

# Woodside West Trail Plan

## Combining the Circulation Committee and Trails Committee Goals

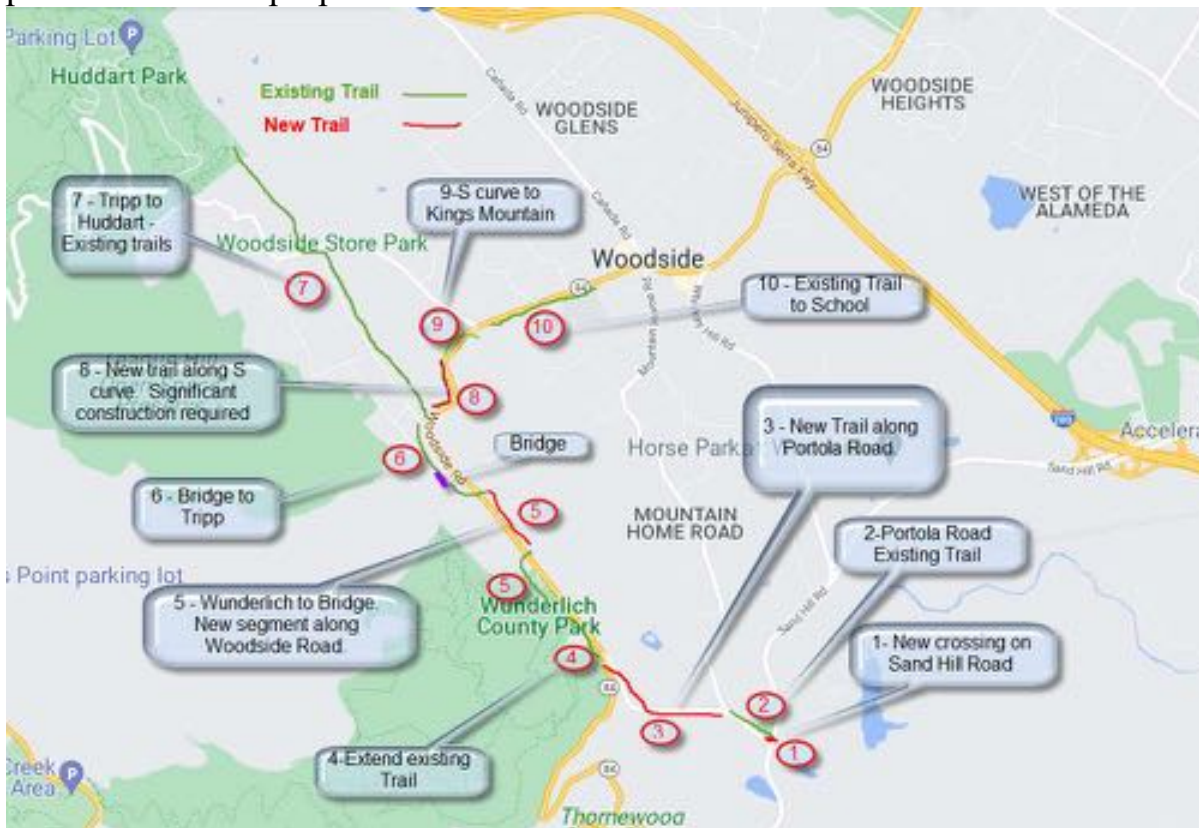
### Don Pugh Update 5/27/22

The Circulation Committee and Trails Committee have proposed trail plans which have evolved into a proposal for a Town Construction Improvement (CIP) project,

The *Circulation Committee* project scope is to construct a continuous pedestrian/equestrian trail along Woodside Road from to Portola Road to Kings Mountain Road, within the Woodside Road/Highway 84 public right of way, or on existing dedicated easements on private property.

The *Trails Committee Park to Park (P2P) trail* goal was to link up Wunderlich Park and Huddart Park. Some of the segments are in existence today, and some require some maintenance. The Trails Committee has also proposed a trail on Portola Road and a crossing on Sand Hill Road at Portola Road.

