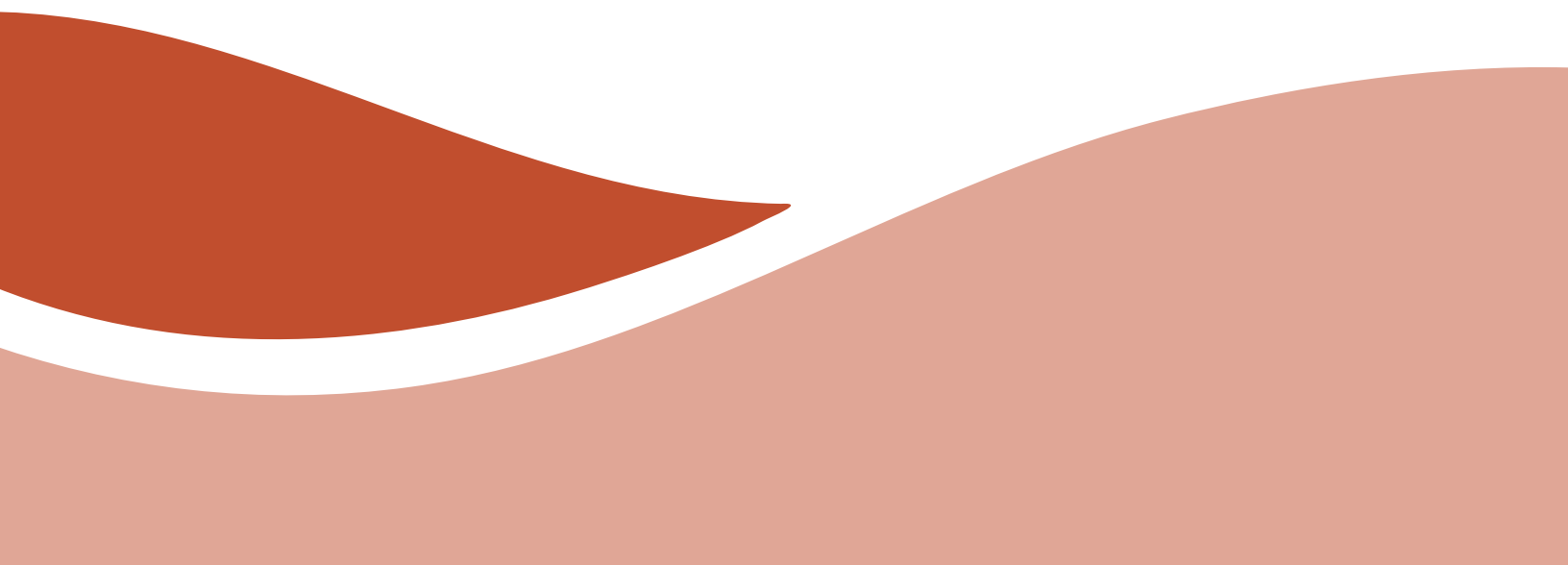


Planning Process

This Master Plan was developed through a combination of community engagement, system assessment, and Board direction. The planning process below summarizes the major milestones that informed the final document.







GOALS AND POLICIES

CHAPTER 03



GOALS



Planning

Planning decisions should guide investment, improve access and connectivity, protect community and environmental resources, and provide sustainable delivery of parks, trails, facilities, programs, and services. This section establishes the broader framework for evaluating partnerships, capital investments, open space priorities, and community needs.



Regional Coordination and Partnerships

Coordinate with partners throughout the region to facilitate resource protection and efficiently deliver access to a wide range of facilities, trails, and programs.



Design, Infrastructure, and Asset Management

LARPD's parks, facilities, trails, and infrastructure represent a significant public investment. Planning, routine maintenance, lifecycle replacement, and thoughtful design help protect these assets, support reliable service, and provide safe, accessible, and high-quality facilities for the community.



Finance and Implementation Strategy

Maintain financial sustainability through responsible planning, balanced cost recovery, strategic partnerships, and diversified funding approaches that align with District priorities, operational capacity, and community benefit.



Historic and Cultural Resource Stewardship

Historic and cultural resources contribute to community identity, educational opportunities, and the long-term character of the District's parks, facilities, and open space areas.



Programs, Services, and Community Access

Provide recreation programs, services, community engagement opportunities, and open space experiences that support wellness, learning, stewardship, and quality of life for the Livermore Area



Organizational Capacity and Governance

Maintain organizational practices, workforce capacity, and operational coordination that support delivery of District services, stewardship responsibilities, and implementation of Master Plan priorities.





Goal P.1

System Planning

Plan and deliver a coordinated system of parks, trails, open space, and facilities that reflect community needs, address service gaps, and pursue District priorities.

Policy P.1.1— Compliance with Applicable Law

Planning, design, construction, and maintenance of all District facilities and projects shall comply with applicable local, state, and federal laws, regulations, accessibility requirements, environmental requirements, and safety standards.

Policy P.1.2 — Prioritize Investments Based on Need and Impact

Direct planning and capital investment toward areas of highest community benefit, including underserved areas, system gaps, and opportunities to improve access and connectivity.

Policy P.1.3 — Advance a Connected Parks, Trails, and Open Space System

Plan for a cohesive and connected network that links neighborhoods to parks, schools, community destinations, open space areas, and regional systems.

Policy P.1.4 — Use Data and Community Input to Guide Planning Decisions

Use community input, demographic trends, participation and planned use patterns, system usage, and other relevant data to guide planning and investment decisions.

Policy P.1.5 — Pursue Strategic Land and Access Opportunities

Pursue acquisition, easements, dedications, and partnership opportunities that expand recreation access, improve connectivity, protect significant resources, or address identified service gaps.

Policy P.1.6 — Use Park and Open Space Standards to Guide Long-Range Planning

Use adopted park, recreation, and open space standards to evaluate future needs, service gaps, land acquisition opportunities, and investment decisions.

Actions

- **Action P.1-A:** Periodically review systemwide facility and service needs
- **Action P.1-B:** Evaluate opportunities to close gaps in trail connectivity and park access
- **Action P.1-C:** Maintain and periodically update priority project and corridor lists outside of this document
- **Action P.1-D:** Conduct statistically valid community surveys at least every five years to evaluate community needs and recreation priorities





Planning

Goal P.2

Resource Stewardship

Plan, develop, and manage facilities and open space in a manner that protects resources, respects surrounding uses, and supports environmental stewardship.

Policy P.2.1 — Balance Access, Recreation, and Resource Protection

Provide public access and recreational opportunities while preserving natural, scenic, cultural, and environmentally sensitive resources.

Policy P.2.2 — Support Stewardship of Open Space and Natural Resources

Support acquisition and stewardship practices that protect habitat, scenic resources, grazing lands, waterways, and natural resources within the District.

Actions

- **Action P.2-A:** Coordinate with resource agencies and conservation partners during planning and project development
- **Action P.2-B:** Incorporate feasible mitigation measures into project planning and environmental review processes
- **Action P.2-C:** Evaluate trail alignments and facility designs that reduce environmental impacts while providing public access and environmental education





Planning

Goal P.3

Planning Documents and Standards

Maintain current and adaptable planning tools that maintain effective, efficient project development, financial sustainability, operational readiness, and responsible asset management.

Policy P.3.1 — Maintain Flexible and Current Planning Documents

Periodically update the Master Plan and supporting planning documents to reflect changing priorities, community needs, funding conditions, and operational realities.

Actions

- Action P.3-A: Conduct major Master Plan updates at least every ten years
- Action P.3-B: Periodically review planning priorities as funding, partnerships, and community needs evolve



Planning

Goal P.4

Future Growth and Development Coordination

As the Livermore Area continues to evolve, development in the Midtown area, the Isabel Neighborhood Specific Plan area, and future development areas will create new needs related to parks, recreation facilities, trails, and open space connections. LARPD will continue coordinating with the City of Livermore and other partners to plan for recreation and trail needs associated with growth and planning efforts.

Policy P.4.1 — Coordinate Recreation Planning with Future Growth

Coordinate with the City of Livermore on future planning efforts, including the Midtown Specific Plan, to identify park, recreation, and trail needs associated with future growth areas.

Policy P.4.2 — Monitor Community Needs and Trends

Monitor development, demographic trends, participation patterns, and system usage to ensure facilities and services remain aligned with current and future community needs.

Policy P.4.3 — Plan for Future Recreation and Trail Opportunities

Evaluate opportunities for future neighborhood parks, community parks, recreation amenities, and trail connections in developing areas of the community.

Policy P.4.4 — Integrate Recreation Planning into Major Planning Initiatives

Continue coordinating park and trail planning alongside major development, transportation, and infrastructure planning initiatives.

Actions

- **Action P.4-A:** Coordinate with the City of Livermore to ensure the future Midtown Specific Plan adequately addresses parks, trails, recreation facilities, and open space planning
- **Action P.4-B:** Identify opportunities for future park and trail connections associated with major development areas, including Midtown and Isabel

Planning Note: Specific recommendations for parks, trails, recreation and open spaces related to Midtown will continue to be developed alongside the future Midtown Specific Plan process and related City planning efforts.





Regional Coordination and Partnerships

Goal R.1

Partnerships and Regional Coordination

Utilize partnerships and regional coordination to improve efficiency, expand access, and advance projects and services that would be difficult to achieve independently.

Policy R.1.1 — Coordinate Planning and Investment with Partner Agencies

Coordinate planning and investment with partner agencies, by both leading the development of projects and strategic initiatives involving other agencies and by cooperating where projects initiated by other agencies address District priorities.

Policy R.1.2 — Advance Regional Connectivity, Open Space, and Stewardship Opportunities

Take an active District role in regional connectivity, open space preservation, environmental stewardship, and appropriate public access opportunities.

Policy R.1.3 — Evaluate Partnerships Based on Long-Term Community Benefit

Evaluate partnership and joint-use opportunities based on community benefit, financial impacts, implementation feasibility, and operational sustainability.

Policy R.1.4 — Grant Coordination

Coordinate with local agencies, special districts, nonprofit organizations, and other partners on grants for projects, open space opportunities, and trail development.

Policy R.1.5 — Utilize Partnerships with Community Organizations

Utilize partnerships with community organizations, nonprofits, foundations, public agencies, and private contributors to pursue implementation of District priorities and projects.

Policy R.1.6 — Coordinate Asset Management Efforts

Coordinate maintenance, infrastructure, and operational efforts with partner agencies to improve efficiency, service delivery, or asset management outcomes.

Policy R.1.7 — Coordinate Management of Shared Assets

Coordinate capital planning and major maintenance with the City of Livermore for City-owned, LARPD-operated parks and facilities consistent with the Master Property Agreement.





Regional Coordination and Partnerships

Actions

- **Action R.1-A:** Coordinate regularly with agencies, including the City of Livermore, Alameda County, LVJUSD, Zone 7, EBRPD, and other partners on joint development and use opportunities.
- **Action R.1-B:** Pursue joint funding and grant partnership opportunities.
- **Action R.1-C:** Participate in regional planning and interagency coordination discussions.
- **Action R.1-D:** Coordinate with partner agencies on access to and management of regionally significant open space areas such as the Alameda-Tesla Property and Doolan Canyon.
- **Action R.1-E:** Coordinate with the City of Livermore on implementation of the Open Space Conservation Program to identify opportunities that support regional connectivity, resource conservation, public access, and District priorities.
- **Action R.1-F:** Periodically review Master Property Agreements, Joint Use Agreements and similar partnership agreements to ensure consistency with evolving circumstances.
- **Action R.1-G:** Participate in the City of Livermore's Capital Improvement Program to prioritize improvements on city-owned and LARPD maintained parks and facilities.
- **Action R.1-H:** Address responsibilities and funding for the provision of regional open space with East Bay Regional Park District.





Design, Infrastructure, and Asset Management

Goal D.1

High Quality, Functional, and Accessible Facilities

Plan, design, and improve parks, trails, facilities, open space areas, and infrastructure that are safe, attractive, durable, accessible, functional, and responsive to community needs.

Policy D.1.1 — Design Facilities for Long-Term Community Use

Design and improve facilities and infrastructure to ensure long-term usability, operational efficiency, flexibility, accessibility, and positive user experiences.

Policy D.1.2 — Design Facilities That Fit the Character and Use of the Site

Design facilities and improvements in a way that reflects the intended use of the site, surrounding environment, operational needs, and nearby neighborhoods.

Policy D.1.3 — Improve Trail and System Connectivity

Support projects and planning efforts that improve trail connectivity, close key gaps, expand access to underserved areas, and advance opportunities that are feasible to implement and maintain.

Policy D.1.4 — Consider Compatibility with Adjacent Uses

Consider surrounding neighborhoods, adjacent land uses, operational impacts, and stakeholder input when planning new or substantially modified District facilities and properties.

Actions

- **Action D.1-A:** Periodically review facility and site design practices to reflect evolving community needs and operational considerations.
- **Action D.1-B:** Update and maintain a comprehensive set of District construction standards and details for typical district improvements.
- **Action D.1-C:** Coordinate with partner agencies and jurisdictions on trail and connectivity planning.
- **Action D.1-D:** Develop and periodically update project review criteria that evaluate accessibility, durability, maintenance needs, and operational impacts.
- **Action D.1-E:** Evaluate opportunities to improve connections between parks, trails, neighborhoods, and community destinations through future development and capital projects.





Design, Infrastructure, and Asset Management

Goal D.2

Sustainable Infrastructure and Asset Management

Manage facilities, infrastructure, and open space assets in a manner that provides long-term operational sustainability, responsible investment, and effective stewardship of public resources.

Policy D.2.1 — Preventive Maintenance and Asset Stewardship

Use preventive maintenance, rehabilitation, reinvestment, and operational planning strategies to maintain facilities consistent with the District's adopted Condition Standards and reduce deferred maintenance.

Policy D.2.2 — Align Infrastructure Investments with Operational Capacity

Evaluate staffing, maintenance capacity, operational impacts, and funding considerations when planning improvements, expansions, or new facilities.

Actions

- **Action D.2-A:** Incorporate operational, maintenance, and replacement cost reviews into major capital project planning and design.
- **Action D.2-B:** Use facility condition assessments and lifecycle planning tools to prioritize maintenance, rehabilitation, replacement and capital investments.
- **Action D.2-C:** Periodically evaluate infrastructure conditions, maintenance needs, and replacement priorities.
- **Action D.2-D:** Conduct preventive maintenance and asset management practices to support facility sustainability.





Design, Infrastructure, and Asset Management

Goal D.3

Environmental Stewardship and Resource Efficiency

Design and manage parks, open space, facilities, and infrastructure to protect significant natural resources, support environmental stewardship, and promote the efficient use of public resources.

Policy D.3.1 — Balance Resource Protection and Public Access

Protect natural resources, habitat areas, waterways, scenic resources, and environmentally sensitive areas while supporting appropriate public access and recreation opportunities, including coordination related to regionally significant open space areas such as the Alameda-Tesla Property.

Policy D.3.3 — Use Resource Management Planning Tools

Develop, maintain, and implement Resource Management Plans or similar planning tools for significant open space properties and environmentally sensitive areas.

Policy D.3.2 — Minimize Environmental Impacts Through Planning and Design

Incorporate feasible planning, design, and mitigation measures that minimize environmental impacts and reduce potential conflicts with surrounding uses.

Actions

- **Action D.3-A:** Coordinate with partner agencies and resource organizations during planning and project development.
- **Action D.3-B:** Consider habitat protection, scenic views, trail connections, grazing practices, and public access when evaluating open space priorities.
- **Action D.3-C:** Develop landscaping and infrastructure standards appropriate to different park, open space, and facility types.
- **Action D.3-D:** Incorporate practical measures to reduce environmental impacts and minimize conflicts with surrounding uses.
- **Action D.3-E:** Maintain and periodically update Resource Management Plans and Habitat Restoration Plans.
- **Action D.3-F:** Manage efficient use of water, energy, and other public resources where practical and cost-effective.





Finance and Implementation Strategy

Goal F.1

Financial Sustainability and Project Readiness

Evaluate operational, maintenance, and funding impacts when considering new facilities, capital projects, service expansions, and major investments.

Policy F.1.1 — Compliance with Applicable Law and Best Practices

District financial practices, purchasing procedures, grant administration, and public works processes shall comply with applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations as well as governmental best practices.

Policy F.1.3 — Align Capital Planning with Operational Capacity

Consider staffing, maintenance capacity, operational impacts, and ongoing funding needs when planning new or expanded facilities and infrastructure.

Policy F.1.2 — Incorporate Lifecycle Planning into Facility and Capital Decisions

Incorporate lifecycle planning into facility and capital investment decisions to better understand long-term maintenance, replacement, operational, and funding obligations.

Actions

- **Action F.1-A:** Incorporate lifecycle cost considerations into capital planning, funding discussions, and project evaluation.
- **Action F.1-B:** Apply Project Readiness Framework to guide implementation timing based on District priorities, funding, and site control.
- **Action F.1-C:** Identify potential funding and operational strategies early in project development.
- **Action F.1-D:** Coordinate with partner agencies, developers, and funding entities to support financial sustainability.
- **Action F.1-E:** Utilize the District's adopted Fund Balance Reserve Policy and other available funding strategies to address lifecycle replacement, deferred maintenance, and asset stewardship needs identified through lifecycle planning analysis.





Finance and Implementation Strategy

Goal F.2

Balanced Cost Recovery and Community Access

Provide a mix of fee-supported and subsidized programs, services, and facilities that balance financial sustainability with community benefit and community access.

Policy F.2.1— Determine the Full Cost of Providing Program Services and Facilities

Determine the full cost of providing programs, services, and facilities, including direct program costs, administrative overhead, and facility lifecycle costs.

Policy F.2.2 — Implement a Balanced Cost Recovery Approach

Maintain a cost-recovery approach that accounts for varying levels of individual and community benefits when determining fees, subsidies, and funding priorities based on the full cost of providing the program, service, or facility.

Policy F.2.3 — Support Community Access

Support programs, services, and financial assistance opportunities that reduce barriers to participation and maintain access for a broad range of community members.

Policy F.2.4 — Maintain Cost Recovery Policies and Funding Guidelines

Use cost recovery policies and funding guidelines to ensure transparent, consistent, and sustainable financial decision-making.

Actions

- **Action F.2-A:** Develop full lifecycle costs for each facility that LARPD owns or operates.
- **Action F.2-B:** Develop a program to assign appropriate administrative overhead costs to programs, services and facilities that LARPD provides.
- **Action F.2-C:** Periodically review cost recovery approaches and funding strategies.
- **Action F.2-D:** Develop guidelines that reflect differing levels of individual and community benefit.





Finance and Implementation Strategy

Goal F.3

Diversified Funding and Revenue Strategies

Pursue diverse and sustainable funding approaches that support District priorities, capital improvements, maintenance obligations, and community services.

Policy F.3.1 — Pursue Diverse Funding Opportunities

Actively pursue grants, donations, sponsorships, matching funds, and other opportunities that support District projects, programs, facilities, and funding goals.

Policy F.3.2 — Pursue Revenue Opportunities that Support District Services and Facilities

Consider revenue-generating opportunities that offset operating costs, maintain facilities and infrastructure, support capital improvements, and reduce long-term financial pressures on the District.

Actions

- **Action F.3-A:** Pursue grant funding opportunities from federal, state, regional, local, nonprofit, and private sources.
- **Action F.3-B:** Coordinate with organizations such as the LARPD Foundation, community groups, and partner agencies on funding and implementation opportunities.
- **Action F.3-C:** Consider sponsorships, donations, memorial contributions, matching funds, and similar partnership opportunities.
- **Action F.3-D:** Evaluate revenue opportunities in consideration of operational impacts, maintenance obligations, and community priorities.
- **Action F.3-E:** Match funding strategies to project type and readiness, including development impact fees, General Fund resources, reserve funds, grants, partnerships, donations, and other available funding sources.



GOALS AND
POLICIES





Historic and Cultural Resource Stewardship

Goal HC.1

Preserve and Steward Historic and Cultural Resources

Support preservation, stewardship, and appropriate use of historic facilities, cultural resources, and historically significant sites owned or operated by the District.

Policy HC.1.1 — Support Preservation of Historic and Cultural Resources

Support preservation, rehabilitation, maintenance, and appropriate use of historic facilities, structures, cultural resources, and historically significant sites owned or operated by the District.

Policy HC.1.3 — Support Educational and Community Use of Historic Resources

Support educational, interpretive, recreational, and community uses of historic facilities and cultural resources when compatible with preservation and stewardship goals.

Policy HC.1.2 — Pursue Partnerships and Funding Opportunities to Support Preservation Efforts

Pursue partnerships, grants, funding opportunities, and coordination efforts that support preservation, maintenance, restoration, educational use, and stewardship of historic and cultural resources.

Actions

- **Action HC.1-A:** Collaborate with historical organizations, nonprofit partners, and community stakeholders on stewardship and preservation efforts.
- **Action HC.1-B:** Consider preservation and stewardship needs when planning improvements or renovations to historic facilities, including sites such as Ravenswood Historic Site.
- **Action HC.1-C:** Support educational and interpretive opportunities connected to historic and cultural resources.
- **Action HC.1-D:** Pursue funding opportunities and partnerships that support preservation, maintenance, and stewardship efforts.



Historic and Cultural Resource Stewardship

Goal HC.2

Support Community Heritage and Cultural Traditions

Support community traditions, cultural events, and longstanding community partnerships that contribute to the Livermore Area's identity and heritage.

Policy HC.2.1 — Support Community Heritage and Cultural Events

Support cultural traditions, heritage events, and community activities that reflect the Livermore Area's history, identity, and longstanding community connections.

Policy HC.2.2 — Coordinate with Community Partners on Heritage Facilities and Events

Coordinate with community organizations and partners associated with heritage facilities, historic uses, and longstanding community events.

Actions

- **Action HC.2-A:** Maintain coordination with community organizations associated with historic and cultural events, including the Livermore Stockmen's Rodeo Association (LSRA).
- **Action HC.2-B:** Consider maintenance, operational needs, and stewardship responsibilities associated with heritage facilities and community traditions, including the Livermore Rodeo.
- **Action HC.2-C:** Periodically review partnership and operational strategies to support community benefit and stewardship goals.





Programs, Services, and Community Access

Goal PS.1

Responsive and Community-Focused Recreation Opportunities

Provide recreation opportunities, programs, and services that respond to community needs and support wellness, enrichment, social connection, and quality of life.

Policy PS.1.1 — Provide Community-Serving Recreation Opportunities

Provide recreation opportunities and services that reflect the interests, needs, and diversity of the community and support participation across a broad range of ages, abilities, and backgrounds.

Policy PS.1.2 — Support Wellness, Learning, and Community Connection

Support programs, services, and activities that encourage healthy lifestyles, lifelong learning, community connection, and improving quality of life.

Policy PS.1.3 — Maintain Flexibility to Respond to Changing Community Needs

Periodically evaluate recreation trends, participation patterns, community interests, and operational considerations to shape future programming and service priorities.

Policy PS.1.4 — Support Arts, Cultural, and Community Enrichment Opportunities

Support arts, cultural, and community enrichment opportunities primarily through recreation-based programs, classes, events, and community activities.

Actions

- **Action PS.1-A:** Incorporate community input, participation trends, and operational considerations to guide programming priorities.
- **Action PS.1-B:** Conduct community outreach and statistically valid surveys at least every five years to evaluate evolving community needs, recreation interests, and service priorities.
- **Action PS.1-C:** Consider opportunities to provide programs and services across a variety of facilities, parks, schools, open space areas, and community spaces.
- **Action PS.1-D:** Periodically re-evaluate programming approaches and service delivery methods as community interests and participation trends change.
- **Action PS.1-E:** Work with schools, nonprofits, arts organizations, and community partners to support recreation, enrichment, and cultural opportunities.
- **Action PS.1-F:** Prioritize use of facilities for arts, cultural, and recreation classes that support youth and adult appreciation for the arts.





Programs, Services, and Community Access

Goal PS.2

Community Access and Participation

Support access to District programs, services, facilities, and community engagement opportunities.

Policy PS.2.1 — Support Community Access

Support programs, services, facilities, and engagement opportunities that are accessible, welcoming, and responsive to a broad range of community members.

Policy PS.2.2 — Reduce Barriers to Participation

Support financial assistance, scholarships, outreach efforts, and other strategies that reduce barriers to participation.

Policy PS.2.3 — Use Outreach and Engagement to Support Community Participation

Use communication, outreach, and engagement efforts that help residents understand and access District programs, services, facilities, and planning efforts.

Policy PS.2.4 — Support Volunteer and Community Stewardship Opportunities

Support volunteer opportunities that strengthen community involvement, stewardship, educational programming, events, and District operations.

Actions

- **Action PS.2-A:** Conduct outreach and engagement approaches that improve awareness of District programs, services, facilities, and planning efforts.
- **Action PS.2-B:** Support scholarship programs, subsidies, partnerships, and financial assistance opportunities.
- **Action PS.2-C:** Consider accessibility, affordability, and participation barriers when evaluating programs and services.
- **Action PS.2-D:** Support volunteer opportunities related to recreation programs, open space stewardship, events, educational programming, and community initiatives.
- **Action PS.2-E:** Work with schools, nonprofits, and community organizations to expand outreach and participation opportunities.





Programs, Services, and Community Access

Goal PS.3

Environmental and Educational Programming

Provide recreation, educational, and interpretive opportunities that connect the community to parks, trails, open space, and the natural environment.

Policy PS.3.1 — Support Interpretive and Environmental Education Opportunities

Support interpretive, educational, and recreational opportunities that connect community members to the natural environment, local history, and cultural resources.

Policy PS.3.3 — Coordinate Educational and Interpretive Partnerships

Coordinate with schools, nonprofit organizations, public agencies, and community partners to support educational, recreational, and stewardship opportunities.

Policy PS.3.2 — Provide Recreation Opportunities in Natural Settings

Support recreational and educational opportunities within parks, trails, and open space areas that encourage appreciation, stewardship, and responsible use of natural resources.

Actions

- **Action PS.3-A:** Support environmental recreation, educational programming, and interpretive opportunities.
- **Action PS.3-B:** Coordinate with schools, community organizations, and partner agencies on outdoor education and stewardship initiatives.
- **Action PS.3-C:** Use parks, trails, open space areas, and natural resources to support community learning and recreation experiences.
- **Action PS.3-D:** Adapt interpretive and educational programming based on community interest and operational considerations.





Organizational Capacity and Governance

Goal OG.1

Organizational Readiness and Workforce Development

Support organizational practices and workforce development efforts that enable the District to adapt to changing community needs, operational responsibilities, and service expectations.

Policy OG.1.1 — Support Workforce Development and Organizational Readiness

Support staff development, training, leadership growth, and organizational knowledge-sharing efforts that strengthen the District's ability to deliver services, manage facilities, and implement its priorities.

Policy OG.1.2 — Maintain Organizational Flexibility and Adaptability

Maintain organizational practices that allow the District to adapt to changing community needs, operational challenges, workforce considerations, and emerging priorities.

Actions

- Action OG.1-A: Support professional development and training opportunities.
- Action OG.1-B: Encourage organizational coordination, knowledge-sharing, and cross-department collaboration.
- Action OG.1-C: Adjust organizational and operational approaches to respond to changing service demands and workforce needs.
- Action OG.1-D: Evaluate workforce capacity and operational readiness when implementing new facilities, programs, and initiatives.





Organizational Capacity and Governance

Goal OG.2

Transparent and Responsible Governance

Support transparent decision-making, public accountability, and responsible governance practices that maintain community trust and support District stewardship.

Policy OG.2.1 — Support Transparent and Responsible Decision-Making

Support governance, planning, and operational practices that encourage transparency, accountability, public awareness, and informed decision-making.

Policy OG.2.2 — Maintain Community and Partner Coordination

Maintain coordination with community organizations, partner agencies, stakeholders, and the public to support collaboration, responsiveness, and implementation of District priorities.

Actions

- **Action OG.2-A:** Utilize public engagement and communication efforts, such as public meetings, surveys, community outreach events, website communications, and social media to support awareness of District projects, priorities, and planning efforts.
- **Action OG.2-B:** Coordinate with partner agencies, community organizations, and stakeholders.
- **Action OG.2-C:** Periodically review governance and operational practices to support responsiveness and organizational effectiveness.





Organizational Capacity and Governance

Goal OG.3

Emergency Preparedness and Operational Coordination

Maintain coordination and preparedness efforts that support continuity of operations, public safety, and District response capabilities during emergencies and major disruptions.

Policy OG.3.1 — Coordinate Emergency Preparedness Efforts

Coordinate with local agencies, schools, emergency response organizations, and partner entities to support emergency preparedness, continuity planning, and operational coordination.

Policy OG.3.2 — Maintain Operational Readiness During Emergencies

Support organizational practices and facility readiness efforts that maintain continuity of operations and community services during emergencies and major disruptions where feasible.

Actions

- Action OG.3-A: Coordinate with local and regional emergency preparedness partners.
- Action OG.3-B: Support staff training and operational readiness efforts related to emergency response and continuity planning.
- Action OG.3-C: Consider emergency access, operational continuity, and community support functions when planning facilities and infrastructure improvements.





STANDARDS AND EXISTING CONDITIONS

CHAPTER 04



STANDARDS AND EXISTING CONDITIONS

This chapter outlines how LARPD evaluates the condition of parks and facilities, identifies community needs, and prioritizes future investments.

The standards presented in this chapter are intended to be used together to identify where investment will provide the greatest long-term community benefit. Park acreage, access, facility condition, service capacity, trail connectivity, and community needs each provide a different perspective on the overall park system.

Understanding Community Needs

The standards, needs, and recommendations identified in this Plan were developed through a combination of community input, system assessment, and coordination with the City of Livermore's General Plan 2045 update.

LARPD evaluates existing parks and facilities, community input, recreation trends, demographic information, facility conditions, operational experience, and growth projections to understand where the system is performing well and where additional investment is needed.

Future growth will rely on connecting residents to an existing network of parks, recreation facilities, trails, and open space through strategic reinvestment and improved access. This planning approach provides the foundation for the standards and recommendations presented throughout this Master Plan.

Delivering a Comprehensive System

LARPD provides parks, recreation facilities, trails, open space, and programs through a combination of District-owned assets and partnerships with local, regional, educational, and other public agencies. This coordinated approach expands recreation opportunities and improves system connectivity to maximize community benefit.

While partnerships play an important role in meeting community needs, LARPD will continue evaluating opportunities to develop, acquire, improve, and maintain District-owned assets to ensure long-term service capacity, operational flexibility, and community access.

Facility Type Descriptions

Neighborhood Parks (Up to 15 acres)

Designed to serve nearby residents and provide convenient access to recreation opportunities within walking distance of surrounding neighborhoods. Typical amenities may include playgrounds, open turf areas, picnic areas, shade structures, sports courts including pickleball and tennis, walking paths, landscaping, cricket pitch, outdoor fitness areas, and other neighborhood-serving recreation amenities.

Community Parks (11+ acres)

Designed to serve residents throughout the District and provide a variety of recreation opportunities, gathering spaces, and community-serving amenities. Typical amenities may include athletic fields, sports courts including pickleball and tennis, aquatic facilities, community centers, dog parks, community gardens, picnic areas, open turf areas, parking lots, restrooms, playgrounds, event spaces, and other recreation facilities.

Special Use Facilities

Sites that support a specific recreational, cultural, historic, environmental, or community function. Examples may include skate parks, sports complexes, pickleball courts or complexes, historic sites, cultural facilities, interpretive areas, event venues, environmental education facilities, and other specialized recreation amenities.

Open Space Areas

Lands managed for outdoor recreation, resource protection, environmental education, and preservation of natural and cultural resources. Typical amenities may include trails, trailheads, staging areas, interpretive facilities, overlooks, picnic areas, habitat restoration areas, educational facilities, and other improvements that support public access and stewardship.

Recreation and Support Facilities

Include indoor recreation, aquatic, community, cultural, educational, and administrative facilities that support District programs, services, and operations. Typical facilities may include community centers, aquatics facilities, preschools, program spaces, maintenance facilities, administrative offices, and other support buildings.

Extended Student Services (ESS) Sites

Sites provide facilities that support before-school, after-school, seasonal, educational, and youth development programs in partnership with local schools. Typical facilities may include classrooms, portable buildings, outdoor activity areas, storage facilities, administrative spaces, and other program-support amenities.



Planning Standards

Community recreation interests continue to diversify, demand for trails and outdoor experiences continues to grow, and many existing parks and facilities are reaching the point where significant reinvestment will be required.

These conditions require a planning approach that emphasizes a connected park system, where neighborhood parks, community parks, trails, recreation facilities, schools, and open space work together to provide recreation opportunities. This approach anticipates development patterns that place greater emphasis on access, connectivity, and the overall recreation system than on the acreage of individual park classifications alone.

The planning standards presented in this chapter provide the framework LARPD uses to evaluate existing conditions, identify service needs, and guide future investment. The District considers park acreage, access, trail connectivity, facility condition, service capacity, and community needs together to ensure investments remain aligned with the community's long-term vision.



Park and Open Space Standards

Consistent with this planning approach, the District's park standards recognize that future residential development is expected to include a broader mix of housing types, higher-density neighborhoods, and smaller park sites connected by trails to larger community parks, recreation facilities, schools, and open space.

As amenities within parks have expanded over time with additional athletic fields, parking, restrooms, and community-serving amenities, several facilities now serve a broader role than when originally constructed. Parks including Bill Payne Sports Park, Max Baer Park, Independence Park, Ernie Rodrigues Sports Park, and Cayetano Park have therefore been reclassified as Community Parks to better reflect their existing and planned function within the District's overall park system.

The park and open space standards evaluate publicly owned and publicly accessible parks, trails, recreation facilities, and open space throughout the LARPD service area, regardless of ownership or operating agency. This approach reflects the recreation opportunities available to the community and recognizes the importance of partnerships in delivering a comprehensive park system.

Local Park Standards

Park Type	Standard
Community Parks	3.5 acres / 1,000 residents
Neighborhood Parks	1.5 acres / 1,000 residents
Special Use Facilities	1 acre / 1,000 residents
Total	6 acres / 1,000 residents

The revised distribution maintains the District's overall standard of six acres per 1,000 residents while recognizing that Community Parks now provide a larger share of recreation opportunities.

Park Access Standard

While acreage provides one measure of service, convenient access is equally important. LARPD seeks to ensure residents can conveniently reach parks and open space regardless of neighborhood.

Ensure all neighborhoods are within half a mile of a park or open space. In denser Specific Plan Areas (average of 20 dwelling units/acre or greater) such as Midtown or Isabel Neighborhood, ensure all units are within a quarter of a mile of a park or open space.

Trail Access Standard

Prioritize gap closures and trail connections to denser neighborhoods (average of 20 dwelling units/acre or greater) to facilitate non-motorized access to parks and open space

Open Space Standard

Facility Type	Standard
Open Space	200 acres / 1,000 residents

The Open Space standard includes publicly accessible regional open space, trails, and natural areas throughout the LARPD service area, regardless of ownership or management agency.

Service and Capacity Standard

Recreation facilities do not have universally accepted acreage or size standards that adequately measure community need.

LARPD monitors how facilities are used to determine when additional investment, operational changes, or expanded capacity may be warranted. Utilization trends, waitlists, scheduling conflicts, program demand, and community access all provide indicators of whether facilities are meeting current and future needs.



Facility Types and Indicators of Capacity Pressure



Gymnasiums

Peak-hour utilization, scheduling conflicts, waitlists



Aquatics Facilities

Swim lesson waitlists, lane competition, recreation swim demand



Athletic Fields

Scheduling conflicts, limited recovery periods, field availability



Recreation Facilities

Space utilization, enrollment trends, room availability

Capacity constraints may be indicated by factors such as recurring waitlists, scheduling conflicts, limited facility availability during peak demand periods, or utilization levels approaching operational capacity.

Existing Conditions and Community Needs

LARPD maintains a diverse and well-distributed park and recreation system that generally meets adopted acreage and access standards. Future investment will focus on reinvesting in aging infrastructure, modernizing existing facilities, improving system connectivity, and expanding capacity where demand exceeds available space.

Total Parks and Special Use Facilities



9
Community Parks
328 Acres



27
Neighborhood Parks
142 Acres



6
Open Space
1,445 Acres



9
Special Use Facilities
62.5 Acres

STANDARDS AND
EXISTING CONDITIONS



Recreation and Support Facilities

Recreation facilities experience the greatest capacity constraints during peak demand periods. Future investment will focus on expanding program capacity, modernizing aging buildings, and improving operational flexibility.



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**Recreation and
Support Facilities**



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**Extended Student
Services (ESS) Sites**

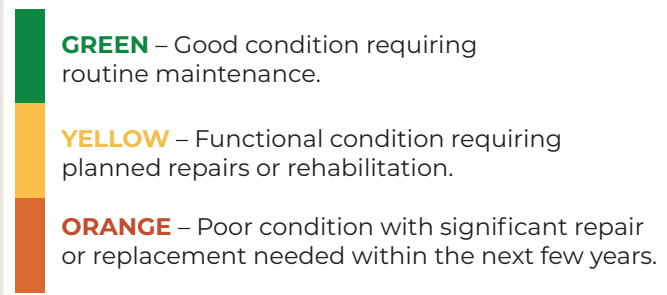


Parks and Facilities Condition Standard

LARPD evaluates parks, facilities, and infrastructure using a three-tier condition assessment:

The condition assessment provides a consistent method for evaluating assets, identifying reinvestment priorities, and supporting lifecycle planning.

The District's standard is to maintain all parks, facilities, and infrastructure in Green or Yellow condition through proactive maintenance, rehabilitation, replacement planning, and capital investment.



Community Parks

9 Parks

3.53 Acres per 1,000 (Standard 3.5 per 1,000)

67% **33%**



Key Needs and Themes:

- Aging infrastructure and utilities
- Parking and circulation improvements
- Athletic amenity reinvestment
- Modernization of older park features

Neighborhood Parks

27 Parks

1.52 Acres per 1,000 (Standard 1.5 per 1,000)

38% **46%** **15%**



Key Needs and Themes:

- Aging playgrounds
- Irrigation replacement

Special Use Facilities

9 Facilities

0.67 Acres per 1,000 (Standard 1 per 1,000)

50% **50%**



Needs and Themes:

- General Lifecycle Maintenance

LARPD Managed Open Space

6 Open Space Areas

15.5 Acres per 1,000

100%



Key Needs and Themes:

- Buildings and Structures at Sycamore Grove are Reflected in Recreation and Support Facilities

Recreation and Support Facilities

10 Facilities

10% **60%** **30%**



Key Needs and Themes:

- Aging facilities nearing major reinvestment or replacement needs
- Capacity pressures at gymnasium and aquatic facilities during peak demand periods
- Deferred maintenance and modernization of key recreation facilities
- Long-term lifecycle investment needs across aging buildings and infrastructure

Extended Student Services (ESS) Sites

8 Sites

38% **62%**



Key Needs and Themes:

- General Lifecycle Maintenance: Siding, Roofs, Ramps

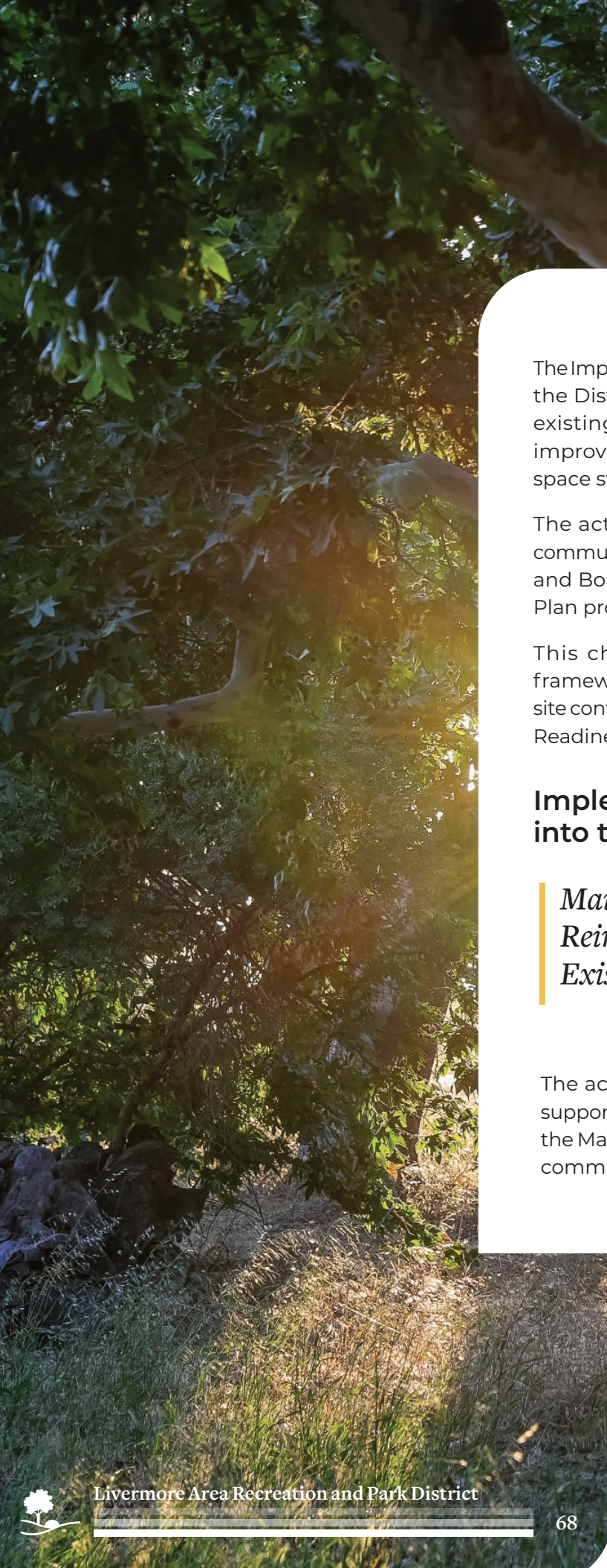




IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

CHAPTER 05





The Implementation Plan contained in this chapter identifies the District's implementation actions for maintaining existing assets, expanding recreation opportunities, improving trail connectivity, and strengthening open space stewardship over the next decade.

The actions presented in this chapter are shaped by community input, system assessments, adopted standards, and Board direction developed throughout the Master Plan process.

This chapter provides a flexible implementation framework. Individual projects will advance as funding, site control, and District priorities align through the Project Readiness Framework.

Implementation actions are organized into two categories:

Maintaining and Reinvesting in Existing Assets

Expanding Parks, Recreation, Trails, and Open Space Opportunities

The actions identified in this chapter are intended to support informed decision-making throughout the life of the Master Plan while remaining responsive to changing community needs and emerging opportunities.



IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Project Readiness Framework

The Project Readiness Framework evaluates each implementation action based on three readiness factors:



Projects advance toward implementation as readiness factors are achieved while allowing the District to respond to new opportunities.

