

Dallas County Trail and Preserve Program Board

December 7, 2023

Public Works & Trails Update

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES



- 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 2021 meeting
- PW continues assessment of transferred trail projects and attending meetings with our agency partners and stakeholders
- Dallas County adopted updated Metes and Bounds for the new Commissioner District Boundaries in November 2022
- Dallas County Awarded TA Set-Aside Funding for Chalk Hill Trail and Central Trail in December 2022 from NCTCOG
 - TxDOT AFA's for both projects have been recieved
- Public Works assisted with several TxDOT TA Set-Aside Support Letters for our Partner Cities for the current Call for Projects
 - Cotton Belt Trail and the 5 Mile Creek Trail received funding

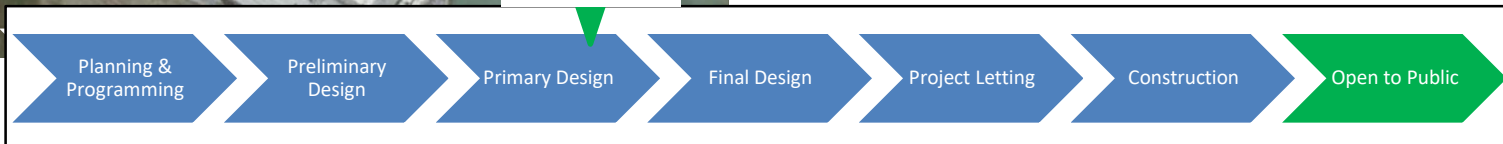
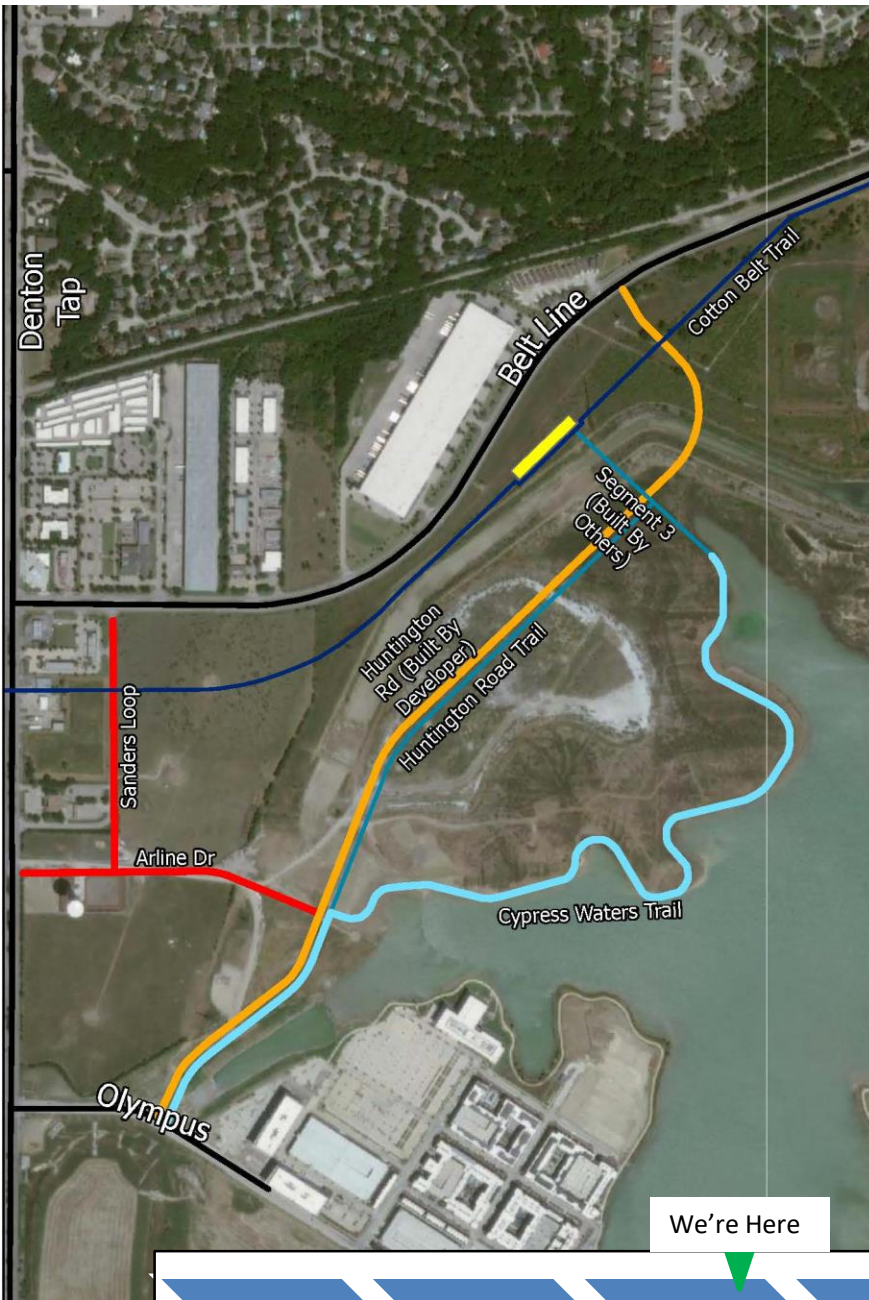
Cypress Waters Trail

