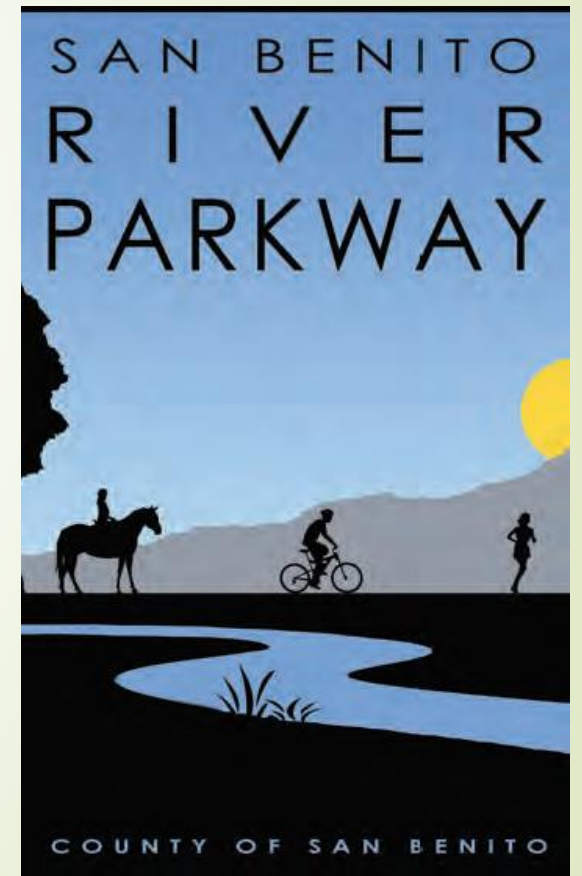


San Benito County Regional Park & River Parkway

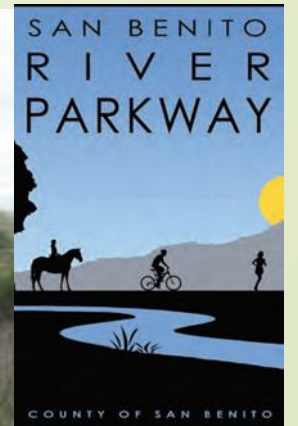
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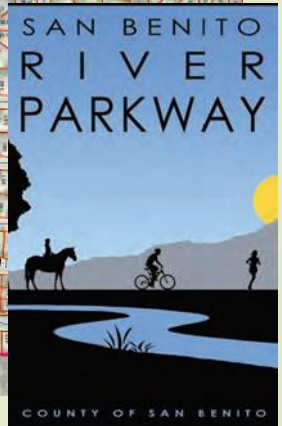
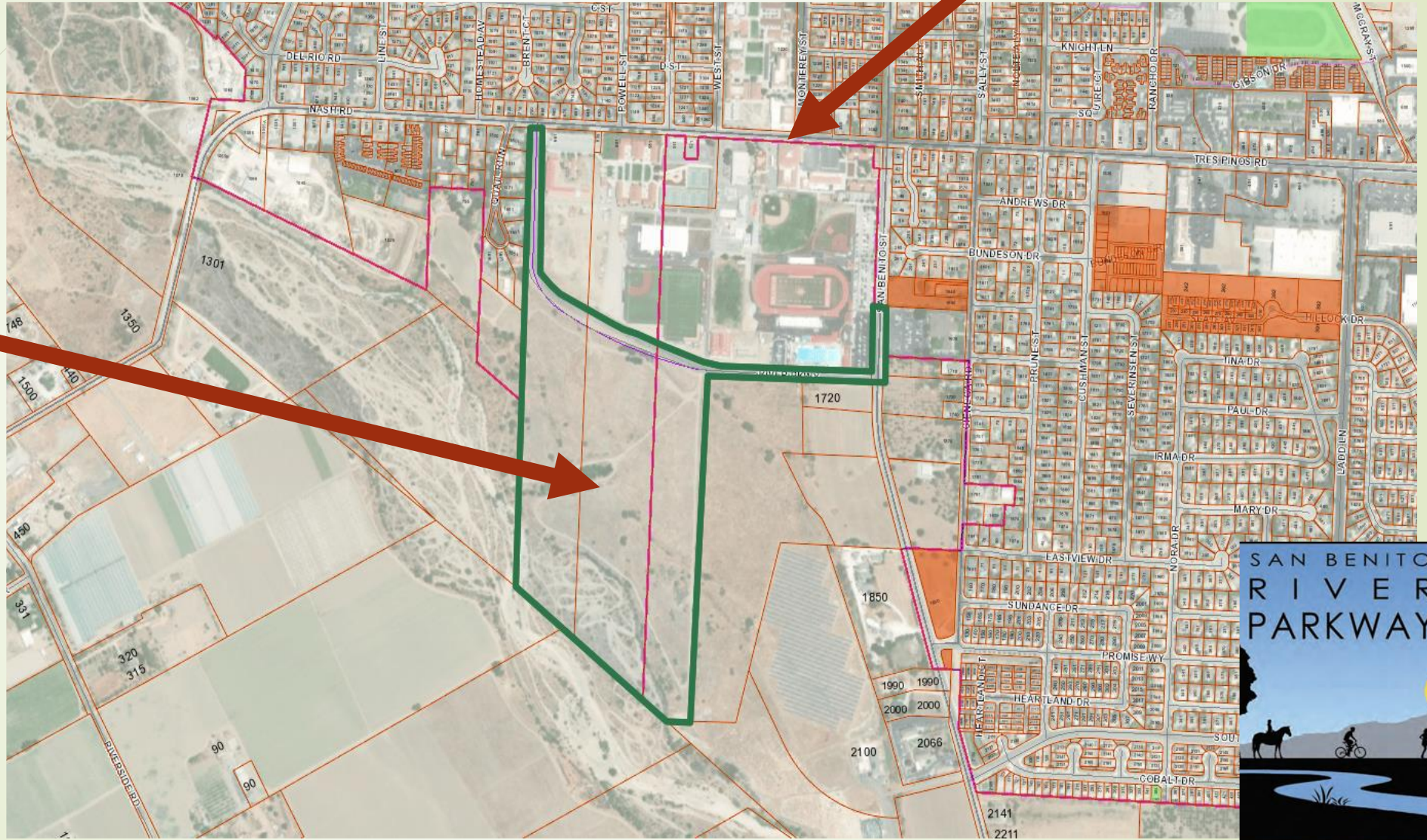
- ▶ The planning process for the Focus Area and Regional Park began in 2012, concurrent with the overall River Parkway planning. The County organized an Advisory Committee to provide input throughout the process. The Committee represented a broad range of stakeholders, including members from the City of Hollister, the school district, and various community, economic, and transportation agencies and organizations.
- ▶ In 2016, the City of Hollister, San Benito High School District and San Benito County executed an Interagency Cooperation Agreement which identified the roles and responsibilities for each organization to facilitate the transfer of property.
- ▶ San Benito County has spent \$1.9M dollars installing the River Parkway bypass to facilitate the abandonment of Nash Road between Monterey and West Streets.
- ▶ San Benito County has begun the vacation proceedings on the South side of Nash Road. The item is scheduled for a public hearing on March 23, 2021 at the Board of Supervisors Chambers.



