

Ohlone-Portolá Heritage Trail Feasibility Study

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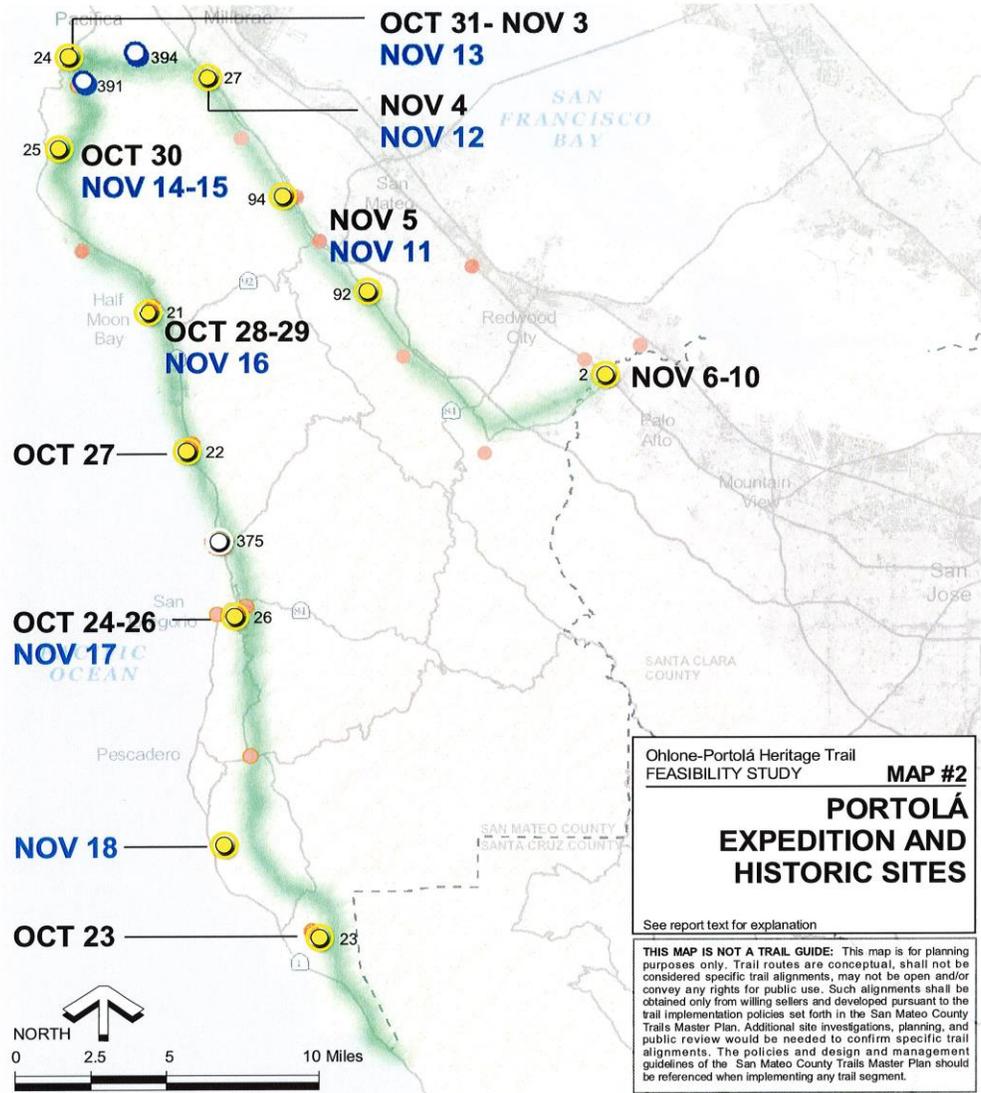
HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE



Ohlone-Portolá Heritage Trail

- History of the Ohlone
 - Inhabited San Mateo County and California thousands of years prior to the Portolá expedition
- Portolá sees the San Francisco Bay
 - November 4, 1769





