

The Fort Ord Rec Trail and Greenway (FORTAG)

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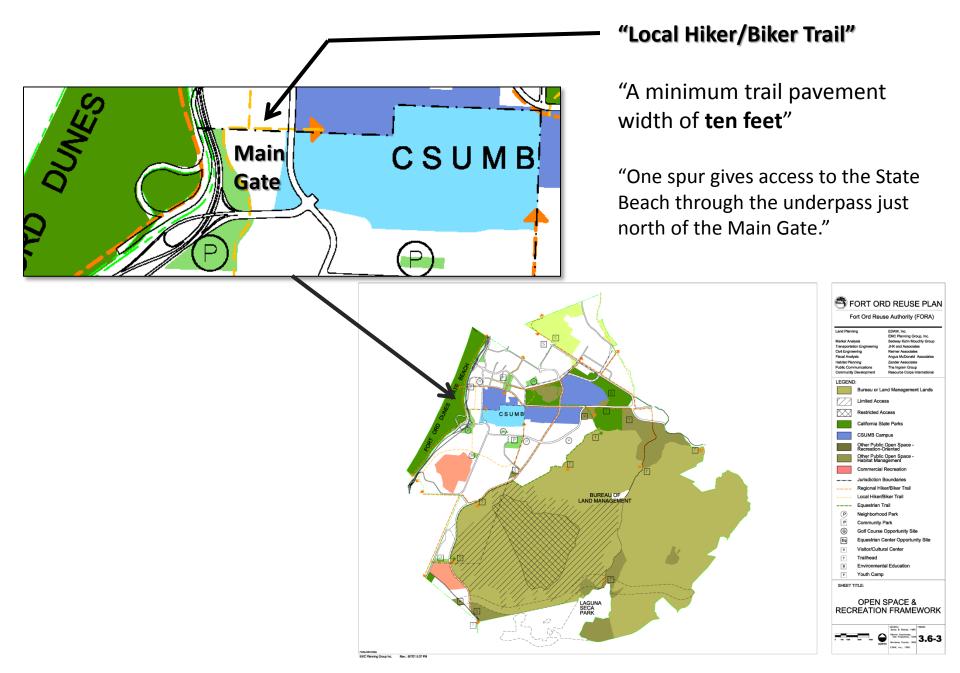
Slides relating to FORTAG segments near the **Projects at Main Gate**

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Key points

- There needs to be a better connection between CSUMB and Fort Ord Dunes State Park at 1st Street one that is:
 - Safe for bikes and pedestrians of all ages & mobilities
 - i.e. physically separated from vehicles
 - Pleasant & aesthetic
 - i.e. surrounded by a landscaped open-space corridor
- The logical location of this connection is within the Main Gate projects area, along its northern border, on the south side of 1st Street
- This connection is important for:
 - CSUMB students to be able to visit the beach and the bay
 - CSUMB students to be able to bike to the coastal parts of Monterey, Seaside, etc.
- Some existing plans echo these needs:
 - Fort Ord Reuse Plan calls for: a "Local Hiker/Biker Trail" with "A minimum trail pavement width of ten feet". Physical separation and aesthetic context strongly implied.
 - The Projects at Main Gate requires that: "Detailed site planning and improvement plans shall identify clear internal and external pedestrian and bicycle routes and linkages to surrounding uses such as CSUMB and Fort Ord Dunes State Park. Pedestrian and vehicular traffic should be physically separated wherever feasible in order to provide a safe environment for pedestrians and bicycles."
- Other existing plans don't (yet) echo these needs:
 - Only Class II (i.e. non-separated) facilities are indicated or implied in:
 - The Dunes at Monterey Bay Specific Plan
 - CSUMB Master Plan (2007) Bike Map
 - City of Seaside Bike Plan
 - City of Marina Bike Plan
- The Fort Ord Rec Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) proposal includes a "Class 0" bike/ped path and greenway on the south side of 1st Street. FORTAG maps include this only at a conceptual level so far; the details are in revision.
- Note that the Pure Water Monterey project proposes some pumping infrastructure in this area that also needs to be considered

