

The Nation's Largest Active Transportation/NEV Project



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*Presentation to California
Transportation Commission*

December 11, 2013

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- CV Link in Perspective
- Background
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What reaction we get when we go to
DC or even Sacramento to discuss:

- *AB 32, SB 375?*
- *Active Transportation?*
- *Sustainable Communities Strategies?*



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So...

We have a project that might help our
“Perception Problem”



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American River Trail

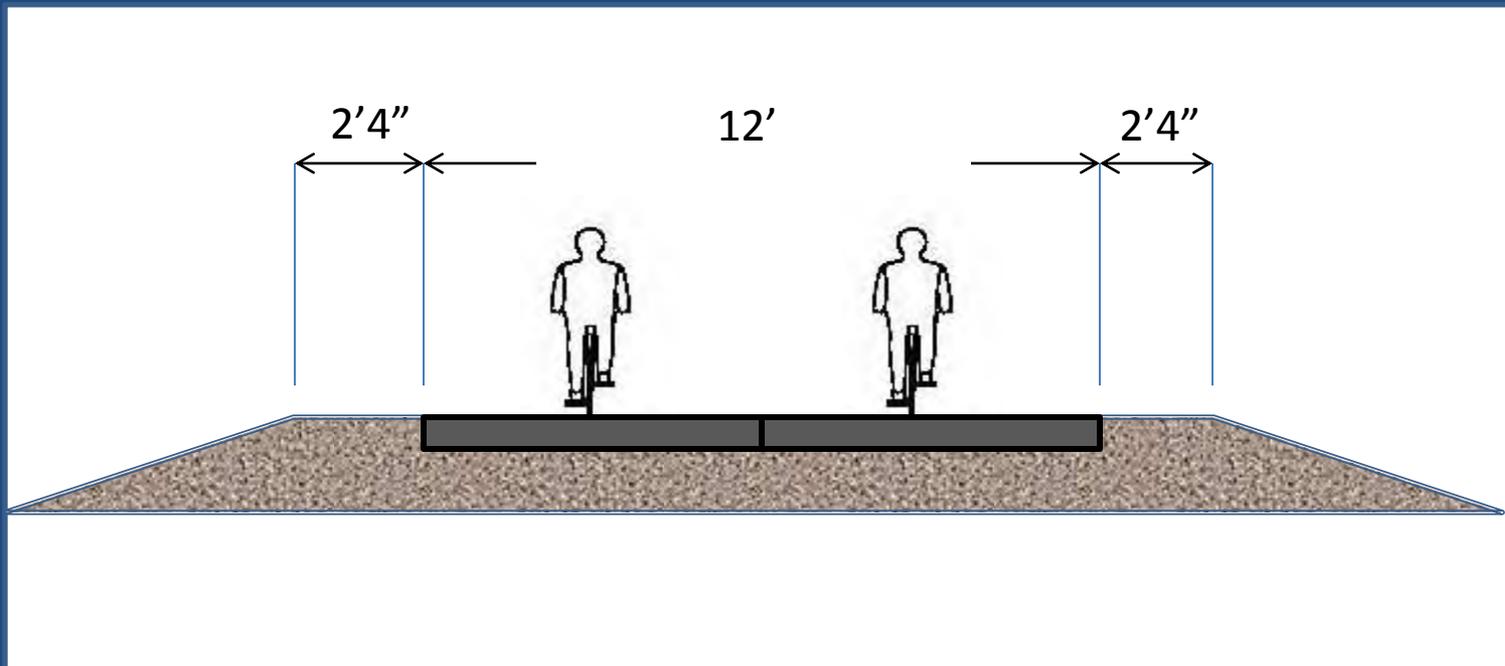


Santa Ana River Trail

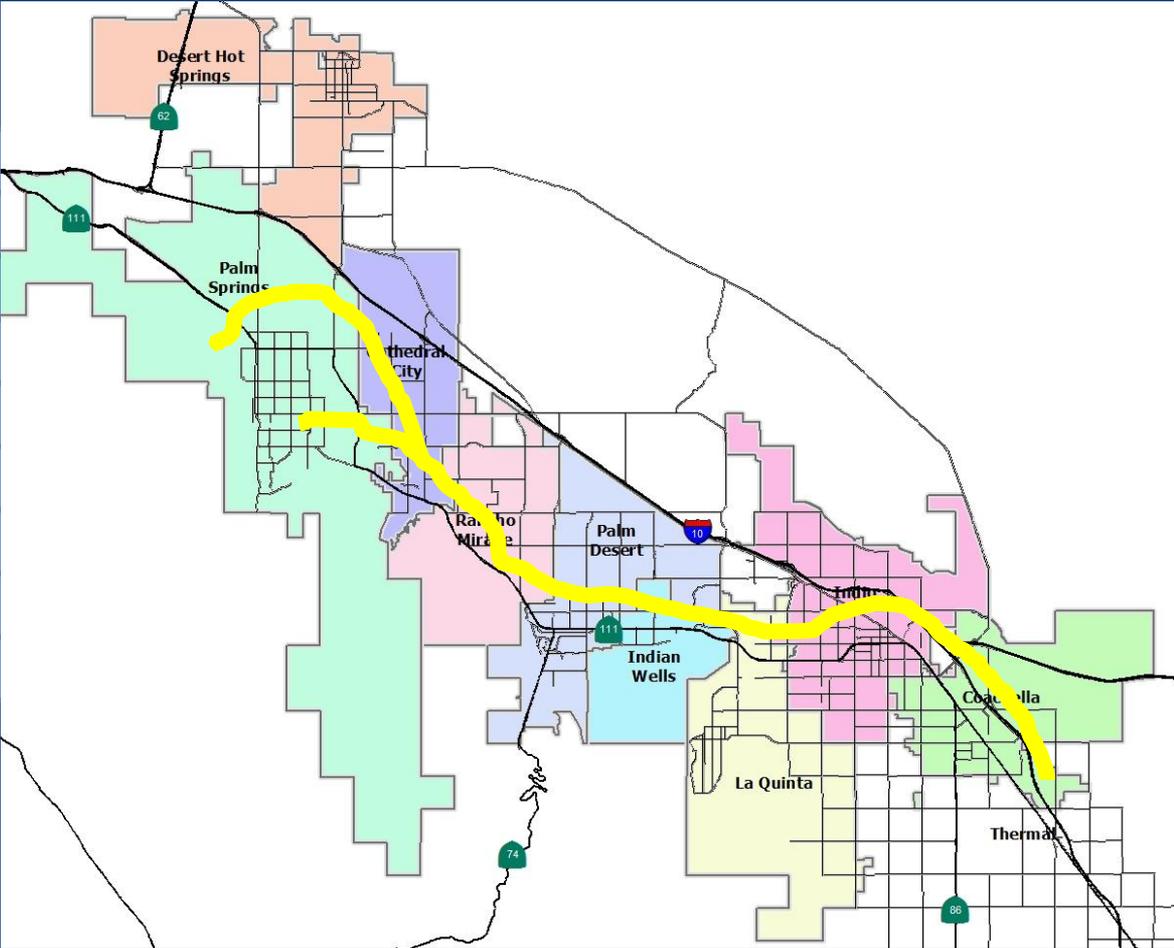
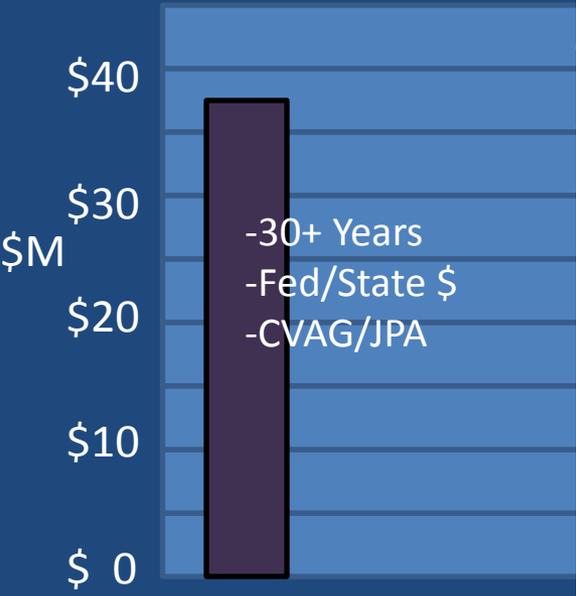


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The Concept for Biking



Whitewater River



Ambitious Plan



Very Reasonable Incremental Steps Identified



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What if we could solve the funding gap?