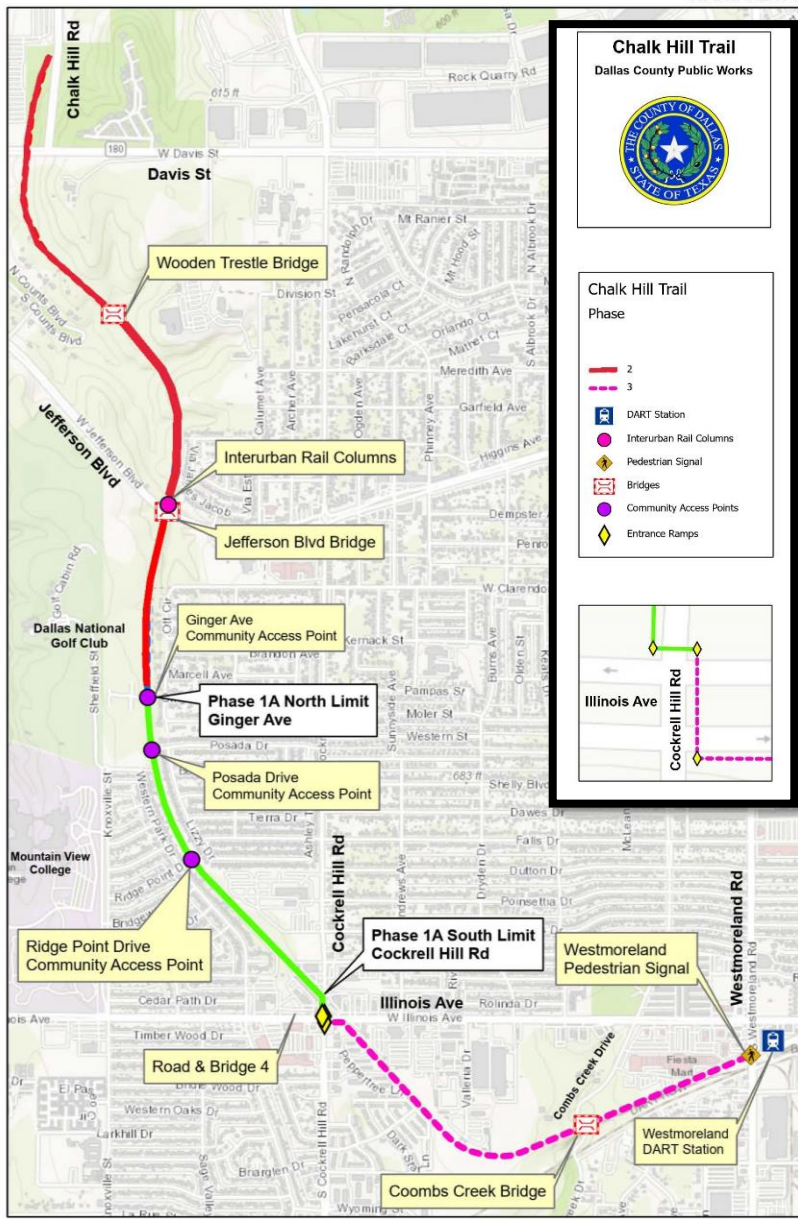
Project Scope:

- New Construction of 14 feet wide reinforced concrete trail that includes cross drainage structures and trail safety appurtenances.

