



District 6 Neighborhood Leaders Group

Fall, 2013

Agenda

- 6:00 “Informal networking”
- 6:30 Welcome, quick introductions, and changing of the agenda
- 6:45 Guest Speaker: Joe Horwedel, outgoing SJ Planning Director
 - Where SJ has come from and where it is going; how to work with the city; and a remembrance of fun times we've had over the years "discussing" various development projects.
- 7:15 Guest Speaker: Dr. Byron Breland, incoming President of San Jose City College
- 7:30 The SJ Neighborhoods Commission's inauguration to new permanent status
- 7:40 CalTrain's plans a replacement bridge across the LG Crk: traffic and habitat impacts
- 7:55 Quick update on the Los Gatos Creek: bridges, trails, habitats, and long-range plans and visions. Reference point: Los Angeles' new approach to activism
- 8:05 Topical discussions & Updates
 - Outreach Policy 6-30
 - Gang Task Force
 - Airport Curfew
- 8:20 Decision for a date for the winter D6NLG meeting: Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2014?
- 8:25 Community issues: intro. & discussion of topics of concern to individual nghbrhds
- 8:50 Other announcements
- 9:00 Adjournment

Joe Horwedel, departing Planning Director (PBCE)



<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LY9K2K3>

Dr. Byron Breland, President of San Jose City College



San José Neighborhoods Commission: Structure

- Pilot Program completed: we're now an official, permanent commission
- Commissioners who served on the Pilot Program are “grandfathered in” for a transitional period (even if 3 in a district)
 - Those Districts with vacancies will have them filled by Council appointment.
 - New members were recruited in Sept. and are to be appointed in Jan.
 - No more “Alternates”.
- Four-year terms, sync'd to Council calendar (i.e., terms expire in June).
 - Odd-numbered districts up for re-selection/replacement spring of 2014
 - Even-numbered districts will be selected by caucus in the spring of 2016.
- The caucus selection process similar to past
 - may be modified somewhat by the NC and approved by Council
 - Vacancies to be filled by Council appointment rather than special caucus.
 - City Clerk will develop New Member Orientation/Commissioner Training
 - explaining Roberts Rules, Sunshine, etc.
- Clerk doesn't want Commissions to have a lot of subcommittees.

