



Santa Cruz County News

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Community Updates Road Department Projects

Walking paths on the East Side of Rio Rico

The John & Bette DeSteffano Pathway

Status: Complete

Completion Date: Phase 1 constructed in 2009
 Phase 2 constructed in 2016
 Phase 3 constructed in 2019
 Phase 4 estimate completion in May 2022

The first phase of the project created a walking trail beginning at Rio Rico Drive to Avenida Coatimundi and from Avenida Coatimundi to Juan Legarra. Phase two completed the walking pathway by connecting Avenida Coatimundi to Paseo Mexico.

Phase three focused on north Pendleton beginning on Palo Parado to Circulo Silva. The final phase of this pathway is in process. Currently the department is working to extend the pathway from Circulo Silva to Rio Rico Drive.

Walking paths on the West Side of Rio Rico

West Frontage Trail

Status: Complete

Completion Date: Constructed in 2012

Phase one on the west side included a mile pathway from Rio Rico High School on Llto Galindo to Camino de Patio which is near the Dollar General Store.

Caralampi Trail

Status: Complete

Completion Date: Constructed in 2018

Phase two of the west-side project is a two-mile trail from Camino Caralampi to Paseo Venado and ends at Damon Park.

Phase three of the west-side project connects Camino de Patio to Yavapai Drive.

Status: Complete

Completion Date: Constructed in 2020

Walking paths around Santa Cruz County

Kino Springs Trail

Status: Complete

Completion Date: Constructed in 2014

The trail includes 1 mile from the 15th hole going east and ends near Frank Krupp Bridge.

Sgt. Manuel H. Tapia Recreational Trail

Status: Complete

Completion Date: Constructed in 1991

This trail includes a mile of trail behind the main county offices in Nogales.

“Future phases of the project will be developed based upon available budget and community input. We will request input from the community at a later date,” Public Works Director, Jesus Valdez.

Box culvert at Pendleton and Sonoita Creek

Status: In design

Projection Completion: Estimated spring of 2023

This project is part of the Highway Safety Improvement Program. (HSIP)

It is currently in design by Stanley Engineering and going through the National Environment Protection Act approval process. The anticipated construction date is sometime this fall and is estimated to take 4-6 months to complete. The cost of this project is estimated at \$1.4 million which is subject to change based on product availability and inflation.

Pendleton Drive at the Sonoita Creek crossing typically floods 2-10 times per year and shuts the road down anywhere from half of a day up to 2-3 days. Santa Cruz County is responsible for 5.7% of the total cost and the remainder will be covered by HSIP funds.