How projects move forward:

- 3 of 3 Factors = **Near-Term:** Ready to advance as planning, design, and environmental review allow.
- 2 of 3 Factors = **Mid-Term:** One or more readiness factors remain to be addressed before implementation.
- 1 of 3 Factors = **Long-Term:** Significant planning, funding, site control, or partnership needs remain before implementation.





Readiness Factor 1: District Priority

The implementation actions contained in this Master Plan reflect the District's priorities for investment in parks, recreation facilities, trails, open space, and community services.

Maintaining Existing Assets Priorities

- Address aging or end-of-life facilities.
- Prioritize foundational infrastructure that supports overall facility health (i.e., a building roof or a park irrigation system).
- Improve accessibility through ADA improvements and amenities that support neurodivergent users and other underserved groups.

Strategic Expansion Priorities

Trail Projects

- Close gaps in the trail network.
- Improve connections between neighborhoods, parks, schools, open space, and regional destinations.
- Expand trail access in underserved areas.
- Advance larger trail projects as partnership, funding, or property opportunities arise.

Recreation Facility Projects

- Address unmet recreation needs and facility capacity constraints.
- Expand access by addressing identified service gaps.



Readiness Factor 2: Funding

Funding availability influences when projects can move forward. No single funding source can support implementation of every action identified in this Master Plan. Because funding sources are often restricted to specific project types, the timing of individual projects depends not only on District priorities, but also on funding availability.

Funding Sources

Maintaining Existing Assets

- **GENERAL FUND**
Routine operations, maintenance, and smaller capital improvements.
- **RESERVE FUNDS**
Major capital repairs, lifecycle replacement, and reinvestment in aging parks, facilities, and infrastructure.
- **ONE-TIME REVENUES**
Capital projects that do not rely on ongoing operating funds.
- **CITY OF LIVERMORE CAPITAL FUNDS**
Major maintenance for City-owned, LARPD-operated facilities.
- **GRANT FUNDING**
Can support eligible maintenance, trail, recreation, environmental, and capital improvement projects across both categories.

Strategic System Expansion

- **DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES (AB 1600)**
New parks, recreation facilities, and improvements needed to serve new developments.
- **PARTNERSHIPS**
Shared funding and implementation with agencies, schools, developers, nonprofits, and other organizations.
- **GRANT FUNDING**
Can support eligible maintenance, trail, recreation, environmental, and capital improvement projects across both categories.





Readiness Factor 3: Site Control

Successful implementation depends on securing site control and coordinating with partner agencies early in the process. Depending on the project, implementation may require property ownership, easements, access agreements, or formal partnerships.

Examples include:

- Easements, right-of-way agreements, or property acquisition for trail connections and park improvements.
- Coordination with the City of Livermore through the Master Property Agreement for improvements to City-owned parks and facilities.
- Trail partnerships with agencies such as East Bay Regional Park District, Alameda County, Zone 7 Water Agency, and the California Department of Water Resources.
- Master Joint Use Agreement with Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District.



Maintaining and Reinvesting in Existing Assets

Consistent with the Condition Standard and Lifecycle Planning Standard established in Chapter 3, LARPD should continue prioritizing reinvestment in aging facilities and infrastructure. The following priorities provide guidance for long-term investments; health and safety issues are addressed immediately as they arise.

Implementation of these actions will rely on a combination of General Fund, Reserve Funds, one-time revenues, grant funding, and,

where applicable, City of Livermore capital improvement funding.

Many neighborhood and community parks are owned by the City of Livermore and operated by LARPD. Implementation of lifecycle improvements at these locations requires close coordination through the Master Property Agreement, which establishes responsibilities for capital reinvestment, major maintenance, and long-term facility planning.

Facility Maintenance Priorities:

- A** Addressing aging or end-of-life facilities.
- B** Foundational infrastructure that protects or supports an overall facility.
- C** Improving access for underserved user groups, such as ADA improvements or improvements to support neurodivergent communities.

Priority Reinvestment Projects

A **C** **Playground Replacement Program**

Continue implementing the District's Playground Replacement Program to systematically replace aging playgrounds and related amenities as they reach the end of their useful life. Regular replacement helps maintain safety, accessibility, and quality recreation experiences throughout the park system.

- ○ Al Caffodio Park
- ○ Almond Park
- ○ Altamont Creek Park
- ○ Christensen Park
- ○ El Padro Park
- ○ Hagemann Park
- ○ Lester J. Knott Park
- ○ Ralph T. Wattenburger Park

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| ● LARPD Owned | ○ LARPD Operated |



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B Irrigation Replacement Program

Develop and implement a districtwide irrigation replacement program to systematically identify, prioritize, and replace aging irrigation infrastructure. Strategic reinvestment in irrigation systems can improve reliability, support landscape health, improve water efficiency, and reduce overall lifecycle costs.

- ☐ Almond Park
- ☐ Bruno Canziani Park
- ☐ Christensen Park
- ☐ Hagemann Park
- ☐ Ralph T. Wattenburger Park
- ☐ Vista Meadows Park

■ City Owned □ City Operated ● LARPD Owned ☐ LARPD Operated

B Robert Livermore Community Center Roof Replacement

Replace the aging roof at the Robert Livermore Community Center to protect a critical community facility and support the continued delivery of recreation programs and services.

A B C Bothwell Recreation Center

Conduct a comprehensive facility planning study for the Bothwell Recreation Center in coordination with the City of Livermore to evaluate facility condition, operational needs, community demand, and reinvestment options. The study will identify the long-term role of the facility and develop an implementation strategy for future capital investment and improvements.

A B C May Nissen Swim Center

Conduct a comprehensive facility planning study for the May Nissen Swim Center in coordination with the City of Livermore to evaluate facility condition, operational needs, community demand, and reinvestment options. The study will identify long-term reinvestment priorities and develop an implementation strategy that maintains community access to aquatic recreation while guiding future capital investment and facility improvements.



Expanding Parks, Recreation, Trails, and Open Space

Community input, facility assessments, and Board direction identified several implementation actions for projects to expand recreation access, improve regional trail connectivity, address facility capacity constraints, and strengthen LARPD's role in open space stewardship.

Recreation facility expansion will generally rely on Development Impact Fees (AB 1600), partnerships, grants, and one-time capital funding.

The following priorities represent opportunities to address these needs over the life of the Master Plan.

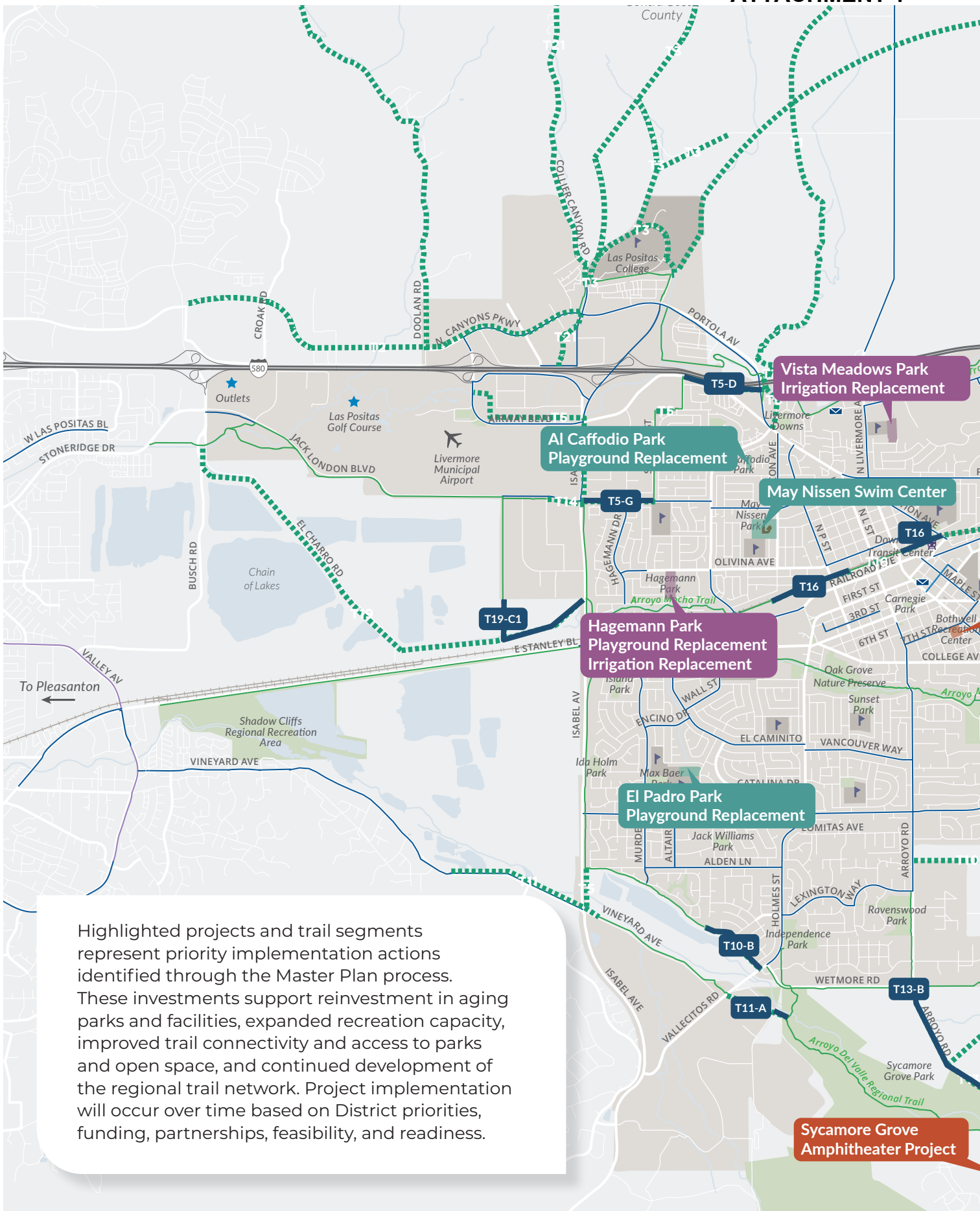
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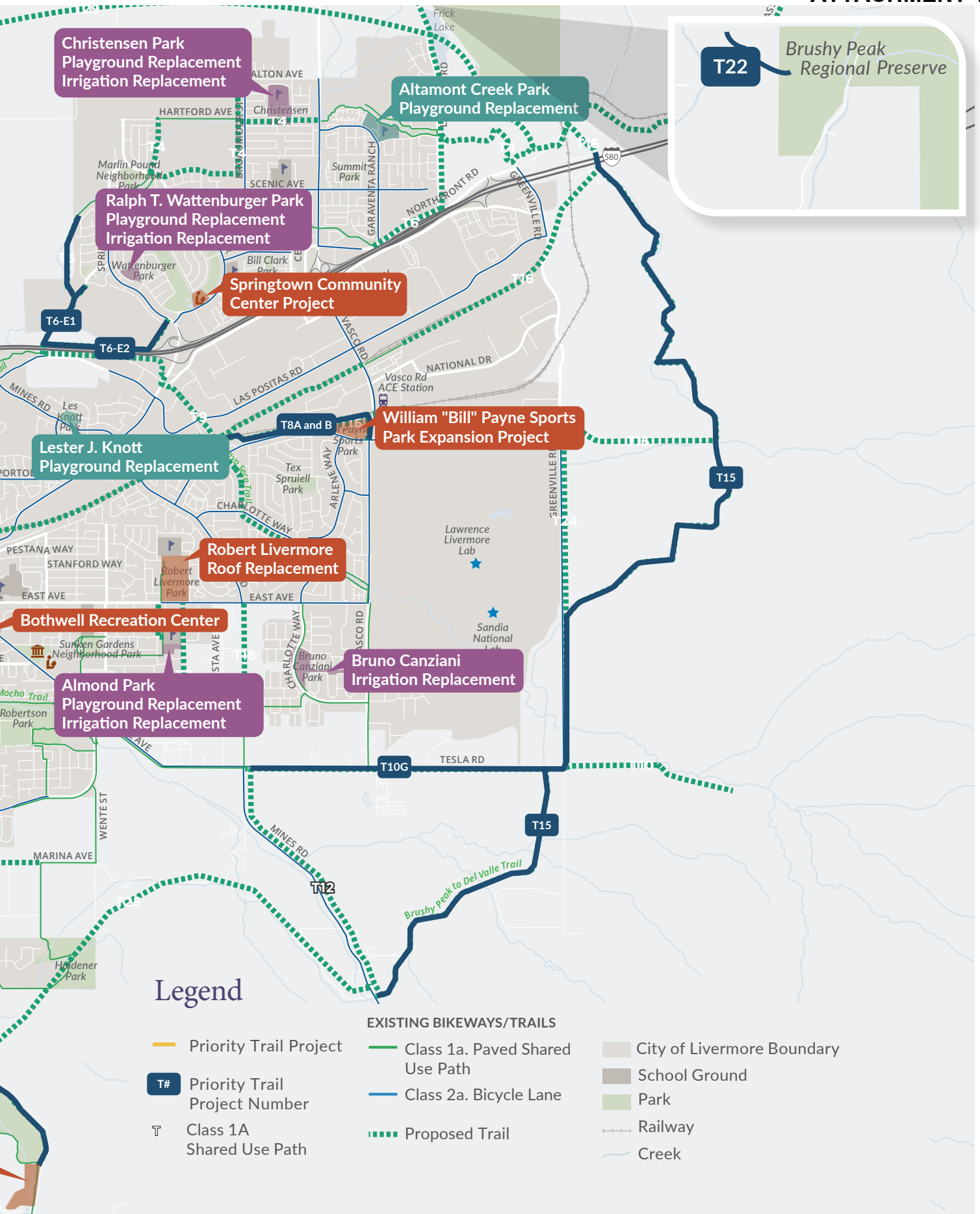
- D** Closing system gaps and improving connections.
- E** Expanding access to under served areas.
- F** Advance larger trail projects when implementation conditions allow, such as willing property owners, easement acquisition, development projects, grant funding, or partnerships.

Priority Trail Projects

- D** **E** T5-D and G: Isabel Trail
- D** **E** T6-E1 and E2: Arroyo Las Positas Trail
- D** **E** T8-A and B: Patterson Pass Trail
(Note alt Alignment to T16)
- D** **F** T10-B and G: South Livermore Valley Trail
- D** **F** T11-A: Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Trail
- D** **F** T13-B: Arroyo Road Trail
- D** **F** T15: South Bay Aqueduct Trail
- D** **E** T16: Iron Horse Trail
- D** T19-C1: El Charro/Arroyo Mocho Trail
- D** T22: Brushy Peak Connector







Recreation and Facility Expansion Priorities

Facility Expansion Priorities

- G** Meeting unmet program needs or capacity constraints.
- H** Addressing access or service gaps.

G Joint Use Agreement with LVJUSD

Implement the Joint Property Agreement with the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District to expand community access to existing gymnasiums, aquatic facilities, athletic fields, and dedicated space for Extended Student Services (ESS) programs. Expanded use of existing public facilities represents one of the most immediate opportunities to address identified recreation capacity constraints while maximizing community use of public resources.

In addition to supporting ESS programming, shared-use facilities may provide future opportunities to expand recreation programs, community education, enrichment activities, and other community-serving programs as needs evolve.

Gymnasiums

- Expanded programming
- Youth sports
- Community rentals



Aquatics

- Swim team
- Lap swim capacity at RLCC
- Water exercise

Athletic Fields

- Increased field inventory
- Shared public resources



ESS Program Space

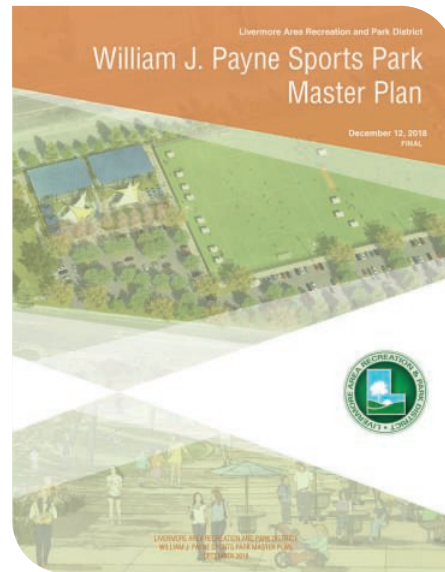
- Dedicated shared space for Extended Student Services programming

G Springtown Community Center

Advance planning for the next phase of Springtown Community Park through development of the Springtown Community Center. As funding and project readiness allow, the facility will expand recreation programming, provide community gathering space, and improve access to District services in northwest Livermore.

G William “Bill” Payne Sports Park

Advance implementation of the adopted 2018 William “Bill” Payne Sports Park Master Plan as funding, partnerships, and project readiness allow



G H Sycamore Grove Amphitheater

Advance development of the Sycamore Grove Amphitheater to expand opportunities for community events, educational programming, performances, and nature-based recreation experiences.



H Future Open Space Opportunities

Consistent with Board direction, LARPD will continue evaluating opportunities to expand its role in open space stewardship, public access, conservation partnerships, easements, and land acquisitions. Implementation will remain flexible because many of these efforts depend on willing landowners, partnerships, grant funding, and conservation opportunities.



Priority Trail Segments

The following pages describe the priority trail segments identified for implementation during the planning horizon. Because many involve multiple agencies, property owners, and funding sources, projects will advance through the Project Readiness Framework as funding, partnerships, and site control allow.

Planning-Level Cost Estimates

Planning-level cost estimates were developed using a combination of current project cost information, recent engineering estimates, and planning-level assumptions. Where available, estimates reflect updated information provided by partner agencies and ongoing capital projects. For projects that have advanced beyond the conceptual planning stage, estimates may include additional project-specific costs such as right-of-way acquisition, design, permitting, and other implementation-related expenses.

For trail segments that have not advanced to design, estimates are based on planning-level unit costs and will be refined as projects progress. Unless otherwise noted, these planning-level estimates generally do not include:

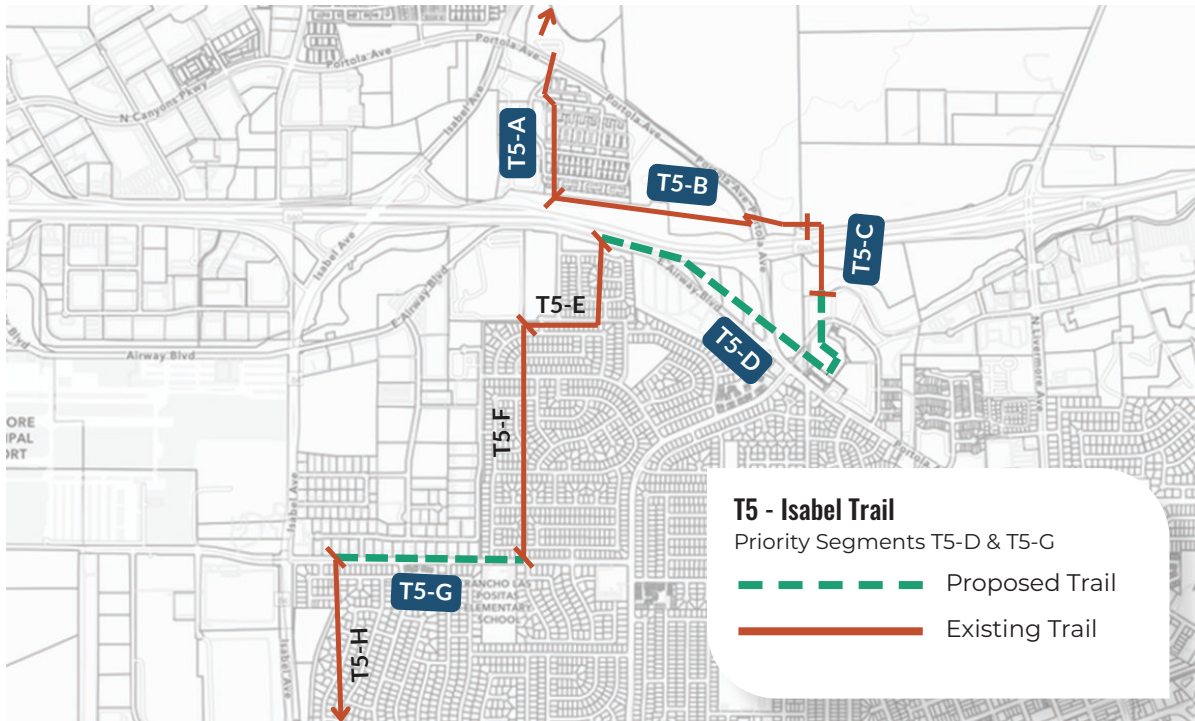
- Land or right-of-way acquisition;
- Special entitlement or construction permit fees; or
- Specialty construction costs such as retaining walls, landscape planting, or extraordinary grading.

Actual project costs will vary based on final alignment, site conditions, environmental requirements, permitting, and project design.

TRAIL SEGMENT UPDATES

The following maps highlight the priority trail segments identified for implementation during the planning horizon. Existing trail alignments are shown for context.

T5 – Isabel Trail



Priority Segments:

- **T5-D:** Trail connection between the Portola Avenue undercrossing and Airway Boulevard, closing the gap north of Interstate 580.
- **T5-G:** Upgrade the existing sidewalk along Jack London Boulevard to a multi-use trail, completing the connection between Sutter Street and Isabel Avenue.

Location: West Livermore, generally following Isabel Avenue from Las Positas College to Vineyard Avenue.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components.

Length: 6.13 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Cayetano Creek Trail (T1), College Trail (T3), Arroyo Las Positas Trail (T6), South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail (T11), Jack London Trail (T14), Iron Horse Trail (T16), and Arroyo Mocho Trail (T19).

Description: The Isabel Trail generally follows the Isabel Avenue corridor, connecting residential neighborhoods, parks, schools, Las Positas College, employment areas, and regional trail systems. The trail also provides an important connection between trails north and south of Interstate 580.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, several planned trail segments have been completed, including Segments A, B, C, and I. The District's remaining priorities are completing Segment D to close the gap between the Interstate 580 undercrossing and Airway Boulevard, and Segment G to upgrade the existing sidewalk along Jack London Boulevard to multi-use trail standards.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- T5-D: \$681,000
- T5-G: \$464,800

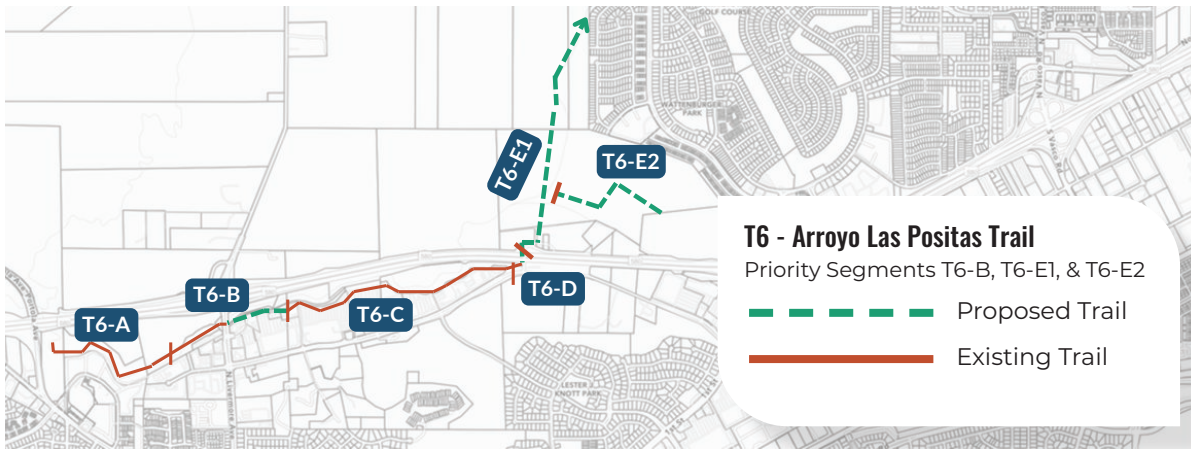
Subtotal (Construction): \$1,146,000

Planning, Design and Contingency: \$458,400

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$1,604,400



T6 – Arroyo Las Positas Trail



Priority Segments:

- **E1 and E2:** Construct approximately 4,000 feet of multi-use trail extending from the Las Colinas Overpass to Redwood Road and the Lassen Road/Springtown Boulevard area, including a new bridge crossing over the Arroyo Seco Channel. These segments improve connections between the Springtown neighborhood and destinations south of Interstate 580 while closing one of the District's highest-priority trail gaps.

Location: Northern Livermore, generally following the Arroyo Las Positas corridor.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components.

Length: 6.36 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Altamont Creek Trail (T4), Isabel Trail (T5), Arroyo Seco Trail (T9), Laughlin Road Trail (T17)

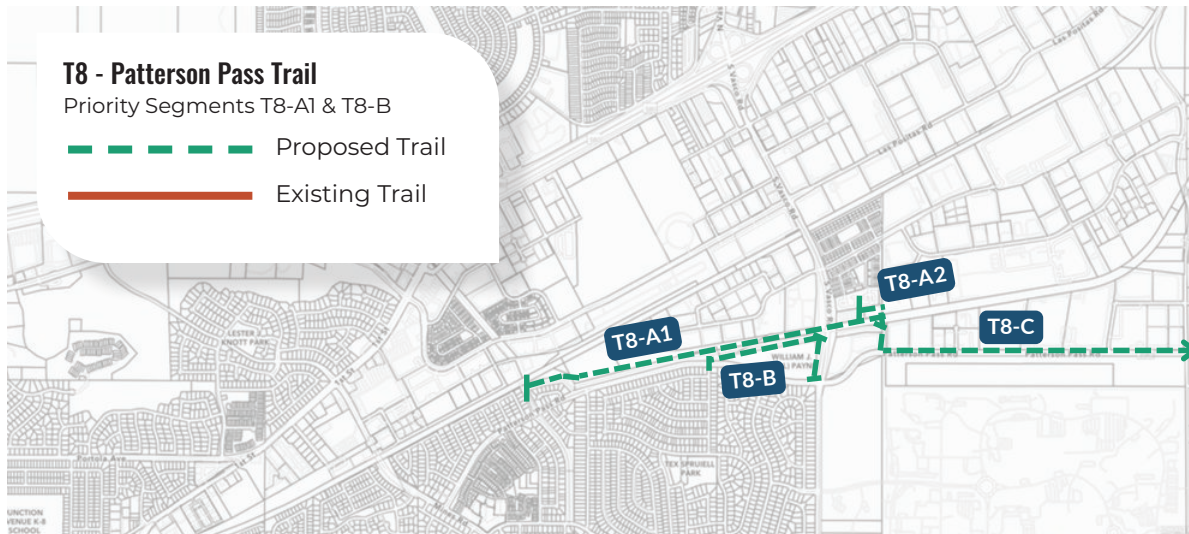
Description: The Arroyo Las Positas Trail is an east-west trail corridor, providing connections between the Springtown area, the Isabel Neighborhood, Las Positas College, and destinations north and south of Interstate 580 through a combination of existing trails and gap closures. The trail also connects with several planned or existing trails including the Isabel Trail, Arroyo Seco Trail, Altamont Creek Trail, and Laughlin Road Trail.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, several portions of the trail have been completed, including the segment adjacent to the Chick-fil-A development. The District's remaining priorities are completing the E1 and E2 segments identified above. Additional segments may be advanced over time as opportunities arise.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

\$2,200,000 (Estimate reflects the most recent planning information available at the time of preparation)

T8 – Patterson Pass Trail



Priority Segments:

- **T8-A1:** Travels along the north side of Arroyo Las Positas between Arroyo Seco Trail and the Vasco Road overcrossing.
- **T8-B:** Travels along the south side of Arroyo Las Positas connecting William Payne Sports Park to Patterson Pass Road.

Location: In east Livermore, it generally follows an east-west direction along the Las Positas flood channel, parallel to Patterson Pass Road.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 3.79 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Arroyo Seco Trail (T9), South Bay Aqueduct Trail (T15), Iron Horse Trail (T16), Greenville Road Trail (T24).

Description: The Patterson Pass Trail provides an east-west connection between residential neighborhoods, William Payne Sports Park, employment areas, and regional trail corridors in eastern Livermore. The corridor follows Arroyo Las Positas and Patterson Pass Road while connecting to the Arroyo Seco Trail, Iron Horse Trail, and South Bay Aqueduct Trail.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, planning efforts have shifted portions of the corridor into the City's Iron Horse Trail planning. The District's remaining priorities include completing segments T8-A1 and T8-B to improve connections between the Arroyo Seco Trail, William Payne Sports Park, and the future Iron Horse Trail corridor. Planning and implementation continue in coordination with the City of Livermore and Zone 7. Segments T8-A1 and T8-B also correspond to portions of the City's planned Iron Horse Trail corridor (T16) and are coordinated through ongoing City planning efforts.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- T8-A1: \$1,255,400
- T8-B: \$528,800

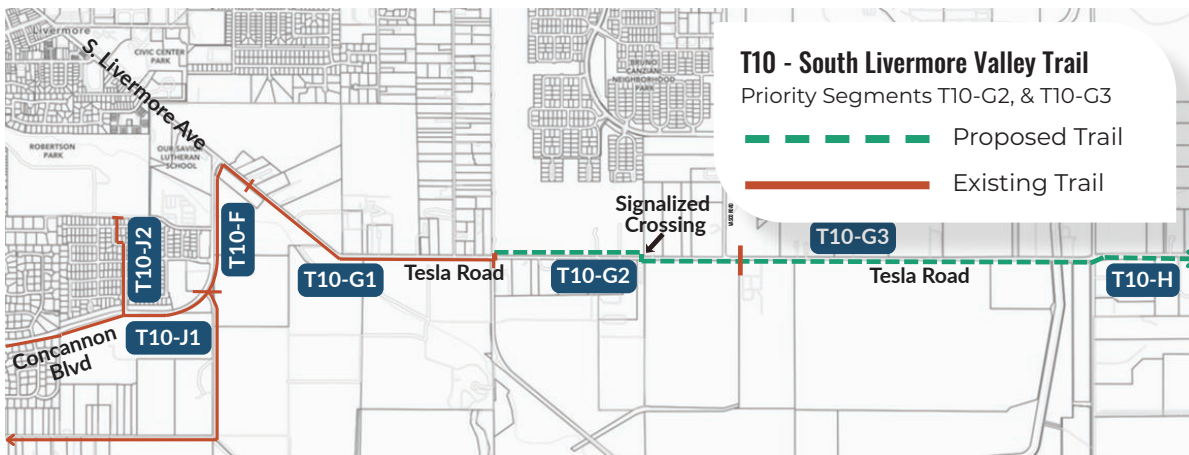
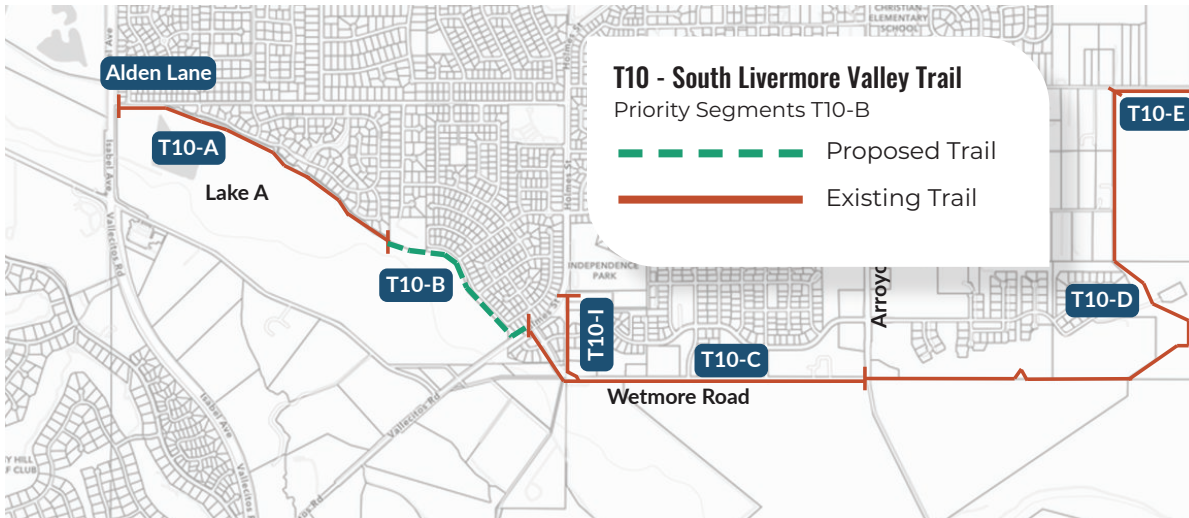
Construction (Subtotal): \$1,784,200

Planning, Design and Contingency: \$713,680

**Estimated Planning-Level Cost
(with contingency): \$2,497,880**



T10 – South Livermore Valley Trail



Priority Segments:

- **T10-B:** Complete the remaining trail gap between the Oaks Trail and Vallecitos Road as part of the Lake A reclamation area, improving continuity between Sycamore Grove Park and the South Livermore Valley trail system.
- **T10-G:** Complete the remaining trail along Tesla Road from Mines Road to Greenville Road, extending the corridor further east and strengthening regional trail connectivity.

Location: South Livermore, extending from Isabel Avenue to Greenville Road.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components.

Length: 10.65 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Isabel Trail (T5), Arroyo Seco Trail (T9), Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail (T11), Mines Road Trail (T12), Arroyo Road Trail (T13), South Bay Aqueduct Trail (T15), Dunsmuir Trail (T18), Arroyo Mocho Trail (T19), Sycamore Grove internal trail system.

Description: The South Livermore Valley Trail connects neighborhoods, vineyards, parks, and open space throughout southern Livermore. The corridor links several of the District's highest-use trail systems and provides access to recreation destinations, including Sycamore Grove Park, Ravenswood Historic Site, and the region's wine country, while supporting both everyday recreation and longer-distance regional travel.

Since the adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, additional portions of the corridor have been completed through development and partner-agency projects. The District's current priorities are to complete Segments B and G to improve continuity along the corridor and to close the remaining gaps. Segment B is actively advancing through coordination with the City of Livermore and the quarry operator as part of the Lake A reclamation effort to improve the connection between the Oaks Trail and Vallecitos Road. Segment G remains a mid-term priority to extend the trail from Mines Road to Greenville Road.

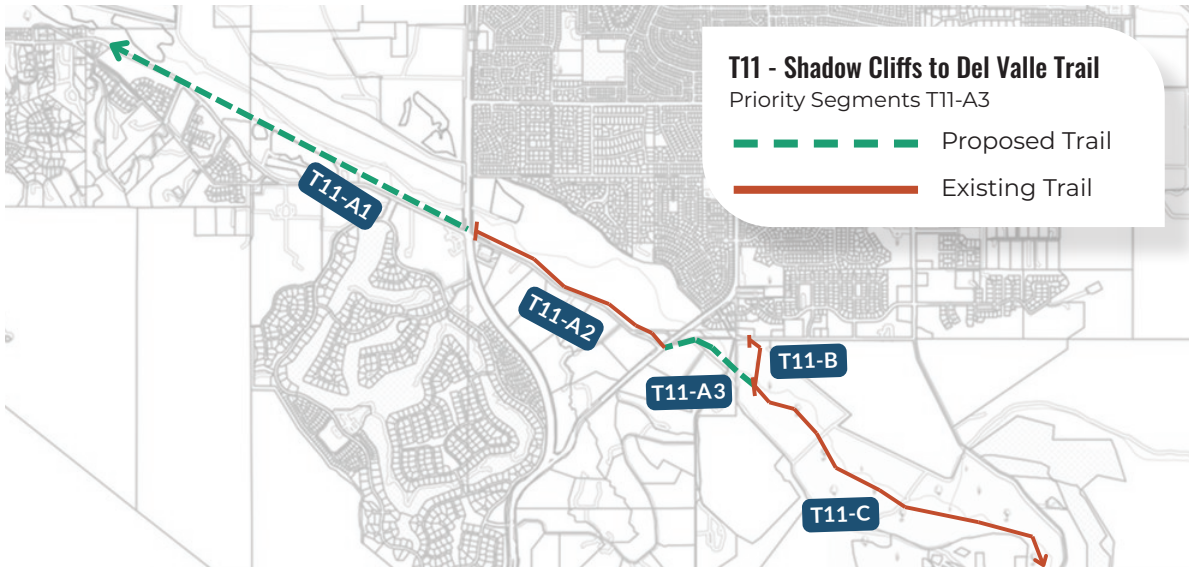
Estimated Planning-Level Cost:

- T10-B: \$930,000
- T10-G2: \$1,872,400
- T10-G3: \$1,236,200
- Subtotal (construction): \$3,038,600
- Planning, design and contingency: \$1,215,440

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$4,254,040



T11 – Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail



Priority Segments:

- **T11-A:** Complete the remaining trail gap between Vallecitos Road and the western edge of Sycamore Grove Park, creating a continuous connection between Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area, Sycamore Grove Park, and Del Valle Regional Park.

Location: Southwest Livermore, extending from Isabel Avenue to Del Valle Regional Park.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components.

Length: 4.70 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Isabel Trail (T5), South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Arroyo Road Trail (T13), Sycamore Grove Park, Del Valle Regional Park, and Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area trail systems.

Description: The Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail connects Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area, Sycamore Grove Park, and Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area. The corridor provides opportunities for recreation and active transportation while linking regional parks and the District's trail network.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, substantial progress has been made completing the corridor, including the paved trail along Vineyard Avenue between Isabel Avenue and Vallecitos Road. The District's remaining priority is completing Segment T11-A between Vallecitos Road and the western edge of Sycamore Grove Park to close the final gap within LARPD's service area. The District will continue coordinating with the City of Livermore and regional partners to secure right-of-way and advance the remaining segment.

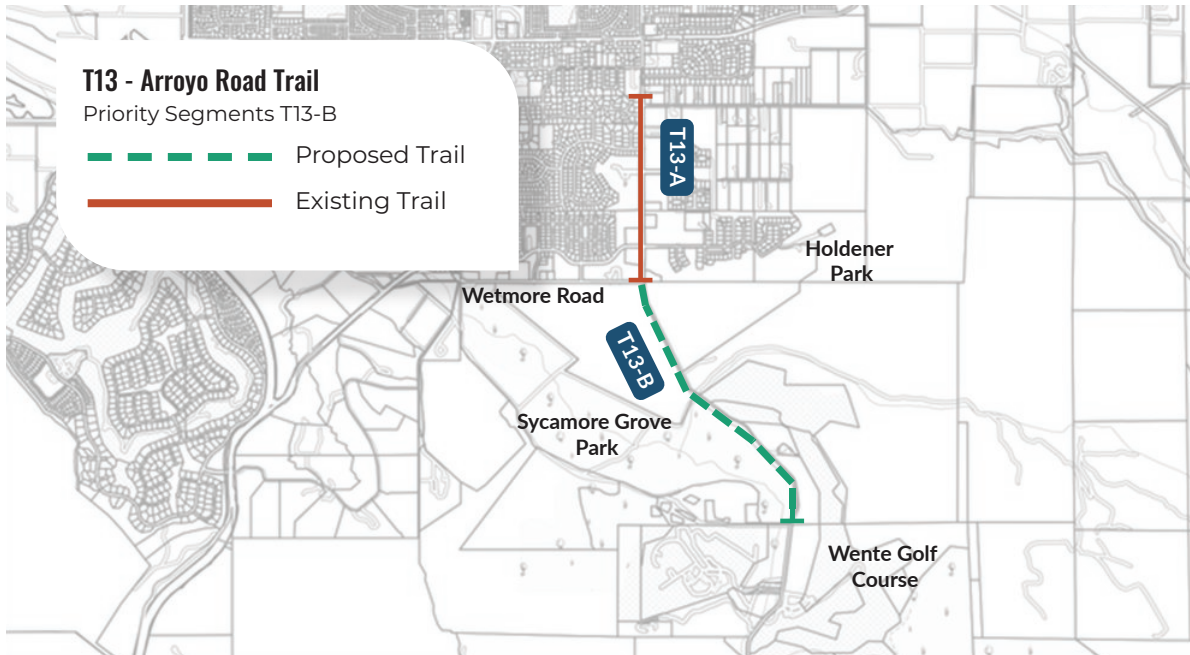
Estimated Planning-Level Cost:

T11-A: \$511,400

Planning, Design and Contingency: \$204,560

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$715,960

T13 – Arroyo Road Trail



Priority Segments:

- **T13-B:** Complete the trail connection between the existing Arroyo Trail at Wetmore Road and the Arroyo del Valle Regional Trail within Sycamore Grove Park.

Location: South Livermore, generally following Arroyo Road between Ravenswood Historic Site and Sycamore Grove Park.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components.

Length: 1.91 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail (T11), Dry Creek Trail (T25), Sycamore Grove Park, and Veterans Park trail systems.

Description: The Arroyo Road Trail connects Ravenswood Historic Site, Sycamore Grove Park, Veterans Park, and the surrounding open space along the Arroyo Road corridor. The trail improves access between parks, trails, and surrounding neighborhoods while providing recreation opportunities.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, the City of Livermore has secured funding to complete Segment T13-B, connecting the existing Arroyo Trail at Wetmore Road to the Arroyo del Valle Regional Trail within Sycamore Grove Park. The District is coordinating with the City on design, right-of-way acquisition, and implementation, including coordination with the Alameda County bridge replacement project at Arroyo Road and Dry Creek.

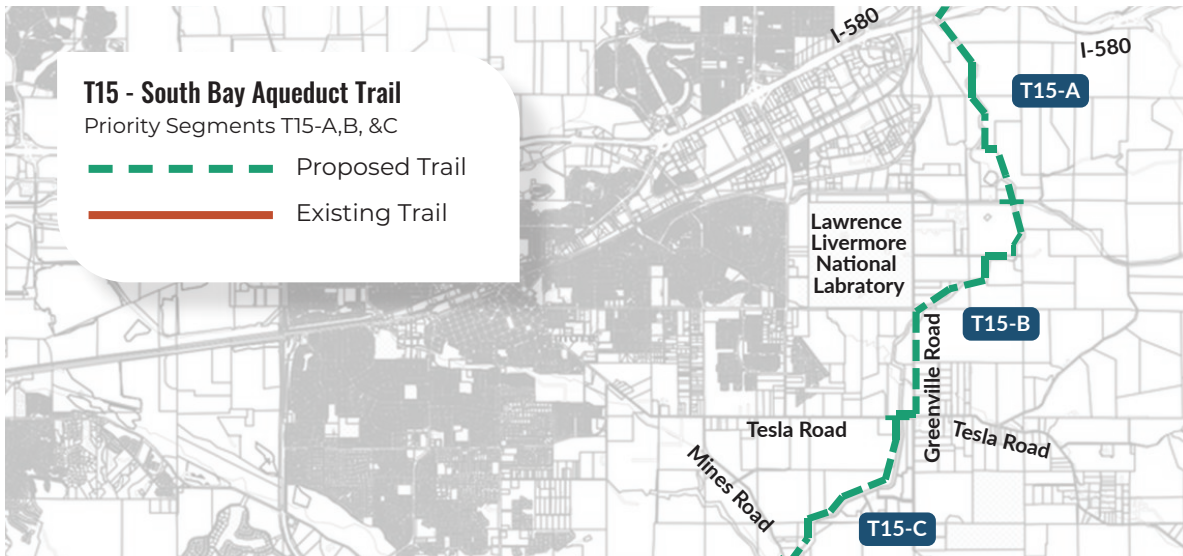
Current Project Budget:

- Development Impact Fee - AB1600 - \$4,695,000
- State Grant - \$835,000

Total Estimated Cost: \$5,530,000



T15 – South Bay Aqueduct Trail



Priority Segments:

- **T15-A:** Multi-use trail along the South Bay Aqueduct service road from the parking area north of Interstate 580 south to Patterson Pass Road.
- **T15-B:** Multi-use trail connection along Greenville Road and Tesla Road where the South Bay Aqueduct departs from the corridor.
- **T15-C:** Multi-use trail along the South Bay Aqueduct service road from Tesla Road to Mines Road.

