Introduction

There is a hiking trail in Mission Trails Regional Park in the City of San Diego that has a seasonal, at-grade, San Diego River crossing over rocks and a concrete encased sewer main. The trail is referred to as "Crossing Trail" on the park map.

In the summer, the river water level is low and the passage over the rocks/concrete is feasible for pedestrian passage between both sides of the trail.

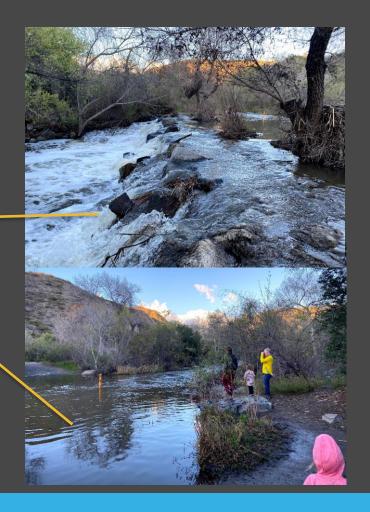
During periods of rainfall and snow melt, the water level and flow rate increase and are variable. The trail becomes more challenging and riskier to cross, if at all, making it dangerous or impassible.



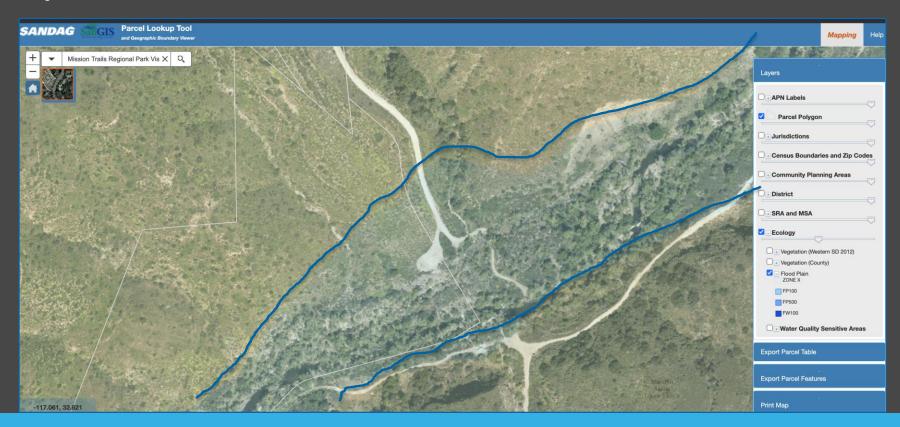
Site Conditions





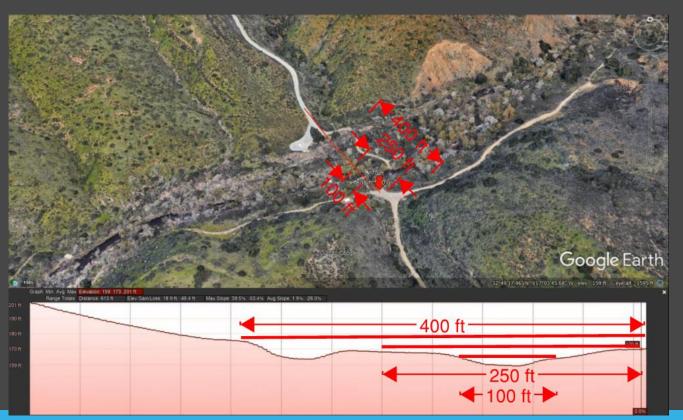


Span Considerations – 100-Year Flood Plain



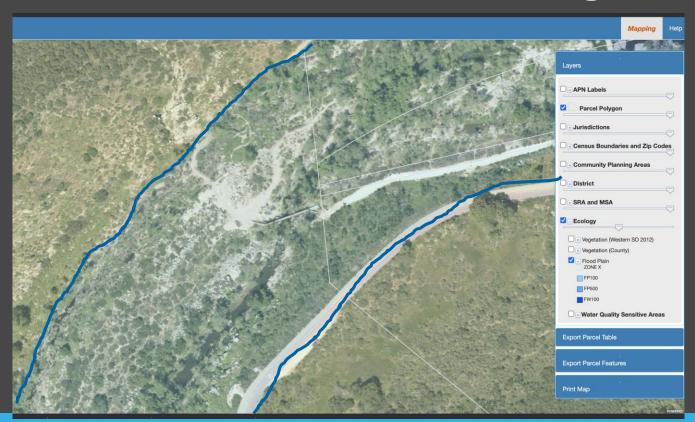


100-Year Flood Plain



Estimate a 400ft Bridge Length

100-Year Flood Plain – Existing Bridge



2019 Master Plan Update

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MG-R2: Improve the connection between the San Diego River Crossing staging area and the Deerfield Bike Skills Area as part of the San Diego River Pathway improvements within the park. Due to the volume of storm water runoff within the drainage during the wet season, a significant bridge crossing or benched trail adjacent to Mission Gorge Road is recommended.

