

The Fort Ord Rec Trail and Greenway (FORTAG)

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Fort Ord is currently experiencing a wave of development.



Seaside Resort development approved



Veterans Cemetery under construction



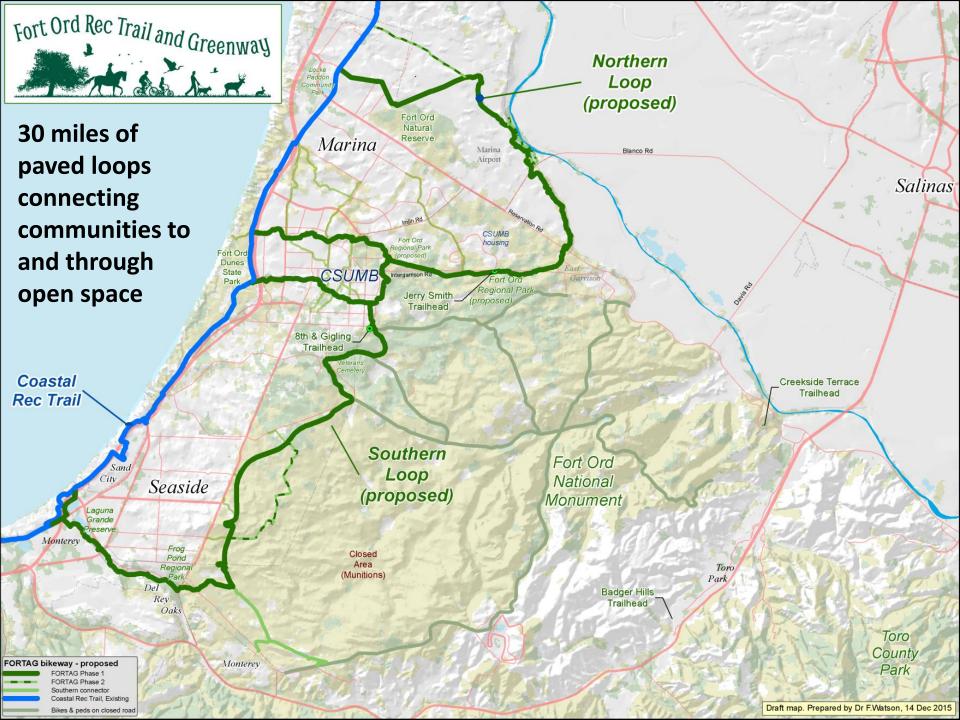
In-N-Out Burger under construction



View from Seaside East

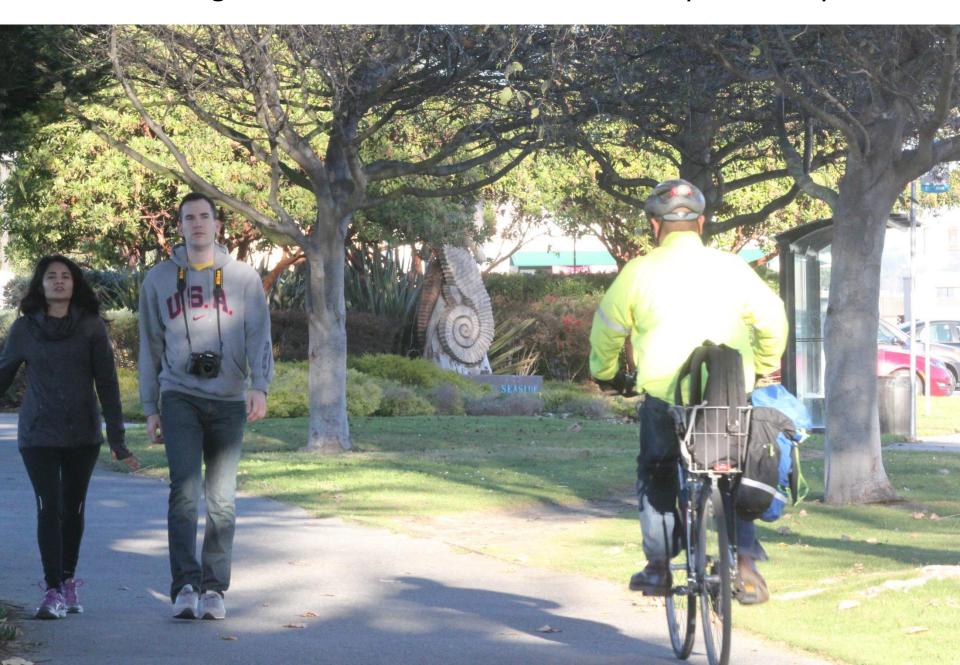
(This location is along the FORTAG route, within restricted-development 200-ft fuel break, at a location already conceptually master-planned by the City as "Recreational Commercial")