Fort Ord Reuse Plan



The Projects at Main Gate

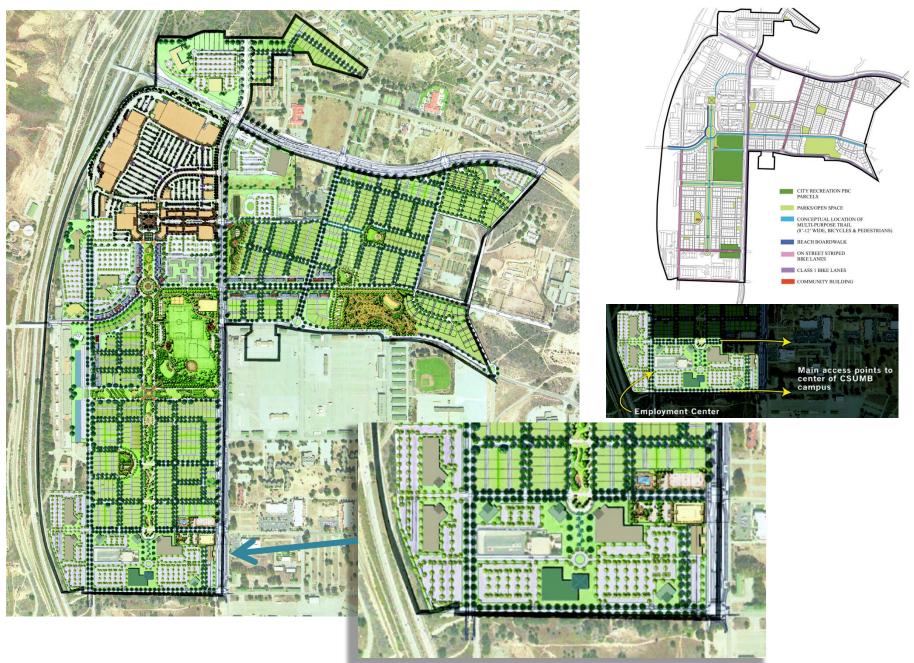


Page 3-9: "The BRP identifies the project site as part of a planned "intermodal corridor right of way", which envisions a bicycle/pedestrian connection from the existing recreation trail to an expanded bike route network via the 1st Street undercrossing at the Main Gate site. With fully developed Class I bicycle routes on 2nd Avenue, the project should provide an opportunity to directly access this Class I facility."

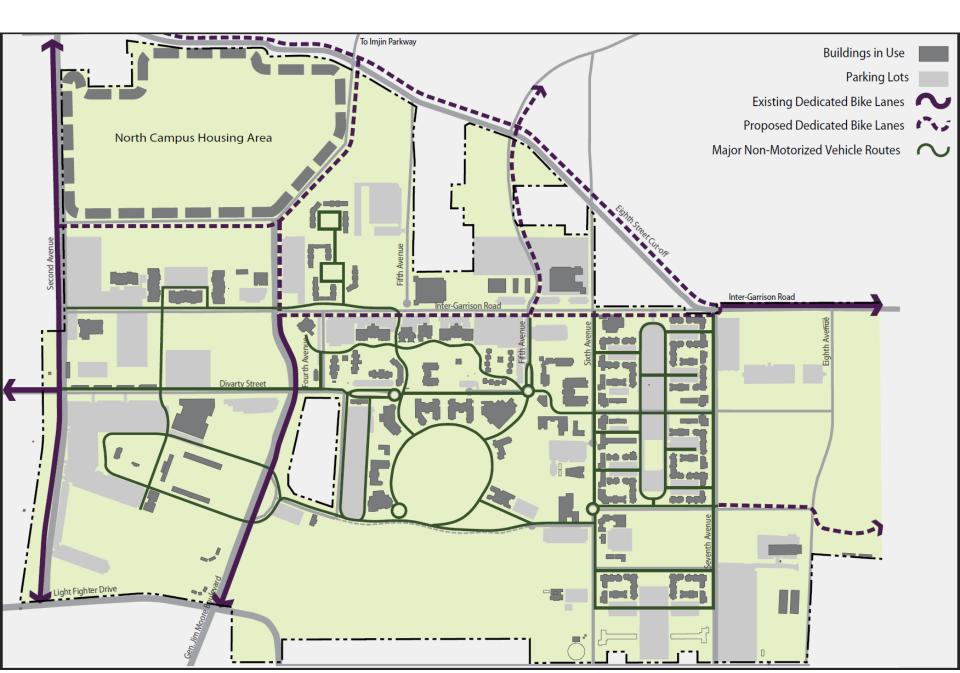
Page 3-11: "Detailed site planning and improvement plans shall identify clear internal and external pedestrian and bicycle routes and linkages to surrounding uses such as CSUMB and Fort Ord Dunes State Park. Pedestrian and vehicular traffic should be physically separated wherever feasible in order to provide a safe environment for pedestrians and bicycles."

Page 3-11: "Project improvement plans shall incorporate a recreational bicycles trail/route in general conformance with adopted City Bicycle Plan, CSUMB Master Plan Bike Map, and FORA planning documents, consistent with the H1 Overlay Zone."