Location: Eastern Livermore Area, generally following the South Bay Aqueduct corridor from Interstate 580 to Mines Road.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 7.15 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Patterson Pass Trail (T8), South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Mines Road Trail (T12), Iron Horse Trail (T16), and Greenville Road Trail (T24).

Description: The South Bay Aqueduct Trail would create a north-south regional trail corridor connecting existing and planned trail systems in eastern Livermore. The corridor would improve access between northern and southern portions of the Livermore area while supporting future regional trail connections, including opportunities to connect with the

Altamont Hills area and, ultimately, the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail.

The proposed trail generally follows existing South Bay Aqueduct service roads and is intended to be compatible with ongoing California Department of Water Resources operations. Improvements would primarily consist of trail amenities, wayfinding, fencing, and safety enhancements rather than construction of a new trail corridor. Similar shared-use approaches have been implemented along other California Aqueduct facilities, demonstrating the feasibility of public trail use while maintaining access for aqueduct operations. Implementation will require continued coordination with the California Department of Water Resources, East Bay Regional Park District, Alameda County, and other regional partners.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

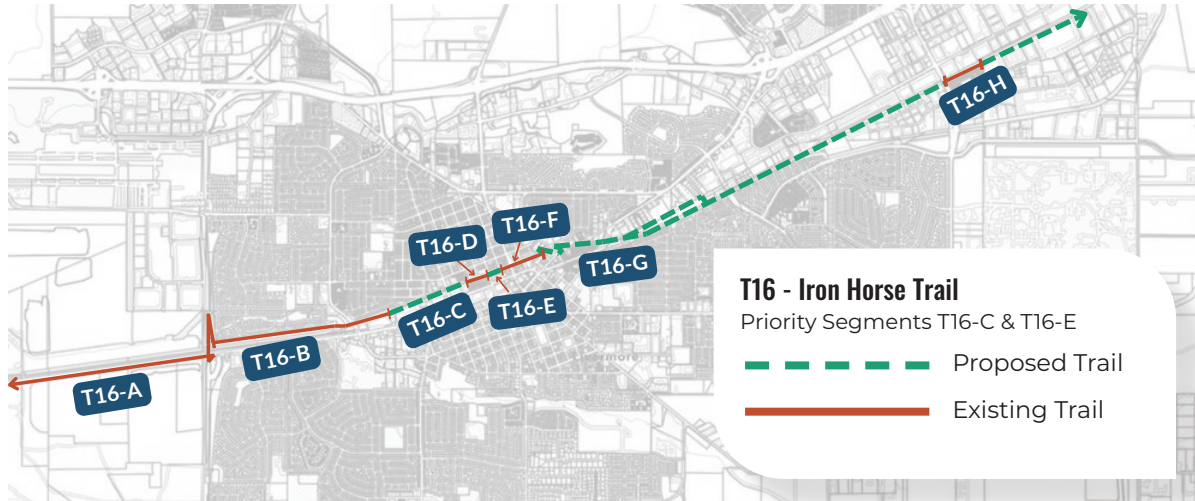
- T15-A: \$3,500,000
- T15-B: \$900,000
- T15-C: \$1,720,000

Subtotal (Construction): \$6,120,000

Planning, Design, and Contingency:
\$2,500,000

**Estimated Planning-Level Cost
(with contingency): \$8,620,000**

T16 – Iron Horse Trail



Priority Segments:

- **T16-C:** Stanley Boulevard to L Street (existing eastern terminus through Heritage Estates)
- **T16-E:** L Street to North K Street (including future crossing of P Street and railroad connection)

Location: Located in the center of Livermore running an east-west direction roughly following the Union Pacific Railway.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 18.25 miles

Trail Connections: Altamont Creek Trail (T4), Isabel Trail (T5), Patterson Pass Trail (T8), Arroyo Seco Trail (T9), South Bay Aqueduct Trail (T15), Arroyo Mocho Trail (T19), Brushy Peak Connector Trail (T23)

Description: The Iron Horse Trail is a regional multi-use trail that provides east-west connections through Livermore while linking neighborhoods, downtown, employment centers, transit, and the regional trail network. The corridor is part of the larger Iron Horse Regional Trail and serves both recreation and active transportation.

Since the 2016 Master Plan, the City of Livermore has advanced planning for the eastern extension of the Iron Horse Trail and identified phased implementation strategies informed by the Iron Horse Trail Feasibility Study. Current priorities include extending the existing trail east from Stanley Boulevard, completing connections through commercial properties and across P Street, and establishing a future connection to the Arroyo Vista trail and eastern trail network.

Note: Portions of the eastern corridor correspond to segments identified as T8 in this Master Plan to maintain consistency with previous LARPD planning documents.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- T16-C: \$561,000
- T16-E: \$115,600

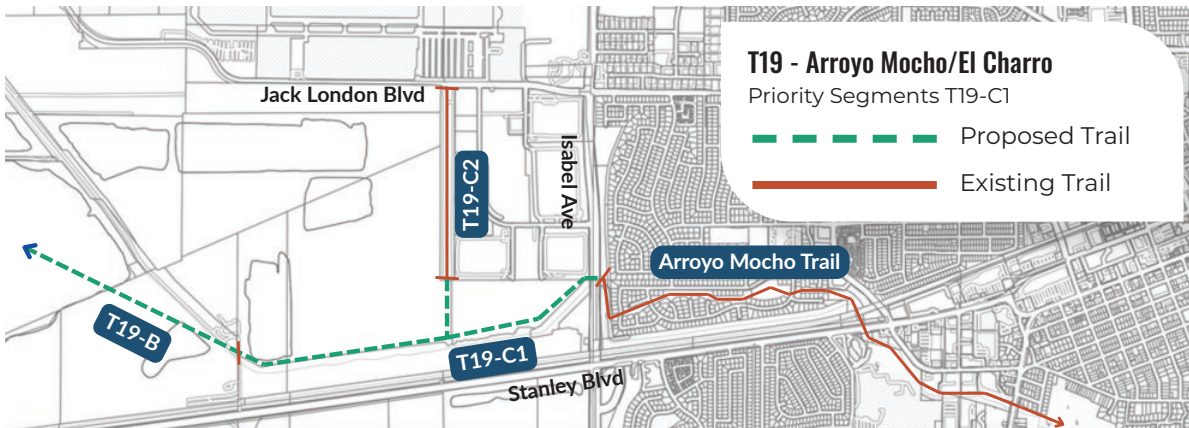
Subtotal (Construction): \$676,600

Planning, Design, and Contingency: \$270,800

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$947,400



T19 – Arroyo Mocho / El Charro Road Trail



Priority Segments:

- **T19-C1:** Complete the multi-use trail between the Oaks Business Park and the existing trail east of Isabel Avenue, including a new pedestrian bridge over Isabel Avenue.

Location: Located generally in the center of Livermore following an east-west direction parallel to the Arroyo Mocho.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Component.

Length: 6.39 miles

Trail Connections: Isabel Trail (T5), Civic Center Trail (T7), South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Jack London Trail (T14), Iron Horse Trail (T16).

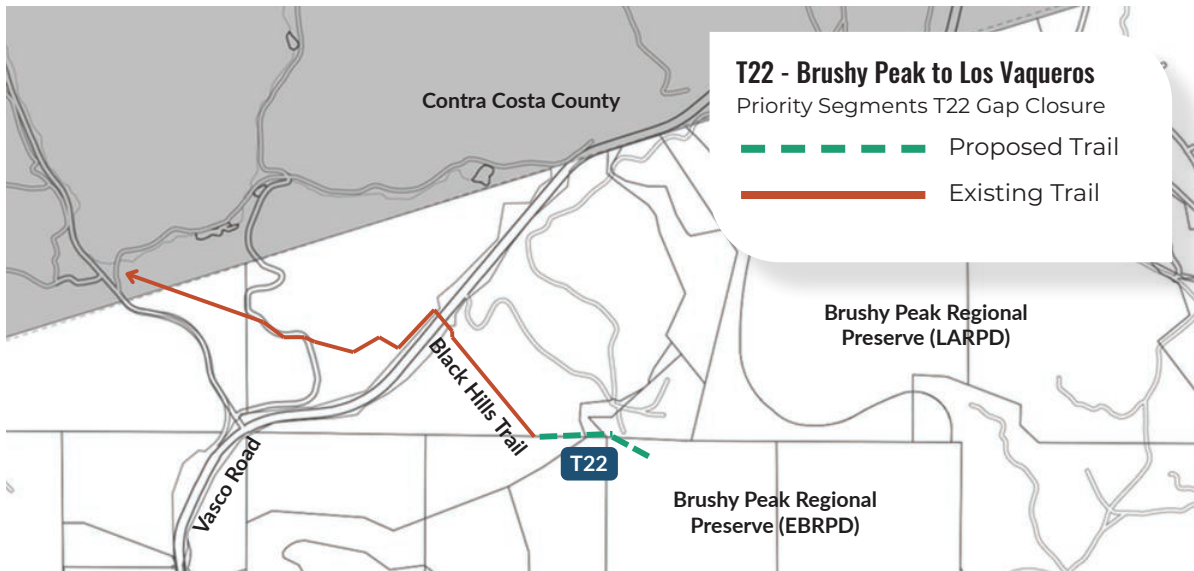
Description: The Arroyo Mocho Trail provides an east-west connection through central Livermore. The corridor supports both recreation and active transportation while providing an important connection between the Civic Center, Robertson Park, Isabel Trail, and the South Livermore Valley Trail.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, the City of Livermore has advanced planning for Segment T19-C1, which will construct approximately 5,000 feet of multi-use trail between the Oaks Business Park and the existing trail east of Isabel Avenue and south of Arroyo Mocho, including a new pedestrian bridge over Isabel Avenue. When complete, the project will establish a continuous off-road trail connection from Pleasanton to Robertson Park by eliminating the need for trail users to cross at the Isabel Avenue/Jack London Boulevard intersection. Segment T19-A remains a long-term priority requiring continued coordination with Alameda County and regional partners.

Current Project Budget

- **Total Estimated Cost: \$3,750,000**
- Funding Source:
Traffic Impact Fee (TIF)

T22 – Brushy Peak to Los Vaqueros



Priority Segments:

- **T22:** Complete the remaining 320' trail connection between the existing Black Hills Trail and Brushy Peak Regional Preserve.

Location: Northeast Livermore Area

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Unpaved Trail

Length: 1.61 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Brushy Peak Regional Preserve internal trail system (West side Loop Trail) and Los Vaqueros Watershed (Black Hills Trail).

Description: The Brushy Peak to Los Vaqueros Trail provides a regional connection between Brushy Peak Regional Preserve and the Contra Costa Water District's Los Vaqueros Watershed trail system. The connection would link the Brushy Peak trail system with the Black Hills Trail and the broader Los Vaqueros Watershed trail network, creating future opportunities for regional trail connectivity while also serving as a potential segment of the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail.

The existing Black Hills Trail extends from the Los Vaqueros Watershed to the boundary of Brushy Peak Regional Preserve. The District's remaining priority is completing the final connection between the Black Hills Trail and the existing Brushy Peak trail system. Implementation will require securing the necessary easement or other property interest from the adjacent landowner, as well as continued coordination with the East Bay Regional Park District, Contra Costa Water District, and other regional partners.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- 320' Unpaved trail: \$63,360
- Planning, Design, Contingency: \$25,344

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$88,704





APPENDICES



CHAPTER 06

APPENDIX A

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

Appendix A provides supporting documentation from the community outreach and engagement process used to inform the Master Plan. It includes results from the statistically valid and open-link community surveys, stakeholder and partner agency input, sports organization feedback, and internal staff workshops.



Probolsky Research - LARPD Master Planning Survey - Dashboard



Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARPD)

2026 MASTER PLANNING SURVEY KEY FINDINGS



COMMUNITY SENTIMENT



Residents view **parks and recreation** as a key part of their quality of life, with **98% saying they are important**. Even as broader concerns like transportation, traffic, and housing affordability are identified as top community issues, **support for new or upgraded recreation facilities remain strong (88%)**.

Overall satisfaction with the existing parks, recreation facilities, and programs **is high** at 81%.



Park maintenance is well regarded with satisfaction rating at 84%. Meanwhile, **overall park quality** is also viewed well, with 83% rating it as excellent or good, and 70% saying the same about recreation facilities.

However, this positive perception is not consistent across all aspects of the parks system. While parks and facilities are rated highly, program quality ratings lag behind. **Less than half (45%) rate programs as excellent or good**, and a large share (40%) are unsure how to evaluate them at all.

This suggests that while residents value the physical spaces, they are less familiar with or less engaged with the experiences offered within them.

USAGE AND PARTICIPATION

Public parks play a vital role in Livermore with **nearly half of residents visiting the parks more than once a week**.

Yet this high level of usage does not translate into program participation, where engagement drops off sharply with **27% participating in programs regularly**, while **42% do not participate at all**.

This shows a gap between residents visiting parks and participating in programs. The main issue is not access, but program awareness and relevance. Many residents **do not know what programs or classes are available**, while others feel the offerings **do not fit their interests or schedules**.



Communication plays an important role here. While reliance on the website is high, **other channels appear to have limited reach**. Overall, improving participation is less about expanding access and more about raising awareness, improving fit, and reaching residents more effectively.

FOCUS AREAS

Walking paths and trails are both the most important facility need and the most fulfilled need, showing a strong alignment between what households need and what is available in the park system. **Hiking and walking**

are also the most important experiences in regional open spaces and trails, cited by 82% of visitors. Together, these findings indicate that the current trail system is successfully meeting the community's primary needs.



The future focus is not simply to maintain these trails, but to improve the overall experience by **adding amenities such as restrooms, shade, and parking at trailheads** (51%), making trail access more convenient by **connecting smaller neighborhood paths to larger regional networks** (49%), and **protecting natural habitats** (46%). Together, these priorities point to a more connected, accessible, and environmentally protected regional network.

Beyond trails, **pools and water activities** are the most desired park feature or recreation facility for addition or improvement. In terms of programming, **fitness classes and activities for adults** rank highest among household needs, while **sports programs** are also a top priority - aligning with the reported reason for dissatisfaction around lack of sports facilities and limited access to organized activities.



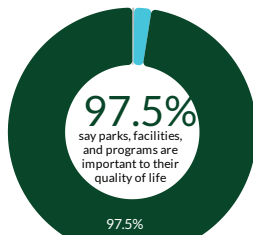
TOP 5 PARKS VISITED MOST OFTEN

- 1 Sycamore Grove Park
- 2 Robert Livermore Park/RLCC/LARPD
- 3 Robertson Park
- 4 Del Valle Regional Park
- 5 May Nissen Park

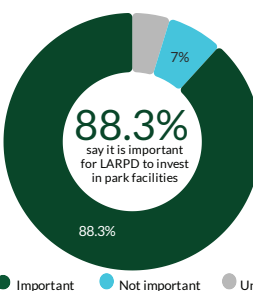
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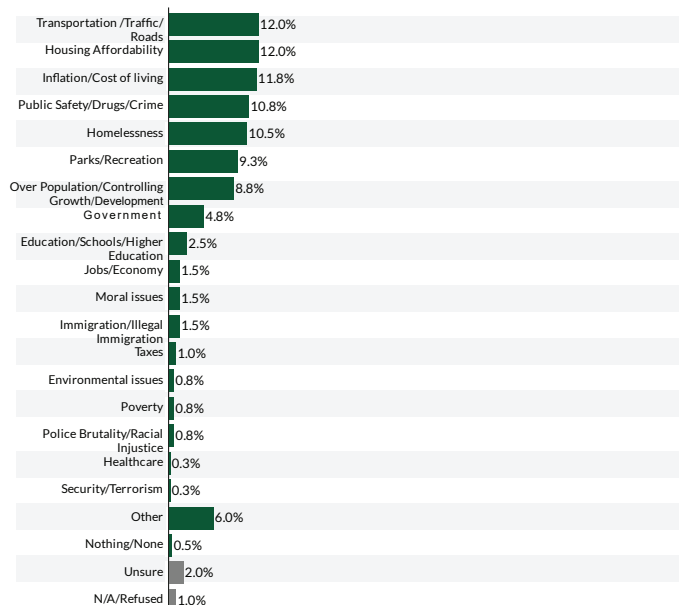
Q2: IMPORTANCE OF PARKS TO QUALITY OF LIFE



Q21: IMPORTANCE OF INVESTING IN PARKS



Q1: MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE FACING LIVERMORE



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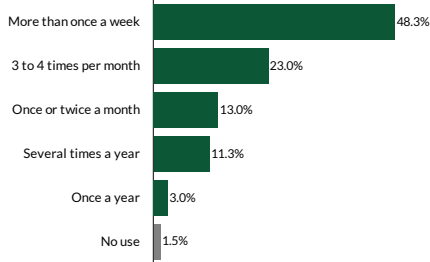
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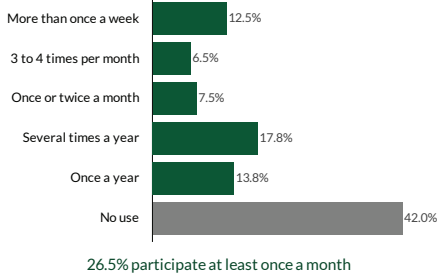


PARK USAGE & PARTICIPATION

Q3: FREQUENCY OF PARKS & FACILITIES USE

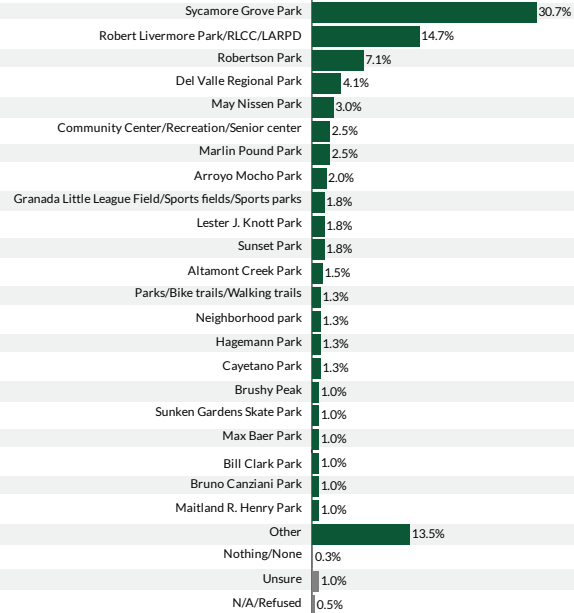


Q5: PROGRAM PARTICIPATION



Q4: MOST FREQUENTLY USED PARKS & RECREATION FACILITIES

(among households who did not select "No Use" in Q3)



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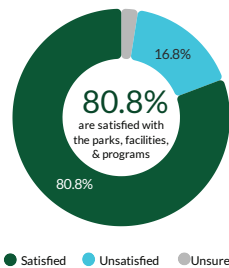
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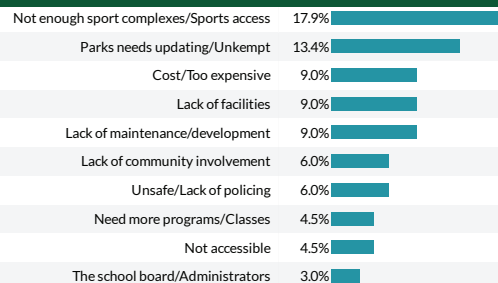


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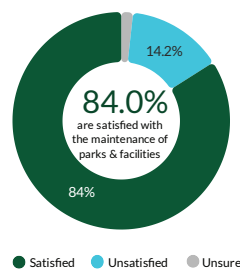
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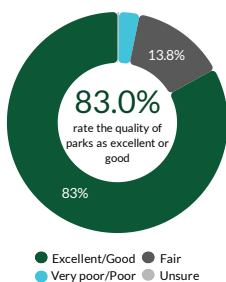
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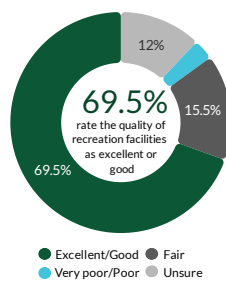
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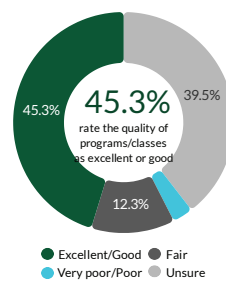
Q9: QUALITY OF PARKS



Q10: FACILITY QUALITY



Q11: QUALITY OF PROGRAMS



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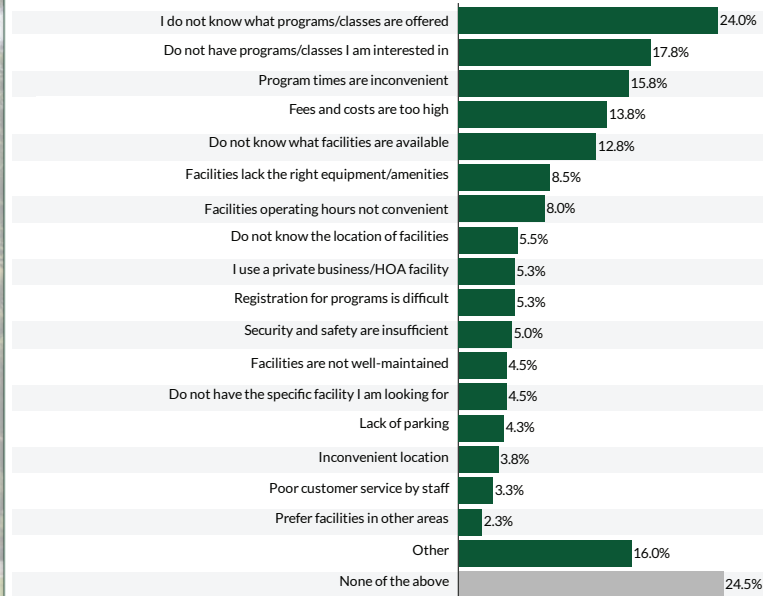
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BARRIERS

Q12: BARRIERS TO PARK & FACILITIES USE AND PROGRAM PARTICIPATION



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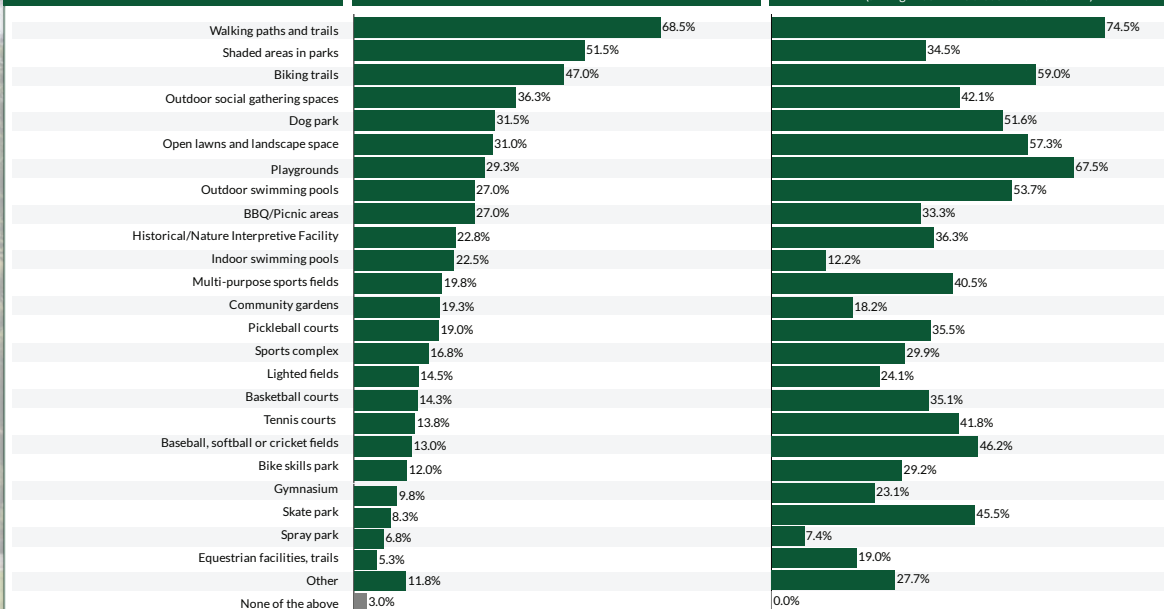


RECREATION FACILITIES

RECREATION FACILITIES

Q13: PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT HAVE A NEED

Q14: PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT NEED IS BEING MET (among households that selected the need)



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SURVEY QUESTIONS



PROGRAMS



PROGRAMS	Q15: PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT HAVE A NEED	Q16: PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT NEED IS BEING MET (among households that selected the need)
Fitness classes	32.3%	20.2%
Activities/programs for adults	29.8%	26.1%
Arts and Crafts	23.5%	28.7%
Nature/science programs	23.5%	37.2%
Yoga	21.3%	29.4%
Cooking classes	20.8%	14.5%
Adult organized sports leagues	20.0%	16.3%
Personal development classes	19.3%	11.7%
Activities/programs for Seniors	18.8%	30.7%
Activities/programs for youth and teens	18.3%	27.4%
Enrichment classes	16.8%	32.8%
Volunteer programs	16.5%	31.8%
Water fitness programs	16.0%	23.4%
Lap swimming	15.8%	54.0%
Sports lessons	14.0%	23.2%
Youth organized sports leagues	13.8%	45.5%
Healthy living educational programs	13.5%	11.1%
Unstructured play opportunities	12.0%	31.3%
Adult swim instruction or sports	11.5%	21.7%
Childcare	10.5%	28.6%
School break camps	10.3%	29.3%
Technology programs	10.3%	12.2%
Youth swim instruction and other programs	9.8%	56.4%
Scholarship programs for kids	9.3%	21.6%
Reading/writing/language programs	7.8%	6.5%
Activities/programs for individuals with disabilities	7.0%	21.4%
Preschool programs and classes	6.5%	26.9%
Other	4.3%	0.0%
None of the above	15.3%	0.0%

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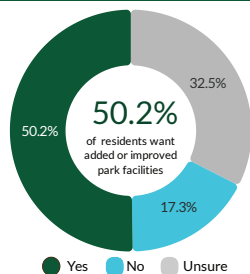
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COMMUNITY PRIORITIES



Q17: UNMET FACILITY NEEDS

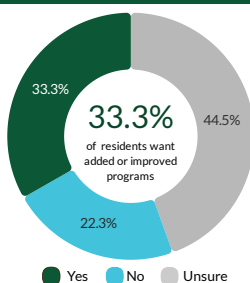


Q18: MOST DESIRED PARK FEATURES OR FACILITY ENHANCEMENTS (among those who answered "Yes" in Q17)

Pools/Swimming/Water activities	10.0%
Restrooms/Water fountains	7.5%
Bike trails	7.0%
Walking/Running track/Hiking trails	6.5%
Open space/Gardens	6.0%
Park cleanliness/Maintenance	6.0%
Pickle ball	6.0%
Dog parks/Dog areas	5.0%
Tennis court/Raquet ball	4.0%
Gym/More fitness options	3.5%
Baseball/Softball field	3.5%

*Scroll down to view all Q18 responses

Q19: UNMET PROGRAM NEEDS



Q20: MOST DESIRED PROGRAM ENHANCEMENTS (among those who answered "Yes" in Q19)

Sports General	18.0%
Youth Programs/Youth Sports	13.5%
Fitness/Exercise classes	9.8%
Swimming/Water sports	9.0%
Outdoor activities	8.3%
Adult programs/Adult sports	7.5%
Yoga	6.8%
Senior programs	5.3%
Arts Classes	4.5%
Tai Chi	3.8%
Other	13.5%

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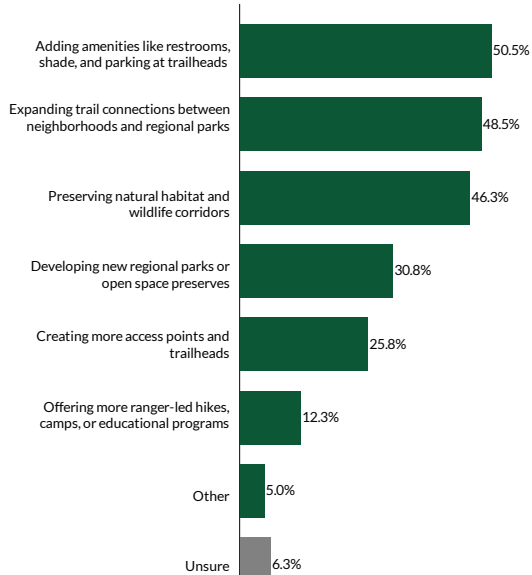
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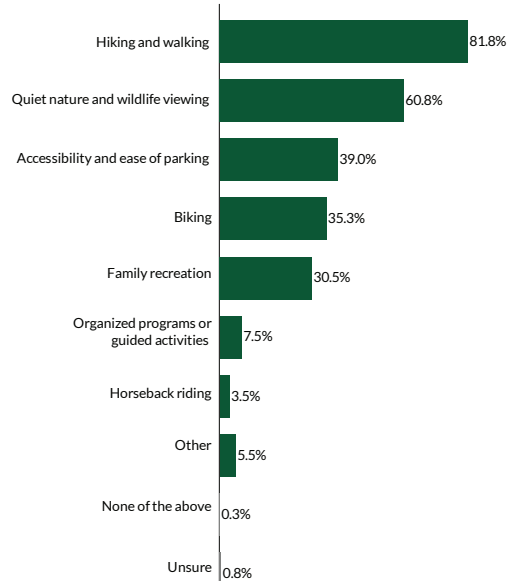
OPEN SPACE & TRAILS



Q22: TOP PRIORITIES FOR OPEN SPACE & TRAILS



Q23: PREFERRED EXPERIENCES IN OPEN SPACE & TRAILS



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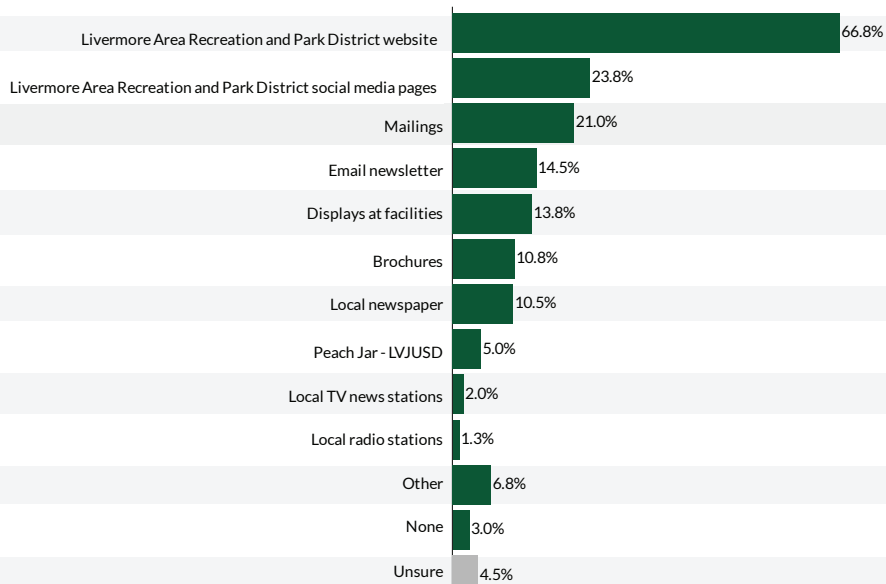
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COMMUNICATION



Q24: TOP SOURCES OF NEWS & INFORMATION



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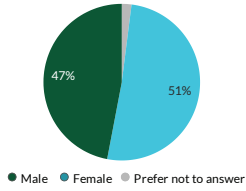
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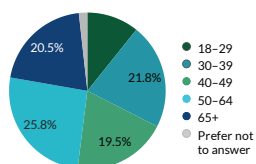
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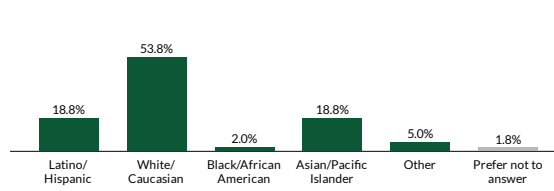
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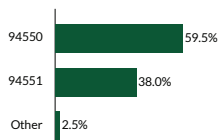
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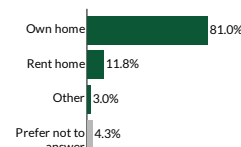
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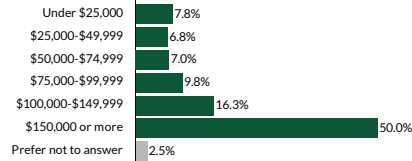
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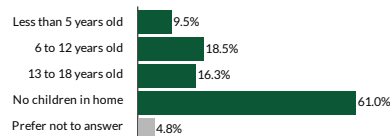
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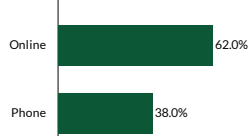


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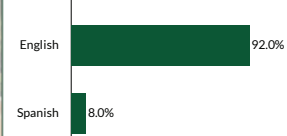


34.2% of households have children in home

SURVEY MODE



SURVEY LANGUAGE



Probolsky Research - Livermore Area Recreation and Park District - Open-Link Summary

LIVERMORE AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT OPEN-LINK SURVEY* RESULTS MEMO

From November 26, 2025 to February 1, 2026, Probolsky Research offered an open-link for residents of the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARPD) service area to provide feedback. The District promoted the link. Additionally, LARPD administered a shortened version of the survey during in-person events, which accounted for 30 of the 425 responses. We do not assign a margin of error or level of confidence to open-link surveys like this.

This survey should not be considered as statistically valid as the sample does not match the demographics of the service area. Respondents were disproportionately female, older, and white.

KEY FINDINGS

The following major themes emerged from the open-link feedback:

- LARPD services and facilities are highly valued, with 99% stating that parks, recreation facilities, and programs, and open space are important to their quality of life. Nearly two-thirds (65%) say they visit a park or recreation facility more than once a week.
- Satisfaction with LARPD services is high; 87% were satisfied with parks, recreation facilities, and programs.
- Residents positively rate the quality of parks (88%) and recreation facilities (73%).
- Similar to the statistically valid survey, the top facility needs identified include walking paths and trails, shaded areas in parks, and biking trails. The facilities for which residents feel their needs are most met are walking paths and trails and playgrounds.
- Reflecting the age skew of the open-link survey sample, the top program needs were activities for adults and seniors, as well as fitness classes. While more than half of respondents felt their needs for senior programs were being met, only 30% felt their needs were met for activities and programs for adults.
- 88% think it is important for LARPD to invest in new or upgraded recreation facilities and their top priorities for LARPD are to preserve natural habitat and wildlife corridors.
- LARPD-owned media are the most common sources of information with the LARPD website (78%), email newsletter (45%), and LARPD social media pages (32%) cited as the most used.
- Commonly suggested improvements include the addition of an Olympic-size pool, pickleball expansion, and closing gaps in the trail system. There is also strong demand for activities for adults including fitness classes and social recreation opportunities.

Overall, the results indicate high satisfaction with LARPD's offerings and a community that values parks, recreation, and open space. Residents would like to see continued investment in existing facilities to address aging infrastructure and to add amenities such as shaded areas and restrooms.

*Open-link surveys are not representative of the District's population and individuals or groups could influence the outcome. We recommend looking to the statistically valid survey results (delivered separately) for guidance with decision-making because it is fully reflective of your population and has impenetrable security safeguards.



LARPD Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan Update

Community Partners Stakeholder Input – Summary

Thursday, March 5, 2026

As part of Phase 3 of the Master Plan update, LARPD convened a discussion with community partners and public agency representatives to gather perspectives on parks, recreation programs, and open space in the Livermore area.

The conversation focused on opportunities for coordination, emerging community needs, and how partner organizations interact with LARPD facilities and services. Similar to the internal staff workshop, the discussion stayed at a system level and emphasized themes rather than specific projects.

Key Themes from the discussion

- 1. Coordination and Communication Between Agencies:** Stakeholders consistently noted the strong working relationships between LARPD and partner agencies. At the same time, several participants suggested that more structured coordination could improve long-term planning and project implementation. Ideas included establishing a regular cadence of interagency working groups and clarifying roles and responsibilities through clearer agreements.
 - a. What this means for the plan:**
 Strengthen coordination frameworks and clarify roles across partner agencies to support more effective collaboration.
- 2. Maintenance Collaboration and Resource Sharing:** Several stakeholders discussed opportunities to improve coordination around maintenance responsibilities and operational support, particularly between City of Livermore, LVJUSD, and LARPD. This included clarifying maintenance roles between agencies, sharing specialized equipment or expertise when appropriate, and establishing clearer processes for addressing projects that go beyond routine maintenance.
 - a. What this means for the plan:**
 Identify opportunities for shared maintenance strategies and clearer processes for managing joint infrastructure responsibilities.
- 3. Shared Facilities and Access to Community Space:** Partners highlighted growing demand for meeting space, event space, and program facilities across the community. Participants discussed opportunities to simplify access to facilities for partner organizations and explore joint-use approaches that maximize the use of existing public facilities.
 - a. What this means for the plan:**
 Explore strategies to expand access to facilities and support joint-use partnerships that increase community benefit.
- 4. Program Partnerships and Expanded Offerings:** Stakeholders expressed interest in continuing and expanding program partnerships. Examples included co-programming opportunities, cross-promotion of services, and new program offerings that serve a wider range of residents, including adults without children.
 - a. What this means for the plan:**
 Build on existing partnerships to expand programming opportunities and reach new audiences.



5. Safety, Emergency Coordination, and Environmental Planning: Several agencies noted the importance of coordinating on emergency planning, public safety, and environmental resilience. This included involving police and fire agencies early in facility planning and considering climate impacts and disaster preparedness in park planning.

a. What this means for the plan:

Incorporate safety, resilience, and emergency coordination considerations into long-term park planning and facility design.

6. Equity and Access to Services: Participants discussed opportunities to improve access to programs and services for underserved populations. This included expanding childcare and Extended Student Services (ESS) capacity and improving communication about available programs and resources.

a. What this means for the plan:

Ensure that outreach, programming, and facility access strategies continue to support equitable participation across the community.

7. Financial Sustainability and Cost Awareness: Stakeholders emphasized the importance of realistic budgeting for capital projects and long-term maintenance. Participants also discussed opportunities to pursue partnerships, sponsorships, and cost-sharing arrangements to support future investments.

a. What this means for the plan:

Plan for lifecycle costs and explore collaborative funding approaches that support long-term sustainability.

8. Planning for Growth and Open Space Coordination: Agencies noted the importance of coordinating around future growth, open space acquisition, and regional planning. Stakeholders emphasized the need to consider demographic changes and maintain a balance of facilities and programming that serves residents across all life stages.

a. What this means for the plan:

Coordinate future planning efforts with partner agencies to support balanced growth and long-term open space stewardship.

Key Need Identified by Community Partners: Childcare

Across discussions, stakeholders consistently identified childcare and Extended Student Services (ESS) capacity as a significant community need, including staffing, facilities, and affordability considerations.

Attendees: Joey Benjamin (LARPD), John Bost (Open Heart Kitchen), Nathan Brumley (Livermore Public Library), Chris Carter (Livermore Valley Arts), Tracie Christmas (LVJUSD), Ranjani D'Costa (Tri-Valley Haven), Michelle Dawson (LVJUSD), Craig Freeman (LPFD), Mathew Fuzie (LARPD), Tim Messa (City of Livermore), Andrea McGovern (LARPD), Kim McNeely (LVJUSD), Eric Peterson (City of Livermore), Joe Prime (City of Livermore), John Reynolds (Livermore Police Department), Hailey Rose (Tri-Valley Conservancy), Andy Ross (City of Livermore), Diana Roberts (Tri-Valley Conservancy), Marc Roberts (LARPD), Sherri Souza (Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce), Paul Spence (City of Livermore), Brent Smith (City of Livermore), and David Weisgerber (LARPD)



LARPD Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan Update

Partner Agency Coordination Meeting Summaries

January – February 2026

Note: Prepared in response to Board Inquiry at the Wednesday, March 25, 2026 Board Meeting

As part of Phase 3 outreach for the Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan update, LARPD conducted coordination meetings with key partner agencies and stakeholders. These meetings were intended to align on planning considerations, identify opportunities and constraints, and ensure consistency with regional plans and initiatives.

The summaries below provide a brief overview of each coordination meeting.

Alameda County

Date: January 26, 2026

Attendees:

Alameda County: Liz McElligott, Assistant Planning Director

LARPD: LARPD Staff: Marc Roberts, Land Agent/Planner; David Weisgerber, Community Outreach Supervisor

Summary:

Discussion focused on planning considerations for unincorporated areas, including land use constraints, Measure D requirements, and coordination processes. Trails and passive recreation were generally supported, with an emphasis on early coordination and conceptual planning.

City of Livermore

Date: January 28, 2026

Attendees:

City of Livermore: Paul Spence, Assistant City Manager; Brent Smith, Community Development Director; Joel Waxdeck, Stephen Riley, Andy Ross

LARPD Staff: Marc Roberts, Land Agent/Planner; David Weisgerber, Community Outreach Supervisor

Summary:

Discussion focused on aligning park and trail planning with future growth areas, park access standards, and capital planning efforts. Key topics included park access in higher-density areas, coordination on park fee planning, shared open space stewardship, and identifying priority projects for future funding alignment.

Zone 7 Water Agency

Date: January 29, 2026

Attendees:

Zone 7 Water Agency: Valerie Pryor, General Manager, Chris Hentz, Assistant General Manager; Edward Reyes, Principal Engineer

LARPD: Mathew Fuzie, General Manager; Marc Roberts, Land Agent/Planner; David Weisgerber, Community Outreach Supervisor



Summary:

Discussion emphasized the importance of early coordination, clearly defined roles, and partnership frameworks when planning trails on Zone 7 lands. Potential trail opportunities were discussed at a conceptual level, with acknowledgment of operational, safety, and maintenance considerations.

