



# *Old Sacramento State Historic Park*

## GENERAL PLAN

### Presentation of Three Draft Alternatives



PUBLIC WORKSHOP # 2

JANUARY 19, 2011



# Welcome and Introductions

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- **Advisory Committee**
  - Stakeholders
  - Steering Committee



# Purpose of this Workshop

- **Present key comments heard and themes discussed to date on the vision for OSSHP**
- **Discuss and review draft alternatives for future development of OSSHP**
- **Seek additional input and ideas on plan alternatives, working toward a preferred alternative**





# General Plan - Alternatives Development

- **Stakeholder Interviews (September 2010)**
- **Public Workshop # 1/Scoping Meeting (October 2010)**
- **Focus meeting with SABA (bike advocates) and City of Sacramento (October 2010)**
- **Several Design Charettes with Project Team to define and draft alternatives**
- **Presentation and input from Advisory Committee (November 2010)**
- **Train trip to Sacramento Zoo with Land Park residents (November 2010)**
- **Sacramento Preservation Roundtable Meeting (December 2010)**
- **Updates at monthly Depot Stakeholder Meetings**
- **Presentation and input from Planning, Policy, and Programming Committee (PPPC; January 2011)**



# General Plan Timeline

Summer/Fall  
2010

Winter  
2010/2011

Spring  
2011

Summer-Winter  
2011

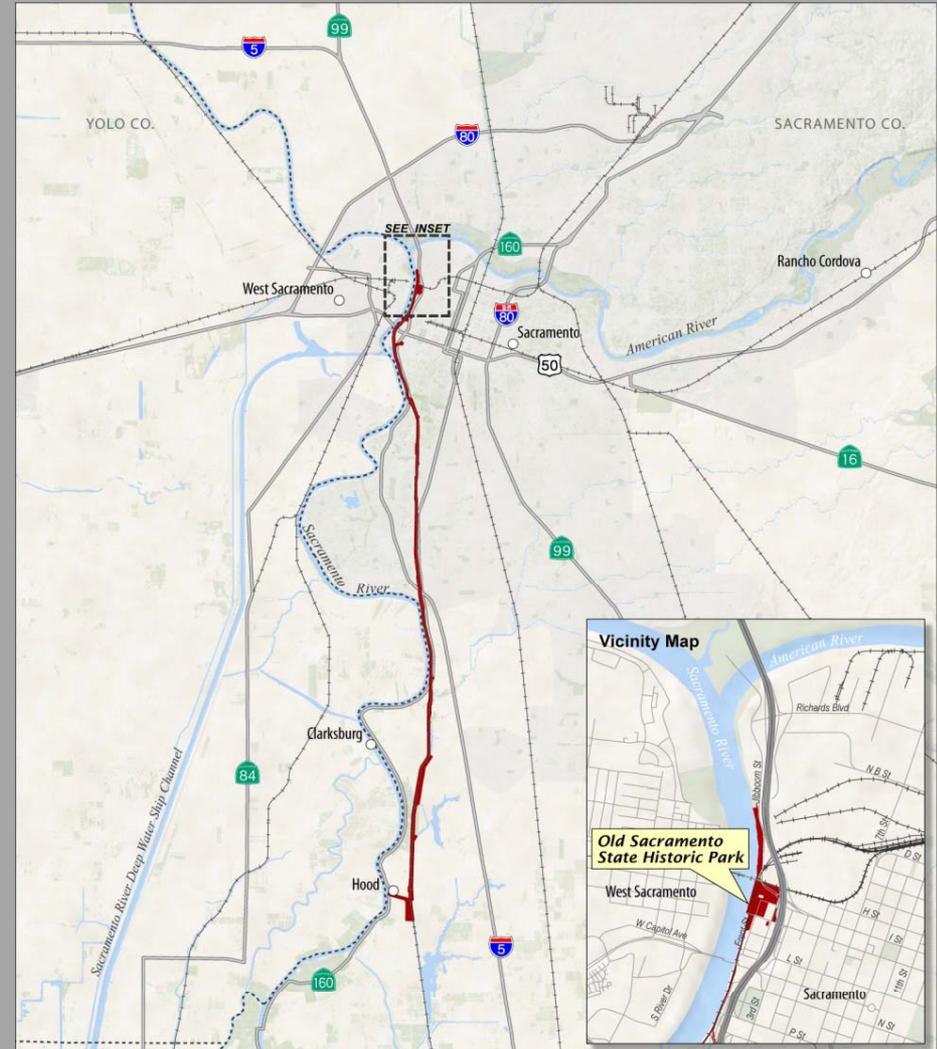
Spring  
2012





# OSSHP Boundary

- **13.8 acre site in Old Sacramento** owned or leased by State Parks
- **17 miles of railroad right-of-way from Old Sacramento to Hood** (4.2 miles in-holding by Sac Regional Transit)
- **Leased property in Railyards**