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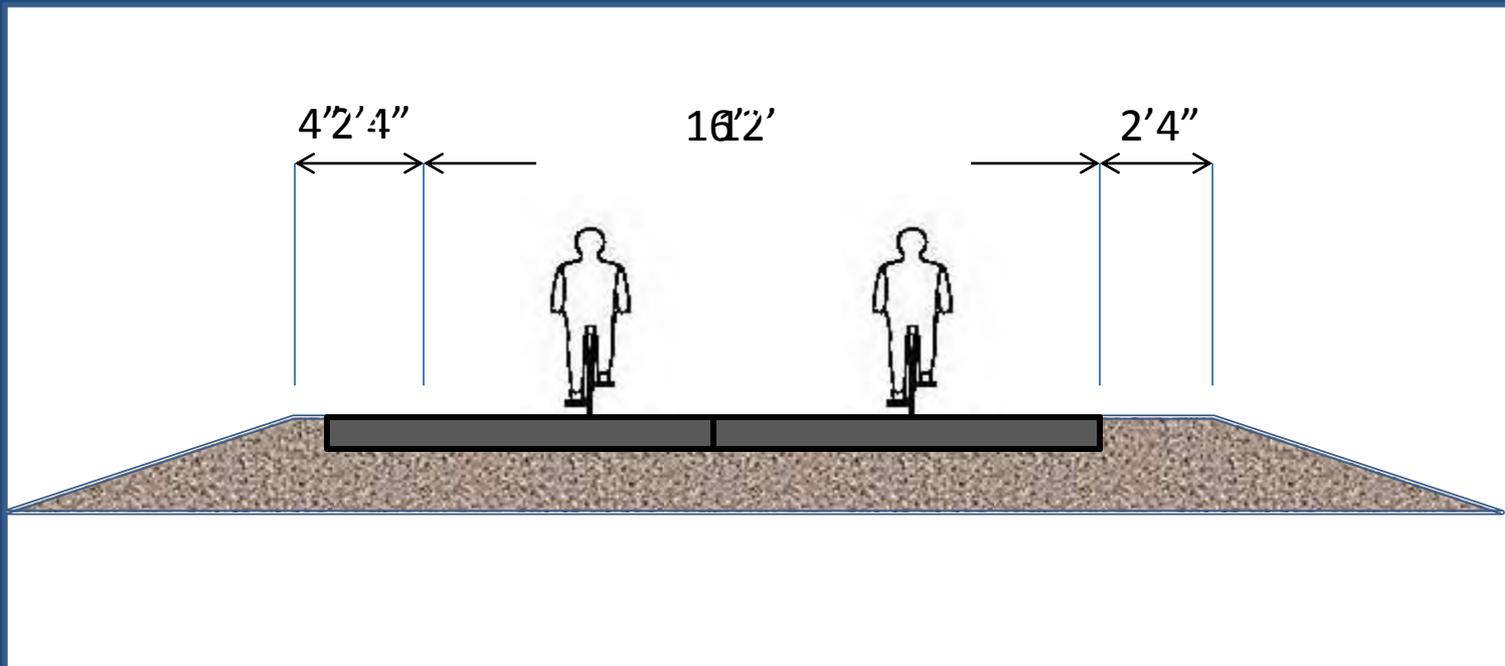
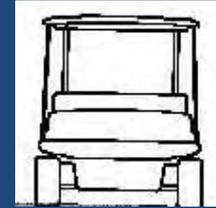
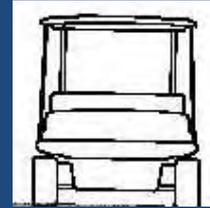
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What if it was more than a bike trail?



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What if?



Not a New Concept in Desert



What if?