East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD)

Date: February 3, 2026

Attendees:

EBRPD: Brian Holt, Acting Assistant General Manager, Becky Bremser, Division Lead of Land Acquisition, Neoma Lavallo, Principal Planner

LARPD: Mathew Fuzie, General Manager; Marc Roberts, Land Agent/Planner; David Weisgerber, Community Outreach Supervisor, Jill Kirk Community Services Manager

Summary:

Discussion focused on how regional trail connections and shared priorities should be reflected in the Master Plan at a conceptual level. Emphasis was placed on maintaining flexibility, clearly distinguishing between conceptual and funded projects, and supporting ongoing coordination on regional trail opportunities.

Other Meetings:**Alameda County Agricultural Advisory Commission – Trails Subcommittee**

Date: January 12, 2026

Attendees:

Trails Subcommittee: Richard Quigley, Dave Lunn, Steven Dunbar (City of Livermore), Larry Gosselin, and others

LARPD: Marc Roberts, Land Agent/Planner; David Weisgerber, Community Outreach Supervisor

Summary:

LARPD presented a draft trail map for review, with discussion focused on map accuracy and continued coordination and refinement of conceptual trail alignments.



LARPD Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan Update

Summary of Key Findings –

Sports Organization Questionnaire

Questionnaire Period: January 13 – February 2, 2026

As part of Phase 3 outreach for the Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan update, LARPD distributed a questionnaire to local sports organizations to gather input regarding facility use, scheduling needs, and anticipated program growth. The questionnaire was shared with organizations that regularly use District facilities.

Responses were received from organizations representing a range of youth and recreational sports, including baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse, basketball, swimming, pickleball, and ultimate frisbee. The responses provided insight into how organizations currently use District facilities and the challenges they experience when scheduling practices and games.

Key Themes from the responses:

- 1. Field Capacity and Scheduling Considerations:** Many organizations indicated that access to field space during peak seasons can be challenging. Respondents noted that demand for practices, games, and tournaments often exceeds available field time, particularly during evenings and weekends.

Several organizations suggested that improvements such as additional field space, field lighting, synthetic turf fields, or adjustments to scheduling practices could help expand available hours of use and improve scheduling flexibility.

- a. What this means for the plan:**

Evaluating field capacity, scheduling practices, and potential facility improvements will be important as participation in youth and recreational sports continues.

- 2. Participation Levels and Program Growth:** Several organizations indicated that participation has increased in recent years and may continue to grow over the next three to five years. Growth estimates varied by organization, but responses generally reflected continued interest in youth sports and recreational programming in the Livermore area.

- a. What this means for the plan:**

Future planning should consider potential growth in youth and recreational sports participation when evaluating facility needs and scheduling practices.

- 3. Regional Use of Facilities:** Some organizations indicated that they utilize facilities both within and outside the LARPD system in order to meet scheduling needs. This reflects the regional nature of many youth sports programs and the need to coordinate facility availability across multiple providers.

- a. What this means for the plan:**

Regional coordination and efficient scheduling practices can help support local sports organizations.



4. Facility Amenities and Operational Improvements: When asked about improvements that would benefit their organizations, respondents mentioned amenities such as restrooms, parking, storage space, and field condition improvements. While these comments varied by facility, they reflect the importance of maintaining facilities that support both players and spectators.

a. What this means for the plan:

Facility improvements that enhance usability and operational efficiency may support both existing programs and future growth.

Participating Organizations:

Responses were received from representatives of the following organizations:

ADVNC Lacrosse, Bay Area Disc Association, East Bay Waves, Firecrackers Leles, Frozen Rope Baseball, Girls for Girls Lacrosse, Granada High School, Granada Little League, Livermore Aquacowboys, Livermore Diablos, Livermore Fusion Soccer Club, Livermore Little League, Livermore Phantoms Lacrosse Club, Moonshots, Olympique Dublin, Top Performance Basketball, Tri-Valley Pickleball Club, and West Coast Jamboree



LARPD Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan Update Internal (LARPD Staff) Stakeholder Workshop Summary Wednesday, March 4, 2026

As part of Phase 3 of the Master Plan update, LARPD staff participated in a workshop focused on where we are today and what that means for the next 10 years. The discussion stayed at a big-picture level and centered on themes rather than individual projects.

Key Themes from the Discussion

- 1. Capacity and Growth Pressures:** Staff noted continued demand across programs and facilities. Waitlists, high utilization, and limited space in certain locations are ongoing realities. Expanding capacity often requires capital investment or creative use of partnerships.
 - a. What this means for the plan:**
 We need to align program growth with facility capacity and staffing levels.
- 2. Staffing Strength and Organizational Sustainability:** Staffing emerged as both a core strength and an area requiring continued attention. There was pride in our current team and staff make-up, but a continued need to invest in training, tuition reimbursement, internships, and professional development. Similarly, retention and evolving skill sets will be important as expectations grow and partnerships become more complex.
 - a. What this means for the plan:**
 Maintain a strong service culture while ensuring staffing levels and skills keep pace with future needs.
- 3. Deferred Maintenance and Financial Prioritization:** There was clear agreement that reinvesting in existing facilities remains a priority. Several participants emphasized the importance of addressing deferred maintenance before pursuing significant expansion, while recognizing that projects around new facilities may create opportunities for external funding partnerships.
 - a. What this means for the plan:**
 Balance reinvestment in aging facilities with thoughtful, selective expansion.
- 4. Partnerships and Role Clarity:** Partnerships were consistently described as a force multiplier. LVJUSD, EBRPD, Zone 7, and the City of Livermore were specifically mentioned. Staff noted the importance of clear agreements, coordinated planning, and having the internal capacity to manage increasingly complex partnerships.
 - a. What this means for the plan:**
 Be clear about LARPD's leadership role while strengthening partnerships that expand our impact.
- 5. Programs vs. Broad Access:** Staff discussed the strong satisfaction among heavy program users alongside the 2.5 million annual facility visits across the system. This raised an important question about how we balance structured programming with maintaining open-access parks and infrastructure that serve the broader community.
 - a. What this means for the plan:**
 Be intentional about how we invest in programs versus general-use park infrastructure.



6. Geographic Growth and System Reach: There was discussion about rural service areas, trail connections, Camp Shelly, and growth in surrounding communities such as Mountain House. These comments reflected interest in whether and how LARPD's footprint should evolve.

a. What this means for the plan:

Decide whether the next decade focuses more on expanding outward or reinvesting within our current service area.

Overall Observations/Summary

The conversation reflected strong alignment around stewardship, service quality, and the need to prioritize thoughtfully. Staff emphasized balancing growth with sustainability, leaning into partnerships, and being clear about LARPD's role moving forward.

These themes will be considered alongside the community survey results and external stakeholder input as we draft the Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan.

Attendees: Aaron Tavares, Alyssa Smith, Andrea McGovern, Brenda Rios, Carlie Spruiell, Chelynn Watkins, Daniel Aguilar, David Weisgerber, Eric Whiteside, Fred Haldeman, Harmony Brockman, Joseph Benjamin, Julie Dreher, Makenna Nation, Marc Roberts, Mathew Fuzie, Michelle Kleman, Natalie Kaaiawahia, Rachel Shelnut, Rene Venus Dalusong, Samantha Erickson, Scott Stramaglia, Sebastian Forero, Seth Eddings, Sukh Thind



APPENDIX B

PARKS, FACILITY AND TRAILS SUMMARY

Appendix B provides detailed supporting information on LARPD's parks, recreation facilities, and trail system. It includes the parks and facilities inventory and condition assessment, condition matrices by facility type, the paved trail condition map, and descriptions of the trail segments evaluated through the Master Plan process.



Parks and Facilities Inventory and Condition Assessment

As part of the Master Plan update, this appendix documents the current inventory and condition of LARPD's parks and facilities to guide long-term planning, maintenance, and investment priorities.

This appendix is organized into the following sections:

- **Neighborhood Parks** – Smaller, walkable parks serving surrounding residents with playgrounds, turf, and informal recreation amenities.
- **Community Parks** – Larger parks that serve multiple neighborhoods and the community at large, featuring athletic fields, aquatics, and multi-use facilities.
- **Special Use Parks and Facilities** – Sites with unique natural, cultural, or specialized recreational functions, such as Sycamore Grove Park, sports complexes, or historic facilities.

Each facility entry includes a concise summary of condition, acreage, ownership/operation, and a list of recommended actions. Together, these assessments provide a clear snapshot of both current needs and future investment priorities across the park system.

Neighborhood Parks

Designed to serve residents within walking distance, with playgrounds, small sports courts, and open turf areas. Priorities include ensuring safe, accessible, and up-to-date play equipment, maintaining irrigation and landscaping, and supporting neighborhood-level recreation.

Al Caffodio Park – 2 Acres

(Opened in 1971 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 9,002

Location: 1361 Shawnee Road in northwest Livermore

Al Caffodio Park serves the residential neighborhood southeast of Murrieta Boulevard and Portola Avenue. It is flat and rectangular in shape, with direct access from Shawnee Road. Amenities include a meandering pathway, play equipment, picnic tables, and barbecue pits.

Recommended Actions:

- City of Livermore to install additional sidewalk curb ramp along Shawnee Road

Almond Park – 4 Acres

(Opened in 1970 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 16,218

Location: 1525 Almond Ave., South of East Ave

Almond Park features play equipment, a paved group picnic area near Almond Avenue with picnic tables and barbecue pits, and an open grassy area toward the rear of the park. It is accessible from both Almond Avenue and the residential neighborhood at Drake Way. The park also connects to the Civic Center (T7) multi-use trail, which enters from Quezaltenango Parkway along Findlay Street.

Recommended Actions:

- Repair/replace asphalt paths
- Irrigation Renovation Program



Big Trees Park and Extension – 4.2 Acres

(Opened in 1971 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 37,906

Location: 5470 Kathy Way in Southeast Livermore

Big Trees Park was renovated in 2019 and primarily serves the general public and group rentals. The park includes play equipment, picnic tables, and barbecue pits. It connects to the Arroyo Seco multi-use trail (T9), which extends north/south along Charlotte Way northeast of the site. Eucalyptus tree management on the adjacent extension area remains an ongoing concern, as associated safety risks fall outside of LARPD's maintenance responsibilities.

Recommended Actions:

- Continue eucalyptus tree pruning and removals for safety

Bill Clark Park – 2.8 Acres

(Opened in 1990 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 10,147

Location: 5451 Hillflower Drive in Northeast Livermore

Bill Clark Park serves neighborhood drop-in users and features a central open field, play equipment, barbecue pits, picnic tables, and a basketball court. A walkway provides access from Hillflower Drive to the play areas. Playground equipment was replaced in 2024, and the basketball court was resurfaced in 2023.

Recommended Actions:

- Upgrade accessible pathways and playground entry points

Bruno Canziani Park – 14.7 Acres

(Opened in 2002 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 94,715

Location: 5907 Charlotte Way in South Livermore (Southwest of Vasco Rd. and East Ave.)

Bruno Canziani Park serves the South Livermore Valley community and was developed as part of residential construction in Subarea 2 of the South Livermore Valley Specific Plan. The park includes perimeter walkways, an open field, play equipment, barbecue pits, picnic tables, a basketball court, on-site parking, and a designated dog park area. The irrigation system requires significant renovation to maintain turf quality.

Recommended Actions:

- Irrigation Renovation Program



Christensen Park – 8.24 Acres

(Opened in 1976 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 16,473

Location: 5611 Bridgeport Circle, Adjacent to Christensen School in North Livermore.

Christensen Park includes soccer fields, play equipment, barbecue pits, and picnic tables. The park is used by the general public, youth sports, LARPD programs, and the school district. An extension of the Altamont Creek multi-use trail (T4) is proposed along the service road of the Altamont channel just south of the park.

Recommended Actions:

- Irrigation Renovation Program

Hagemann Park – 7.2 Acres

(Opened in 1983 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 27,285

Location: 459 Olivina Ave (NW of Stanley and Murrieta Blvd)

Hagemann Park includes soccer fields, play equipment, a group picnic area, and barbecue pits. The park has direct access to the Altamont Creek Trail (T4) at the north end and to the Arroyo Las Positas Trail (T6) at the south end. The Arroyo Mocho Trail (T19) runs south of the site, accessible via Daisyfield Drive. The park serves drop-in users, youth sports, and LARPD programs.

Recommended Actions:

- Irrigation Renovation Program in upper park
- Repair/replace asphalt pathway

Ida Holm Park – 6.0 Acres

(Opened in 1975 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 9,822

Location: 1106 Crystal Circle in West Livermore

Ida Holm Park features play equipment that was replaced in 2024, complemented by mature trees and a shaded picnic area. Located adjacent and east of the Isabel Trail (T5), the park primarily serves neighborhood drop-in users.

Recommended Actions:

- No improvements are recommended at this time



Jack Williams Park – 4.1 Acres

(Opened in early 1970s – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 27,201

Location: 2041 Neptune Road, southwest Livermore

Jack Williams Park features play equipment replaced in 2024, barbecue pits, picnic tables, two courts striped for tennis and pickleball that were resurfaced in 2022, a central circular walkway, and an open field shaded by mature trees. The park is accessible from both Neptune Road and Pulsar Drive and primarily serves neighborhood drop-in users.

Recommended Actions:

- Irrigation Renovation Program

Karl Wente Park – 3.1 Acres

(Opened in 1977 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 11,450

Location: 1455 Kingsport Drive, northeast of Holmes Street and Concannon Boulevard in the Sunset residential development, south Livermore.

Karl Wente Park is relatively flat with a gentle slope toward the street. The park includes play equipment and picnic tables, providing neighborhood-level recreation, primarily serving drop-in users.

Recommended Actions:

- No improvements are recommended at this time

Livermore Downs Park – 4.5 Acres

(Opened in 1986 – Owned and Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 61,437

Location: 2101 Paseo Laguna Seco, north of Portola Avenue

Livermore Downs Park includes a central open field, play equipment, four pickleball courts (converted from tennis in 2019 and resurfaced in 2024), a basketball court, and a parking lot. The park primarily serves neighborhood drop-in users, adult sports leagues, and programmed activities.

Recommended Actions:

- Enhance picnic areas with additional shade

Lester J. Knott Park – 4.8 Acres

(Opened in 1995 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 37,240

Location: 655 North Mines Road and Newbury Street

Lester J. Knott Park features a central grassy field surrounded by gently sloping berms. The park includes play equipment, a group picnic area, a basketball court and meandering walkways primarily serving drop-in users.

Recommended Actions:

- Resurfacing/sealing of Basketball court



Maitland R. Henry Park – 4.6 Acres

(Opened in 1972 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 10,151

Location: 1525 Mendocino Road and Alameda Drive, northwest Livermore

Maitland R. Henry Park connects directly into the surrounding neighborhood through an internal walkway system. Amenities include play equipment, picnic tables, and barbecue pits primarily serving neighborhood drop-in users.

Recommended Actions:

- Repair/resurface asphalt pathway
- Address compliance concerns related to pathway conditions
- Install a small single basketball court as planned improvement

Marlin A. Pound Park – 9.0 Acres

(Opened in 1980 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 40,057

Location: 20110 Bluebell Drive, northeast Livermore

Marlin A. Pound Park includes an open ballfield with a backstop, play equipment, barbecue pits, picnic tables, a basketball court, and a dog park. The park primarily serves neighborhood drop-in users.

Recommended Actions:

- Irrigation Renovation Program
- Recondition turf areas

Mocho Park – 3.6 Acres

(Opened in 1985 – Owned by City of Livermore / Maintained by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 18,486

Location: 1130 Mocho Street, east of the intersection of Holmes and Mocho Streets

Mocho Park features a central open field shaded by mature trees, a recently replaced playground (installed in 2025), barbecue pits, and picnic tables. The park borders the Arroyo Mocho and lies adjacent to the Arroyo Mocho Trail (T19), accessible via the Holmes Street bridge. The site primarily serves neighborhood drop-in users and experiences moderate daily use. A new community garden with on-site accessible parking is planned for construction in 2026, further enhancing neighborhood engagement and community programming at the park.

Recommended Actions:

- Support development of the community garden project
- Continue regular maintenance of new playground equipment and park amenities
- Monitor connectivity and accessibility to the adjacent trail network



Northfront Park – 2.3 Acres

(Opened in 2005 – Owned and Maintained by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 2,084

Location: 6315 Almaden Way

Northfront Park consists of two distinct parcels situated along the Arroyo Las Positas and adjacent to the multi-use Arroyo Las Positas Trail (T6). The northern portion is accessible from Almaden Way and the trail, while the southern portion is accessed from Northfront Road. The park features walkways, play equipment, benches, and a small parking area with six spaces. The park is in good condition and primarily serves local neighborhood users.

Recommended Actions:

- Maintain pathways, benches, and landscaping to support ongoing neighborhood use
- Monitor connectivity and access between the two park parcels

Pleasure Island Park – 6.9 Acres

(Opened in 1973 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 28,568

Location: 280 Pearl Avenue, just east of Murdell Lane in west Livermore

Pleasure Island Park occupies a long, narrow site situated between residences on Quartz Circle and Pearl Drive. The park features a meandering perimeter walkway, open fields, and play equipment renovated in 2019. A group picnic area was added in 2024.

Recommended Actions:

- No improvements are recommended at this time

Ralph T. Wattenburger Park – 5.4 Acres

(Opened in 1984 – Owned by City of Livermore / Maintained by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 19,919

Location: 1515 Honeysuckle Road, northeast Livermore

Ralph T. Wattenburger Park features meandering walkways, a tot lot and play equipment, picnic tables, and a large open turf area surrounded by mature shade trees. The park is accessible from both Honeysuckle Road and Rhododendron Drive and serves as a neighborhood recreation space for residents. A turf area in the northwest corner sits slightly below grade, causing minor drainage and runoff issues near the adjacent sidewalk.

Recommended Actions:

- Raise turf elevation in the northwest corner to reduce runoff and trip hazards near the sidewalk



Ravenswood Park – 3.5 Acres

(Opened in 1972 – Owned by City of Livermore / Maintained by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 18,142

Location: 2632 Tahoe Drive

Ravenswood Park is a neighborhood park located adjacent to the Ravenswood Historic Site along Arroyo Road. The park includes walkways, play equipment, barbecue pits, and picnic tables, surrounded by mature eucalyptus trees that provide shade and character. The park primarily serves neighborhood drop-in users.

Recommended Actions:

- Repair/replace sections of concrete pathway affected by root intrusion

Summit Park – 3.9 Acres

(Opened in 2001 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 11,244

Location: 6332 Tioga Pass Court, northeast of Vasco Road and Scenic Avenue

Summit Park is relatively new, with limited mature trees. It includes a large open field, play equipment, picnic tables, and landscaped areas. Phase II of the park was completed in 2004, adding play equipment and additional landscaping. The park primarily serves neighborhood drop-in users.

Recommended Actions:

- Irrigation Renovation Program

Sunset Park – 6.7 Acres

(Opened in 1969 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 34,727

Location: 1055 Geneva Street, adjacent to Arroyo Mocho School in south Livermore

Sunset Park, originally opened in 1969, is one of Livermore's older neighborhood parks and underwent significant renovations in 2019. The irregular L-shaped park stretches between Geneva Street and Florence Road and is characterized by mature shade trees along its perimeter, open turf areas, and play equipment. Situated adjacent to the Arroyo Mocho, the park provides informal trail connections to the Arroyo Mocho Multi-Use Trail to the north, offering easy access for walkers, runners, and cyclists. While overall in good condition, the park's walkways and irrigation system are beginning to show signs of age. Updates to irrigation, turf, and tree care would enhance both aesthetics and long-term sustainability.

Recommended Actions:

- Construct new concrete walkways to replace aging paths
- Upgrade and modernize irrigation system and backflow assembly
- Prune and thin existing trees; add new tree plantings for shade and succession
- Renovate turf areas to improve quality and usability



Tex Spruiell Park – 9.9 Acres

(Opened in 1986 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 35,482

Location: 5411 Felicia Ave in East Livermore

Tex Spruiell Park is one of the larger neighborhood parks, featuring new play equipment installed in 2025. The rectangular site offers street frontage and access on three sides and includes a circular paved perimeter pathway, central open fields, play equipment, barbecue pits, picnic tables, and basketball court. The athletic field requires renovation due to turf damage caused by gophers. While the park has no safety or ADA compliance issues, aging infrastructure indicates the need for reinvestment. The park serves both drop-in users and community groups for rentals, with moderate overall use.

Recommended Actions:

- Renovate athletic fields
- Upgrade and replace backflow system
- Add exercise equipment along the pathway

Vista Meadows Park – 5.4 Acres

(Opened in 1975 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 14,050

Location: 2450 Westminster and Lambeth Ways

Vista Meadows Park serves the residential area northeast of North Livermore and Portola Avenues. The sloped site includes play equipment and picnic tables situated in the flattest area near the street. A dog park was added in 2000 on the hillier northern portion of the site. The playground and pathways show signs of aging, and some landscape areas would benefit from irrigation and turf upgrades to improve overall usability and appearance. The park primarily serves neighborhood drop-in users and experiences moderate use.

Recommended Actions:

- Repair/resurface pathways
- Irrigation Renovation Program

Community Parks

LARPD operates community parks ranging from 9 to over 100 acres in size. Consistent with the role of community parks, these sites provide a variety of amenities and opportunities for both individual recreation and large group gatherings. Together, they serve as key hubs for sports, aquatics, events, and community programming.

Cayetano Park – 9.5 Acres

(Opened in 2015 – Owned by City of Livermore / Maintained by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 207,637

Location: Northeast corner of Portola Avenue and Campus Hill Drive



Cayetano Park is a modern, multi-use community park developed as part of the Montage residential neighborhood near Las Positas College. The park features a synthetic turf field (replaced in 2024), a ballfield, basketball court, play equipment, group picnic area with barbecues, and a dog park for large and small dogs.

The park is heavily used for youth and adult sports, recreation programs, and community rentals. However, on-site parking is insufficient to accommodate large sports events, which limits the use of the synthetic field and group picnic area.

Recommended Actions:

- Evaluate options for expanding the parking lot to support park utilization
- Consider reconfiguring portions of the turf or dog park area to accommodate parking expansion

Ernie Rodrigues Sports Field – 11 Acres

(Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 47,801

Location: South Livermore Avenue near Concannon Boulevard

Ernie Rodrigues Sports Field is a two-field baseball and softball complex featuring field lighting, batting cages, restrooms, and a concession/scorer facility. The site also includes approximately 175 on-site parking spaces. The facility supports youth and adult sports leagues, LARPD programs, and community tournaments.

Recent improvements include a new water meter, upgraded booster pump with variable frequency drive, and irrigation system upgrades completed in 2024, resulting in significantly improved turf conditions. The overall condition of the facility is good, with no known safety or ADA compliance concerns.

Recommended Actions:

- Replace shade sail cloths within 1–3 years
- Install new scoreboards and evaluate transition to LED field lighting

Independence Park (Kellman Fields) – 17.7 Acres

(Opened in 1976 – Owned by City of Livermore / Maintained by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 189,253

Location: 2798 Holmes Street

Independence Park, with Kellman Fields, serves as one of Livermore's primary soccer complexes and supports heavy year-round use by youth sports leagues, LARPD programs, and community rentals. The site includes three unlit soccer fields, play equipment, picnic tables, and on-site parking.

The irrigation system, parking lot, and the asphalt pathways require significant renovation to support continued high use and operational efficiency.

Recommended Actions:

- Irrigation Renovation Program
- Resurface parking lot and asphalt pathways
- Evaluate long-term opportunities for synthetic turf installation and field lighting to improve durability and expand usability



Max Baer Park – 11.8 Acres

(Opened in 1967 – Owned and Maintained by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 257,669

Location: 1310 Murdell Lane, adjacent to Mendenhall Elementary School

Max Baer Park is a major community recreation site and home to the Intermediate Little League World Series. The park includes multiple ballfields, play equipment, picnic tables, barbecue pits, and a dog park. The Jane Addams House on-site houses a LARPD preschool.

The park remains in excellent condition and supports both community and regional events. Field No. 2 would benefit from upgraded LED field lighting to improve energy efficiency and nighttime usability.

Recommended Actions:

- Upgrade Field No. 2 lighting to LED
- Monitor parking needs during major events

May Nissen Park and Swim Center – 12.2 Acres

(Opened in 1962 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 211,083

Location: 685 Rincon Avenue, Central Livermore

May Nissen Park is one of LARPD's oldest and most active community parks, providing a mix of recreational amenities for families and sports users. A major renovation in 2019 included new play equipment, restrooms, resurfaced tennis, pickleball, and basketball courts, and shaded picnic areas. The site also features a dog park, ballfields, and the May Nissen Swim Center.

The May Nissen Swim Center continues to serve as an essential community facility for swim lessons, recreation programs, and rentals. The pool was replastered in 2020, but deck and drainage improvements will be needed to address accessibility and long-term maintenance. The locker rooms remain functional, while the unused bleacher building is recommended for demolition.

While long-term planning for a comprehensive renovation or replacement is warranted to ensure the facility's continued sustainability, the Swim Center remains a safe and important community asset providing year-round aquatic programming.

The shared asphalt parking lot with the Rincon Library is due for significant repair. Despite these challenges, the park and swim center remain vital hubs for community recreation, sports, and family gatherings.

Recommended Actions:

- Repair and resurface shared asphalt parking lot and aging pathways
- Plan for full renovation or replacement of the May Nissen Swim Center to improve accessibility, efficiency, and user experience
- Demolish the unused bleacher building
- Continue monitoring turf and facility wear due to high usage
- Explore opportunities to enhance on-site parking and circulation



Robert Livermore Park and Community Center – 29.9 Acres

(Opened in 1971 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 425,310

Location: 4444 East Avenue, Central Livermore

Robert Livermore Park serves as one of LARPD's largest and most active community parks, functioning as a hub for youth and adult sports, recreation programs, rentals, and public events. The site includes multiple sports fields, tennis courts, paved pathways, picnic areas, and open turf spaces. The Robert Livermore Community Center, completed in 2005, anchors the site and provides a full range of community amenities, including aquatics, a gymnasium, senior services, classrooms, and event facilities.

High daily use by sports leagues, LARPD programs, and community groups contributes to ongoing maintenance needs. Pathways and courts are due for resurfacing, and continued field renovation and tree management are priorities to ensure playability and safety.

Recommended Actions:

- Repair and replace sections of concrete pathways
- Continue field renovation and turf maintenance
- Reseal parking lot and repair tennis court cracks
- Perform tree safety pruning and thinning
- Evaluate opportunities to add play equipment or outdoor fitness features along pathways
- Replace two irrigation backflows
- Replace Community Center Roof

Robertson Park – 110.3 Acres

(Opened in 1966 – Owned by LARPD and City of Livermore / Maintained by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 516,945

Location: 3200 Robertson Road, between Concannon Boulevard and Arroyo Road

Robertson Park is one of Livermore's largest and most diverse community parks, offering soccer and baseball fields, play equipment, equestrian arenas, rodeo grounds, restrooms, picnic areas, and multi-use trails that connect to the Arroyo Mocho and South Livermore Valley Trails. The park hosts the annual Livermore Rodeo and numerous community events, maintaining its strong connection to Livermore's agricultural heritage.

The park experiences heavy daily and event use by sports leagues, drop-in visitors, and equestrian programs. Ongoing field renovation and restroom improvements are needed to support safety and usability. Parking remains limited during large events, and the northern portion of the site offers potential for future development.

Recommended Actions:

- Repair and upgrade bathroom facilities
- Continue ongoing sports field renovation and turf management
- Improve on-site parking and evaluate expanded parking capacity for large events
- Assess opportunities for new sports fields or other active recreation uses north of the rodeo grounds
- Consider long-term relocation or redesign of the dog park to improve space efficiency and functionality



Springtown Community Park and Disc Golf Course – 90 Acres

(Opening Fall 2026 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated and Maintained by LARPD)

Location: Bluebell Drive adjacent to the Springtown Library

Springtown Community Park and Disc Golf Course is a new recreation destination being developed on the former Springtown Golf Course property. The 90-acre project includes a 6.8 acres community park and 18-hole disc golf course that will provide a unique combination of neighborhood recreation, outdoor fitness, community gathering spaces, and active outdoor recreation opportunities.

The community park will feature a playground with a shade structure, a sports fitness area, a multi-generational plaza, shaded picnic areas, a community garden, a restroom building, pedestrian and bicycle pathways, and a landscaped open space with trees and ecolawn. A designated pathway will connect the community park to the adjacent disc golf course, creating an integrated recreation experience for residents and visitors.

Recommended Actions:

- No recommended actions at this time

William “Bill” Payne Sports Park – 14 Acres

(Opened in 2002 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 78,187

Location: 5800 Patterson Pass Road, northwest corner of Patterson Pass and South Vasco Roads

William “Bill” Payne Sports Park is a major athletic complex featuring two baseball fields, a soccer field, and a BMX course. The site serves youth and adult leagues, community rentals, and drop-in recreation. The park is located adjacent to the planned Patterson Pass Trail (T8), supporting regional connectivity.

The facility is in good condition and heavily used. Irrigation improvements, including a booster pump and backflow replacement, are recommended to sustain turf quality and operational reliability.

Recommended Actions:

- Irrigation Renovation Program, including installation of a booster pump and backflow replacement
- Coordinate with the City of Livermore on planned striping of additional on-street parking spaces (scheduled for 2026)
- Advance planning for expansion and redesign of the on-site parking lot

Special Use Parks and Facilities

LARPD owns and/or operates and maintains a range of special use parks and facilities, both within Livermore and beyond, including a seasonal campground in South Lake Tahoe (Camp Shelly). These sites support specialized recreation, education, and cultural activities. The category also includes historic structures and facilities with unique community or programmatic functions.



Camp Shelly – 7.7 Acres

(Leased from the U.S. Forest Service)

2025 Visits: 4,112

Location: Highway 89 near South Lake Tahoe

Camp Shelly is a seasonal family campground operated by LARPD under lease from the U.S. Forest Service. Open annually from June through early September; the campground offers 25 sites equipped with picnic tables, fire pits, and bear-proof food lockers. Amenities include volleyball and horseshoe courts, paved campground loops, and a new central restroom with flush toilets, hot showers, and full accessibility.

LARPD Rangers offer summer programs such as campfire talks and guided hikes, continuing the site's long tradition of outdoor recreation and environmental education.

Recommended Actions:

- Continue facility maintenance and accessibility upgrades as needed
- Evaluate long-term financial and operational feasibility

Carnegie Library – 0.1 Acres

(Opened in 1911 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD since 1966)

2025 Visits: 3,096

Location: 2155 Third Street, Downtown Livermore

The Carnegie Library is a historic landmark in Downtown Livermore and part of the national network of Andrew Carnegie Libraries built between 1889 and 1923.

The two-story building houses tenants such as the Livermore Heritage Guild Museum, Livermore Downtown Inc., and the Livermore Art Association, serving as both a cultural destination and a venue for community and private events.

While the building remains in fair to good condition, accessibility is limited due to its historic design. The exterior elevator is out of service and requires replacement, and lower-level entrances do not meet ADA standards.

Recommended Actions:

- Coordinate with the City of Livermore to replace the exterior elevator
- Evaluate opportunities to improve lower-level ADA access

Hal Chestnut Memorial Field – 10 Acres

(City owned/LARPD maintained.)

Location: 4455 Raymond Road

Hal Chestnut Memorial Field is leased by the Livermore Flying Electrons Club for radio-controlled aircraft operations. The site includes an airfield, picnic tables, and on-site parking, and is maintained by LARPD.

Assessment/Improvements:

- Portable restrooms
- Accessible parking spaces



R.E. Merritt Building – 1.7 Acres

(Constructed in 1914 – Owned and Maintained by LARPD)

Location: 71 Trevarno Road

The R.E. Merritt Building and adjacent Little House, originally part of the Coast Manufacturing Company complex, are historically significant as part of one of Northern California's few remaining early 20th-century company housing communities. The Merritt Building currently houses LARPD's Youth Services offices, while the Little House operates as a LARPD preschool.

Recommended Actions:

- Maintain building and landscape in coordination with historical preservation standards
- Consider developing a demonstration native plant garden consistent with prior recommendations

Ravenswood Historic Site/Buildings – 19.9 Acres

(Constructed 1885–1891 – Owned by City of Livermore / Operated by LARPD since 1976)

Location: 2647 Arroyo Road

Ravenswood Historic Site was developed as the country estate of Christopher Buckley Sr., a prominent San Francisco political figure, between 1885 and 1891. The estate is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and designated as a California Historic Point of Interest. The property includes the main house, carriage house, cottage, and tank house, and hosts weddings, community events, and interpretive programs.

While the site is in good overall condition, several infrastructure and accessibility upgrades are needed. The accessible ramp to the cottage requires replacement, and historic concrete sidewalks and asphalt walkways exhibit localized deterioration. The apple orchard is in poor condition and requires renovation.

Recommended Actions:

- Upgrade or replace the accessible ramp to the cottage or install a lift
- Repair or replace deteriorated sidewalks and asphalt walkways
- Renovate the apple orchard to restore historic character and educational use
- Evaluate potential for an outdoor pavilion to enhance group rental flexibility

Sunken Gardens Skate Park – 11 Acres

(Land acquired in 1959 – Skate Park dedicated in 2001; Maintained by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 25,472

Location: 3800 Pacific Avenue, adjacent to City Hall and the Civic Center

Sunken Gardens Skate Park is a popular destination for drop-in recreation, featuring a concrete skate park and bike stunt area, along with a small parking lot providing 18 spaces. The site is adjacent to the Civic Center Trail (T7) and north of the City's Civic Center complex. The remaining undeveloped portion of the park, located east of the skate park, provides opportunities for future recreation improvements.

The facility is in good condition and heavily used by the public. New benches have been installed throughout the site, and the pump track was completed in 2026. Additional improvements are planned for the undeveloped eastern portion of the park.

Recommended Actions:

- Implement xeriscaping and weed mitigation in undeveloped areas
- Evaluate opportunities for new picnic or outdoor fitness areas

Veterans Memorial Meeting Hall – 0.3 Acres

(opened in 1931, County owned/operated and maintained by LARPD since early 1970's)

2025 Visits: 7,985

Location: 522 South L Street (southeast corner of L and Fifth Street)

The Veterans Memorial Building was originally constructed in approximately 1931 as an American Legion facility and later donated to Alameda County. The building contains an auditorium with stage, kitchen facilities, and a club room. It is available for public rental through LARPD for meetings and large gatherings.

Recommended Actions:

- No improvements are recommended at this time

Open Space Areas

LARPD owns, operates, and maintains five open space parks and preserves ranging in size from 11 acres to more than 800 acres. These sites protect significant natural and cultural landscapes while providing opportunities for passive recreation, environmental education, and habitat conservation. Open space parks typically allow public access for hiking, biking, and interpretive programs, whereas preserves may have limited access to protect sensitive resources.

Brushy Peak Open Space Preserve – 507 Acres

(Owned and Operated by LARPD, Adjacent 1,528 Acres Owned by EBRPD)

Location: Northern Alameda County at the terminus of Laughlin Road

Brushy Peak Open Space Preserve encompasses 507 acres of natural landscape owned and operated by LARPD, adjoining 1,528 acres managed by East Bay Regional Park District. The site includes the Brushy Peak summit and contains significant cultural, geological, and ecological resources, including sensitive wetland and grassland habitats. Public access is limited to Ranger-led educational tours and school programs to protect the preserve's ecological and cultural integrity.

Recommended Actions:

- Develop a Resource Management Plan (RMP) in coordination with EBRPD
- Continue in partnership with EBRPD to explore acquisition of adjacent lands for resource protection



Garaventa Wetlands Preserve – 24 Acres

(Owned and Operated by LARPD since 1996)

Location: Vasco Road and Garaventa Ranch Road

The Garaventa Wetlands Preserve encompasses 24 acres of sensitive alkali wetlands and vernal pools supporting special-status species such as Vernal Pool Fairy Shrimp, Western Burrowing Owl, California Horned Lark, and San Joaquin Spearscale. The preserve is part of a larger historic band of seasonal alkali wetlands that terminate in the Springtown Alkaline Sink area.

Recommended Actions:

- Develop a Resource Management Plan (RMP)
- Construct a perimeter trail and interpretive boardwalk
- Consider acquisition of adjacent properties to ensure long-term habitat protection

Holdener Park – 55 Acres

(Owned and Operated by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 54,922

Location: 2400 Hansen Road

Holdener Park features rolling hills, canyons, and diverse wildlife habitat in a primarily undeveloped setting. The park offers opportunities for low-impact recreation, environmental education, and open space preservation.

Recommended Actions:

- Implement creek and habitat restoration
- Consider acquisition of adjacent properties to protect Dry Creek

Sycamore Grove Park – 847 Acres

(Owned and Operated by LARPD since 2002)

2025 Visits: 212,014

Locations: 1051 Wetmore Road and 5211 Arroyo Road

Sycamore Grove Park is one of LARPD's largest and most iconic open space parks, located along the Arroyo Del Valle in southern Livermore. The park is home to one of California's oldest and largest stands of native Western Sycamore (*Platanus racemosa*) trees and includes extensive trail networks, interpretive programs, and environmental education opportunities.

The park experiences high year-round use for recreation and nature study. Ongoing maintenance of its facilities and infrastructure-particularly the Ranger buildings, which require siding, trim, and plumbing replacements-will help sustain both visitor access and long-term resource protection.

Recommended Actions:

- Repair and replace siding, trim, and plumbing in Ranger buildings
- Continue habitat restoration and maintenance of paved trails



Murrieta Meadows – 11 Acres

(Owned by City of Livermore / Maintained by LARPD)

2025 Visits: 2,477

Location: Along the Arroyo Mocho between Daisyfield Drive and East Stanley Boulevard

Murrieta Meadows functions as a linear greenbelt connecting Hagemann Park, Granada High School, and surrounding residential areas. The open space provides scenic and functional trail connectivity within western Livermore. LARPD maintains the trail through Murrieta Meadows, while the City of Livermore maintains the remainder of the parcel.

Recommended Actions:

- Continue trail maintenance and coordination with the City of Livermore on vegetation management and access improvements



Community Parks Condition Matrix

LARPD operates community parks ranging from 9 to over 100 acres in size. Consistent with the role of community parks, these sites provide a variety of amenities and opportunities for both individual recreation and large group gatherings. They serve as key hubs for sports, aquatics, events, and community programming.

Community Parks												
Color		●	●	●	●							
Condition		Good	Fair	Poor	N/A							
Community Parks	Overall	Acreage	Owner	Buildings/Structures	Irrigation	Hardscape	Landscape/Turf	Courts/Fields	Parking Lot	Key issues	Deferred \$	
1 Cayetano Park	●	29.4	City	●	●	●	●	●	●	Synthetic turf replaced in 2024	\$ -	
2 Ernie Rodrigues Sports Field	●	11	LARPD	●	●	●	●	●	●	New Scoreboard Needed	\$ 45,000	
3 Independence Park	●	17	City	●	●	●	●	●	●	Irrigation Pump and Playground Replacement	\$ 330,000	
4 Max Baer Park	●	11.8	LARPD	●	●	●	●	●	●	Jane Addams Parking Lot, New scoreboard needed	\$ 57,000	
5 May Nissen Park	●	12	City	●	●	●	●	●	●	Parking Lot. Swim Center listed separately	\$ 150,000	
6 Robert Livermore Park	●	29.86	City	●	●	●	●	●	●	Tennis Court Resurfacing, Backflow Replacement	\$ 58,000	
7 Robertson Park	●	110.33	LARPD	●	●	●	●	●	●	Bathrooms/Fieldhouse Upgrades. Picnic Tables/benches need replacing.	\$ 250,000	
8 Springtown Community Park	●	90	City	●	●	●	●	●	●	New park/under construction. Open in 2026	\$ -	
9 William "Bill" Payne Park	●	14	City	●	●	●	●	●	●	Backflow replacement needed, Parking lot capacity	\$ 8,000	
Community Deferred											\$ 898,000	

Extended Student Services (ESS) Matrix

Sites provide facilities that support before-school, after-school, seasonal, educational, and youth development programs in partnership with local schools. Typical facilities may include classrooms, portable buildings, outdoor activity areas, storage facilities, administrative spaces, and other program-support amenities.

Extended Student Services (ESS) Sites

Color		●	●	●	●			
Condition		Good	Fair	Poor	N/A			
ESS Sites	Overall	Sq, Ft	Owner	Major Systems	Infrastructure	Notes	Deferred \$	
56 Altamont Creek	●	2400	LARPD	●	●	Roof and siding nearing replacement	\$70,000	
57 Arroyo Seco	●	2400	LARPD	●	●	General lifecycle maintenance needs		
58 Croce	●	2400	LARPD	●	●	One older building and one newer structure (2015)		
59 Jackson	●	2880	LARPD	●	●	Deck and ramp deficiencies	\$40,000	
60 Michell	●	4200	LARPD	●	●	New building 2020		
61 Rancho	●	2880	LARPD	●	●	General aging and lifecycle needs		
62 Smith	●	2400	LARPD	●	●	Siding and flooring showing signs of wear		
63 Sunset	●	2400	LARPD	●	●	Aging siding and exterior components		
ESS Sites Deferred							\$110,000	



Neighborhood Parks Condition Matrix

Designed to serve residents within walking distance, with playgrounds, small sports courts, and open turf areas. Priorities include ensuring safe, accessible, and up-to-date play equipment, maintaining irrigation and landscaping, and supporting neighborhood-level recreation.

