

Tuolumne Heritage Trail Phase 1 (EA 10-1S350) (Formerly Gold Rush Path Multi-Use Trail)

City of Sonora
City Council Meeting
8/3/2026



Tuolumne County
Transportation Council



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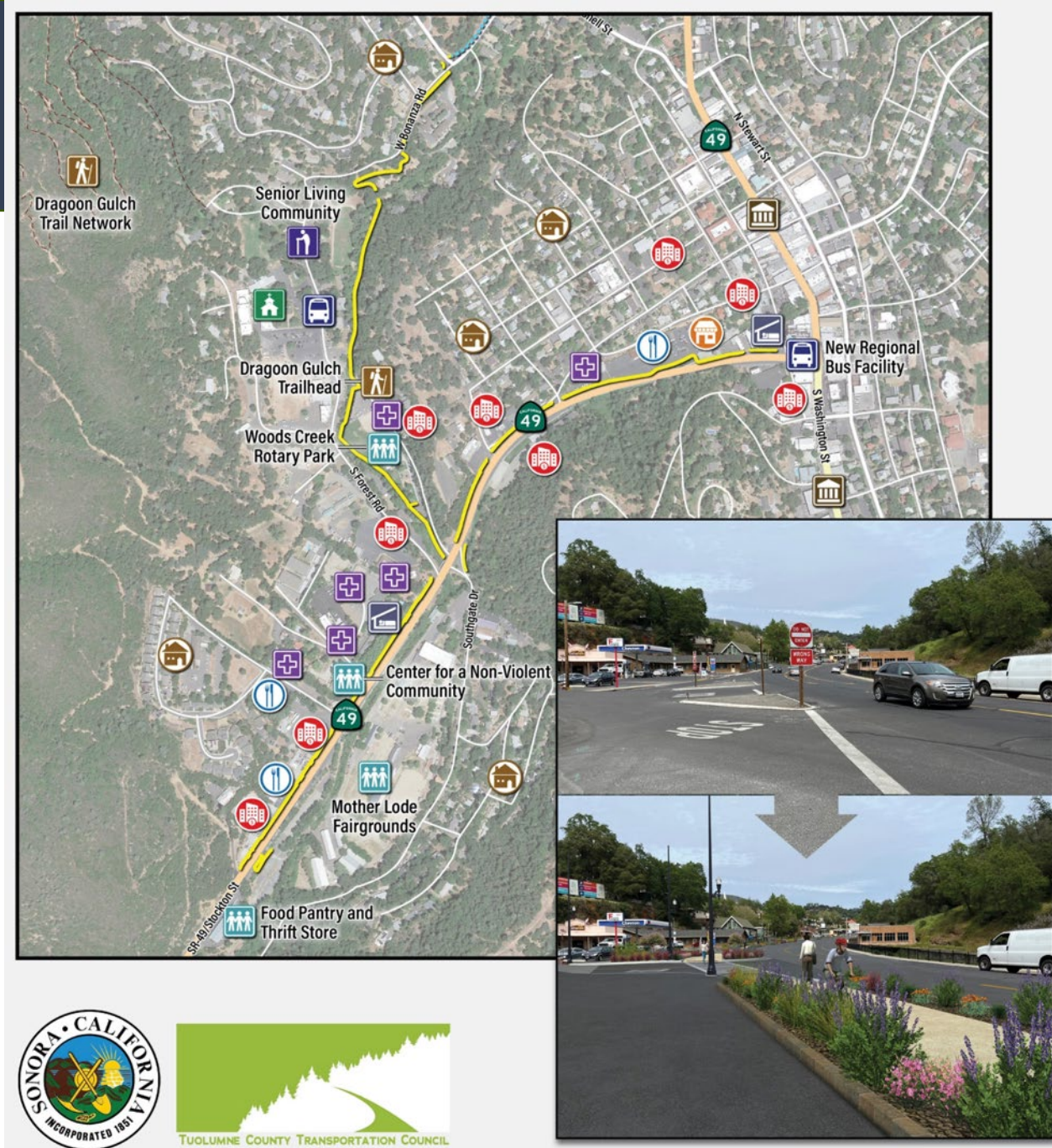
Background