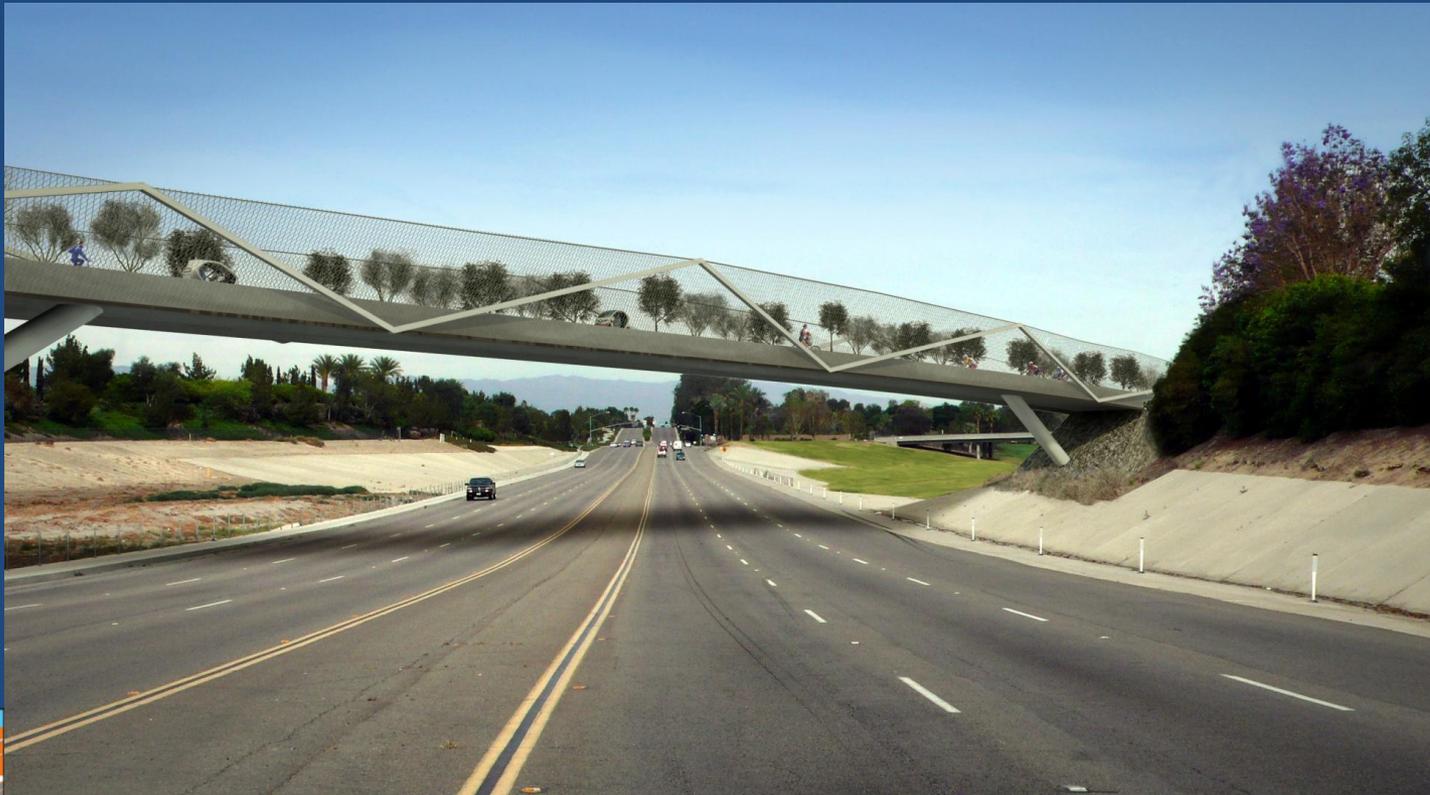
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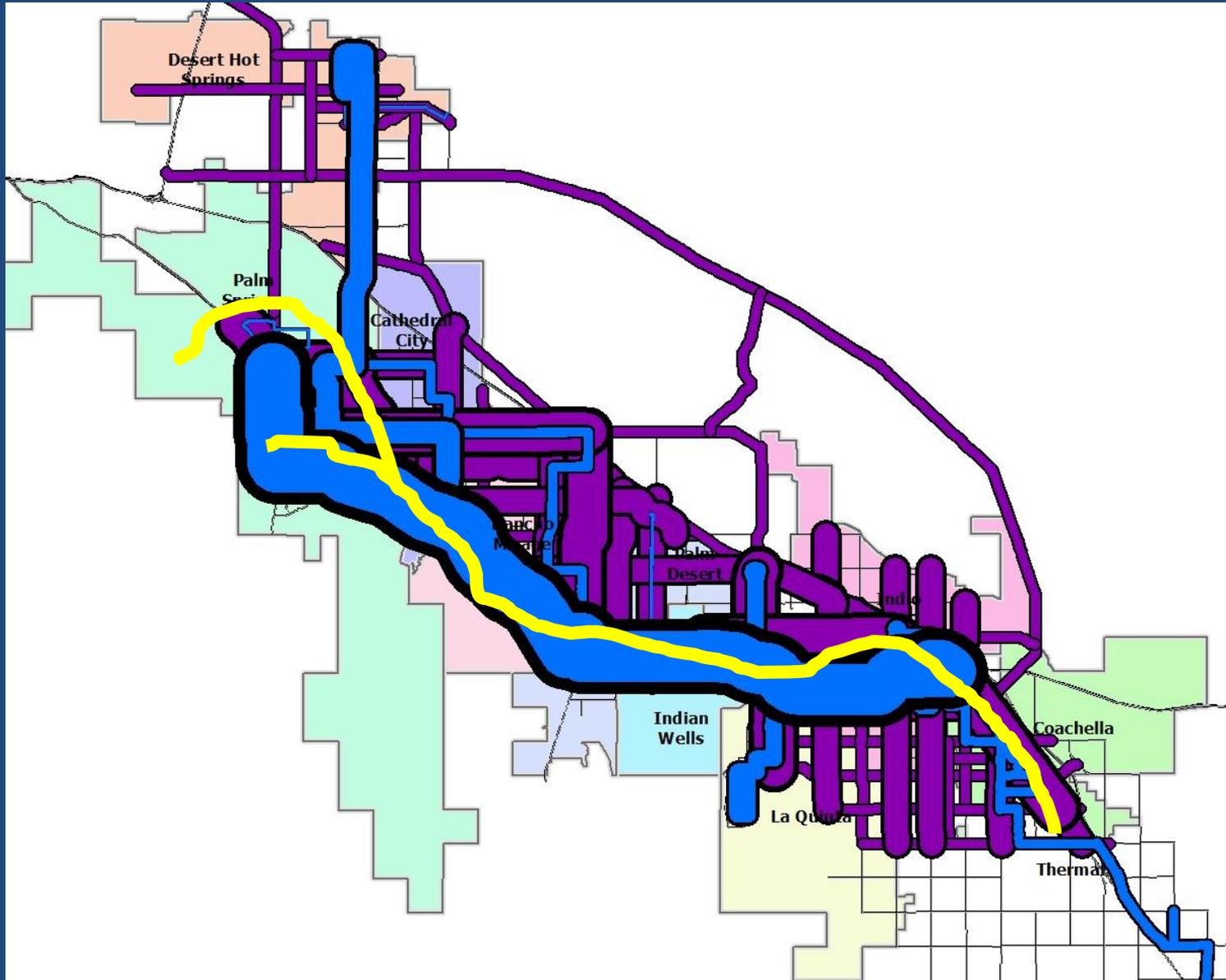
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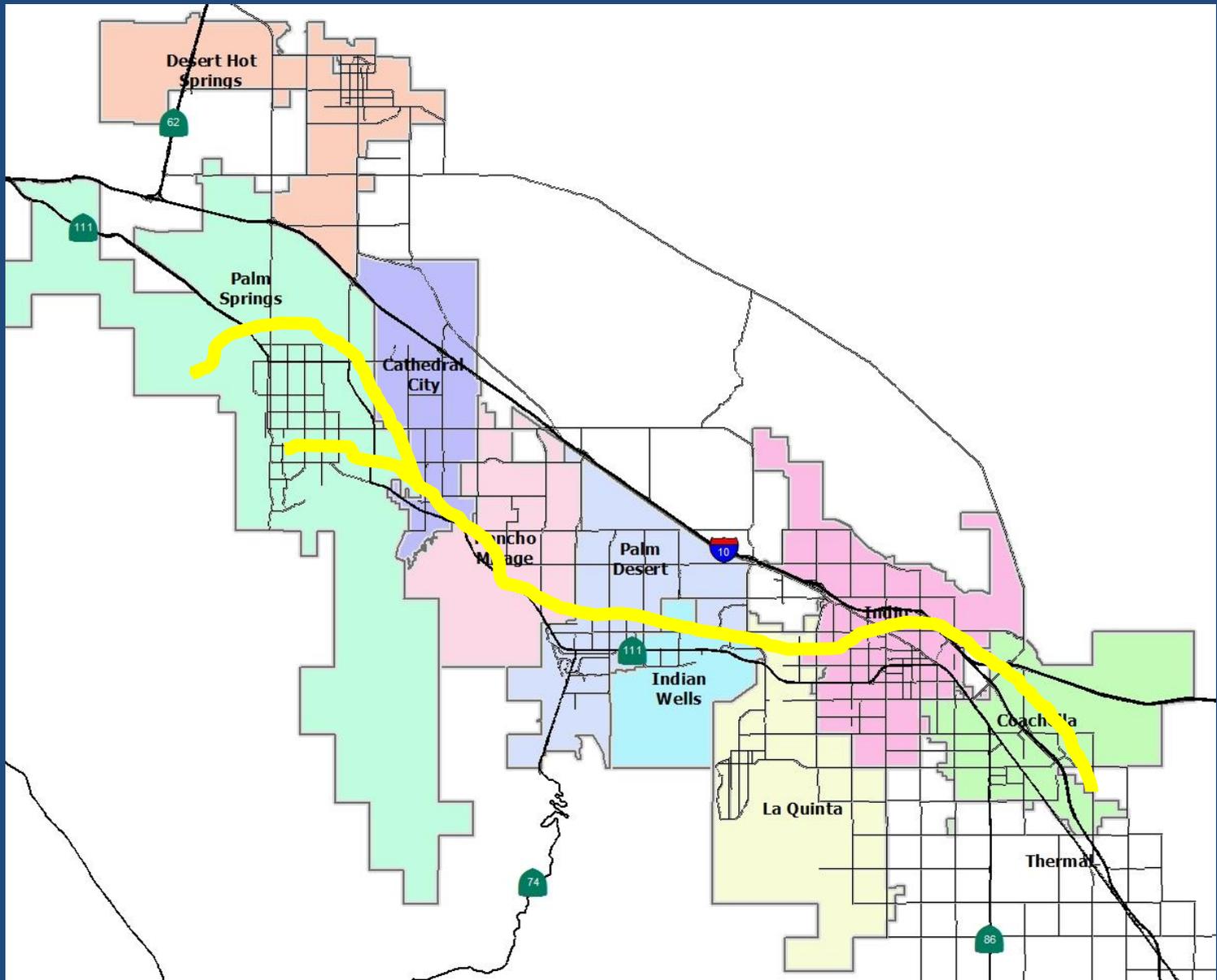
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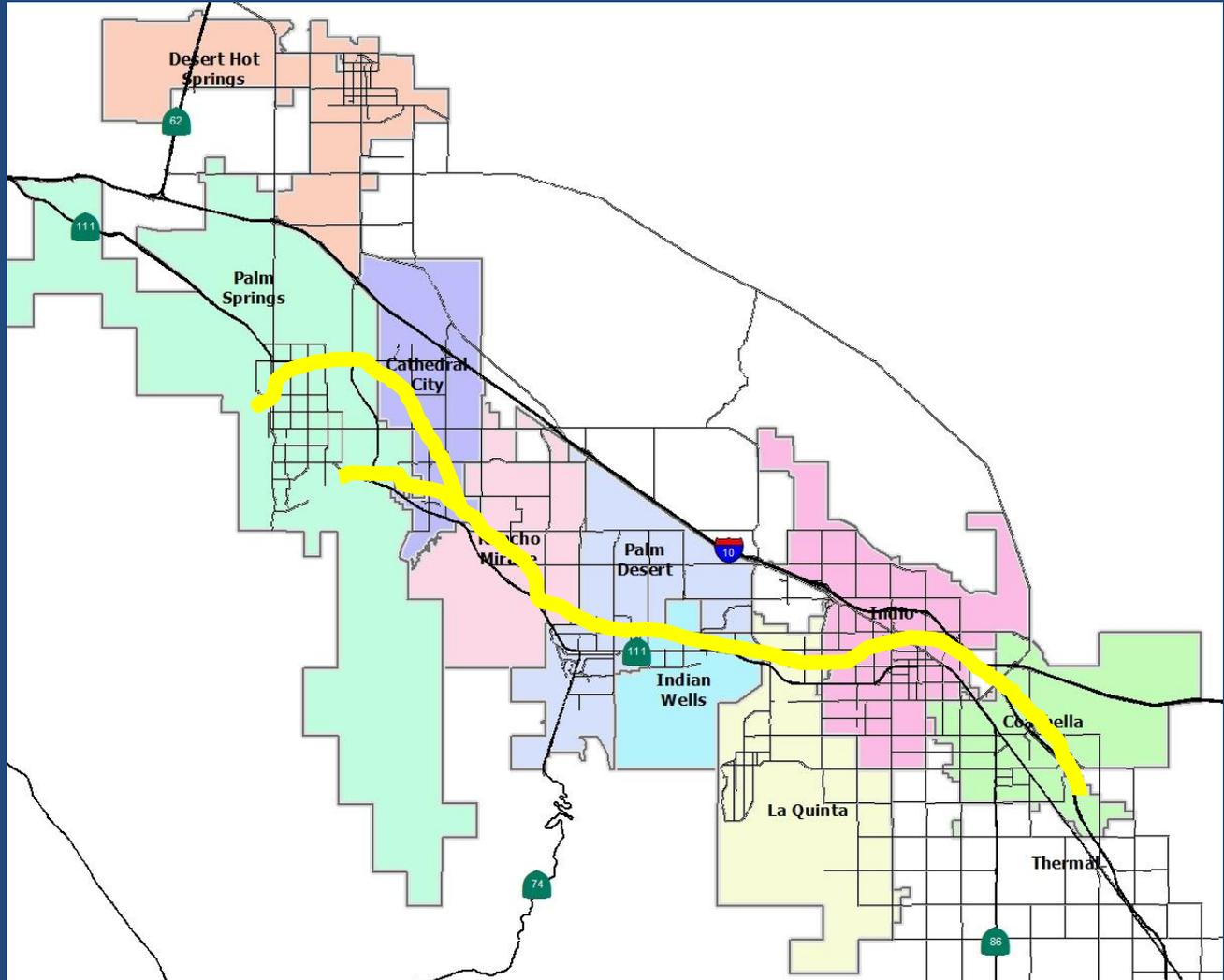
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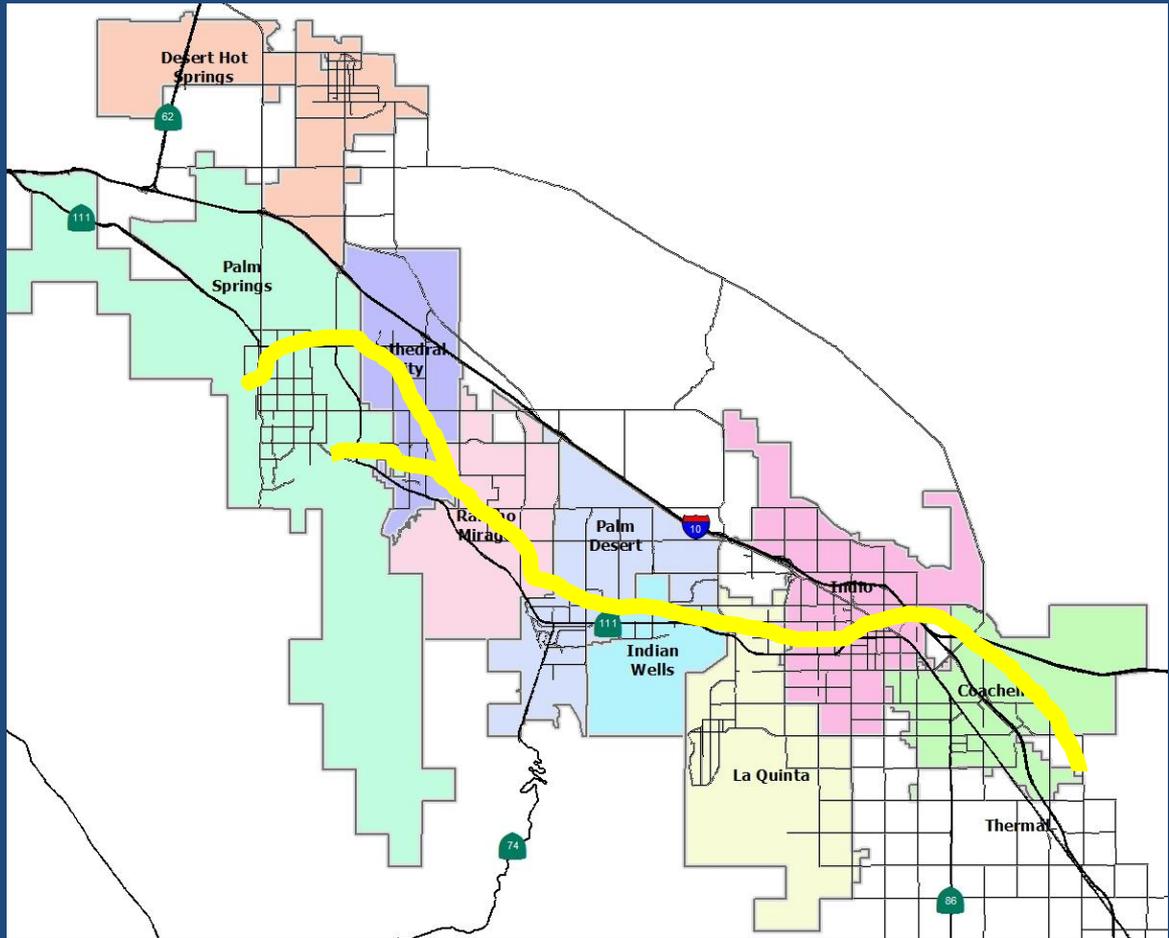
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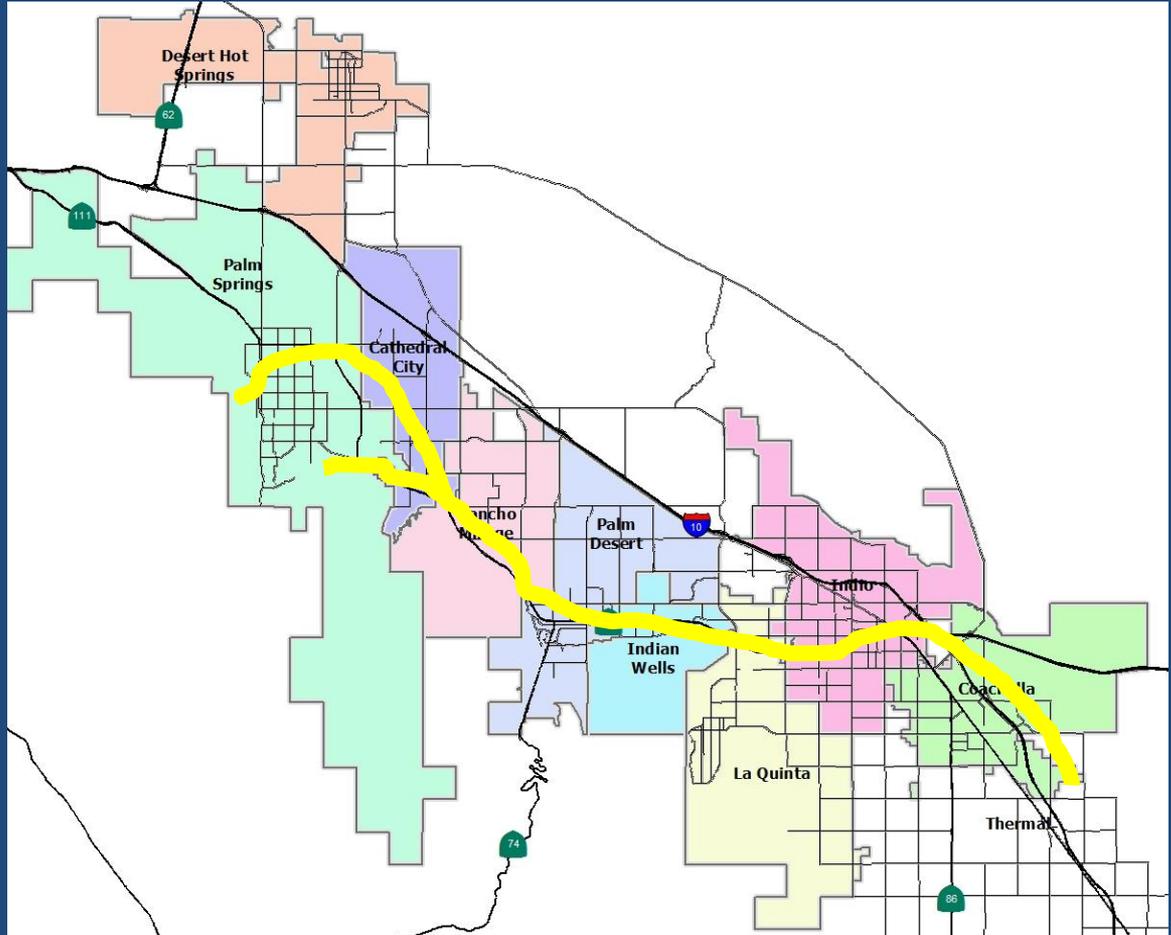