Property Transfer Site

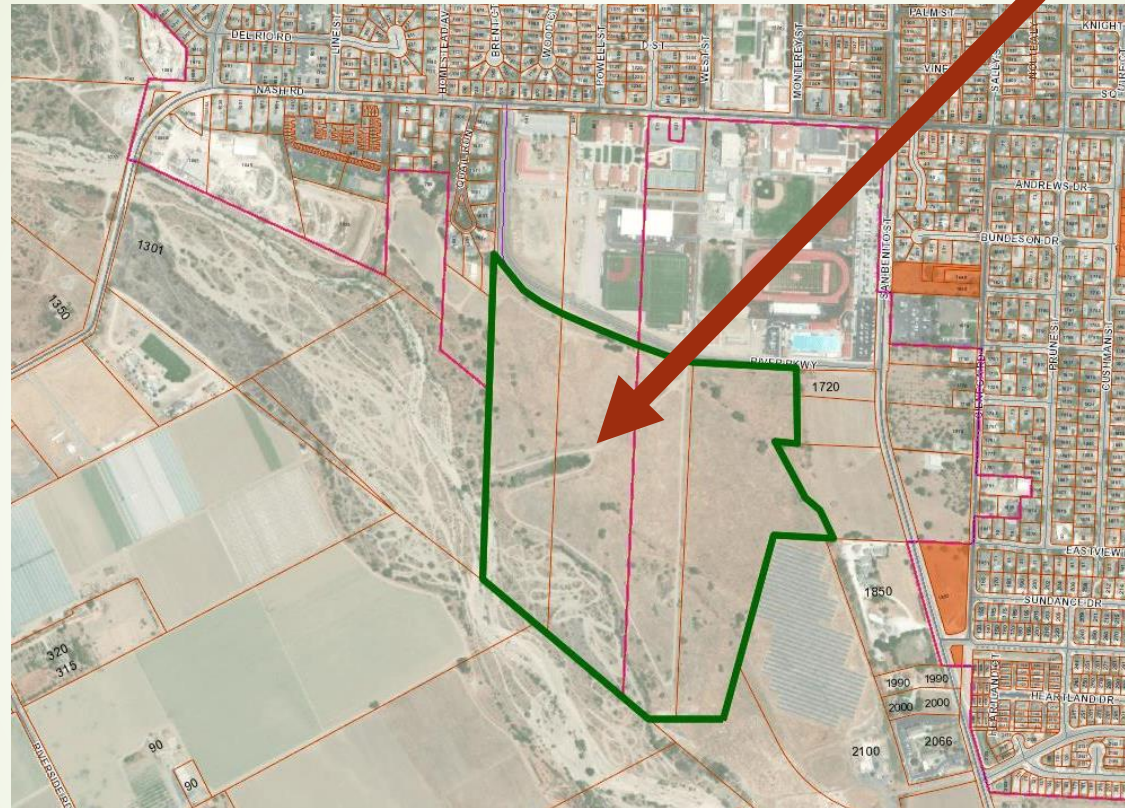
City & County
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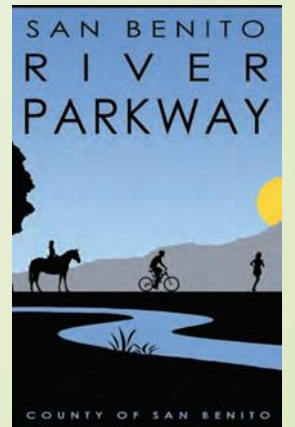


Future Regional Park

70 Acre Regional Park



Design specifics, amenities to be determined through a public input process currently scheduled for May-June of 2021.

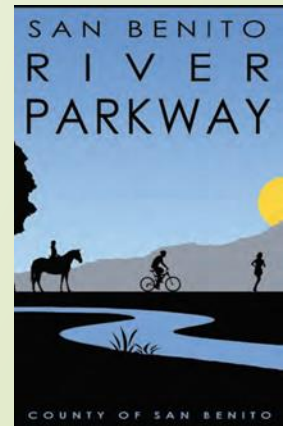


Prop 68 County Specific Regional Park Grant

- ▶ Restricted to Counties, Regional Park Districts, and Joint Power Authorities
- ▶ Up to \$3 Million dollars per project
- ▶ Restricted to projects greater than 50 acres

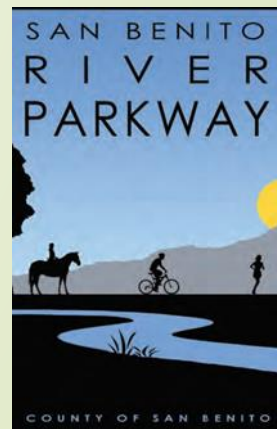
▶ Eligible Projects

- ▶ Trails
- ▶ Regional Sports Complexes
- ▶ Visitor and interpretive facilities
- ▶ Other recreation facilities



Timeline for the Prop 68 Regional Park Grant

- ▶ January - April 2021 - Property acquisition (purchase or lease)
- ▶ May – June 2021 – Public Outreach (City & County residents)
- ▶ July 2021 – Formal Design Proposal
- ▶ August 2021 – Stakeholder meetings/California Conservation Corps consultation
- ▶ September 2021 – BOS Approval
- ▶ October 2021 – Grant Submittal Finalized
- ▶ November 2021 – Grant Due
- ▶ December 2021 – Grant Award
- ▶ January – May 2022 – Plans & Specs completed
- ▶ March – May 2022 – CEQA process
- ▶ June 2022 – Bid process
- ▶ August – October 2022 – Construction
- ▶ November 2022 – Project Closeout/Grant completion

