

SAN RAMON TRAILS MASTER PLAN

Presentation to the City of San Ramon
Parks and Community Services Commission
March 18, 2026

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Parks and Community Services Commission should approve the San Ramon Trails Master Plan and recommend it be forwarded to the City Council for final approval.



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DESIGNWORKSHOP

PLAN PROGRESS

MASTER PLAN UPDATES

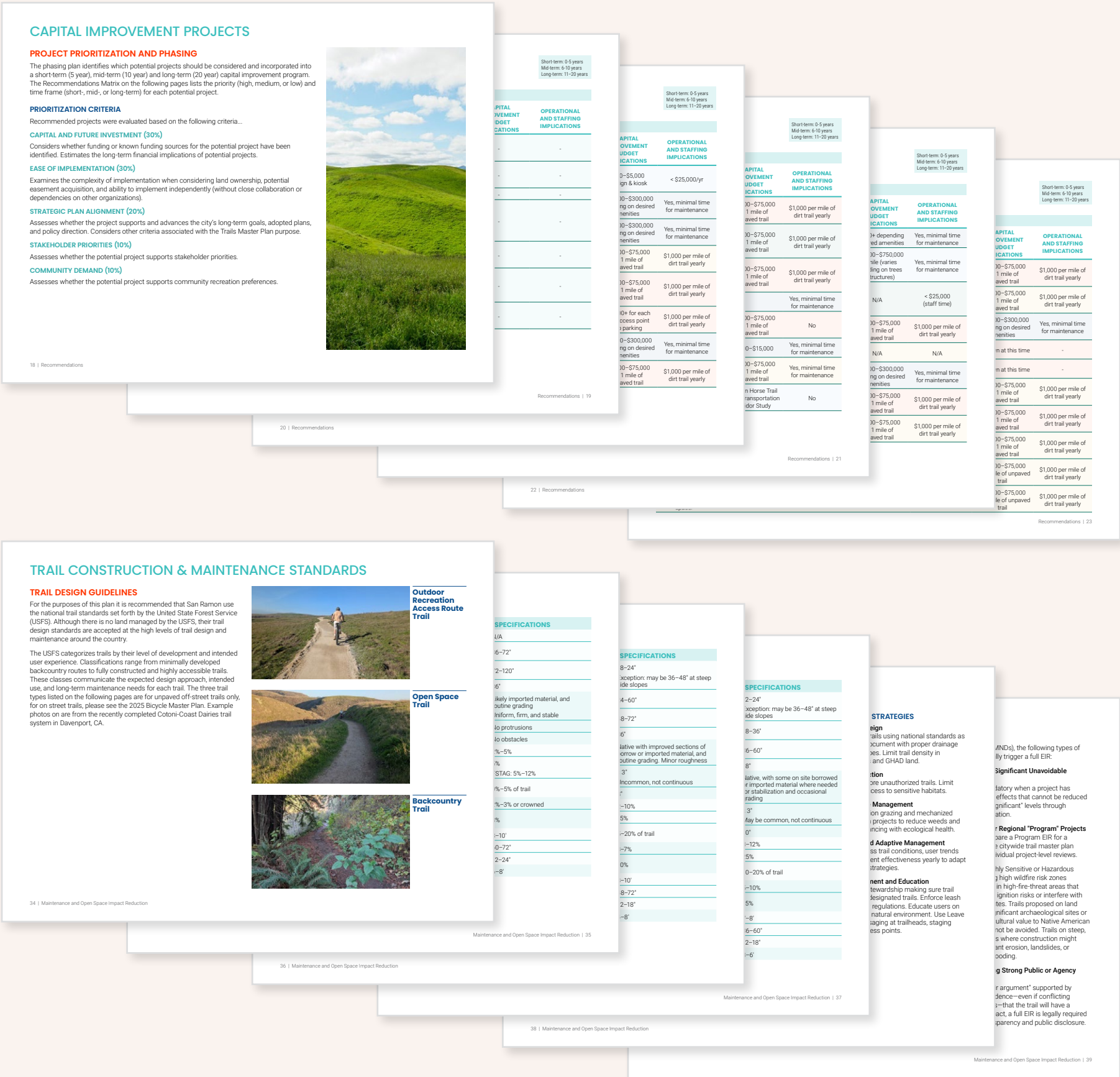
Plan Development Since November

- Potential trail alignments,
- Prioritization criteria,
- A capital improvement project prioritization matrix,
- Trail design guidelines and mitigation strategies, and
- Funding opportunities.