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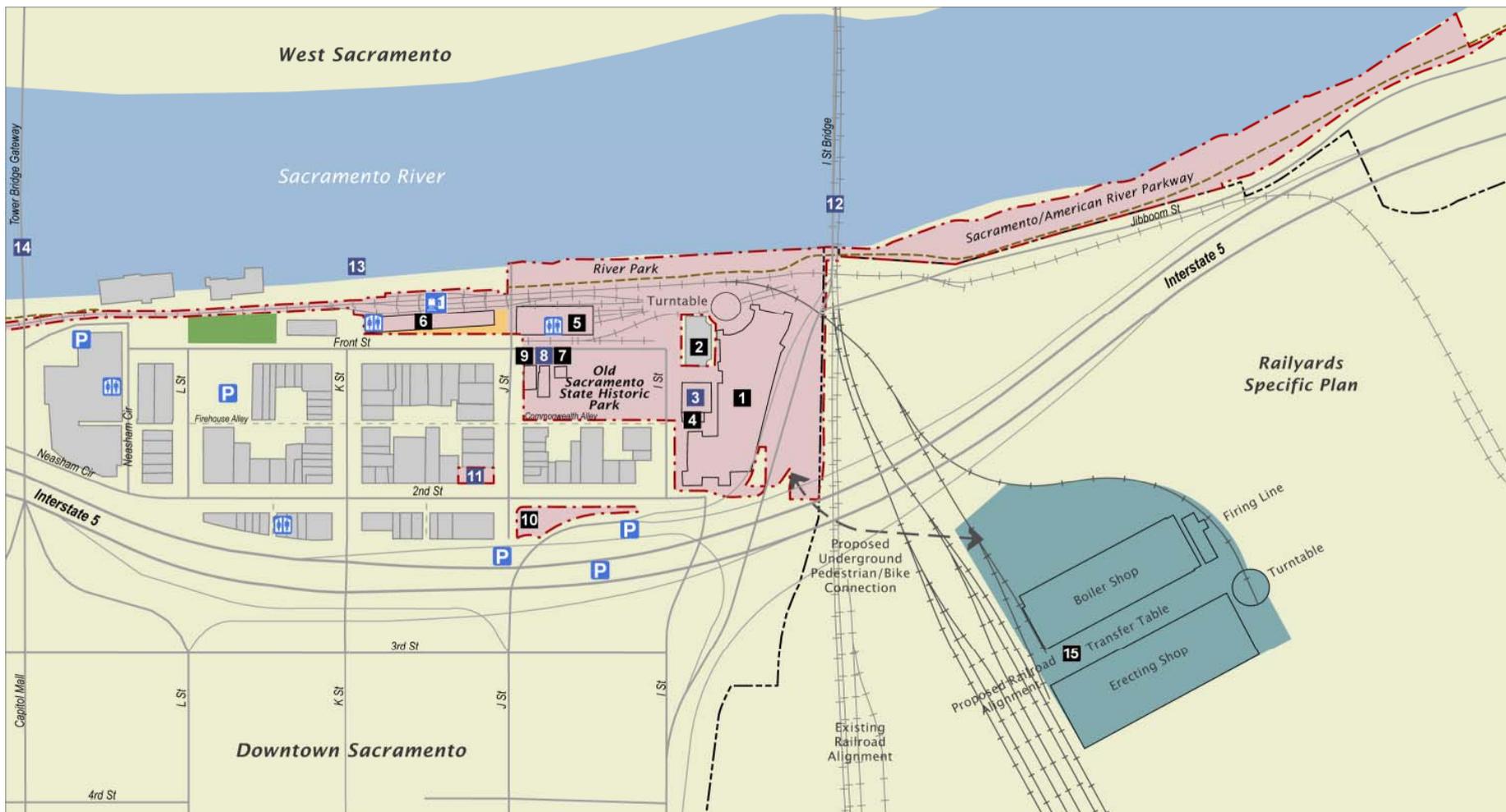
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# Old Sacramento State Historic Park Planning Area



## LEGEND

- Sacramento/American River Parkway
- Railroads
- Freeways
- Major Roads
- Waterfront Park
- Buildings
- State Parks-Owned Buildings
- Planning Area
- State Parks-Owned
- Long Term Land Lease
- Railyards Specific Plan
- Railroad Technology Museum
- Parking
- Restrooms
- Train Ride-Sacramento Southern RR
- Point of Interest
- Historic Landmarks
- National Register of Historic Places
- National Historic Landmark
- California Historic Landmark

## Points of Interests/Historic Landmarks

- 1** California State Railroad Museum
- 2** Sacramento History Museum (City-Owned)
- 3** Big Four Building (NHL)
- 4** Dingley Spice and Coffee Mill
- 5** Central Pacific Railroad "Passenger Station"
- 6** Central Pacific Railroad "Freight Depot"
- 7** Connecticut, Mining, and Trading Co.
- 8** Eagle Theatre (CHL site)
- 9** Tehama Building
- 10** Pony Express Monument
- 11** B. F. Hastings Building (NHL; CHL)
- 12** I St Bridge (NRHP)
- 13** Delta King (NRHP)
- 14** Tower Bridge (NRHP)
- 15** Southern Pacific Boiler and Erecting Shop

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Base Map: CA State Parks  
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# What People Said

## Examples of comments from stakeholders and Public Workshop #1:

- Tell the story of Sacramento; interpret what is authentic to Sacramento
- Blend experiences of gold rush, railroad, and river
- Create opportunities for history, education, and recreation
- Make the visitor experience interactive
- Connect to and interpret the river
- Play up the themes of shipping, Pony Express, archaeology/subterranean interpretation of the Gold Rush scene, riverfront open space, and agriculture
- Extend the excursion train line; expand themes for excursion ride; return by steamboat
- Connect to other parks, museums, and cultural destinations in Sacramento
- Promote Old Sacramento as a visitor gateway to California
- Provide good access by multimodal means
- Provide better bike connections through the park



# What We Heard

## Important aspects to highlight in the park:

- **Gold Rush and beyond**
  - 19<sup>th</sup> century commerce
  - Building reconstruction/site configurations
- **Railroad**
  - Excursion train expansion
  - Transportation history
  - Agricultural history
- **Sacramento waterfront and river**
  - Transportation nexus for city
  - Force of nature
  - Scenic/natural
- **Preserve and interpret archaeology of the site**
- **Pony Express interpretation**
- **Sacramento as a diverse, cosmopolitan community**
- **Entertainment venues and gathering spaces**
- **Site use – make connections between “museum,” “commercial,” and “park”**
- **Governance in Old Sacramento**