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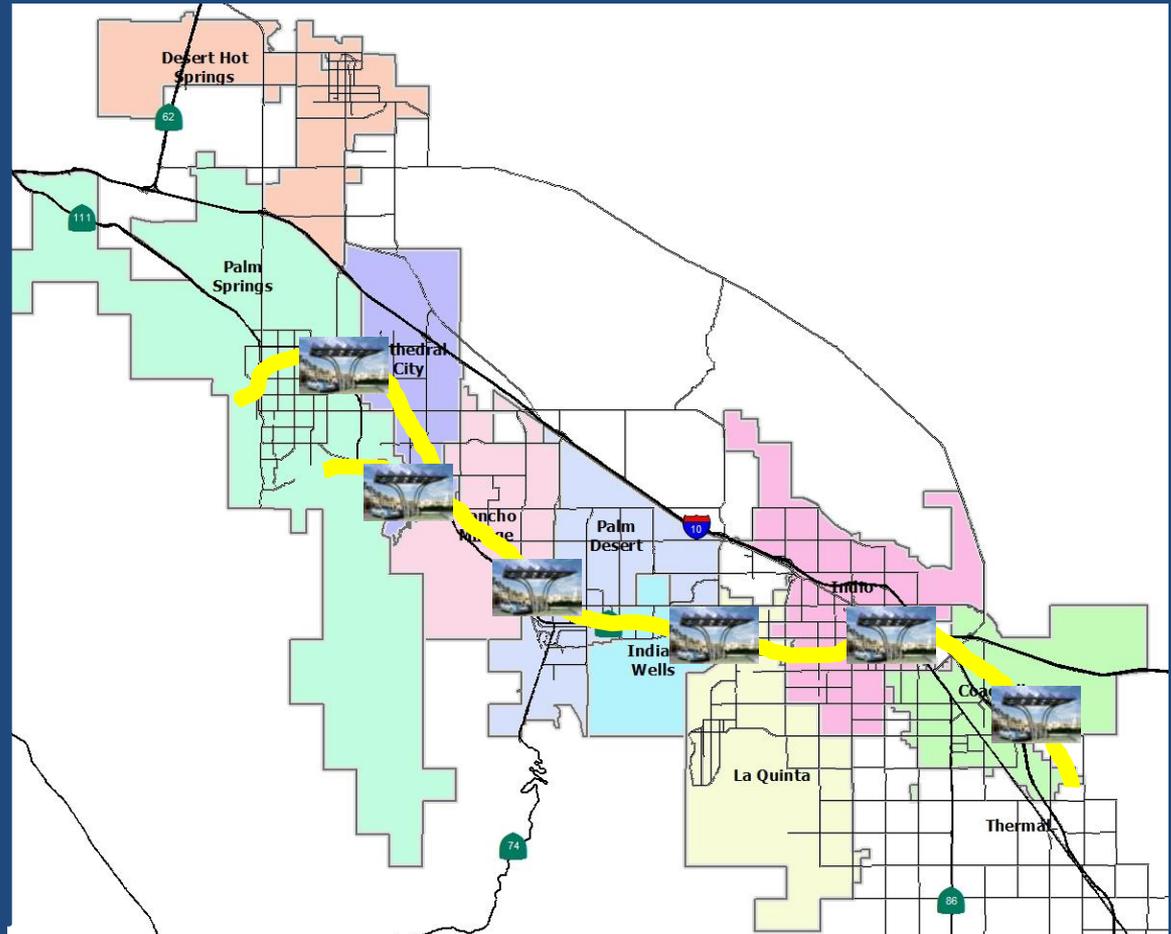