San José Neighborhoods Commission: Charter

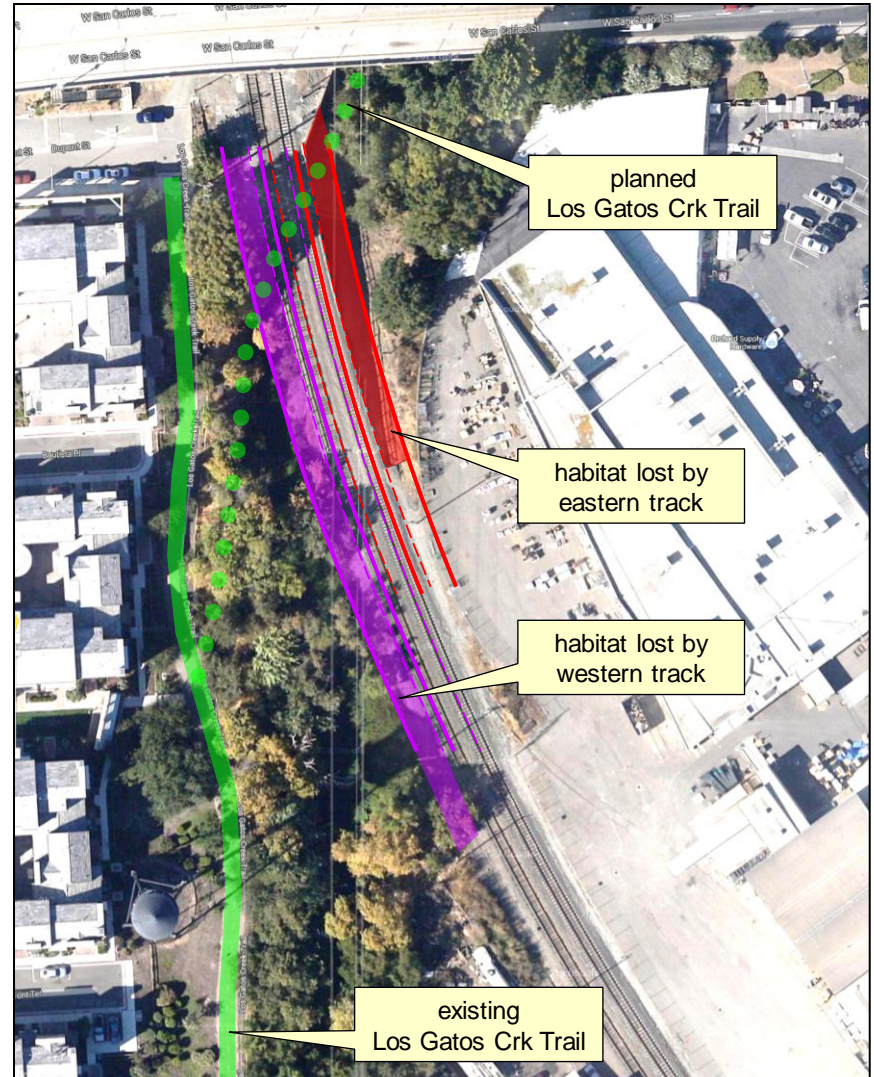
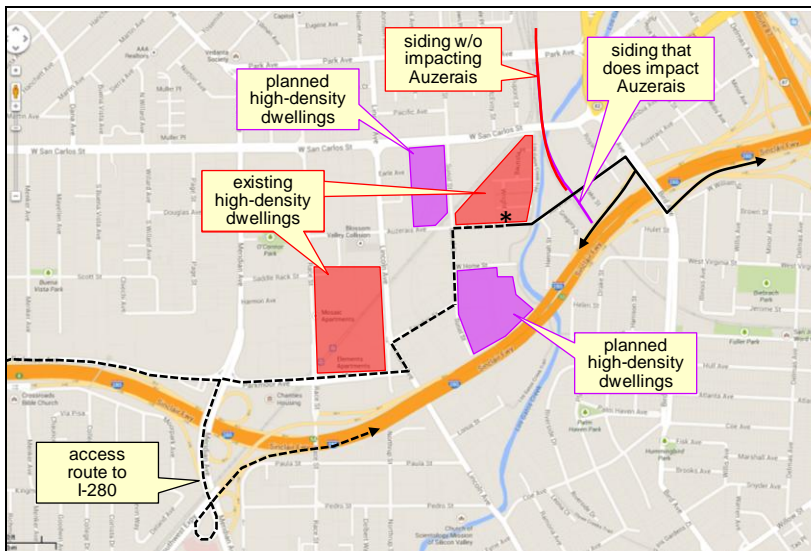
- Neighborhood Quality of Life:
 - Neighborhood Safety: working with the Police Dept, Gang Task Force, etc.
 - Includes the Homeless
 - Transportation -- not explained: might include?:
 - bus/rail/BRT
 - bike routes/paths
 - “complete streets”, and maybe even traffic on Lincoln Ave...
 - Code Enforcement
 - Budget & Finance Measures
 - discuss and express community opinions on taxes, bonds, etc.
- Notes etc. archived at www.WGBackfence.net/NC

sidewalks?

ped cut-throughs?