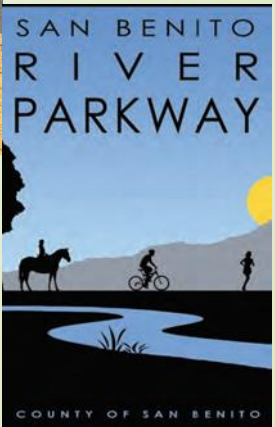


River Parkway & San Benito Street Intersection Traffic Control Improvements

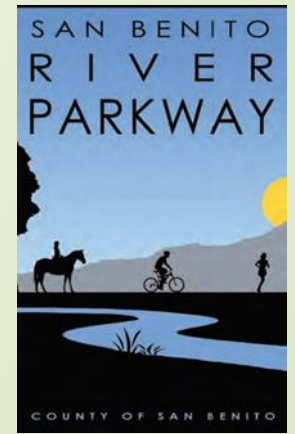
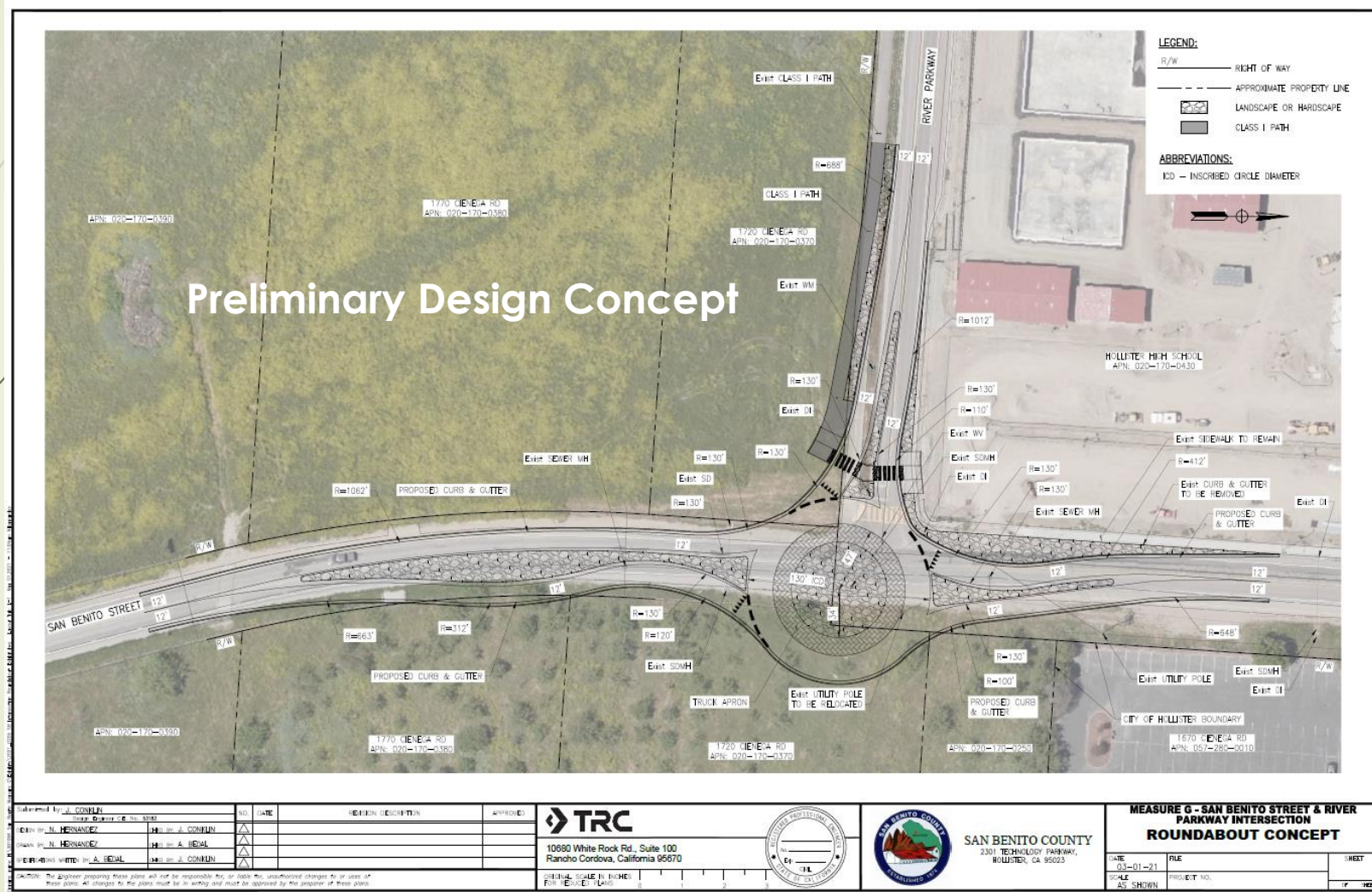
