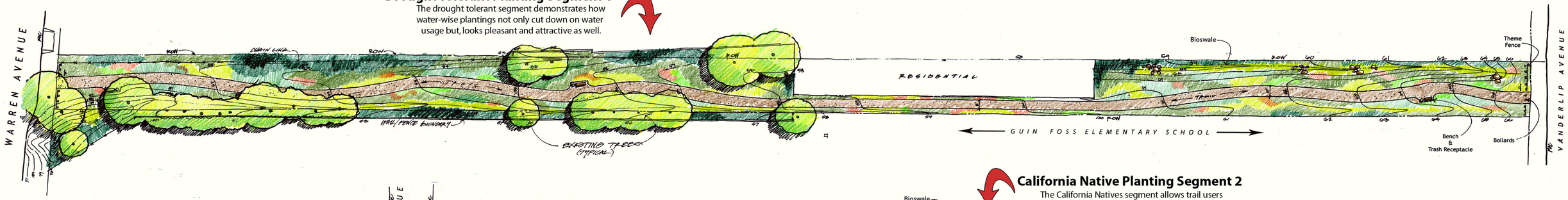
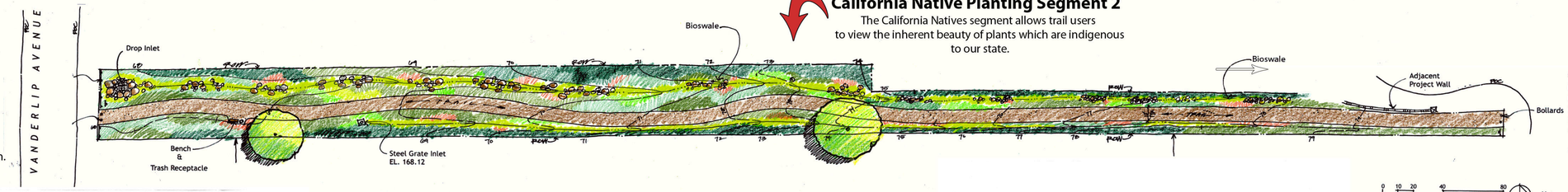
## Drought Tolerant Planting Segment 1

The drought tolerant segment demonstrates how water-wise plantings not only cut down on water usage but, looks pleasant and attractive as well.




## California Native Planting Segment 2

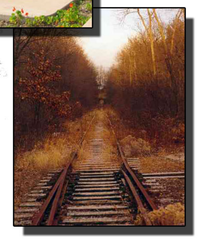
The California Natives segment allows trail users to view the inherent beauty of plants which are indigenous to our state.

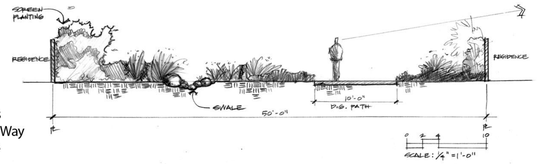



The Tustin Branch Trail will make available to the public, a recreational trail constructed in what was once a railroad easement known as the Tustin Branch. It will consist of the rehabilitation and landscape improvement of 2 individual segments south from 17th Street to Vanderlip Ave. and continuing to Warren Ave. At nearly 2300 linear feet in length, these 2 segments will connect and integrate the very popular Esplanade trail segment and the entire length will be renamed the Tustin Branch Trail. This trail will provide a continuous recreation corridor of 1.36 miles in length. A look at the list of improvements will reveal:

- *Meandering, decomposed granite multi-use trail*
- *Railroad themed signage, amenities and site furnishings*
- *Bio-Swale/dry stream system*
- *California native and drought tolerant plantings*

A railroad theme will recall the early heritage of the Southern Pacific Railroad which once occupied and operated trains within this Rights-Of-Way which the trail will be constructed.



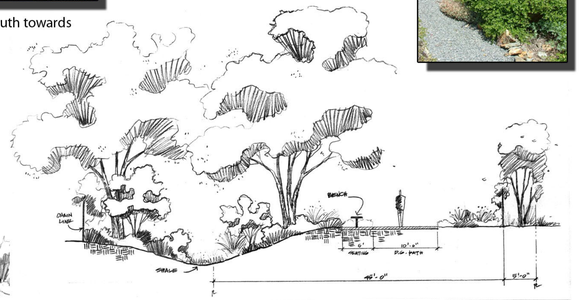


Bioswales will be constructed to help cleanse surface water runoff. Bioswales utilize specific plant materials and soil compositions as a filtration device to reduce the amounts of pollutants and heavy metals which will drain to the ocean.

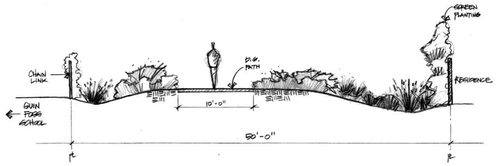
The decomposed granite, multi-use trail will provids a naturlaistic feel as it meanders through carefully selected natice and drought tolerant plant materials as well as existing trees and plantings. Over time, it will provide an increasing sense of quiet and solitude as plantings mature and help screen the trail from the surrounding homes.

Segment 1 looking south towards Vanderlip Ave.

Segment 2 looking north towards Vanderlip Ave.




Some areas of the corridor will preserve certain desirable features such as older trees and existing plantings to assist in creating a mature feel.




Baccharis

Dark Dancer

Purple Sage

Salvia

St. Catherine's Lace

Island Buckwheat

Extensive use of native and drought-tolerant trees and shrubs is not only water-wise, these plantings will offer better sustainabilty, year-round seasonal color and offer educational opportunities for the public and adjacent school.

# TUSTIN BRANCH TRAIL

Segments 1 & 2 - Vanderlip to Warren

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