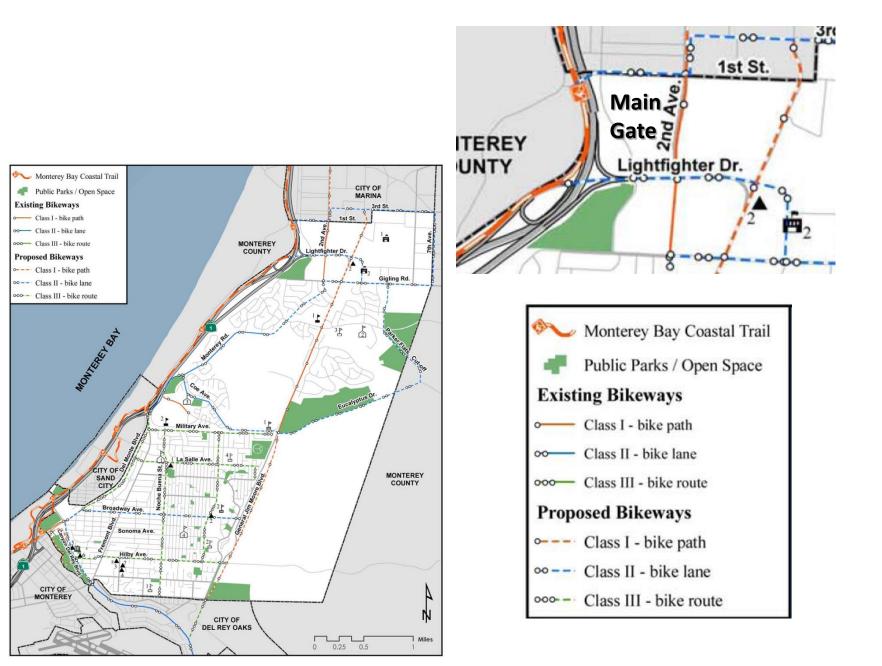
The Dunes at Monterey Bay



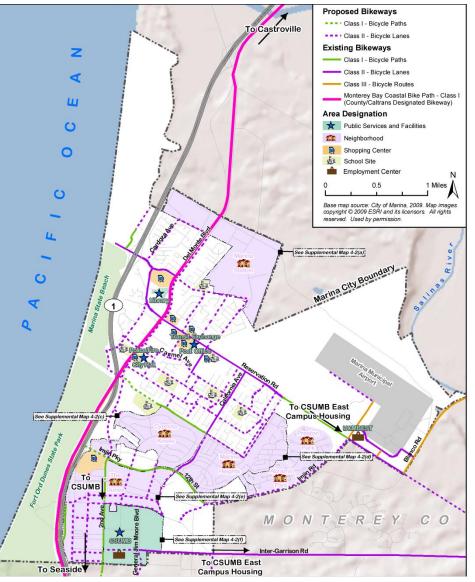
CSUMB Master Plan (2007) Bike Map

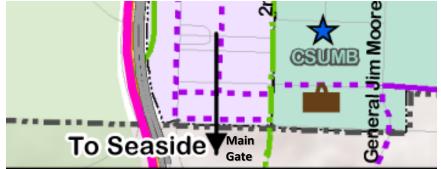


Seaside Bike Plan

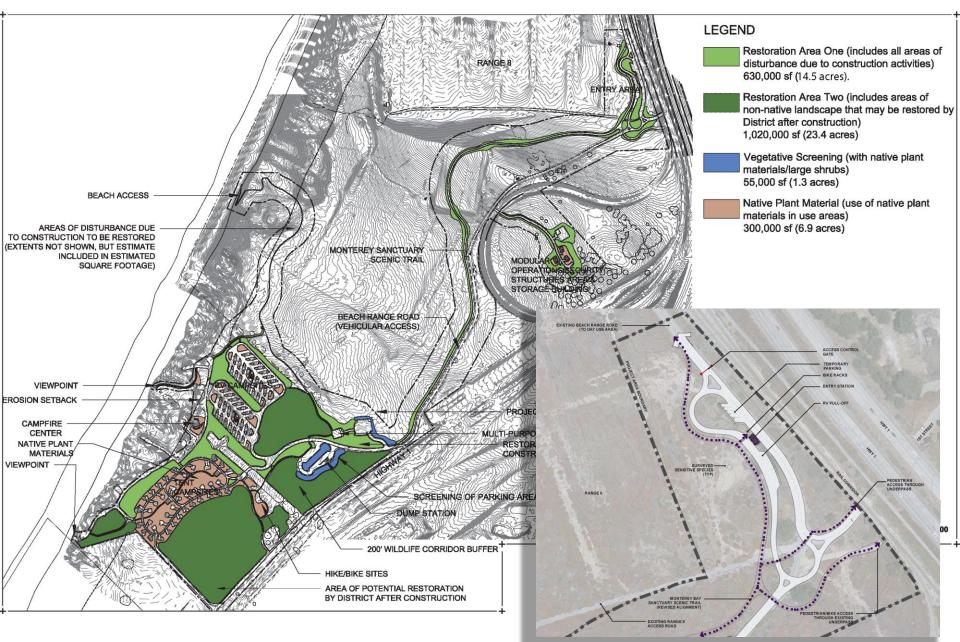


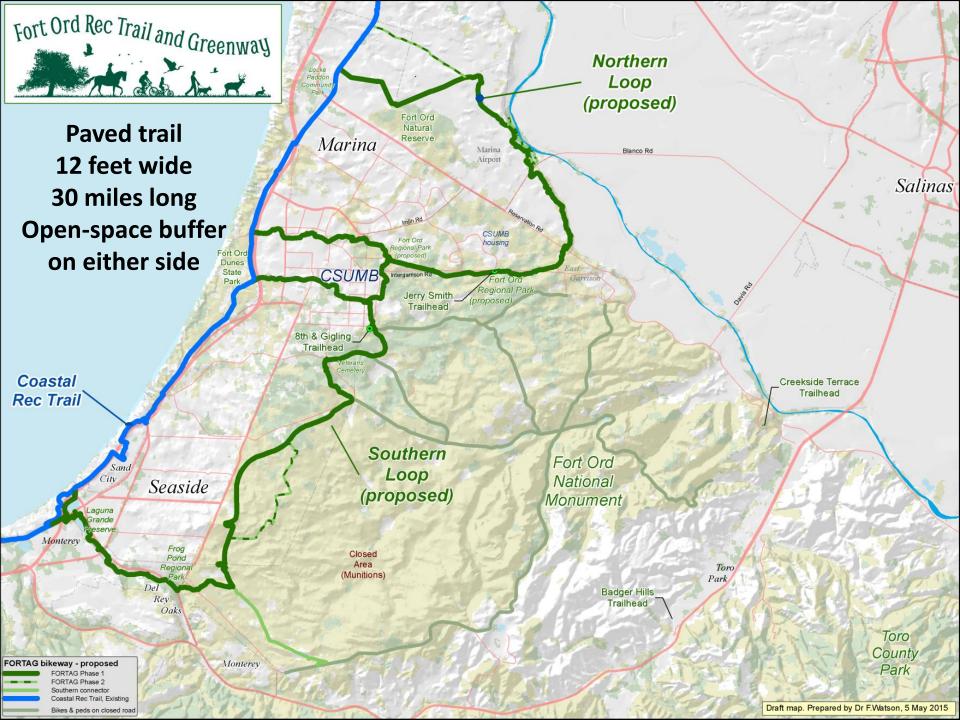