Two-Week Review and Comment Period (late January to mid-February)

The draft plan was updated with input from:

- City of San Ramon Transportation Department
- City of San Ramon Planning Department
- City of San Ramon Traffic/Engineering Department
- Geologic Hazard Abatement District Manager
- Fehr & Peers (Bicycle Master Plan consultant)
- Public feedback



PLAN BACKGROUND

ORIGINS OF THE PLAN

The need for a trails master plan was established in the City's **General Plan 2040** (adopted in 2023) as an implementation step under the guiding principle to create and maintain a high-quality, publicly accessible park and trail system for San Ramon.

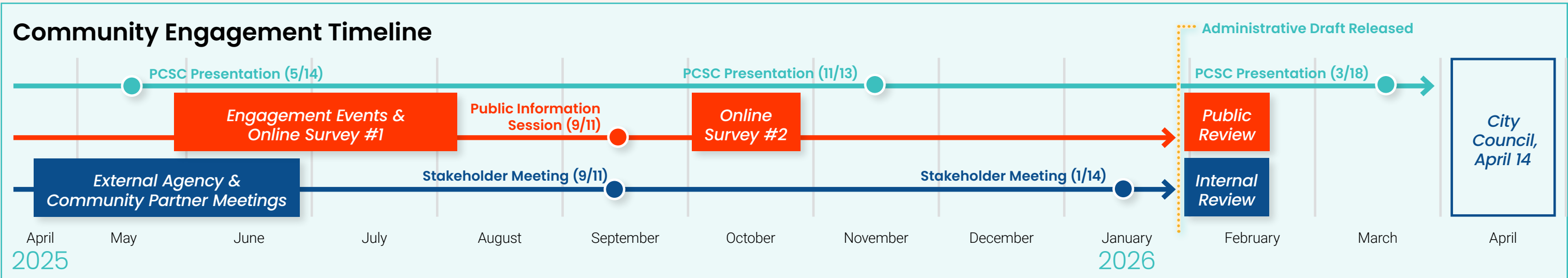
Previous Plan Review

Previous plans were reviewed to align this plan's recommendations to the city's other initiatives.



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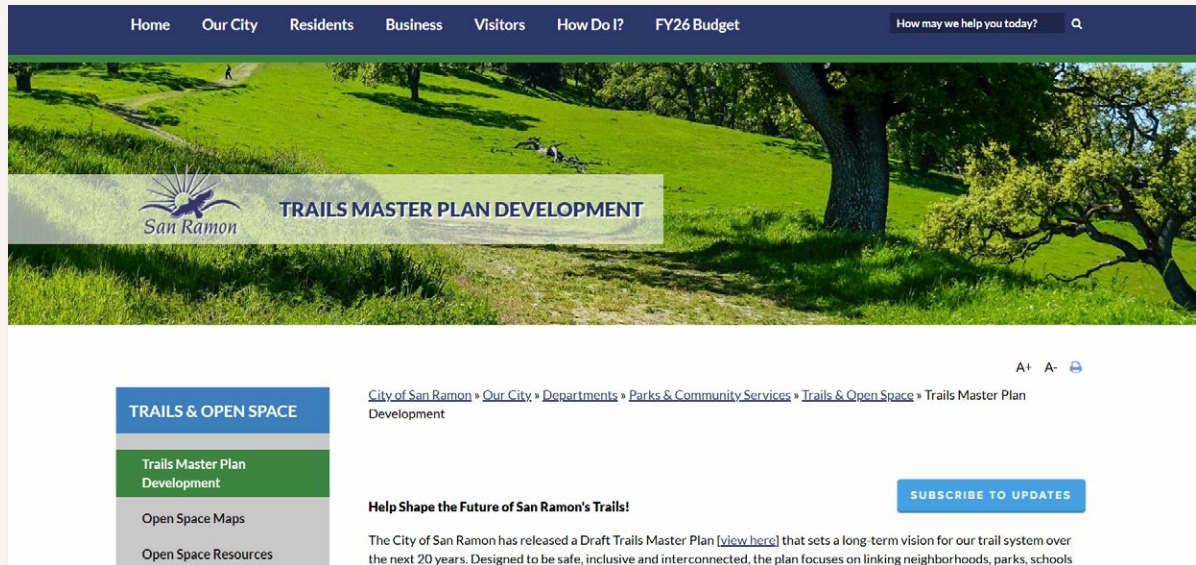
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OVERVIEW