This **Woodside West Trail Plan** combines the goals and plans of the two committees into a long term master trail plan, which was presented to the Town Council on May 24, 2022. The Woodside West Trail would allow pedestrians and equestrians to go from Sand Hill Road to Wunderlich Park... and then on to either Huddart Park or the Elementary School. Below is a rough sketch of the proposal. Some bicycle improvements in the form of wider bike lanes or pull outs are also proposed.



# Woodside West Trail Plan

## Project trail segments – Descriptions

### Detail segment descriptions in next pages

**1-Sand Hill Road** crossing: Currently on the Trails Committee and Circulation Committee Project list

**2-Portola Road– x Sand Hill to x Mountain Home** – Currently in existence and being used today. Maintained by the Trails Committee. Circulation Committee proposal to reconfigure stop signs and bike lanes is under review.

**3-Portola Road - x Mountain Home to x Woodside Road (84).** This is on the Trails Committee project list. This trail is also noted in the Town General Plan. This trail is now possible because the new bridge can allow a pedestrian/equestrian lane. It might also be appropriate to build a separate equestrian/pedestrian bridge. A pedestrian/equestrian bridge will be required over the small creek with the narrow bridge near Portola Road.

**4-Woodside Road 84 - x Portola Road to Wunderlich Park.** – There is an old trail is on the West side of 84 going to the old NCEFT site. It will need to be extended to Portola Road. A crossing of Woodside Road will be required. This trail is on the Circulation Committee Project plan and the Trails Committee project list.

**5-Woodside Road 84 - from Wunderlich Park to Bear Gulch Bridge.** Currently on the Trails Committee Project list called the *Park to Park (P2P)* trail. Need to work on easements and construct trail. There is a bridge over Bear Gulch Creek today. Need to cross Woodside Road. Equestrians currently go down to use the Center Trail on private property to bypass this missing segment.

**6-Woodside Road 84 - Bear Gulch Bridge to x Tripp Road** – There is an existing equestrian/pedestrian trail that could be improved, which is being used today. Maintained by the Trails Committee. This is the middle segment of the *Park to Park (P2P)* trail plan.

**7-Tripp Road – x Woodside Road 84 to Huddart Park,** There are existing equestrian/pedestrian trails along Tripp Road, then on Kings Mountain, and then to Greer Road entrance to Huddart Park. They are being used today. Some minor repairs and clean up would be desirable. This trail is maintained by the Trails Committee. This is the final segment of the Trails Committee *Park to Park (P2P)* trail plan

**8- Woodside Road 84 –x -Tripp Road thru the “S” Curve** This is the most challenging and expensive segment that will require significant design and construction effort. Maybe a new culvert to allow bike lanes and a new trail and widen Woodside Road? On the Circulation Committee project plan.

**9- Woodside Road 84 - the “S” Curve to x Kings Mountain.** After the “S” curve there is an existing equestrian trail along Woodside Road, but it requires a creek crossing on private property. This is maintained by the Trails Committee. It would be necessary to add an equestrian/pedestrian bridge to the existing bridge over the creek. This on Circulation Committee Project plan.

**10- Woodside road - x Kings Mountain – To the Elementary School** – A crossing of Woodside Road is required to link to the existing pedestrian /equestrian trail that is in use today. The plan is to extend the trail to Martin Lane and add a crosswalk at this location. This spot has better sight lines. This crossing is part of Safe Routes to School plan. The trails are maintained by the Trails Committee. This segment completes the Woodside West Trail.

**Woodside West – Segments 1 and 2**  
**Sand Hill Road Crossing and Portola Road**  
**Walked April 26, 2022**



## **Woodside West – Segments 1 and 2**

### **Sand Hill Road Crossing and Portola Road**

**1-Existing equestrian/pedestrian Trail along Sand Hill Road** – The existing trail runs from Horse Park/Whiskey Hill to Portola Valley. This trail is maintained by the County and the Trails Club. It is not in the Town of Woodside limits.