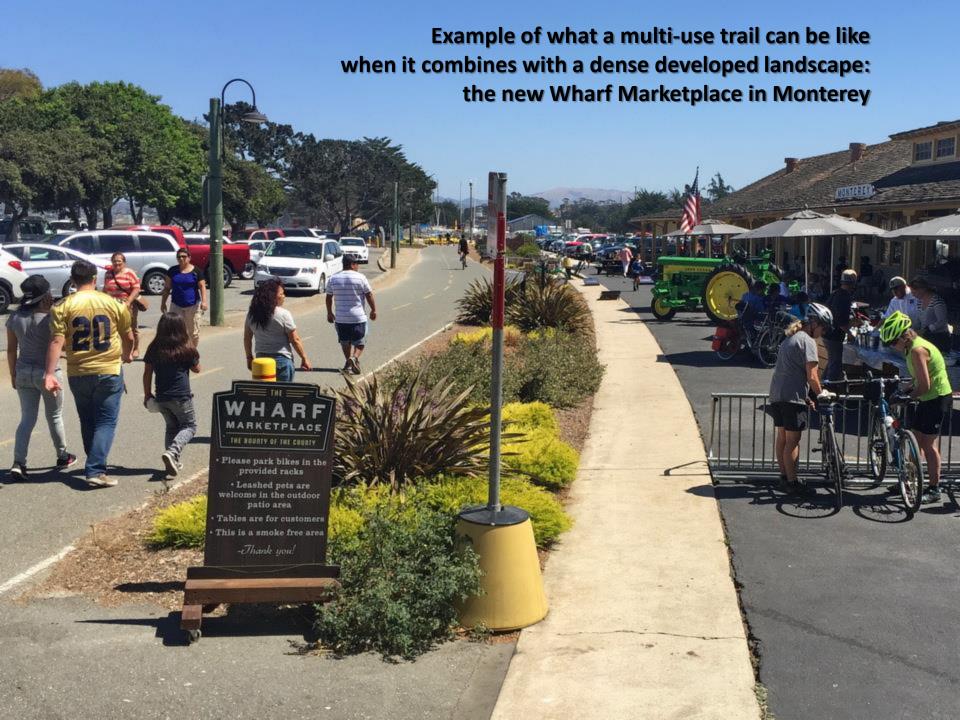


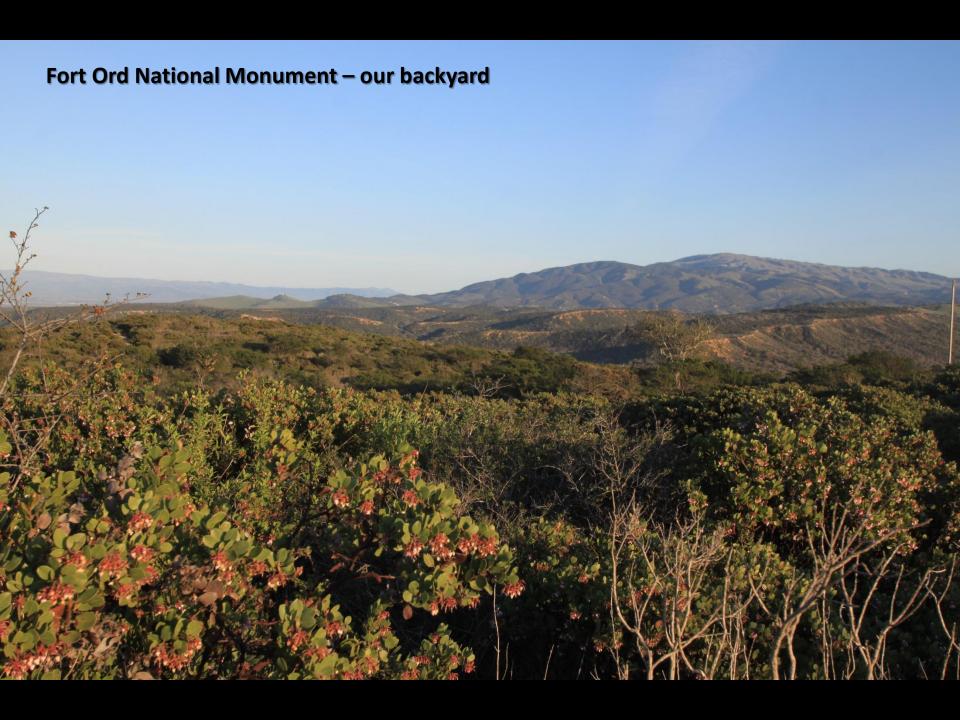


Existing trail in Seaside at Del Monte & Canyon del Rey









Salinas River – part of the former Fort Ord – Historical and cultural icon

This area is largely public land. This view is readily accessible from FORTAG.