# Alternative One

## Gold Rush History

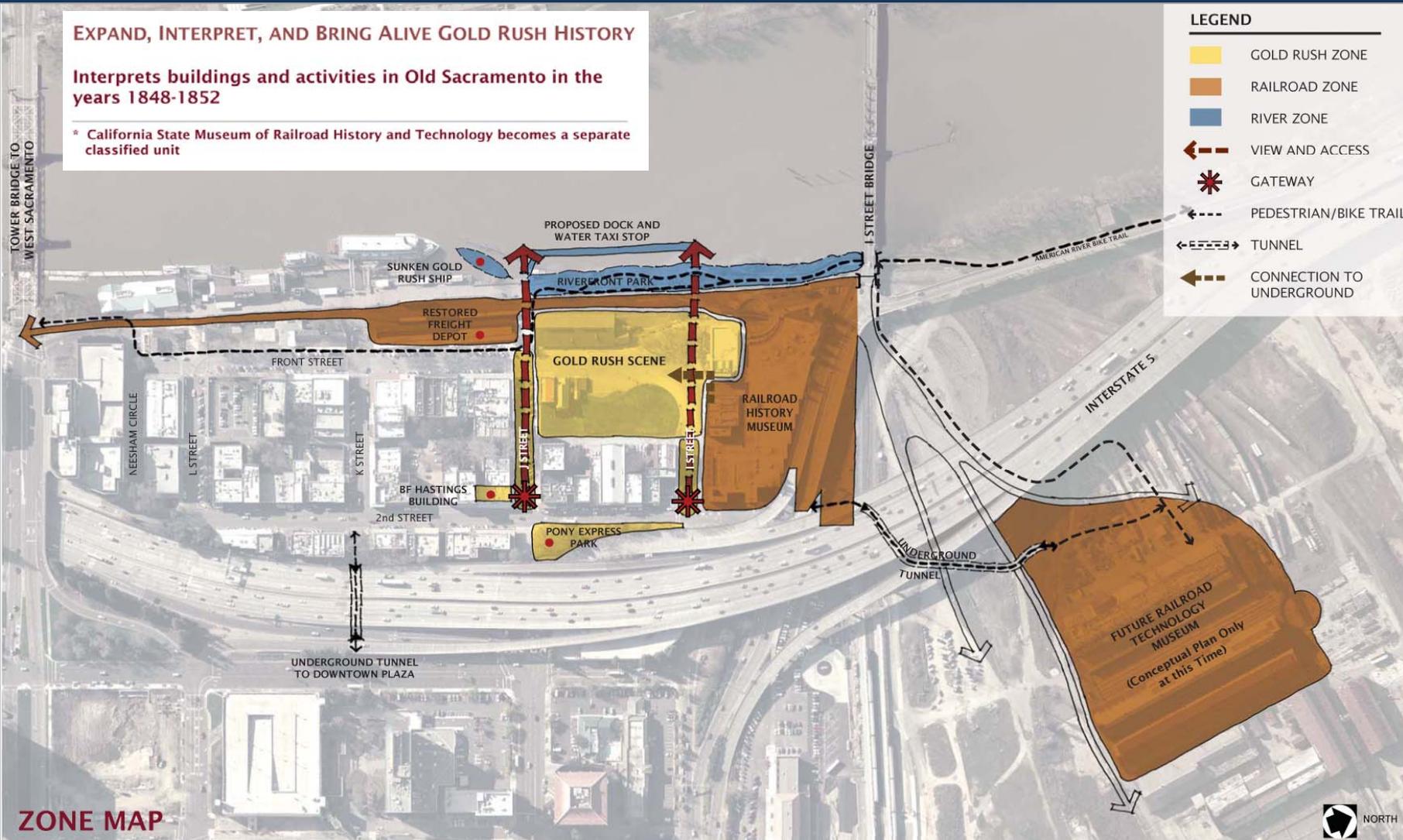
**EXPAND, INTERPRET, AND BRING ALIVE GOLD RUSH HISTORY**

Interprets buildings and activities in Old Sacramento in the years 1848-1852

California State Museum of Railroad History and Technology becomes a separate classified unit

**LEGEND**

- GOLD RUSH ZONE
- RAILROAD ZONE
- RIVER ZONE
- VIEW AND ACCESS
- GATEWAY
- PEDESTRIAN/BIKE TRAIL
- TUNNEL
- CONNECTION TO UNDERGROUND



**ZONE MAP**



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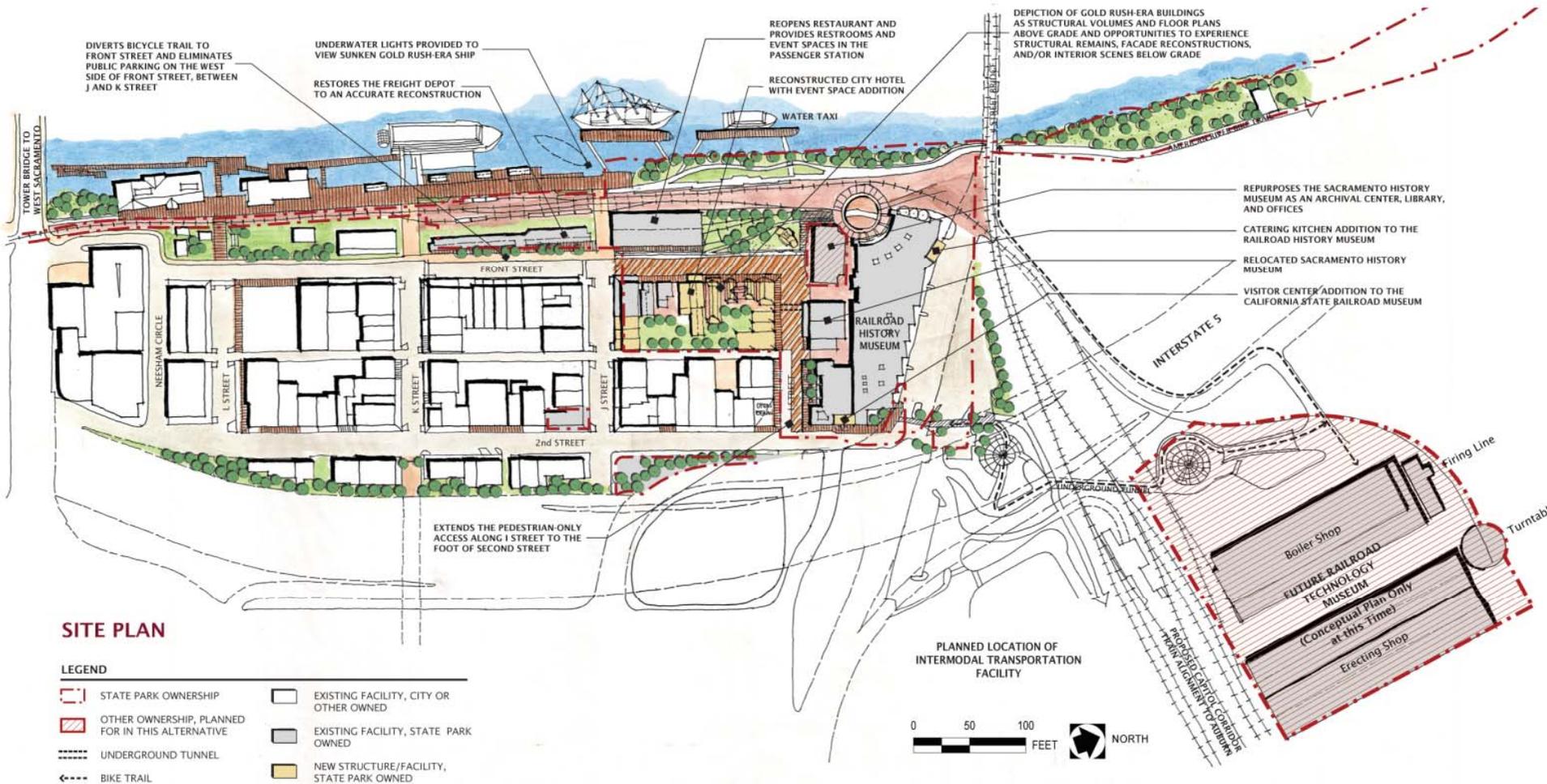
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# Alternative One