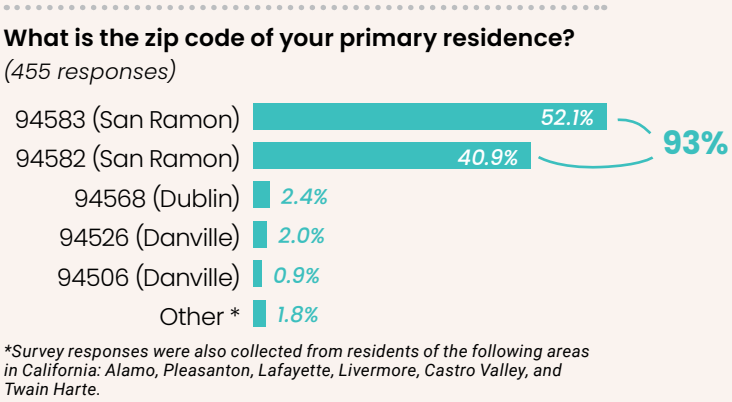
Community events



Outdoor signage



The City's website was updated regularly as the plan progressed.



WHAT WE HEARD

Having access to trails is important to San Ramon residents.

Access to the San Ramon trail system adds value to my home and community. (476 respondents)



Trails improve the overall quality of life in San Ramon. (487 respondents)

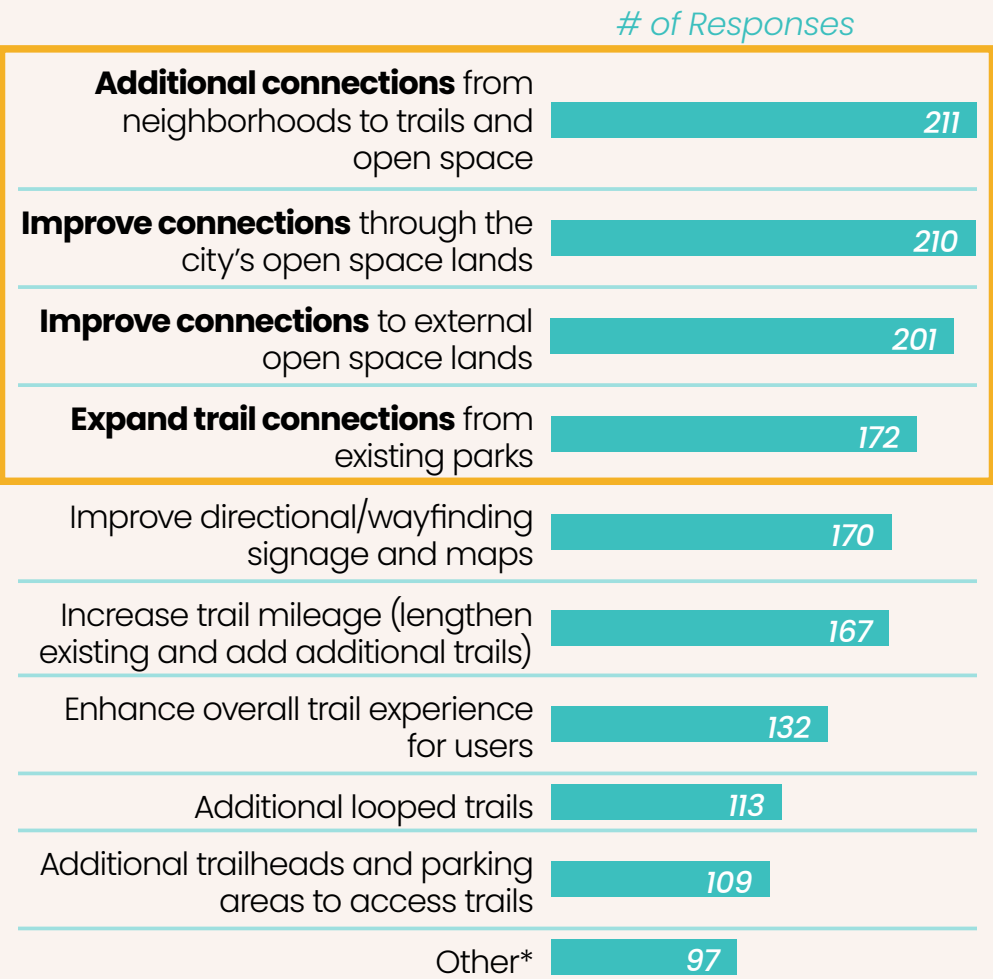


A well thought out trail system contributes to health and safety in San Ramon. (479 respondents)



Creating connections is a primary goal for community members.