- \$6.4M ATP Funded Project
- 1.5 Miles Multi-Use Path
- 2 Segments
 - SR 49
 - Woods Creek Park
- Project Lead: City of Sonora
- Project Support: TCTC
- Project Approval: Caltrans
- Currently in Project Approval & Environmental (PA&ED) Phase

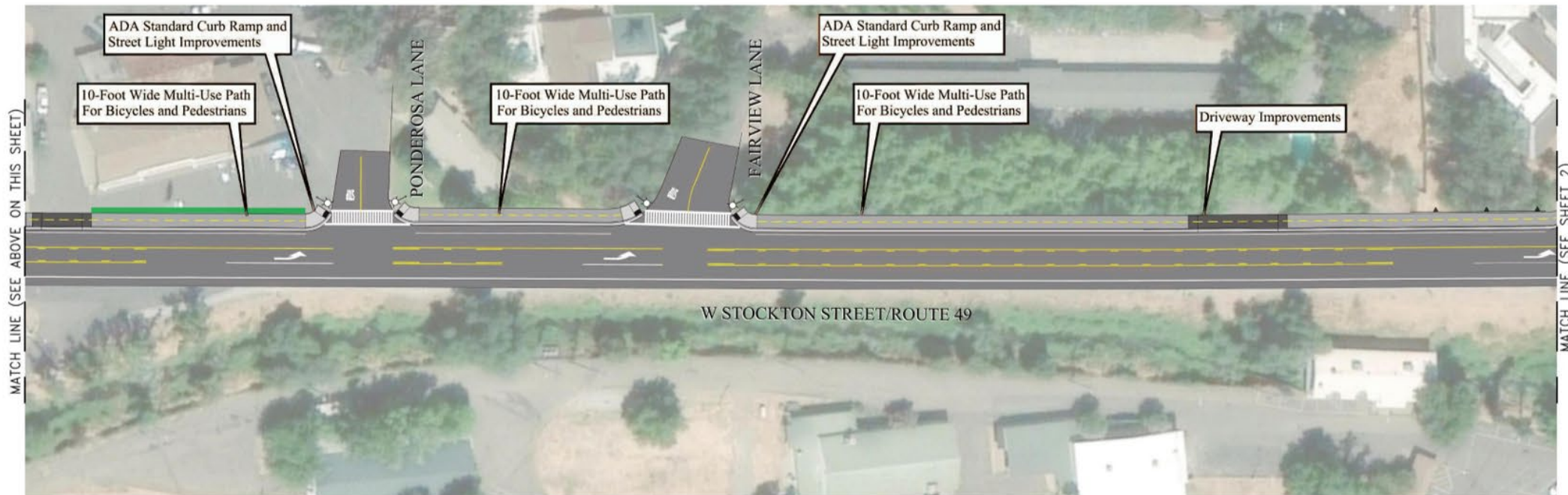
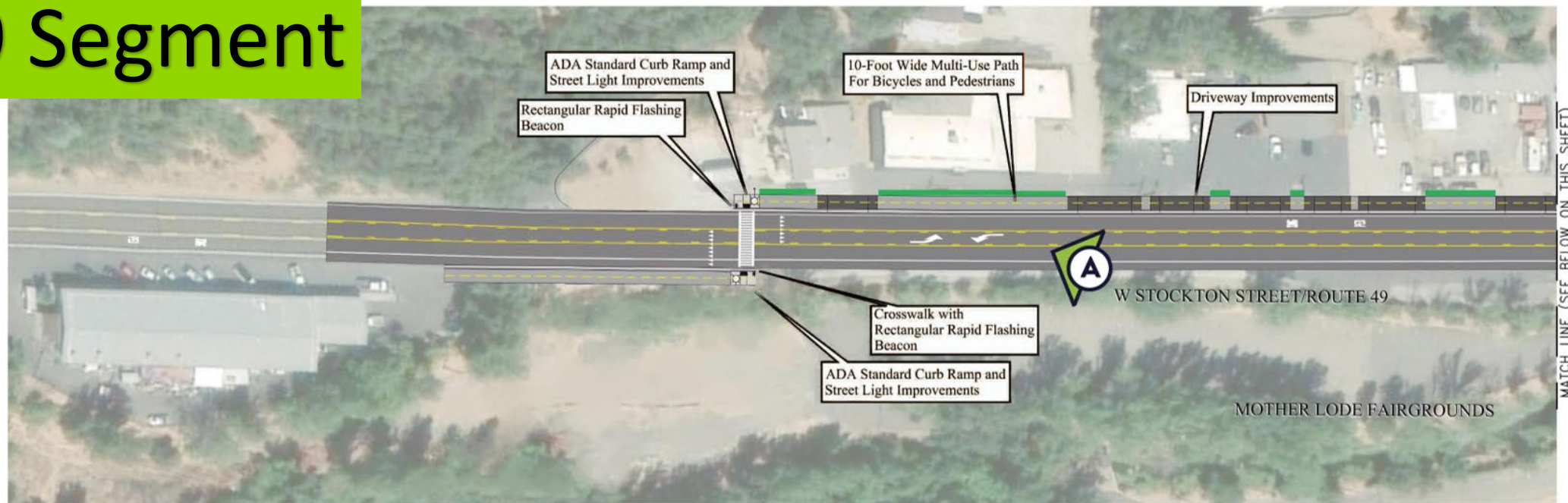


