



A T T A C H M E N T S

ATTACHMENT 1: Park Classifications

Natural Areas - The Parkway’s Natural Areas are defined as the Riparian Habitat Corridor. General characteristics include:

- **Lands generally managed for conditions that best protect the environment and habitat value;**
- **Lands developed with only minimal amenities needed to provide public access for low-intensity and dispersed recreation.**

Common recreation activities that would occur within the Parkway’s Natural Areas include, but are not necessarily limited to: trail use such as walking, hiking, jogging, horseback riding, and biking; observing nature for personal growth, outdoor education, or scientific research; and casual picnicking not requiring facilities. Dogs, with the exception of designated training areas, would be required to be on-leash.

Land Suitability	Terrain and vegetation patterns variable Generally moderate to high habitat value Habitat for listed species
Infrastructure	Minimal services
Common Use Facilities	Use and safety signs Parking /staging for trail-related recreation Trails and fire roads Possibly drinking water and vault toilets at staging areas Back-country trail camps (w/o facilities) Emergency phones
User Experience	Opportunity to get away from others High probability of experiencing solitude; closeness to nature, tranquility, self-reliance, challenge and risk Minimal on-site controls
Management and Resource Conservation	Non-motorized access Management practices to enhance habitat, provide fire protection, and/or provide user safety Agriculture (grazing) in support of resource management or historic interpretive purposes

Rural Recreation Areas - The Parkway’s Rural Recreation Areas typically occur outside the Riparian Habitat Corridor. General characteristics include:

- **Lands generally in an undeveloped condition that appear natural in character and encompass a wide variety of habitat types;**
- **Lands that could be developed for relatively moderate to high-impact public recreation uses.**

Common recreation activities that would occur within the Parkway’s Rural Recreation Areas include, but are not necessarily limited to those activities found within Natural Areas plus: family and small-group picnicking; activities facilitated by a paved trail; education and interpretation supported by nature centers and other outdoor interpretive facilities; open meadow play areas associated with picnic areas; vehicular and walk-in camping; non-powered and powered boating; swimming in a natural setting; fishing; astronomy and star gazing; off-leash dog training; and special events on a permit basis. In addition, specialized recreation activities of regional significance might occur within Rural Recreation Areas.

Land Suitability	Terrain and vegetation patterns suitable for a variety of outdoor recreation uses Habitat values may vary from low to high Listed species that may be present would not significantly restrict recreation access and use
Infrastructure	Generally accessible from Highway 101 or the Monterey Highway or public transportation system Domestic services (electricity, drinking water, sanitary sewer or septic) possible

ATTACHMENT 1: Park Classifications (continued)

Common Use Facilities	Use and safety signs Parking /staging Trails Facilities for park maintenance, operations, and public safety (e.g. kiosks, park offices, maintenance yards) Drinking water and restrooms Developed use areas (family and small group picnic) Special recreation use facilities Self-guided and group outdoor education facilities Boat launches Swimming areas Off-leash areas for dogs may be designated
User Experience	Opportunity to get away from others but with easy access Some opportunity of experiencing solitude; closeness to nature, tranquility, self-reliance, challenge and risk Interaction between users may be moderate in some areas Obvious on-site controls
Management and Resource Conservation	Use may include some motorized forms of recreation Native vegetation may be planted and maintained in some areas for desired visual and recreational characteristics as well as to enhance habitat, provide fire management, or provide user safety

Historic Sites - Two historic sites (Malaguerra Winery and Coyote Ranch) overlap both Natural Areas and Rural Recreation Areas within the Parkway. They include the archaeological and historic resources that occur within existing County Parks. Sometimes, these features are the predominant element of a park. Other times they occupy a relatively small area of a much larger park. General characteristics include:

Lands and facilities generally managed for conditions that best protect the historic resources present;

Lands and facilities developed with only minimal amenities needed to provide public access for interpretation, education and limited low-impact recreation purposes.

Common recreation activities that would occur within Historic Sites include, but are not necessarily limited to: education; interpretation; picnicking; small group meetings; or scientific research.

Land Suitability	Variable
Infrastructure	Variable
Common Use Facilities	Use and safety signs Parking Restrooms Self-guided and group education facilities Restored structures Museums
User Experience	Opportunity to experience a sense of continuity about the natural or cultural evolution of Santa Clara County Interaction between users is variable based on the nature of the historic site Obvious and prevalent on-site controls
Management and Resource Conservation	Native and exotic vegetation may be planted, maintained, or managed based on historic landscape context Agriculture in support of historic interpretive programs

ATTACHMENT 2: COUNTY EMINENT DOMAIN POLICIES

The following policies related to the acquisition of trails and easements are from the *Santa Clara County Trails Master Plan Update*, an element of the County General Plan, adopted in November, 1995 (see Attachment 2).

PREAMBLE: THE SPIRIT OF THE COUNTYWIDE TRAILS MASTER PLAN UPDATE **IMPLEMENTING THE COUNTYWIDE TRAILS MASTER PLAN AND LIMITATIONS ON THE USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN**

For trails to be acquired by the County of Santa Clara, the power of eminent domain shall only be used in accordance with the policies of the Board of Supervisors as contained in the Eminent Domain Element of the Acquisition Policy, Parks and Open Space adopted on April 24, 1990. For trails, the use of eminent domain would only apply:

- whenever the action would serve the convenience and mutual interests of both a consenting seller and the County.
- to acquire trails and trail easements only in non-rural areas located within city boundaries, including unincorporated areas within those boundaries, and any areas bordering the San Francisco Bay.

PR-TS 2.3 (C-PR 25; R-PR 27) Trail Routes or Regional Staging Areas shown on the Countywide Trails Master Plan Map in areas currently designated on the County General Plan Land Use Map as Agriculture shall not be required (including easements) or developed outside of County road rights-of-way until or unless: (1) the land use designation is amended to a non-Agriculture designation, or (2) there is specific interest or consent expressed by a willing property owner / seller. Where there is a specific interest or consent expressed by a willing property owner / seller, trails in areas with prime agricultural lands shall be developed in a manner that avoids any significant impact to the agricultural productivity of those lands

PR-TS 2.4 (C-PR 26; R-PR 28) Trail Routes or Regional Staging Areas shown on the Countywide Trails Master Plan Map in areas currently designated as Ranchland on the County General Plan Land Use Map and actively used for ranching or other agricultural purposes shall not be required (including easements) or developed outside of County road rights-of-way until or unless: (1) the County is notified of a non-renewal of Williamson Act contract affecting the land on which the trail route or regional staging area would be located; (2) such time as the active ranching and/or agricultural use has been permanently abandoned; (3) the land use designation is amended to a non-ranchland designation, or (4) there is specific interest or consent expressed by a willing property owner / seller.

PR-TS 2.5 (C-PR 26.1; R-PR 28) Trail Routes or Regional Staging Areas shown on the Countywide Trails Master Plan Map in areas currently designated as Hillside on the County General Plan Land Use Map and actively used for ranching or other agricultural purposes shall not be required (including easements) or developed outside of County road rights-of-way until or unless: (1) the County is notified of a non-renewal of Williamson Act contract affecting the land on which the trail route or regional staging area would be located; (2) such time as active ranching and/or agricultural use has been permanently abandoned; or (3) there is specific interest or consent expressed by a willing property owner / seller.

PR-TS 3.3 (C-PR 28; R-PR 30) Trail routes shown on the Countywide Trails Master Plan Map that cross privately-owned lands shown as Agriculture, Ranchland or Hillside on the General Plan Land Use Map will only be acquired from a willing property owner / seller.