Neighborhood Parks										
	Color									
	Condition	Good	Fair	Poor	N/A					
	Neighborhood Parks	Overall	Acreage	Owner	Equipment	Irrigation	Hardscape	Landscape	Key Issues	Deferred \$
10	Al Caffodio Park		2	City					Play equipment nearing end of life	\$250,000
11	Almond Avenue Park		4	City					Extensive gopher damage; aging infrastructure	\$410,000
12	Altamont Creek Park		6	LARPD					Small playground nearing end of life	\$250,000
13	Big Trees Park		4.2	LARPD					Older Path Sections; Eucalyptus tree concerns	
14	Bill Clark Park		1.2	City					ADA pathway and lifted concrete. Playground replaced in 2024	\$150,000
15	Bothwell Park		2.13	LARPD					Backflow pressure under investigation	\$1,500
16	Bruno Canziani		14.7	LARPD					Irrigation infrastructure	
17	Christensen Park		8.24	City					Major irrigation and playground deficiencies	\$610,000
18	El Padro Park		5.54	City					Playground replacement scheduled	\$250,000
19	Hagemann Park		7.2	City					Critical irrigation and pathway condition	\$630,000
20	Ida Holm Park		6	City					Playground replaced in 2024	
21	Jack Williams Park		4.52	City					Playground replaced in 2024	
22	Karl Wente Park		3.38	City					School connection pathway needs renovation	
23	Lester J. Knott Park		5.2	City					Playground scheduled for replacement	\$250,000
24	Livermore Downs Park		4.5	LARPD					Asphalt path and parking restriping	
25	Maitland Henry Park		5	City					Pathway condition deteriorating	\$150,000
26	Marlin Pound Park		9	City					Significant rodent/turf issues	
27	Mocho Park		3.3	City					Playground replaced in 2025	
28	Northfront Park		1.1	LARPD					General lifecycle aging	
29	Pleasure Island Park		7.5	City					Playground replaced in 2019, Picnic area expansion in 2025	
30	Ralph T. Wattenburger Park		5	City					Turf renovation and pump replacement needed; playground replacement scheduled	\$330,000
31	Ravenswood Neighborhood Park		3.3	City					Walkway deficiencies	\$50,000
32	Summit Park		4.2	City					Minor lifecycle needs	
33	Sunset Park		6	City					Playground replaced in 2019	
34	Tex Spruiell Park		9.8	City					Playground replaced in 2025	
35	Vista Meadows Park		5.7	City					Gopher issues; irrigation aging	
Neighborhood Deferred									\$3,331,500	



Open Space Parks Condition Matrix

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Open Space Parks

Color		●	●	●	●			
Condition		Good	Fair	Poor	N/A			
Open Space Parks		Overall	Acreage	Owner	Trails	Habitat	Amenities	Key issues
36	Brushy Peak Regional Preserve	●	507	City	●	●	●	Ongoing stewardship and maintenance
37	Garaventa Wetlands Preserve	●	24	USDA	●	●	●	Habitat-focused preserve
38	Holdener Park	●	55.89	City	●	●	●	General open space maintenance
39	Murrieta Meadows	●	11	City	●	●	●	Trail maintained by LARPD; tree pruning by City
40	Sycamore Grove Park	●	847.33	City	●	●	●	Ongoing trail maintenance
Open Space Deferred								\$0

Recreation and Support Facilities Condition Matrix

Includes indoor recreation, aquatic, community, cultural, educational, and administrative facilities that support District programs, services, and operations. Typical facilities may include community centers, aquatics facilities, preschools, program spaces, maintenance facilities, administrative offices, and other support buildings.

Recreation and Support Facilities

Color		●	●	●	●			
Condition		Good	Fair	Poor	N/A			
Recreation and Support Facilities		Overall	Sq. Ft	Owner	Major Systems	Infrastructure	Key Issues	Deferred \$
47	Bothwell Recreation Center	●	13,000	LARPD	●	●	Aging facility in poor overall condition; immediate need is feasibility study	\$20,000
48	Christensen Preschool	●	960	City	●	●	Aging facility with significant building deficiencies	\$200,000
49	Jane Addams Preschool	●	3,100	LARPD	●	●	Parking lot deterioration	\$5,000
50	Little House Preschool	●	2,600	LARPD	●	●	ADA accessibility concerns; no accessible ramp	\$10,000
51	May Nissen Preschool	●	1,200	City	●	●	Building is 62 years old; amenities recently updated	
52	May Nissen Swim Center	●	33,000	City	●	●	Facility in need of major renovation, Immediate need is feasibility study	\$20,000
53	Ranger Station at Sycamore Grove Park	●		LARPD	●	●	Aging 1930s-era structures with limited functionality; Building demo and walkway repair	\$60,000
54	R.E. Merritt Building	●	10,400	LARPD	●	●	Administrative support facility; General lifecycle maintenance anticipated	
55	Robert Livermore Aquatic Center	●	52,000	LARPD	●	●	Recently renovated facility; long-term roof replacement anticipated	
56	Robert Livermore Community Center	●	85,000	LARPD	●	●	Roof nearing replacement	\$1,000,000
Recreation and Support Deferred								\$1,315,000



Special Use Facilities Condition Matrix

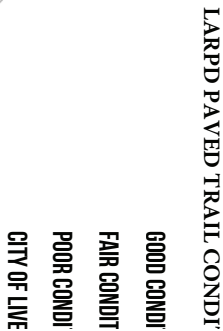
LARPD owns and/or operates and maintains a range of special use parks and facilities, both within Livermore and beyond, including a seasonal campground in South Lake Tahoe (Camp Shelly). These sites support specialized recreation, education, and cultural activities. The category also includes historic structures and facilities with unique community or programmatic functions.

Special Use Facilities

	Color							
	Condition	Good	Fair	Poor	N/A			
	Special Use Facilities	Overall	Acreage	Owner	Facility	Infrastructure	Key Issues	Deferred \$
NA	Barn, The		0.5	City			No longer is use	
41	Camp Shelly in Lake Tahoe		8	USDA			Water system in good shape	
42	Carnegie Library		0.1	City			Lift repair; City maintains grounds	\$ 150,000.00
43	Hal Chestnut Memorial Field		10	City				
44	Ravenswood Historic Site		29.7	City			Porch dry rot and pathway deficiencies	\$ 50,000.00
45	Sunken Gardens Skate Park		11	LARPD			New pump track in 2026	
46	Veterans Building Grounds		0.67	County			General lifecycle maintenance	
Special Use Deferred \$200,000								



PARKS, FACILITY AND TRAILS SUMMARY



Trail Segment Descriptions

The following trail segment descriptions provide an overview of the existing and planned trail corridors that make up the Livermore Area trail network. Each description summarizes the location, classification, length, key trail connections, and overall purpose of the corridor to support future planning and interagency coordination.

The trail corridors are presented numerically and include both Priority Trail Segments and long-term planned corridors. Trail segments identified with Priority Segments represent the District's highest implementation priorities over the planning horizon. The remaining trail corridors continue to represent important components of the District's long-range trail vision and may advance as opportunities, funding, partnerships, and future planning efforts allow.

Planning-Level Cost Estimates

Planning-level cost estimates were developed using a combination of current project cost information, recent engineering estimates, and planning-level assumptions. Where available, estimates reflect updated information provided by partner agencies and ongoing capital projects. For projects that have advanced beyond the conceptual planning stage, estimates may include additional project-specific costs such as right-of-way acquisition, design, permitting, and other implementation-related expenses.

For trail segments that have not advanced to design, estimates are based on planning-level unit costs and will be refined as projects progress. Unless otherwise noted, these planning-level estimates generally do not include:

- Land or right-of-way acquisition;
- Special entitlement or construction permit fees; or
- Specialty construction costs such as retaining walls, landscape planting, or extraordinary grading.

Actual project costs will vary based on final alignment, site conditions, environmental requirements, permitting, and project design.



T1 – Cayetano Creek Trail

Location: Northwest Livermore, generally following the Cayetano Creek corridor north of Interstate 580 and west of North Livermore Avenue.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components

Length: 5.0 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Isabel Trail (T5)

Description: The Cayetano Creek Trail is a long-term regional trail opportunity that would generally follow the Cayetano Creek corridor through northern Livermore, providing recreation opportunities and connecting the Isabel Trail with open space areas in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. The corridor would improve regional connectivity while supporting future connections to Morgan Territory and other regional trail systems.

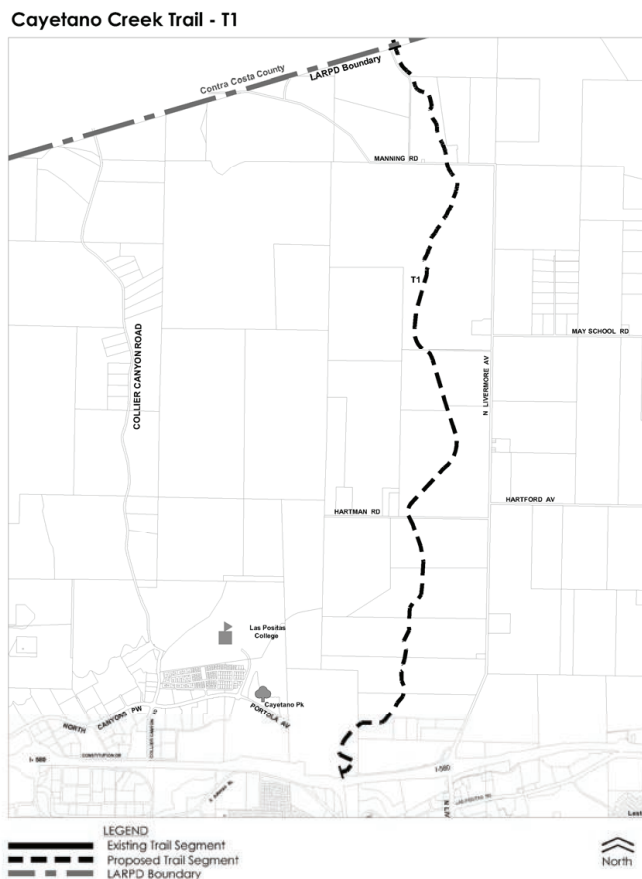
The majority of the proposed corridor is located outside the Livermore city limits and urban growth boundary on privately owned agricultural lands. Implementation will require coordination with Alameda County, Contra Costa County, East Bay Regional Park District, Zone 7 Water Agency, private property owners, and other regional partners.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$5,280,000
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$2,112,000

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$7,392,000

Note: Additional right-of-way acquisition costs would be required for implementation.



T2 – North Canyons Parkway Trail

Location: Northern Livermore, generally following North Canyons Parkway between North Livermore Avenue and Vasco Road.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 1.60 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Cayetano Creek Trail (T1), Altamont Creek Trail (T4), and North Livermore Connector Trail (T29)

Description: The North Canyons Parkway Trail is a planned east-west corridor that would provide a separated multi-use trail connecting neighborhoods, employment areas, and the District's regional trail network in northern Livermore. The corridor would improve access for pedestrians and bicyclists and strengthen connections between existing and planned trails.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, roadway improvements along North Canyons Parkway have included bicycle facilities and other transportation enhancements. While these improvements have improved multimodal access within the corridor, the planned separated multi-use trail has not been constructed. Future implementation will require coordination with the City of Livermore and adjacent property owners.

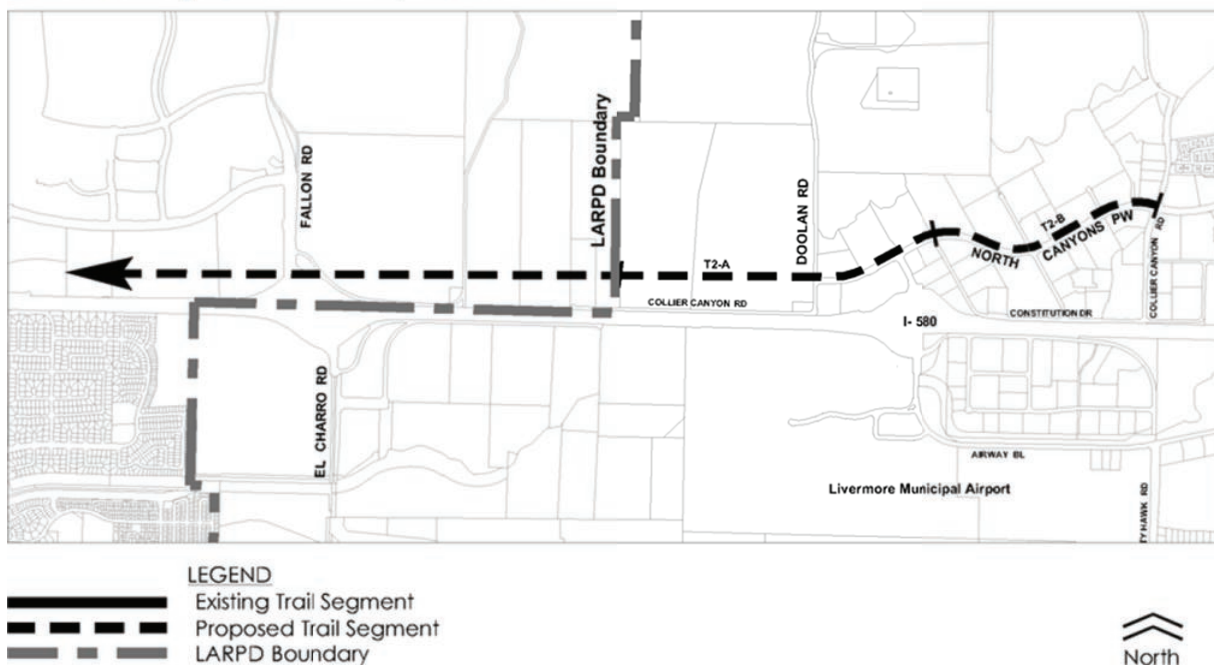
Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$1,689,600
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$675,840

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$2,365,440

Note: Additional right-of-way acquisition costs would be required for implementation.

North Canyons Parkway Trail - T2



T3 – College Trail

Location: Northwest Livermore, generally looping around Las Positas College with proposed extensions north of the campus.

Trail Classification: Mixed Multi-Use Paved and Unpaved Trail

Length: 5.03 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Isabel Trail (T5), Doolan Canyon Trail (T20), and Collier Canyon Trail (T21)

Description: The College Trail provides a loop around Las Positas College while creating opportunities for future trail connections into the open space and ridgelines north of the campus. The corridor supports recreation, active transportation, and access to Las Positas College, while serving as a gateway to several planned regional trail corridors in northern Livermore.

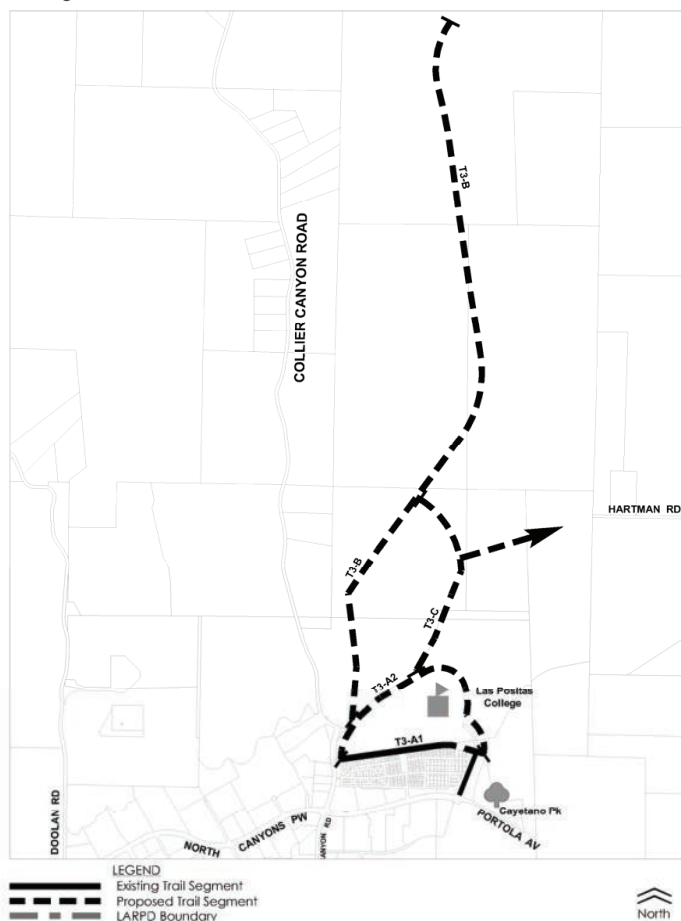
Future implementation will require coordination with Las Positas College for the proposed trail adjacent to Perimeter Road, as well as Alameda County, private property owners, and regional partners for the proposed trail segments north of the campus. Portions of the northern corridor extend beyond the Livermore city limits and urban growth boundary and would require additional planning, coordination, and right-of-way acquisition.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$5,311,680
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$2,124,672

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$7,436,352

College Trail - T3



T4 – Altamont Creek Trail

Location: Northern Livermore, generally following the Altamont Creek corridor between North Livermore Avenue and Greenville Road.

Trail Classification: Mixed Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 5.93 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Arroyo Las Positas Trail (T6), Iron Horse Trail (T16), Brushy Peak Connector Trail (T22), and North Livermore Connector Trail (T29).

Description: The Altamont Creek Trail is an east-west trail corridor that connects neighborhoods, parks, schools, and employment areas in northern Livermore while providing links to several existing and planned regional trails. The corridor improves local trail connectivity and supports future access to eastern Livermore and regional open space.

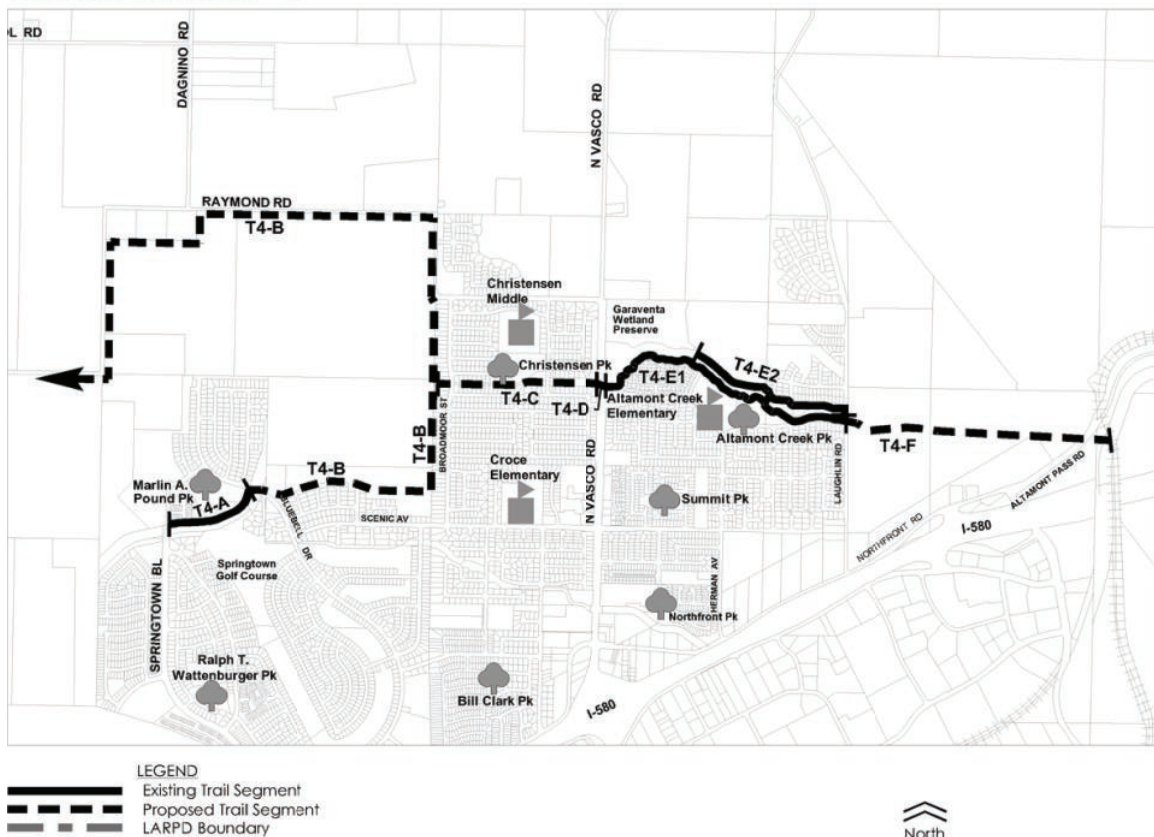
Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, several portions of the corridor have been completed through development and public improvements. The remaining long-term opportunities include completing Segments T4-B and T4-C to improve continuity along the corridor as redevelopment, partnerships, and funding opportunities arise.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$6,262,080
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$2,504,832

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$8,766,912

Altamont Creek Trail - T4



T5 – Isabel Trail

Priority Segments:

- T5-D: Trail connection between the Portola Avenue undercrossing and Airway Boulevard, closing the gap north of Interstate 580.
- T5-G: Upgrade the existing sidewalk along Jack London Boulevard to a multi-use trail, completing the connection between Sutter Street and Isabel Avenue.

Location: West Livermore, generally following Isabel Avenue from Las Positas College to Vineyard Avenue.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components

Length: 6.13 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Cayetano Creek Trail (T1), College Trail (T3), Arroyo Las Positas Trail (T6), South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail (T11), Jack London Trail (T14), Iron Horse Trail (T16), and Arroyo Mocho Trail (T19).

Description: The Isabel Trail generally follows the Isabel Avenue corridor, connecting residential neighborhoods, parks, schools, Las Positas College, employment areas, and regional trail systems. The trail also provides an important connection between trails north and south of Interstate 580.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, several planned trail segments have been completed, including Segments A, B, C, and I. The District's remaining priorities are completing Segment D to close the gap between the Interstate 580 undercrossing and Airway Boulevard, and Segment G to upgrade the existing sidewalk along Jack London Boulevard to multi-use trail standards.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

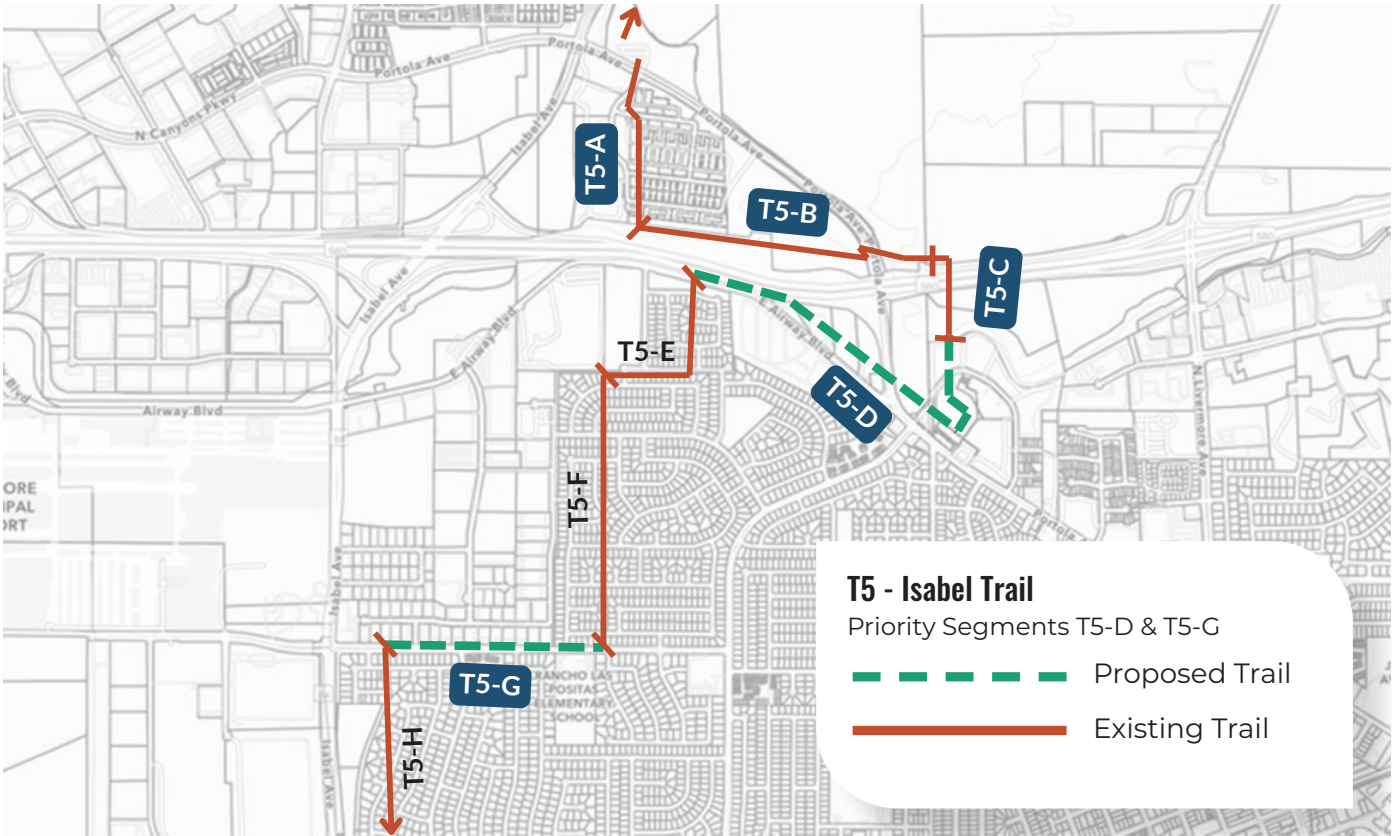
- T5-D: \$681,000
- T5-G: \$464,800

Construction: \$1,146,000

Planning, Design and Contingency: \$458,400

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$1,604,400





T6 – Arroyo Las Positas Trail

Priority Segments:

- E1 and E2: Construct approximately 4,000 feet of multi-use trail extending from the Las Colinas Overpass to Redwood Road and the Lassen Road/Springtown Boulevard area, including a new bridge crossing over the Arroyo Seco Channel. These segments improve connections between the Springtown neighborhood and destinations south of Interstate 580 while closing one of the District's highest-priority trail gaps.

Location: Northern Livermore, generally following the Arroyo Las Positas corridor.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components

Length: 6.36 miles (corridor)

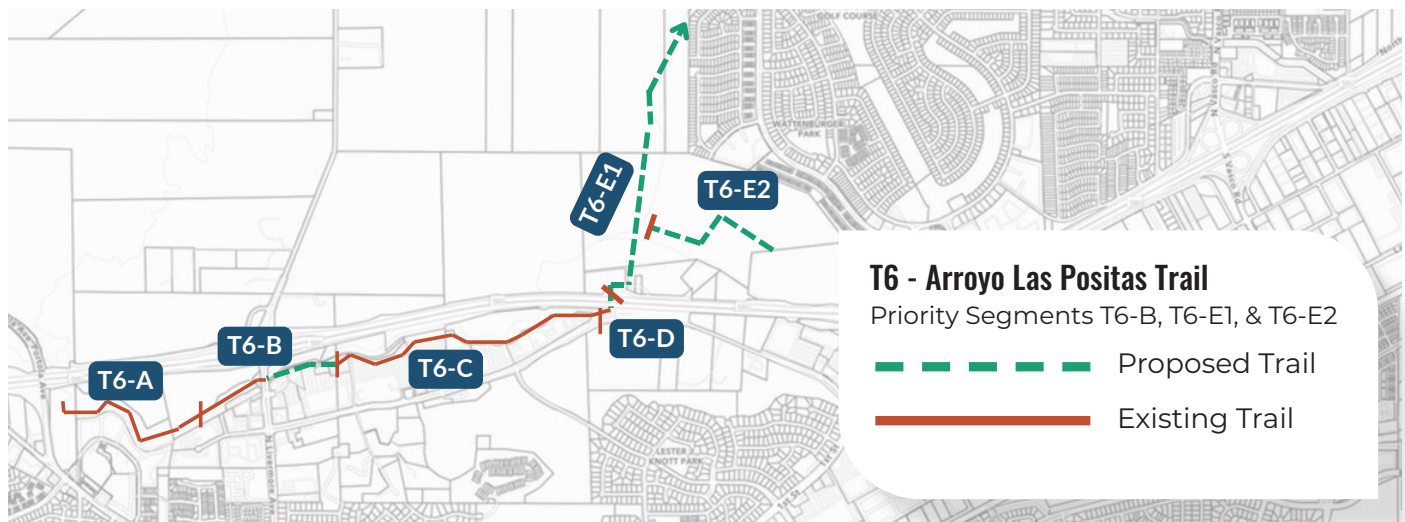
Trail Connections: Altamont Creek Trail (T4), Isabel Trail (T5), Arroyo Seco Trail (T9), Laughlin Road Trail (T17)

Description: The Arroyo Las Positas Trail is an east-west trail corridor, providing connections between the Springtown area, the Isabel Neighborhood, Las Positas College, and destinations north and south of Interstate 580 through a combination of existing trails and gap closures. The trail also connects with several planned or existing trails including the Isabel Trail, Arroyo Seco Trail, Altamont Creek Trail, and Laughlin Road Trail.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, several portions of the trail have been completed, including the segment adjacent to the Chick-fil-A development. The District's remaining priorities are completing the E1 and E2 segments identified above. Additional segments may be advanced over time.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

\$2,200,000 (Estimate reflects the most recent planning information available at the time of preparation)



T7 – Civic Center Trail

Location: Central Livermore, generally connecting the Civic Center, downtown Livermore, and surrounding neighborhoods.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 1.47 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Iron Horse Trail (T16), Arroyo Mocho Trail (T19), and Downtown Livermore trail and bicycle network.

Description: The Civic Center Trail provides a local trail connection linking the Civic Center, downtown Livermore, parks, schools, and surrounding neighborhoods. The corridor supports everyday walking and bicycling while improving access to civic facilities, community destinations, and the broader trail network.

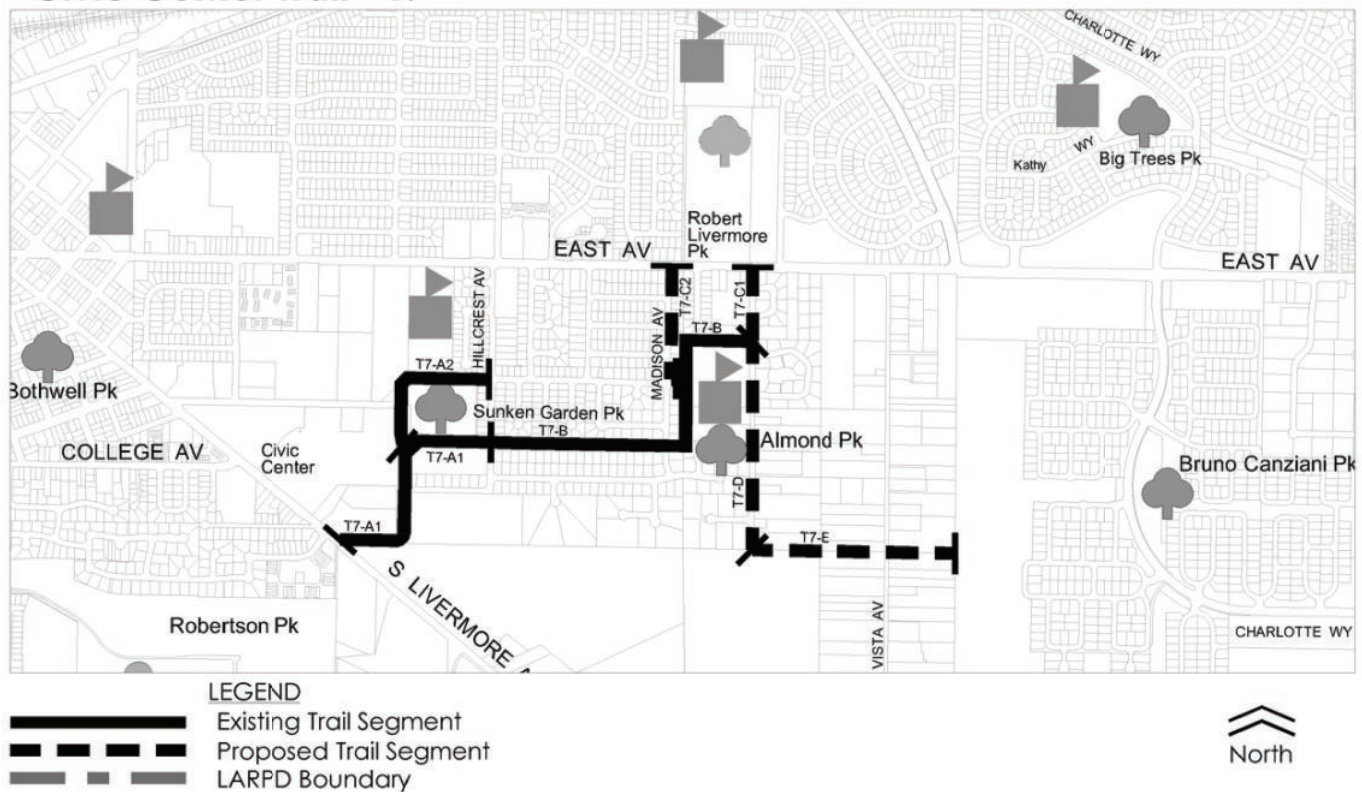
Future implementation will require coordination with the City of Livermore and other partners to complete the remaining trail segments and improve connections within the downtown area.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$1,056,000
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$422,400

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$1,478,400

Civic Center Trail - T7



T9 – Arroyo Seco Trail

Location: Eastern Livermore, generally following the Arroyo Seco corridor between Arroyo Las Positas and the South Livermore Valley.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components

Length: 4.24 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Arroyo Las Positas Trail (T6), Patterson Pass Trail (T8), South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), and Greenville Road Trail (T24)

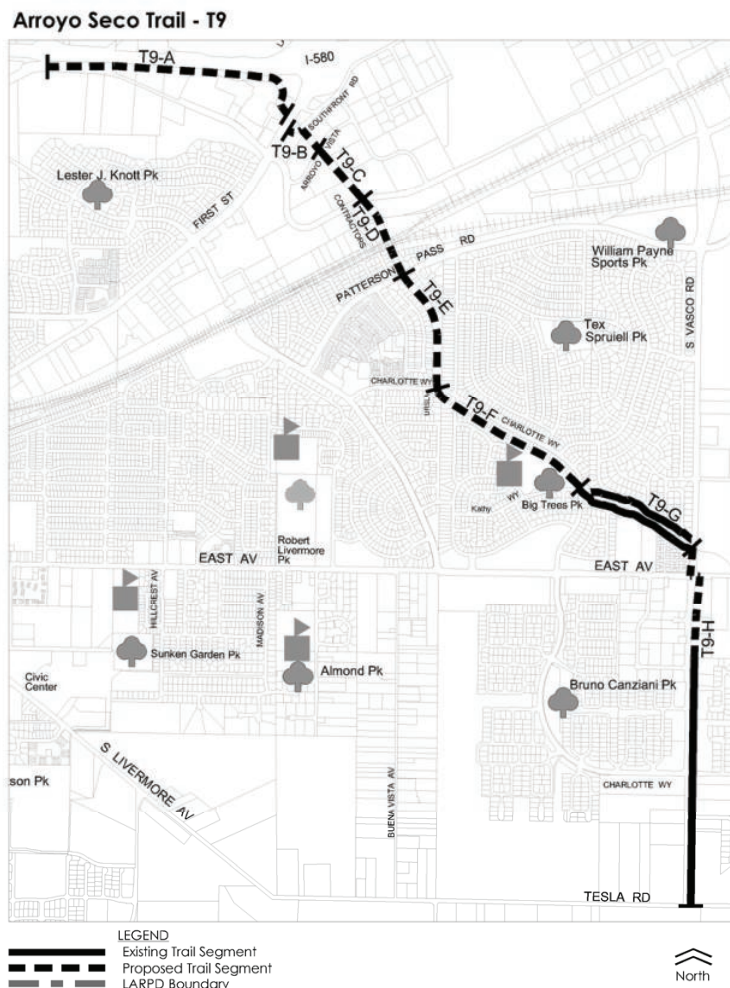
Description: The Arroyo Seco Trail is a north-south trail corridor that connects neighborhoods, employment areas, parks, and regional trail corridors in eastern Livermore. The trail provides an important connection between the Arroyo Las Positas Trail, Patterson Pass Trail, and South Livermore Valley Trail while supporting both recreation and active transportation.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, portions of Segment T9-C have been completed through development. The remaining planned segments will continue to improve continuity along the corridor as development, funding, and partnership opportunities arise.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$4,477,440
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$1,790,976

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$6,268,416



T8 – Patterson Pass Trail

Priority Segments:

- T8-A1: Travels along the north side of Arroyo Las Positas between Arroyo Seco Trail and the Vasco Road overcrossing.
- T8-B: Travels along the south side of Arroyo Las Positas connecting William Payne Sports Park to Patterson Pass Road.

Location: In east Livermore, it generally follows an east-west direction along the Las Positas flood channel, parallel to Patterson Pass Road.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 3.79 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Arroyo Seco Trail (T9), South Bay Aqueduct Trail (T15), Iron Horse Trail (T16), Greenville Road Trail (T24).

Description: The Patterson Pass Trail provides an east-west connection between residential neighborhoods, William Payne Sports Park, employment areas, and regional trail corridors in eastern Livermore. The corridor follows Arroyo Las Positas and Patterson Pass Road while connecting to the Arroyo Seco Trail, Iron Horse Trail, and South Bay Aqueduct Trail.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, planning efforts have shifted portions of the corridor into the City's Iron Horse Trail planning. The District's remaining priorities include completing segments T8-A1 and T8-B to improve connections between the Arroyo Seco Trail, William Payne Sports Park, and the future Iron Horse Trail corridor. Planning and implementation continue in coordination with the City of Livermore and Zone 7. Segments T8-A1 and T8-B also correspond to portions of the City's planned Iron Horse Trail corridor (T16) and are coordinated through ongoing City planning efforts.

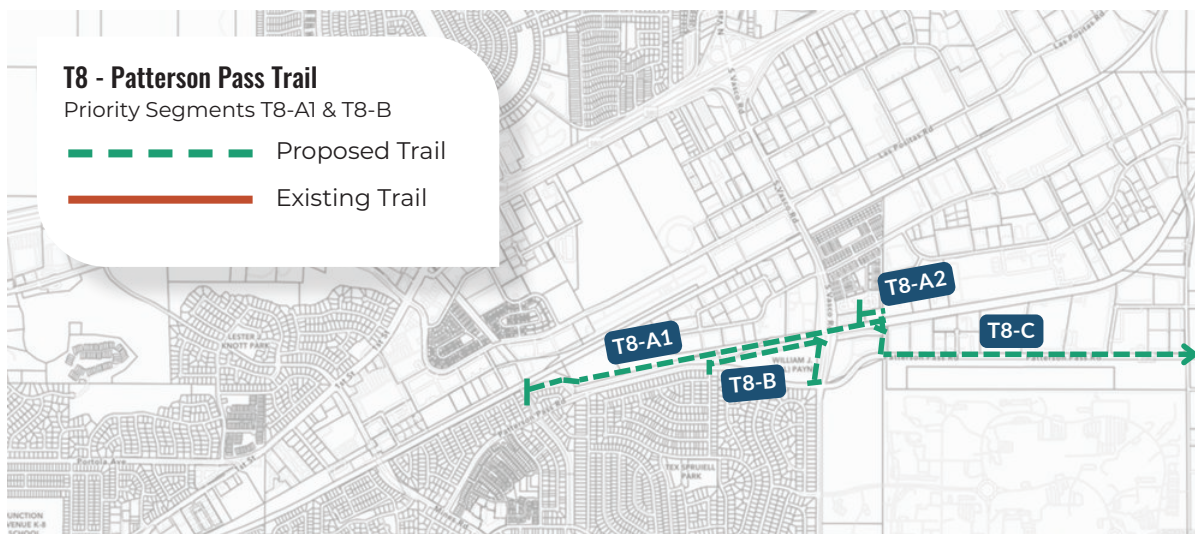
Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- T8-A1: 1,380,000
- T8-A2 (tunnel): \$1,000,000
- T8-B: \$585,800

Construction: \$2,965,800

Planning, Design and contingency: \$1,208,200

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$4,174,000



T10 – South Livermore Valley Trail

Priority Segments:

- T10-B: Complete the remaining trail gap between the Oaks Trail and Vallecitos Road as part of the Lake A reclamation area, improving continuity between Sycamore Grove Park and the South Livermore Valley trail system.
- T10-G: Complete the remaining trail along Tesla Road from Mines Road to Greenville Road, extending the corridor further east and strengthening regional trail connectivity.

Location: South Livermore, extending from Isabel Avenue to Greenville Road.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components

Length: 10.65 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Isabel Trail (T5), Arroyo Seco Trail (T9), Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail (T11), Mines Road Trail (T12), Arroyo Road Trail (T13), South Bay Aqueduct Trail (T15), Dunsmuir Trail (T18), Arroyo Mocho Trail (T19), Sycamore Grove trail system.

Description: The South Livermore Valley Trail connects neighborhoods, vineyards, parks, and open space throughout southern Livermore. The corridor links several of the District's highest-use trail systems and provides access to recreation destinations, including Sycamore Grove Park, Ravenswood Historic Site, and the region's wine country, while supporting both everyday recreation and longer-distance regional travel.

