

San Francisquito Creek Bank Stabilization Project

Community Meeting

May 7, 2026



Agenda

- Project Scope & Need
- Timeline
- Community Impacts
- Environmental & Project Area
- Maps & Staging Area
- Questions
- Contact Information

Meeting Logistics

- Meeting is being recorded and will be posted online after
- There will be time for Question and Answers at the end of the presentation

Project Area (Border of Menlo Park and Palo Alto)



Project Scope and Need

Stabilize and protect the northern bank of San Francisquito Creek to prevent erosion from undermining:

- Caltrain's existing San Francisquito Creek Railroad Bridge
- City of Palo Alto's Alma Street Bicycle Bridge
- City of Menlo Park's existing storm drain outfall

Project History

Severe storms caused significant erosion along the creek bank adjacent to the rail corridor. To prevent further erosion and protect critical infrastructure ahead of the winter storm season, Caltrain implemented temporary stabilization measures in November 2023.

Work Activities

- Permanent erosion control measures including soil excavation
- Install boulders with native plantings to prevent erosion
- Reinforce earthen slopes along the creek
- Replace existing Menlo Park storm drain
- Install new manhole and backflow prevention system

Railroad Bridge

El Palo Alto tree



Caltrain
railroad bridge
with 2 tracks

Emergency
stabilization
boulders (2023)

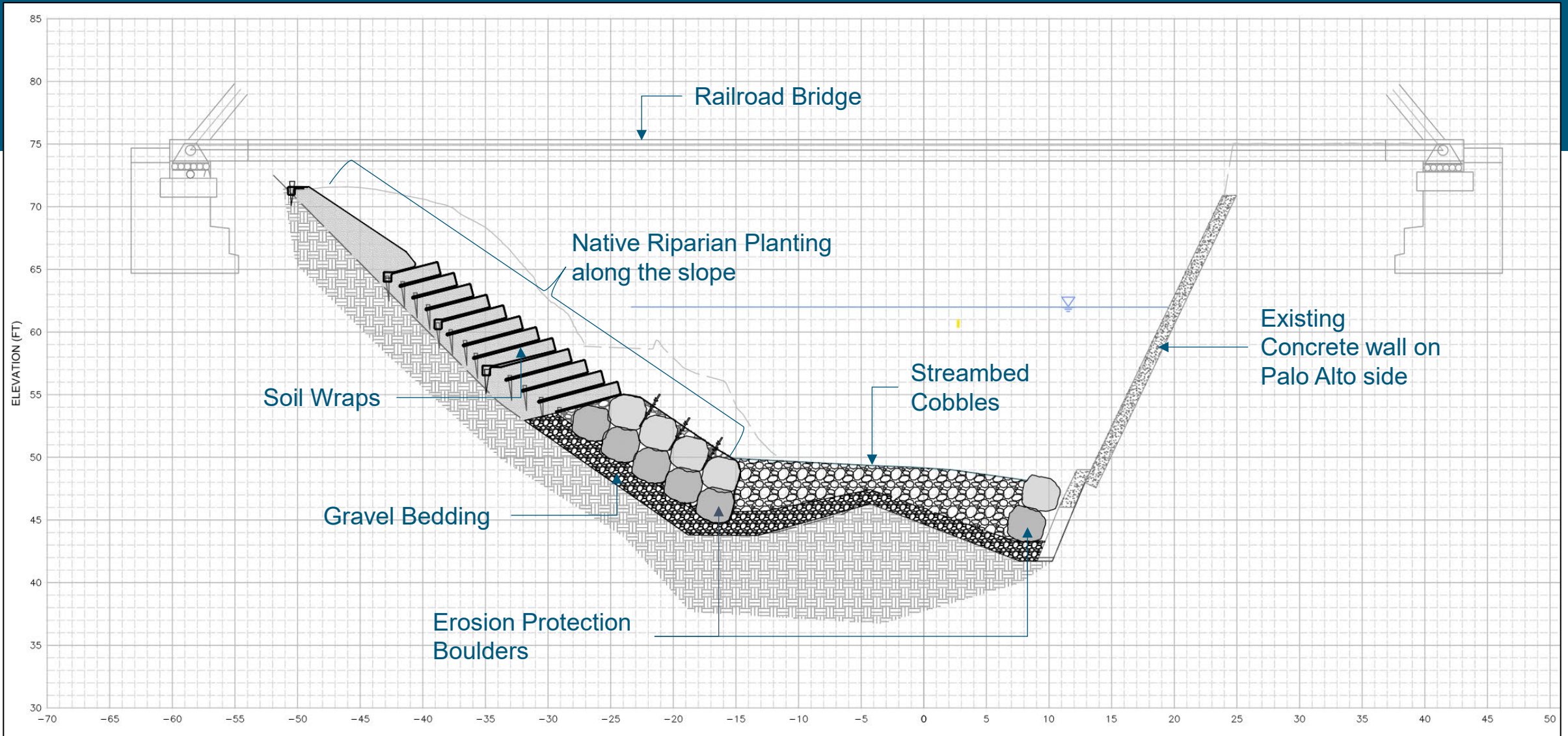
Bicycle / Pedestrian Bridge & Storm Drain Outfall



