

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DAVID HAUBERT SUPERVISOR, FIRST DISTRICT

03/10/2025

Dear Community Member,

Over the past decade, the Offices of Alameda County District 1 and District 2 have had the joy of co-hosting our signature biennial Stroll & Roll event in the beautiful Niles Canyon. However, given the current landscape and deep deliberation, including taking into consideration the substantial financial obligations of producing the event, the progress of the Niles Canyon Trail project, and concern and uncertainty around ongoing federal funding, our offices have made the difficult decision to not proceed with Stroll & Roll this year.

Stroll & Roll was created in conjunction with the Niles Canyon Trail Initiative, which aims to create a Class 1 trail through the canyon. Since 2015, thousands from the community have enjoyed the opportunity to preview the potential of this pedestrian and bike-friendly trail at Stroll & Roll as they walked and biked through Niles Canyon without any vehicular traffic. The feedback each time was resoundingly supportive, and the public's interest in the trail continued to grow.

Recently, our offices have met with the Alameda County Public Works Agency to learn more about the project status and next steps for the Niles Canyon Trail. While great progress has been made through the completion of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and the approval of Phase 1 as presented at the <u>December 10th Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting</u>, it also became clear that the trail project would need significant time and funding before its completion. Additionally, this decision takes into account the complexity of a year-long planning process and importance of maintaining respectful working partnerships with representatives from multiple public agencies: Alameda County Water District, Alameda County Sheriff's Department, California Highway Patrol, Alameda County Public Works, City of Fremont, Fremont Police Department, Fremont Fire Department, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, CALTRANS, and more.

Given these conditions and our collective analysis, our offices have determined that our limited resources can better serve constituents by focusing on the Niles Canyon Trail project as well as other critical community projects within each of our districts. Although Stroll & Roll will not occur in 2025, District 1 and District 2 are committed to revisiting this event in future years and will continue to work together to support vibrant events that bring our community together.

Please see frequently asked questions and answers on the next page.



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FAQ's

Q: Will Niles Canyon Stroll and Roll return in 2027?

A: The Offices of Alameda County District 1 and District 2 will revisit the possibility of hosting Stroll & Roll in future years. For updates, please sign up for our newsletters:

- District 1 Newsletter
- District 2 Newsletter

Q: How may I learn more about the Trail project?

A: To learn more about the project, features, fact sheet, and more, visit the Alameda County Public Works website on the Niles Canyon Trail

Q: Who oversees the Niles Canyon Trail project?

A: The Alameda County Public Works Agency (ACPWA), the Cities of Fremont and Union City, East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD), San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC), and the Alameda County Water District (ACWD).

Q: How is the Trail project funded?

A: The Niles Canyon Trail project is funded through ACPWA, City of Fremont, Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC), and other sources such as state and federal grants.

Q: Is the Niles Canyon Trail project fully funded, and what is the expected cost?

A: The project is not currently fully funded. The project will require support from our state representatives, including state and federal grants, to meet the project cost of \$60,000,00-\$100,000,00.

As always, if there is anything that my office can do to assist you regarding County-specific matters, please feel free to reach out at bosdist2@acgov.org or bosdist2@acgov.org

Sincerely,

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