Citrus Heights – Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail Sylvan to Stock Ranch Extension

Community Meeting Summary – June 4, 2026

Introduction

On Thursday, June 4, 2026, the City of Citrus Heights hosted a Community Meeting for the Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail Sylvan to Stock Ranch Extension. The event was held from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Sylvan Community Center, 7521 Community Drive, in Citrus Heights. A total of 27 community members participated in the meeting.

Background

The Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail: Sylvan to Stock Ranch Extension is a planned multi-use trail project that would extend the existing Stock Ranch Trail from Stock Ranch Nature Preserve to Sylvan Road. The project is part of the City of Citrus Heights' broader effort to expand the Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail system and support a connected citywide trail network.



Community members and the project team discussing the Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail Sylvan to Stock Ranch Extension

The proposed extension would create a safer and more comfortable connection for people walking, biking, and rolling, while improving access to nearby neighborhoods, parks, schools, retail centers, and open space. Key project features include a 10-foot-wide paved multi-use trail with two two-foot decomposed granite shoulders, a signalized Sylvan Road crossing, a creek crossing, creek embankment repairs, and trail lighting.

The project is currently moving through the environmental review and design process. Community input gathered during this phase will help inform the project as it advances toward environmental certification, final design, permitting, and construction (in the future, pending funding).

Meeting Purpose and Format

The purpose of the meeting was to provide community members with an opportunity to learn more about the Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail: Sylvan to Stock Ranch Extension, review environmental materials, and share feedback on the proposed project. The project is currently

in the environmental review phase, and community members were invited to review the results of technical environmental studies and provide comments on the draft environmental document. The meeting also shared information about proposed project features, including a 10-foot-wide paved multi-use trail with two two-foot decomposed granite shoulders, a signalized Sylvan Road crossing, a creek crossing, creek embankment repairs, and trail lighting.

The meeting was held as an open house, with informational boards, project materials, and environmental documents available for community members to review at their own pace. Attendees had the opportunity to speak directly with City staff and the project team, ask questions, and provide written feedback through comment cards.



Amy Bakker, Senior Environmental Planner at Dokken Engineering, discussing the project timeline with a community member

Stations and Board Exhibits

Below is an overview of the stations and board exhibits presented at the event.

Welcome Station

Upon arrival at the meeting, community members were welcomed and invited to sign up with their contact information to receive future project updates and event notifications. Free giveaway items were offered and provided by the City.



Daniel Keher, Senior Civil Engineer at the City of Citrus Heights, discussing the trail network with community members

Station 1: Project Timeline and Trail Network

Station 1 provided a project delivery timeline that showed completed planning efforts, the current environmental and engineering phase, the public review period, and next steps, including the final environmental document, City Council consideration, final design, and future construction pending funding.

This station also included a map of existing trails and planned trail projects in Citrus Heights. The map helped show how the Sylvan to Stock Ranch Extension would connect to the larger Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail system, nearby neighborhoods, parks, and community destinations.

Station 2: Proposed Trail Alignment, Features and Project Impacts

Station 2 focused on the proposed trail alignment and design details. A large plan-and-elevation board showed the trail route from the Stock Ranch area to Sylvan Road, including the creek corridor, proposed crossings, and nearby properties.

Additional boards highlighted key project features and potential impacts, including the paved multi-use trail, lighting, retaining walls, curb ramps, fencing, drainage features, vegetation areas, temporary construction areas, and right-of-way or easement considerations.



Community members and project team members viewing and discussing the proposed trail alignment, project features, and impacts display boards

Station 3: Document Review/Open Comment

Station 3 provided an opportunity for community members to review hard copies of several environmental documents. Attendees were also invited to provide open-ended feedback via comment cards.

The feedback collected from these comment cards is shown below:

- Great work!
- Our family lives south of Greenback in the Park Oaks neighborhood, so we regularly use the existing paths around Walmart and are very excited that this will be the next section of the trail constructed. We are thrilled that the City is making access to outdoor trails and recreation a priority. We hope this trend will continue as money becomes available. The more connected to the wider trail system, the better! Thank you to everyone at the meeting who provided us with so much great information!
- Looks great! Looking forward to it.
- Good meetings to explain a good project! Well done design consideration of people and the environment.
- We are visiting from another state and are proud of our relative, Val Minilikayev, for being part of this project and inviting us to the City event to get informed about the

project. We know it is a lot of work and appreciate everyone involved in the City who makes our community a better place. May God bless everyone who lives here in our beautiful city and keeps us all safe! Friends from Boise, Idaho.