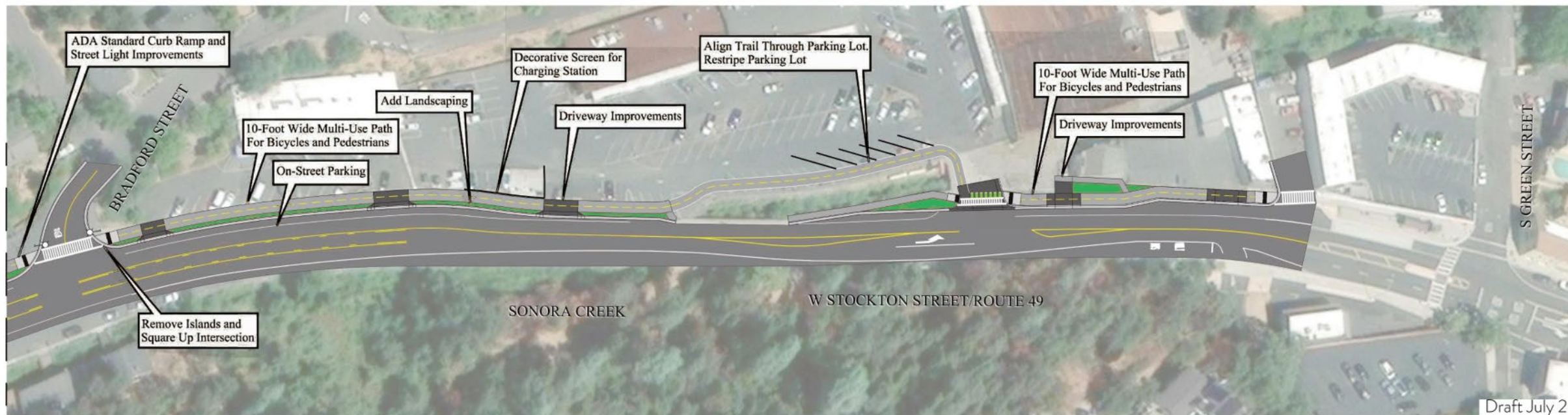
Project Timeline

- Preliminary Design & Environmental Studies – 2024 to July 2026
- Public Workshop(s) – November 13-15, 2025
- **Draft Environmental Document Released for Review – July 15, 2026**
- **Final CEQA/NEPA Approval – August 2026**
- Final Design (PS&E) & Right of Way – September 2026 to December 2027
- Bid & Award for Construction – Early 2028
- Construction – 2028 to 2029