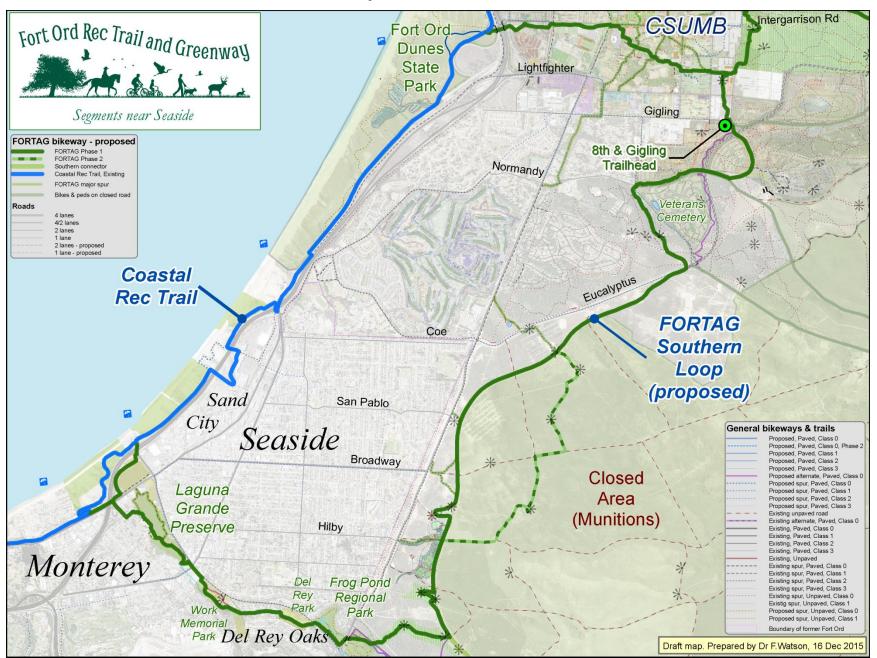


Fort Ord has many hidden gems within easy reach of residential areas



FORTAG segments in and around Seaside

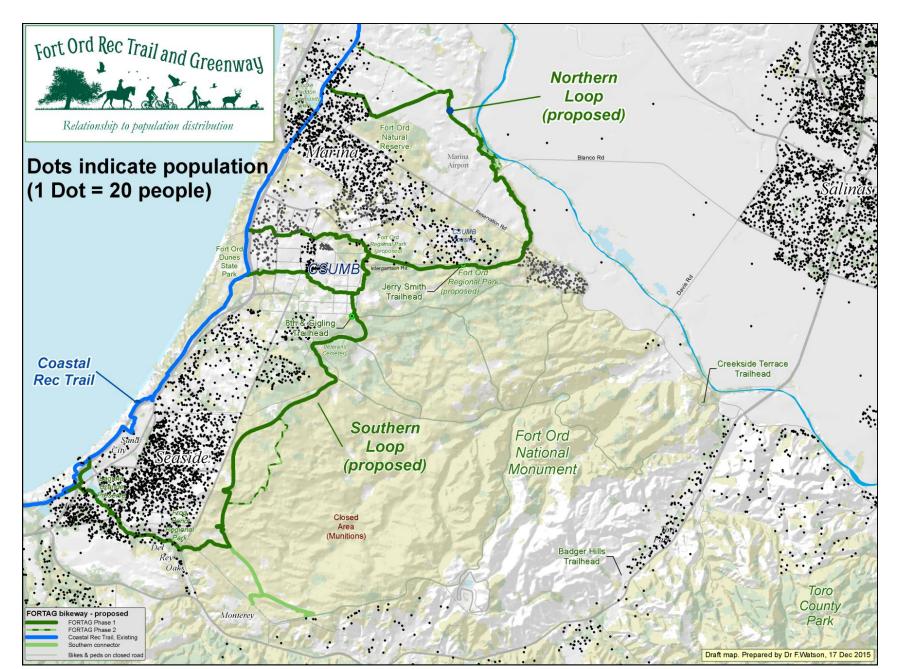
FORTAG is easily reachable from all communities