## Gold Rush History





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## *Gold Rush History*

### Highlights:

- **Visitor Center:** CSRM lobby
- **Street Closures:** Half of I St. between Second St. and the alley
- **Sacramento History Museum:** Moves to Big Four Building, current building becomes State Park offices
- **Grass Area:** Gold Rush buildings as structural volumes at grade; partial reconstruction below
  - Reconstructed City Hotel with event space
- **Passenger Station:** Re-opens restaurant, becomes event space
- **Freight Depot:** Returns to accurate reconstruction
- **Excursion Train:** To Sacramento Zoo
- **Bike Path:** Along Front St., connection to Railyards



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# Alternative Two

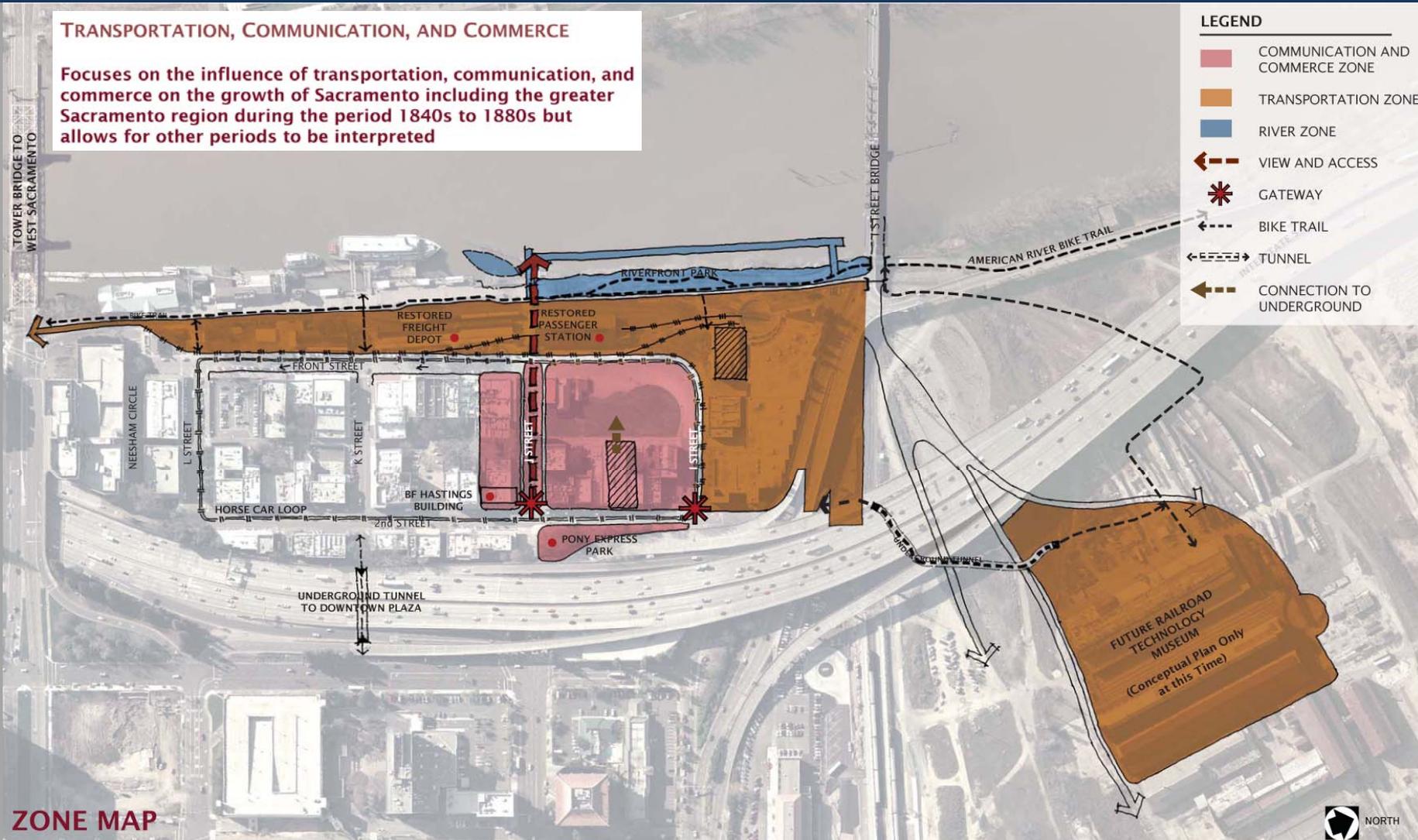
## Transportation, Communication and Commerce

### TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION, AND COMMERCE

Focuses on the influence of transportation, communication, and commerce on the growth of Sacramento including the greater Sacramento region during the period 1840s to 1880s but allows for other periods to be interpreted

#### LEGEND

- COMMUNICATION AND COMMERCE ZONE
- TRANSPORTATION ZONE
- RIVER ZONE
- VIEW AND ACCESS
- GATEWAY
- BIKE TRAIL
- TUNNEL
- CONNECTION TO UNDERGROUND



