



Open House 5 – 6 p.m.

From 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., meeting attendees visited five project stations to learn about the project and discuss their ideas, concerns and comments with project team members. Attendees were encouraged to complete comment cards at each station to communicate their opinions and questions.

Project stations included:

- **Sign in:** Check in, project newsletters and mailing list sign up
- **Project Delivery Process:** Project development process and planning
- **Environmental Studies:** Environmental study process and anticipated studies
- **Enhancements:** Possible trail enhancements, locations and idea sharing
- **Trail Map:** Overview and detailed layouts of the proposed trail alignment, crossing locations, access points and enhancement opportunities

[View the public meeting open house station description and open house station boards at cityofsacramento.org/DelRioTrail/GetInvolved](http://cityofsacramento.org/DelRioTrail/GetInvolved)

Welcome 6 p.m.

At 6 p.m., Councilmember Jay Schenirer welcomed meeting attendees and stated his support and excitement for the Del Rio Trail Project. He also introduced Conseulo Hernandez from Councilmember Steve Hansen's office.

Presentation 6:10 p.m.

Lucy Eidam Crocker, meeting facilitator, introduced project team members Pamela Dalcin-Walling of Dokken Engineering, Jesse Gothan of the City of Sacramento Public Works and Jennifer Donlon Wyant of the City of Sacramento Public Works. Jesse and Pamela delivered a project overview presentation.

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Comment/Question Panel 6:20 p.m.

After the project presentation, Lucy Eidam Crocker explained the panel-style question and answer format. A panel of project team members answered meeting attendees' questions from the comment cards in real time. Seven project team members were a part of the panel, including:

- Jesse Gothan – Project Manager, City of Sacramento Public Works
- Jennifer Donlon Wyant – Transportation Planner, City of Sacramento Public Works
- Pamela Dalcin-Walling – Project Manager, Dokken Engineering
- Ryan Neves – Project Engineer, Dokken Engineering
- Tony Powers –Structures Engineer, Dokken Engineering
- Sarah Holm –Environmental Planner, Dokken Engineering
- Daniel Miller –Landscape Architect, Callander Associates

Following is a summary of questions addressed by the panel members (not in the order of which they were asked). Note that all comment cards and discussions will be reviewed by the project team for consideration to advance the project forward in this planning and public outreach phase. The most Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) will be summarized and included on The Del Rio Trail page on the City's website.

Safety

How will safety be addressed?

The project team is working with the Sacramento Police Department to conduct an evaluation of the trail alignment and provide recommendations for features that will enhance safety along the trail. The elements may include maximizing access points and destinations, lighting at street crossings, video surveillance and vegetation management. Subsequent strategies will evolve as needed to address specific issues.

What about security for homeowners, residents and businesses whose land is adjacent to the trail corridor?

The walk-through with the Sacramento Police Department will evaluate privacy, security and crime prevention through environmental design. The walk-through is scheduled for the end of March.

Access Points & Crossings

What is the safety plan for crossings at intersections and access points?

Safety at access points is a priority for the City and the Del Rio Trail Project. Currently, the City of Sacramento is working with other stakeholders to identify safety challenges in the Del Rio Trail corridor. Safety enhancements may include traffic calming, safe routes to school and other activations.

What are the locations of the access points?

Anticipated primary access points include the major crossing locations at Sutterville Road, Fruitridge Road, 35th Avenue, Florin Road and Pocket Road. Secondary access points include South Land Park Drive, Normandy/Del Rio Road, Park Village Street, Charlie Jensen Park at 14th Street, Palomar Circle and Z'Berg Park. Opportunities for additional access points will be explored as the project planning progresses.

How are you determining where you will start the project at the northern end?

The project team is evaluating two options for the northern alignment: bike lanes along Sutterville Road or a separate trail alongside the railroad embankment. The team is evaluating factors such as safety, cost, right of way and environmental impacts.

Enhancements

How are you selecting what plants you will use along the trail?

Plants and landscaping will be as environmentally responsible as possible. Our approach is to enhance landscaping and choose adaptive, drought-friendly, low maintenance plant materials that are native to the environment.

Will there be a dog park? Will there be a leash law on the trail if there is not a dog park?

Dog parks are an enhancement feature that would not be eligible for funding under the Active Transportation Program grant. These features will need to be explored with the City's Parks and Recreation Department as complementary stand-alone projects. The dog leash requirement is a City of Sacramento public policy and is not specific to the Del Rio Trail Project.

Will there be amenities on or along the trail (i.e benches, drinking fountains, bathrooms, parks, gardens)? If so, where will they be located?

Yes. Anticipated sources for construction funding (Active Transportation Program grants) allow for 5 percent of the construction budget be used for decorative landscaping, lights, street furniture, pavers and stamped concrete. Amenities outside these categories will need to be explored as separate projects with the City's Parks and Recreation Department and will likely need funding from private donations or sponsorships.