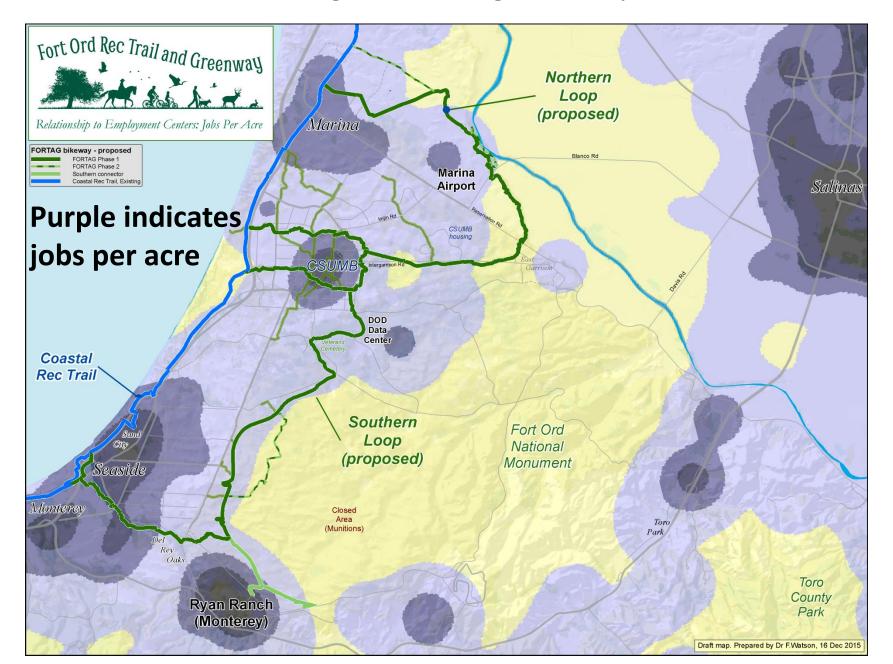
FORTAG work to date

- Organizations met with: 57
 - Regional agencies
 - Municipal agencies
 - Developers
 - Non-profits
 - Community groups
- Organizational representatives met with: 127