Storm Drain Outfall,
belongs to City of Menlo

Bicycle / Pedestrian
Bridge, belongs to
City of Palo Alto, to
maintain access
during work

Typical Cross-Section



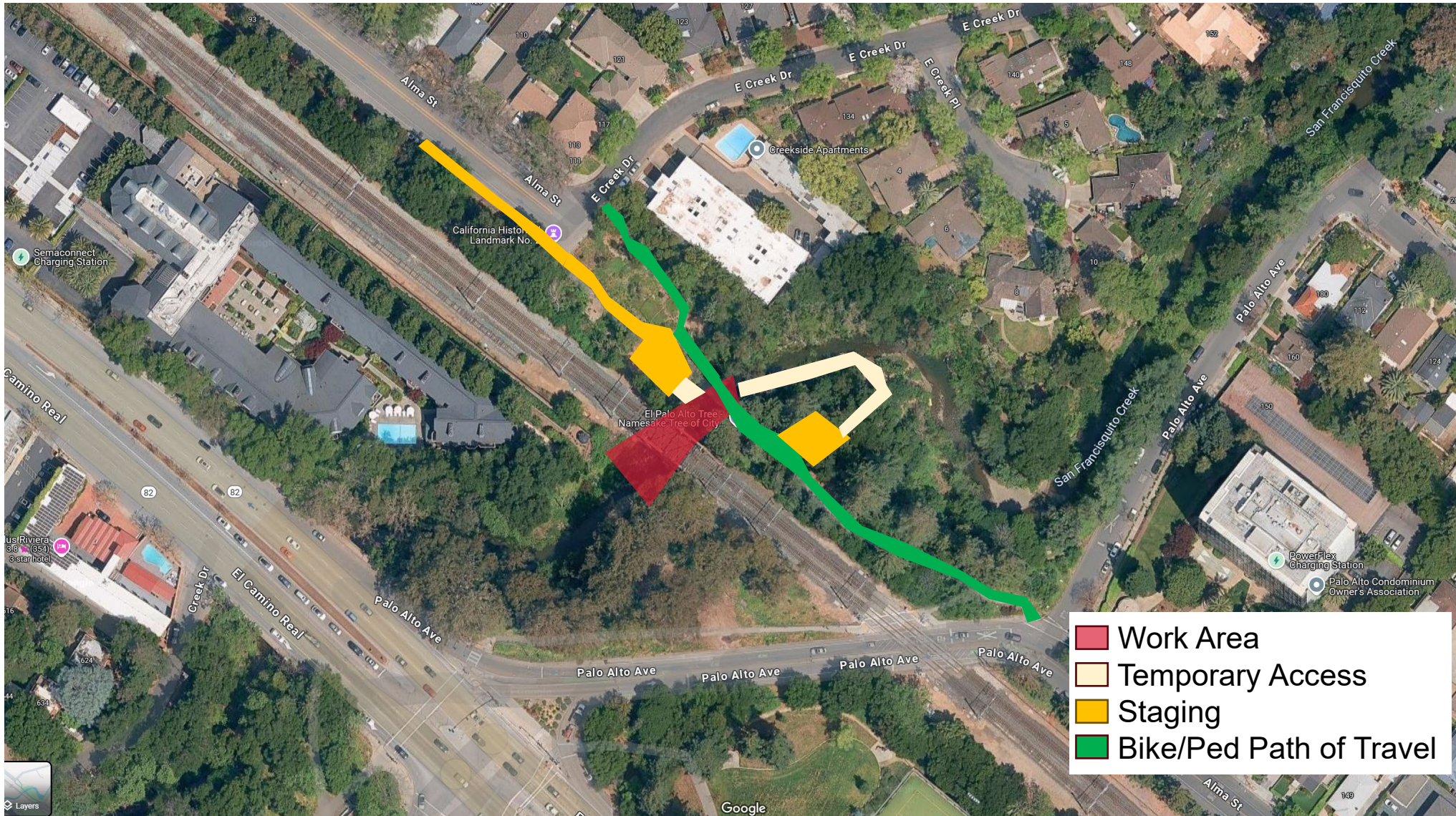
Project Timeline

- **Contract award:** March 2026 Caltrain Board Meeting
- **Mobilization:** Anticipated in Late May 2026
- **In-stream work:** June 15 to October 15, 2026 (dry season)
- **Majority of Work Complete:** December 2026
- **Complete Turnover Date:** February 2027

What to Expect During Work Activities

- Work activities will affect the bicycle and pedestrian path between Alma Street in Menlo Park and Palo Alto Avenue in Palo Alto
- Minor detours will be in place on the Menlo Park side of the path
- Bicyclists may need to dismount and walk their bikes along portions of the trail
- Boulder Placement
- Backup alarms
- Rock/material delivery
- Protections will be in place to ensure health of El Palo Alto
- Work hours during daylight hours

Staging and Access Locations



Questions and Contact Information

Additional notifications as work nears.

