

City of Watsonville Coastal Rail Trail Segment 18 Update

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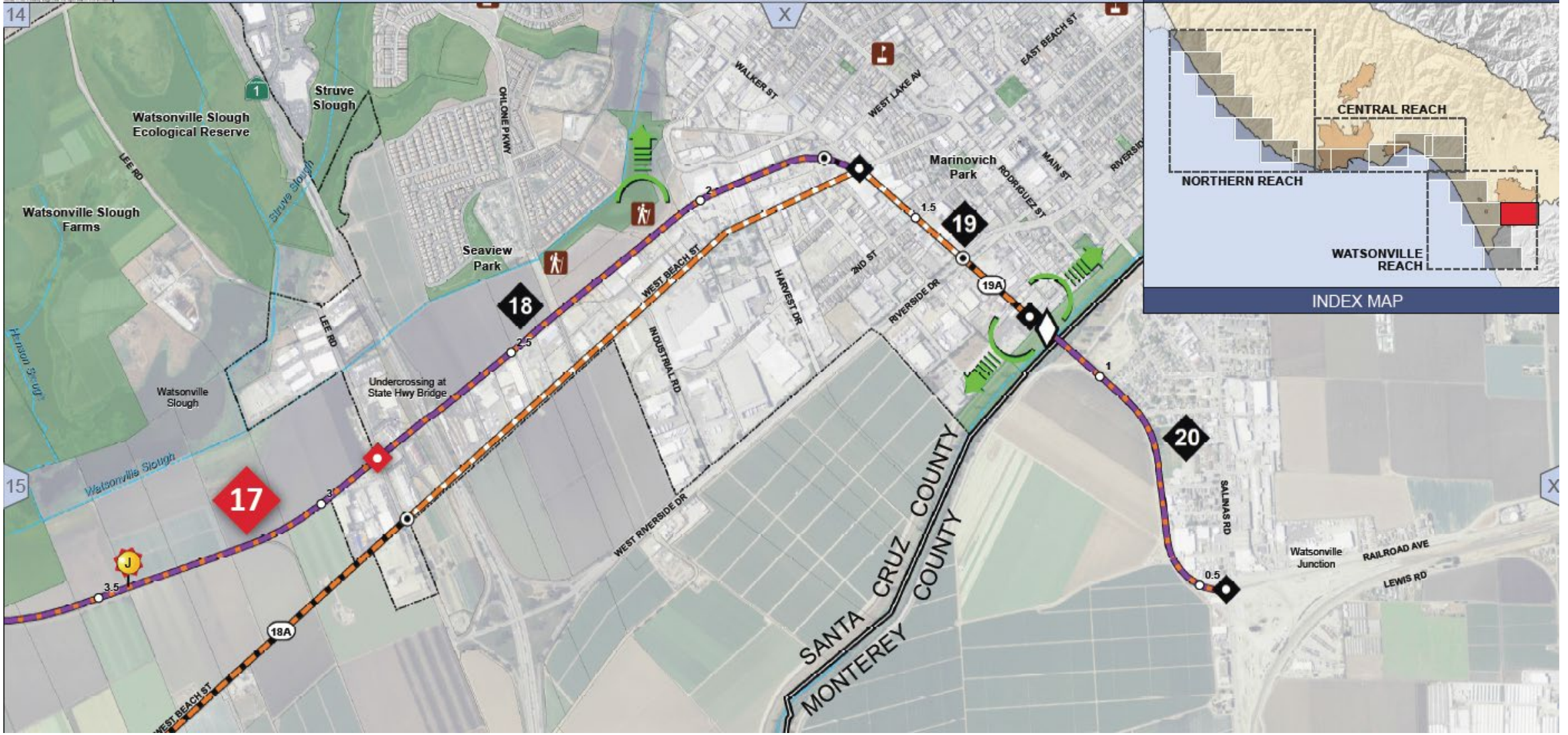
The Coastal Rail Trail





Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail Network: Master Plan

Proposed Trail Alignment SEGMENT 17 OF 20



City of Watsonville Coastal Rail Trail *Segment 18 Update*

- ❖ **Background:** City of Watsonville Coastal Rail Trail development
- ❖ **Prior Progress:** Segment 18 Phase 1
- ❖ **Current Progress:**
 - ❖ Define Segment 18 project alignment
 - ❖ Initiate preliminary design for Segment 18



Proposed Crossing

X

Phase 2

Phase 1

Phase 3

Segment 18

WALKER ST

OHLONE PKWY

HWY 1

LEER RD

Proposed Crossing

X

75'±

(E) ROW

39'±

39'±

TO WA
& P
TIMETAB

**PROPOSED DOWNTOWN
WATSONVILLE STATION**

**PROPOSED AT-GRADE
PEDESTRIAN CROSSING**

BEACH STREET

This is an aerial photograph of downtown Watsonville, California, overlaid with a technical drawing. The drawing shows a proposed station and a pedestrian crossing. A curved line with a dashed centerline and solid outer lines represents the station's right-of-way. A vertical line with a crossbar indicates a proposed at-grade pedestrian crossing. Dimensions are provided for various segments: 75 feet for a vertical section on the left, and two 39-foot segments for the station's width on the right. Labels identify the 'PROPOSED DOWNTOWN WATSONVILLE STATION', the 'PROPOSED AT-GRADE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING', and 'BEACH STREET'. Other labels include '(E) ROW' (East Right-of-Way), 'TO WA & P TIMETAB', and 'EAST'.

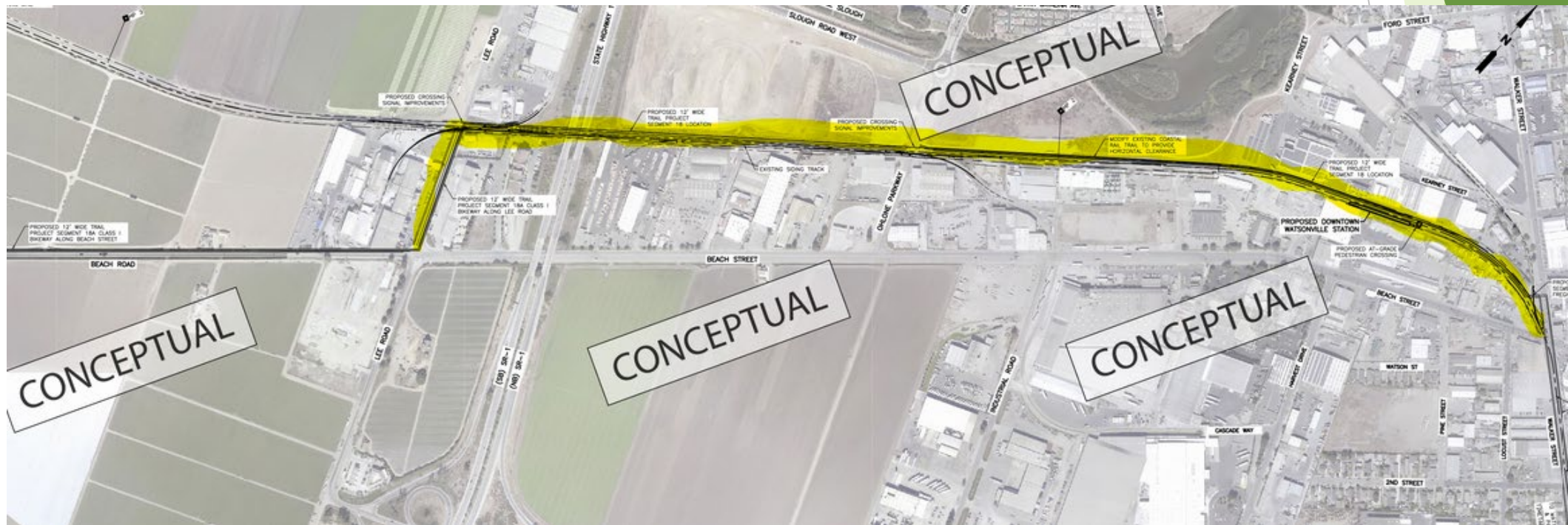
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Next Steps

