



SAN  
PEDRO  
CREEK  
CULTURE PARK

April 08, 2021





**AGENDA**  
**APRIL 8, 2021**  
**SPCCP SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING**  
**VIRTUAL GoToMEETING**  
**9:00 A.M.**

1. Welcome and Introductions – Monica Trevino-Ortega, SARA (5 minutes)
2. Subcommittee Business (5 minutes)
  - a. Centro & Alameda Theater Conservancy Intermission Exhibition
3. Citizens to be Heard (5 minutes)
4. Approval of the Minutes (2 minutes)
  - a. March
5. Westside Creeks Restoration Project Overview – Brian Mast, SARA (30 minutes)
6. Design and Construction Activity – Christine Clayton, SARA (20 minutes)
  - a. Phases 1.2, 1.3, & 2 Construction Update
  - b. Phases 3 & 4 Design
  - c. Archaeological Site Update
7. Art – Carrie Brown, SARA (10 minutes)
  - a. Project Updates
  - b. Upcoming Events
8. Calendar Items
  - a. Apr 12, 19, 26 – Monday Night Yoga
  - b. Apr 24 – Get Creative with Grupo Azteca Teokalli
  - c. May 5 – SPCCP 3rd Birthday
  - d. May 11 – Community Drum Circle
  - e. May 13 – SPCCP Subcommittee Meeting
9. Adjourn

# Subcommittee Business

## INTERMISSION EXHIBITION

Centro San Antonio & The Alameda Theater Conservancy

Call for entries deadline: April 30, 2021

Selections announced: May 31, 2021

Exhibition Dates: July 1, 2021 – July 1, 2023



# Citizens to be Heard





# Joshua Fameree

- Can you fish in the San Pedro creek?
- Also, do you know if a dog area will be added in the upcoming phases? there's not many public dog parks in this area



# Approval of the Minutes



# Westside Creeks Restoration Project Overview

**Brian Mast**

SARA, Government Affairs Manager



# SAN PEDRO CREEK SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING



## Westside Creeks Project Overview

Brian Mast

April 8, 2021



# **WESTSIDE CREEKS RESTORATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

July 8, 2008



Conceptual Design Phase

# Project Goal



- The San Antonio River Authority (SARA) Board has approved a project to initiate the creation of conceptual design for the Alazan, Apache, Martinez, and San Pedro Creeks anticipated to include ecosystem restoration and recreational features while preserving the stormwater protection the channels provide.
- *SARA is hopeful that a conceptual design phase will generate interest in the community pursuing an ecosystem restoration project, similar to the Mission Reach of the San Antonio River Improvements Project.*

# Project Background



- Persistent flooding concerns in these neighborhoods resulted in 1954 Federal Authorization of the San Antonio Channel Improvements Project (SACIP).
- Design and construction of the channelized creeks occurred in the 1960's and 1970's with the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and SARA as the Local Sponsor.
- Although the flood protection was welcomed, the natural environment has been degraded and little of the natural elements of the creeks remain.
- The creekways alignment was straightened and cross-sections were made substantially deeper and wider with 3:1 slope side slopes.
- Existing trees and understory were removed. The channel was re-vegetated with Coastal bermuda grass and maintenance requires the channel to be kept clear of trees.

# Early Accomplishments

- Sept. 2008 - Initiated Westside Creeks Conceptual Design
- Nov. 2008 - AECOM selected as Conceptual Design Consultant
- Jan. – May 2009 – Logo for Westside Creeks
- 2009 – 3 public workshops held throughout the year
- Jan. 2010 – Elmendorf Lake Park Water Quality Improvements
- Aug. 2010 – Draft Conceptual Design Report presented
- April 2011 – Presentation of Draft Final Report
- July 2011 – Westside Creeks chosen for US Army Corps of Engineers National Pilot Study
- Dec. 2011 – San Pedro Creek



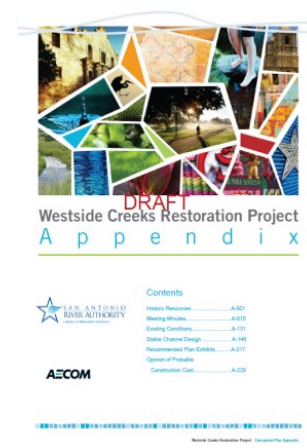


# Conceptual Plan Documents

## Report

- Introduction
- Plan Context
- Community Vision
- Existing Conditions
- Stream Restoration Approach
- Economic Development
- Restoration Concept
- Implementation
- Glossary