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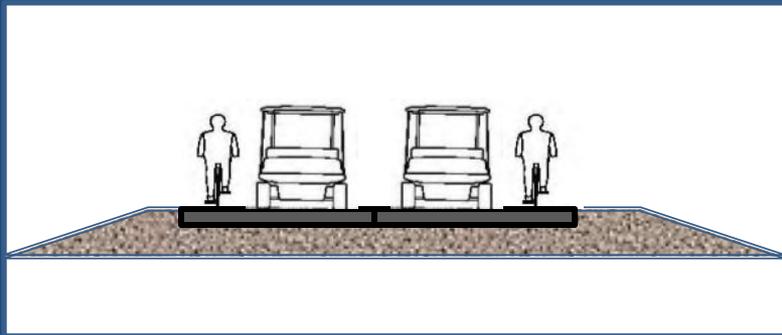
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What if..



Won't Additions Increase Cost?

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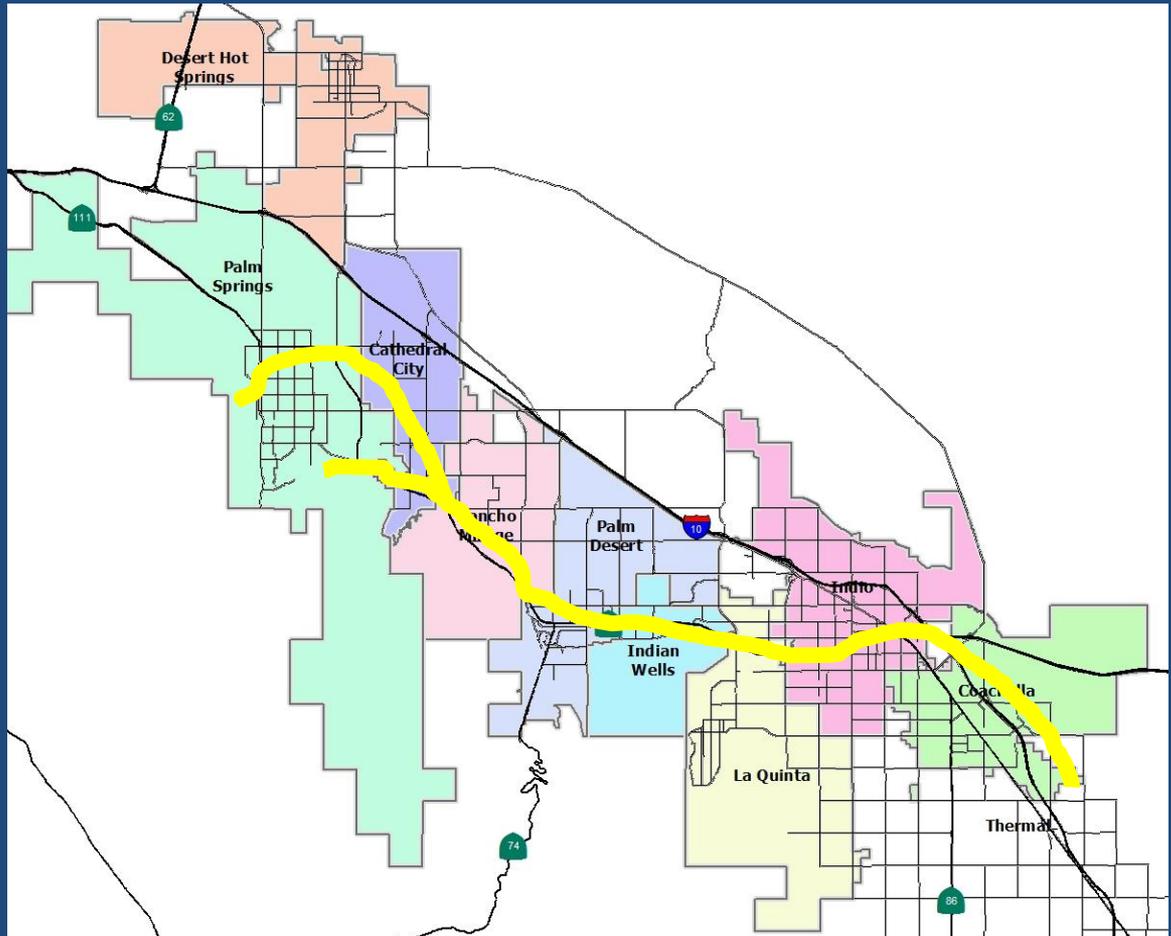


