The Fort Ord Rec Trail and Greenway (FORTAG)

A photographic tour

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"When you carve out the things you can not influence through local policy decisions - such as pay, cost of living, [and] climate - outdoor recreation becomes a pretty big deal. And even when you include those things, 7.6% of [the Arizona Sun Corridor's¹] total **ability to attract** highly skilled workers ... comes from the ability of these people to go out and play on trails."

"The narrative that we really should be pursuing, particularly here on Fort Ord, ... is that access to trails and natural areas produces economic prosperity and resilience. It does so not only with tourism and recreation but also by contributing to the local conditions that attract and retain highly skilled workers."

"Outdoor enthusiasts ... mountain bikers, road bikers, hikers, bird watchers ... most of the time, we're going **close to home** because we just got off work and its four o'clock and we want to get a quick trail run in, or something like that."

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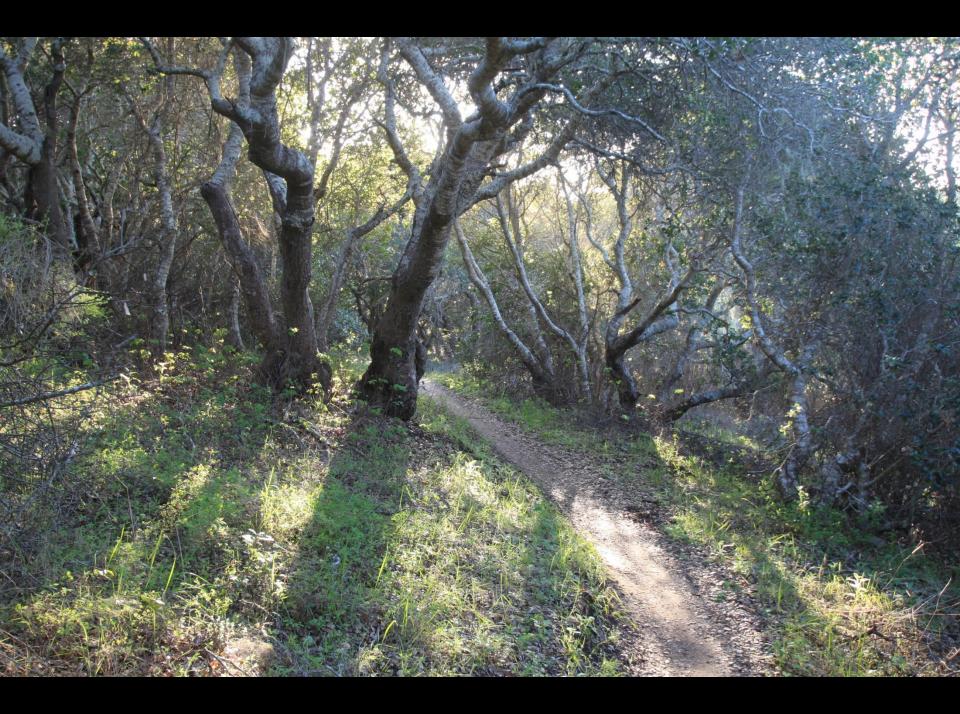
¹ Population: 5.3 million



























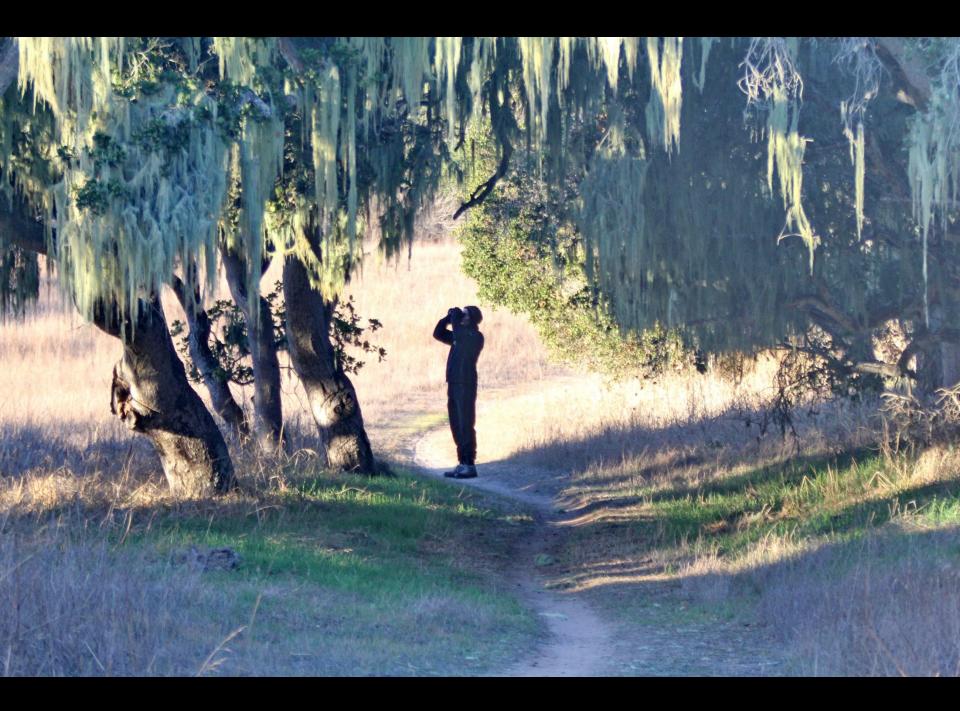


















From Jerry Smith Trailhead to the ocean

Through Whispering Oaks,
past Marina Equestrian Center,
through Dunes at Monterey Bay,
intersecting with the Coastal Rec Trail