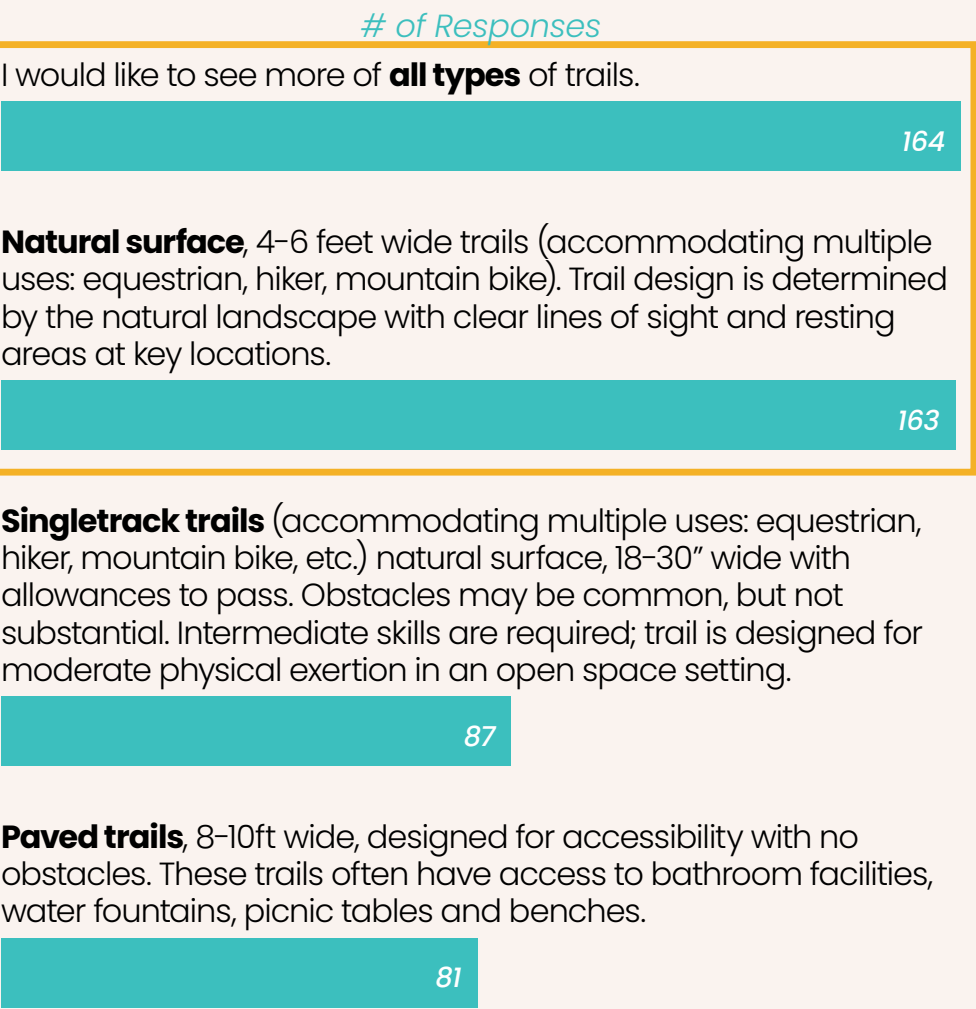
What improvements do you think are most needed for the trail system? (Select the top three that apply.) (489 respondents)



*The three most common write-in responses were related to creating shade along trails, providing restrooms or water fountains, and maintaining existing trails.

Residents would like more multi-use natural surface trails.

Please describe which type of trails interest you the most. (495 respondents)



Survey responses establish strong support for development of the trail system and directly guided the Master Plan's focus areas and final recommendations.