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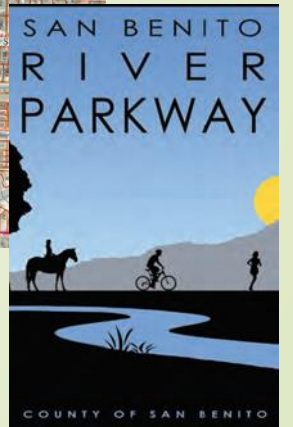
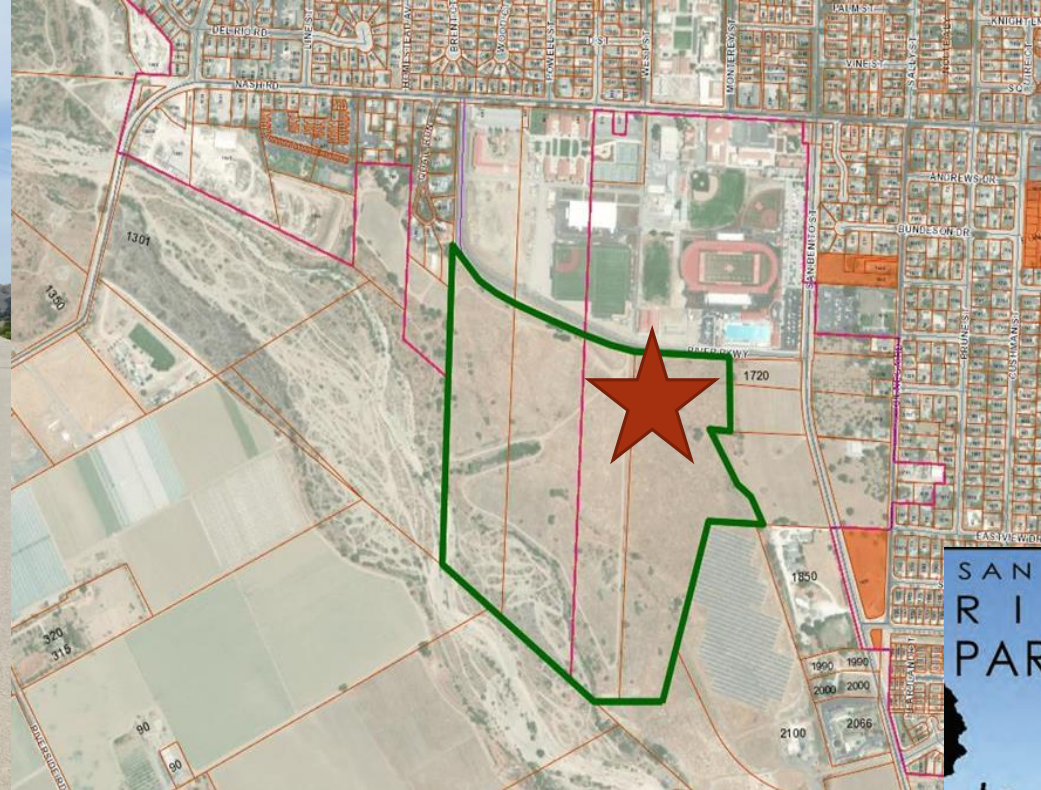
➤ Interim Plan: 3-way Stop