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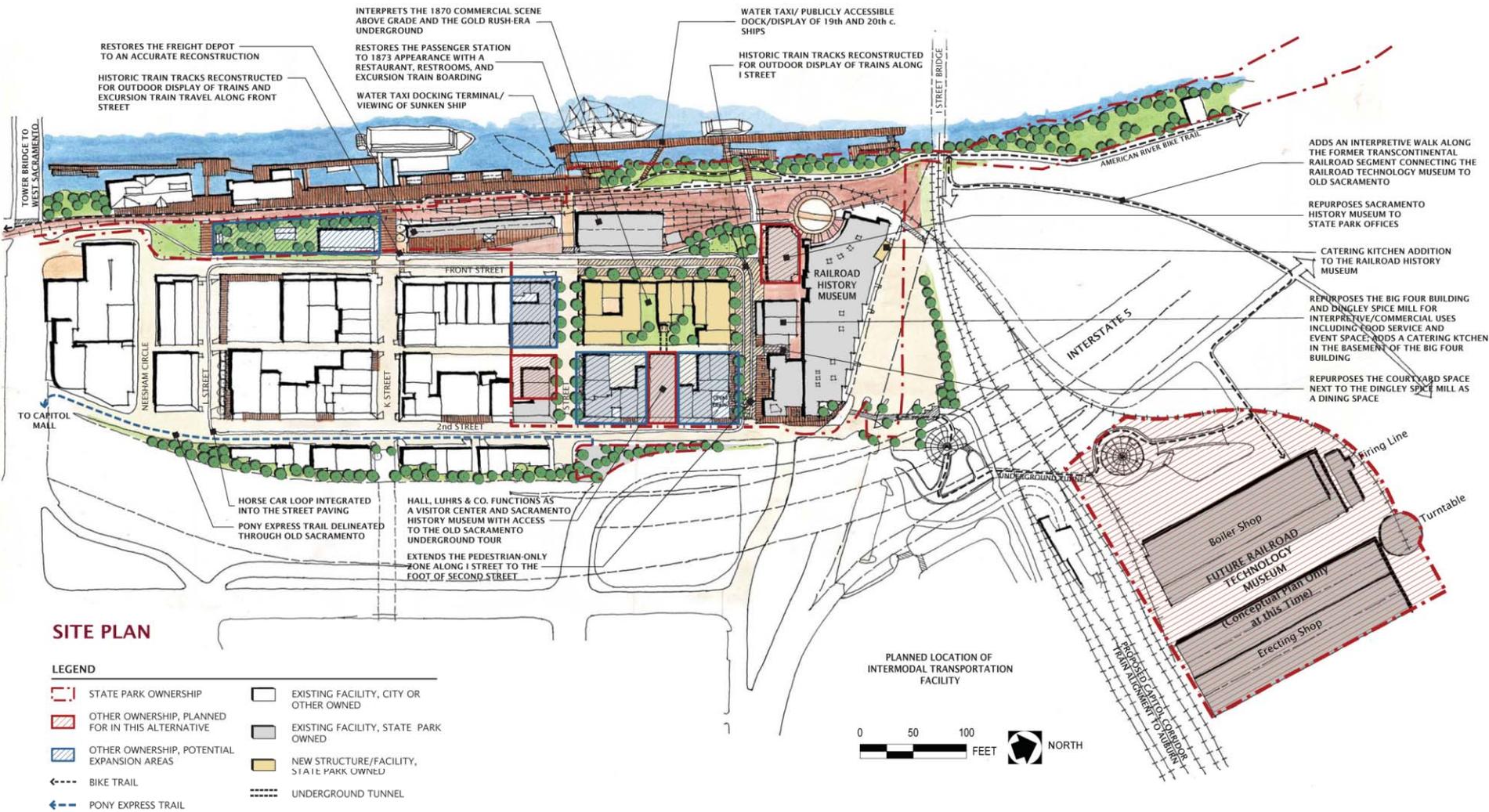
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# Alternative Two

## Transportation, Communication and Commerce





# Alternative Two

## *Transportation, Communication and Commerce*

### Highlights:

- **Visitor Center:** Hall, Luhrs & Co.
- **Street Closures:** I St. between Second and Front St. to vehicles
- **Big Four Building:** Ground floor becomes commercial and interpretive space; second floor becomes multi-purpose space
- **Sacramento History Museum:** Hall, Luhrs & Co. (acquisition), provides access to underground tours
- **Grass Area:** Recreation of 1873 Scene at grade, Gold Rush history below grade
- **Passenger Station:** Becomes boarding area for excursion train
- **Excursion Train:** To Hood, adds historic tracks along Front and I St.
- **Bike Path:** Along waterfront on boardwalk, connection to Railyards
- **Transportation:**
  - Pony Express Trail interpretation/connection to other units
  - Horse car loop around Old Sacramento
- **Waterfront :** Display of ships, water taxi, view of sunken ship



