

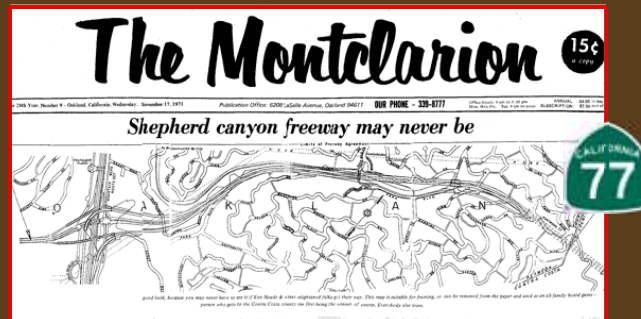
A Scenic Overview of Shepherd Canyon



To your left is the last remaining vestige of Shepherd Creek, free flowing from below Fire Station 24 to Scout Road. This picturesque setting was saved under the SCCP, and otherwise would have become the location of concrete footings in the shadow of a highway overpass.



Overall, 34 acres of open space were preserved under the SCCP.



In front of you was the proposed route of Highway 77, which CALTRANS envisioned connecting with Highway 13 at Park Boulevard and then leading to the former railroad right of way. Citizens rose up against this plan, working with State Assembly Member Meade who sponsored AB 561 to cancel Highway 77.

Then, citizens worked with the City of Oakland to create the Shepherd Canyon Corridor Plan ("SCCP") in 1975 to lay out a vision of what to do with this newly available land. The Plan included guidelines for open space, trails, as well as special design review standards for residential development to ensure that it complimented the surroundings.



To your right across the canyon is the historic route of the Sacramento Northern Railway, abandoned in 1957, and now converted to trail use under the "Rails to Trails" program.



Several CALTRANS former highway parcels in Shepherd Canyon were acquired "at cost" under Assembly Bill 431, provided they be used for alternative transportation as trails.

