



Midpen 2016 Overview

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MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT





Bit of History

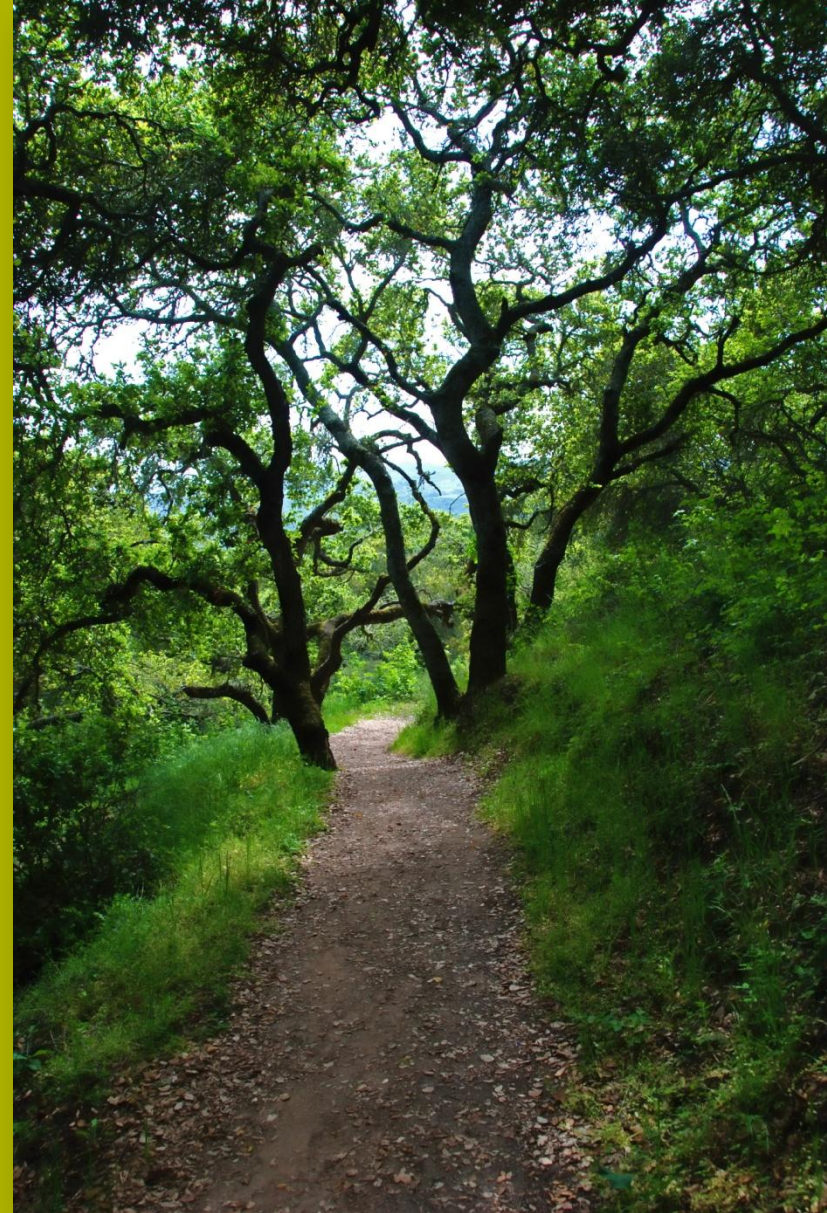
- Sunnyvale was one of 9 cities in the founding of the District in 1972
- City used to own Sunnyvale Mountain Park on Skyline Blvd. now part of Sanborn County Park
- In 1977, Santa Clara County purchased park; District helped with purchase in exchange for additional parking at Rancho San Antonio





Open Space Preserves near Sunnyvale

- Rancho San Antonio
- Stevens Creek Shoreline Nature Study Area
- Picchetti Ranch
- Fremont Older
- Windy Hill
- Skyline Bvd. Parks of Monte Bello, Los Trancos, Russian Ridge, Skyline Open Space, El Corte de Madera, Purisima Creek
- Ravenswood





Highlights

- Measure AA – \$300 Million General Obligation Bond
- Financial Operational Sustainability Model for growth
- Preparing to open new preserves and areas
- Land acquisitions to enable trail connections and provide critical wildlife habitat





Natural Resources Programs

- Watershed Protection Plan
- Fire Protection and Grazing
- Hwy 17 Safe Crossing for Wildlife/Extension of Ridge Trail





Highlights

Mindego Hill at Russian Ridge – Grand Opening March 28, 2016

Mindego Hill offers stunning 360 degree views. District completed trail to the top. Grand opening in March

Cooley Landing Environmental Education Center/Ravenswood Shoreline Festival - Opening Spring 2016

In collaboration with City of East
Palo Alto





Highlights – cont'd

Mt. Umunhum Summit – Sierra Azul near Saratoga (est. opening fall 2016)

Trail to the top
ADA Accessible summit views
Interpretive area

Bay Trail Connection at University in East Palo Alto/Menlo Park

One million dollar grant from San Mateo County





Future Projects

Rancho San Antonio

Interpretive Improvements
Transit Options

Stevens Creek Trail Project

Partner with cities to help fund
future trail; trail spur to Rancho San
Antonio

Upper Stevens Creek Trail Project

Land acquisition to connect trail
from Stevens Creek County Park to
Monte Bello Open Space Preserve





Community Partnerships

- Acterra
- Latino Outdoors Partnership
- Vida Verde Outdoor Education
- Save the Redwood League –
New Pilot Program with area high schools





Get Involved

- Sign-up for E-news mailing list for upcoming events;
- Send an email to info@openspace.org to be added to specific planning and project mailings;
- Join our group of volunteers;
- Connect through social media – Facebook, Twitter, Instagram

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