Connects communities

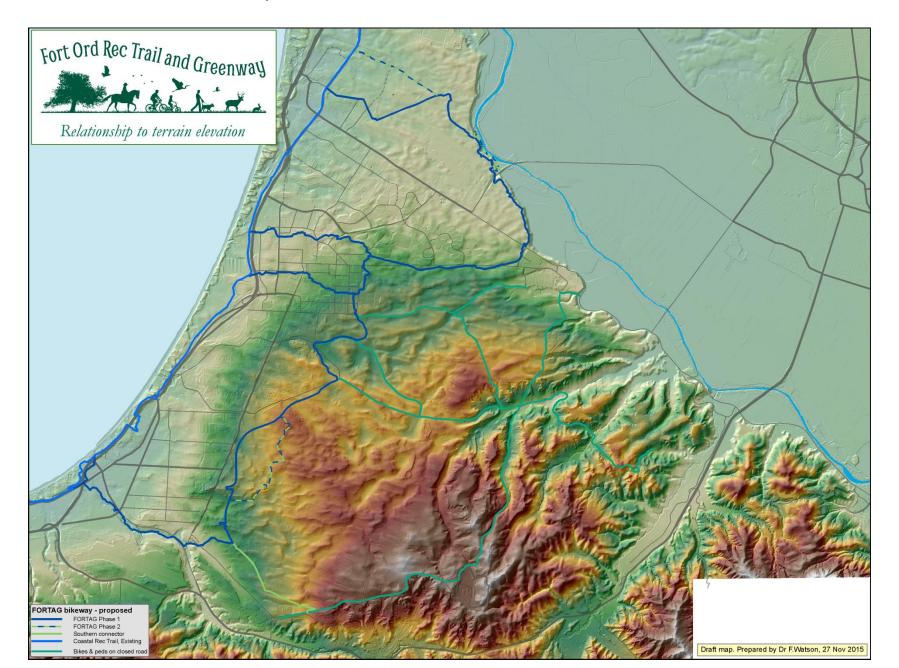


Makes biking and walking to work practical



Provides access for all

Easy terrain for families and weekend athletes



Economic benefit

Tourism

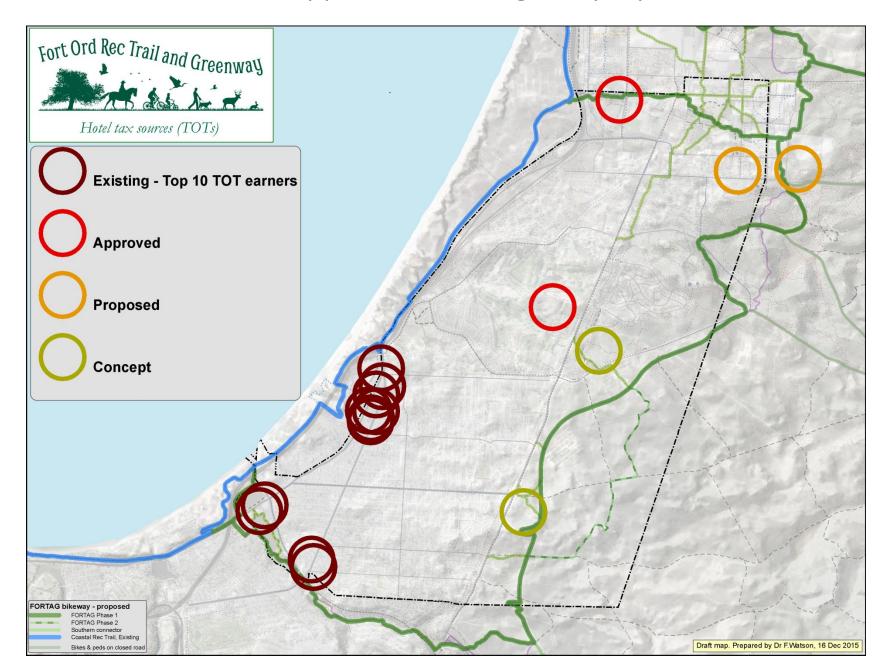
- Trails are an important component of the visitor experience
- Trails in and near Seaside increase demand for goods and services provide by Seaside businesses
- Visitors to Ohio's Little Miami Scenic Trail spend an average of \$13.50 per visit just on food beverages and transportation. In addition, they spend an average of \$277.00 per person each year on clothing, equipment and accessories to use during the trip.