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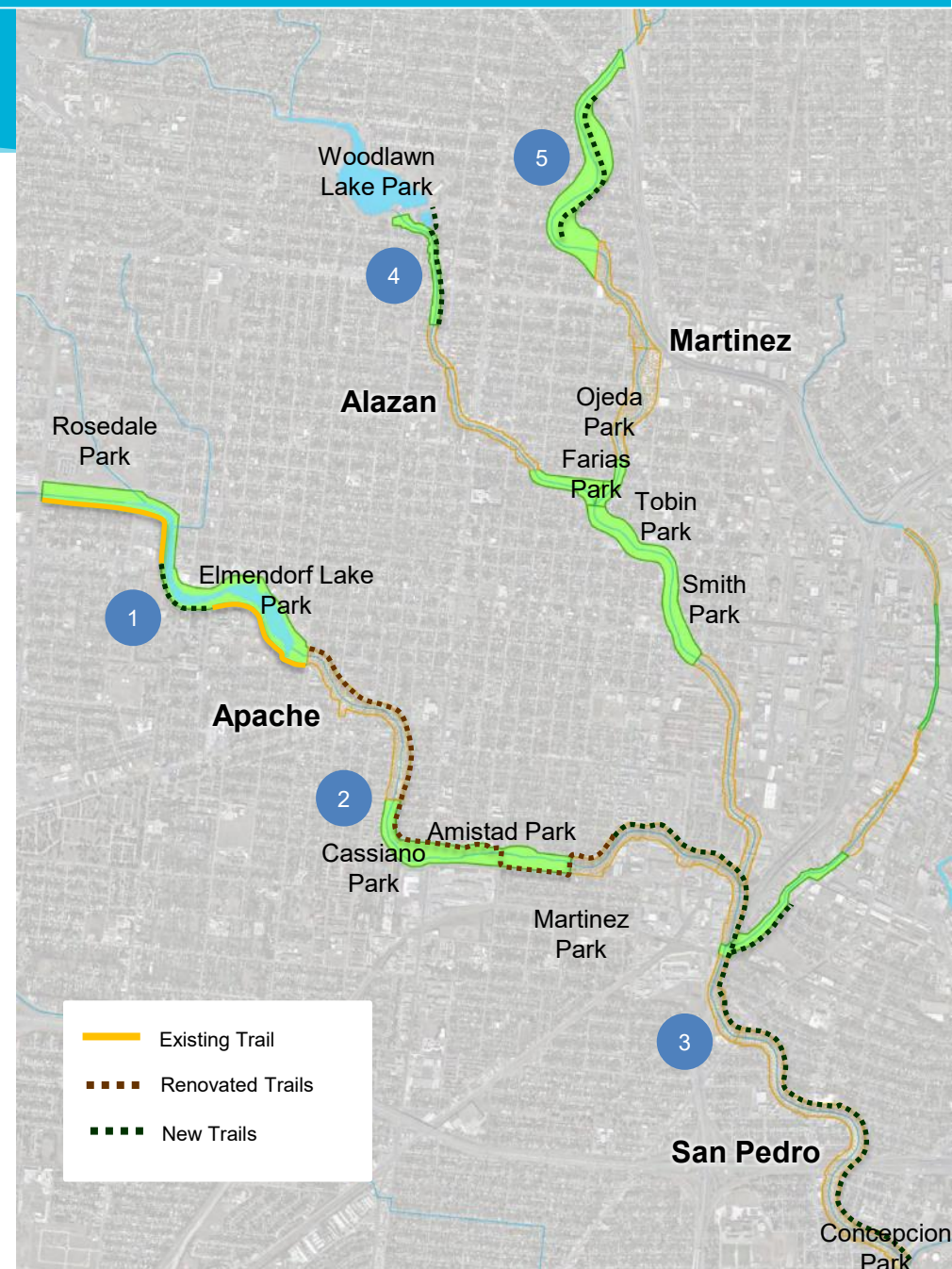
## Appendix

- Historic Resources
- Public Meeting Minutes
- Existing Conditions
- Stable Channel Design
- Cost Estimates