Please enter questions in the chat or raise your hand to speak.

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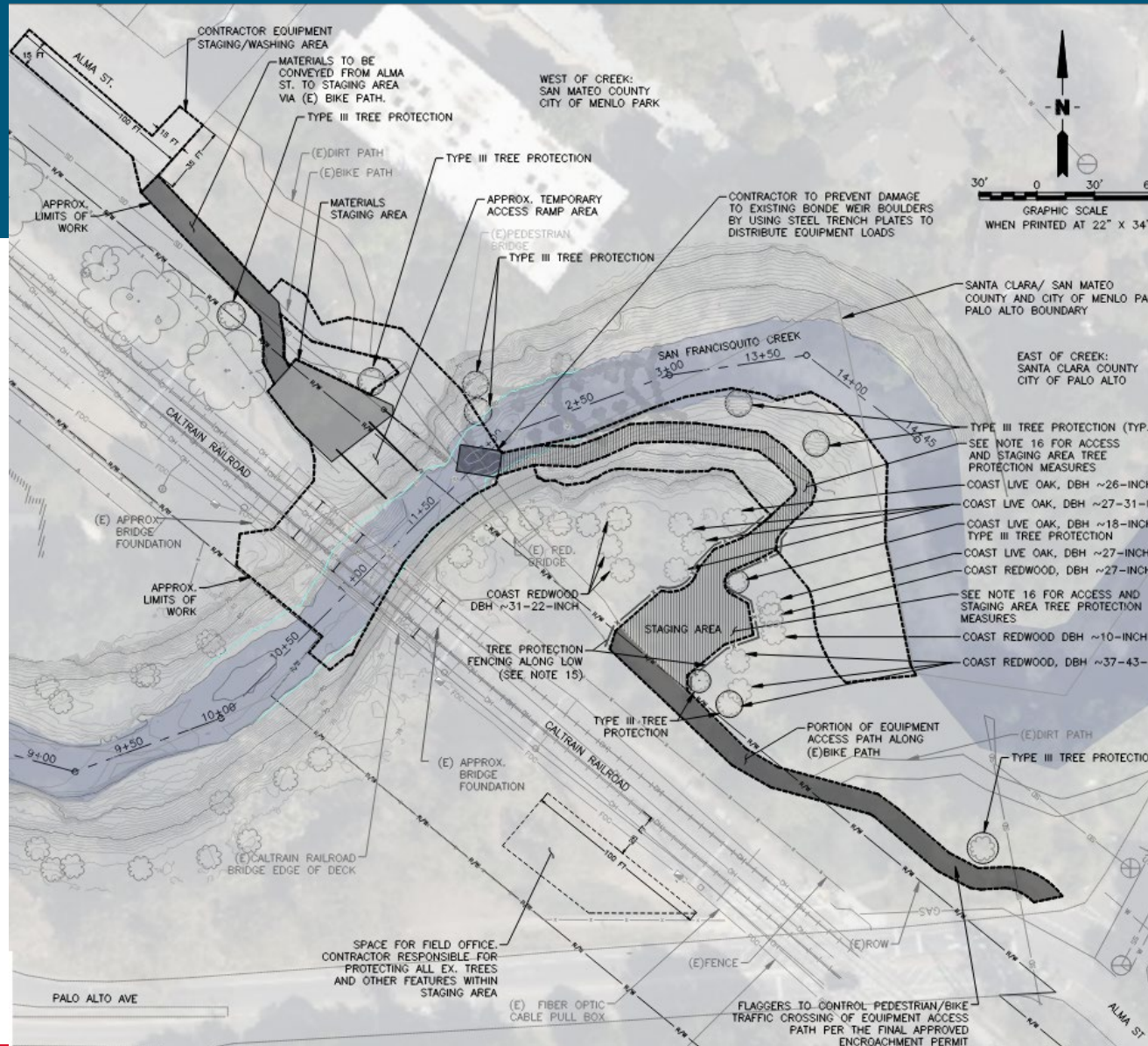
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Work Access and Staging Areas



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