**1-New Sand Hill Road crossing:** Currently on the Trails Committee Project list. Currently in discussions with the County. Stop signs? Cross Walk? Turn lane? Round-a-bout? This would allow safe access across Sand Hill, to South Woodside and from Portola Valley to North Woodside.

**2-Portola Road– x Sand Hill to x Mountain Home Trail** – This trail is currently in existence and being used today. Maintained by the Trails Committee.

**2A - Circulation Committee proposal** to reconfigure stop signs and bike lanes at the intersection of Portola Road and Mountain Home Road, is under review. The plan is to have 3 stop signs, one on each road. Configuration of bike lanes is under discussion.

**3A – 1200 Mountain Home Road.** There is an existing equestrian Trail in a good location. It will be necessary to request a public easement and build a new fence to mark trail limits. A major retaining wall will be required if the existing trail cannot be used. **(KEY ISSUE)**

# Woodside West – Segment 3 – Portola Road Trail

## Mountain Home Road to Woodside Road/84

Walked April 26, 2022



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## Segment Description

**3A – 1200 Mountain Home Road.** There is an existing equestrian trail in a good location. It will be necessary to request a public easement and build a new fence to mark trail limits. A major retaining wall will be required if the existing trail cannot be used. **(KEY ISSUE)**

**3B - Build new equestrian/pedestrian bridge** along the little bridge

**3C - Continue trail** on North side of Portola Road to Mckee Driveway. Install drainage and driveway crossing.

**3D – Cross Portola Road** to trail easement on South Side of Portola Road. Sight lines are ok.

**3E – Existing trail easement on South Side of Portola Road.** Clear brush. Install asphalt curb or logs or barrier to segregate trail from road. Need to cut tree or move split rail fence in one spot. Consider a barrier as shown below.

**3F- New Bridge crossing –**

**3F – Option 1-Build new equestrian/pedestrian bridge** on South side of new bridge. Need easement from property owners. Continue trail behind guard rail. **(KEY ISSUE)**

**3F – Option 2 – Use existing space on bridge for trail.** Construct concrete barrier to protect riders and pedestrians. Still a little cozy.

**3G - Cross Portola Road** to the North side some 30 feet past bridge, at curve. Sight lines are ok.

**3H – Construct new trail along existing fence line,** as far from the road as possible. Excavate side slope as necessary. Keep existing parking spots open. Validate easement with property owners. **(KEY ISSUE)**

**Other –** Install speed limit signs/speed control to reduce speeds. Some ideas for a wooden barrier between trail and traffic lane are below