# Proposition 2 – Linear Creekway Parks Advisory Board Recommendation

1. Apache Creek (Commerce to 24 <sup>th</sup> Street)	
0.3 Miles	\$ 578,400
2. Apache Creek (Renovation of Existing 5' Path)	
1.9 Miles	\$ 1,140,000
3. San Pedro Creek (Apache Creek Trail to SA River)	
2.9 Miles	\$ 3,232,000
4. Alazan Creek (Woodlawn Lake to Lombrano)	
0.5 Miles	\$ 614,000
5. Martinez Creek (Fredericksburg Rd to Cincinnati)	
.65 Miles	\$ 720,980
Undesignated Westside Creeks	
TBD	\$ 3,831,600

**Recommended Total:**  
**\$10,116,980**



# City of San Antonio 2012 Bond Committee Update

Project Name	Staff Recommended	Committee Recommended	City Council Approved
Elmendorf Lake	\$3,000,000	\$2,250,000	\$2,250,000
Rosedale Park	\$700,000	\$0	\$0
West End Park	\$350,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
Mario Farias Park	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000
Elmendorf Lake Area Improvements	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
Total:	\$5,550,000	\$4,400,000	\$4,400,000

## Elmendorf Lake Park and Linear Trails along Apache, San Pedro, Alazan, and Martinez Creeks

### Summary of Funding

- An Interlocal Agreement was executed on June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012 between the City of San Antonio and the San Antonio River Authority for project management of 2010 Sales Tax Venue – Greenway Project for hike and bike trail improvements in association with the Westside Creeks Restoration Project, as well as the 2012 Bond Project and 2012 Stormwater Regional Facilities Project for park and stormwater improvements in the Elmendorf Lake Park area, for a total contract cost not to exceed \$15,116,980.00



# Westside Creeks Ecosystem Restoration – Corps of Engineers

- 2013 - 2014 – began coordination with SAWS on utility line relocations
- May 2014 – Director's Report for WSCs Ecosystem Restoration
- Sept. 2014 – Assistant Secretary of the Army (ASA) approved the Director's Report



**PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE NOTICE**  
**ELMENDORF LAKE PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

Bexar County, the City of San Antonio and the San Antonio River Authority will host an open house to present the final designs for Elmendorf Lake. The community is encouraged to attend and view the designed improvements.

**Thursday, September 4, 2014**  
**6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**

Rodriguez Elementary  
 3626 W. Cesar E. Chavez Blvd. (W. Durango)

For more information, please contact  
 (210) 302-3257 or email [bhinze@sara-tx.org](mailto:bhinze@sara-tx.org).






# Elmendorf Lake Park Project

## **Project Funding Sources**

- \$2,250,000 in Parks, Recreation and Open Space – COSA 2012 Bond Funding
  - \$1,500,000 in Drainage & Flood Control – COSA 2012 Bond Funding
  - \$1,500,000 in Stormwater Regional Facilities Funds – COSA
  - \$2,000,000 in Linear Creekway Funds – COSA 2010 Sales Tax Proposition
  - \$7,000,000 in Bexar County Flood Control Funds
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- \$14,250,000 in Total funding for Elmendorf Lake Park<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Includes design, construction, and management