Since the adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, additional portions of the corridor have been completed through development and partner-agency projects. The District's current priorities are to complete Segments B and G to improve continuity along the corridor and to close the remaining gaps. Segment B is actively advancing through coordination with the City of Livermore and the quarry operator as part of the Lake A reclamation effort to improve the connection between the Oaks Trail and Vallecitos Road. Segment G remains a mid-term priority to extend the trail from Mines Road to Greenville Road.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

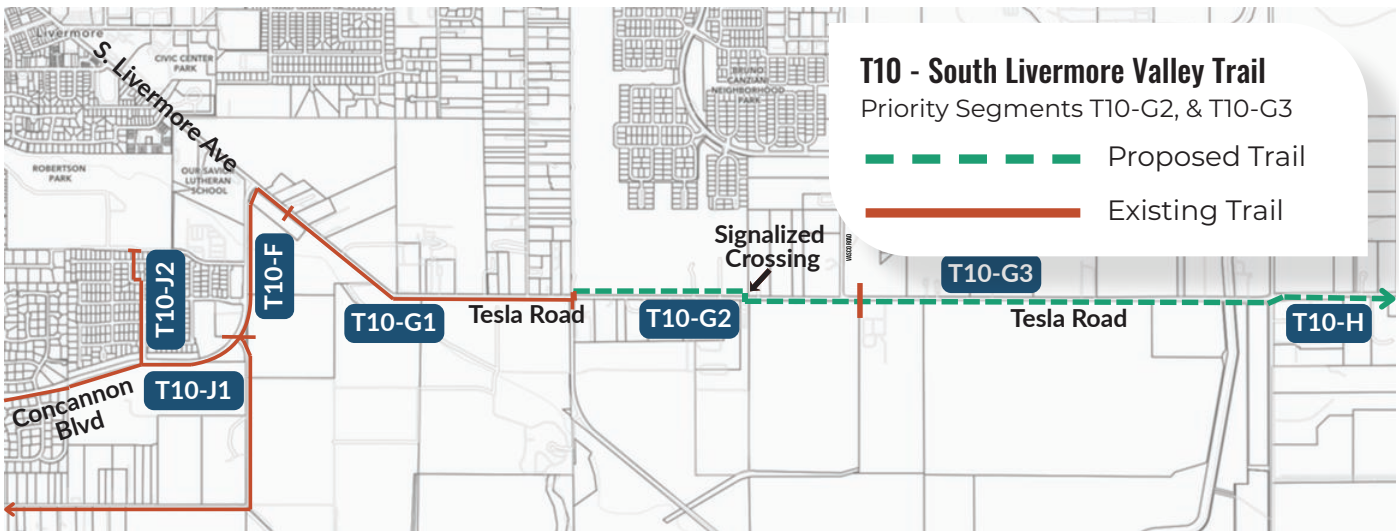
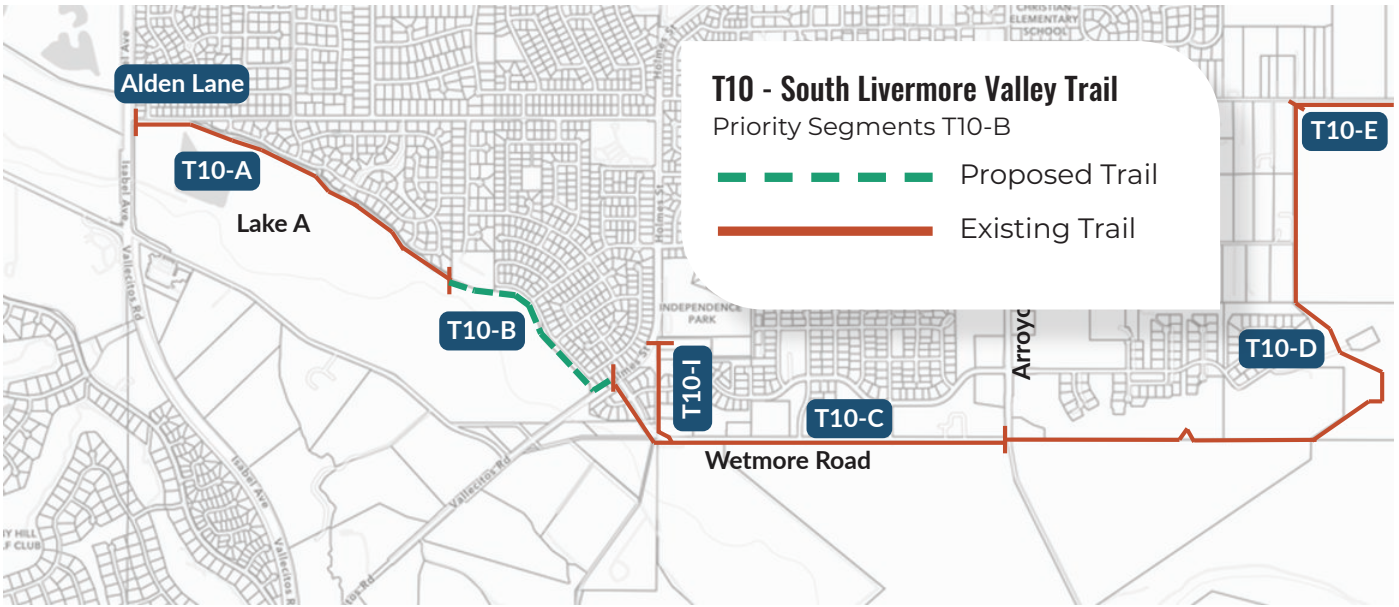
- T10-B: \$930,000
- T10-G2: \$872,400
- T10-G3: \$1,236,200

Construction: \$3,038,600

Planning, design and contingency: \$1,215,440

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$4,254,040





T11 – Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail

- Priority Segments:

- T11-A: Complete the remaining trail gap between Vallecitos Road and the western edge of Sycamore Grove Park, creating a continuous connection between Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area, Sycamore Grove Park, and Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area.

Location: Southwest Livermore, extending from Isabel Avenue to Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components

Length: 4.70 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Isabel Trail (T5), South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Arroyo Road Trail (T13), Sycamore Grove Park, Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area, and Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area trail systems.

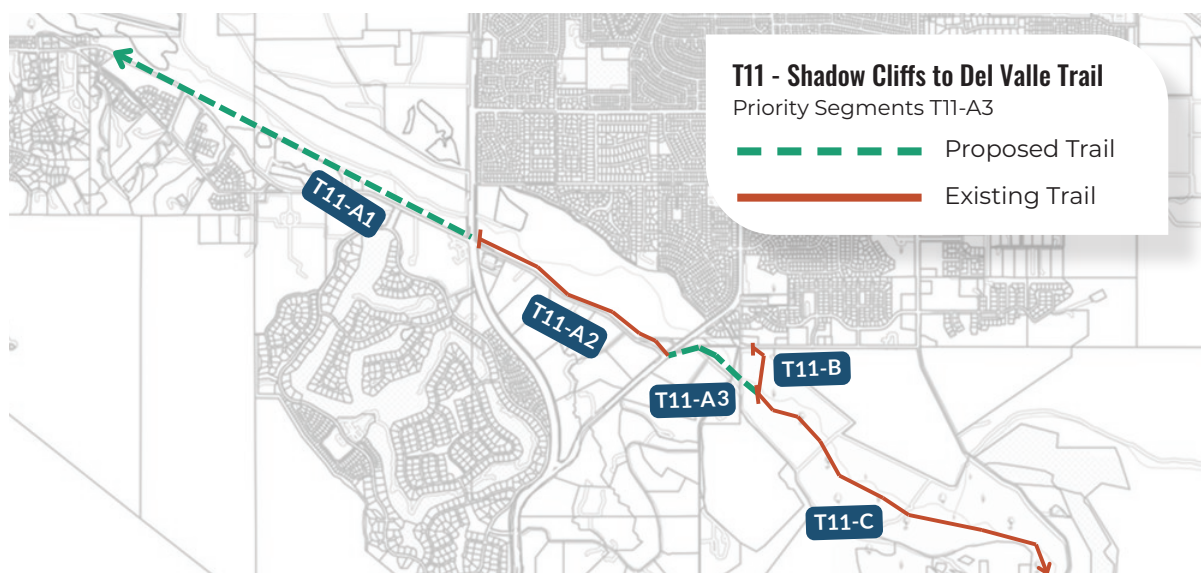
Description: The Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail connects Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area, Sycamore Grove Park, and Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area. The corridor provides opportunities for recreation and active transportation while linking regional parks and the District's trail network.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, substantial progress has been made completing the corridor, including the paved trail along Vineyard Avenue between Isabel Avenue and Vallecitos Road. The District's remaining priority is completing Segment T11-A between Vallecitos Road and the western edge of Sycamore Grove Park to close the final gap within LARPD's service area. Future implementation will require continued coordination with the City of Livermore, Zone 7 Water Agency, and other regional partners to secure right-of-way and coordinate trail improvements with the planned Lake A pipeline project and other infrastructure improvements within the corridor.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: T11-A: \$511,400
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$204,560

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$715,960



T12 – Mines Road Trail

Location: Southeast Livermore, generally following the Mines Road corridor from Tesla Road to Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components

Length: 6.80 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), South Bay Aqueduct Trail (T15), Dunsmuir Trail (T18), and Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area trail system

Description: The Mines Road Trail is a proposed north-south corridor connecting the South Livermore Valley, Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area, and the surrounding trail network. The corridor would improve recreational access to Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area while supporting regional trail connectivity by connecting to the South Bay Aqueduct Trail and other planned trail corridors. South of the South Bay Aqueduct, the corridor also represents a planned segment of the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail.

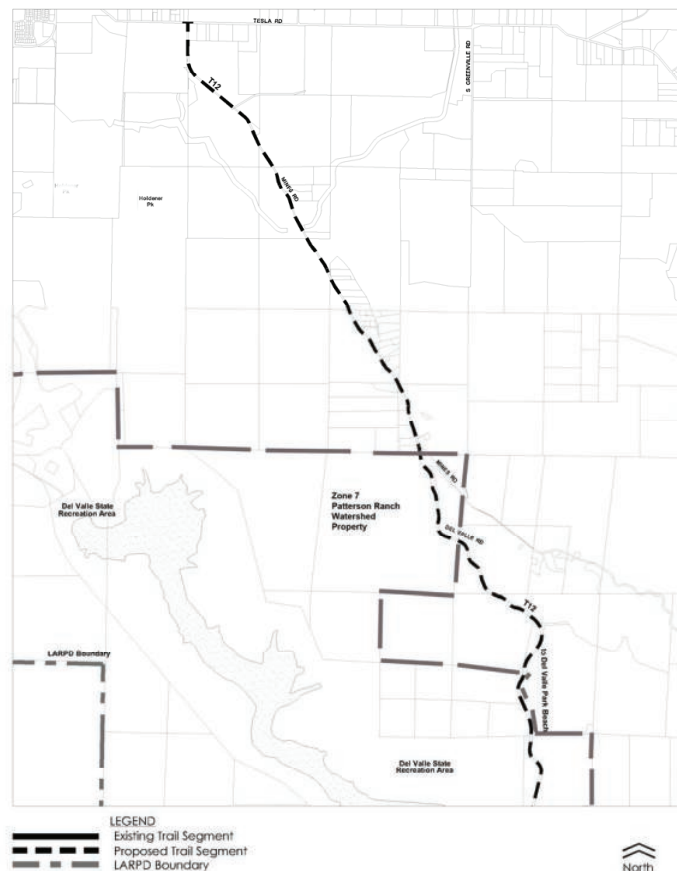
The corridor is located outside the Livermore city limits and urban growth boundary, with limited available right-of-way along portions of Mines Road. Implementation will require coordination with Alameda County, East Bay Regional Park District, the National Park Service, private property owners, and other regional partners.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost:

- Construction: \$7,180,800
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$2,872,320

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$10,053,120

Mines Road Trail - T12



T13 – Arroyo Road Trail

Priority Segments:

- T13-B: Complete the trail connection between the existing Arroyo Trail at Wetmore Road and the Arroyo del Valle Regional Trail within Sycamore Grove Park.

Location: South Livermore, generally following Arroyo Road between Ravenswood Historic Site and Sycamore Grove Park.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components

Length: 1.91 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail (T11), Dry Creek Trail (T25), Sycamore Grove Park, and Veterans Park trail systems.

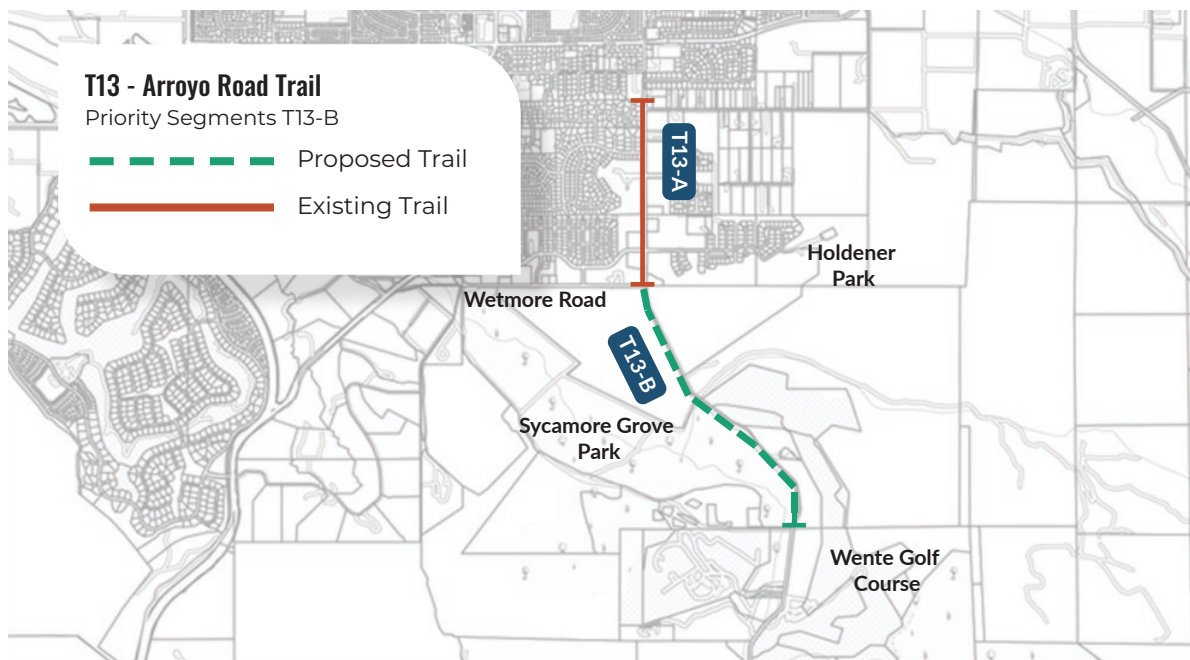
Description: The Arroyo Road Trail connects Ravenswood Historic Site, Sycamore Grove Park, Veterans Park, and the surrounding open space along the Arroyo Road corridor. The trail improves access between parks, trails, and surrounding neighborhoods while providing recreation opportunities.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, the City of Livermore has secured funding to complete Segment T13-B, connecting the existing Arroyo Trail at Wetmore Road to the Arroyo del Valle Regional Trail within Sycamore Grove Park. The District is coordinating with the City on design, right-of-way acquisition, and implementation, including coordination with the Alameda County bridge replacement project at Arroyo Road and Dry Creek.

Current Project Budget:

- Development Impact Fee - AB1600 - \$4,695,000
- State Grant - \$835,000

Total Estimated Cost: \$5,530,000



T14 – Jack London Trail

Location: South Livermore, generally following Jack London Boulevard between Isabel Avenue and Greenville Road.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 2.91 miles (corridor)

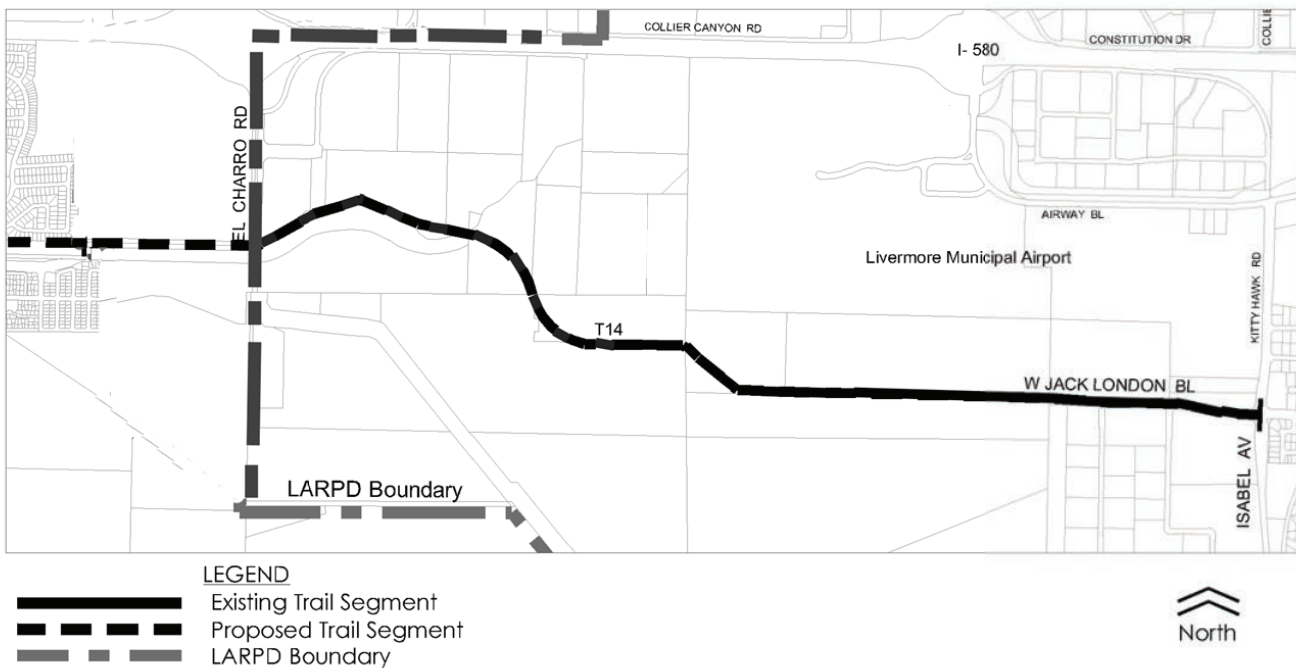
Trail Connections: South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Arroyo Road Trail (T13), Greenville Road Trail (T24), and surrounding neighborhood trail system.

Description: The Jack London Trail is an existing multi-use trail that provides an east-west connection between neighborhoods, parks, schools, and employment areas in southern Livermore. The corridor supports both recreation and active transportation while connecting to several local and regional trail corridors. The trail has been completed and serves as an important component of the District's existing paved trail network.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

Completed corridor – no additional planning-level cost estimate.

Jack London Trail - T14



T15 – South Bay Aqueduct Trail

Priority Segments:

- T15-A: Multi-use trail along the South Bay Aqueduct service road from the parking area north of Interstate 580 south to Patterson Pass Road.
- T15-B: Multi-use trail connection along Greenville Road and Tesla Road where the South Bay Aqueduct departs from the corridor.
- T15-C: Multi-use trail along the South Bay Aqueduct service road from Tesla Road to Mines Road.

Location: Eastern Livermore Area, generally following the South Bay Aqueduct corridor from Interstate 580 to Mines Road.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 7.15 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Patterson Pass Trail (T8), South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Mines Road Trail (T12), Iron Horse Trail (T16), and Greenville Road Trail (T24).

Description: The South Bay Aqueduct Trail would create a north-south regional trail corridor connecting existing and planned trail systems in eastern Livermore. The corridor would improve access between northern and southern portions of the Livermore area while supporting future regional trail connections, including opportunities to connect with the Altamont Hills area and, ultimately, the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail.

The proposed trail generally follows existing South Bay Aqueduct service roads and is intended to be compatible with ongoing California Department of Water Resources operations. Improvements would primarily consist of trail amenities, wayfinding, fencing, and safety enhancements rather than construction of a new trail corridor. Similar shared-use approaches have been implemented along other California Aqueduct facilities, demonstrating the feasibility of public trail use while maintaining access for aqueduct operations. Implementation will require continued coordination with the California Department of Water Resources, East Bay Regional Park District, Alameda County, and other regional partners.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

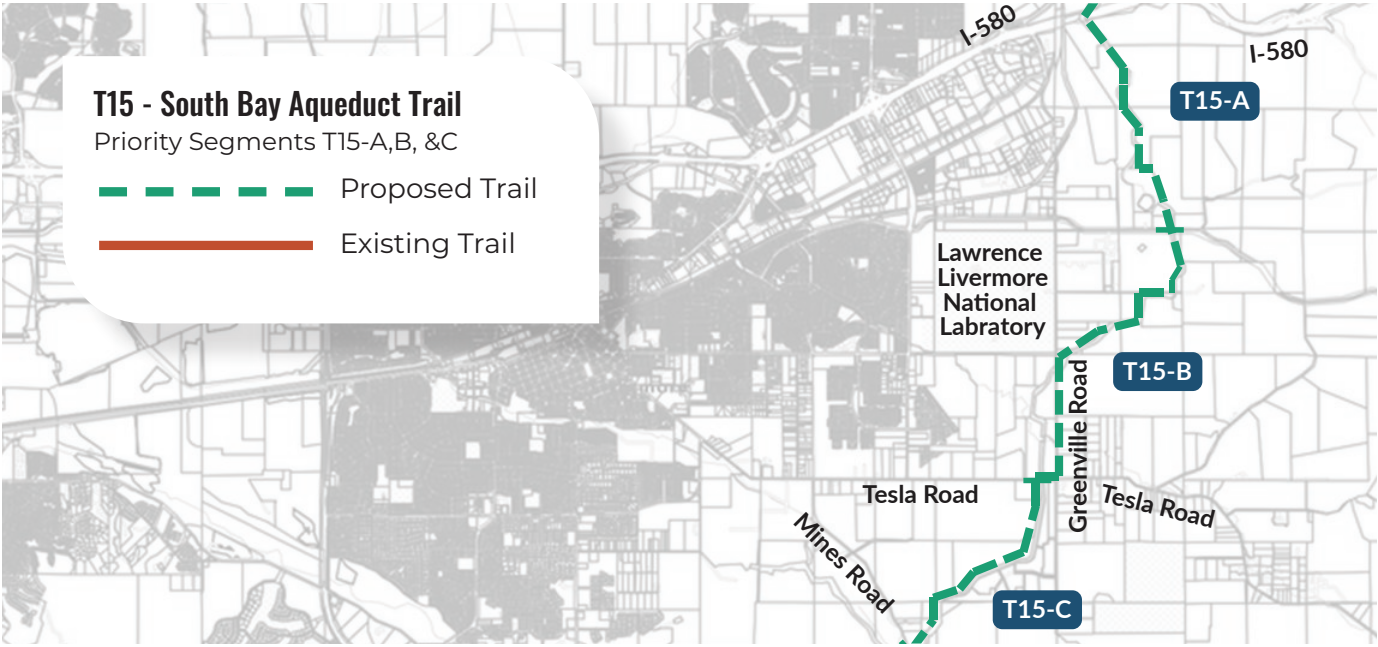
- T15-A: \$3,500,000
- T15-B: \$900,000
- T15-C: \$1,720,000

Construction: \$6,120,000

Planning, Design, and Contingency: \$2,500,000

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$8,620,000





T16 – Iron Horse Trail

Priority Segments:

- T16-C: Stanley Boulevard to L Street (existing eastern terminus through Heritage Estates)
- T16-E: L Street to North K Street (including future crossing of P Street and railroad connection)

Location: Located in the center of Livermore running an east-west direction roughly following the Union Pacific Railway.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 18.25 miles

Trail Connections: Altamont Creek Trail (T4), Isabel Trail (T5), Patterson Pass Trail (T8), Arroyo Seco Trail (T09), South Bay Aqueduct Trail (T15), Arroyo Mocho Trail (T19), Brushy Peak Connector Trail (T23)

Description: The Iron Horse Trail is a regional multi-use trail that provides east-west connections through Livermore while linking neighborhoods, downtown, employment centers, transit, and the regional trail network. The corridor is part of the larger Iron Horse Regional Trail and serves both recreation and active transportation.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, the City of Livermore has advanced planning for the eastern extension of the Iron Horse Trail and identified phased implementation strategies informed by the Iron Horse Trail Feasibility Study. Current priorities include extending the existing trail east from Stanley Boulevard, completing connections through commercial properties and across P Street, and establishing a future connection to the Arroyo Vista trail and eastern trail network.

Note: Portions of the eastern corridor correspond to segments identified as T8 in this Master Plan to maintain consistency with previous LARPD planning documents.

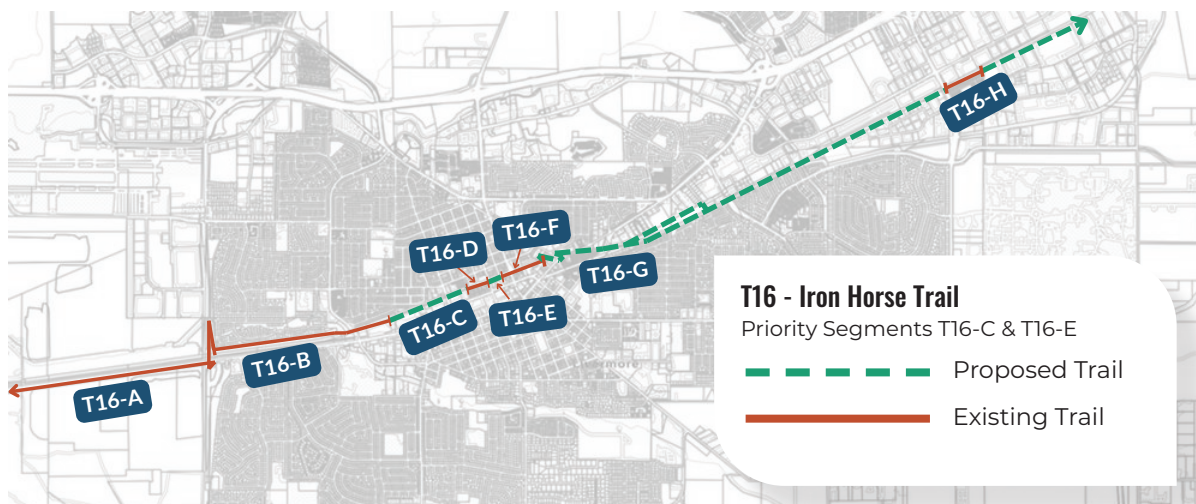
Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- T16-C: \$561,000
- T16-E: \$115,600

Construction: \$676,600

Planning, Design, and Contingency: \$270,800

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$947,400



T17 – Laughlin Road Trail

Location: Northeast Livermore, generally following the Laughlin Road corridor.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Components

Length: 2.32 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Altamont Creek Trail (T4), Arroyo Las Positas Trail (T6), and the Brushy Peak Regional Preserve trail system.

Description: The Laughlin Road Trail is a proposed north-south corridor connecting neighborhoods in northeast Livermore with the Altamont Creek Trail, Arroyo Las Positas Trail, and Brushy Peak Regional Preserve. The corridor would improve local and regional trail connectivity while providing access to parks, open space, and the surrounding trail network.

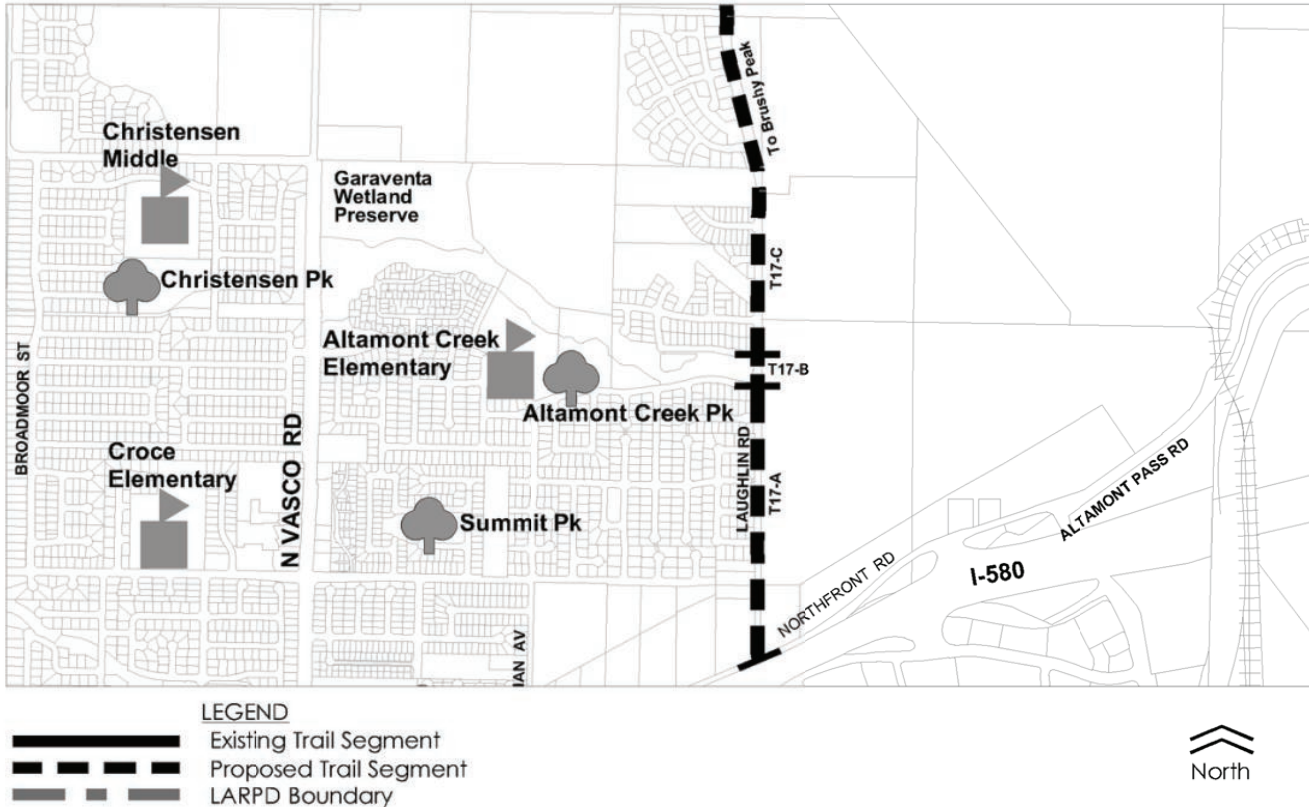
The northern portion of the corridor extends beyond the Livermore city limits and urban growth boundary. Future implementation will require coordination with Alameda County, East Bay Regional Park District, private property owners, and other regional partners.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$2,449,920
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$979,968

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$3,429,888

Laughlin Road Trail - T17



T18 – Dunsmuir Trail

Location: Southeast Livermore, generally following the Dunsmuir Avenue corridor between Greenville Road and Mines Road.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 1.76 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Mines Road Trail (T12), and Greenville Road Trail (T24).

Description: The Dunsmuir Trail is a proposed east-west corridor that would improve connections between neighborhoods, parks, schools, and the District's regional trail network in southeast Livermore. The corridor would provide a link between the South Livermore Valley Trail, Mines Road Trail, and surrounding community destinations.

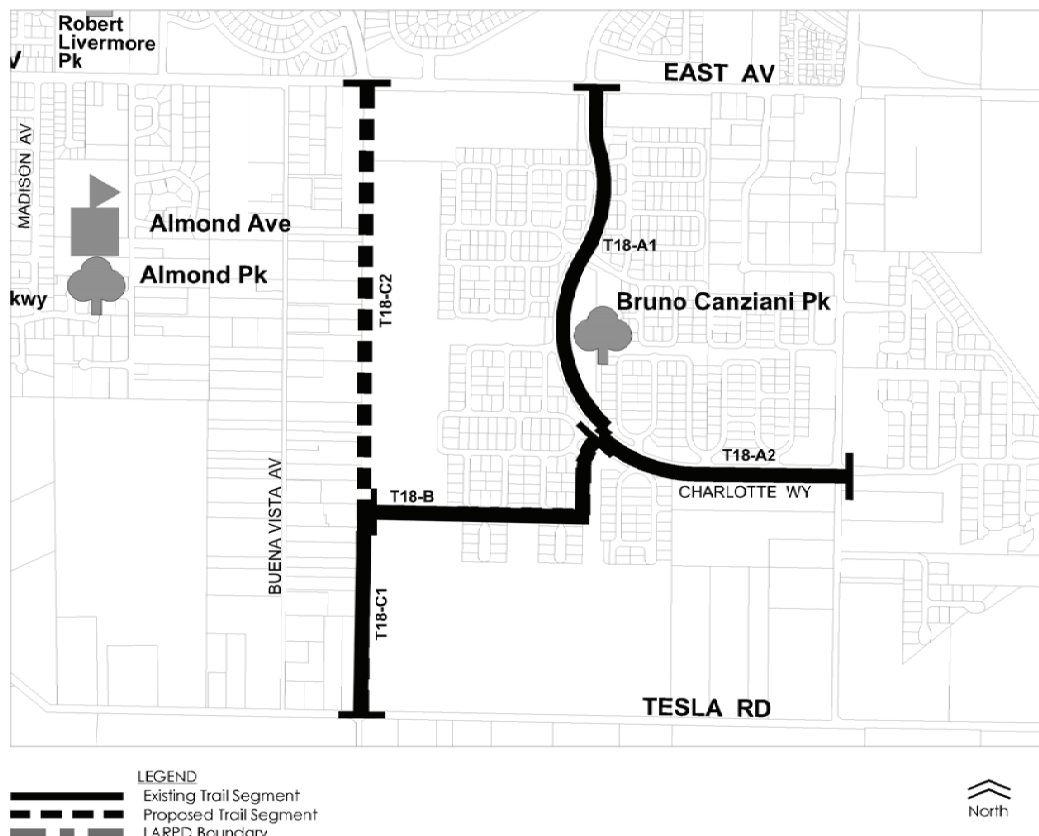
Implementation is constrained by insufficient right-of-way along portions of the corridor. Future development of the trail will require coordination with the City of Livermore, private property owners, and other partners to secure the necessary right-of-way and advance the corridor.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$1,056,000
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$422,400

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$1,478,400

Dunsmuir Trail - T18



T19 – Arroyo Mocho / El Charro Road Trail

Priority Segments:

- T19-C1: Complete the multi-use trail between the Oaks Business Park and the existing trail east of Isabel Avenue, including a new pedestrian bridge over Isabel Avenue.

Location: Located generally in the center of Livermore following an east-west direction parallel to the Arroyo Mocho.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail with Equestrian Component

Length: 6.39 miles

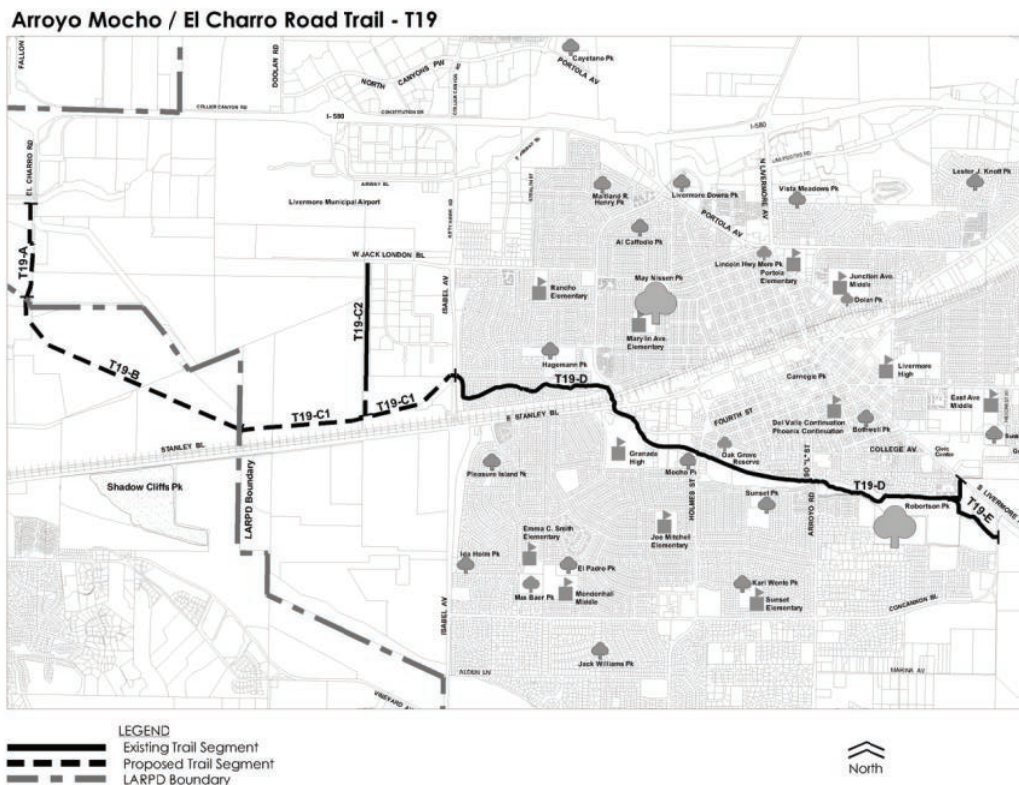
Trail Connections: Isabel Trail (T5), Civic Center Trail (T7), South Livermore Valley Trail (T10), Jack London Trail (T14), Iron Horse Trail (T16)

Description: The Arroyo Mocho Trail provides an east-west connection through central Livermore. The corridor supports both recreation and active transportation while providing an important connection between the Civic Center, Robertson Park, Isabel Trail, and the South Livermore Valley Trail.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, the City of Livermore has advanced planning for Segment T19-C1, which will construct approximately 5,000 feet of multi-use trail between the Oaks Business Park and the existing trail east of Isabel Avenue and south of Arroyo Mocho, including a new pedestrian bridge over Isabel Avenue. When completed, the project will establish a continuous off-road trail connection from Pleasanton to Robertson Park, eliminating the need for trail users to cross Isabel Avenue at the Jack London Boulevard intersection. Segment T19-A remains a long-term priority requiring continued coordination with Alameda County and regional partners.

Current Project Budget

- Total Estimated Cost: \$3,750,000
- Funding Source: Traffic Impact Fee (TIF)



T20 – Doolan Canyon Trail

Location: Northwest Livermore, generally extending through Doolan Canyon between Las Positas College and Collier Canyon.

Trail Classification: Mixed Multi-Use Paved and Unpaved Trail

Length: 5.92 miles

Trail Connections: College Trail (T3), Collier Canyon Trail (T21), and regional trail opportunities extending toward the Dublin area.

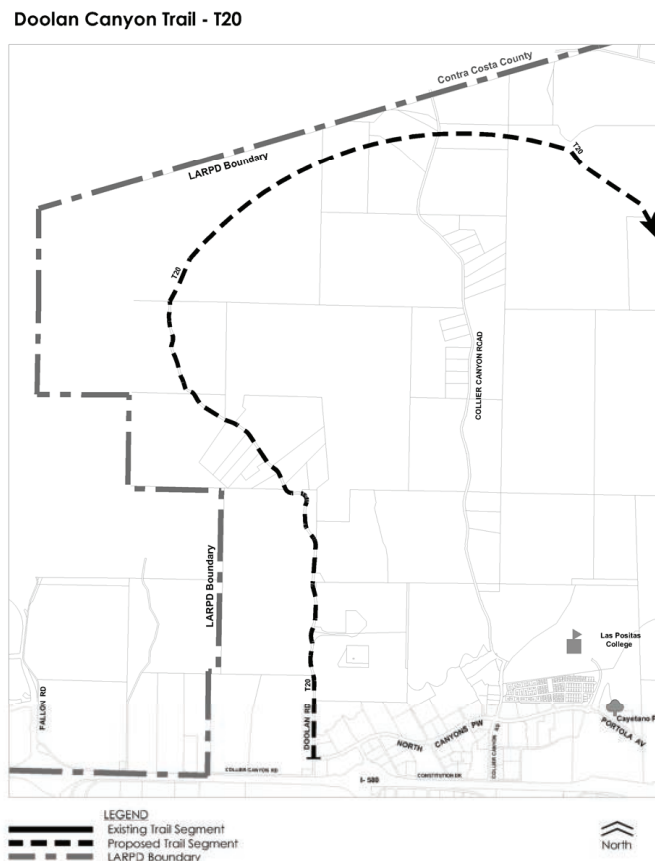
Description: The Doolan Canyon Trail is a proposed regional trail corridor providing access to the Doolan Canyon open space area while connecting Las Positas College, Collier Canyon, and surrounding regional trail opportunities. The corridor would expand recreational access to one of the Livermore area's largest undeveloped open space resources while supporting future regional trail connections.

Since adoption of the 2016 Master Plan, the City of Livermore has expressed support for working collaboratively with regional partners to provide future public trail access through Doolan Canyon. East Bay Regional Park District plans to begin providing limited public access through guided tours while initiating the land-use planning process for the property. Future trail development will continue to depend on the outcomes of that planning process and coordination among East Bay Regional Park District, the City of Livermore, LARPD, and other partners.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$6,251,520
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$2,500,608

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$8,752,128



T21 – Collier Canyon Trail

Location: Northwest Livermore, generally following the Collier Canyon corridor north of Doolan Canyon between Las Positas College and Collier Canyon.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved with Equestrian Component

Length: 3.92 miles

Trail Connections: North Canyons Parkway Trail (T2), College Trail (T3), Doolan Canyon Trail (T20), and regional trail opportunities extending toward the Dublin area.

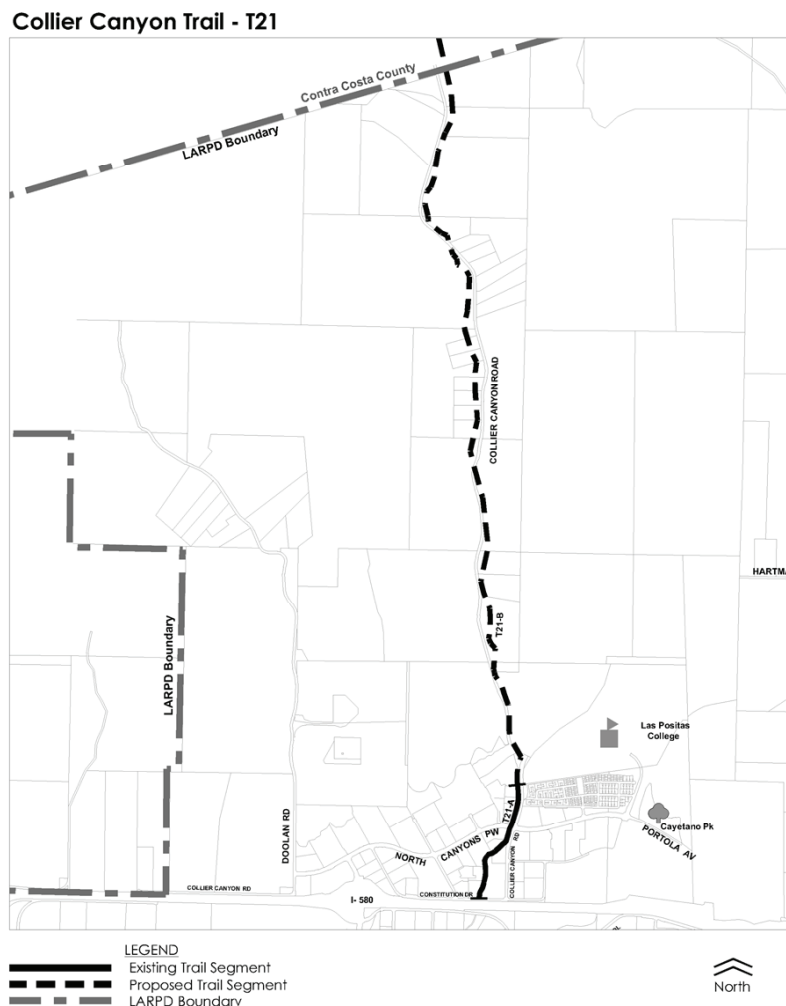
Description: The Collier Canyon Trail is a proposed regional trail corridor providing access between the Doolan Canyon area, northern Livermore, and surrounding regional open space. The corridor would expand recreational opportunities while supporting future connections between the Livermore area and adjacent regional trail systems.

Future implementation will require coordination with Alameda County, East Bay Regional Park District, private property owners, and other regional partners. Planning for the corridor should be coordinated with future planning efforts for the adjacent Doolan Canyon open space area.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$4,139,520
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$1,655,808

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$5,795,328



T22 – Brushy Peak to Los Vaqueros

Priority Segments:

- T22: Complete the remaining 320' trail connection between the existing Black Hills Trail and Brushy Peak Regional Preserve.

Location: Northeast Livermore Area

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Unpaved Trail

Length: 1.61 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Brushy Peak Regional Preserve trail system (West side Loop Trail) and Los Vaqueros Watershed (Black Hills Trail).

