

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. Who is this team?

We are a team of concerned residents who want to get off the streets and onto pathways for safety. We have support from the Old Agoura Homeowners Board of Directors. Two members of the team are on the Old Agoura Homeowner Board.

We also have two team members who spearheaded efforts to get the pathways built on Driver.

Team members:

- ✓ Carolyn Trocino, Fairview
- ✓ Cyrena Nouzille, Chesebro
- ✓ Adrienne Jacob, Colodny
- ✓ Susan Carr, Colodny
- ✓ Chris Nitz, Chesebro
- ✓ Jim Clark, Foothill

2. Why are you doing this?

We started our movement for the safety of neighbors and visitors.

Neighbors are unhappy and scared due to the speeding cars in Old Agoura. Storm runoff erodes many of our pathways, with dangerous ruts or vegetation blocking egress for safe passage. While a city easement exists, pedestrian pathways along streets do not.

3. What do you already know?

The public section of Chesebro Road is in the City of Agoura Hills 2025/2026 road improvement plan. We are asking to reconstruct a pedestrian pathway for multi-purpose use as soon as possible because conditions are unsafe.

Fairview is not included in this year's plan. We want a continuation of the pathway on Driver to extend up to the East side of Fairview. Maintenance should be included in subsequent improvements throughout Old Agoura.

4. Are you looking at cement sidewalks?

No. Ideally, we would like to see pathways like what you see on Driver that meet the standards of equestrian use.

5. Where should the City of Agoura Hills start?

Fairview: Repair and maintain the existing pathway from 28265 Driver to include up to 5440 Fairview (heading North from Driver - before the driveway at 5440).



Chesebro: Public roads near the NPS park entrance to Fairview and Blythdale.

6. Why are you focused on these two streets?

These two streets are heavily traveled, and Chesebro is in the plan. There is a lot of road damage on the street. Fairview experiences some of the same challenges as Chesebro. Both streets are highly trafficked for accessing parks and trail networks, posing the most pedestrian risks.

7. What if it is too narrow to create a path?

We will collaborate with engineers and landscapers to solve problems where encroachments exist.

8. What if I have a mailbox, an electric gate mechanism, a big tree blocking the path, or stones on my pathway?

The General Plan identifies minimum roadbed and trail/sidewalk for each designation of publicly owned streets within the City of Agoura Hills. Public Roads must be 40' per the California Vehicle Code. The minimum widths for driving lanes, parking lanes, sidewalks, trails, "buffers" from vertical elements like trail fences, etc. are established by the Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices, California Vehicle Codes, and there is some language in the General Plan that further clarifies that...and it's all specific to the segment of road and how it's defined by our code and guidelines (Arterial Street, Secondary Arterial, Rural Secondary Arterial, Collector, or Residential).

Stones will be replaced by footing appropriate for safe passage. Each homeowner will be contacted, and the movement of objects on the easement will be considered.

Some areas, such as those with fire hydrants and power poles, may precipitate horses and other pedestrians to circumvent these obstacles onto the paved street.

9. What about parking?

Right now, ruts and erosion make it difficult for cars to park off the pavement. The erosion and ruts on Chesebro pose safety hazards to vehicles and pedestrians.

Fairview also has portions where erosion makes it difficult to park cars.

10. Where are the property lines? Where does the easement come into play?

We will obtain maps and information from the City of Agoura Hills. **Resolution No. 08-1509** indicates a pathway easement is part of the plan on every street in Old Agoura. **See Attachment B, Trails and Pathways Master Plan.**



11. Can horses go on the pathways?

These are multi-use pathways, and construction designs are meant to accommodate horses and riders.

12. What else will the pathways do for Old Agoura?

- ✓ Improve walkability.
- ✓ Create safety improvements.
- ✓ Enhance the beauty of our neighborhood.
- ✓ Help prevent future storm runoff erosion.

13. What are the roadside locations of the easements in Old Agoura?

The relationship to the streets is noted in the Equestrian Trail Standard in **the City of Agoura Hills Trails & Pathways Master Plan.**

Chesebro Public Roads – West side of the street Fairview Place Public section of street – East side of the street

Off-pavement parking easements exist on the opposite sides of the streets.

14. What are the next steps?

We will continue to distribute surveys to residents and non-residents. We will have a community meeting via Zoom, and we will attend the 2/28/24 City Council meeting. We plan to send our presentation in advance.

Please join us on **2/28/24** in support of Everyone Safe Passage! You can send your comments to <u>comments@agourahillscity.org</u> **by 2/28/24** at **4:00 PM**. Please reference your comments as "Support of Everyone Safe Passage."

We will also attend the 3/13/24 Budget Meeting.