SR 49 Segment





30% Design Overview – SR 49



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MATCH LINE (SEE SHEET 2)



MATCH LINE (SEE ABOVE ON THIS SHEET)



MATCH LINE (SEE SHEET 4)



Woods Creek Park Segment

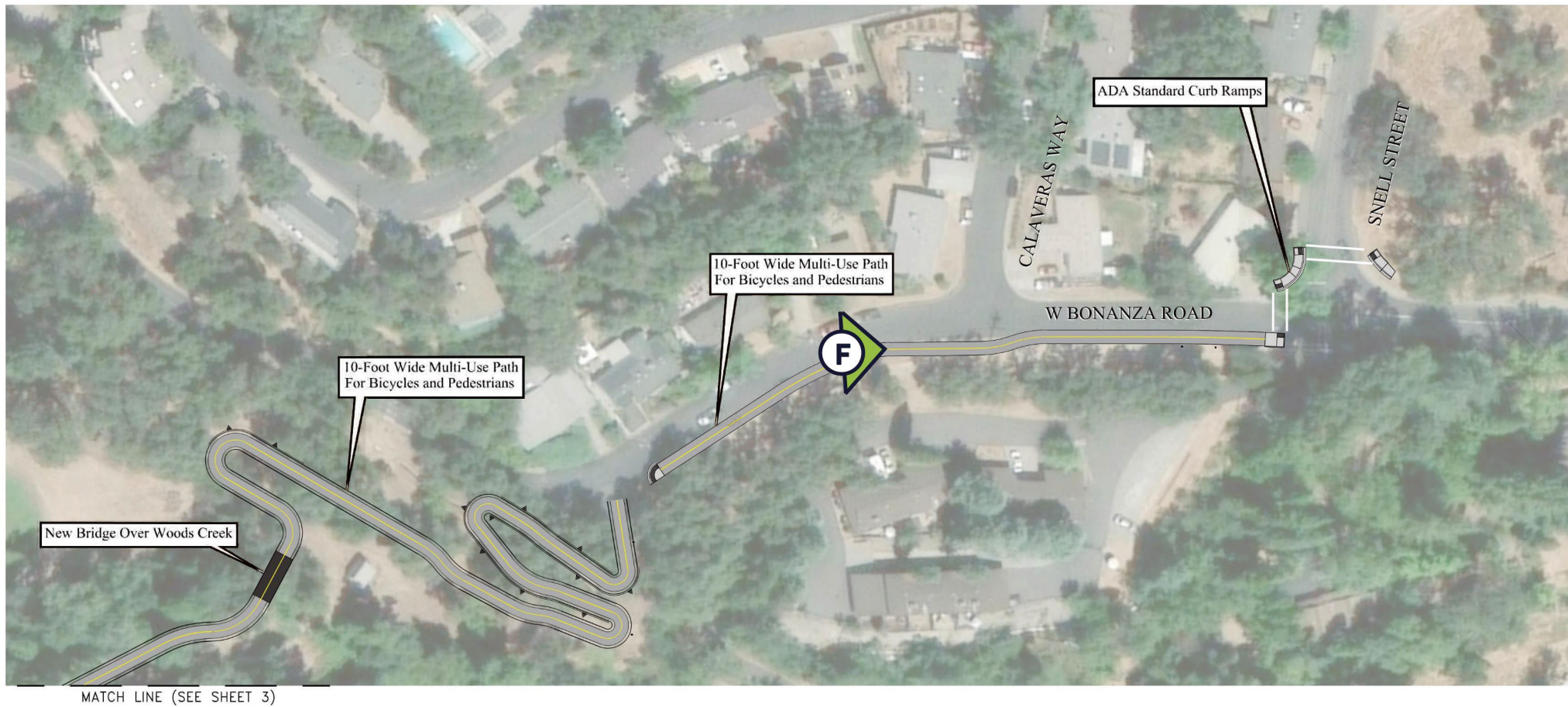