Marina Bike Plan



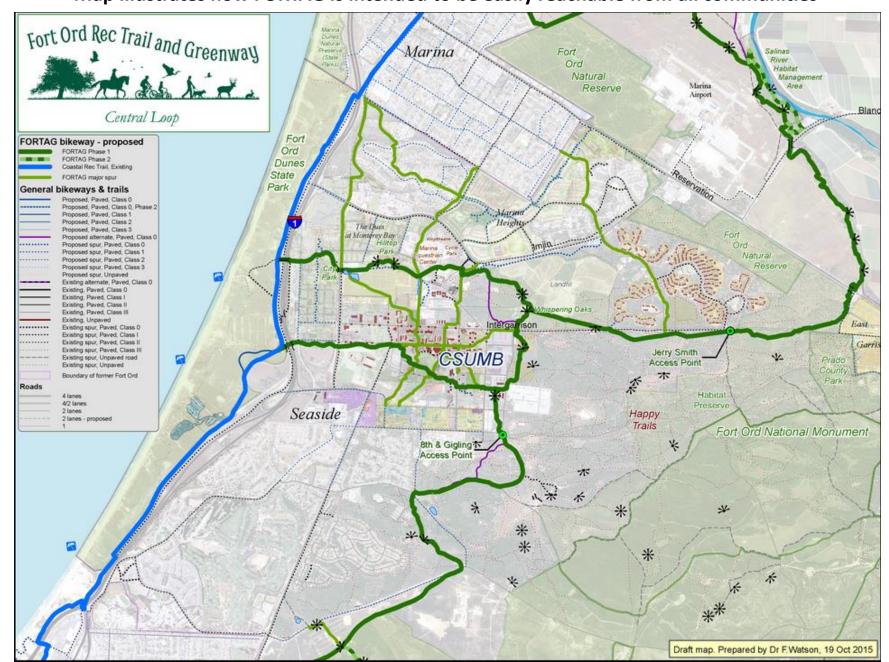


Fort Ord Dunes State Park – Campground Project



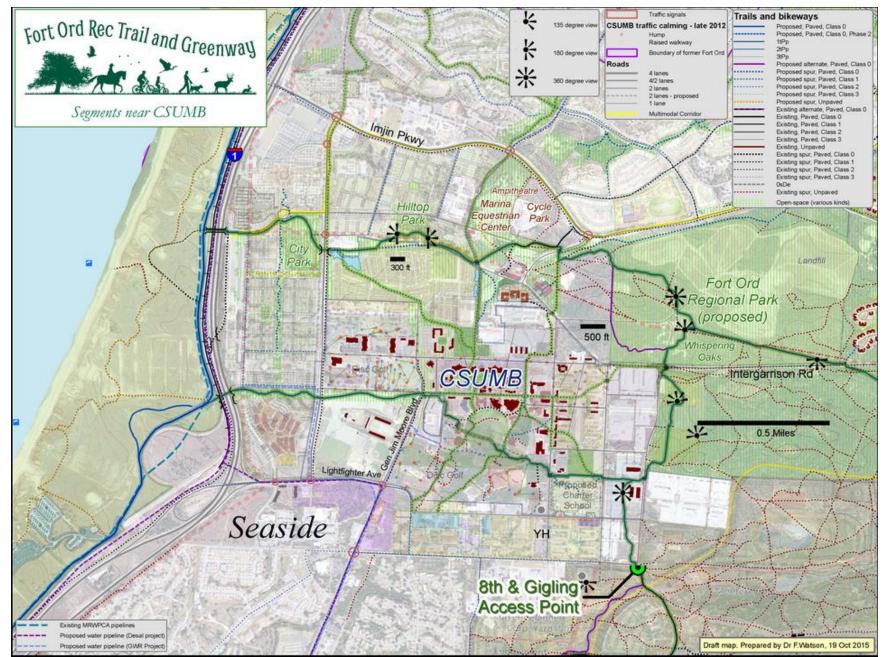


FORTAG – Major trail connections around CSUMB Map illustrates how FORTAG is intended to be easily reachable from all communities