# Elmendorf Lake Park Improvements

## Ground Breaking

### March 31, 2015

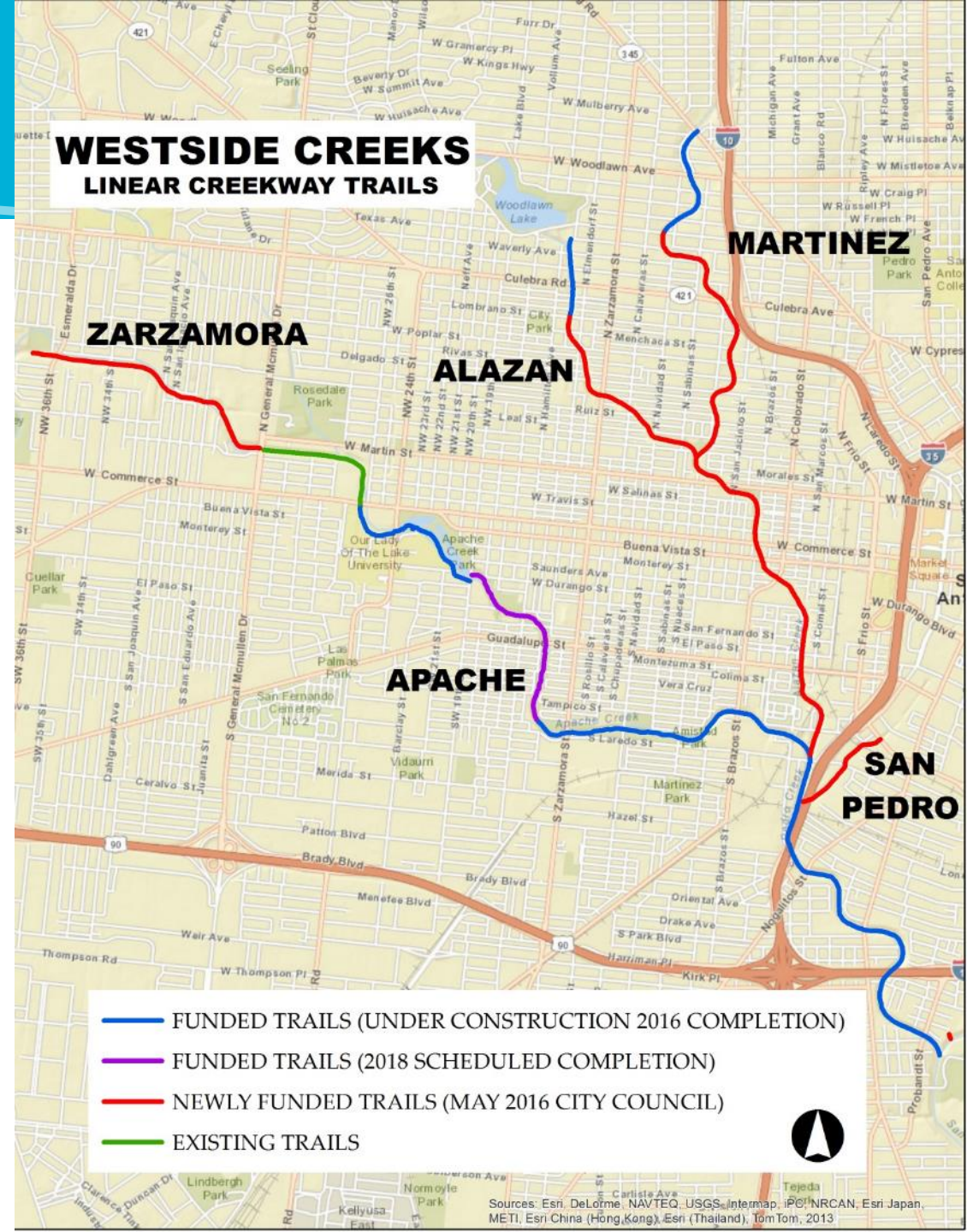




# Trail Projects (Sales Tax Initiative)

## Schedule

- May 12, 2016 – Council Action
- June 2016 SARA board action
- August 2016 begin planning phase
  - Zarzamora Creek planned for design solicitation September 2016
  - Alazán/Martinez to follow





## Westside Creeks Ecosystem Restoration update from Aug. 2016

- In summary, the Assistant Secretary of the Army Jo-Ellen Darcy and her staff continue to request the Office of Management & Budget (OMB) approve / release the WSC project report. Once the report is released by OMB the project will be eligible for the US Army Corps of Engineers to begin funding the Preliminary Engineering Design (PED).