**Woodside West Trail – Segment 4**  
**Portola Road to Wunderlich Park**  
**Walked May 27, 2022**





## **Woodside West Trail – Segment 4**

### **Portola Road to Wunderlich Park**

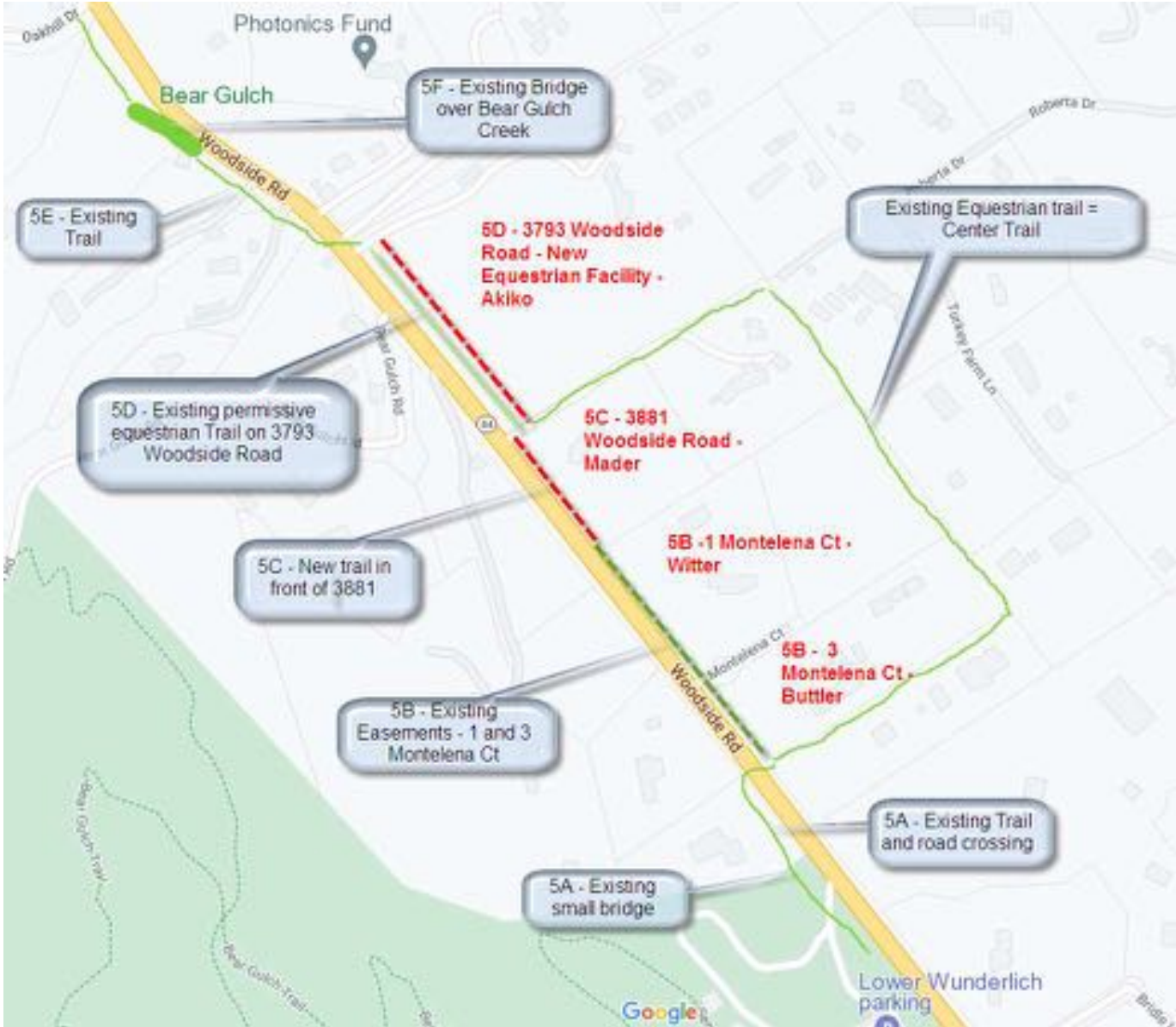
**4A – New trail from Portola Road segment 3, to the Old NCEFT trail -** Build a new trail in road easement. A short retaining wall may be required along shoulder to provide a flat trail. Install a guard rail to isolate the trail users from traffic.

**4B – Woodside Road Crossing –** at 5001 Woodside Road to 5000 Woodside Road. At the driveway of the old NCEFT site. Good sight lines. This was used for many years when NCEFT was located here.

**4C – Old trail from Wunderlich Park to NCEFT.** This trail is still useable, but a bit overgrown. It is believe it is in the Woodside Road right of way. Discussed in ASRB meeting in 2015 regarding development of 5000 Woodside Road

**4D - This portion of the trail is in Wunderlich County Park.** The trail is walkable today and some 20 feet from the asphalt. The County may be considering this area for an additional parking lot in the future, but the trail should remain.

**Woodside West – Segment 5**  
**Wunderlich Park to Bear Gulch Bridge**  
**Walked May 2, 2022**



## Woodside West – Segment 5

### Wunderlich Park to Bear Gulch Bridge

#### Segment Description

**5A – Existing trail – Wunderlich to Woodside Road crossing** – Trail is in good shape and is used by many equestrians. Consider putting up railings on the little bridge. Who maintains bridge? Clarify property ownership/easement of section outside of County Park. Fix muddy spot at Woodside Road cross walk, West side.