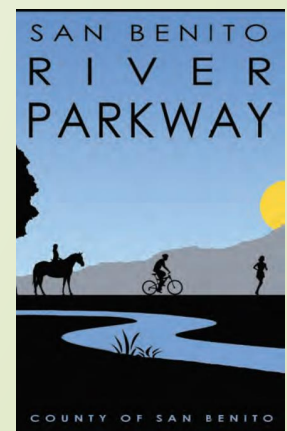
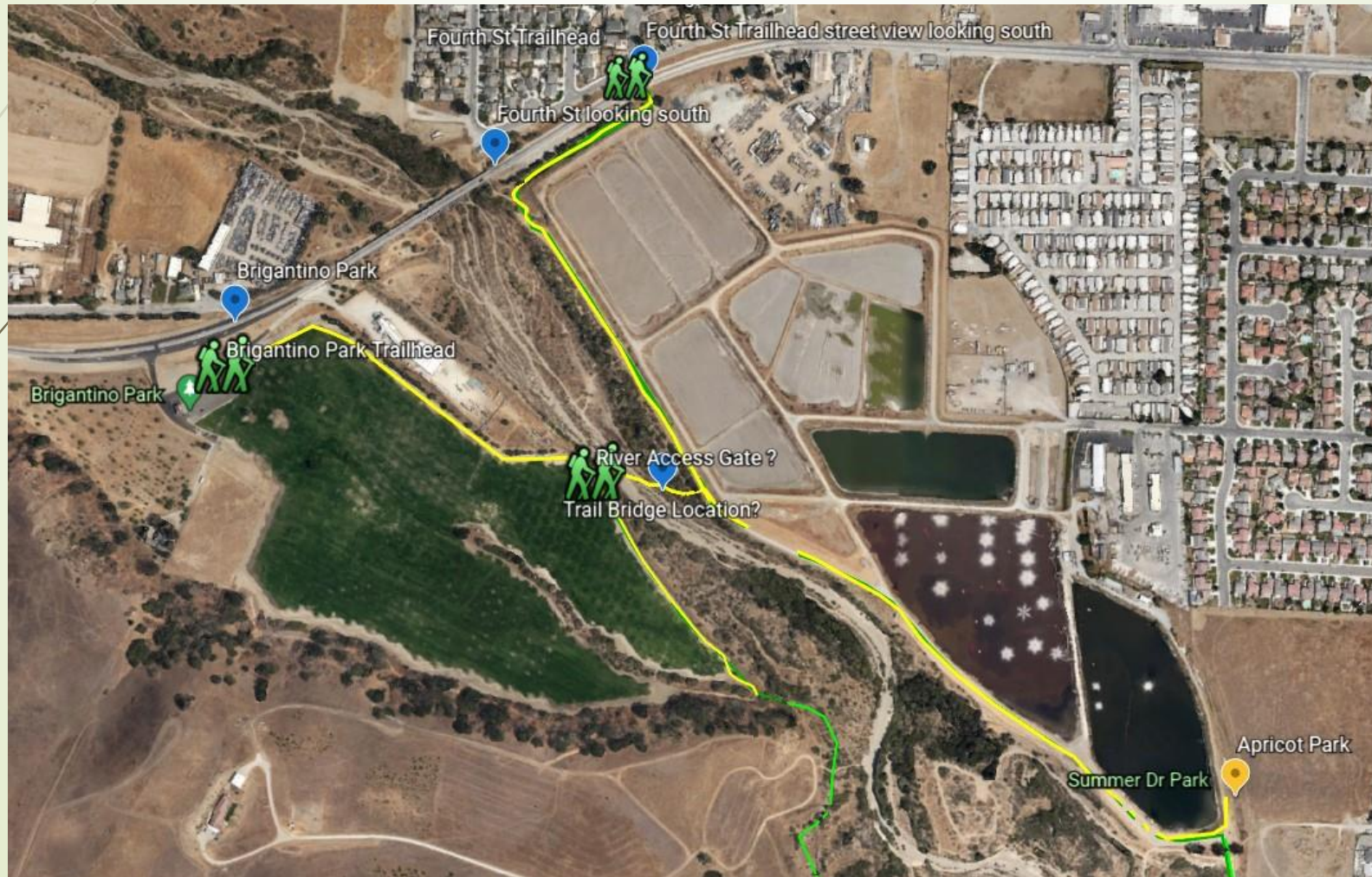
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Interim Public Parking for Park Use on County Property



City-County Joint Grant Application Opportunity for Pedestrian Bicycle River Crossing



Future Opportunities to work together

- ▶ Future sections of the River Parkway – e.g. Trail Reach 3 from 4th Street (City) to Southside Road (County) approximately 4.2 mi. could be prioritized.
- ▶ FY2021-2022 San Benito County Park Master Plan Revision
- ▶ Possible JPA to enable us to apply for a pedestrian/bike river bridge crossing into Brigantino Park

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