Kick-off Follow-up
April 29, 2019

Thank you to everyone that joined us for the Mission Canyon Bridge Studies Kick-off on Thursday!

While there is not a defined project yet, we chatted with approximately 100 people at Rocky Nook Park about the beginning of the technical studies. We will provide regular updates as we continue to study and gather information. Later next year, our team will put together ideas and approaches that we will review with the community. Until then, please feel free to send in your thoughts and ideas on issues you see in the area, concerns you may have, or other information that you feel would be helpful to the overall process. You can view preliminary information online at www.MissionCanyonBridge.com, email us at info@missioncanyonbridge.com, or call us at 805.618.5331.

Below please find a sampling of initial public comments. Please note, as part of the studies process, we will be looking at a variety of ideas along with how to combine solutions to best fit the area without creating adverse effects.

Pathways & Access

- Connect paths to improve walkability in the area – connections could include moving the water trough to provide space, creating a pathway on the downstream side to better connect the Mission to the Museum, or paths on both sides
- Add crosswalks with high visibility or evaluate an alternative route
Pathways & Access continued…
- Include access for those with disabilities
- Add bike routes or increase safety for bicyclists

Bridge
- Maintain, protect, and update the bridge so that it fits with today’s uses
- Avoid widening the bridge, reuse existing walkway space in a better way
- Keep the stone bridge
- Please note, as a historic landmark, the bridge will be looked at following both City and State guidelines and processes for historic structures. We have 2 historians on the studies team to guide this work.

Lighting
- Add pedestrian and street-level lighting, hard to see at night – unsafe

Road & Traffic Speeds
- Make people slow down, enforce speeds, create better ways for people to appreciate the area and stop speeding through it
- Fix the road for safety but keep traffic speeds down
- Will fixing the road prevent people from driving into the walls?

APS/Los Olivos intersection
- See if there are fixes for the Alameda Padre Serra and Los Olivos intersection even though this might be outside the study area

History & Location
- Keep the rural look and feel
- Include the Chumash - Please note, Native American coordination is part of the studies process [though no archeological digs will occur]. Chumash members were at the kick-off and have graciously agreed to participate throughout the process.

Creek
- Improve fish access, remove concrete, leave existing large rocks and pools

Utilities
- Is there a way to underground utilities?

Storms
- The bridge survived past large storms. Please consider that in planning.

If you were not able to attend, please note the City and County have additional projects in the area that are separate from the studies.
- Pedestrian Walkway Maintenance
  - The City will be repairing the secondary supports for the walkway attached to the Mission Canyon Bridge over the next few months. Until the repairs take place, a notice is posted to limit access to three people at a time. For more information, please contact the Public Works Department at 805.564.5424.
- Pavement Maintenance
  - The City’s routine pavement maintenance program will be repaving East Los Olivos Street and Mission Canyon Road over the bridge. Work will be occurring later this summer.
- Crosswalk Improvements
  - The County has received a grant to enhance the crosswalks at Las Encinas and Puesta Del Sol. County staff will be reaching out to neighbors in the area.