Build Alternative 1: Fence Relocation



Build Alternative 2: Retaining Wall in Woods Creek





WOODS CREEK BRIDGE DESIGN CONCEPTS



30% Design Overview – Woods Creek Park



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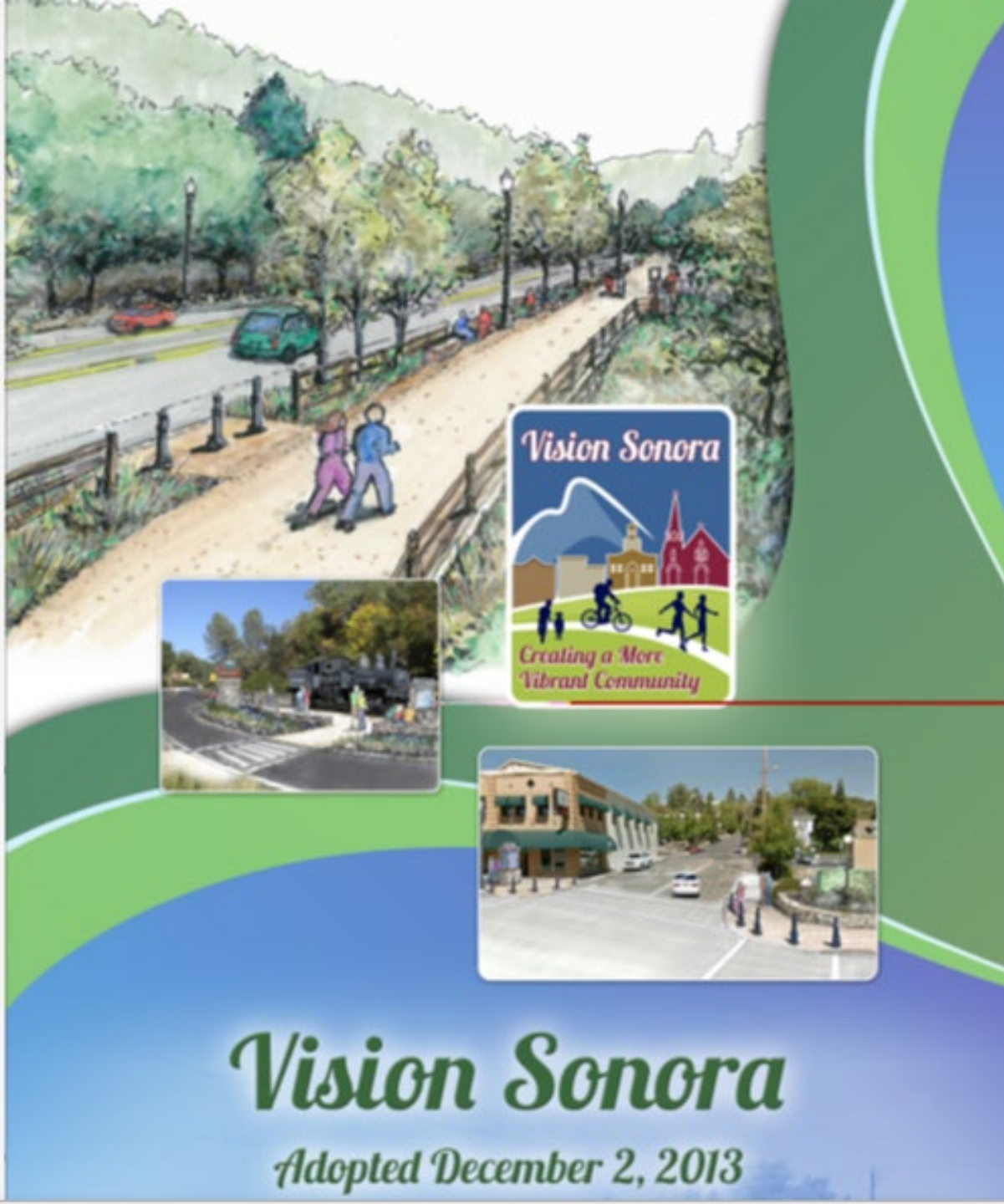