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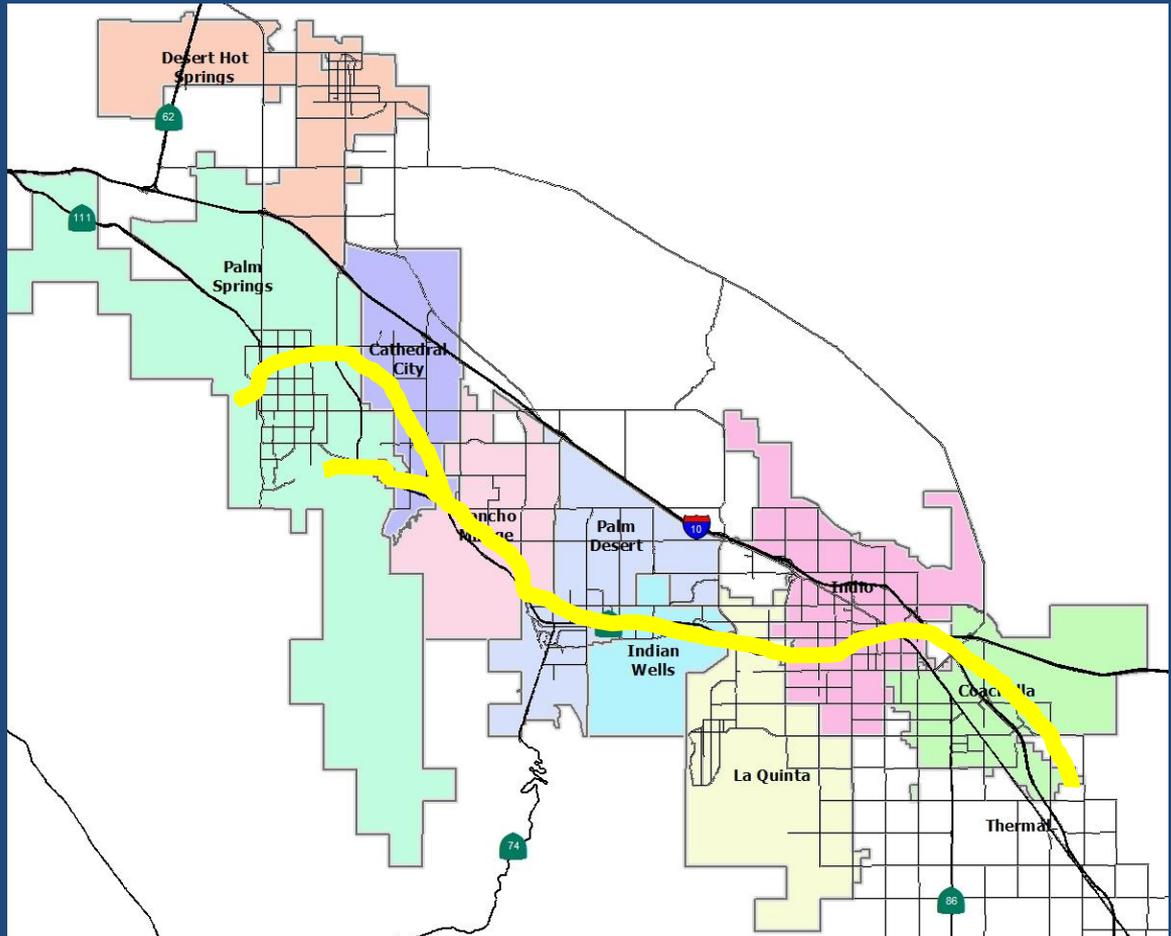
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Cost Versus Economic Benefit