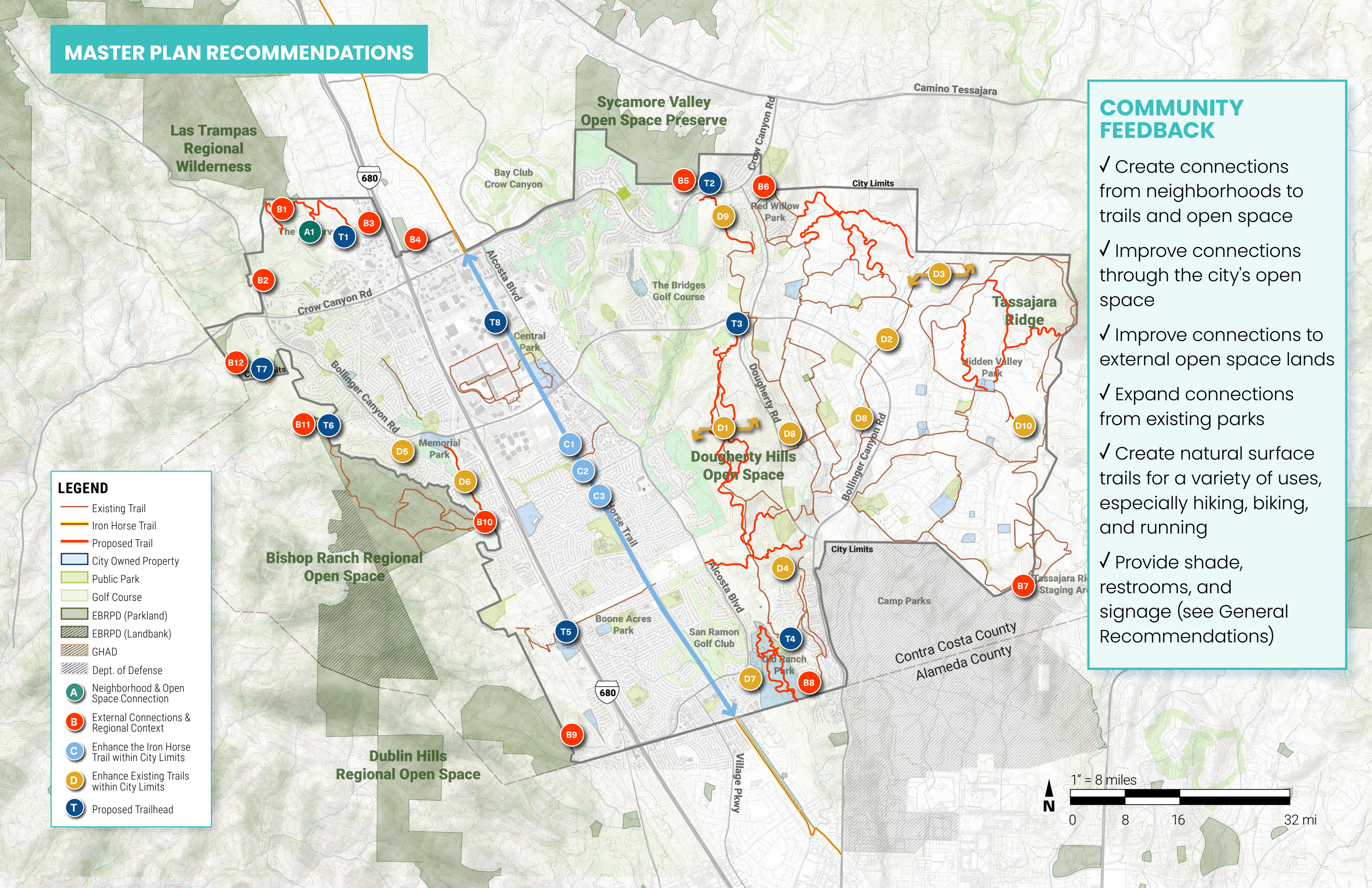
MASTER PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

- ✓ Create connections from neighborhoods to trails and open space
- ✓ Improve connections through the city's open space
- ✓ Improve connections to external open space lands
- ✓ Expand connections from existing parks
- ✓ Create natural surface trails for a variety of uses, especially hiking, biking, and running
- ✓ Provide shade, restrooms, and signage (see General Recommendations)

LEGEND

- Existing Trail
- Iron Horse Trail
- Proposed Trail
- City Owned Property
- Public Park
- Golf Course
- EBRPD (Parkland)
- EBRPD (Landbank)
- GHAD
- Dept. of Defense
- A** Neighborhood & Open Space Connection
- B** External Connections & Regional Context
- C** Enhance the Iron Horse Trail within City Limits
- D** Enhance Existing Trails within City Limits
- T** Proposed Trailhead