- ❖ **Alternate** Coastal Rail Trail alignment outside of rail right-of-way
- ❖ **Three concepts** Beach Street alignments (outside of rail right-of-way)
- ❖ **Terminus** (north/west and south/east) for Segment 18

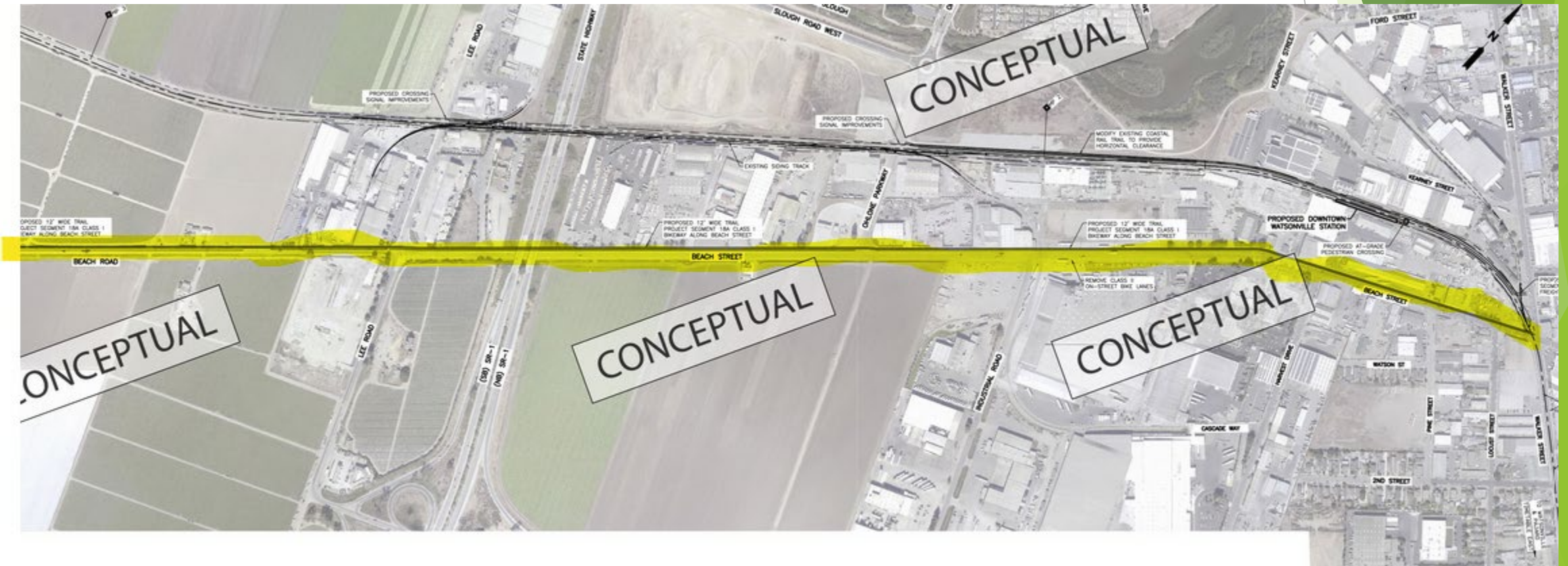


Option A: Trail Alignment Route in rail corridor between Walker and Lee Road