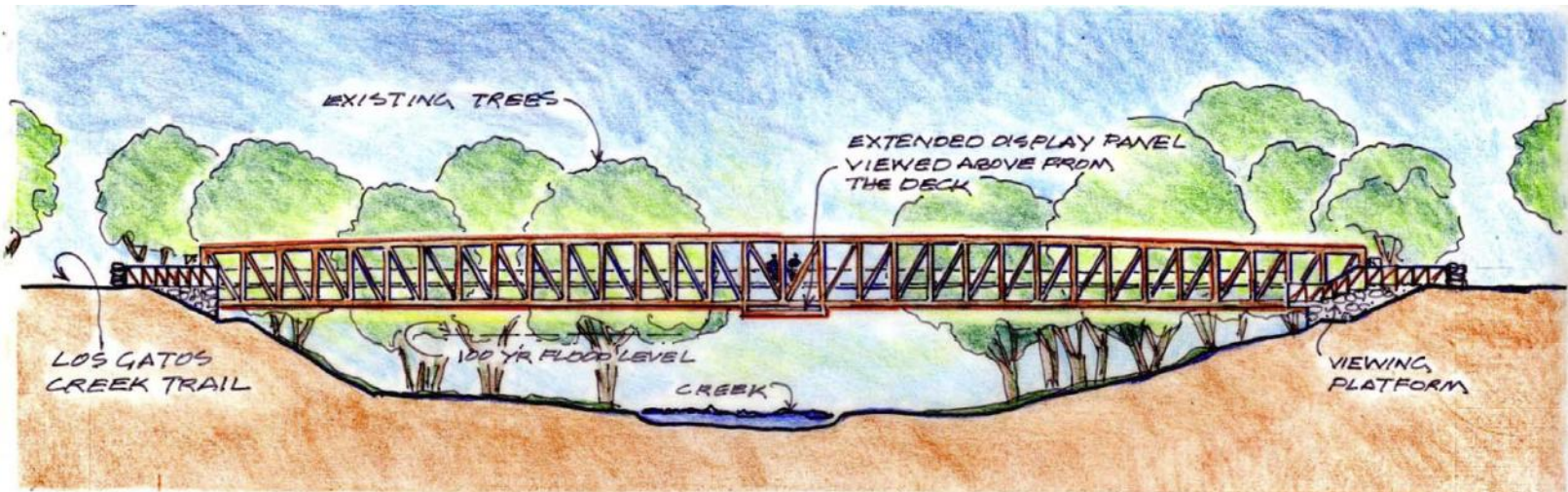
CalTrain Los Gatos Crk Bridge Replacement

- Traffic, noise, and habitat impacts
- Draft IS/MND is being revised, followed by 20-day review & comment period.



WG Trestle Update

- City is proceeding apace with trestle replacement plans
- Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) due to be released for public comment this November
 - 30 day review period
- Idea: Think larger: recreate the LG Crk Streamside Park Cmte



