# Portfolio 10

# **Coal Creek**Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use



Coal Creek Open Space Preserve (Erica Freeman)

#### DESCRIPTION

- Reopen Alpine Road as trail connection between Portola Valley and Skyline Boulevard.
- Reroute trails to reduce erosion and improve visitor experience.

Portfolio Allocation: \$8,017,000

Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2023: \$2,053,275

# NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## MAA10-001 Alpine Road Regional Trail, Coal Creek

#### Fiscal Year 2023

Completed Phase 1 of the Alpine (Road) Regional Trail Improvement Project construction. This involved repairing the southern portion of the dirt road to a 12-foot-width road from Page Mill Road to Meadow Trail. From Meadow Trail to Crazy Pete's junction in Portola Valley, Alpine Road was converted to a 6-foot-width trail. In addition, a new 0.5-mile, 4-foot-wide bypass trail with a more sustainable alignment was constructed to replace the former informal bypass trail.

#### **Prior Years**

Secured regulatory and county permits to proceed with construction.

Completed construction design plans and bid documents and successfully bid the project.

Entered into a funding agreement with Santa Clara County for Stanford Recreation Mitigation Funds.

Retained the services of a biomonitor and prepared for construction to commence.

Completed the CEQA process with the certification of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration by the board in January 2021.

Submitted permit applications to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Regional Water Quality Control Board and US Army Corps of Engineers. Coordinated with San Mateo County Public Works on a memorandum of understanding to streamline the county permitting process.

Completed the 65% design documents, Alternatives Analysis report, geotechnical investigation and report, wetland and riparian delineation, botanical survey and report and an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration CEQA document has been drafted and is ready for release for public comment.

Executed a memorandum of understanding with County of San Mateo regarding future transfer of Alpine Road to Midpen.

Began assessment of trail conditions and developed recommendations/alternatives and cost analysis for repairs. Developed agreement with the County of San Mateo for long-term repairs.

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Project	Expenditure Plan	Total Through Prior Period 6/30/22	Current Period 7/1/22 Through 6/30/23	Total Life-to- Date Through 6/30/23	Expenditure Plan Remaining	Percent Expended
Total Portfolio Allocation	\$8,017,000					
10-001—Alpine Road Regional Trail, Coal Creek		\$554,434	\$1,771,052	\$2,325,486		
Subtotal	\$8,017,000	\$554,434	\$1,771,052	\$2,325,486	\$5,691,514	29.01%
10-001—Alpine Road Regional Trail, Coal Creek (Grant Income)		\$0	(\$272,211)	(\$272,211)		
Grand Total	\$8,017,000	\$554,434	\$1,498,841	\$2,053,275	\$5,963,725	25.61%



Updated the road and trail inventory and completed preliminary conceptual design alternatives for two large failures on Alpine Road. Presented options for repairs and improvements to the board, who selected the approach of repairing failures to trail width (6-foot-wide standard).

## PROJECT CHALLENGES

County of San Mateo owns a public right-of-way easement over Alpine Road Trail; repairs are being completed under a County encroachment permit.

#### POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

Complete construction/repairs of the Alpine (Road) Regional Trail project.

Resume final construction of the Alpine Bypass Trail in Spring 2024 and open the alignment to public use in Summer 2024. Rehabilitate and remove the former Bypass Trail.

County of San Mateo to transfer a public right of way easement over Alpine Trail to Midpen.

Continue to work on invasive plant species removal for a ten-year period to satisfy an Alpine (Road) Regional Trail project permit condition (operating).