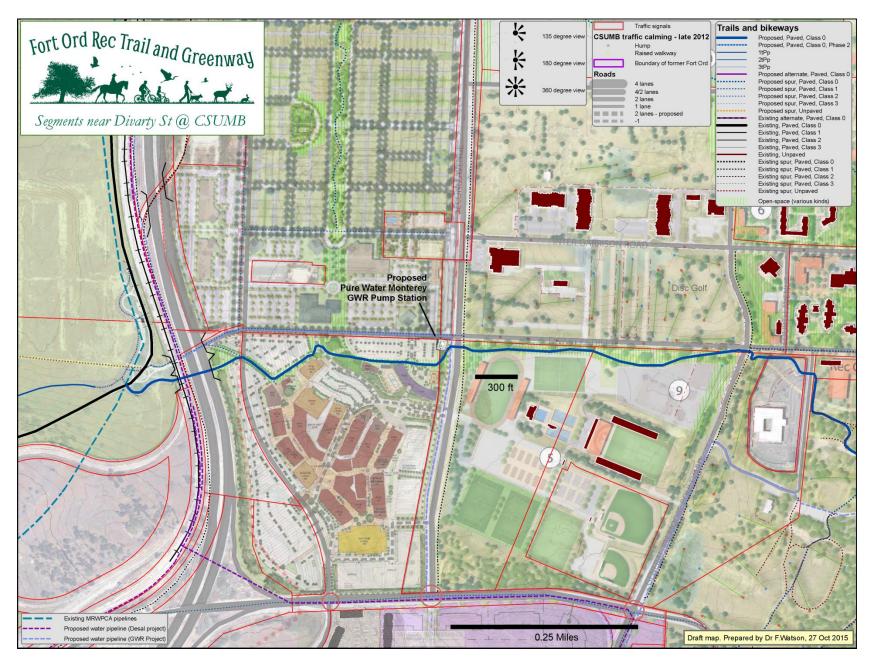


FORTAG – Central loop around CSUMB

Map illustrates how FORTAG is intended to be easily reachable from all communities



FORTAG segments near Main Gate





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