MG-R3: Improve the section of the Visitor
Center Loop trail from the San
Diego River Crossing staging area
to the Visitor and Interpretive
Center to a wider, more accessible
trail to facilitate the use of the San
Diego River Crossing staging area as
overflow parking for the Visitor and
Interpretive Center. This section of
trail is also included as part of the
proposed San Diego River Pathway
alignment through the park.

MG-R4: Construct an all weather suspension or truss pedestrian and bicycle bridge across the San Diego River near the San Diego River Crossing trail.

MG-R5: Construct an improved low-flow crossing or seasonal removable bridge structure at the San Diego River Crossing to remove the unauthorized existing use of the concrete encased sewer main, while a bridge option (MG-R4) is developed.

MG-R6: Improve the surfacing of the Oak Grove trail to provide all weather access. Improvements may require some localized rerouting to lessen trail gradient.



Drainage requiring improved bridge crossing or trail reroute as part of the San Diego River Trail improvements (MG-R2)



General location of recommended bridge over the San Diego River

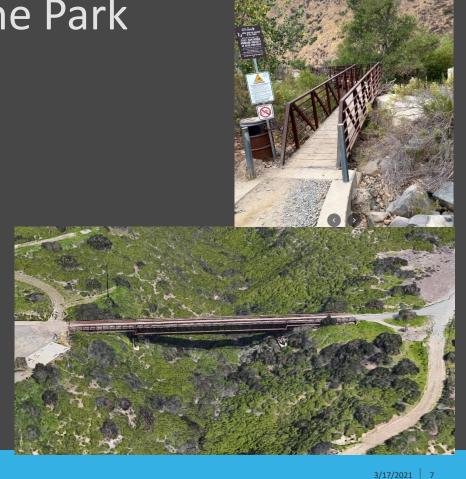


The use of the concrete encase sewer main as a pedestrian crossing is unauthorized and unsupported by the City of San Diego PUD (MG-R5)



Precedent Bridges in the Park





Construction Considerations

- Crane access
- Long-Span Bridges
- Conventional Bridge Types





Option 1

Prefabricated Steel Bridge – 100-foot span, 8 feet wide

Pros:

- Economical
- Short erection time
- Durable

Cons:

- Single span doesn't clear 100-year floodplain – multi span options though
- Not as natural or monumental as some options



Option 1 - Construction Costs

Preliminary Cost Estimate: Below are the estimated construction costs for this option.

Construction	\$ 1,071,900
Design	\$ 256,200
Design and Construction Contingency	\$ 337,200
Construction Mgt & Other Soft Costs	\$ 384,300
TOTAL COSTS	\$ 2,049,600



Option 2

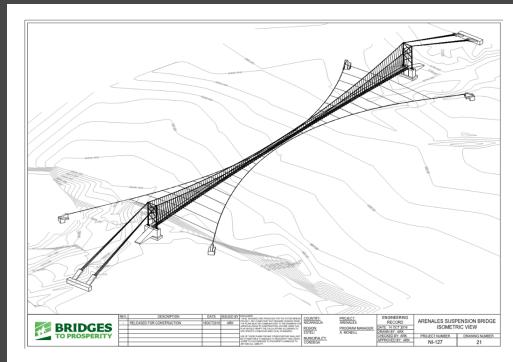
Suspension Bridge – 400-ft span, 8-ft wide

Pros:

- 400-ft clear span
- Elegant but delicate aesthetic
- Landmark

Cons:

- More expensive
- Longer construction period
- More complex construction Requires specialty contractor



Option 2 - Construction Costs

Preliminary Cost Estimate: Below are the estimated construction costs for this option.

Construction	\$ 2,744,100
Design	\$ 655,800
Design and Construction Contingency	\$ 862,800
Construction Mgt & Other Soft Costs	\$ 983,700
TOTAL COSTS	\$ 5,246,400



Option 3

Log Bridge, 100-ft span, 2-ft wide

Pros:

- Most economical
- Natural and simple
- Engaging

Cons:

- Span is limited
- Less durable
- More difficult for high volume



Option 3 - Construction Costs

Preliminary Cost Estimate: Below are the estimated construction costs for this option.

Construction	\$ 525,600
Design	\$ 125,600
Design and Construction Contingency	\$ 165,200
Construction Mgt & Other Soft Costs	\$ 188,400
TOTAL COSTS	\$ 1,004,800

Summary and Next Steps

	Preliminary Cost Estimate				
Bridge Type	Construction	Design	Contingency	Construction Management	TOTAL
Option 1 – Prefabricated Steel Truss (100ft)	\$2,049,600	\$256,200	\$337,200	\$384,300	\$2,049,600
Option 2 – Suspension Bridge (400ft)	\$2,744,100	\$655,800	\$862,800	\$983,700	\$5,246,400
Option 3 – Log Bridge (100ft)	\$525,600	\$125,600	\$165,200	\$188,400	\$1,004,800

Opportunities for Community Involvement...

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