Preview of Upcoming Multi-use Trail Opportunities

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Midpen Mission

To acquire and preserve a regional greenbelt of open space land in perpetuity, protect and restore the natural environment, and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education.
Overview of Presentation

Provide an update on public access projects and future regional trail opportunities:

❖ **Status of current trails and public access projects**
  - Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve: Mt Umunhum Summit
  - La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve
  - Bear Creek Redwoods Open Space Preserve
  - Ravenswood Bay Trail
  - Highway 17 Wildlife and Regional Trail Crossing

❖ **Future regional trails and public access**
  - Bay Area Ridge Trail between La Honda Creek and El Corte de Madera
  - Upper Stevens Creek Trail corridor
  - Purisima to the Sea Trail corridor
2014 Vision Plan – Regional Trail Opportunities
Sierra Azul – Mt Umunhum Summit

Over 19,000 tons of deconstructed building materials were used to recontour the summit.

As much as possible, the summit will be restored to its original contours. Expansive views of the Pacific Ocean, Midpen preserves, the regional greenbelt, Loma Prieta, ancient redwoods, Santa Cruz and even the Monterey Peninsula can be seen on a clear day.

West Summit
Native American Ceremonial Space
Honoring the site’s 10,000-year Native American history and return to the mountain. It is a place to reflect and renew connections with nature.

Stairs with Viewing Platforms
Viewing Covs and Stonework
Shelter from the sun and wind as well as excellent views.

Mt. Umunhum Trail
This 4.8-mile multi-use trail passes through multiple habitats and offers both shade and spectacular views above and below.

East Summit
From here, the high point of Mt. Umunhum, one can see Mt. Diablo, Mt. Hamilton and Mt. Tamalpais as well as the valley below.

Stone Curb and Railing
Protects from steep drop-off

Natural and Cultural History
The site’s unique cultural, military and natural histories will be shared through interpretive materials.

Viewpoint and Stone Seat Wall
When arriving at the summit, visitors can stop and take in the magnificent views.

Trails and Recreation
The gorgeous 4.8-mile Mount Umunhum Trail will extend from the Bald Mountain Parking Area (completed 2014) to the summit, crossing through the varied habitats of the mountain and offering incredible views of the valley below, the ridgelines above, and the other great peaks of the Bay Area. This multi-use trail offers easy-to-moderate terrain for hikers, bicyclists and horseback riders and, at the summit, will be the highest point on the Bay Area Ridge Trail. Volunteer and docent activities will range from citizen science projects and trail patrol to interpretive hikes and activities.
Sierra Azul – Mt Umunhum Trail

Mt. Umunhum
3,486'
La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve

PUBLIC ACCESS TRAILS

1. Driscoll Ranch Main Access Road 5.6
2. Easy Access Loop Trail 0.9
3. Vista Point Loop Trail 2.8
4. Trail Connection to Red Barn Area 0.3
5. Trail Connection to Driscoll Ranch 1.5
6. La Honda Creek Loop Trail 4.8
7. Redwood Cabin Loop Trail 2.3
8. Interior Loop Trail 2.4
9. Red Barn Loop Trail 2.0
10. Folger Ranch Loop Trail 3.9
11. Harrington Creek Trail 1.6
12. Sears Ranch Loop Trail 1.9
13. Trail to Ray's Peak 0.1

TRAiL USE

All trails open to hiking. Off trail hiking allowed throughout except in Conservation Management Units.

All trails open to equestrian use, unless soil conditions do not allow trail construction or meet District expansion new standards.

Pending resource agency approval, multiple-use on (1) the northeastern section of the Driscoll Ranch Road from Sears Ranch Road to the Red Barn area; (2) a portion of the La Honda Creek Loop Trail and (3) the designated Bay Area Ridge Trail zone one mile through connection is secured (see legend).

Trails north of Vista Point open to dogs on leash after grazing program is established; also work with existing pacing trails to identify suitable trail loop off Sears Ranch Road for dogs on leash.

Public Access Phase II

- Existing Public Trails (Hiking, Equestrian)
- Proposed Public Trails (Hiking, Equestrian)
- Proposed Multiple-Use Public Trails (Hiking, Equestrian, Bicycling)
- Phase II Trails
- Permit Only Trail
- Proposed New Segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail
Bay Area Ridge Trail Gap btw. LHC and ECdM
Phase I: 2017-2019
Phase II: 2020-2026
Phase III: 2027-2036
Western Zone

- Improve Trails - Vegetation management and drainage upgrades, Webb Creek Bridge replacement
- Pond stabilization
- Preserve entrance and parking lot at former Alma College; pedestrian/trail crossing at Bear Creek Road; culvert repair
- Stables tenant lease, renovation designs, water system engineering
- Alma College safety and security, bat relocation, rehabilitation designs
Eastern Zone

- Improve trails – road removal, vegetation management, drainage upgrades
- Construct 3 new bridges
- Multi-use trail connections and construction
- High priority Stables renovations
- Alma College site rehabilitation

BCR preserve plan PHASE II 2020-2026

[Map Image]
**Complete Eastern Zone**

- Construct new trail to complete eastern Preserve connection to Summit Road area
- Construct North Parking Area (lower lot)
- Partnership to re-use Alma College chapel and site
- Lower Priority Stables improvements
Ravenswood Bay Trail

Conceptual Trail Alignment

Legend:
- Existing SFUC Service Road
- Existing Bike Lane
- Existing Multi-Use Bay Trail
- Convert Multi-Use Bay Trail to Asphalt
- Parcel Line (Approximate)
- Coastal Marsh (Wetlands)
- Trail Site on SFUC Service Road
- Paved Trail on Grassy Uplands
- Boardwalk-Style Raised Trail above Wetlands
- Bridge over Wetlands

Other Notations:
- University Avenue
- Ravenswood Open Space Preserve (MROSD)
- University Village (East Palo Alto)
- Cornish Farmstead
- University Park
- Stanford Street
- SPPUC Structure
Section D - Bridge

EXISTING CONDITIONS

ILLUSTRATIVE IMAGES

SIMILAR STEEL TRUSS BRIDGE

EXISTING CONDITION

EXISTING CONDITIONS

NEW

EXISTING WETLANDS

PHASE I

NEW TRUSS BRIDGE x 18'-6"
Section C - Wetlands

EXISTING CONDITIONS

PHASE I

Illustrative Images

WOOD DECKING WITH WOOD RAILINGS

INSTALLATION OF SMALL-FOOTPRINT POSTS

WOOD BOARDWALK DECKING

CONCEPTUAL SKETCH OF BOARDWALK CROSS SECTION
## Ravenswood Bay Trail

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Highway 17 Wildlife & Regional Trail Crossing
### Purisima to the Sea Trail Timeline

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Reasons for Purchase

Target Dates for New Trails

2016
- Russian Ridge - Mindego Hill Trail Opened
- Mt Umunhum Summit
- Mt Umunhum Trail
- Lower La Honda Creek Preserve

2017
- Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve (Western Zone)
- Ravenswood Bay Trail
- El Corte de Madera Oljon Trail

On-going Real Property & Planning Work
Conclusion
Questions?