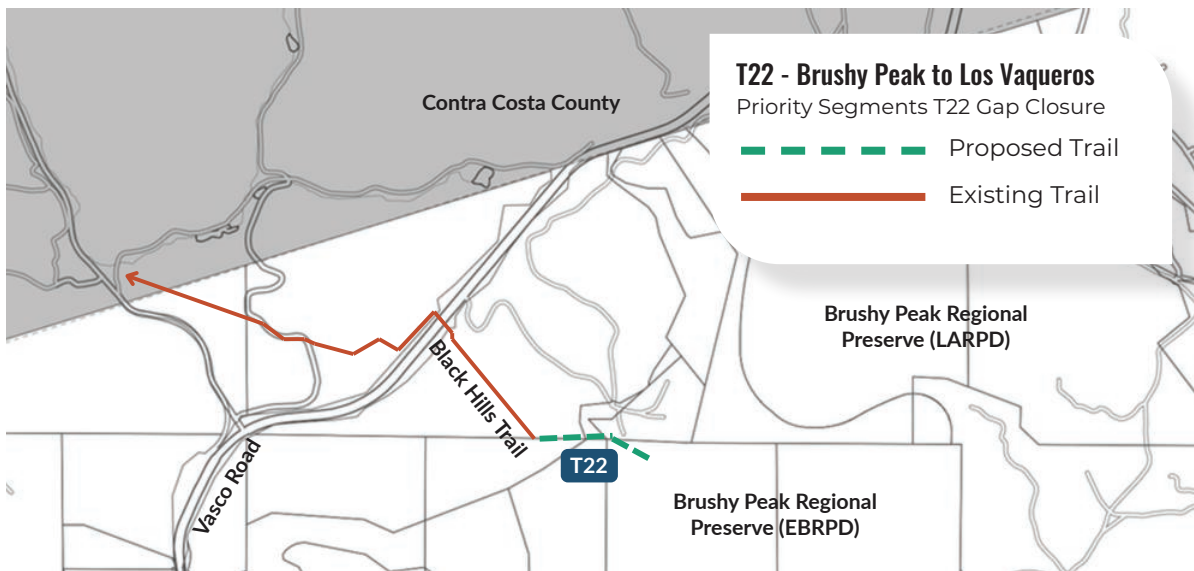
Description: The Brushy Peak to Los Vaqueros Trail provides a regional connection between Brushy Peak Regional Preserve and the Contra Costa Water District's Los Vaqueros Watershed trail system. The connection would link the Brushy Peak trail system with the Black Hills Trail and the broader Los Vaqueros Watershed trail network, creating future opportunities for regional trail connectivity while also serving as a potential segment of the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail.

The existing Black Hills Trail extends from the Los Vaqueros Watershed to the boundary of Brushy Peak Regional Preserve. The District's remaining priority is completing the final connection between the Black Hills Trail and the existing Brushy Peak trail system. Implementation will require securing the necessary easement or other property interest from the adjacent landowner, as well as continued coordination with the East Bay Regional Park District, Contra Costa Water District, and other regional partners.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- 320' Unpaved trail: \$63,360
- Planning, Design, Contingency: \$25,344

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (with contingency): \$88,704



T23 – Brushy Peak Connector Trail

Location: Northeast Livermore, generally connecting Dyer Road with Brushy Peak Regional Preserve

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Unpaved Trail

Length: 2.57 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Laughlin Road Trail (T17), Brushy Peak Regional Preserve trail system, and future regional trail opportunities in northeastern Livermore.

Description: The Brushy Peak Connector Trail is a proposed access corridor between the Dyer Road area and Brushy Peak Regional Preserve. The corridor would improve public access to one of the District's primary open space destinations while expanding opportunities for hiking, equestrian use, and regional trail connectivity.

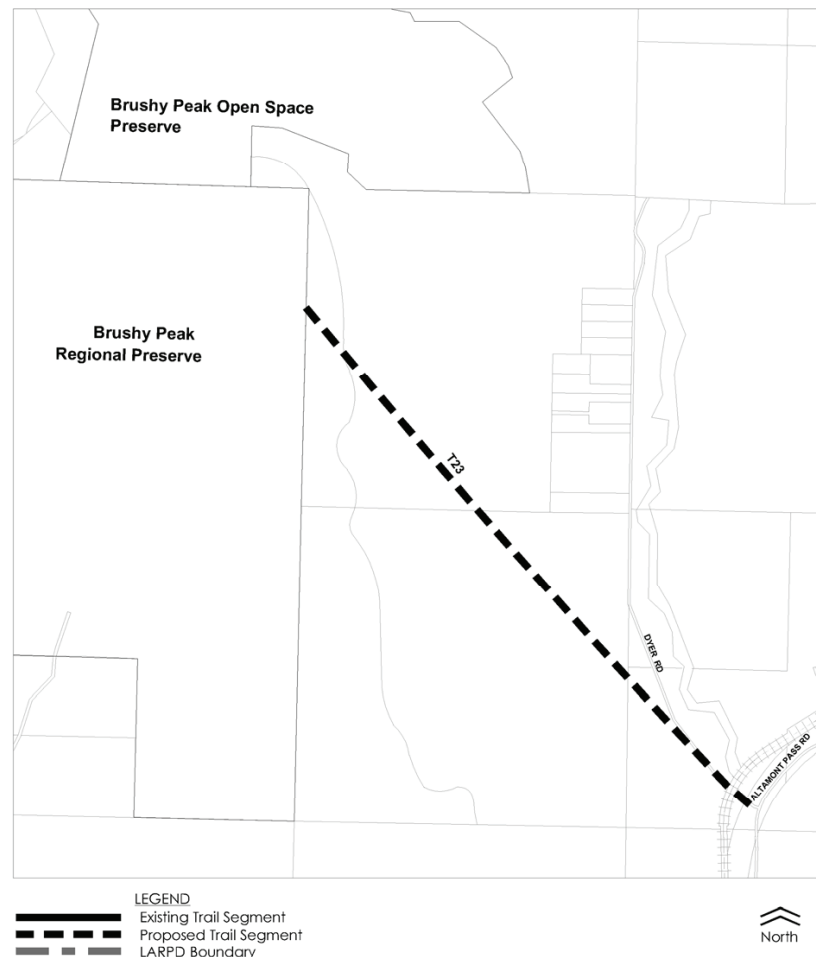
Future implementation will require coordination with East Bay Regional Park District, private property owners, and other regional partners to evaluate alignment opportunities, secure necessary property interests, and address environmental and operational considerations.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$2,713,920
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$1,085,568

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$3,799,488

Brushy Peak Connector Trail - T23



T24 – Greenville Road Trail

Location: Eastern Livermore, generally following the Greenville Road corridor between Interstate 580 and Tesla Road.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Paved Trail

Length: 1.23 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Patterson Pass Trail (T8), South Bay Aqueduct Trail (T15)

Description: The Greenville Road Trail is a proposed connector trail linking the Patterson Pass Trail and the South Bay Aqueduct Trail. The corridor would provide an off-road alternative for pedestrians and bicyclists traveling along Greenville Road, improving connectivity between two regional trail corridors while enhancing access to the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

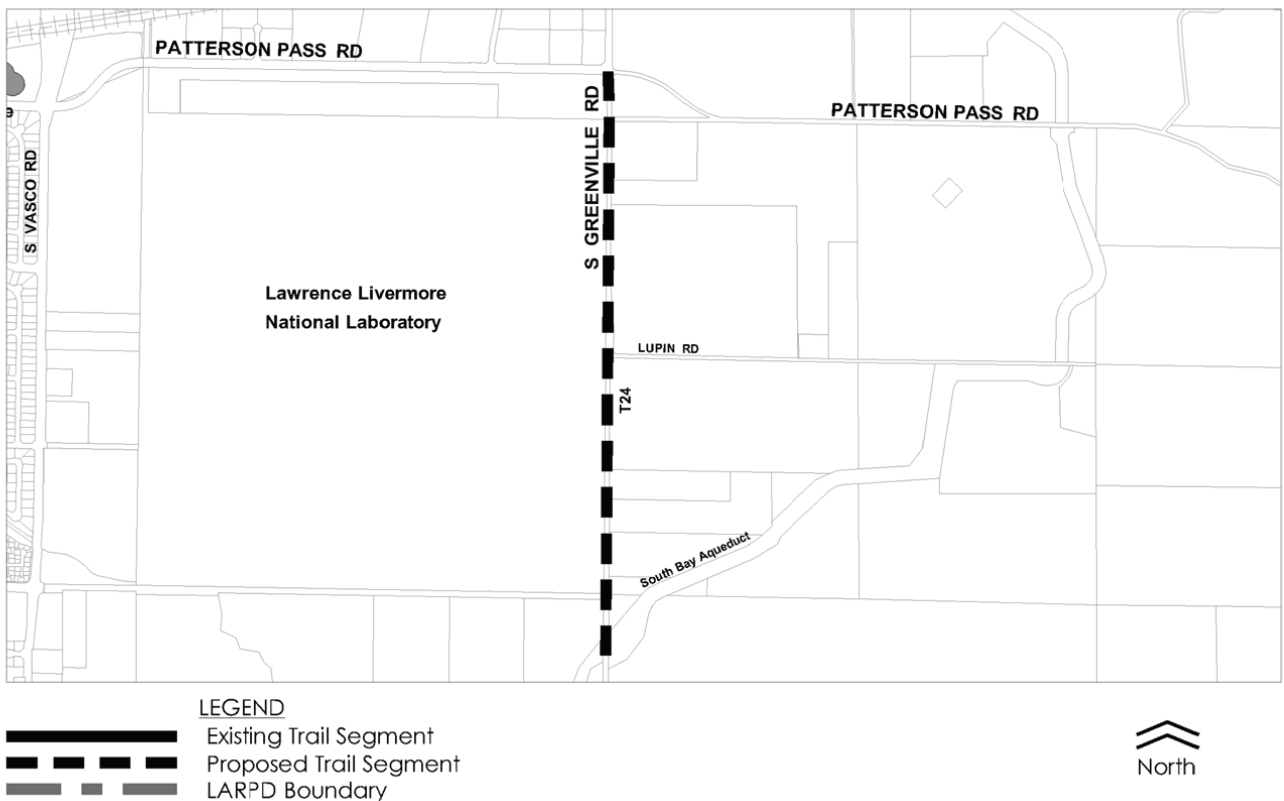
The proposed alignment generally parallels Greenville Road and is constrained by existing property ownership. Future implementation will require coordination with adjacent property owners, the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, and other partners to identify a feasible alignment and secure the necessary right-of-way. The corridor is located outside the Livermore city limits but within the urban growth boundary.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$1,298,880
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$519,552

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$1,818,432

Greenville Road Trail - T24



T25 – Dry Creek Trail

Location: Southeast Livermore, generally follows an east-west direction along Dry Creek.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Unpaved

Length: 3.23 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Arroyo Road Trail (T13), Holdener Park, Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area trail system

Description: The Dry Creek Trail is a proposed east-west trail corridor connecting Arroyo Road, Holdener Park, and the Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area trail system. The corridor would expand recreational opportunities while improving access to open space and regional trail destinations in southeastern Livermore.

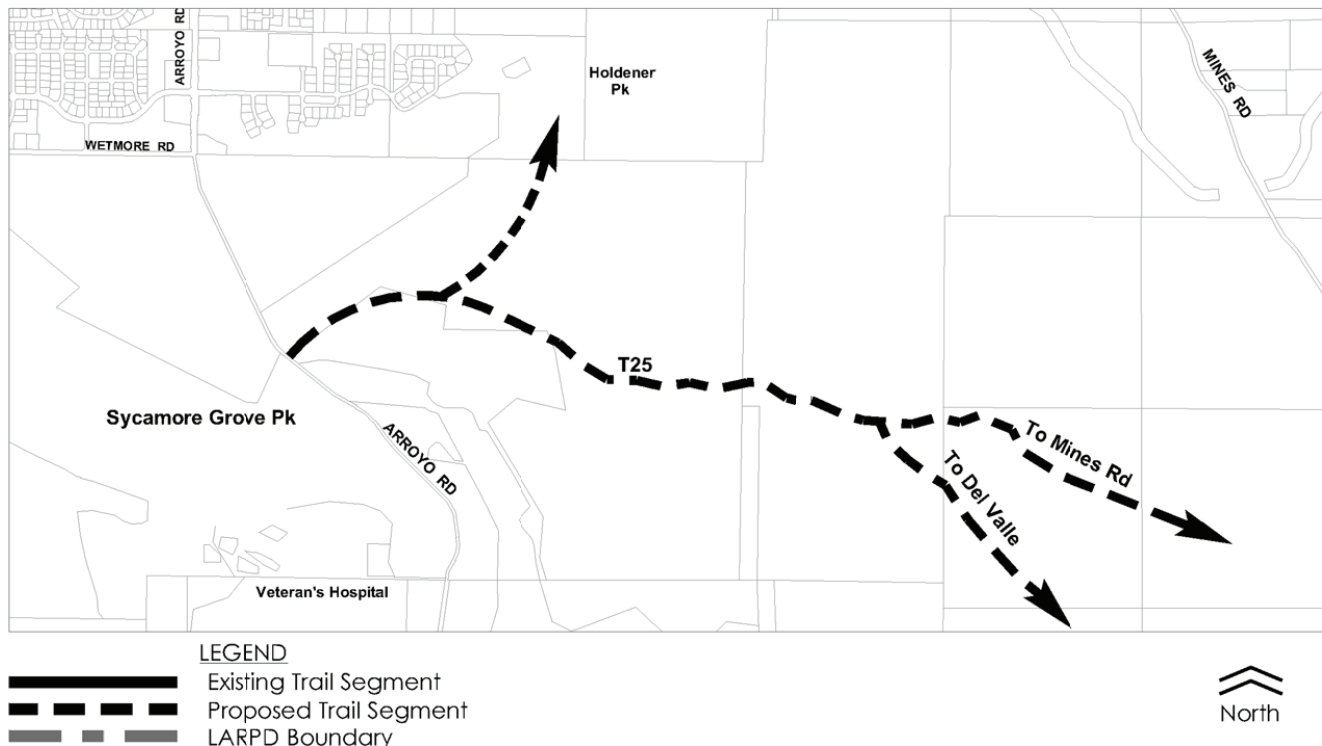
The proposed alignment generally follows the Dry Creek corridor and includes a future connection to Holdener Park, with trail segments extending toward Mines Road and Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area. The corridor is located outside the Livermore city limits and urban growth boundary. Future implementation will require coordination with private property owners, Alameda County, East Bay Regional Park District, and other regional partners to secure the necessary right-of-way and advance the corridor.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$3,410,880
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$1,364,352

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$4,775,232

Dry Creek Trail - T25



T26 – Cedar Mountain Trail

Location: Southeast Livermore, generally extending east from Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area toward Cedar Mountain.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Unpaved Trail

Length: 2.32 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area trail system.

Description: The Cedar Mountain Trail is a proposed unpaved trail connecting the Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area trail system with the Cedar Mountain area, with the potential for a future connection to Mines Road. The corridor would provide access to remote open space, scenic landscapes, expansive views, and backcountry recreation opportunities.

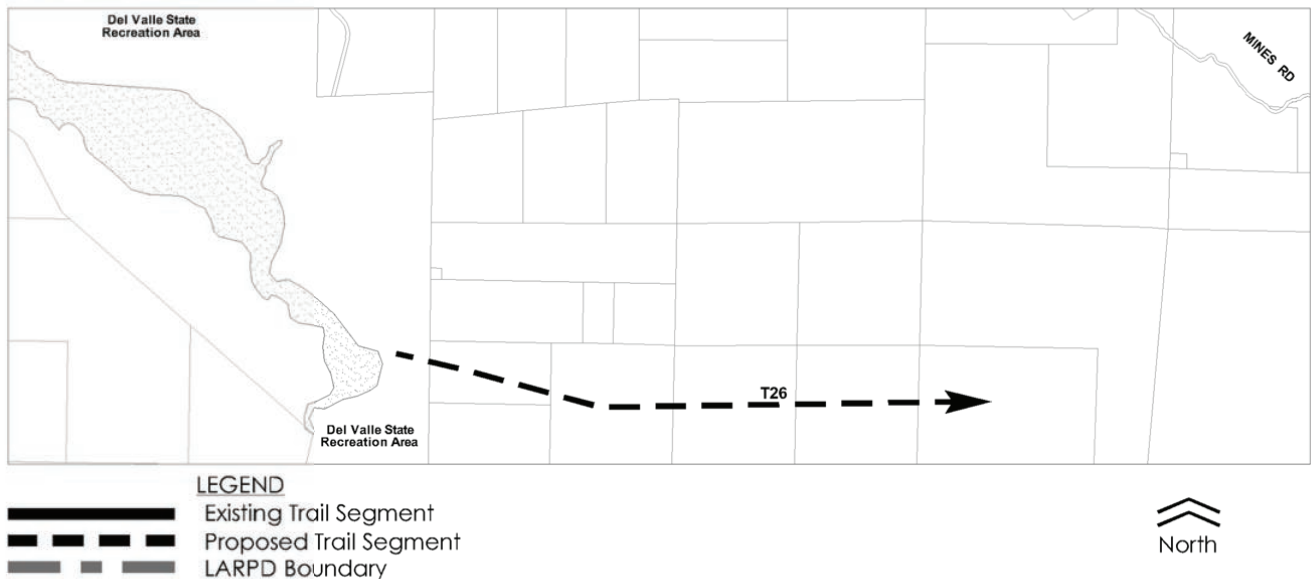
The proposed alignment extends east from the southeastern portion of Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area toward Cedar Mountain. The corridor is located outside the Livermore city limits and urban growth boundary and traverses privately owned agricultural lands. Future implementation will require coordination with private property owners, Alameda County, California State Parks, East Bay Regional Park District, and other regional partners to secure the necessary right-of-way and advance the corridor.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$2,449,920
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$979,968

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$3,429,888

Cedar Mountain Trail - T26



T27 – Brushy Peak to Brentwood Trail

Location: Northeast Livermore, generally extending from Brushy Peak toward Contra Costa County.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Unpaved Trail

Length: 0.53 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Brushy Peak Regional Preserve trail system.

Description: The Brushy Peak to Brentwood Trail is a proposed regional trail corridor extending northeast from Brushy Peak toward Contra Costa County. The corridor would provide a future connection between the Brushy Peak Regional Preserve trail system and potential trail opportunities serving the Brentwood area.

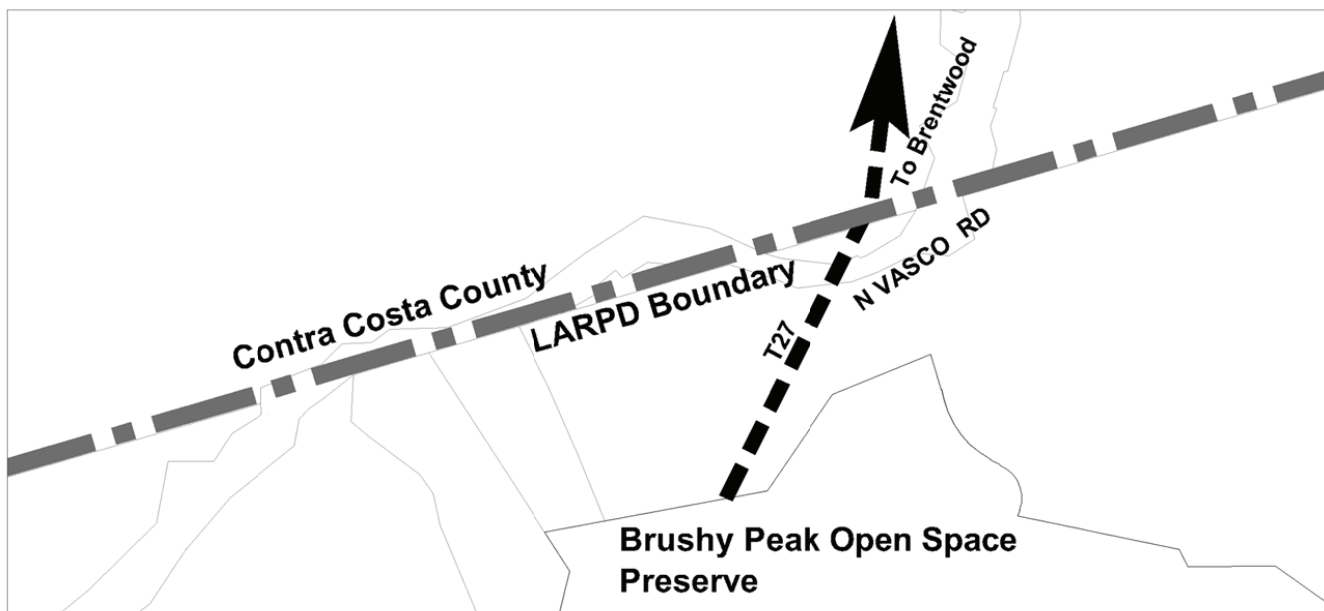
The specific trail alignment has not been determined. The corridor is located outside the Livermore city limits and urban growth boundary and traverses privately owned agricultural lands. Future implementation will require coordination with private property owners, East Bay Regional Park District, Contra Costa Water District, and other regional partners to identify a feasible alignment and secure the necessary property interests.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$559,680
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$223,872

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$783,552

Brushy Peak to Brentwood Trail - T27



LEGEND

- Existing Trail Segment
- Proposed Trail Segment
- LARPD Boundary



T28 – Brushy Peak to Bethany Reservoir Trail

Location: Northeast Livermore, generally extending from Brushy Peak toward Bethany Reservoir.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Unpaved Trail

Length: 1.93 miles (corridor)

Trail Connections: Brushy Peak Regional Preserve trail system.

Description: The Brushy Peak to Bethany Reservoir Trail is a proposed regional trail corridor connecting Brushy Peak Regional Preserve with the Bethany Reservoir area. The corridor would expand regional trail opportunities while supporting future connections along the South Bay Aqueduct corridor.

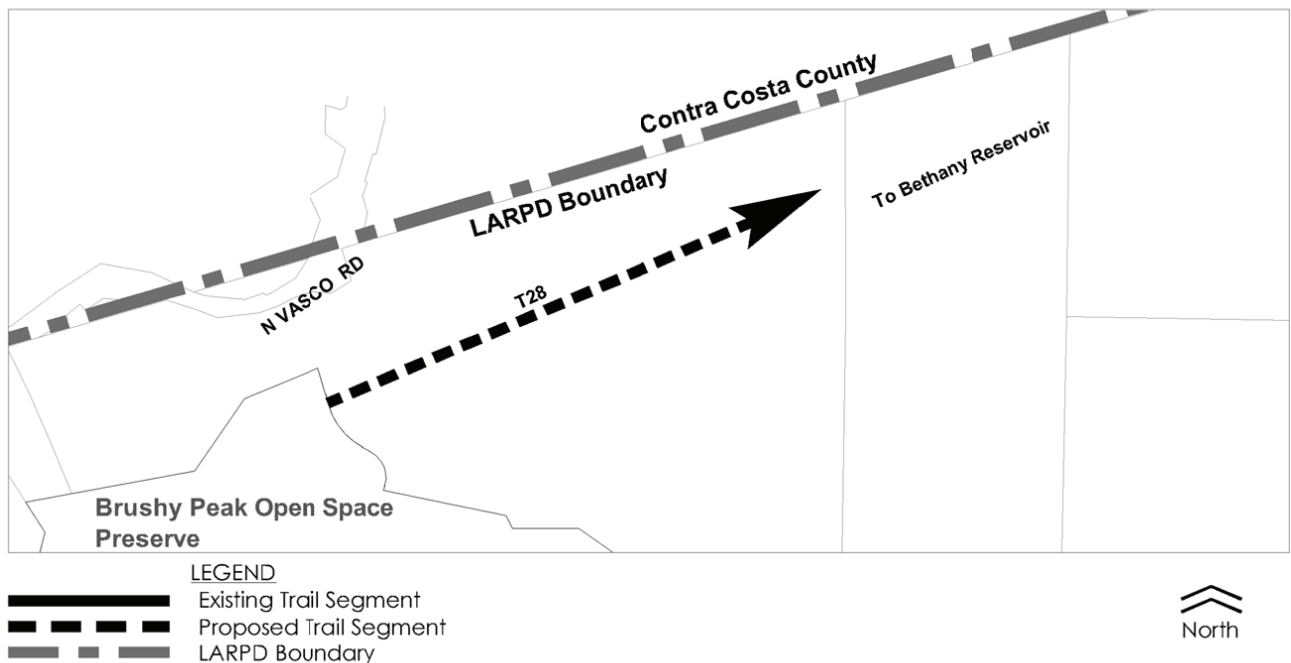
The proposed alignment extends northeast from Brushy Peak to the South Bay Aqueduct before continuing toward Bethany Reservoir. The corridor is located outside the Livermore city limits and urban growth boundary and traverses privately owned agricultural lands. Future implementation will require coordination with the California Department of Water Resources, East Bay Regional Park District, private property owners, and other regional partners. Development of the corridor will also depend on future planning efforts that evaluate the shared use of the South Bay Aqueduct service roads.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$2,038,080
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$815,232

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$2,853,312

Brushy Peak to Bethany Reservoir Trail - T28



T29 – North Livermore Connector Trail

Location: North Livermore, generally extending east-west from Vasco Road toward northwest Livermore.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Unpaved Trail with Equestrian Components

Length: 2.55 miles

Trail Connections: Cayetano Creek Trail (T1)

Description: The North Livermore Connector Trail is a proposed east-west corridor connecting northeast Livermore with businesses, neighborhoods, and Las Positas College in northwest Livermore.

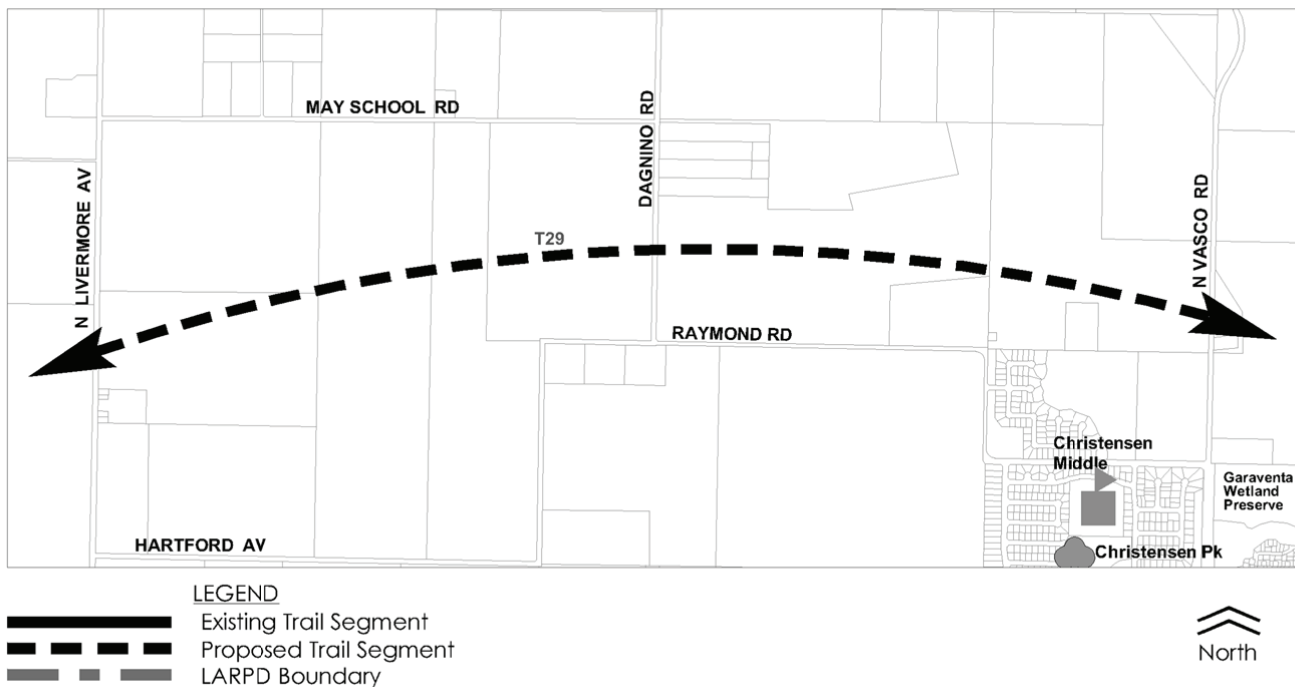
The majority of the corridor is located outside the Livermore city limits and urban growth boundary and traverses privately owned agricultural lands. Portions of the corridor also contain sensitive alkali sink wetland habitat and habitat for special-status species. Future implementation will require coordination with private property owners, Alameda County, environmental resource agencies, and other regional partners to identify a feasible alignment while minimizing impacts to sensitive natural resources.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

- Construction: \$2,692,800
- Planning, Design and Contingency: \$1,077,120

Estimated Planning-Level Cost (without right-of-way): \$3,769,920

North Livermore Connector Trail - T29



T31 – Del Valle Watershed Trail

Location: Southeast Livermore, generally following a north-south corridor through the Del Valle Watershed between the Patterson Ranch Trail, Sycamore Grove Park, Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area, and Ohlone Wilderness.

Trail Classification: Multi-Use Unpaved Trail

Length: Conceptual Corridor

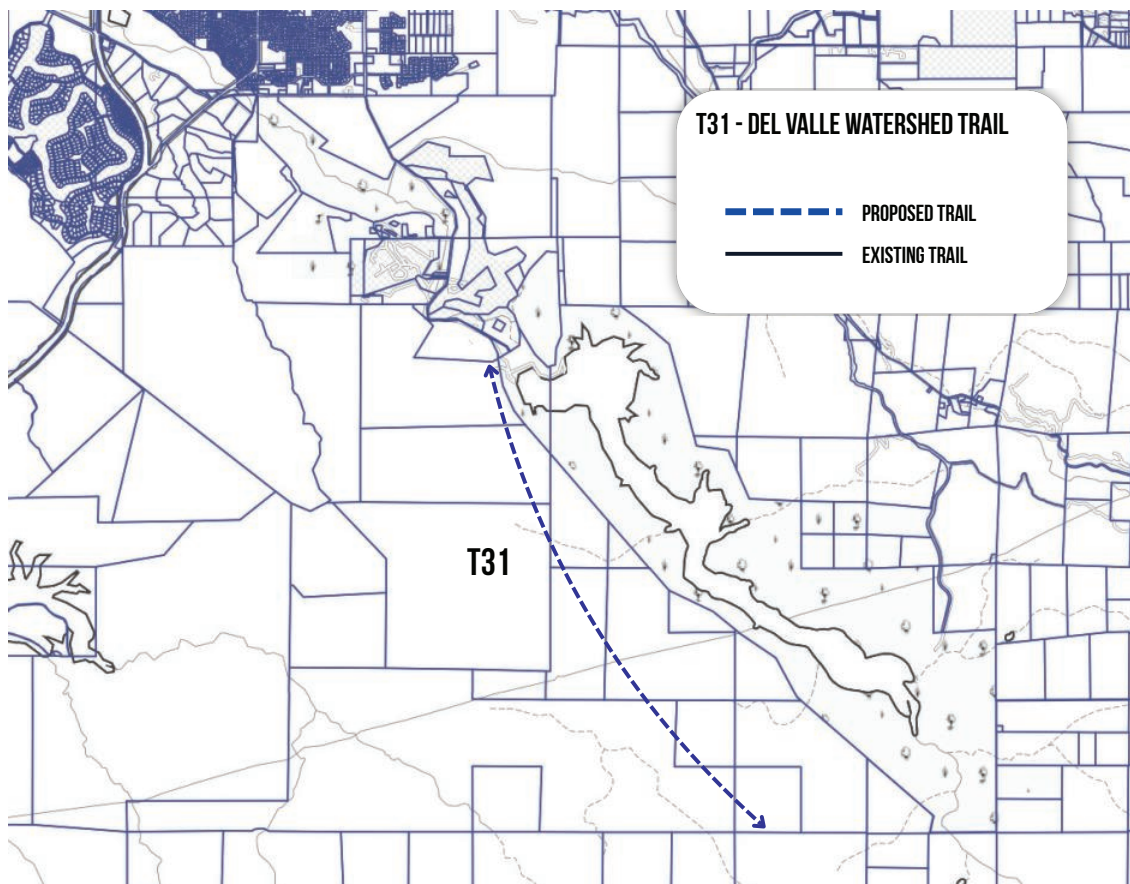
Trail Connections: Patterson Ranch Trail (T30), Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area trail system, and Ohlone Wilderness trail system.

Description: The Del Valle Watershed Trail is a long-term conceptual trail corridor providing a potential connection between the Patterson Ranch Trail, Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area, and Ohlone Wilderness. The corridor would expand regional trail opportunities and improve connectivity among existing public lands in southeastern Livermore.

The alignment shown in this Master Plan is conceptual and intended to illustrate a general corridor rather than a specific trail location. Future implementation will require extensive coordination with Zone 7 Water Agency, California State Parks, East Bay Regional Park District, the California Department of Water Resources, private property owners, and other regional partners. Trail planning will need to balance recreational access with watershed operations, environmental resources, grazing activities, and other land management objectives.

Estimated Planning-Level Cost

To be determined through future planning and corridor evaluation.



De Anza National Historic Trail

Status: Conceptual Regional Trail Corridor

Location: Eastern Alameda County, generally extending north-south through the Livermore area.

Description:

The Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail is a congressionally designated National Historic Trail commemorating the 1775–1776 expedition led by Juan Bautista de Anza from Mexico to San Francisco. Within the Livermore area, the trail is envisioned as a continuous regional route that follows a series of existing and planned trail corridors rather than a single standalone trail.

Consistent with coordination efforts involving the National Park Service and regional partners, the conceptual alignment generally follows the following trail corridors through the Livermore area:

- T22 – Brushy Peak to Los Vaqueros Trail
- T23 – Brushy Peak Connector Trail
- T15 – South Bay Aqueduct Trail
- T12 – Mines Road Trail
- T31 – Del Valle Watershed Trail (Conceptual)
- Lake Del Valle State Recreation Area trail system

Future implementation will require continued coordination with the National Park Service, California State Parks, East Bay Regional Park District, Zone 7 Water Agency, the California Department of Water Resources, Alameda County, private property owners, and other regional partners. Because the trail utilizes multiple existing and proposed corridors, implementation will occur incrementally as individual trail segments are completed and opportunities arise.

Missing De Anza trail map



APPENDIX C

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES SUMMARY

Appendix C provides an overview of LARPD's recreation programs and community services. It includes summaries of adaptive recreation, aquatics, open space and environmental education, recreation programs, rentals, senior services, special events, and youth services.



Adaptive Recreation



Adaptive Recreation programs to support individuals with disabilities in accessing inclusive, year-round recreational opportunities. Aligned with LARPD's mission, these programs promote social connection, skill development, and independence while ensuring safe and accessible experiences for all participants.

Participation numbers are reported for September 2024 through August 2025.

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Key Trend:

Recommendations



LARPD Aquatics Programs



Swimming remains one of the most valued activities in the Livermore community. LARPD's Aquatics Program provides opportunities for all ages and abilities, from swim lessons and youth training to fitness and recreation. Participation consistently exceeds capacity, highlighting both the popularity of aquatic offerings and the constraints of current facilities.

Participation numbers reflect September 2024–August 2025.

1. Instructional and Team Programs

Swim Lessons

Participants
1,815

Waitlist
313

Group Lessons: 1-12 years
Private Lessons: 13+ Years
Location: May Nissen Swim Center

- **Swim Lessons:** 1,815 participants with 313 on the waitlist in Spring and Summer 2025. Lessons provide essential water safety skills for children and adults, often serving as the entry point into lifelong aquatic activity. Notably, 138 swim lessons were funded through scholarships provided by the LARPD Foundation.
- **Junior Guards:** 48 youth participants with 28 on the waitlist gained hands-on lifeguard training and leadership experience.
- **Recreation Swim Team (Electric Eels):** 200 participants with 40 waitlisted. Praised for its coaching, community, and affordability but constrained by limited lane space. Practices are held at Livermore High School, which accommodates the program but caps growth potential.

Key Trend: Swim lessons and youth development programs demonstrate exceptionally high demand with substantial waitlists. These programs are vital pipelines for community water safety and recreation.



2. Drop-In and Fitness Programs

- **Recreation Swim:** 14,597 participants between Memorial Day and September 1, 2025. Includes 89 Family Passes sold (16% of use). Other drop-in offerings include Splash Ball, Splash Parties, Kids Night Out, and Sensory Swim.
- **Lap Swim:** 1,764 pass holders and over 9,300 drop-ins; particularly popular with adults and seniors.
- **Masters Water Polo:** Has increased over the last two years. Averaging more than 20 people a night. Will be expanding to 7 lanes in the fall and winter. If the program continues to grow, RLAC will be extremely tight for space on Monday and Wednesday nights.
- **Water Exercise:** Participation has tripled in recent years. Serves 641 pass holders and nearly 2,000 drop-ins, largely older adults, supported by experienced instructors.

Key Trend: Drop-in aquatics programs provide consistent participation opportunities across age groups and are especially important for active adults and seniors. Family recreation swim passes also show potential for future growth.

3. Aquatics Facility Rentals

The Livermore Aquacowboys (LAC) operate at the Robert Livermore Aquatics Center and May Nissen bringing significant regional visibility to LARPD's aquatics facilities. They host approximately five large meets per year, drawing 500+ participants per event. LAC demand continues to increase, particularly in spring and summer, and the program is often constrained by limited pool space.

While the RLAC is considered well-maintained and modern, the current pool size restricts its ability to host higher-level meets and tournaments. Staff noted that additional lanes would allow more rental capacity with minimal staffing increases, and classroom space could support team and community programming.

Key Trend: LAC is a high-demand, high-profile user. Expanded capacity would unlock revenue potential and enhance community benefit, positioning RLAC as a regional competitive aquatics hub.



4. Recommendations

Short-Term Recommendations: Investment in aquatics facilities is critical to meeting ongoing demand, reducing waitlists for critical programs, and restoring discontinued programs like water polo that cannot operate under current limitations.

- Address Capacity Issues: Demand across all aquatics programs exceeds supply. Waitlists, limited classroom space, and crowded locker rooms highlight the need for facility reinvestment.
- Deep-Water Lanes: The absence of deep-water lanes restricts programming such as water polo and advanced aquatic fitness. Opportunities could exist with upgrades to the May Nissen Swim Center or additional shared space with LVJUSD.
- Facility Modernization: Upgrades and expanded water space are needed to sustain growth and meet community expectations, particularly at the May Nissen Swim Center.

Form Input – Not Included In Appendix

Open Space Nature Programs And Environmental Education



Open Space Programs

LARPD's Open Space programs connect the community with Livermore's natural environment through hands-on education, exploration, and recreation. Led by a dedicated team of rangers and naturalists, these programs encourage stewardship and foster a lifelong appreciation for nature. Offerings span youth camps, family programs, and school partnerships, creating pathways for residents of all ages to experience the outdoors.

Seasonal programs like Summer Nature Camp and the Counselor-in-Training (CIT) Program engage hundreds of children and teens each year in hiking, exploration, and nature-based play. Year-round programs including Junior Rangers, Sprouts, and Explorers blend games, science, and stewardship to build environmental awareness and confidence in young participants. Family-friendly Ranger Programs, Hoot Owl Night Hikes, and special events at Sycamore Grove Park offer opportunities for shared outdoor experiences, while facility rentals support community use of LARPD's natural spaces.

Key Trend: Interest in immersive outdoor learning continues to grow, but program expansion is limited by staffing levels and the lack of dedicated outdoor classroom and indoor wet-weather facilities.

Environmental Education

LARPD's Environmental Education programs serve as a cornerstone of outdoor learning in Livermore, offering curriculum-based instruction for schools, preschools, and homeschool families.

Working in partnership with LVJUSD and Connecting Waters Charter School, staff deliver hands-on lessons that align with state science standards and connect students directly to the natural world. Programs such as Science Camp and school field trips engage thousands of students annually, while preschool and homeschool programs introduce early learners to environmental concepts through exploration and play.

Key Trend: Demand from schools and families continues to exceed available staff and facilities.



Open Space Outreach

Outreach programs extend the reach of LARPD's environmental mission beyond parks and into the community. Through partnerships with organizations such as the Livermore Public Library and LARPD's ESS and preschool programs, staff engage families through tabling events, classroom visits, and community fairs. These efforts build awareness of outdoor programs and encourage participation in nature-based recreation.

Key Trend: Outreach remains a valuable entry point to environmental programs, though capacity to attend community events has been limited as staff focus on meeting growing program demand.

Camp Shelly

Camp Shelly is a seasonal family campground operated by LARPD under lease from the U.S. Forest Service near South Lake Tahoe. Open June through early September, the site offers 25 campsites with picnic tables, fire pits, bear-proof lockers, and a central restroom with flush toilets, hot showers, and full accessibility.

The campground is typically booked to capacity on weekends throughout the summer, serving families from the Tri-Valley region and beyond. LARPD Rangers lead campfire programs and guided hikes that promote outdoor education and environmental stewardship.

Ongoing needs include annual facility maintenance due to weather exposure, signage and minor infrastructure repairs, and improved internet connectivity to support on-site administration.

Recommendations:

- Continue annual maintenance and infrastructure repairs.
- Evaluate long-term financial and operational sustainability.

Recommendations

To expand the reach and quality of Open Space programming, investment is needed in staff capacity, program facilities, and outreach support.

- Add naturalist and support staff to meet growing demand across camps, education, and outreach.
- Develop outdoor classrooms, shaded areas, an amphitheater, child-friendly restrooms, and indoor program space for winter and wet-weather use. Explore opportunities to renovate the old ranger station into a dedicated classroom and educational hub.
- Grow offerings for younger participants, add trips to new ecosystems (coast, mountains), and provide tools such as nature journals and equipment lending.
- Strengthen partnerships and increase community presence to reconnect with families and schools that saw reduced access in 2025.

Form Input – Not Included In Appendix Open Space



Recreation



LARPD's Recreation Division provides a broad range of programs that support active, healthy, and connected lives. From youth sports leagues and summer day camps to preschool enrichment, adult fitness, wellness, and adaptive recreation, programs meet the needs of residents of all ages and interests. These offerings promote physical health, social connection, and lifelong learning while strengthening community engagement and enhancing Livermore's overall quality of life.

Participation numbers are reported for September 2024 through August 2025.

Total Recreation # of participants
7,868

Locations utilized for Recreation programs including community Partners (The Club @ Livermore)

Preschool (Ages 2-5)

LARPD offers a variety of preschool-aged programs that nurture early childhood development through play, exploration, and hands-on learning. Each program builds foundational skills in creativity, communication, and cooperation while fostering curiosity and confidence.

Current offerings include Preschool Camps, Pee Wee Sports Classes, Kids Night Out, and Youth Soccer League, which encourage active play and teamwork. Additional classes such as Parent & Me, Enrichment, Ballet, and Tennis support fine motor development and early learning. These programs continue to evolve with community needs, ensuring participants have a safe and engaging introduction to recreation and learning.

Key Trend: Strong, steady demand for preschool enrichment programs—particularly those combining physical activity, creativity, and social interaction. Families increasingly value flexible and affordable options aligned with childcare and school schedules. Preschool enrollment is one of LARPD's fastest-growing areas, and planning for continued demand will be essential as this group ages into youth programs.