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# Alternative Three

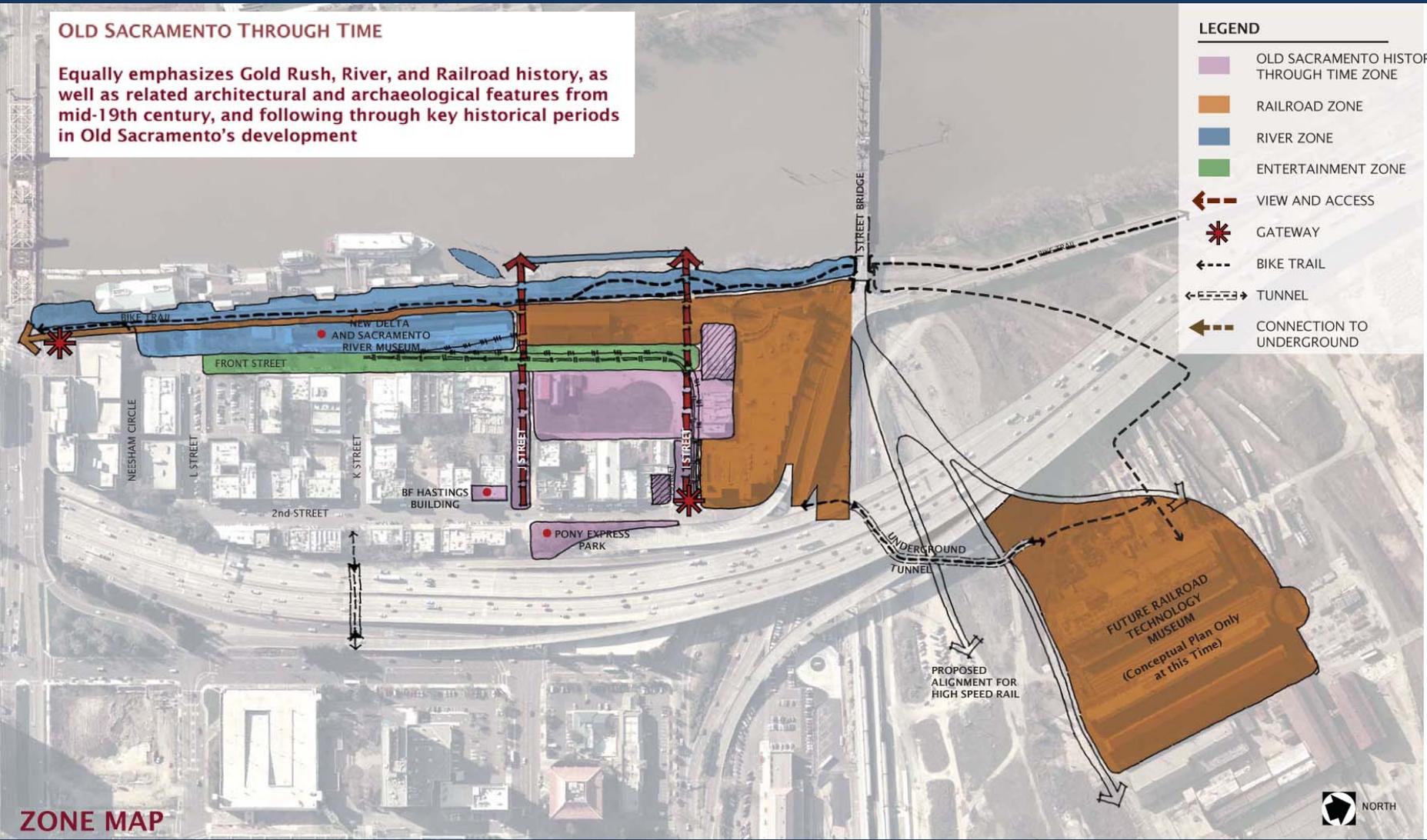
## Old Sacramento History Through Time

### OLD SACRAMENTO THROUGH TIME

Equally emphasizes Gold Rush, River, and Railroad history, as well as related architectural and archaeological features from mid-19th century, and following through key historical periods in Old Sacramento's development

### LEGEND

- OLD SACRAMENTO HISTORY THROUGH TIME ZONE
- RAILROAD ZONE
- RIVER ZONE
- ENTERTAINMENT ZONE
- VIEW AND ACCESS
- GATEWAY
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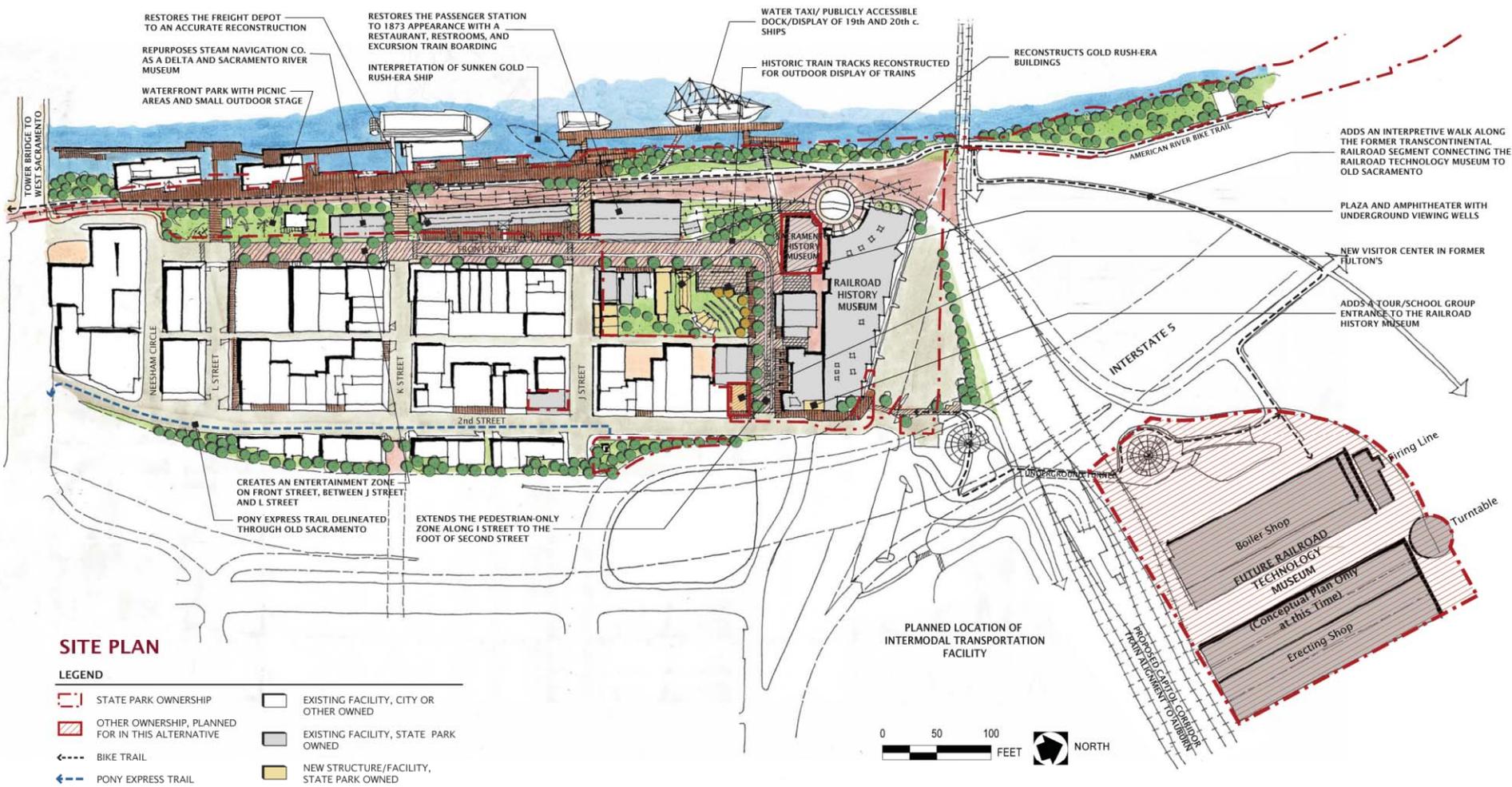
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# Alternative Three