RECOMMENDATIONS SUMMARY

High priority projects are highlighted and mapped on the following slide.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

ID	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
G1	+ Provide more dirt-to-dirt trail connections
G2	» Manage grazing areas to reduce impacts to developed trails
G3	+ Acquire trail easements through utility corridors, HOAs, etc.
G4	» Amend GHAD easements for trails
G5	+ Create and implement a wayfinding signage plan for trails
G6	+ Develop a hierarchy of trailheads and associated amenities
G7	+ Establish a “friends of group”

CREATE CONNECTIONS BETWEEN NEIGHBORHOODS & OPEN SPACE

ID	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
A1	+ Stacked loop trails in the Preserve open space
A2	+ Trail connections through participating HOA properties that connect neighborhoods to the on- and off-street trail network

COLLABORATE WITH PARTNERS FOR REGIONAL CONNECTIVITY

ID	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
B1	+ Trail from The Preserve to Las Trampas North
B2	+ Access point at the Las Trampas West (future)
B3	+ Access point at San Ramon Valley Blvd. + Trail from San Ramon Valley Blvd. to Las Trampas
B4	+ Access point at Fostoria Way and Camino Ramon + Trail from Borel Park to Danville
B5	+ Trail from Crow Canyon Rd to Sycamore Valley Open Space (via Public Services and Maintenance property)
B6	» Improve trails between Red Willow Park and Diablo Vista Park in Danville
B7	+ Trail from Tassajara Ridge Trail to Dublin (through Camp Parks easement)
B8	+ Trail from Old Ranch Park to Dublin open space (through Dougherty Hills Open Space)
B9	+ Access point at/near Centennial Park + Trail from Westside Dr to Bishop Ranch South
B10	» Improve access point at Morgan Dr near Hawkins Dr » Improve trails between Morgan Dr and Bishop Ranch
B11	» Improve access point at Paddock Dr » Improve trails between Paddock Dr and Bishop Ranch Open Space
B12	» Improve access point at Cobblestone Park » Improve trails between Thomas Ranch neighborhood and Las Trampas–Pleasant Ridge

ENHANCE THE IRON HORSE TRAIL WITHIN CITY LIMITS

ID	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
C1	» Shade Iron Horse Trail with tree planting and shade structures
C2	» Wayfinding signage at existing and new Iron Horse Trail access points
C3	» Widen and stripe Iron Horse Trail

ENHANCE EXISTING TRAILS WITHIN CITY LIMITS

ID	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
D1	+ Stacked loop trails in Dougherty Hills
D2	+ New trail along Alamo Creek
D3	+ Stacked loop trails in Tassajara Ridge
D4	+ Trail from Iron Horse Trail to Dougherty Hills Open Space
D5	+ Trails connecting neighborhoods and schools throughout the city to the existing bike park at Memorial Park (or relocate bike park to a more convenient location)
D6	+ Trail from Morgan Drive to Memorial Park
D7	+ Trail from Alcosta Senior and Community Center to Old Ranch Park
D8	» Use flood plain service roads along Alamo Creek and West Alamo Creek as trails during dry months
D9	+ Trail from the future Crow Canyon Staging Area to West Alamo Creek Trail
D10	+ Trail between Tassajara Ridge Trail and Hidden Valley Trail

PROVIDE NEW AND ENHANCED TRAILHEADS & NAVIGATION

ID	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
T1	» Faria Preserve Parkway Trailhead improvements
T2	+ Crow Canyon Staging Area Trailhead
T3	» Dougherty Valley Ridge Trail North Trailhead improvements
T4	+ Old Ranch Park and Alcosta Community & Senior Center Trailheads
T5	+ Forest Home Farms Trailhead
T6	» Paddock Drive/Redtail Hawk Trailhead improvements
T7	+ Cobblestone Neighborhood Park Trailhead
T8	+ San Ramon Transit Center Trailhead

HIGH PRIORITY PROJECTS

Old Ranch Park (B8, D7, T4)

- Connect Old Ranch Park to Alcosta Senior & Community Center and Dougherty Hills Open Space Trail

Forest Home Farms (T5)

- Provide a trailhead and trail access at the Forest Home Farms Historic Park

Faria Preserve (A1, B1, B2, B3)