# Elmendorf Lake Park

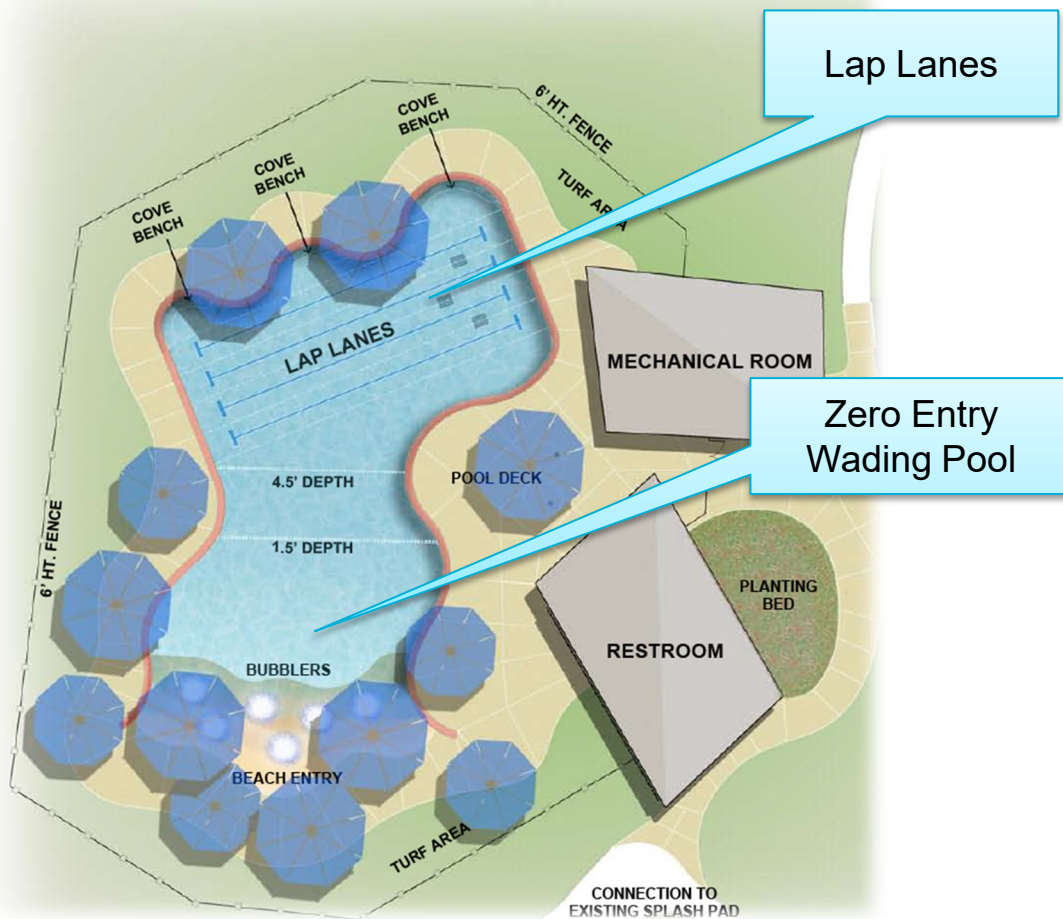
Grand Opening

January 21, 2017

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM



# Elmendorf Lake Park Pool Improvements



- Funded by the City of San Antonio through the 2017 Bond Program Funding
- Managed by the San Antonio River Authority