## Old Sacramento History Through Time





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## *Old Sacramento History Through Time*

### Highlights:

- **Visitor Center: Fulton's Prime Rib**
- **Street Closures: All of I St. between Second St. and Front St. to vehicles**
- **Grass Area: Amphitheatre and reconstructed buildings with viewing wells**
- **Excursion Train: Two lines:**
  - Old Sacramento to Sacramento Zoo
  - Meadowview Road to Hood
  - Connector line for moving equipment in between and only occasional railroad operation through Land Park
- **Bike Path: Along waterfront with connection to Railyards**
- **Transportation: Horse car line along I St. and on Front St. to L St.**
- **Waterfront: Display of ships, water taxi, public dock, view of sunken ship, picnic areas, outdoor stage**
- **Museum and Entertainment District: Along I & Front St.**
  - New Delta and Sacramento River Museum





# Excursion Train Right-of-Way Alternatives

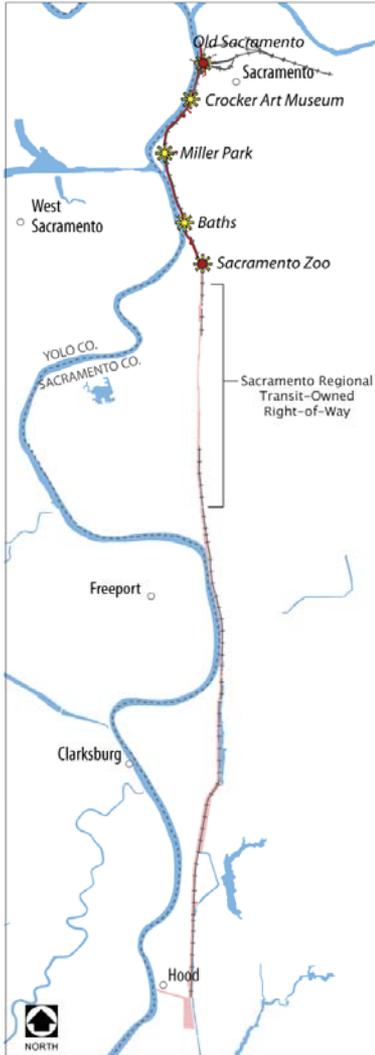
## ALTERNATIVE 1

### TRAIN TO THE ZOO

WITH STOPS AT THE CROCKER ART MUSEUM, MILLER PARK, AND BATHS

#### LEGEND

- OPERATING LINE
- OTHER TRAIN TRACK STUDY CORRIDOR
- TRAIN STATIONS
- TRAIN START/END STATIONS
- SACRAMENTO RIVER



## ALTERNATIVE 2

### TRAIN TO HOOD

WITH STOPS AT THE CROCKER ART MUSEUM, MILLER PARK, BATHS, THE ZOO, AND FREEPORT

#### LEGEND

- OPERATING LINE
- OTHER TRAIN TRACK STUDY CORRIDOR
- TRAIN STATIONS
- TRAIN START/END STATIONS
- SACRAMENTO RIVER



## ALTERNATIVE 3

### TWO EXCURSION TRAIN LINES

TRAIN LINE #1, OLD SAC TO THE ZOO: WITH STOPS AT THE CROCKER ART MUSEUM, MILLER PARK, AND BATHS

TRAIN LINE #2, FREEPORT TO HOOD: FOR DINNER TRAIN, BRUNCH TRAIN, OR OTHER THEMED EXCURSION

#### LEGEND

- OPERATING LINE
- OTHER TRAIN TRACK STUDY CORRIDOR
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- TRAIN START/END STATIONS
- SACRAMENTO RIVER





# Railroad Technology Museum

## RAILROAD TECHNOLOGY MUSEUM

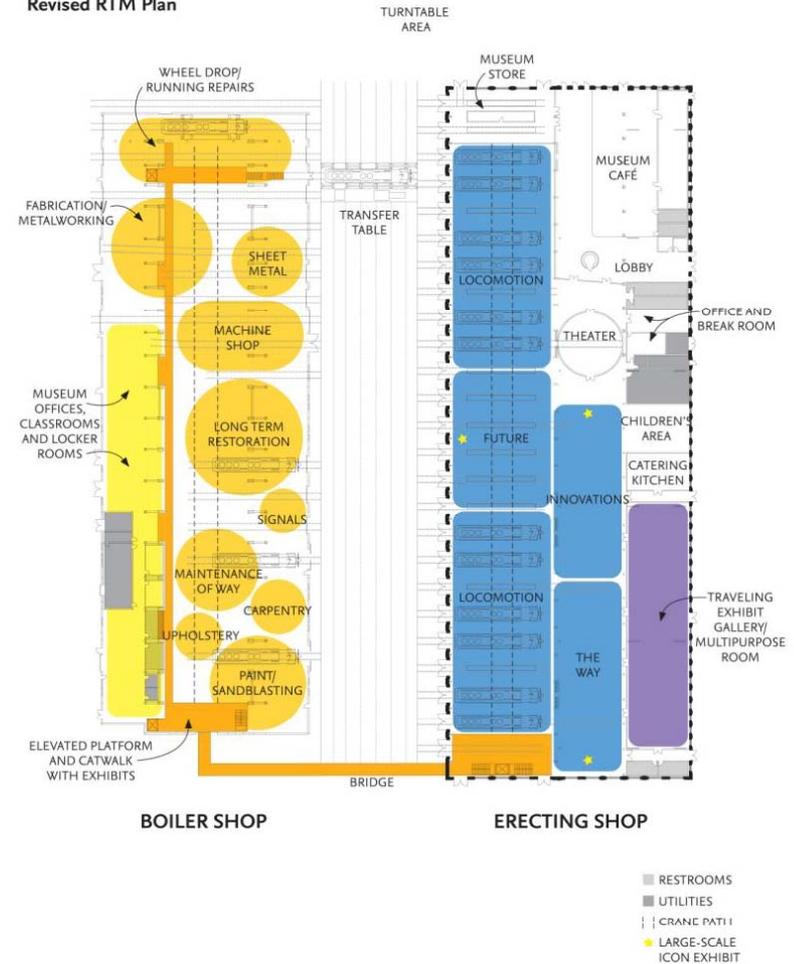
“The Railroad Technology Museum, as envisioned, will break new ground in the museum community. Combining the high tech, interactive exhibits of a science museum with the authentic, behind-the-scenes experience of an industrial tour, all in a historic setting, this new hybrid museum can bring the best of different world together in one location.”