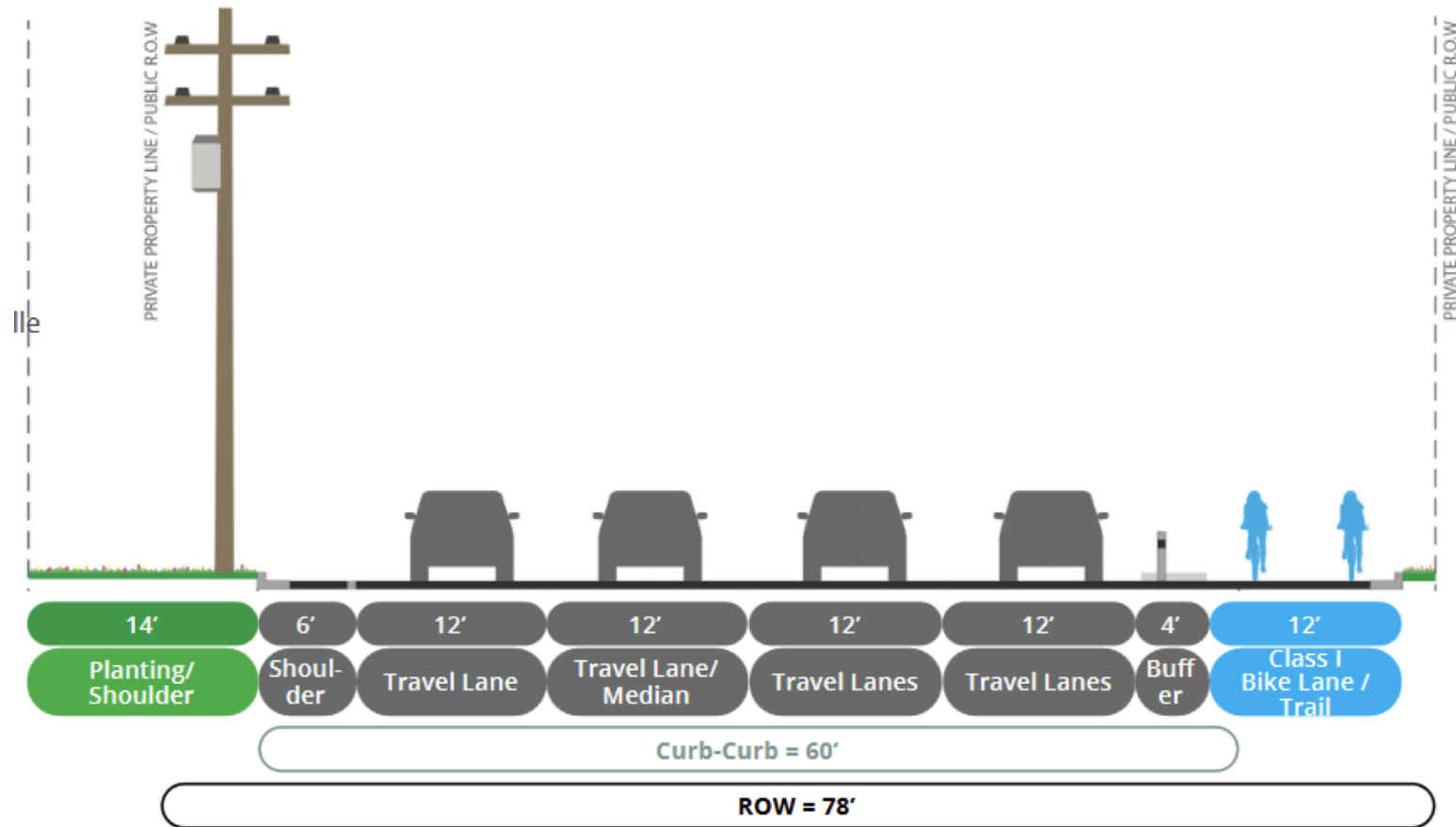


Option C: Trail Alignment

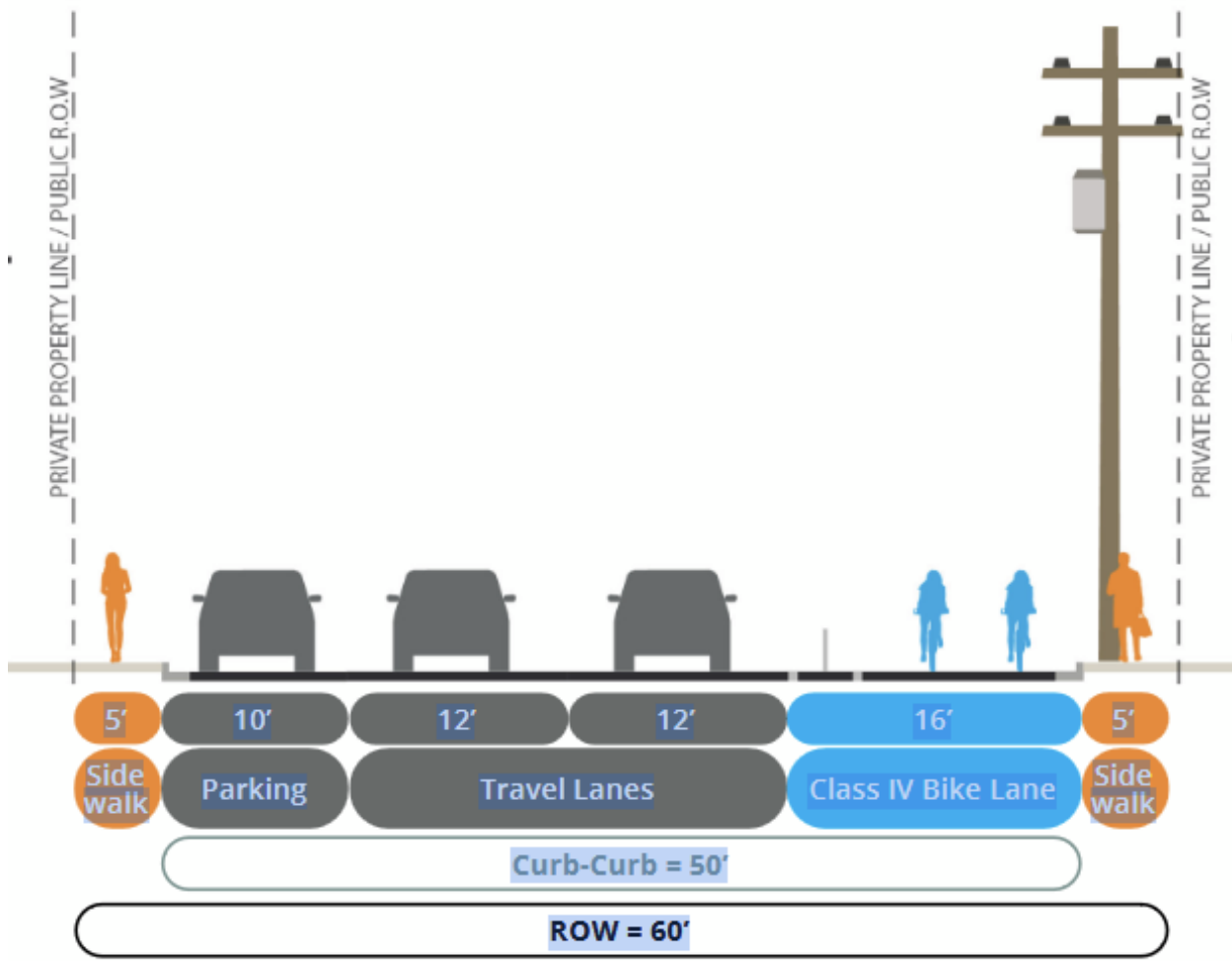
Route on Beach Street and outside of rail corridor between Walker and Lee Road