**5B - Easements on Montelena Court** – There are two dedicated 15’ easements along Woodside Road on 1 and 3 Montelena Court (and Witter and Butler). Consider using easement section behind bushes on 3 Montelena Court and leave the bushes. Will need to relocate corral fencing off the easement on 1 Montelena Court, to permit trail. **(KEY ISSUE)**

**5C - Trail in front of 3881 Woodside Road (Mader).** There is about 4 feet of width between the existing fence and Woodside road to permit a trail. Need to clarify property line and road right of way. Needs brush clearing and a culvert/bridge of about 5 feet in one spot. A guard rail will be desirable. **(KEY ISSUE)**

**5D - Existing Equestrian trail in front of 3793 Woodside Road (Akiko Yamazaki).** This needs some clearing and cleanup of the grade and brush. One spot with some drainage problem needs fixing. Need to work with property owner for pedestrian/equestrian easement. There may be enough road easement to allow a new trail. **(KEY ISSUE)**

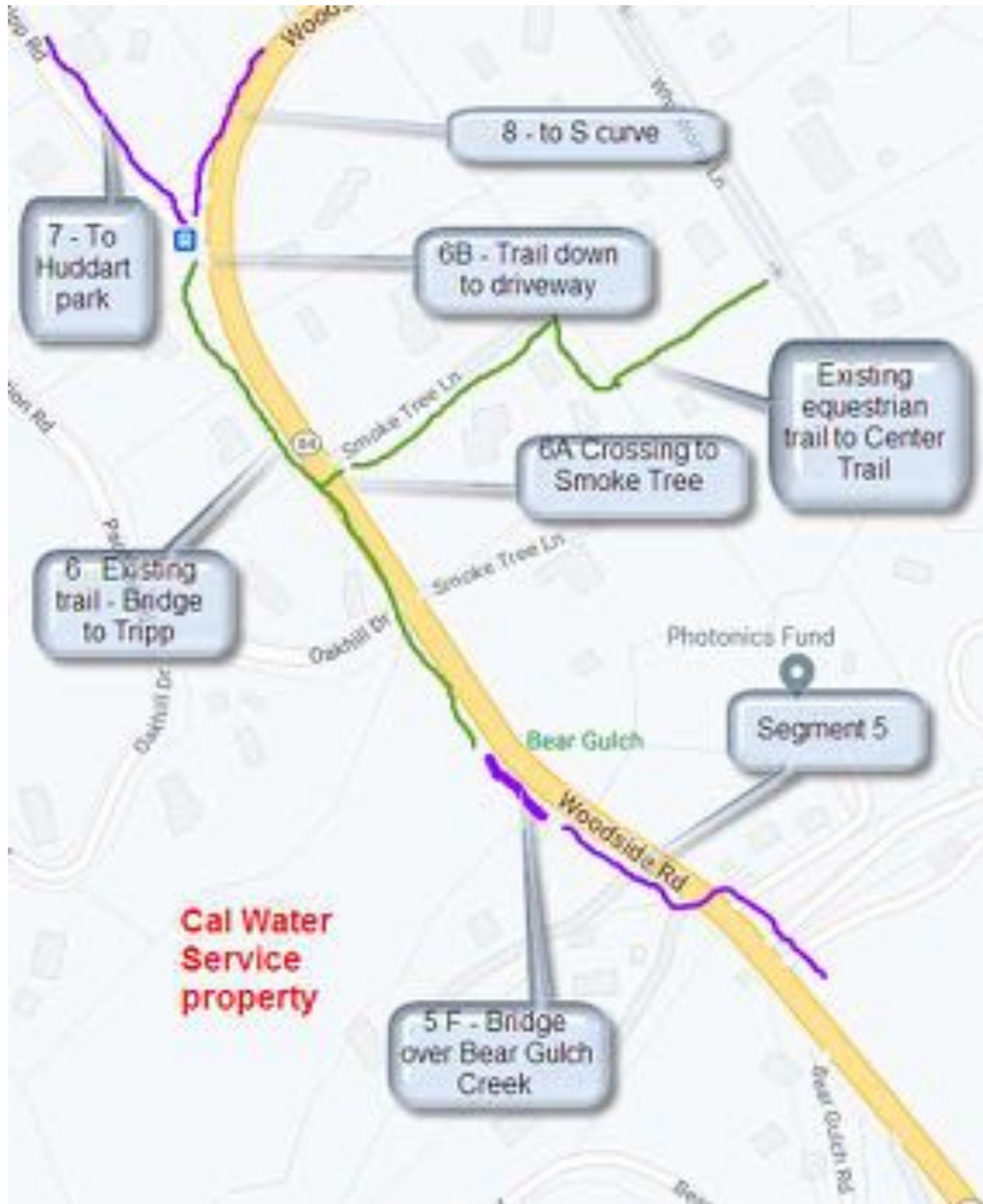
**5E – 3793 Woodside Road to Bridge** – Improve short section of trail on East side of Woodside Road. Then mark crossing of Woodside Road. Improve short section of trail on West side of Woodside Road, to Bear Gulch Bridge.