Status Update:

- City of Dallas executed Amendment to ILA in June. ILA was fully executed through Commissioners Court in August 2022.
- ROW easements are still being negotiated between City and Developer
 - Meeting with the City, County, & TxDOT occurred on June 16th to inform City of TxDOT requirements for easement
 - **Follow up meeting occurred on Oct. 30th and next one is scheduled for Dec. 15th**
 - City will be responsible for drafting new easement document for execution with Developer
- County consultant has created a ROW Easement Exhibit for City review





Chalk Hill Trail

Project Scope:

- New Construction of 12 feet wide reinforced concrete Trail with access trails and sidewalk to neighboring communities, 3 bridges, cross drainage culverts and other trail safety appurtenances.

Status Update:

- Received TA Set-Aside funding from NCTCOG for \$3.4 million in Construction Funding
- **Received draft AFA in October from TxDOT**
 - **Currently under review by DA**
- Design is on hold pending AFA execution and TxDOT Review
- City is working on the ROW at south end of the project (Phase 3)
- City of Dallas is submitting a TxDOT TA Set-Aside application for part of Phase 3
- Contract Administrators are reviewing the Amendment to ILA with Civil DA's office.

Planning & Programming

Preliminary Design

Primary Design

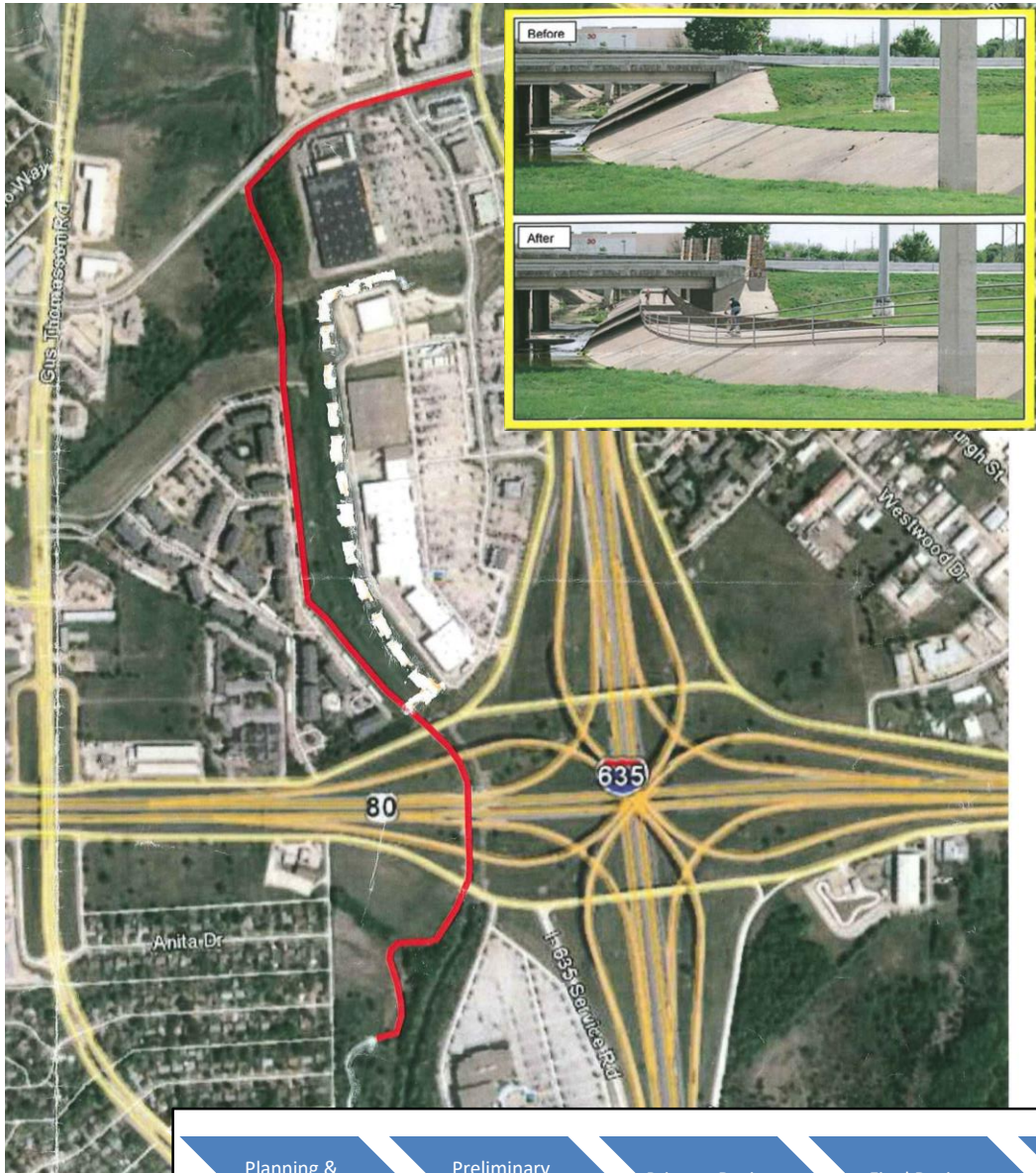
Final Design

Project Letting

Construction

Open to Public

Heritage Trail (Under 80 Trail)



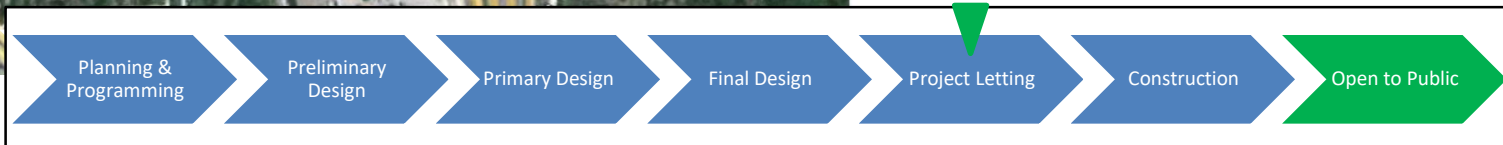
Project Scope:

- New Construction of 12 feet wide reinforced concrete Trail with 2 pedestrian bridges and parking amenities.

Status Update:

- City is coordinating with TxDOT on improvements within State Corridor
- **PSA with City of Mesquite was fully executed on October 17th**
- **Project is being advertised on December 7th and will open bids on January 9th**

