

USE AND MANAGMENT COMMITTEE

To: Use and Management Committee

Date: October 26, 2017

From: Donna Plunkett, Planning Manager

RE: Update on Coyote Ridge Public Access Plan

BACKGROUND

The Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority (Authority) received an award of funding approval from the Gordon & Betty Moore Foundation (Foundation) on November 10, 2014 for \$1,400,000 towards the purchase of the 1,831-acre United Technologies Corporation Coyote Ridge Property, now known as the Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve. On June 3, 2015, the Moore Foundation modified the agreement to reallocate the Foundation's grant to support \$1,000,000 towards acquisition expenses and \$400,000 towards public access improvements.

The Authority applied the Moore Foundation's grant of \$1,000,000 toward the purchase of the 1,831-acre property in October 2015. The successful acquisition of the UTC property provides permanent protection to one of the most significant wildlife habitat areas in the Bay Area. As part of the acquisition work, the Authority contracted with Jodi McGraw Consulting to prepare an Interim Monitoring and Management Plan ("Plan") to guide future land management of the property and identify short and long-term priority land management actions. This Plan also serves as a management framework to assist with public access planning to minimize impacts to sensitive habitats.

The Authority has used the Plan and other reconnaissance work at the site to begin the site feasibility analysis of the public staging area and initial interpretive facilities and a site has been confirmed. Recently, a request to the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation was submitted to allow for more time to complete design and construction of the phase 1 public access plan through January 2020. A presentation will be made to the Committee on the plan for public access with a focus on the Phase 1 improvements, preliminary timeline, costs and approach.

RECOMMENDATION

This will be an informational item only and there will be no action needed by the Committee.







Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve Update on Public Access Planning/Design Use and Management Committee

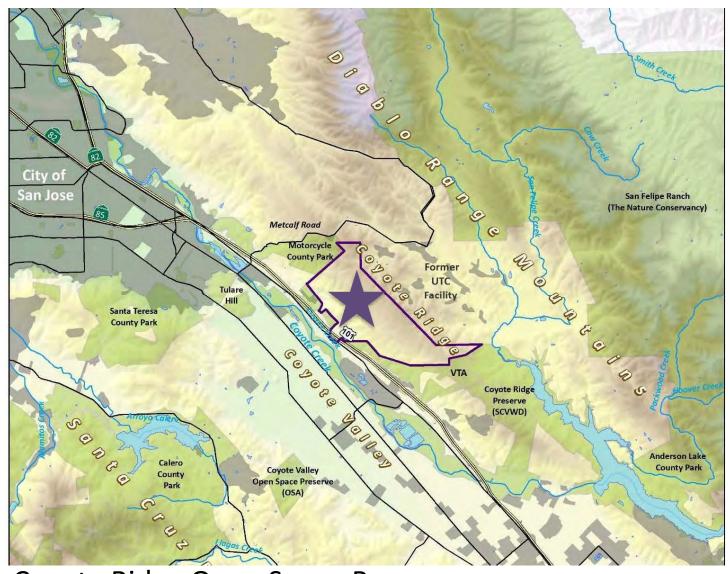
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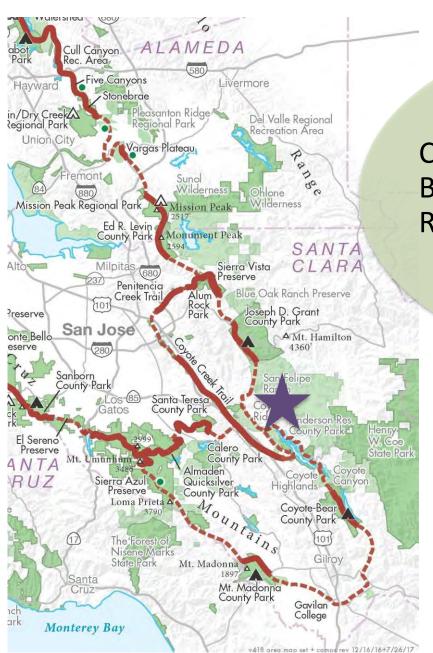




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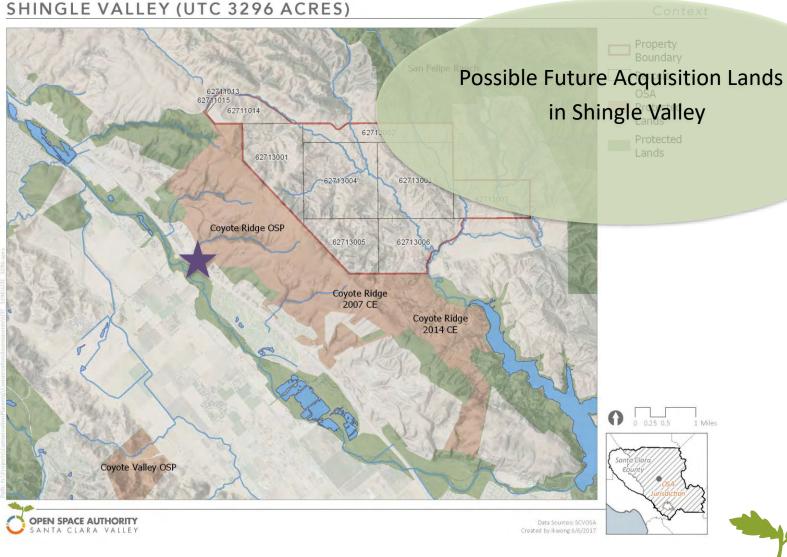
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Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve Regional Context



Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve Bay Area Ridge Trail Regional Context

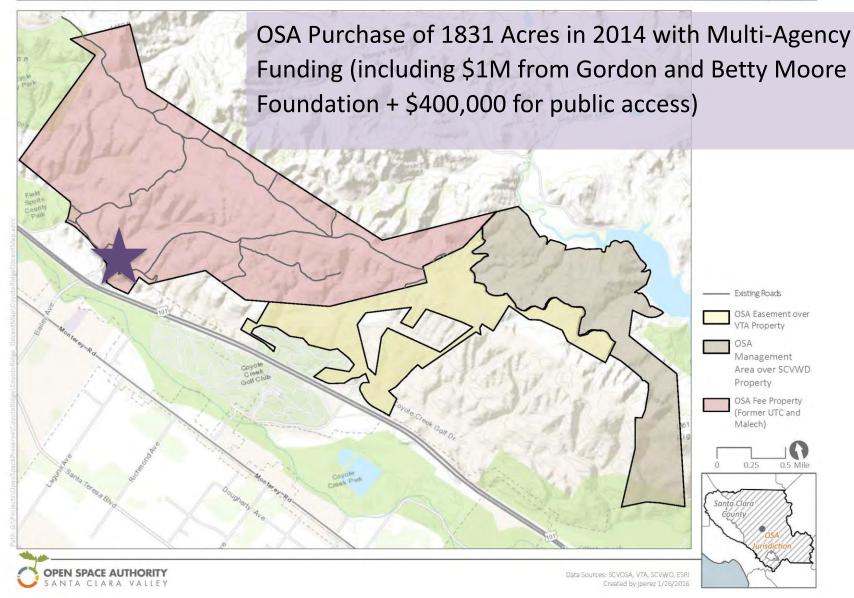


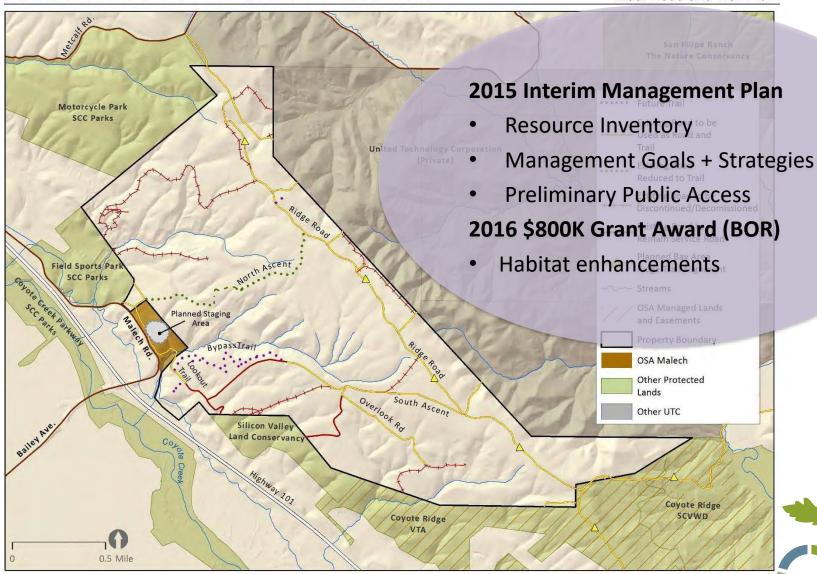


Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve UTC Holdings Context

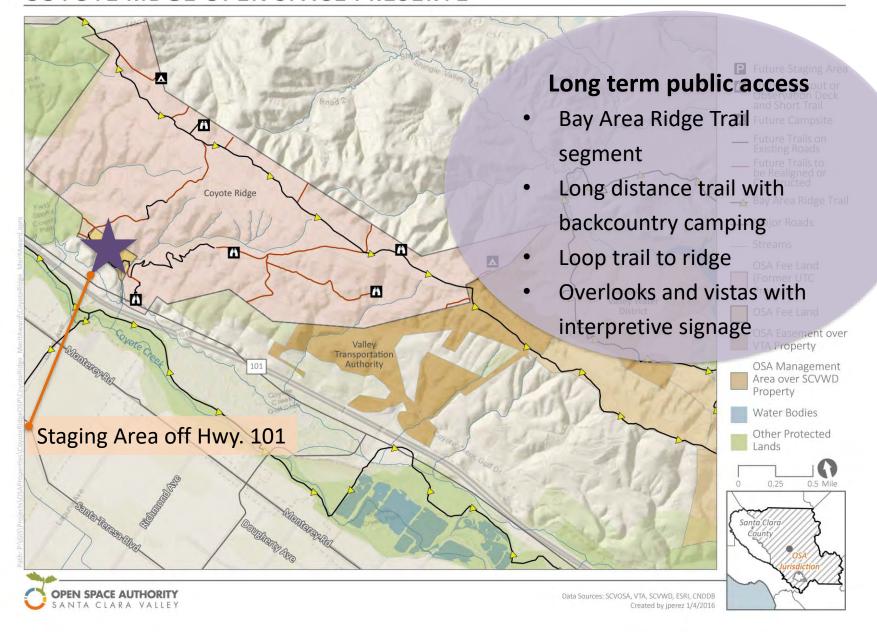


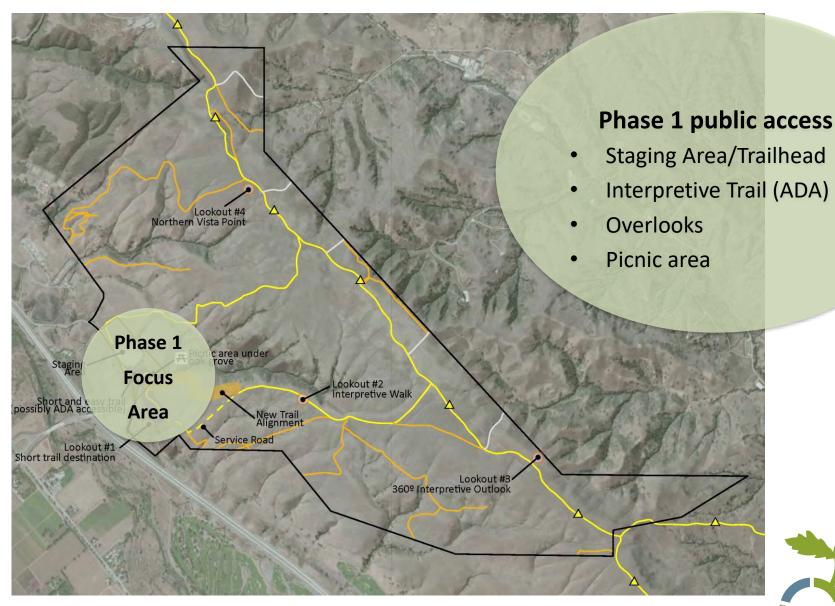
COYOTE RIDGE Ownership Map





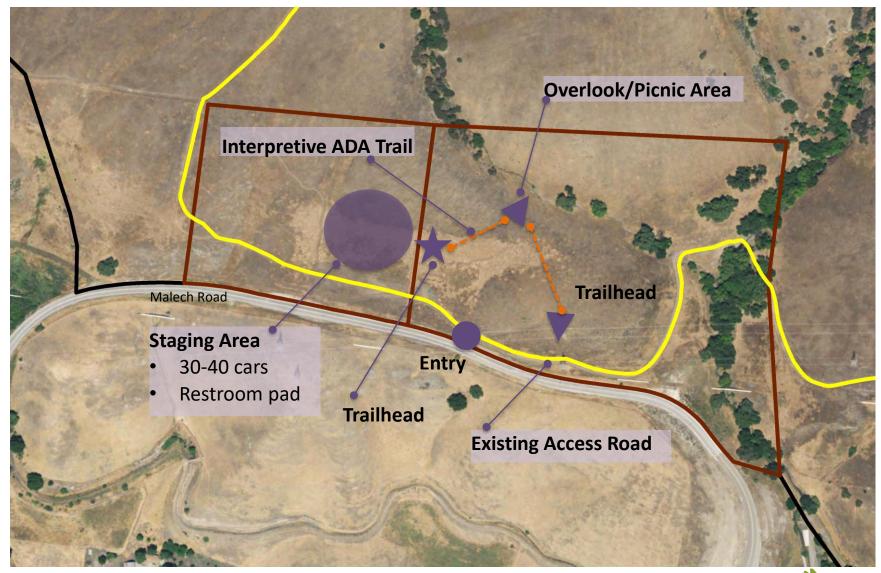
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Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve Phase 1 Public Access





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Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve Phase 1 Public Access Funding

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PRE-DESIGN Site Survey Cultural Survey

Botanical Survey

Preliminary CEQA

Valley Habitat Agency Land in

Lieu/Permitting

Conceptual Design (In-house)

Cost Estimates

Design RFP

2018

DESIGN

Preliminary Design

Staging/RestRoom/Trail/Interp

Final Design Staging/RestRoom

Final Design Trail/Interp

Final CEQA Documentation

Final Permitting

RFP Construction

2018/19

CONSTRUCTION

Staging Area/Trailhead

Mobilization

Staging Area Construction

Trail Construction

Interpretive Signage

Project Completion (Jan 2020)

Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve Phase 1 Public Access Timeline

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