- Schematic features zero entry wading pool
- Swimming area with four 25m lap lanes
- Restrooms with changing stalls
- Seating areas around pool



# Martinez Creek Trail Groundbreaking April 21, 2015







## **Alazan Creek Trail Grand Opening June 18, 2016**



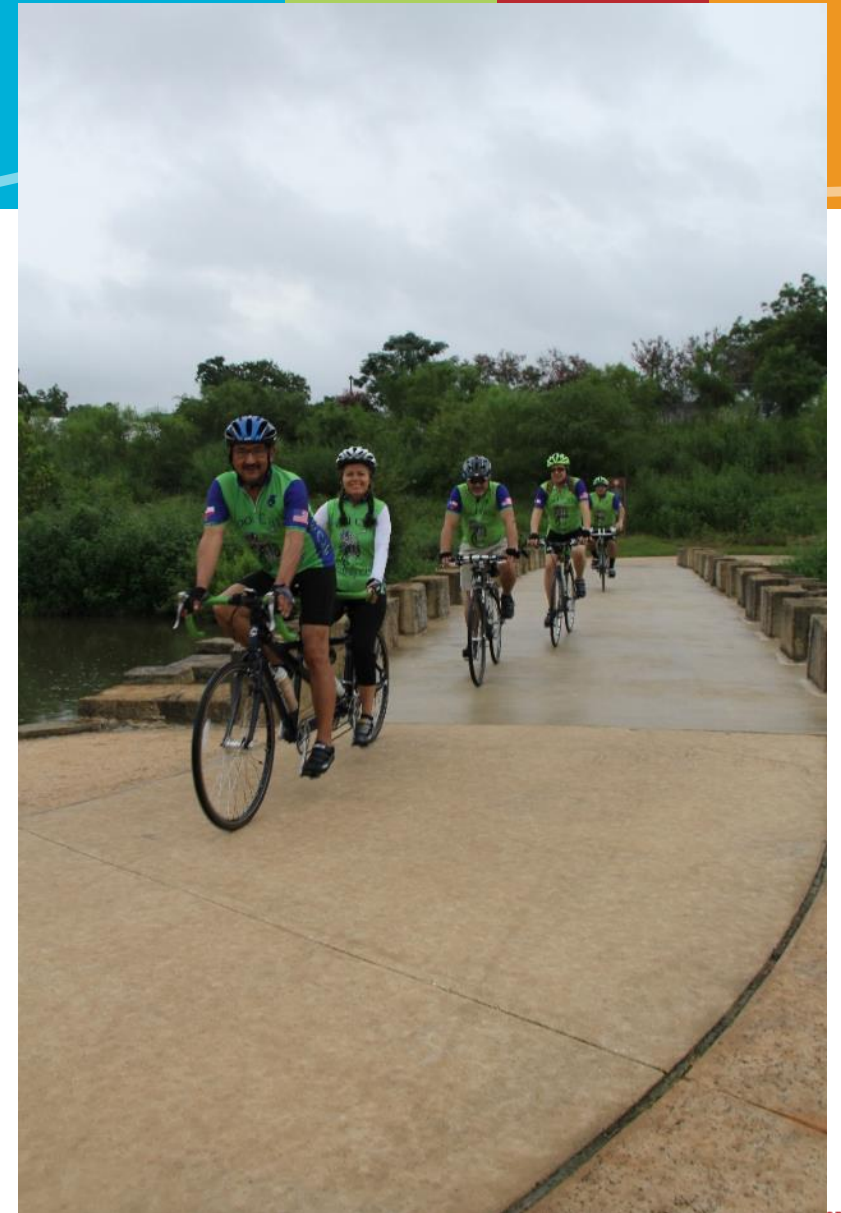
# Apache Creek Trail Grand Opening July 9, 2016