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\$70M

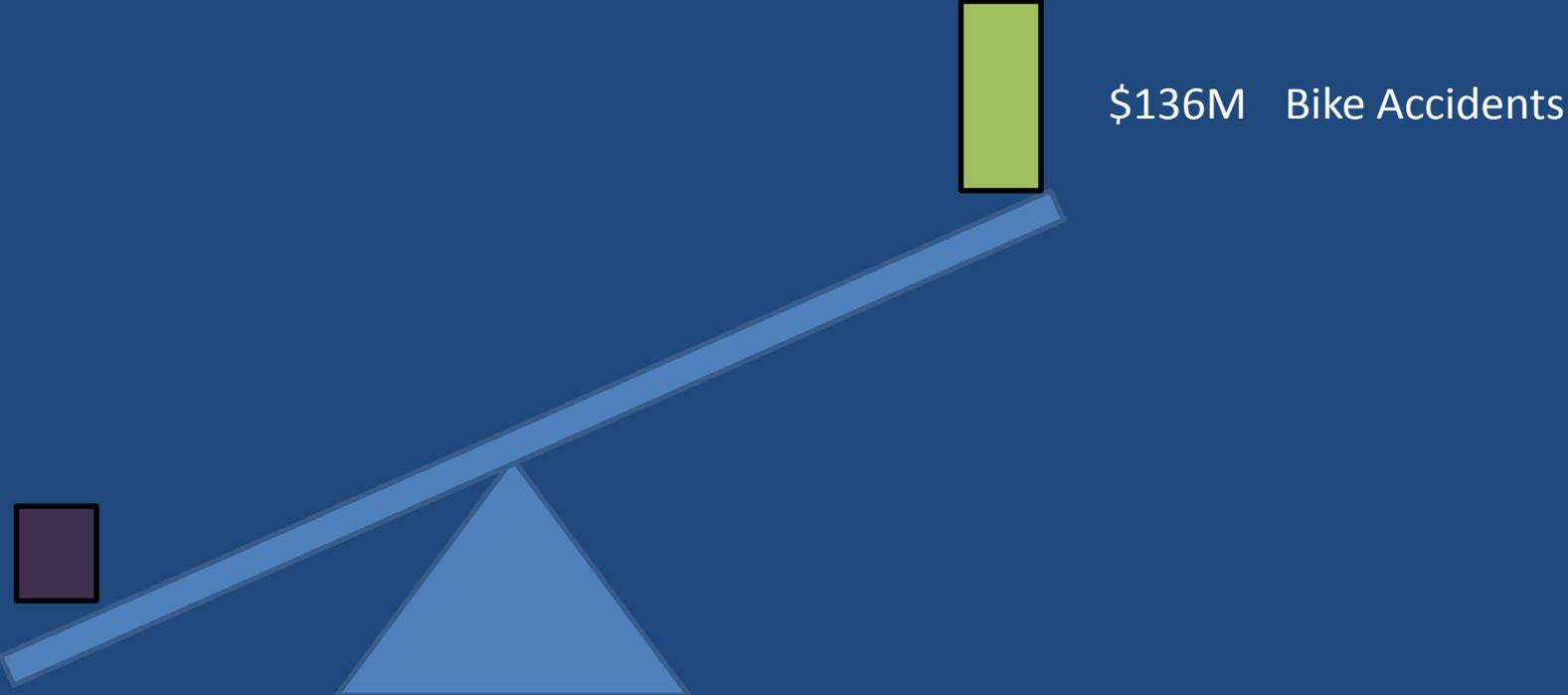


\$136M Bike Accidents



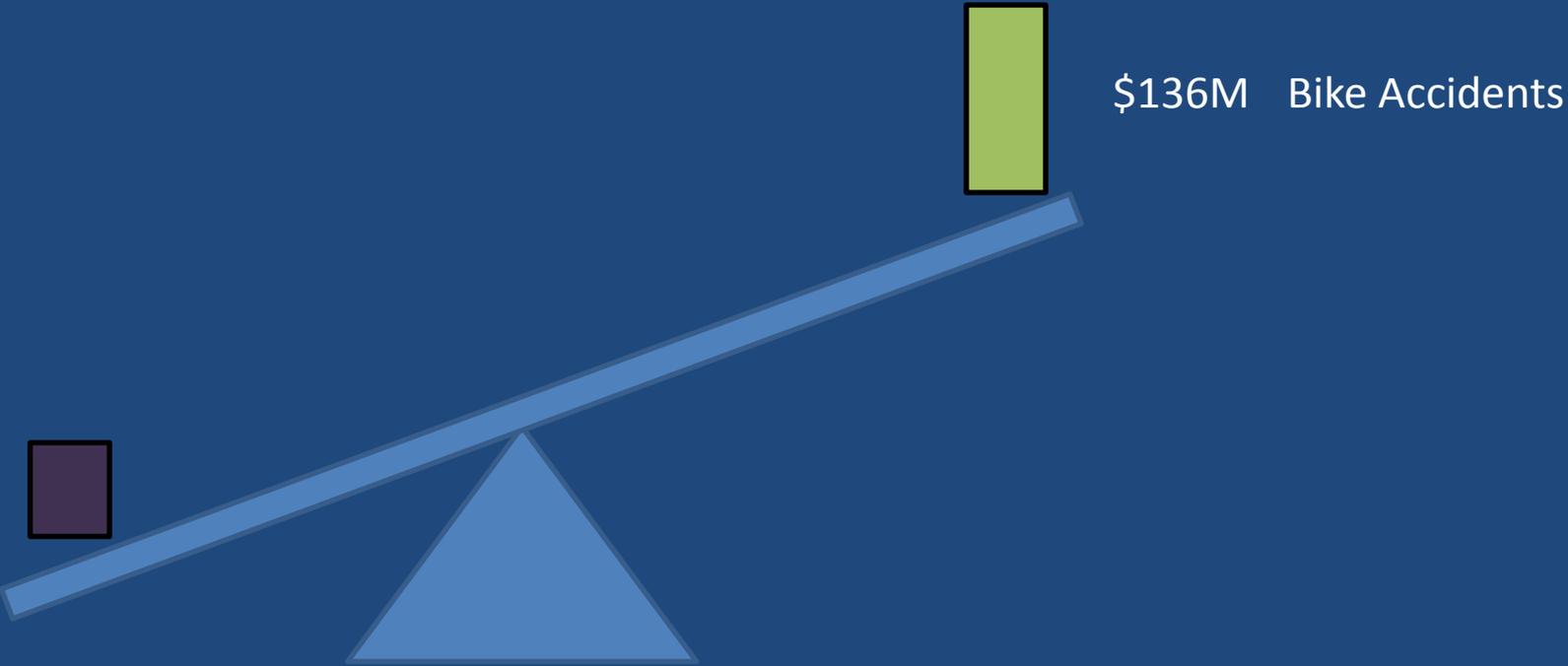
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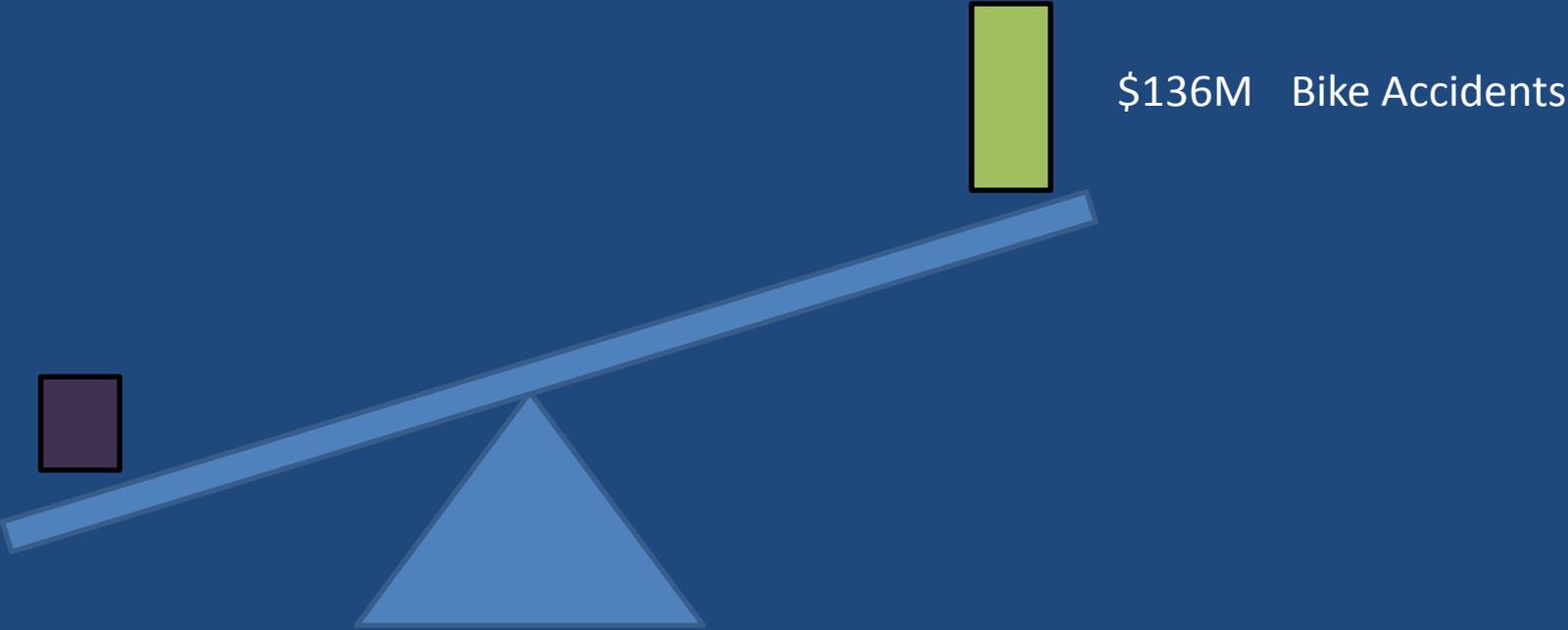
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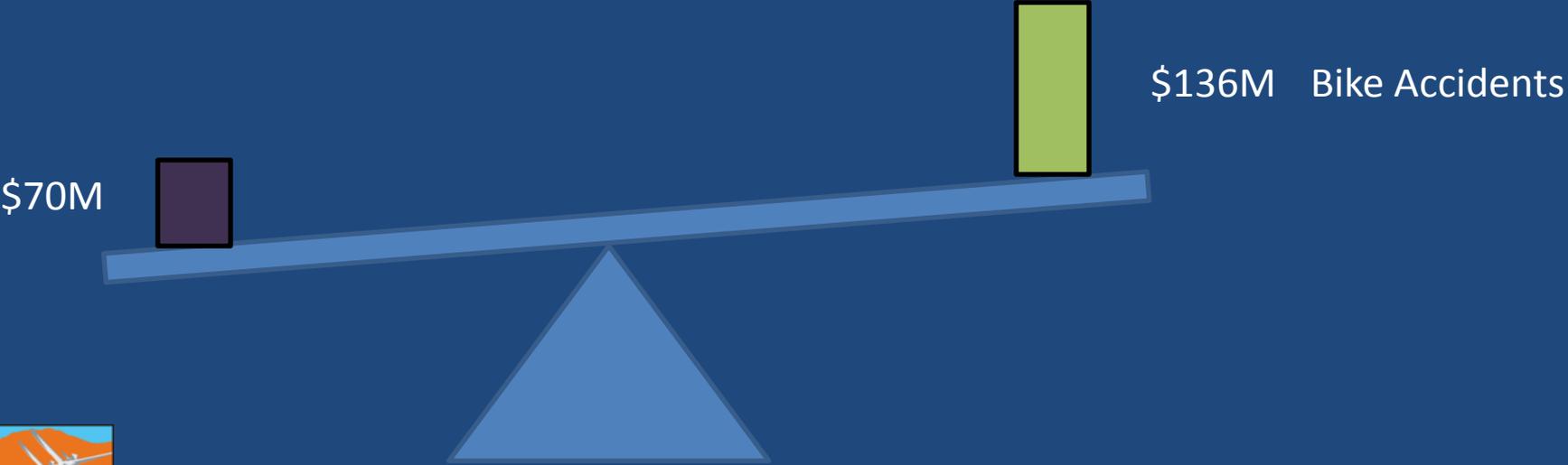
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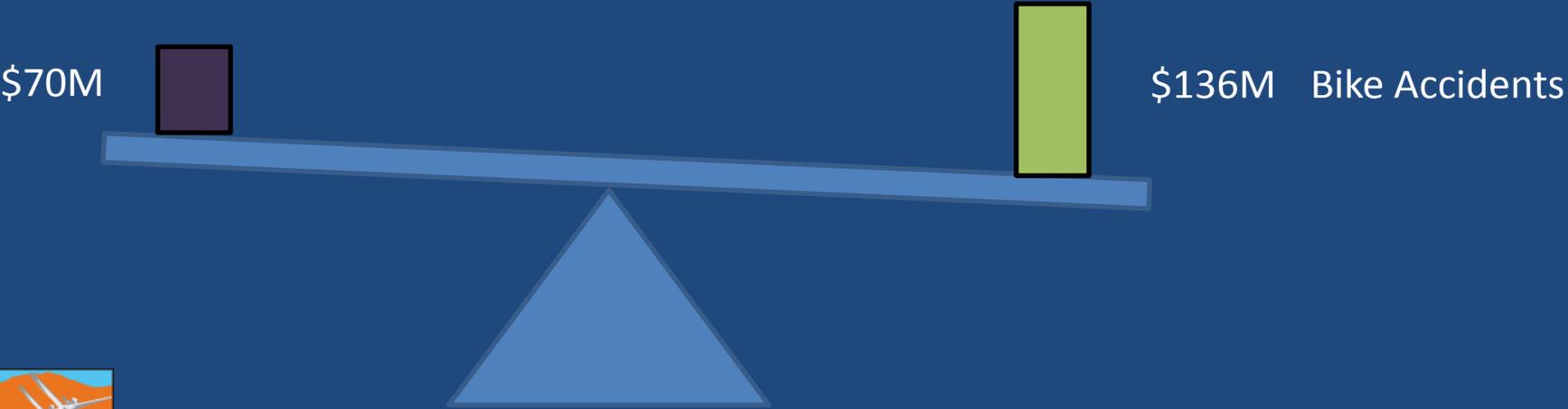
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Cost Versus Economic Benefit

Secondary Tourism \$300M

\$70M



Tourism \$487M



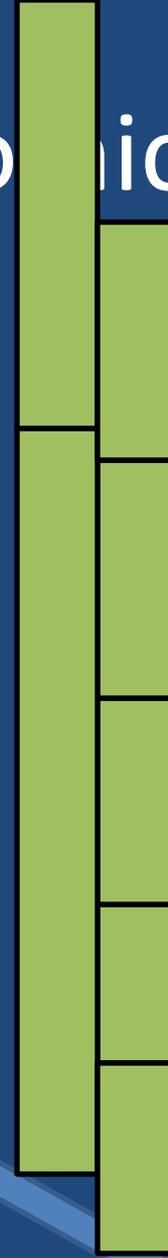
\$152M Property Valuation,
Gas, Etc.

