

Coyote Valley Status Report

Council Committee on Transportation and the Environment

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Natural and Work Lands (NWL) Program

- Partnership with City and Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority
- Identify how natural and working lands could contribute to Climate Smart GHG reduction goals
- Final draft of NWL Element is completed
- To be considered by Council – Date TBD
- Element proposed to be integrated into Climate Smart San Jose

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Coyote Valley Master Plan

- Led by Open Space Authority, in collaboration with Peninsula Open Space Trust (POST) and the City
- Identify wildlife landscape linkage
- Approach to managing water resources
- Plan for public access and agriculture
- Identify early implementation projects
- Three to Five Year integrated planning process

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Climate Credits Program

- Led by consultant team working for POST
- Developers and private or public entities could purchase climate credits as environmental mitigation or voluntary credit
- Credits converted into Coyote Valley conservation and restoration projects
- Property owners would be compensated for conservation and restoration
- Credit bank could be operated by City, County or private third party
- Program is still under development

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Monterey Coyote Corridor Study

- Council direction to conduct a study to identify non-residential uses appropriate for the east side of Monterey Highway
- Uses should be compatible with Coyote Creek and broader environmental objectives
- Funding is included in the Administration's proposed budget
- If funding approved, work would begin summer 2022

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Staff resources

- Currently no staffing resources to work on Climate Credits, Coyote Valley Master Plan, and Monterey Coyote Corridor items
- No department lead to coordinate these four items
- Staff resources will be considered as part of 2022/2023 FY Budget Process

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