**5F – Bridge over Bear Gulch Creek** - Resolve who owns/maintains the bridge over Bear Gulch Creek. Evaluate any repairs to the Bridge required. This should be a Trails Committee responsibility.

## Woodside West – Segment 6

### Bear Gulch Bridge to Tripp

Walked May 2, 2022



## **Woodside West – Segment 6**

### **Bear Gulch Bridge to Tripp**

#### **Segment Description**

All trails in this segment are existing trails open to equestrians and pedestrians. Some maintenance is desirable.

**5F** – Bridge over Bear Gulch Creek –on Segment 5 description

**6 - Existing trail** that runs from Bear Gulch Bridge to Tripp Road. This trail is in fairly good shape. This trail crosses over Cal Water property, but it might be in the right of way.

**6A - Crossing to Smoke Tree Lane** – Clear brush on road. Construct a little bridge or culvert over swale in road. This is a private trail that goes to Center trail and the new Center Trail Bridge.

**6B – Trail down to driveway** – Improve trail entrance slope just off driveway 3710 Tripp Road. Grind slippery driveway.

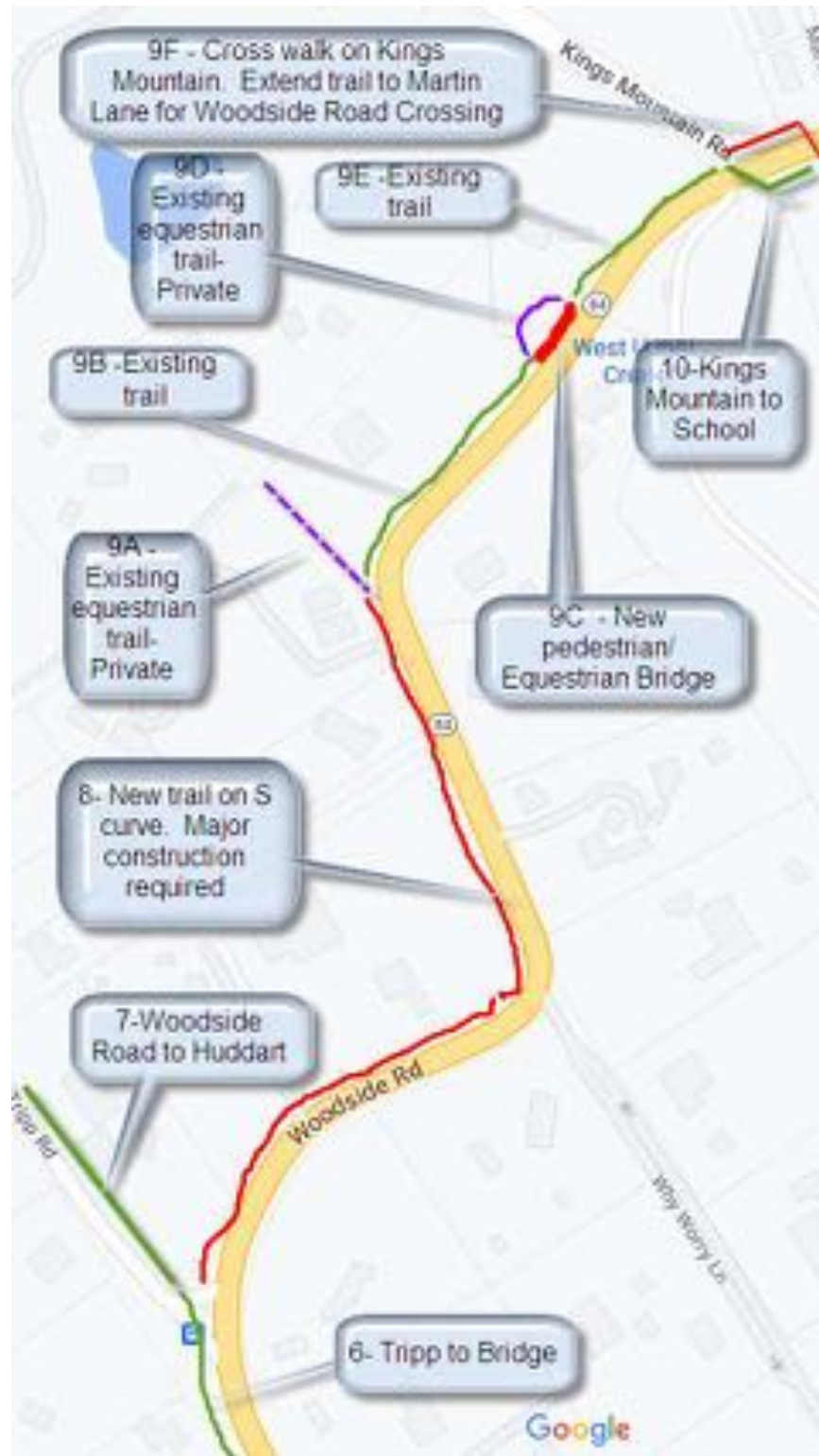
**7 – Segment to Huddart Park.** Existing trail along Tripp road to Kings Mountain to Greer Road, in fairly good shape, and being used today. A few areas on Tripp need some maintenance.

**8 - Segment 8 to the S Curve** – The most challenging project

# Woodside West – Segments 7, 8, 9 and 10

## Tripp via S curve to Kings Mountain

Walked 5/10/22