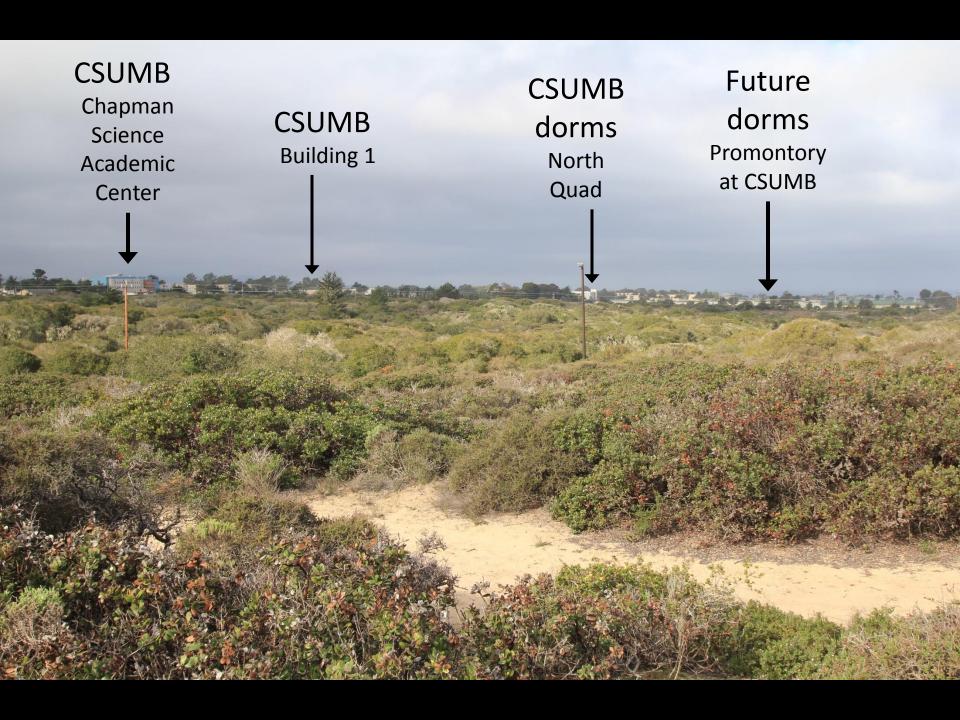
























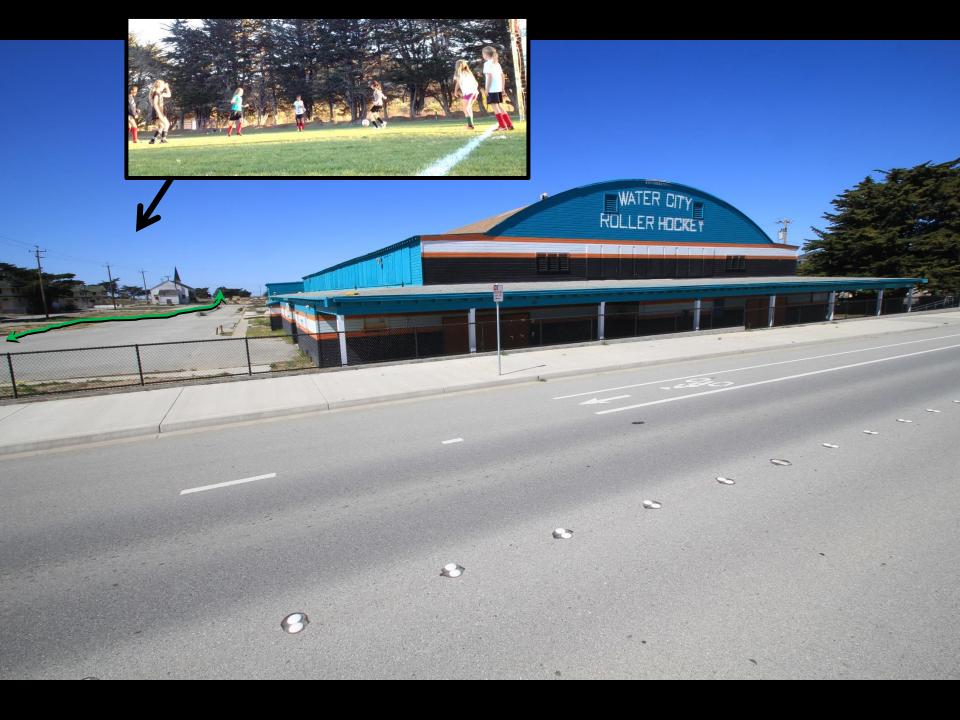




























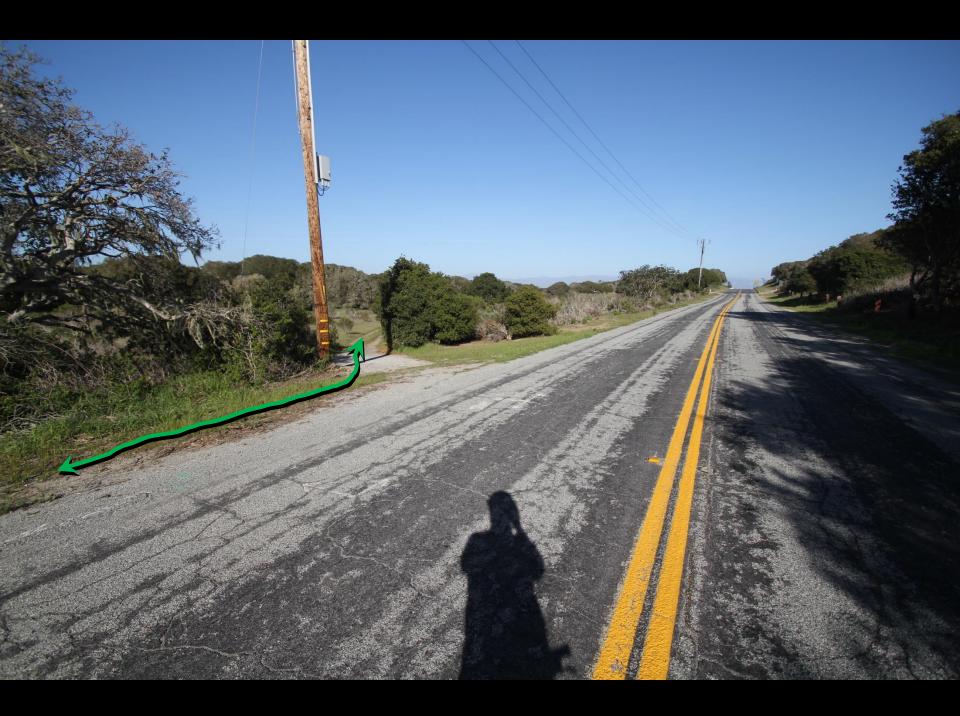


From Jerry Smith Trailhead to the Salinas River and back to Marina

Through Fort Ord habitat parcels,
past East Garrison Community,
along the Salinas River Bluffs,