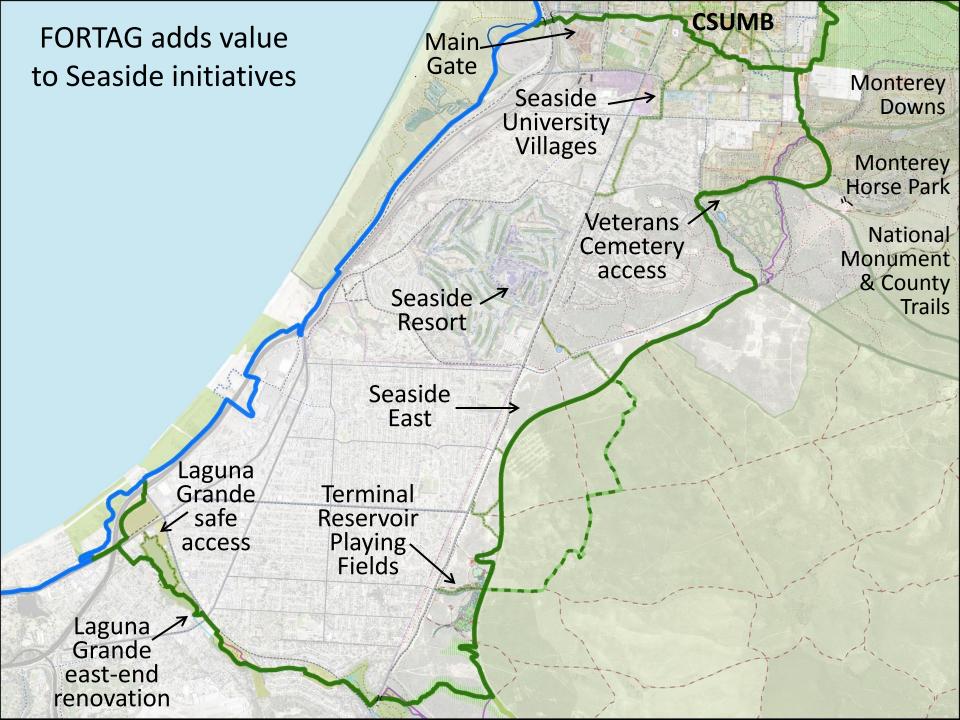
Property value & tax revenue

- Property values are higher near trails
- People include proximity to trails as a key factor in choosing where to live (Luther Propst, Fort Ord Symposium 2013)
- A 1998 study of property values along the Mountain Bay Trail in Brown County, Wisconsin showed that lots adjacent to the trail sold faster and for an average of 9 percent more than similar property not located next to the trail.
- Developers of the Shepherd Vineyard housing development in Apex, North Carolina added \$5,000 to the price of 40 homes adjacent to the recreational greenway. Those homes were still the first to sell.

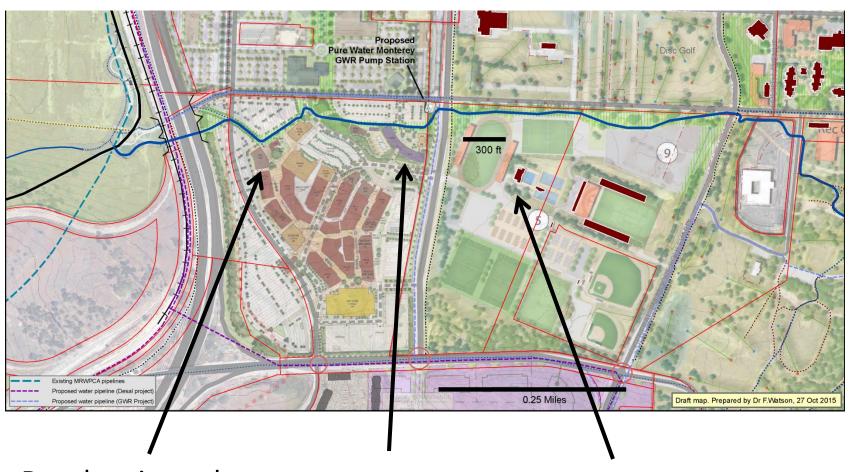


Greater visitor appeal for existing and proposed hotels





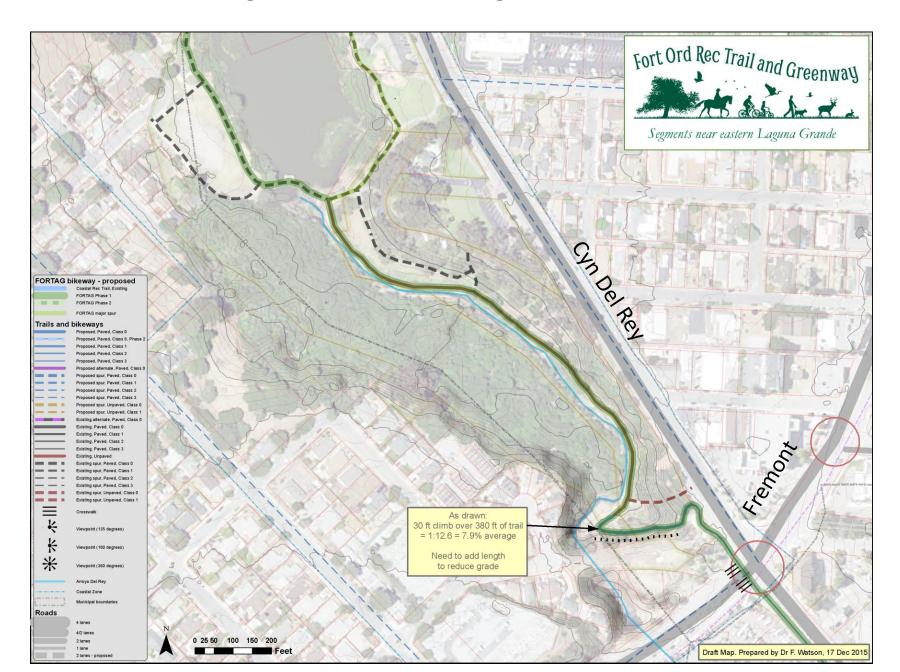
FORTAG segments near Main Gate



Beach-oriented dining (Approved site)

Hotel (Approved site) Athletic facilities (suggested in draft CSUMB master plan update)

FORTAG segments near the Laguna Grande cul-de-sac





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