



San Mateo Replacement Parking Track

Neighborhood Enhancement – Draft Design

DRAFT DESIGN

Thank you to those who participated in the Parking Track Neighborhood Enhancement Survey and the follow-up vegetation poll. We are now welcoming feedback on the draft design (information below):

View Draft Design www.caltrain.com/SMParkingTrack

Send Feedback to PWFeedback@cityofsanmateo.org

As a refresher, on February 18, 2020, San Mateo City Council received an update on the months-long feasibility assessment process and endorsed the proposal to proceed with the parking track replacement project in Hayward Park between 10th and 14th Avenues, with neighborhood enhancements.

Caltrain and City staff launched a neighborhood online survey to identify the neighborhood's enhancement preferences. For the segment of Railroad Avenue parallel to the parking track between 10th and 14th Avenues, the community preferred a 12' block sound wall with creeping fig vegetation.

After feedback on the draft design is collected, the final design will be developed and posted to the [webpage](#) and shared via the distribution list. Additional resources such as an [enhancement FAQ](#) and the survey and poll results are also available at www.caltrain.com/SMParkingTrack.

CONSTRUCTION

When the final design is complete, parking track construction may require multiple phases, including:

- *Switch construction (potential for advanced work due to service reductions - 2020)
- Parking track access road construction (2021)
- Enhancement wall construction and vegetative planting (2021)

During parking track construction, access to the site will be limited to 9th Avenue and 14th Avenue. Once the enhancement wall is completed, project access will be limited only to 9th Avenue.

*OPPORTUNITY TO LESSEN CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS

Due to significant reductions in ridership resulting from the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, Caltrain is currently running reduced service which opens up more construction work windows. Caltrain is examining how the current situation might allow for expedited construction—which would lessen overall project impacts on the community—and found that the “switch” component of the parking track could possibly be constructed in the coming months. The switch work was originally night work, but could now be done during the day. Once construction schedules are confirmed, a construction mailer will be mailed and notification sent to the email distribution list (sign up at www.caltrain.com/SMParkingTrack). We will also post to Hayward Park NextDoor.



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Background Information

The parking track project will replace the formerly existing San Mateo parking track which was removed to facilitate the construction of the [25th Avenue Grade Separation Project](#). A parking track is a temporary storage space for train equipment that allows for efficient use of limited work windows to keep the railroad functioning properly. The anticipated use of the San Mateo parking track is approximately once a month.

The previous San Mateo Parking Track was in existence prior to Caltrain becoming the operator of passenger service. Located in the Bay Meadows area, it was used by Caltrain for 25 years until the grade separation project necessitated its removal. There are over a dozen parking tracks distributed in residential and commercial areas along the corridor. There is only one maintenance yard, which is a large 20 acre multi-acre complex operation and facility that is located in San Jose.



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