

# Onion Creek Preserve Hike and Bike Trail and Pedestrian Bridge

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# Introduction

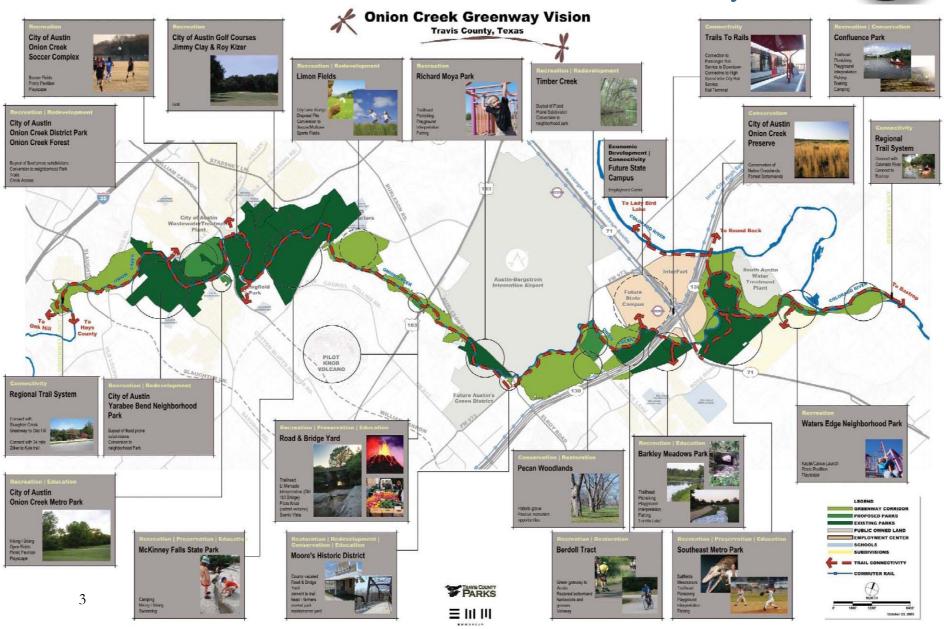


#### History:

- The planning for the 21 mile long Onion Creek Greenway corridor was initiated by Travis County Transportation and Natural Resources Division in 2005 with a goal of providing recreational opportunities and access to nature to a rapidly growing population.
- The Vision Plan for the Onion Creek Greenway was adopted in 2009
- Travis County has completed portions of the planned improvements on County parkland and are looking to this section of trail for the next installation.



