

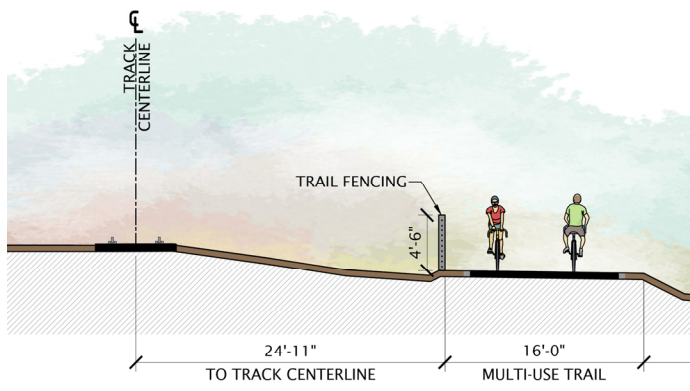


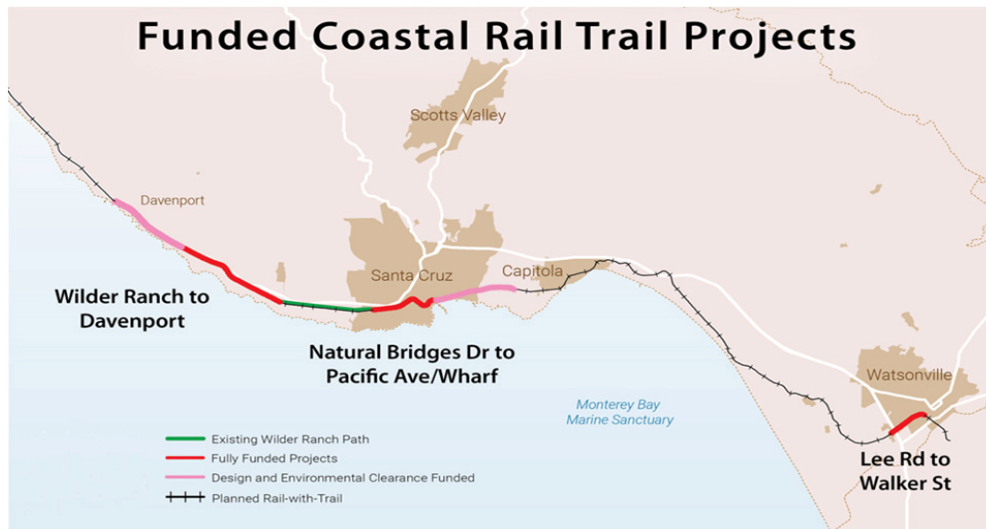
# COASTAL RAIL TRAIL

MONTEREY BAY SANCTUARY SCENIC TRAIL NETWORK

FACT SHEET – SUMMER 2017

- The Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail Network (MBBST) is a Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) proposed 50-mile bicycle and pedestrian trail project.
- The spine of the trail network will be the 32-mile rail trail from Davenport to Watsonville, to be built within the RTC-owned rail right-of-way. Remaining miles will be connecting paths, on-road bike lanes improvements or unpaved coastal spur trails.
- The trail will connect to neighborhoods, schools, parks, transit hubs, commercial and other activity centers.
- Half the county population, 92 parks and 44 schools are located within 1 mile of the rail line.
- Thirteen (13) miles of projects have been funded in full or in part, with construction to begin as soon as design, engineering and environmental permitting are completed
  - North Coast: 7.5 miles from Wilder Ranch to Davenport (5.4 miles fully funded; 2.1 miles funded for preliminary work only with construction funding yet to be secured) – to be constructed by 2020/2021
  - Westside Santa Cruz: 2.1 miles from Santa Cruz Wharf to Natural Bridges Dr (to be built in two phases) – to be constructed in 2018
  - Santa Cruz Boardwalk to 17<sup>th</sup> Ave: 2.2 miles of rail trail funded for preliminary engineering, design and permitting - construction funding is yet to be secured. Widening of the San Lorenzo River bridge at the Boardwalk is fast tracked and scheduled to be construction next year.
  - Watsonville: 1.2 miles from Lee Road to Walker Street – to be constructed in 2019
- Approximately \$40M in public and private funds have been secured to build current and advance future projects
- Following extensive public outreach, the RTC prepared and adopted a Master Plan which provides cost estimates, designs and divides the trail network into 20 segments to be built as funding becomes available (15 are within the rail corridor). Local jurisdictions have also adopted the Master Plan as a guide for implementation.





## STATUS OF FUNDED PROJECTS

### NORTH COAST RAIL TRAIL (SEGMENT 5): WILDER RANCH PARKING LOT TO DAVENPORT

- **Benefits:** Provides a car-free paved path as an alternative to Highway 1; connects to Wilder Ranch trails, numerous beaches, soon to be opened Coast Dairies and San Vicente Redwoods trails and Davenport; includes parking lots and restrooms at Yellowbank beach and in Davenport; links to City of Santa Cruz providing approximately 11 miles of continuous bike/ped paths.
- **Distance:** 5.4 Miles (fully funded); 2.1 miles (partially funded) / **Cost:** \$10,550,000 (for 5.4-mile segment); \$1,000,000 (for design, preliminary engineering and environmental clearance of 2.1-mile segment) / **Schedule:** Preliminary design completed for preferred alignment; environmental clearance in process / **Width:** 16-20 feet wide / **Construction:** Est. 2020/2021 for 5.4 mile segment; remaining 2.1 miles TBD

### CITY OF SANTA CRUZ RAIL TRAIL (SEGMENT 7): PACIFIC AVE/SANTA CRUZ WHARF TO NATURAL BRIDGES DRIVE

- **Benefits:** Connects over 30,000 residents who live within one mile of the trail, to schools, work, beaches, shopping and other activity centers. Provides safe car-free alternative to Mission Street and connects to the Beach Street bike-way. 9 schools and 28 parks are located within a mile of this section of trail.
- **Distance:** 2.1 Miles / **Cost:** \$7.4M / **Schedule:** Preliminary design completed ; environmental clearance in process/ **Width:** 12 -16 feet wide /**Construction:** Est. 2018

### CITY OF SANTA CRUZ/COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ RAIL TRAIL (SEGMENT 8/9): BOARWALK TO 17<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE

- **Benefits:** Close to 48,000 residents live within one mile of the corridor where 15 schools and 37 parks are also located.
- **Distance:** 2.2 Miles / **Cost:** \$33M (\$5M secured to date)/ **Schedule:** Preliminary design to start in 2019 / **Construction:** Est. 2024

### CITY OF WATSONVILLE RAIL TRAIL (SEGMENT 18): LEE ROAD TO WALKER STREET

- **Benefits:** Close to 20,000 residents live within one mile of the corridor where 12 schools and 12 parks are also located. The new trail will link 850 homes along Ohlone Parkway with the City's 7 mile slough trail system and the downtown area; and provide a safe alternative to biking and walking on West Beach Street.
- **Cost:** \$2.3M / **Distance:** 1.2 miles / **Schedule:** Preliminary design completed; permitting and environmental clearance in process; 12 feet wide / **Construction:** Est. 2018/19