- Looks good.

Public Notification

The project team used several strategies to promote the meeting and encourage community participation, including:

- **Email Blasts:** Two email blasts were sent via Constant Contact to stakeholder lists and interested community members regarding the meeting. These emails were distributed on May 14 and May 28, 2026, and reached 541 recipients.
- **Email Notification:** The project team sent personal email invitations to nearby community members, businesses, organizations, past event attendees, and others who have participated in previous Citrus Heights outreach efforts. This outreach reached 425 contacts.
- **Press Release:** The City of Citrus Heights promoted the meeting in its monthly E-Newsletter, released on June 4, 2026. Click here to view the E-Newsletter.
- **Additional City Notifications:** The City also promoted the community meeting through several official communication channels. This included two social media posts shared across City channels, a web banner on the City homepage, postings on the external City calendar and internal events calendar for staff and Council, and an official Facebook event on the City's page. In addition, public notice of the CEQA filing was provided with the mailer notice. The Notice of Availability/Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration was also filed with the Sacramento County Clerk and submitted through the CEQAnet State Clearinghouse.
- **Flyer Delivery:** On May 19, 2026, 75 flyers were delivered to local businesses, public facilities, and community gathering locations near the project area (including the front counter at City Hall). These efforts helped share meeting information with nearby community members and encourage participation in the outreach process.



Community meeting flyer

- **Pop-Up Event:** Workshop flyers and the proposed trail alignment board exhibit were available at a pop-up held during the City of Citrus Heights' Tools of the Trade event on Thursday, May 14, 2026. Project team members were also present to answer questions, share information about the Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail Sylvan to Stock Ranch Extension, and promote the upcoming community workshop.

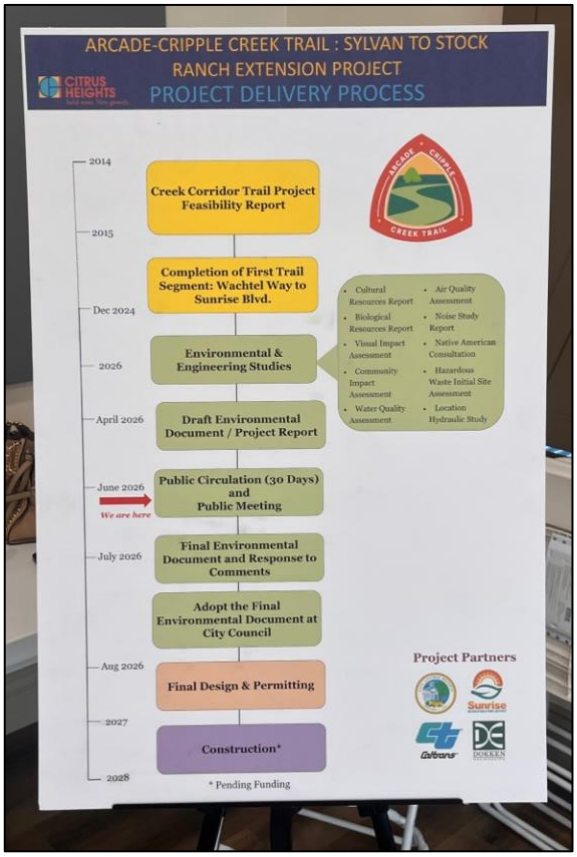


Pop-up booth at the Tools of the Trade City event

Next Steps

Feedback gathered during the Community Meeting will be reviewed and considered by the project team as the Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail: Sylvan to Stock Ranch Extension advances through the environmental review process. The project is currently in the public circulation period for the draft environmental document, which includes a 30-day public review period and a public meeting.

Following the public circulation period, the project team is expected to prepare the final environmental document and responses to comments in July 2026. The final environmental document is also anticipated to be considered for adoption by the City Council in July 2026. After the environmental review process is complete, the project is expected to complete the final design and permitting phase by January 2027. Construction is shown on the project timeline for 2027–2028 and is pending funding. Community members are encouraged to visit the project webpage for future updates as the project advances through environmental review, final design, permitting, and future construction.



Project delivery process timeline