We're Here



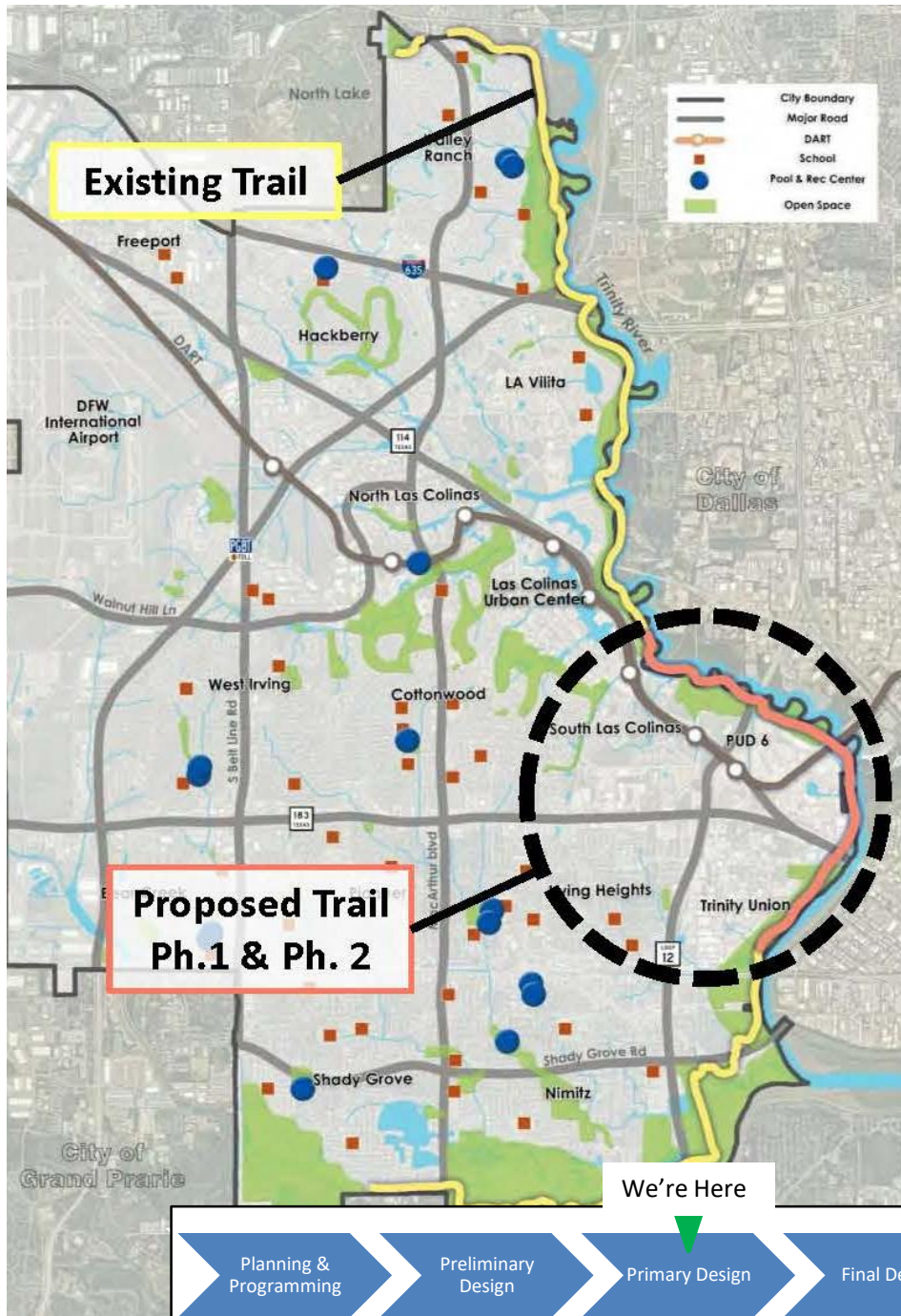
Campion Trail

Project Scope:

- New Construction of 12 feet wide reinforced Concrete Trail includes construction of three bridges, 6 low water crossings & 3 boardwalks.

Status Update:

- Phase 1 –River Hills to Frasier Dam (100% Design)
 - Split into two phases due to ROW issues
 - Southern segment began construction in July (**Concrete Pavement is complete**)
 - City is working on Agreements with City of Dallas and USACE for remaining section.
- Phase 2- Frasier Dam to California Crossing (Dallas County Participation)
 - **Dallas County has received 100% plans in July and provided comments**
 - **Final Plans and Environmental pending USACE approval**
 - City anticipates 100% plans to be completed later this year and bidding phase 2 in 2024



Campion Trail Phase 1A

Construction Photos



Parks & Open Space Update

Open Space Preserve Property Requests

Utility Easement Requests

- Trinity River – Mountain Creek
- Goat Island
- Rowlett Creek
- North Mesquite Creek
- Paul S. Dryer Preserve at Windmill Hill

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
 - City of Wilmer is working toward installing a disc golf course and partnering with the County on additional amenities to accommodate the increase in users.
- Goat Island Preserve
 - The Park & Open Space Program is partnering with the Dallas County Fire Marshal and other organizations for a plan to remove tires.
 - Staff are working toward closing on the 130 acres at Goat Island Preserve.

Open Space Coordinator

The Open Space Coordinator position opened for applications at the end of October.