Coastal Rail Trail Concepts Beach Street

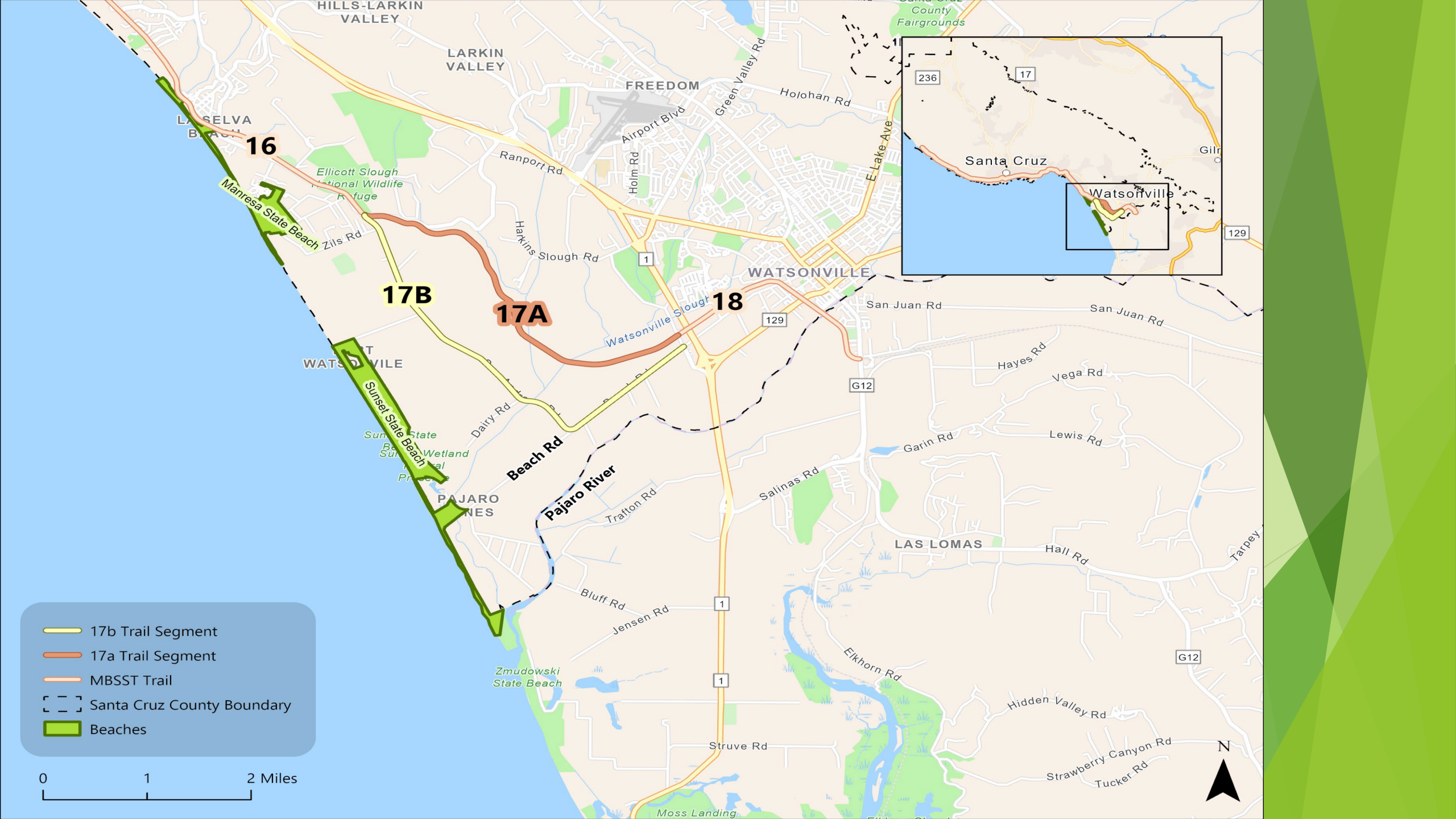


Coastal Rail Trail Concepts Beach Street



City of Watsonville Coastal Rail Trail *Regional Connections*

- ❖ **Pajaro:** Across and south of Pajaro River
- ❖ **Beach Access:** Sunset Beach, Manresa Beach
- ❖ **North of City of Watsonville:** Manresa Beach, Aptos and northern Santa Cruz County



- 17b Trail Segment
- 17a Trail Segment
- MBSST Trail
- Santa Cruz County Boundary
- Beaches

0 1 2 Miles



City of Watsonville Council

Input on potential future Coastal Rail Trail:

- ❖ **Trail connections and access**
- ❖ **Trail alignment opportunities and constraints**
- ❖ **Trail design**

Next steps: Work with City of Watsonville staff and stakeholders to define trail footprint to advance into preliminary design and environmental review.

Thank you!
Questions?

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