Youth (Ages 6-17)

LARPD's youth programs engage participants through recreation, education, and leadership development. Programs balance fun and learning while building teamwork, confidence, and creativity in a supportive environment.

Offerings include Summer Day Camps, Youth Sports Leagues, Kids Night Out, Cheerleading, and Art and Enrichment Classes. Many programs are also supported by teen volunteers who gain meaningful experience while contributing to the success of LARPD programs—building leadership, responsibility, and community connection.

Youth recreation not only promotes fitness and teamwork but also provides enrichment for children who may not participate in traditional sports, giving all participants a space to learn and belong.

Key Trend: Youth participation remains strong, especially in sports and enrichment programs. Growing demand exists for after-school and weekend options that foster leadership, teamwork, and skill development.

Adults (Ages 18+)

LARPD's Adult Recreation programs offer opportunities for adults to stay active, learn new skills, and build community connections. Programs include fitness and wellness classes, sports leagues, arts and enrichment, and special interest workshops.

Popular offerings such as Adult Softball, Pickleball, Yoga, and Art Classes continue to grow, while newer wellness-based programs—like Meditative Sound Journey and Floating Sound Bath—expand options for relaxation, mindfulness, and accessibility. These classes play an important role in preventive health and social connection for adults of all ages and abilities.

Key Trend: Adult participation continues to increase across both active and wellness programming, reflecting strong community interest in balance, health, and connection. Space limitations and scheduling conflicts remain the primary barriers to expansion.

Adaptive Recreation

LARPD's Adaptive Recreation programs provide inclusive opportunities for individuals with disabilities to engage in fitness, social, and enrichment programs year-round. These offerings promote independence, skill development, and social connection while ensuring safe and accessible participation for all ages and abilities.

Programs include fitness classes, art workshops, social events, and game nights, led by experienced staff who create a welcoming, supportive environment. The quality and care of LARPD's staff are consistently recognized as one of the top reasons participants and families value the program.

Key Trend: Adaptive Recreation programs are among the District's most valued offerings—highly regarded for their inclusiveness, dedicated staff, and meaningful community impact. Staff aim to expand program offerings and age ranges to reach more participants and further enhance the availability of adaptive recreation opportunities across Livermore and the Tri-Valley region.

Recommendations

Short-Term Improvements

- Expand and diversify programs across all age groups, prioritizing off-peak hours when facility space is available.
- Formalize and grow partnerships with LVJUSD and community organizations to optimize shared facilities, including access to gym rentals at school sites.
- Support staff recruitment, training, and retention to sustain program quality and capacity.
- Adapt program scheduling in response to family needs as more parents return to office work; participation in 3:30–5:00 p.m. programs has declined for school-aged children driving interest to early evenings.

Long-Term Facility Investment

- Prioritize access to multipurpose indoor recreation spaces to reduce scheduling conflicts and meet growing demand.
- Modernize and expand facilities to better serve preschool, youth, adult, and adaptive recreation programs.



Rentals



LARPD offers a wide range of rentable facilities and outdoor spaces that support community recreation, events, and gatherings. These include indoor venues, sports fields and courts, picnic areas, and aquatics facilities. Rentals play an important role in meeting community demand for flexible, affordable spaces while supporting the District's mission to enhance quality of life through recreation and access to public spaces. This section summarizes current facility rental offerings, identifies key trends, and outlines recommendations to improve operations, capacity, and customer experience.

Facility Rentals

LARPD's facility rentals provide the community with a variety of indoor and historic venues for private and public events. Key facilities include the Robert Livermore Community Center, Ravenswood Historic Site, Veterans Memorial Building, and the Carnegie Building, each offering unique settings for meetings, celebrations, and cultural events. Rentals are available year-round, with reservations accepted up to 18 months in advance.

Current Use and Trends:

- Rentals remain consistently strong, with a recent increase in bookings reflecting growing community demand for event space.
- The Robert Livermore Community Center continues to be the District's most popular rental venue, frequently hosting weddings, banquets, fundraisers, and community meetings.
- Ravenswood Historic Site offers a distinctive option but requires ongoing facility maintenance to ensure accessibility and preservation.

Recommendations:

- Continue promoting historic and unique venues to attract a broader range of community users.
- Prioritize maintenance and accessibility improvements at aging facilities to support continued rental use.
- Evaluate technology upgrades, including Wi-Fi improvements in meeting spaces to enhance renter experience.



Sports Rentals

LARPD provides well-maintained fields, courts, and gymnasiums for practices, games, and tournaments. Rental locations include Robert Livermore Community Center Gymnasium, Robert Livermore Park, Robertson Park, Altamont Creek Park, Ernie Rodrigues Sports Field, Cayetano Park, Bill Payne Sports Park, Christensen Park, May Nissen Park, Sunset, Park, and Hageman Park. Facilities accommodate a wide range of sports, including baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse, rugby, tennis, pickleball, basketball, and volleyball.

Current Use and Trends:

- Field and Gym rentals are concentrated between 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. during the week, limiting scheduling flexibility.
- Gymnasium space at the Robert Livermore Community Center is the only public indoor gym available for rent in Livermore, creating strong demand that often exceeds available hours.
- Some rental requests are turned away due to scheduling conflicts with internal programming.

Recommendations:

- Explore expanded lighting and scheduling strategies to increase field and court availability.
- Assess options for additional indoor gym space to meet growing community demand.
- Continue maintaining turf and field quality to support tournament-level play.

Picnic Rentals

LARPD offers seasonal picnic site rentals at several neighborhood and community parks, and Sycamore Grove Park, typically available March through October. Picnic sites support family gatherings, community events, and small group celebrations.

Current Use and Trends:

- Most picnic sites are located near active recreation areas, including baseball fields and playgrounds, which can limit rental availability during sports programming.
- Facilities such as the Robertson Park picnic site require updates, including plumbing repairs and aesthetic updates to improve usability and reliability.

Recommendations:

- Refresh and modernize high-demand picnic areas to improve comfort and functionality.
- Coordinate scheduling between picnic and field use to maximize access and minimize conflicts.
- Continue evaluating site amenities, including shade, seating, and restroom access.

Aquatic Rentals

LARPD's aquatic rentals support a range of competitive and community uses, including swim meets, water polo tournaments, and recreation events.

The District currently hosts:

- Two large Pacific Swimming meets annually
- Two national-level water polo tournaments
- The Tri-Valley Swim Championships
- Multiple dual meets for LAC and Tri-Valley Swim League teams



Current Use and Trends:

- The District regularly turns away rental requests due to limited deep-water lane availability.
- Larger events such as NCS and EBAL Championships have relocated due to facility capacity constraints.
- Despite high demand, the May Nissen Swim Center continues to support numerous successful community events and programs.

Recommendations:

- Explore opportunities for expanded or renovated aquatic facilities to meet regional demand.
- Prioritize accessibility, spectator seating, and deck improvements in future pool planning.
- Continue coordinating closely with community swim and water polo organizations to balance programming and rental use.

Key Observations and Recommendations**System-Wide Trends:**

- Facility rental demand has grown across all categories—particularly for evening and weekend times.
- Historic and high-use facilities require accessibility and infrastructure improvements to support sustained use.
- Outdoor rentals are weather-dependent and rely on adequate lighting for extended hours.

District-Wide Recommendations:

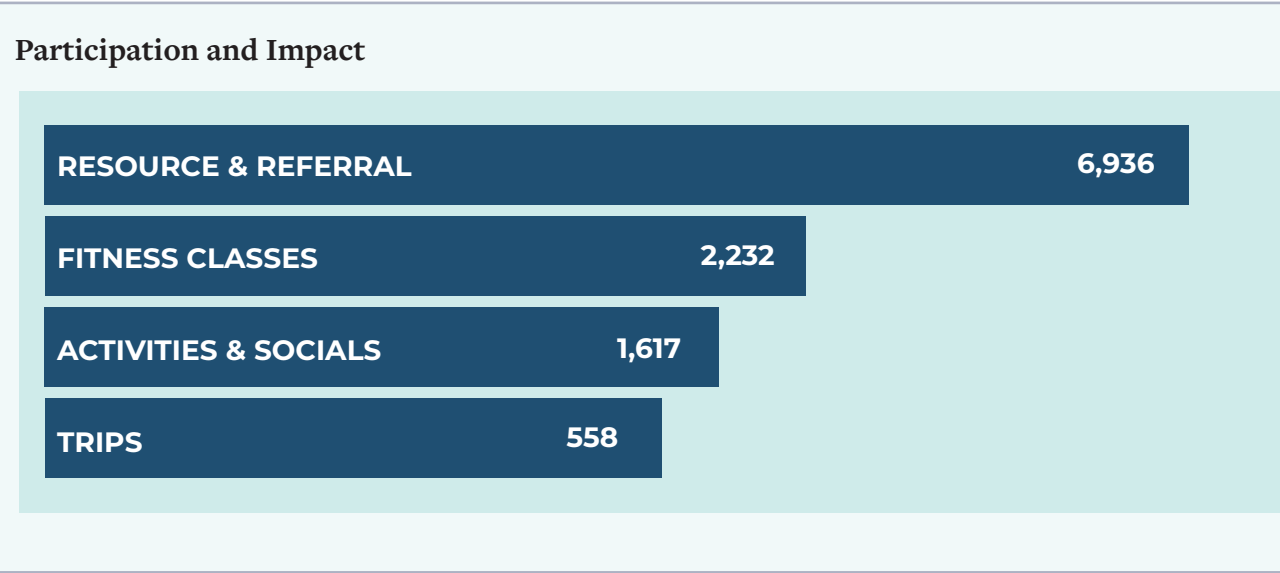
- Explore partnership opportunities with the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District (LVJUSD) and other local organizations to increase access to shared indoor and outdoor space and better meet community demand.
- Upgrade Wi-Fi and technology infrastructure at key indoor facilities to enhance user experience.
- Continue reinvestment in high-demand rental sites, prioritizing accessibility and modernization.
- Explore opportunities for digital scheduling and integrated booking systems to improve efficiency and customer service.



LARPD Senior Services



The Senior Services Center (SSC), located within the Robert Livermore Community Center, has served as a cornerstone of community support for older adults since 1970. Over the years, the program has evolved from primarily offering resource referrals to a comprehensive hub of health, wellness, fitness, and lifelong learning opportunities.



Today, it remains a trusted and welcoming space for older adults, caregivers, and families navigating the challenges of aging—providing meaningful connections, critical services, and a sense of belonging. *Participation numbers are reported for September 2024 through August 2025.*

Resource & Referral

The SSC continues to serve as a first stop for seniors and caregivers seeking information and support. In 2025, staff assisted 6,936 participants, connecting them with essential services such as housing resources, Medicare/Medi-Cal guidance, legal aid, health care directives, financial assistance, and specialized programs like foot care and tax preparation. Services are delivered both by phone and in person, Monday through Friday, with occasional wait times tied to partner agency capacity.



Key Trend: Residents rely on LARPD as a trusted and consistent community resource, though transportation barriers and limited partner availability continue to constrain service delivery.

Activities, Socials & Fitness

LARPD's programs for older adults foster health, creativity, and social connection through a variety of classes and events. In 2025, 1,617 participants took part in creative and social programs such as craft workshops, wellness seminars, and community socials, while 2,232 participants engaged in fitness classes like yoga, tai chi, and chair strength. These programs support physical and emotional well-being and help reduce isolation through shared experiences.

Key Trend: Interest in social and wellness activities remains steady, but participation fluctuates seasonally. Expanding program diversity and adding entry-level options may attract new participants and those less likely to identify as “senior” program users.

Senior Trips

Group excursions remain a highlight of the program, providing participants with opportunities to explore destinations while socializing in a supportive environment. In 2025, 558 participants joined staff-led trips that included day excursions with meals and transportation. Demand for overnight trips remains high but is limited by staffing, transportation capacity, and participant cost.

Key Trend: Travel and social exploration remain valued offerings, though accessibility and affordability present challenges.

Recommendations

Overall Program Development

- Expand staffing, partnerships, and funding to reduce waitlists, enhance transportation, and grow program offerings.
- Simplify online trip registration and offer in-person support or tutorials for those less comfortable with technology.
- Host an annual Active Adults Health and Wellness Expo to promote programs, wellness, and partnerships.
- Formalize a process to gather and incorporate ongoing participant feedback to guide program development and future planning.

Labeling & Outreach

- Explore alternative terminology such as Active Adults or Community Connections to better represent the wide range of participants aged 50–75 who may not identify with the term senior.
- Consider rebranding the Senior Services Center to reflect inclusivity and active engagement rather than age.

Form Input Summary – Not Included In Appendix

Special Events



The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARPD) hosts a variety of special events throughout the year, bringing the community together to celebrate and have fun. Supported by the Recreation, Open Space, Community Outreach, and Facilities teams, annual favorites include Donuts with Santa, the Ho Ho Holiday Carnival, Muffins with Bunny, and the Independence Day Dash 5K and Kids Run. These events create lasting memories and showcase the people, parks, and programs that make Livermore a great place to live and play.

Participation numbers are reported for September 2024 through August 2025.

Spring Events – Muffins with Bunny, Egg-Stravaganza

Summer Events – Independence Day Dash 5k and Kids Run, Rodeo Parade

Fall Events – Boo Bash, Sensory Boo Bash, Sycamore Scares

Winter Events – Donuts with Santa, Sensory Santa, Letters to Santa, Ho Ho Holiday Carnival, The Great Yule Log Hunt, Daddy/Daughter Dance

Key Trend: LARPD special events continue to be well attended, with strong public interest in seasonal celebrations held at District parks and facilities. Community participation remains high across a variety of events, reflecting residents' desire for family-friendly, local experiences that bring people together and highlight Livermore's vibrant parks and programs.

Recommendations



LARPD Youth Services



LARPD's Youth Services Division plays a vital role in supporting Livermore's families by providing safe, enriching programs that help children learn, grow, and thrive. Through its before- and after-school care, preschool programs, and partnerships with local schools, Youth Services fosters academic success, social-emotional development, and lifelong curiosity.

Participation numbers are reported for September 2024 through August 2025.

Extended Student Services (ESS)

LARPD's Extended Student Services (ESS) program provides a safe, supervised, and engaging environment for children before and after school, during breaks, and on teacher workdays. Programs are designed to support both academic and social-emotional growth for transitional kindergarten through 5th-grade students while providing reliable care for working families.

ESS also played a critical role during the COVID-19 pandemic, offering distance learning and childcare for essential workers when other programs were unavailable. In recent years, ESS site operations have evolved alongside LVJUSD's childcare landscape, as the school district introduced additional options such as Right At School and assumed operation of ASES programs at Marilyn Avenue and Junction Elementary Schools.

- Daily Enrollment: 641 with substantial waitlists
- Locations: 8 (Altamont Creek, Arroyo Seco, Croce, Jackson, Michell, Rancho, Smith, and Sunset)

Key Trend: ESS demand continues to outpace capacity, underscoring the need for expanded staffing and facility access. LARPD and LVJUSD are working toward a Master Property Agreement to better coordinate shared space and plan for long-term program growth.

Current Challenges:

- Coordinating with LVJUSD for shared use of school facilities.
- Recruiting and retaining qualified staff to meet program needs.
- Limited space at existing sites restricts capacity to reduce waitlists.
- Site-specific maintenance needs are being tracked for inclusion in the Facilities section.



Preschool Program

LARPD's Preschool and Early Explorers programs provide early learning opportunities that build school readiness and social-emotional skills through play-based, hands-on learning. Offered at six locations—Christensen, Jane Addams, Little House, May Nissen, Rancho, and Robert Livermore Community Center—these programs create nurturing environments that support exploration, creativity, and confidence.

Enrollment for 2025 totaled 91 children. As LVJUSD expanded Transitional Kindergarten (TK) eligibility, demand shifted toward programs for younger children (ages 2–3) while interest in traditional 4-year-old programs declined. Families continue to choose LARPD for its experienced staff, play-based curriculum, and welcoming community atmosphere.

Key Trend: Family interest remains strong, especially among parents seeking early learning options that emphasize play, social-emotional growth, and flexibility. Shifting TK eligibility continues to reshape participation patterns and program offerings.

Recommendations:

- Finalize the Master Property Agreement with LVJUSD to strengthen collaboration and optimize shared facilities.
- Develop and implement a Preschool Outreach Plan to increase visibility and enrollment.
- Expand staff recruitment and professional development partnerships with Las Positas, CSUEB, SJSU, DVC, Chabot, and Ohlone College, including tuition reimbursement and certification support.
- Explore the feasibility of offering a licensed full-day preschool option to meet the needs of working families.
- Establish a reinvestment process that dedicates a portion of Youth Services program revenue to facility maintenance and capital improvements.



APPENDIX D

LARPD STRATEGIC PLAN

Appendix D includes LARPD's 2024 Strategic Plan, which provides the broader organizational direction that helped inform development of the 2026 Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan. The Strategic Plan identifies District priorities related to service delivery, infrastructure, partnerships, organizational capacity, and long-term planning.



LARPD Strategic Plan



Livermore Area Recreation and Park District
An Independent Special District



STRATEGIC PLAN 2024

Approved by LARPD Board of Directors:
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Our Commitment to the Communities We Serve

This Strategic Plan (Plan) is the culmination of a review of all aspects of the District. It includes an evaluation of current and forecast challenges, opportunities, and potential responses.

The Plan provides long-range policy direction to guide the District over the next three years. A detailed work plan was developed to implement this policy guidance. The Plan is designed to be dynamic and be updated to meet evolving challenges, opportunities, and community needs and expectations.

The strategic planning process and the District's other activities demonstrate our continued commitment to providing excellent and innovative recreation and park services to our community.

The Board of Directors of Livermore Area Recreation and Park District



Introduction

Planning is strategic when it helps move an organization forward from its current situation to its desired future.

Purpose of the Plan

This three-year Strategic Plan is Livermore Area Recreation and Park District's (District's) highest-level planning document and represents the Board's and staff's direction for the future. The Plan identifies the District's mission, vision, and core values while providing a set of goals and objectives that serve as a framework for decision-making.

The Plan is also a practical working tool that provides clear direction to the staff regarding the Board's goals and objectives. It includes a work plan developed by the staff to meet those goals and objectives. The Board and staff will regularly refer to it as a guide to the District's actions during the period covered.

Plan Development

Background Research. The consultants began by holding discussions with the General Manager.

Confidential Interviews. This was followed by a series of confidential interviews by the consultant. The goal was for the interviewees to candidly express their interests and perspectives on the District and its priorities. The interviewees included the Board of Directors.

Strategic Planning Workshop. The interviewees also participated in a workshop. At the workshop, the group reviewed the results of the interviews, undertook several exercises to examine the current state of the District, identified issues and opportunities expected to confront the District in the future, and discussed priorities.

Staff and Board Work. The consultant, General Manager and core team developed a draft strategic plan based on the interviews, workshop, and other information.

Second Strategic Planning Workshop. The draft was distributed to the Board and core team. At a second workshop, the participants reviewed, discussed, and refined the draft plan, including mission, vision, and values, and provided direction for additional changes.

Staff Work Plan. The management team and consultant developed a staff work plan designed to meet the mission of the District and strategic goals and objectives.



District Overview

We are an independent local government agency focused on providing a wide range of recreational and park programs and facilities for the 97,000 people of our service area.

An Independent Local Government Formed by a Vote of the Public in 1947

Livermore Area Recreation and Park District was created in 1947 by a vote of the public. The District is governed by an elected, five-person Board of Directors.

Serving Most of Alameda County to the East and South of Livermore.

The District provides recreation and park services for the 243.5-square-mile area formed by Livermore and bounded by Contra Costa County to the north, San Joaquin County to the east, Santa Clara County to the south, and the cities of Pleasanton and Dublin to the west.

Providing Fun, Educational, and Sporting Facilities and Programs.

Below is a brief sample of the many programs offered by Livermore Area Recreation and Park District

Adult & 50+	Adult Sports	Aquatics
Camps	Open Space	Preschool/ Early Childhood
Volunteers	Youth Sports	Youth & Teen Classes

57 Parks and Facilities to Meet Every Need

The District maintains a rich set of parks, including community and neighborhood parks, sports fields, open space parks, trails, dog parks, and areas for hikers, bikers, and equestrians.



Strategic Framework

Livermore Area Recreation and Park District built the Strategic Plan from a series of logical and integrated components, described below.

Mission. The mission statement explains why the organization exists. It articulates the organization's essential work in a brief sentence or two.

Vision. The vision articulates what the organization will become at a given time in the future. It is the strategic target that, when achieved, fulfills the organization's mission. As such, it is at the heart of the strategic planning process.

Values. Values provide guidance when an organization is faced with challenging decisions that require trade-offs, help govern attitudes and behaviors, and generally remain constant over time. The Board sets values.

Priorities (Areas of Emphasis). The core priority of this plan is to identify the District's long-term needs, the cost to meet those needs and then plan to obtain the needed funding.

Goals. Goals describe broad, primary areas of management, operations, and planning that must be addressed to accomplish the mission. Goals are not connected to timelines.

Objectives. Objectives are specific directions established by the Board, which expand upon and refine the goals. There may be multiple objectives for each goal. Objectives are related to goals but more specific, measurable, attainable, and have a timeline.

Implementation Plan. The Implementation Plan contains actions required to accomplish the mission, goals, and objectives. The actions in the plan are assigned to members of the core team and have timelines. There may be multiple tasks for each objective.

Monitoring/Oversight. Actions developed will be taken by the Board, core team, and staff to ensure that the plan is implemented and updated over time.



Mission, Vision, and Values

Mission

To provide the people of the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District's service area with outstanding recreation programs and a system of parks, trails, and facilities that enhance the quality of life.

Vision

Three years from now, Livermore Area Recreation and Park District will be:

Fully funded to meet the community's long-term needs.

Fully staffed with excellent, well-trained people who understand their roles and are supported in developing their careers.

Recognized for its excellence by users of LARPD facilities, and services, the wider community, and within our industry and as an independent special district.

Viewed as a leader and collaborative partner by local governments, non-profits, and the business community.

Known for its high-quality, innovative programs and excellent facilities that serve a diverse community with varied and evolving needs.

User Friendly. The District utilizes modern technology and effective and flexible administration that makes it easy for customers to engage with the District and results in efficient service.

Effectively meeting changing community needs and varying circumstances through proactive and flexible planning.



Values

In our actions and decisions, we prioritize:

Integrity: The District exists to serve the public. Integrity is critical to guide our actions and decisions with unwavering honesty, transparency, and ethical behavior.

Diversity: We value diversity. We celebrate and respect the unique perspectives, backgrounds, and abilities of our community, fostering an inclusive environment that promotes collaboration, equity, and unity. The District will continue to consider programs and services that support all the citizens in the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District's service area.

Quality: Our services exceed our constituents' expectations. When people talk about the programs at LARPD, they are delighted.

Adaptability: We embrace change. We address challenges with a focus on continuous improvement. Adaptability is essential to address the evolving needs of our service area including being open to new ideas, approaches, and technologies to enhance the District's reach and impact.

Collaboration: We work with our community partners to enrich the lives of the people of the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District's service area. We establish partnerships with various stakeholders, including community members, businesses, government agencies, and other relevant organizations. Working together, we provide vital services, expertise, and enrichment to the community.



Priorities (Areas of Emphasis)

LARPD is a large and well-run Independent Special District. It maintains extensive and varied facilities and wide-ranging programs that are very popular. Most programs are, in fact, perpetually over-subscribed, and there is more demand than can be met.

The Board and staff are experienced and seek to expand, update, and further improve the recreation and park programs and facilities. The key impediment is funding. While the District's finances are currently strong, funding is inadequate to meet long-term maintenance, upgrade, and replacement needs. Funding is also insufficient to develop new parks and facilities to meet the growing and changing needs of the community.

The core priority of this plan is to identify the District's long-term needs, the cost to meet those needs and then plan to obtain the needed funding.



Goals, Objectives, and Implementation Plan

The following pages contain goals and objectives for the next three years. Staff developed a work plan to fulfill these Board-level goals and objectives.

Key Areas of Change. This strategic plan focuses only on critical areas where there is a change or a desire for additional clarity of direction. Numerous existing and ongoing initiatives, programs, and actions are not incorporated into this plan.

The goals and objectives are presented on the following pages. They, along with the mission, vision, and values, represent the core strategic direction provided in this plan.

Note on Timing. Work plan elements marked ‘annually’ or ‘ongoing’ will be reported at least once each year in January when the General Manager provides a report on the progress of the strategic plan.



Goal 1. FACILITIES: High-quality, well-planned facilities meet community needs

Strategic Challenge. The District owns and/or maintains over 57 properties and facilities comprising an excellent system that serves the community. However, there are numerous facility-related challenges. Many are aging, and others are no longer optimal to meet current and future needs. Some require an upgrade or replacement to meet ADA and other requirements. In addition, new facilities will be needed to meet the growing and changing needs of our community, including more capacity. In addition, some parts of the service area are underserved and require new parks and facilities. Substantial additional revenue is needed to meet all these needs. Limited open space provides another challenge. Properties need to remain relevant. Facilities may need to be repurposed to meet future needs. Where properties are not updated, there may be outside pressure to convert them to other purposes.

Strategic Response. The Board seeks to understand all needed and desired facilities and prioritize a path forward. There will be a need to quantify what it will take to achieve those priorities over the long term so that funding and support can be addressed.

Therefore, it is critical to have long-term facility plans, as well as agreed-upon standards and priorities for facilities maintenance, upgrades, replacements, and new construction.

The objectives and work plan projects below must be consistently carried out to achieve the goal above.

- OBJECTIVE 1.1** Long-term property and facility maintenance, upgrades, replacement, and new construction needs are identified and planned (including financing).
- OBJECTIVE 1.2** Properties and facilities are attractive, safe, and meet identified and approved standards and needs.



Goal 2. PROGRAMS: Diverse programs meet customer needs

Strategic Challenge. District programs are meeting the varied needs of a diverse population. These wide-ranging and creative programs are one reason that the District continues to be a leader and innovator in recreation and parks. As a result, the greatest challenge related to programs is meeting the demand when it exceeds District capacity. The most important shortfalls are limited staff and limited facilities. The cost of a larger staff to meet increased demand may require additional revenue. There is a competing need for substantial additional revenue to meet facility maintenance needs and the cost of new facilities.

Strategic Response. The District staff is creative and designs many popular and beneficial programs. The key limiting factors with programs are staffing to carry them out and facilities to house them. The Board seeks to consciously prioritize what programs to pursue over time and the needed staffing, facilities, costs, etc., to meet those desired programs. This will require that all the resource needs be aligned.

Therefore, the District will develop a long-term yet flexible plan of programs and quantify the costs, staffing, and facilities to support it to meet the evolving and growing demand for park and recreation services.

The objectives and work plan projects below must be consistently carried out to achieve the goal above.

- OBJECTIVE 2.1** Clearly identified program needs for the future are in place, including plans for funding and implementation.
- OBJECTIVE 2.2** Wide-ranging programming meets the diverse needs of the community.
- OBJECTIVE 2.3** The District tracks evolving trends, needs, and demographics and creatively evolves its programs and services over time.
- OBJECTIVE 2.4** The District is represented in parks and recreation organizations for the purposes of networking and leading in the industry.



Goal 3. A motivated, high-performing, well-supported staff

Strategic Challenge. The staff is lean, experienced, motivated by the District’s mission, and performing well. However, there are challenges in hiring and retaining staff in the current highly competitive post-COVID environment. The lean staffing increases the importance of succession planning and results in a decreased capacity to overcome the loss of staff, meet unexpected challenges, etc. Also, as a large District, there are challenges with staff development and providing opportunities for advancement.

Strategic Response. As a service organization, the Board recognizes that the quality of the district’s performance is dependent on an excellent staff. The Board also recognizes that staffing and administration are the sole purview of the General Manager. In this document, the Board, therefore, focuses on policy-level objectives needed to ensure that there are succession, knowledge transfer, and other appropriate policies in place.

Therefore, the Board will continue to support the General Manager with the appropriate resources to recruit, develop, and retain excellent staff and ensure that appropriate policies are in place.

The objectives and work plan projects below must be consistently carried out to achieve the goal above.

- OBJECTIVE 3.1** The District is at all times prepared to maintain the staffing needed to effectively carry out all planned District services.
- OBJECTIVE 3.2** A complete and up-to-date set of operational policies helps guide staff actions.
- OBJECTIVE 3.3** Critical knowledge is identified, compiled, and available without dependence on individuals.
- OBJECTIVE 3.4** Emergency management systems and training are in place to mitigate unplanned events.



Goal 4. FINANCE: Funding sources meet all identified long-term needs

Strategic Challenge. The District's finances are well managed, with timely, understandable, and useful reporting. The District offers programs at fair market value and earns substantial revenue through user fees (about 50% of the budget). However, development in the area has slowed considerably, cutting developer fees, and other revenue sources aren't growing fast enough to meet long-term funding needs. As a result, there is a need for additional funding to cover the costs of long-term maintenance, upgrades, and replacements of the district's extensive properties and facilities. Funding is also needed to pay for future facilities and staff for expanded programs.

Strategic Response. The District will expand its planning to clearly identify its long-term staff, facility, and program needs and the funding needed to pay for each of them over time. It will also identify and obtain new and reliable sources of future funding to meet these needs.

Therefore, we will complete the planning needed to identify long-term revenue needs and identify the sources of revenue to meet those needs.

The objectives and work plan projects below must be consistently carried out to achieve the goal above.

- OBJECTIVE 4.1** Long-range financial models aid in long-range planning and decision-making.
- OBJECTIVE 4.2** Investment strategies are periodically assessed and updated to maximize returns while maintaining safety and liquidity.
- OBJECTIVE 4.3** When considering changes to long-term financial management, the Board will receive alternatives to consider and, when appropriate, input on financial best practices from outside experts.
- OBJECTIVE 4.4** Internal financial reporting is periodically assessed and updated to provide timely and actionable information to management.



Goal 5. ENGAGEMENT: The public understands and supports LARPD as a Special District.

Strategic Challenge. Those who use District services generally view the District positively. However, it is believed that only a small percentage understand that LARPD is an independent special district. Helping the public more fully understand the District may be necessary to serve the most people and develop public support. Also, increased collaboration with other local governments, non-profits, and business is critical to continue to serve the public effectively.

Strategic Response. The Board seeks to increase public understanding and support and expand collaboration with other local governments, non-profits, and businesses.

Therefore, the District will increase its efforts to communicate effectively with the public and its partners and continue to engage widely with other local governments, businesses, and non-profits.

The objectives and work plan projects below must be consistently carried out to achieve the goal above.

OBJECTIVE 5.1 The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District is user-friendly.

User-friendly includes: the District is transparent; the public understands how to access, sign up for, and use our facilities and programs; the public understands how to provide input on services and facilities; citizens remain the top line in the LARPD Organizational Structure.

OBJECTIVE 5.2 The District's high profile as a California Special District is supported with public outreach.

OBJECTIVE 5.3 The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District is viewed as the Park and Recreation expert in the community. Livermore Area Recreation and Park District successfully voices the community's park and recreation needs as it engages with all partner organizations.



Goal 6. GOVERNANCE: A high-performing board working effectively with its General Manager.

Strategic Challenge. The District has a dedicated, well-informed, and committed board with a variety of skills. However, their experiences in how boards function and expectations about the roles and relationships of the Board and General Manager vary. The questions raised by the Board include: what is the Board's role in interacting with staff? What are the General Managers' authorities? What is the Directors' proper role in the community? How can the Board optimize the quality and clarity of its decision-making and more.

Strategic Response. It is of core strategic importance for the Board to come to a clear and shared understanding of its role, the role of the General Manager and staff, and how to maintain a productive relationship that respects these roles.

Therefore, the Board will work closely with the General Manager to develop a clear and detailed understanding of the optimal roles for the Board and General Manager and how to maintain an effective relationship and memorialize it in the form of a clear, new written policy.

The objectives and work plan projects below must be consistently carried out to achieve the goal above.

- OBJECTIVE 6.1** The Board's role, the General Manager's role, and best practices for maintaining a respectful and productive relationship are documented and clearly understood by the Board and General Manager.
- OBJECTIVE 6.2** A complete and up-to-date policy is always in place documenting all aspects of Board and General Manager roles and relationships and is clearly understood by the Board and General Manager
- OBJECTIVE 6.3** A complete and up-to-date set of Board policies is always in place and is clearly understood by the Board and General Manager.



Monitoring and Oversight

Below are the actions that will be taken by the Board, Core team, and Staff to ensure that the plan is monitored, implemented, and updated over time.

Communicate and Lead

The Core team will meet to review the plan so that everyone understands the overall plan, the parts they are responsible for, and the timing.

Publish the Mission, Vision, Values, Goals, and Objectives on posters and handouts, and display them where visible.

Incorporate the Mission, Vision, Values, Goals and Objectives into the Employee Handbook and orientation and training materials for new employees and Board and Committee members.

Clarify Roles and Expectations

The accomplishment of strategic priorities will be built into the performance evaluation of the General Manager and Core team members.

Cascade the Plan

Strategic objectives and initiatives will cascade from the District-wide level to department to individuals. Each will identify ways to contribute to the strategic initiatives, objectives, and goals by answering the question: How do I and my department/unit support the Goals and Objectives?

Allocate Resources to Meet Strategic Objectives

The budget will be reviewed each year by the Core team and Board to ensure that it reflects the strategic goals and objectives.

Before a decision to hire is made, the General Manager will ensure that it appropriately reflects strategic goals and objectives.

Board Oversight and Monitoring

Staff will reference Strategic Plan items on Board meeting agendas as appropriate.

The Board and Board committees will consider the Strategic Plan when deliberating.

Staff will provide a comprehensive report to the Board on the progress of the strategic plan annually early in the budget development process.

Update the Plan

An interim review and update of goals and objectives will be undertaken by the Board every year or two.

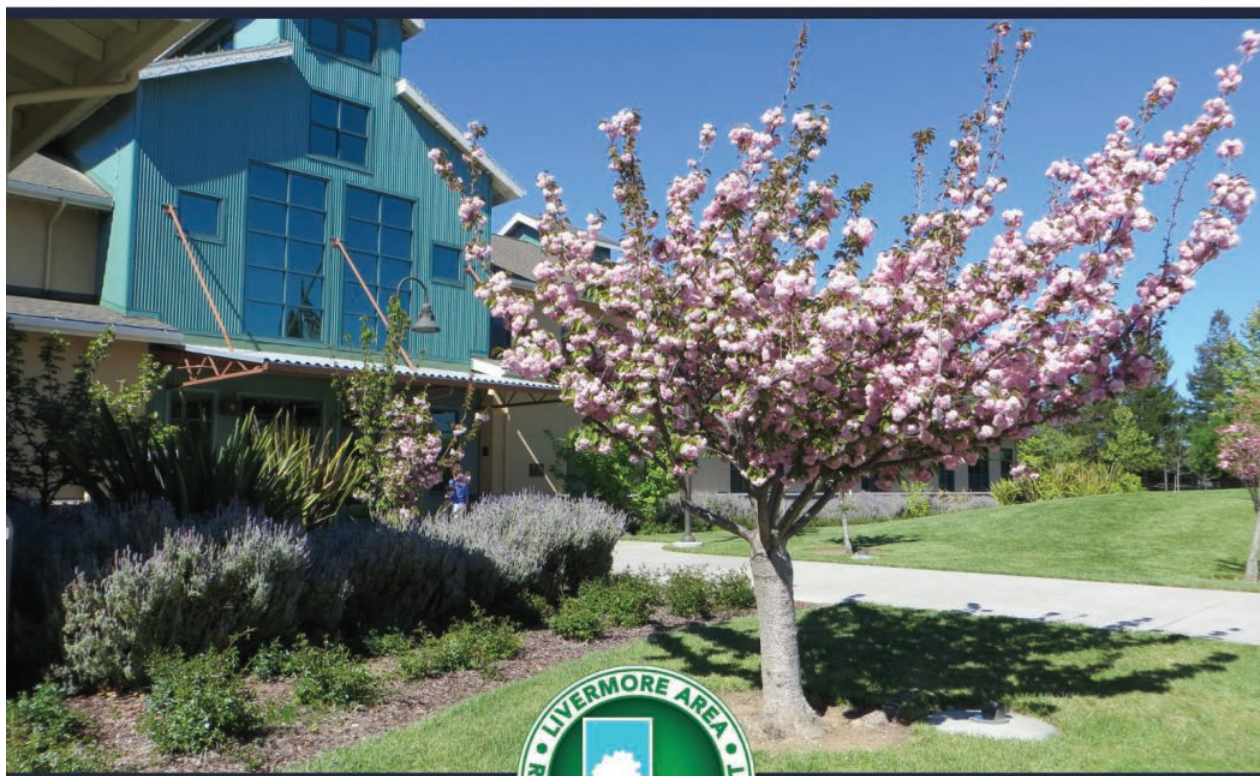
Staff will update the Implementation Plan as appropriate over time.



Single-Page View of the Core Elements of the Strategic Plan

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VISION	Fully Funded Viewed as a Leader & Collaborative Partner	Fully Staffed Known for High-Quality, Innovative Programs and Excellent Facilities	Recognized for its Excellence	User Friendly Effectively Meeting Changing Community Needs		
VALUES	Integrity	Diversity	Quality	Adaptability	Collaboration	
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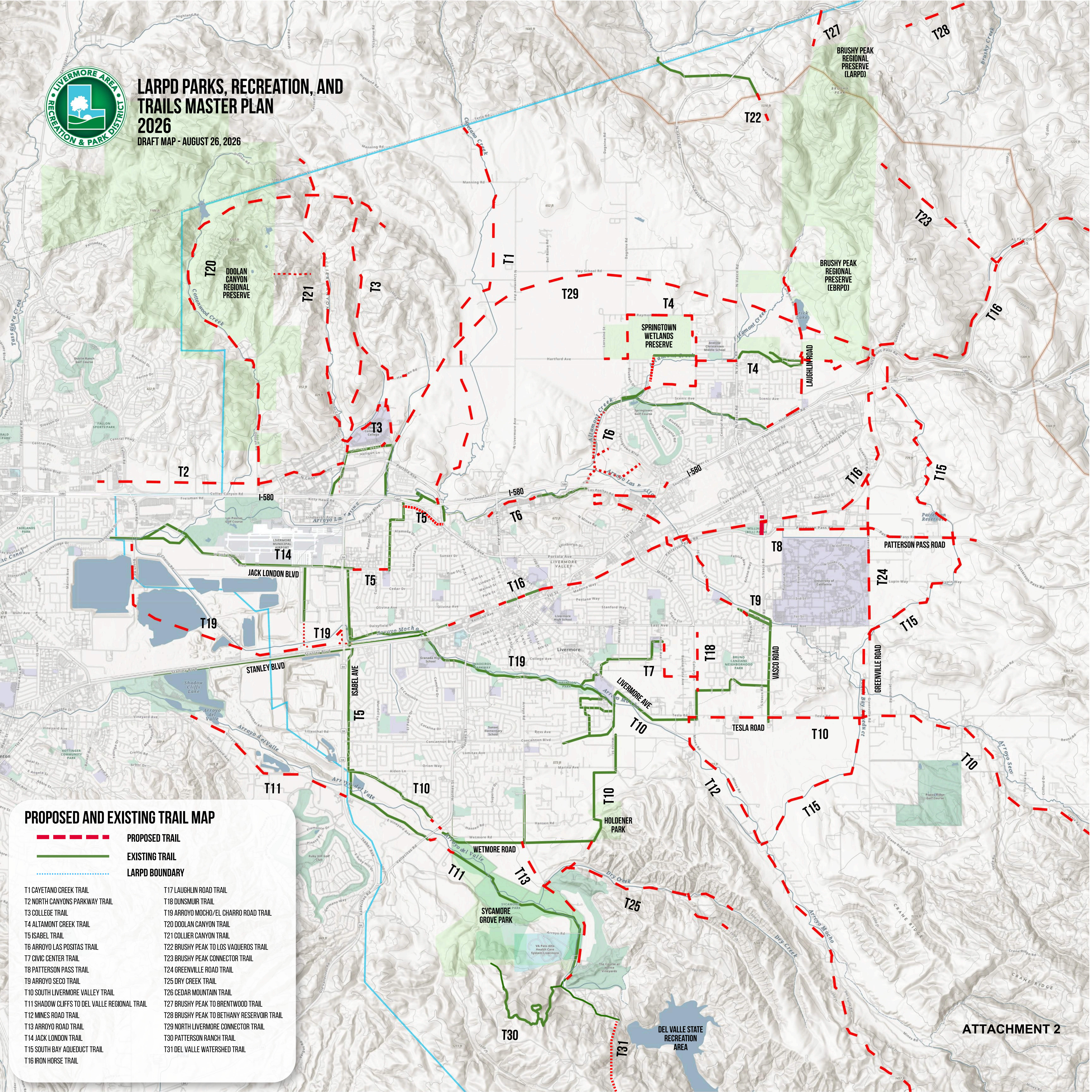
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PROPOSED AND EXISTING TRAIL MAP



PROPOSED TRAIL

EXISTING TRAIL

LARPD BOUNDARY

- T1 CAYETANO CREEK TRAIL
- T2 NORTH CANYONS PARKWAY TRAIL
- T3 COLLEGE TRAIL
- T4 ALTAMONT CREEK TRAIL
- T5 ISABEL TRAIL
- T6 ARROYO LAS POSITAS TRAIL
- T7 CIVIC CENTER TRAIL
- T8 PATTERSON PASS TRAIL
- T9 ARROYO SECO TRAIL
- T10 SOUTH LIVERMORE VALLEY TRAIL
- T11 SHADOW CLIFFS TO DEL VALLE REGIONAL TRAIL
- T12 MINES ROAD TRAIL
- T13 ARROYO ROAD TRAIL
- T14 JACK LONDON TRAIL
- T15 SOUTH BAY AQUEDUCT TRAIL
- T16 IRON HORSE TRAIL

- T17 LAUGHLIN ROAD TRAIL
- T18 DUNSMUIR TRAIL
- T19 ARROYO MOCHO/EL CHARRO ROAD TRAIL
- T20 DOOLAN CANYON TRAIL
- T21 COLLIER CANYON TRAIL
- T22 BRUSHY PEAK TO LOS VAQUEROS TRAIL
- T23 BRUSHY PEAK CONNECTOR TRAIL
- T24 GREENVILLE ROAD TRAIL
- T25 DRY CREEK TRAIL
- T26 CEDAR MOUNTAIN TRAIL
- T27 BRUSHY PEAK TO BRENTWOOD TRAIL
- T28 BRUSHY PEAK TO BETHANY RESERVOIR TRAIL
- T29 NORTH LIVERMORE CONNECTOR TRAIL
- T30 PATTERSON RANCH TRAIL
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