down to the Salinas River,
behind the Marina Airport,
past Armstrong Ranch,
back to the Coastal Rec Trail at Lapis (north of Marina)

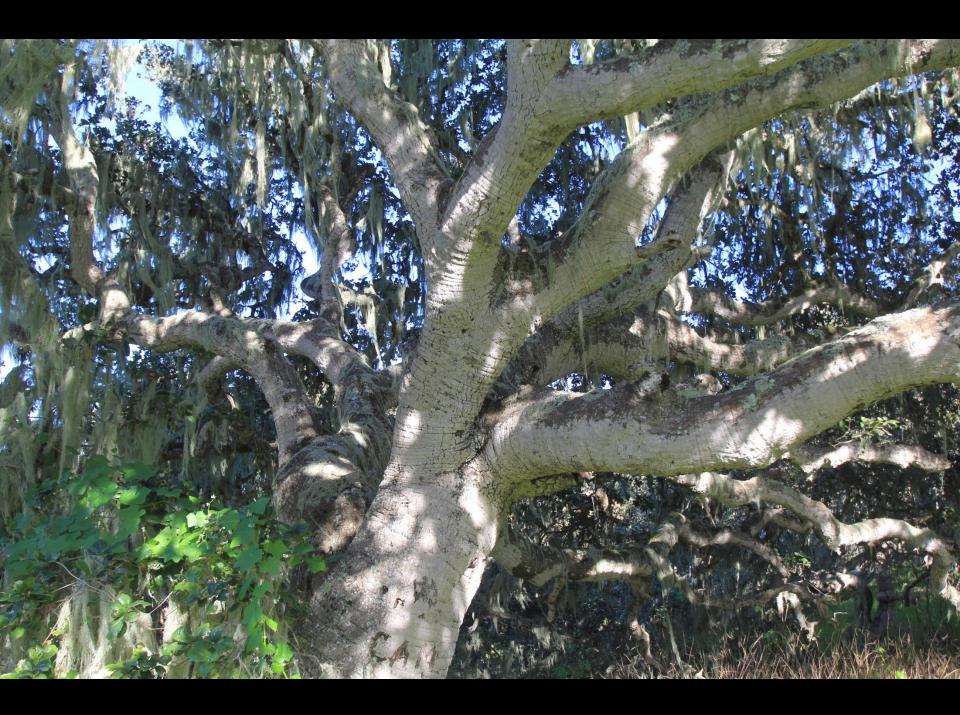
























Blanco Canyon Bike Bridge – proposed location



Blanco Canyon Bike Bridge – proposed bridge – high version