## San Pedro Creek Trail Grand Opening August 20, 2016





# Elmendorf Lake Park Pool Groundbreaking

## 10/27/2018





# Elmendorf Lake Park Pool Grand Opening

## 6/15/2019





# Westside Creeks Linear Trails Project

**Zarzamora Creek Trail**  
Substantial  
Completion  
April 2019

**Martinez Creek Trail**  
100% Design Phase.  
Bid Date TBD.  
SAWS Sewer project  
ongoing





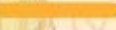


**Alazan Creek Trail**  
Construction Phase  
Completion Summer  
2021

**Apache Creek Trail**  
Construction  
2021

**(UNDER CONSTRUCTION)**



## Legend

-  Alazan Creek
-  Alazan Creek (UNDER CONSTRUCTION)
-  Martinez Creek
-  Martinez Creek (Under Design)
-  Apache Creek
-  Zarzamora Creek (UNDER CONSTRUCTION)
-  San Pedro Creek

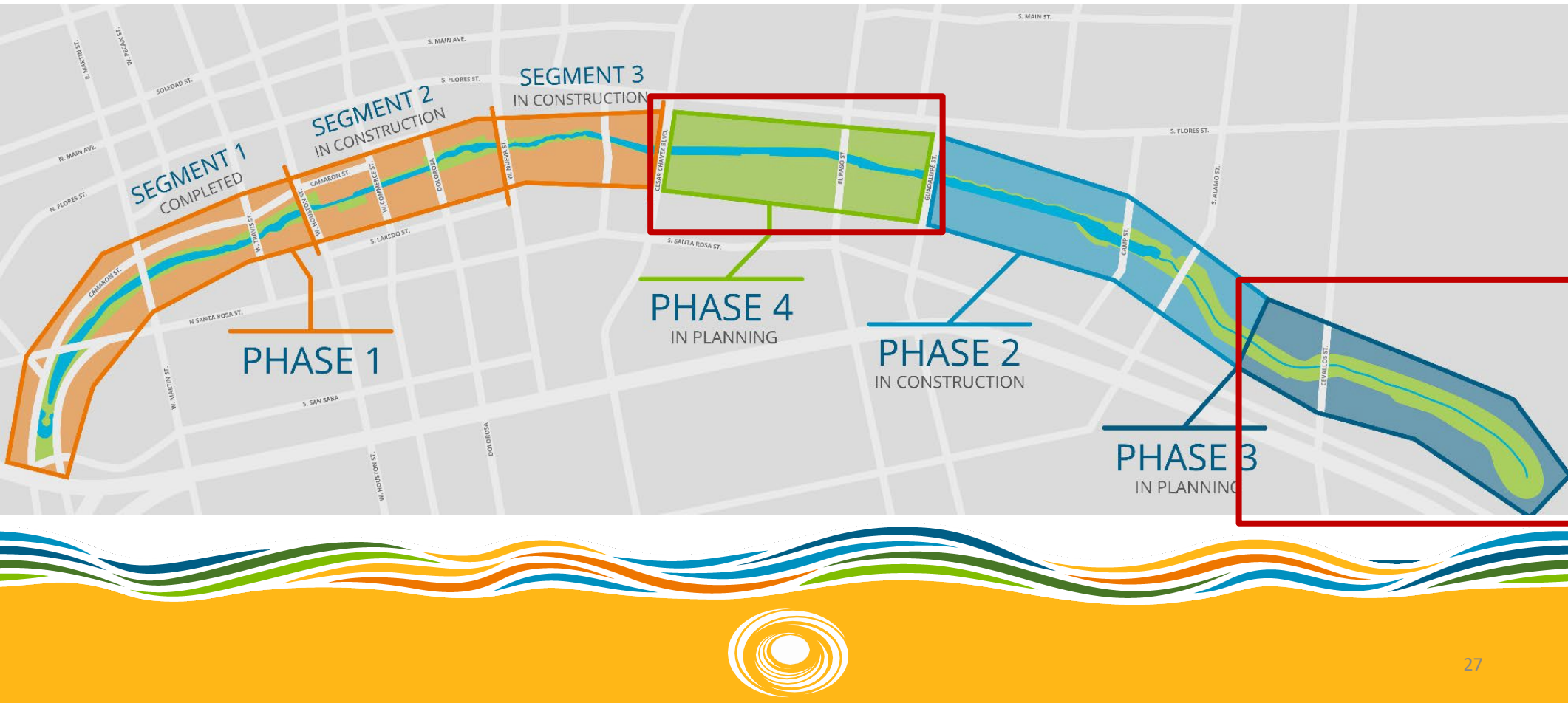
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# Westside Creeks Ecosystem Restoration Update

