

Dallas County Trail and Preserve Program Board

February 17, 2022



Public Works Update

- MCIP 7th call for projects approved 100+ projects including trail projects – December 2020
 - Meeting with all cities to determine program years and agreements
- P&D Trail Program responsibilities transfer to PW effective January 1st 2021
- Dallas County Mobility Plan published on PW website
 - PW presented to TAPP Board at June 3rd meeting
- NCTCOG led Southern Dallas County Regional Veloweb Trail Study
 - PW invited NCTCOG to present on final study results at August 5th TAPP Board meeting
- PW continues assessment of transferred trail projects and attending meetings with our agency partners and stakeholders
- Series of meetings with Commissioners, Audit and Budget office updating with PW's Action Plan - January thru December 2021



Public Works Trail Updates

- **Cedar Crest – Honey Springs Trail**
 - Completed – August 31st
 - Ribbon Cutting scheduled for October 22nd
- **Cypress Waters Trail**
 - City of Dallas has confirmed funding needed in order to execute ROW/Easement documents
 - Inter-Local Agreement (ILA) amendment between County and City under DA Review
 - Amendment to Work Order for consultant in the works
- **Chalk Hill Trail**
 - Provided update to Commissioner in September 2021
 - Recently reviewed potential project phasing with the City
 - Design is underway for all phases
 - City is working on the ROW at south end of the project (Phase 3)
 - Public Meeting anticipated in 2022
- **Campion – Elm Fork Extension**
 - Phase 1 – From River Hills to Fraiser Dam (90% Design)
 - City is working on Agreements with City of Dallas and USACE
 - Phase 2- From Fraiser Dam to California Crossing (Dallas County Participation)
 - Horizontal Alignment finalized - Finalizing Survey and Geotechnical
- **Heritage Trail**
 - ILA is expired
 - County will continue to coordinate with City of Mesquite

Open Space Preserve Property Requests

Utility Easement Requests

- Cottonwood Creek
- Muddy Creek
- Trinity River – Mountain Creek
- Goat Island
- Rowlett Creek

Road Projects

- Spring Creek Forest
 - Holford Road Reconstruction – Will elevate bridge over Spring Creek, add a turning lane and entrance lighting, and create a pedestrian connection between Spring Creek Park and Spring Creek Forest Preserves.

Preserve Project Updates

- Cottonwood Creek Preserve
 - County is ordering a replacement 12-foot utility gate for the northern boundary; City of Wilmer will install.
 - City of Wilmer is exploring the possibility of adding a disc golf course, to be designed by Brian Lamoreaux, member of the Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA) and designer of the Lester Lorch course. County staff will review the plan once received.
- Lester Lorch Park
 - County staff are exploring options with the City of Cedar Hill for restroom facilities.
- Paul S. Dryer Preserve at Windmill Hill
 - County staff are updating the specifications for new monument signage. When complete this will be published for the Request for Quotes process so that a vendor can be selected. A dedication will be held in the future.
- Goat Island Preserve
 - The Park & Open Space Program is partnering with Road & Bridge District 3 for a plan over the next year to remove tires. They will also assist with installation of a trash can and dog waste station.

Open Space Plan

DALLAS COUNTY OPEN SPACE PLAN 1991

*"We have not inherited
the earth from our
fathers, we are
borrowing it
from our
children."*

Native American Saying



- The last Dallas County Open Space Plan was completed in 1991 by Half Associates.
- A Request for Proposals has been drafted and is under review by County Purchasing staff.

Open Space Coordinator

- Interviews were held February 14th and 15th. A final candidate has been selected and the hiring process has been initiated. The new staff member is anticipated to start sometime in the spring. We hope to introduce them to the TAPP Board at the June meeting.

DORBA Use Agreement – Goat Island

- Through a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) in 2013, DORBA began constructing trails at Goat Island Preserve, enabling the County to open the Preserve to the public.
- Dallas County and DORBA are mutually working to execute a new agreement.





Next Meeting –
April 7th, 2022

See you next time!