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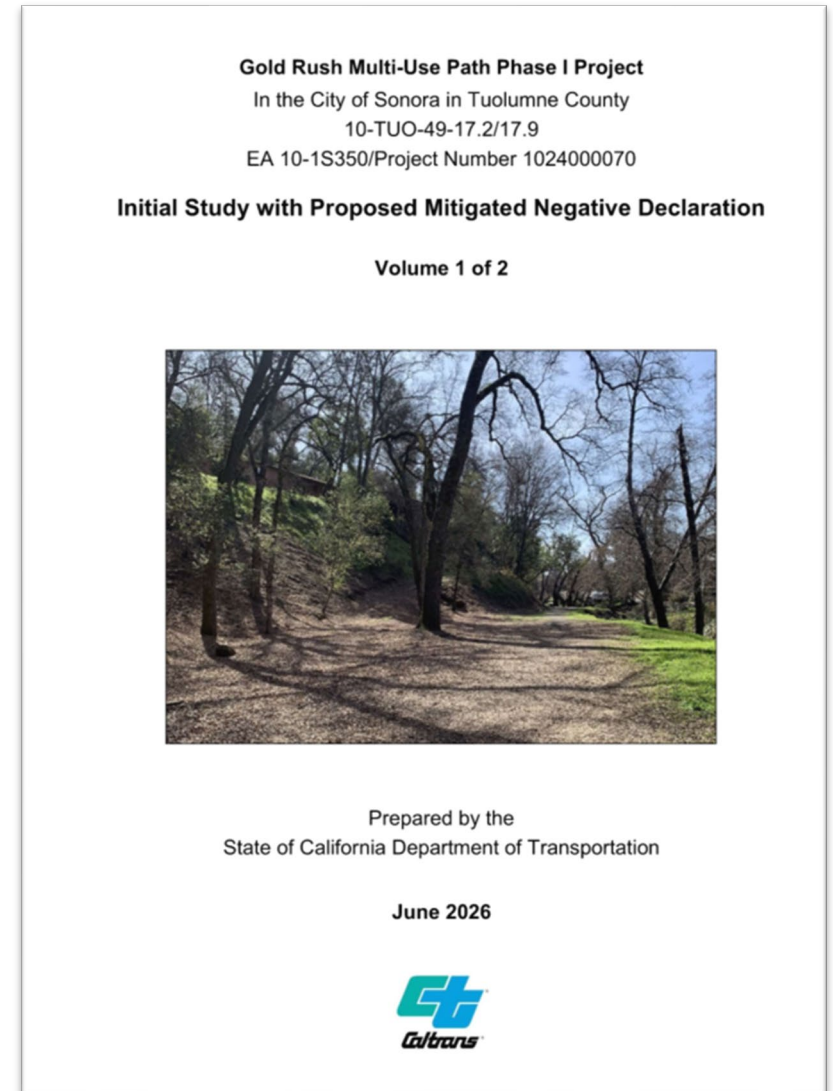
Vision Sonora

Adopted December 2, 2013

- Vision Sonora Design Elements
 - Signage (wayfinding, Monument)
 - West Gateway at Fairgrounds/Woods Creek Park Entrances
 - Lighting
 - Fencing
 - Colored Path
 - Streetscape Improvements
 - Landscaping
 - Bridge