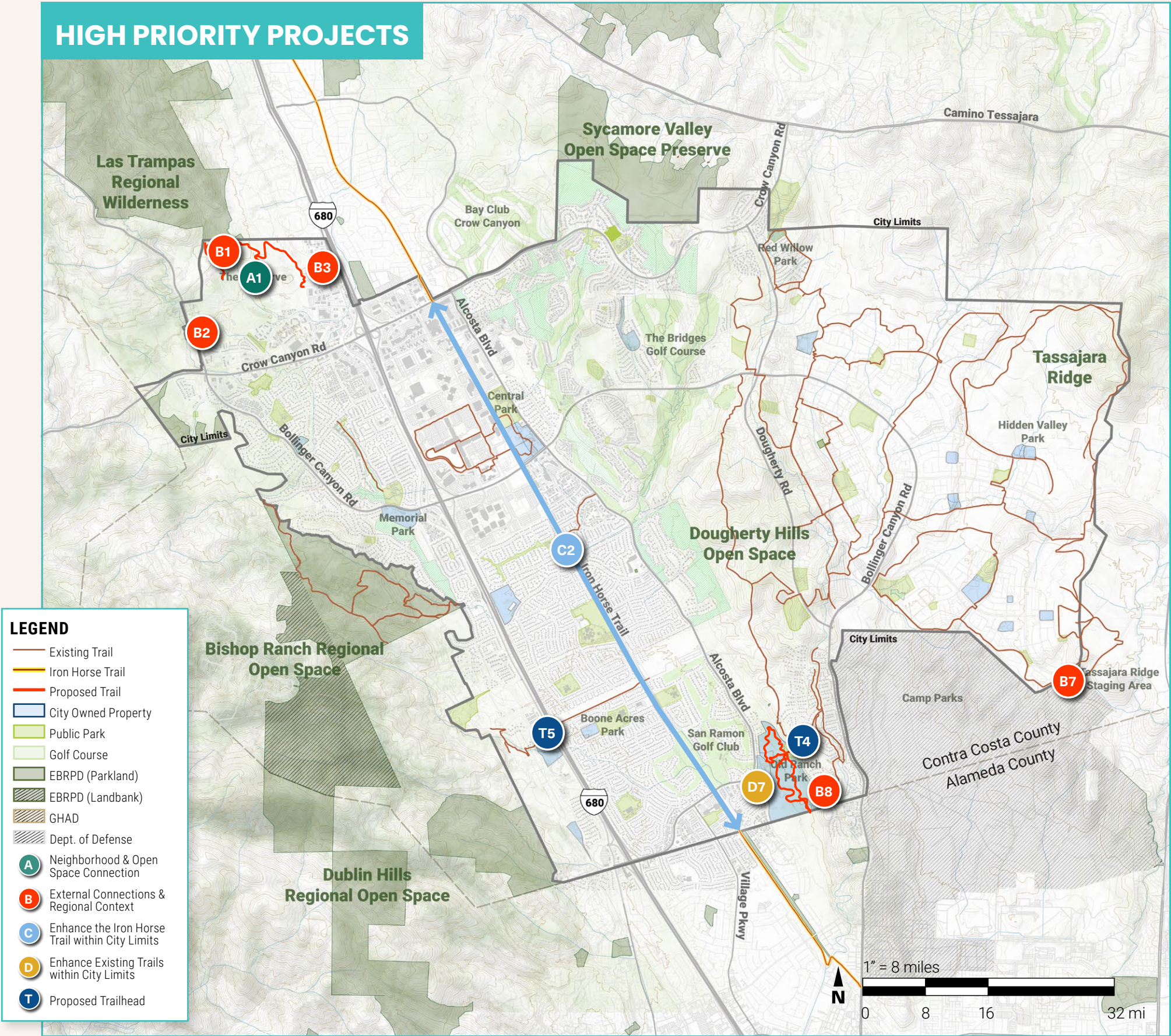
- Connect northwest San Ramon to Las Trampas Regional Wilderness and provide loop trails in the open space

Iron Horse Trail (C2)

- Create additional access points and opportunities for shade along Iron Horse Trail

Tassajara Ridge (B7)

- Connect to external open space via and improve existing trails at Tassajara Ridge



NEXT STEPS

- Present to City Council for approval (April 14)
- Turn the Master Plan StoryMap over to City staff
- Begin implementation of priority projects
- Continue collaboration with external agencies
- Continue community outreach as projects move into design and construction