We hope to introduce a new Open Space Coordinator at the February meeting.



**JOB VACANCY
OPEN NOW!**

Open Space Coordinator 🔍

Do you have a passion for the outdoors and our public lands? This position will manage the Parks and Open Space Volunteer Program and assist with Dallas County Parks and Open Space Program projects.

Minimum Requirements:

- Associates degree in a related field, such as:
 - Biological Science
 - Forestry/Wildlife Management
 - Archaeology/Anthropology
- Four years of related experience
 - Or, equivalent combination of education and experience
- Ability to traverse parks and preserves
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills

APPLY NOW

We are looking for an experienced and passionate person to join our team!

Dallas County offers a comprehensive benefits package. Learn more at the [Dallas County HR Website](#).

More Information:
✉ mia.brown@dallascounty.org

Past Events

The Open Space Administrator joined Amy Martin and Commissioner Theresa Daniel for a Lunch and Learn webinar about Wild DFW and the Parks and Open Space Program.



Dallas County Parks & Open Space staff participated in Dallas Audubon's Prairie Planting Day at Cedar Ridge Preserve.



Upcoming Events

A clean-up event at Post Oak Preserve in partnership with Texas Conservation Alliance will be held this Saturday, December 9th.

This event was also advertised to Dallas County staff as an employee volunteer event.

Sat, Dec 09 | Post Oak Preserve

Take Action. Protect Wildlife at Post Oak Preserve

RSVP





Next Meeting February 1, 2024

See you next time!



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