Project Approval/Environmental Document

- Caltrans is the CEQA/NEPA for this Project
- City of Sonora is the Project Proponent
- Tuolumne County Transportation Council is providing funding support
- Environmental Technical Studies
- Cultural Resources/Tribal Consultation
- CEQA Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration



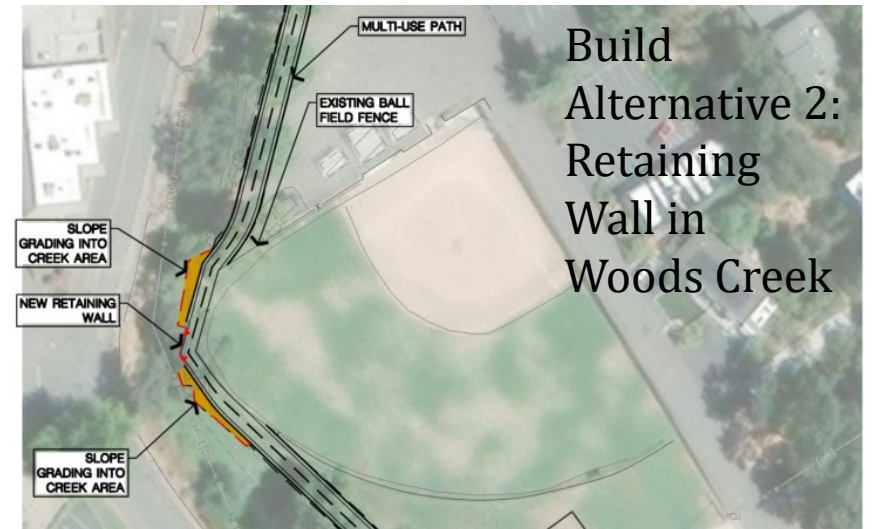
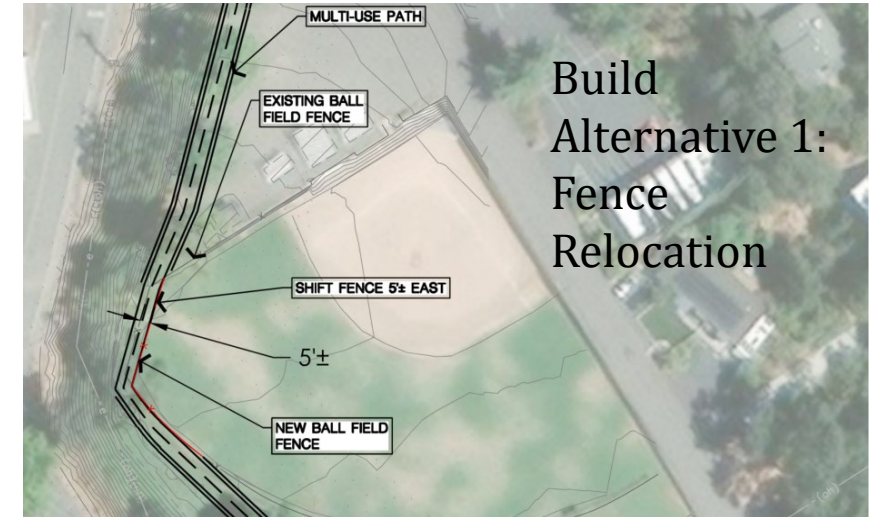
Draft Initial Study – Public Review

- Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration Circulated for Public Review July 15 – August 14
- No Significant Environmental Impacts with Mitigation Measures
- Written Public Comments requested by August 14, 2026
- Initial Study available for download/review:
<https://dot.ca.gov/Caltrans-near-me/district10/district-10-current-projects/10-1S350>



City Council Action

- Project Approval Process – Caltrans Project Development Team
- Questions from Council?
- Open for Public Comment
- Council may Recommend a Locally Preferred Alternative
- Weight of Public Comments and Local Recommendation



Thank you!

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