- Dec. 2016 – OMB informed the Corps of Engineers that it “*does not object*” to the Corps submitting the WSC report to Congress for funding consideration.
- Jan. 2017 – Assistant Secretary of the Army, Jo-Ellen Darcy, reports that the Westside Creeks will be evaluated amongst other ecosystem restoration projects and prioritized as appropriate for budgetary considerations.
- Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 – Corps of Engineers Work Plan allocates final Mission Reach reimbursement payment of \$26,031,000.
- FY 21 – Corps of Engineers Work Plan published 2 days before inauguration.
- FY 22 – Community Project Funding (earmark) – community support letters from Judge, Mayor, Chamber of Commerce and WSC Oversight Committee Co-Chairs

# Phase 3 and Phase 4





# QUESTIONS



# Design & Construction Activity

**Christine Clayton**

SARA, Project Manager



# Phase 1.1 Update





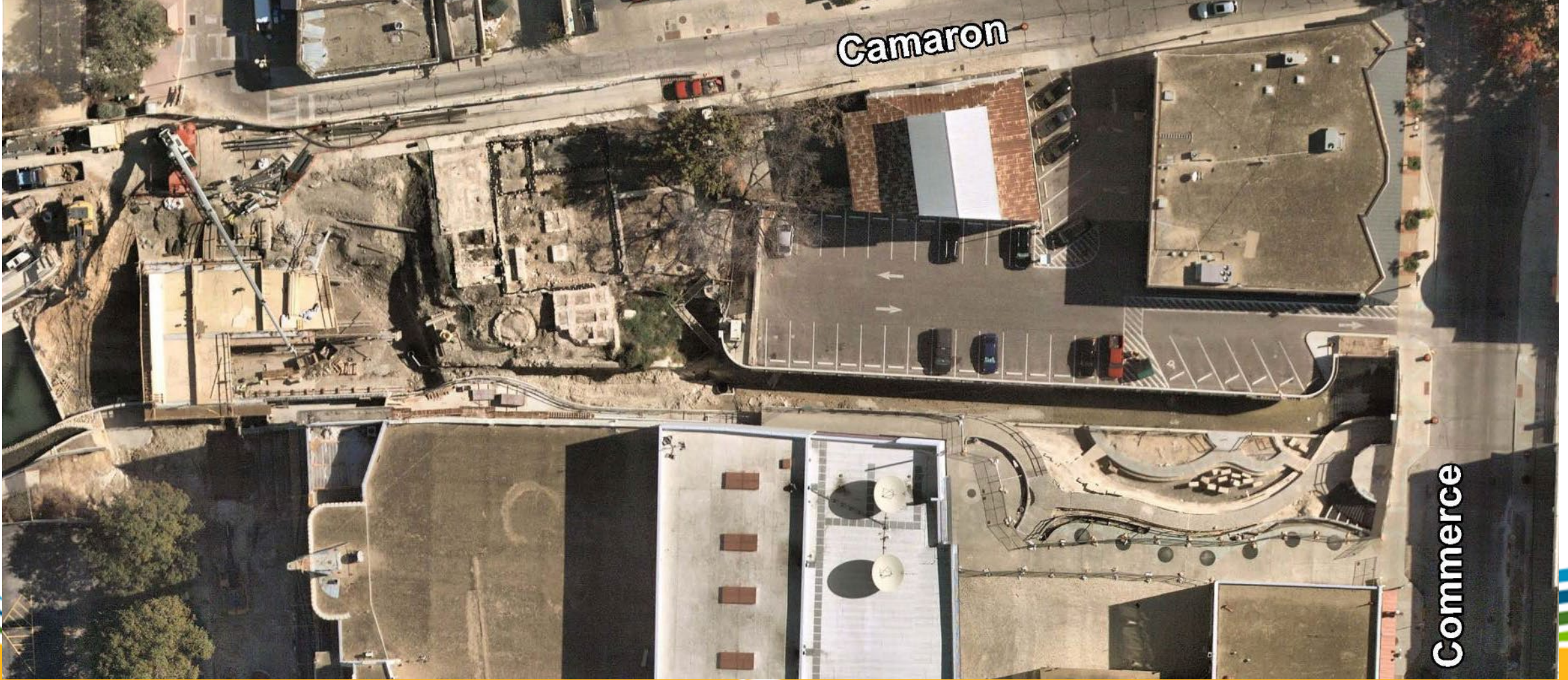
# Phase 1.2 Updates

- West CDS unit complete, starting on the east CDS unit in the next couple of weeks
- Installing railing in the gardens area North of Commerce
- Still waiting on USACE design recommendation for archaeological site





# Houston to Commerce





# Commerce to Dolorosa





# Nueva to Graham





# Phase 1.3 and Phase 2 Construction

- Nueva underground electric and gas work wrapping up; water line expected to start in two weeks
- Installing new culvert walls just north of Camp
- Camp Street bridge removed, installing drilled shafts for new bridge
- Alamo traffic expected to switch to south half by late April



# Phase 3 and 4 Design

- Phase 3 railroad bridge initial design submittal sent to Union Pacific, expect comments by week of May 10<sup>th</sup>
- Phase 3 and 4 60% design plans to be received on April 20<sup>th</sup>
- Working with TXDOT on agreement to do work under IH35





# QUESTIONS





# Public Art

**Carrie Brown**

SARA, Public Art Curator





# PHASE 1.1: Manantial Bench

Thin coat  
bench top

Porcelain,  
hand-glazed  
tiles





# PHASE 1.2: Five Panel Mural

- Request for Qualifications deadline was March 24; received 25 applications
- Up to 4 finalists will be selected
- Finalists paid stipend to develop proposal for artwork
- Proposals due est. May 14





# PHASE 2: Culvert Park Canopy



Artist: Rikkianne Van Kirk





# Upcoming Events (virtual)

- Monday Night Yoga w/ Mobile Om
  - In-person may begin in June
- April 24: Get Creative series
- May 22-23: CreekFest
- June 12: Fit & Flow series





# Past Events Recap

## **WORLD WATER DAY** Scavenger Hunt



**Historical Text**  
curated by John Phillip Santos

## **WORLD WATER DAY** Scavenger Hunt



**De Todos Caminos Somos Todos Uno**  
by Adriana M. Garcia

## **WORLD WATER DAY** Scavenger Hunt



**Aqua**  
by Alex Rubio



# QUESTIONS





# Calendar Items



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Monday Night Yoga



**Apr 24**

Get Creative – Grupo Azteca Teokalli



**May 5**

SPCCP 3<sup>rd</sup> Birthday

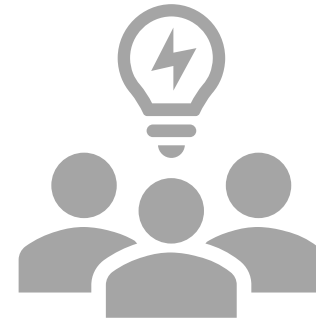


# Calendar Items



**May 11**

Community Drum Circle



**May 13**

SPCCP Subcommittee Meeting





# Adjourn