History of the Los Gatos Creek Streamside Park Committee

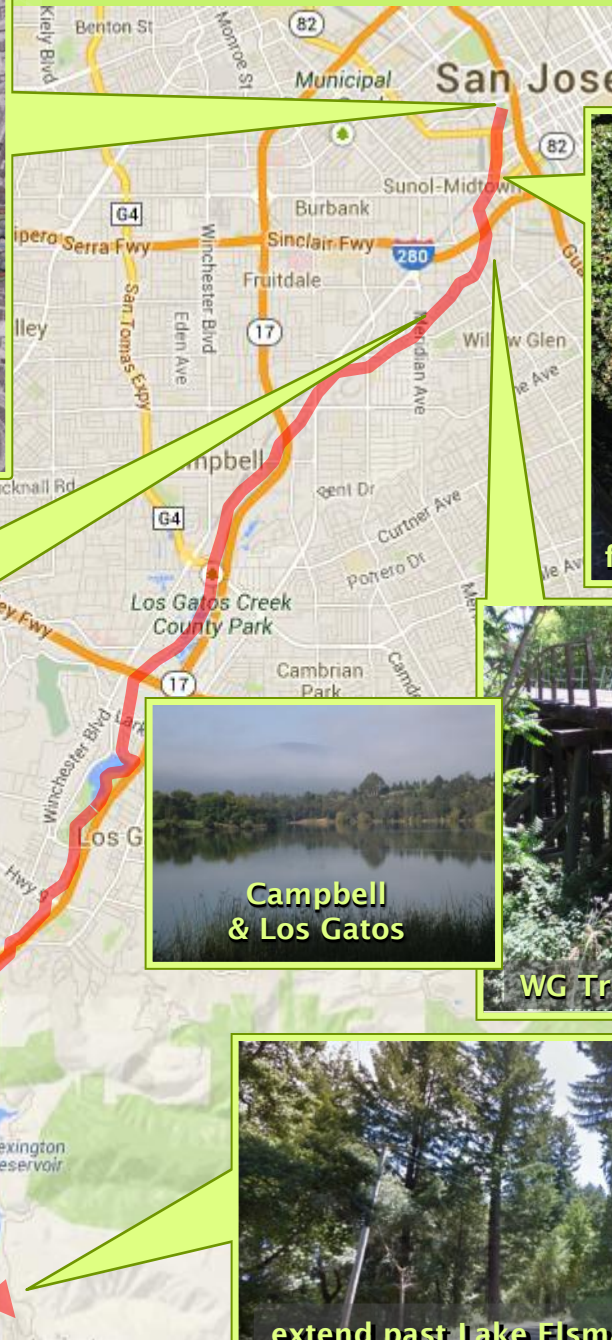
- ◉ Originally founded in 1975 by County Supervisor Rod Diridon, championed by Jim Beall, and chaired by the late Don Hebard
- ◉ Officially under County Parks, with authority to interact with any agency: Cities, County, CalTrans, Water District, ...
 - ◉ But was only advisory: no budget for direct action
- ◉ Comprised of representatives from San José, Campbell, Los Gatos, SCVWD, and Santa Clara Co.
- ◉ the Committee faded into hiatus around 2000 when the remaining projects seemed to be all in San José

Time to recreate the Los Gatos Creek Committee

- ◉ What format? As a JPA (Joint Powers), Conservancy, or informal group?
- ◉ Add to its membership:
 - ◉ in addition to the above, add agencies? State, MidPen, and SC Co. Open Space?
 - ◉ non-profits? SJ Park Foundation, Guadalupe River Conservancy, Cmte for Green Foothills (CGF), Bay Area Ridge Trail, Silicon Valley Leadership Group?
- ◉ Add to its charter: work for health of the stream's habitat as well as for the recreational trail and the health of the community
- ◉ Empowered to receive and spend so that it can take action
- ◉ Together, it can do more than the individual agencies could do alone.



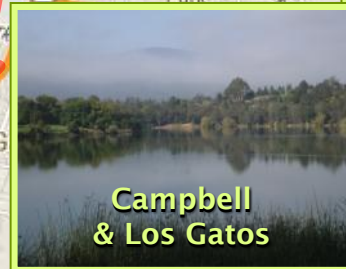
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free LGC from culvert at Park



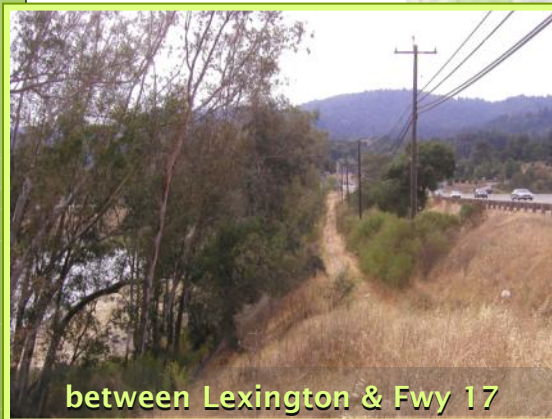
Meridian → Lincoln



Campbell & Los Gatos



WG Trestle & 3 Crks Trail



between Lexington & Fwy 17



extend past Lake Elsmar to the summit

Topical Discussions & Updates

- Outreach Policy 6-30
- Gang Task Force
- Airport Curfew

Winter D6NLG Meeting Date?

- Next “5th Tuesday” is Dec. 31st.
- Recommendation: Jan. 5th.
- Location? Rose Garden Library?

**Jan. 29 (the 5th Wednesday),
tentatively at the Bascom Community Center**

Community Issues

- Roundtable Discussion



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Thank you