## **Woodside West – Segments 7, 8, 9 and 10**

### **Tripp via S curve to Kings Mountain**

#### **Segment Description**

**7 – Tripp Road – To Huddart Park.** The existing Trail is in good shape. Some maintenance is desirable.

**8 - New trail on S curve.** This is the most challenging and expensive segment that will require significant design and construction effort. Consider a new culvert to allow a new trail and widen Woodside Road to allow bike lanes. Could be a million dollar project. **(KEY ISSUE)**.

**9A – Existing equestrian Trail** – Trail is on private property. 3480 Woodside Road /3500 Woodside Road. Need to relocate equestrian gate.

**9B – Existing trail along Woodside Road.** On 3480 Woodside Road property frontage. Need to check easement and use restrictions. This trail is very well maintained by property owner.

**9C – New Pedestrian/Equestrian Bridge.** Cal Trans will construct this when rebuilding the road bridge. Need to push Cal Trans to complete this sooner. The Town could consider building a separate bridge, depending on easements configuration. **(KEY ISSUE)**

**9D – Existing equestrian Trail** – Private property 155 Kings Mountain Road and 3480 Woodside Road. Creek crossing required. Trail no longer required after bridge is completed.

**9E – Existing trail along Woodside Road.** This goes from the bridge to Kings Mountain. Need to check easement and use restrictions for this property. (155 Kings Mountain Road)

**9F – Add crosswalk on Kings Mountain.** Extend trail to Martin Lane for crossing Woodside Road at this point. Better sight lines. Part of Safe Routes to School plan.

**10 – Kings Mountain to School.** Existing trail. Being used today. This trail is in good shape.