### Highlights:

- Expansion of the California State Railroad Museum at the Railyards in the Southern Pacific Boiler and Erecting Shops
- Focused on railroad science and engineering

west office EXHIBITION DESIGN

### Revised RTM Plan



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# Discussion of OSSHP Alternatives

## Table Questions

**For each alternative:**

- 1. What features did you like?**
- 2. What features did you not like?**
- 3. How would you improve on this alternative?**

**For all alternatives:**

- 5. What would your preferred alternative (or plan) look like?**
- 6. What features should be included and prioritize which are the most important?**



# OSSHP Alternative Comments

## Ways to comment:

1. Complete comment cards tonight
  2. If you need more time,
    - Take home the comment card and mail in; or
    - Email comments to the Planning Team: [osshp@parks.ca.gov](mailto:osshp@parks.ca.gov)
- \* Comments need to be received no later than **February 4, 2011** to ensure consideration in development of the preferred alternative



# Next Steps

- **Meeting with local city/county representatives (January 2011)**
- **Drafting of Preferred Alternative (February 2011-April 2011)**
- **Presentation/review of Preferred Alternative with Advisory Committee (March 2011)**
- **Presentation/review of Preferred Alternative with PPC (April 2011)**
- **Public Workshop #3 (April 20, 2011)**
- **Preliminary General Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Report for PPC review (Fall 2011)**
- **Circulation of Preliminary General Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Report for public review (Winter 2011)**

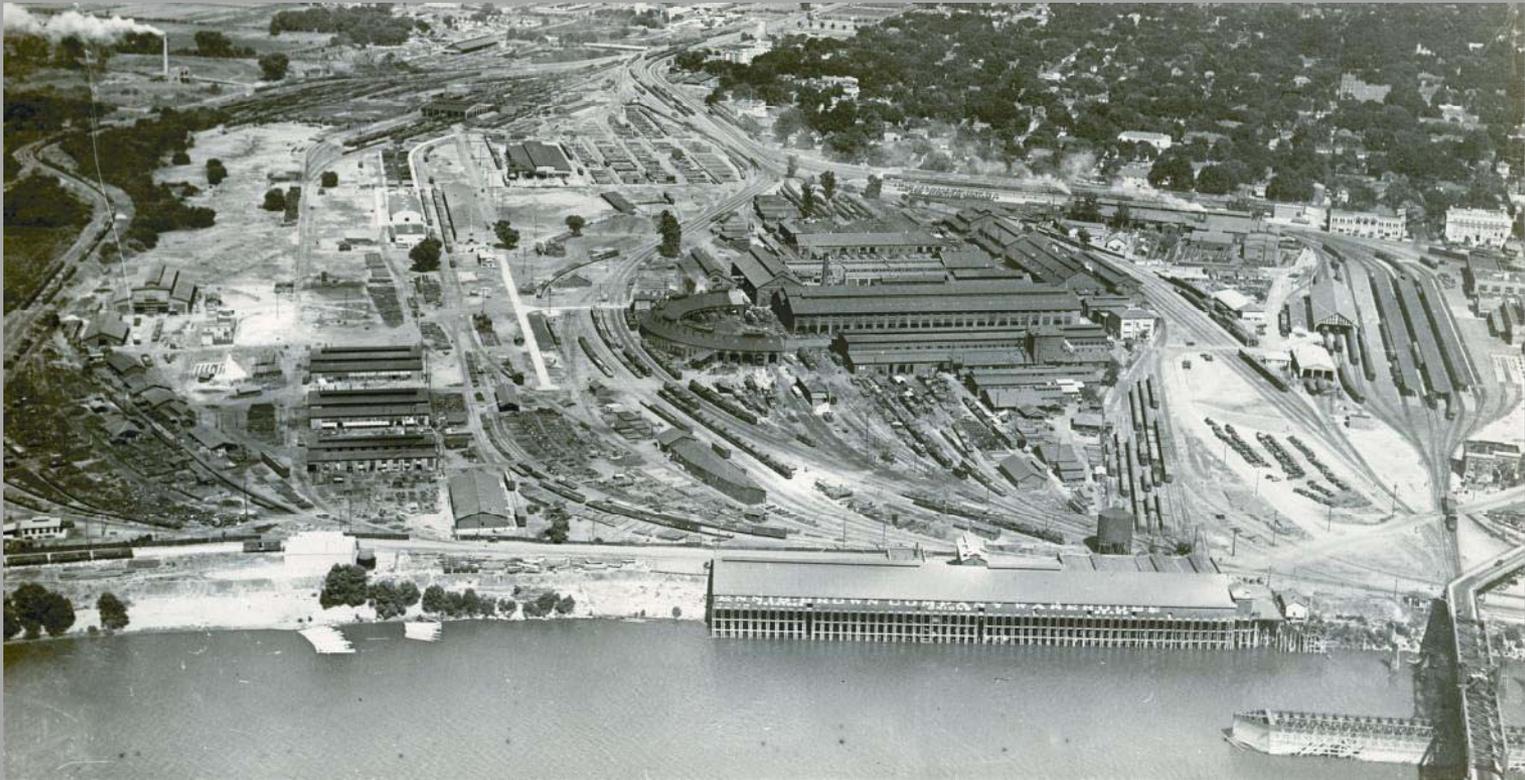


# Thank You for Participating!

Material from today's workshop, previous workshops, and related documents are available on the General Plan website at:

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