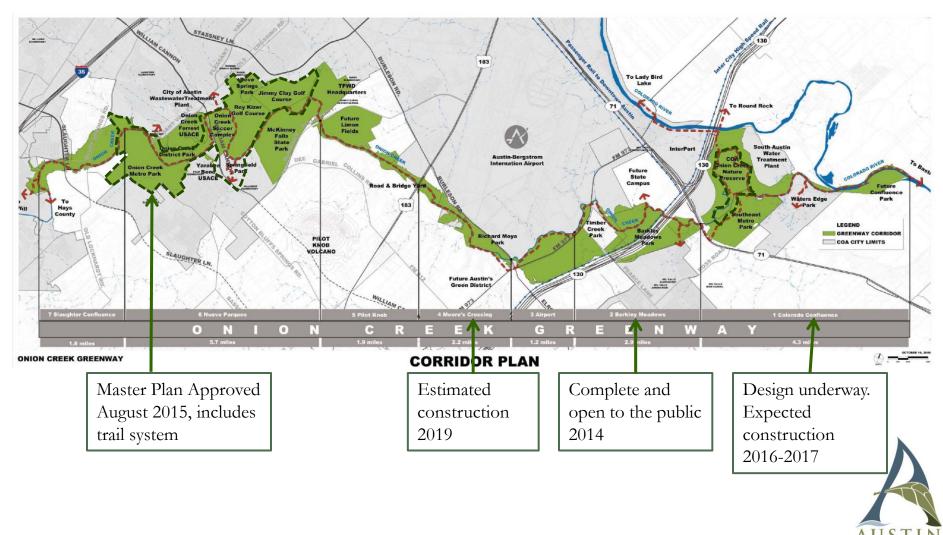
## Vision Plan Onion Creek Greenway





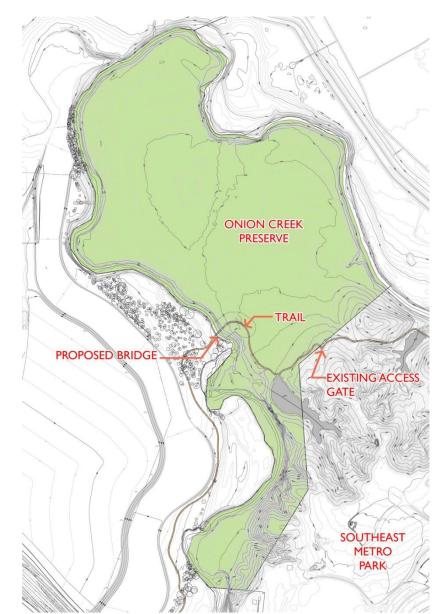
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## Corridor Plan Onion Creek Greenway





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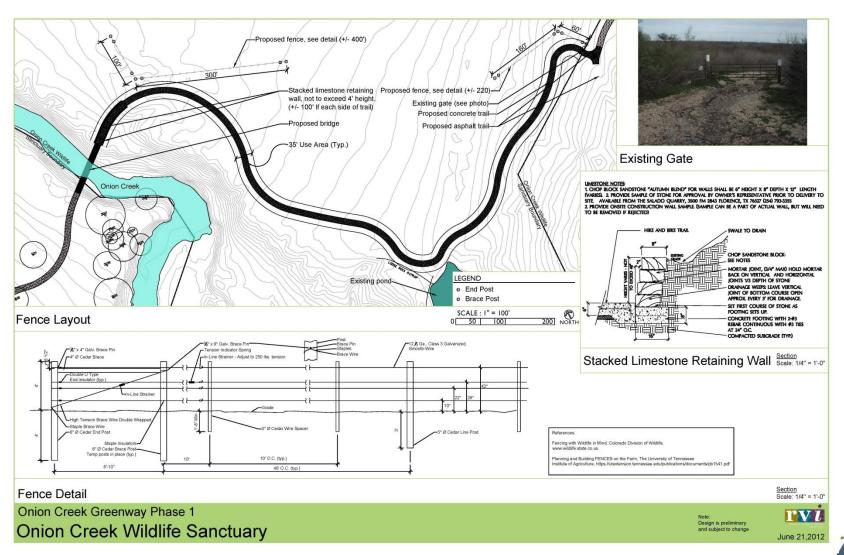




# Layout and Fencing Plan



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# Interlocal Agreement



- The agreement provides a "Right of Use" on a section of the preserve for the sole purpose of construction, maintenance, operation and repair of the trail.
- It acknowledges that the trail has a public benefit to both the County and the City.
- Travis County's Roles and Responsibilities include:
  - Project Management
  - Development and completion of engineered drawings, plans and specifications, surveying
  - Permitting and environmental assessments
  - Construction
- The County will maintain the "use area" by mowing grass and weeds, trimming trees and brush and not allowing materials or trash dumped or stored on the property to remain.
- City of Austin's Roles and Responsibilities include:
  - Provide review, comments and approvals of the submitted plans and specifications
  - Provide follow up reviews and approvals of updates
  - □ Work in good faith with the County to resolve any outstanding issues



# Next Steps



- If approved by the Board, a Request for Council Action will be submitted for Council approval.
- Travis County will begin design for Permit/Construction drawings to be submitted to the Planning and Development Department for site plan review and approval
- The County will call for bids and approve a contract for construction
- A schedule for construction will be developed to be reviewed and approved by COA Parks and Recreation staff
- Construction will be initiated



## Committee Action



Make a recommendation to the City Council to authorize the Parks and Recreation Department to negotiate and execute an Interlocal Agreement with Travis County for the construction and maintenance of a portion of the Onion Creek Greenway Trail.