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| Ohlone Trade Route / Portolá Expedition Route | 23 Portolá Expedition Camp and State Historic Site / Number |
| Ohlone-Portolá Heritage Trail Recreation Route | 391 State and National Historic Site / Number |
| Near-Term Bicycle Route | 375 Ohlone State Historic Site / Number |
| Major Roads | Prehistoric / Historic Tribal Village Site |
| County Line | |



PARTNERSHIPS



60 Trail Partners

- Elected officials
- Federal, state, and local agencies
- Local tribe
- Non-profit organizations
- Historical associations



PROCESS • COMMITTEES AND MEETINGS

- Oversight Committees
 - Vision, Full Trail, Joint Core Planning, Interpretive, Communication, Documentary Film
- Public Engagement
 - Partners
 - On-line and in-person survey
 - Community Workshops
 - Pescadero
 - City of Pacifica
 - Town of Woodside
 - PMAC



HERITAGE TRAIL ROUTE

- Multi-use
- 90 miles, 45 miles existing
- San Mateo County Parks
 - Tunitas Creek Beach
 - Mirada Surf, Pillar Point Bluffs, Fitzgerald Marine Reserve Coastal Trail (3.4 Miles)
 - Sanchez Adobe
 - Crystal Springs Regional Trail (15.3 Miles)



ACCOMPLISHMENTS



- Created a Vision for the Heritage Trail
- Developed a Statement of Historic Significance
- Identified an accessible, multi-use recreation trail alignment
- Created consistent branding, wayfinding, and trail design
- Interpretation of the Ohlone of San Mateo County and the Portolá expedition
- Identified partnerships
- Created opportunities to commemorate the 250th anniversary!



FEASIBILITY STUDY

- Documents existing trail segments
 - Projects in progress
- Future projects
 - Design criteria
 - Gap closures
 - Partnerships
 - Opportunities
 - Constraints



SAN MATEO COUNTY PARKS INITIATIVES



- Sanchez Adobe Interpretive Center
 - Opening and Ohlone Heritage Day – 10/26/19
 - Speakers and exhibits
 - New documentary films about the Heritage Trail and Sanchez Adobe
- Interpretive Signage
 - Pillar Point Bluffs and Sanchez Adobe
- Interpretive Signage
 - Future improvements and interpretive signage



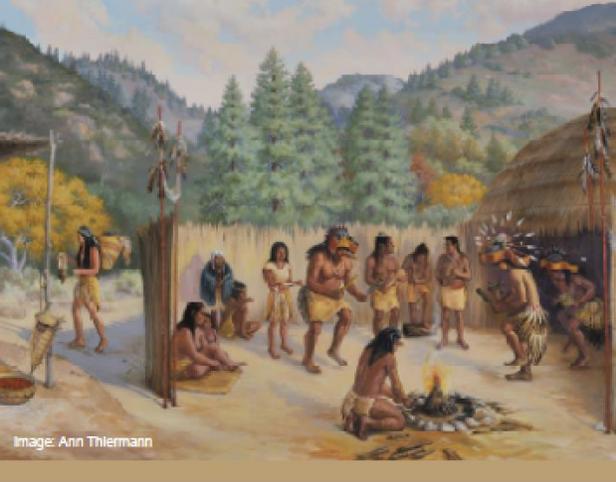


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250th COMMEMORATION

Summer – Fall 2019

- Community and trail events
- Trail being nominated for designated as a State Historic Trail
- Films
- Lectures
- Exhibits
- Publications



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OHLONE-PORTOLÁ
HERITAGE TRAIL

IN 2019, THE 250TH COMMEMORATION OF THE PORTOLÁ EXPEDITION WILL PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE BAY'S DISCOVERY BY THE SPANISH AS A CRUCIAL MOMENT OF WESTERN AMERICAN HISTORY.



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For event information, trail maps, and films about the Ohlone-Portolá Heritage Trail and its historical significance, please visit the County Parks Department web site at:
<https://parks.smcgov.org>



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