Regarding enhancement locations, there are several areas (marked with an E on the conceptual layout station board) that designate potential locations for recreational enhancement opportunities. Entry-way enhancements would occur at the primary/secondary access points (denoted with a P and S on the conceptual layout station board). Landscaping and site furnishings can be provided anywhere along the trail. Specific locations for site furnishings and landscaping will be identified during the final design phase.

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What about community gardens for food benefits? Are any planned along the trail?

Community gardens for food, consistent with the farm to fork initiative, overlaps with other areas of City government. The project team understands that the community is coordinating with Sacramento Sustainability Program Manager Jennifer Venema regarding a potential community garden at the City-owned lot on Palomar Circle.

Is public art along the trail a consideration?

Yes. Public art is something the City will consider and encourage, but it does not fall into the 5 percent allocation for enhancements. Public art would likely need funding from private donations and/or sponsorships.

Environmental/Construction/Maintenance

Will the project include consideration of a rail with trail alternative?

For the segment of the trail north of Sutterville Road, the trail alignment that uses the existing rail corridor to connect to the Sacramento River Parkway will be designed to co-exist with the existing tracks. This segment was environmentally cleared for an extension of the Old Sacramento Excursion Train. Segments of the project south of Sutterville Road will consider a Class 1 Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail, consistent with the Active Transportation Funding of this project, which expressly provides for bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Can you clarify the walking path and why it's separated and not joined?

The goal is to provide separation between cyclists and walkers if they want it. Otherwise, pedestrians can still walk on the paved path.

Any thought to mitigation for lighting the path? We're concerned about a 400-watt light in our backyard.

The City's policy is not to provide lighting along bicycle and pedestrian trails.

Why are trees being marked in the trail corridor?

All trees (dead or alive) will be marked as a part of the topographic survey. Dokken Engineering has asked the surveyors to mark all site features so that they are aware of all project site constraints.

Are there plans to backfill or reduce grades of elevated tracks?

The project team will evaluate the topographic constraints through the trail project corridor. The project team will meet with the Department of Utilities and SAFCA to better understand flood considerations and what is a secondary levee with embankments within the project corridor, etc.

Will the railroad tracks be preserved for a future amenity (specifically South of Sutterville Road)? If the historical elements are impacted, how will they be mitigated?

Once the environmental review of the trail alignment starts, it will include consideration of the cultural and historic component of the rail line, any required mitigation and any negative effects of preserving those elements. In the past, educational signs along the trail have been integrated to preserve the historical component.

Who will maintain the trail?

Regional Transit currently maintains the rail corridor. After the City purchases the property, the trail will be maintained by the City of Sacramento Department of Public Works.

Funding

What is the total project budget and how much is in hand?

The entire project estimate is \$15 million dollars. There is \$2.2 million in funding for the planning, environmental clearance and design phase.

Will construction start prior to all the funding being in place?

The project is anticipated to be constructed in phases. Each phase will have “logical termini.” meaning that as each phase of the project is complete, there will be a logical destination so that no phase of the project is developed without a purpose.

How will the City address encroachments on the trail property?

Encroachments will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis when the project moves to the final design and right-of-way acquisition phase,

Who owns the right of way?

The existing rail corridor has multiple right-of-way ownership including the City of Sacramento, Regional Transit and California State Parks. In order to purchase the property, the City must first complete the project approval and environmental clearance phase. The environmental approval process is estimated to be complete in mid-2018. In the meantime, the property owners have the option to use and/or dispose of their right of way as they choose.

Will the City build fences at the property lines? Some residents have extended their property line into the trail corridor. At this point, the project team has not considered building fences and it's not planned as part of the project.

General

Where can we obtain a copy of the environmental study?

Once the environmental study is drafted, it will be available on the City of Sacramento Del Rio Project website and at public locations such as libraries. The information about the process will also be sent to our mailing list and through the electronic meeting database and the City's electronic and social media channels.

How was the meeting publicized?

The meeting was publicized through direct mail newsletters, City blog, electronic and social media communications, Councilmember Schenirer and Hansen's offices, local neighborhood and business association e-blasts, Nextdoor, customized project e-blasts and other outlets.

How does this project tie in with Sacramento River Bike Trail?

The Del Rio Trail corridor is east of Interstate 5 and provides a north-south connector while the Sacramento River Parkway serves the west side of Interstate 5. The Del Rio Trail will tie into the Sacramento River Parkway at the north terminus near Sutterville Road. At the south terminus, the Del Rio Trail will connect to the Sacramento River Parkway via the Freeport Shores Bike Trail.

Thank You and Close 7 p.m