\$152M Health

\$137M Events

\$102M Construction

\$136M Bike Accidents



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Direction to Design Team

- Nationally Renown Trail Designers – Alta
- Tourism Industry Support – Not Typical Trail
- Must capture attention
- Must be Iconic



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The Desert Sun

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'Game-changer' experience



Underpasses



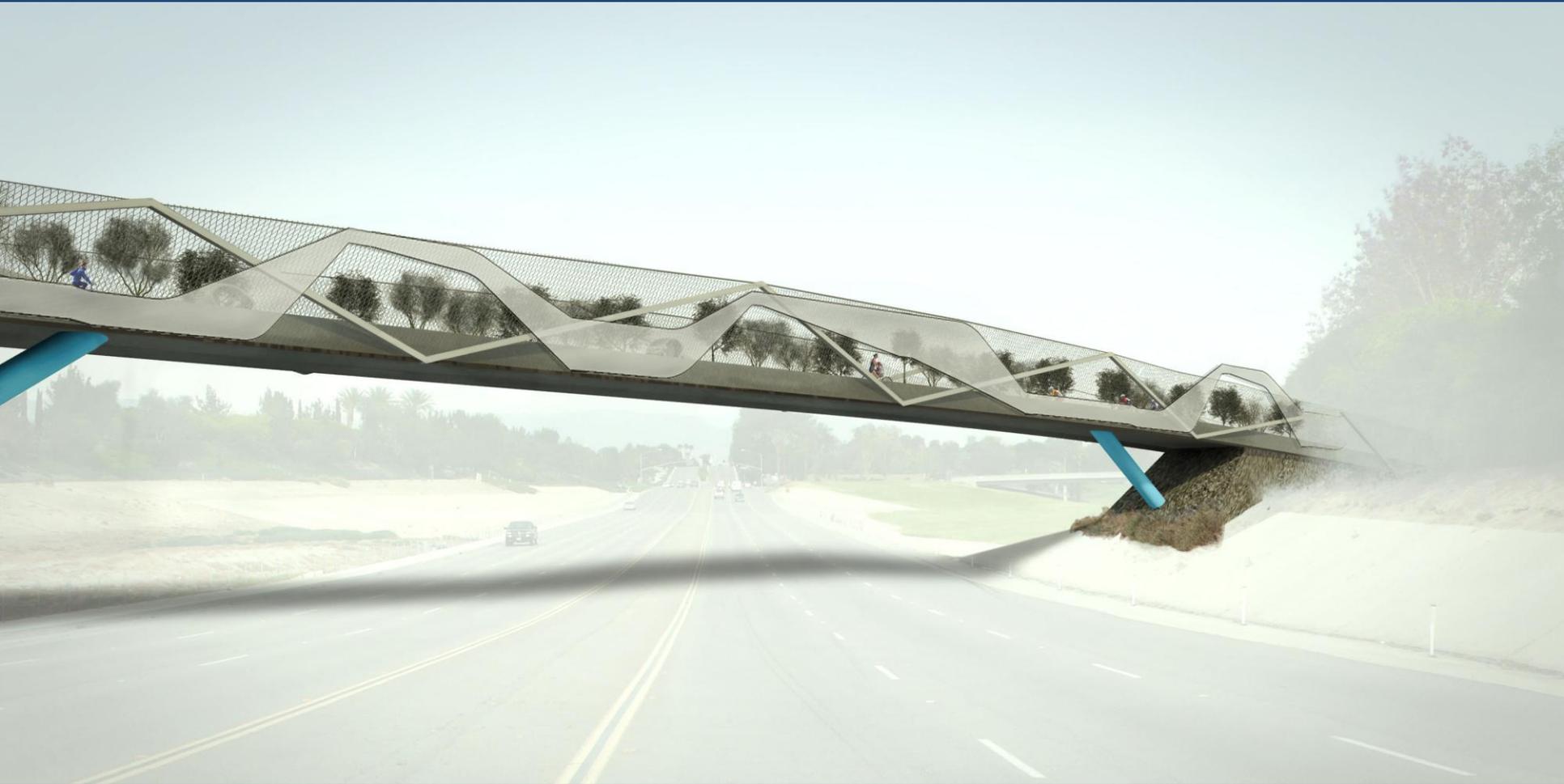
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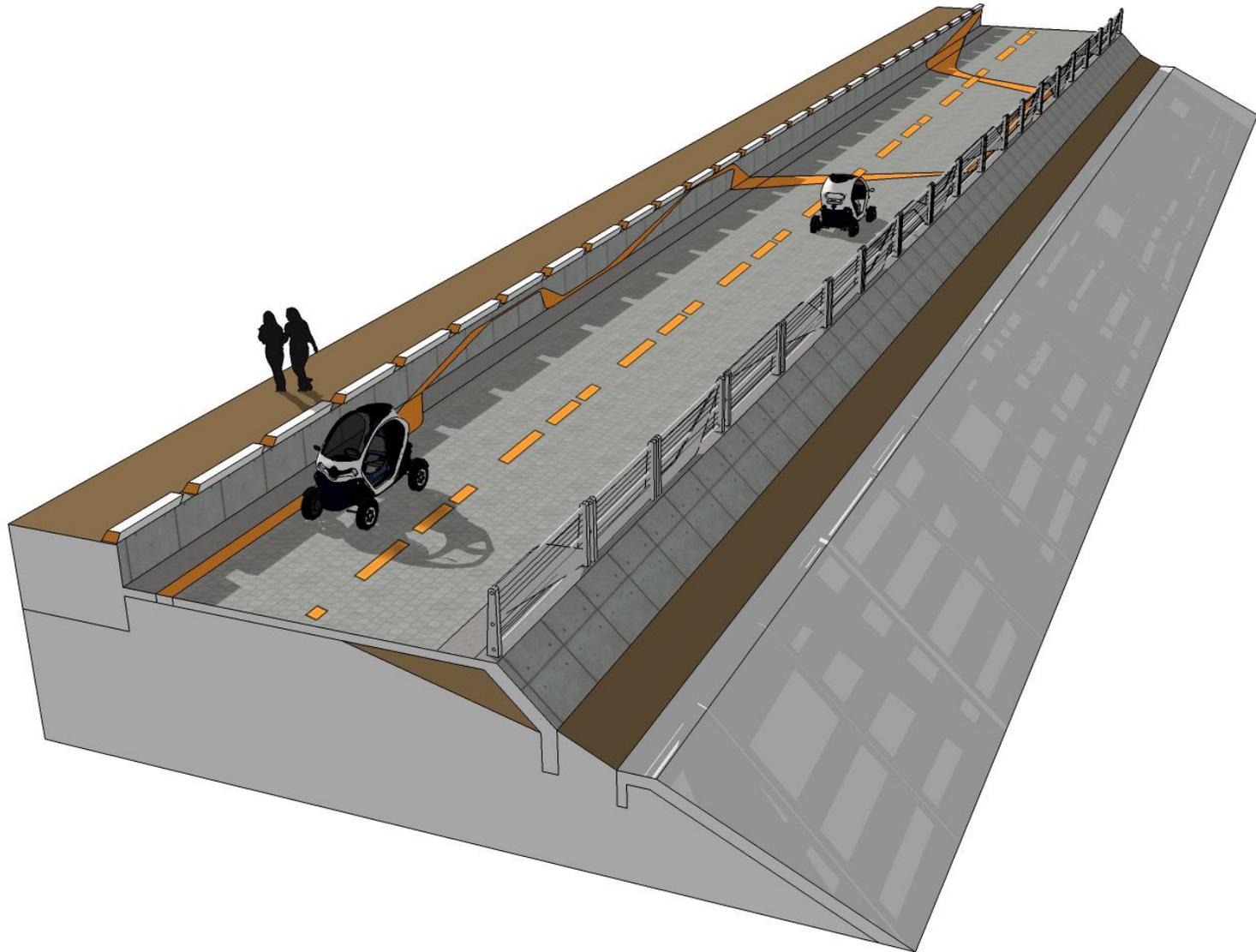
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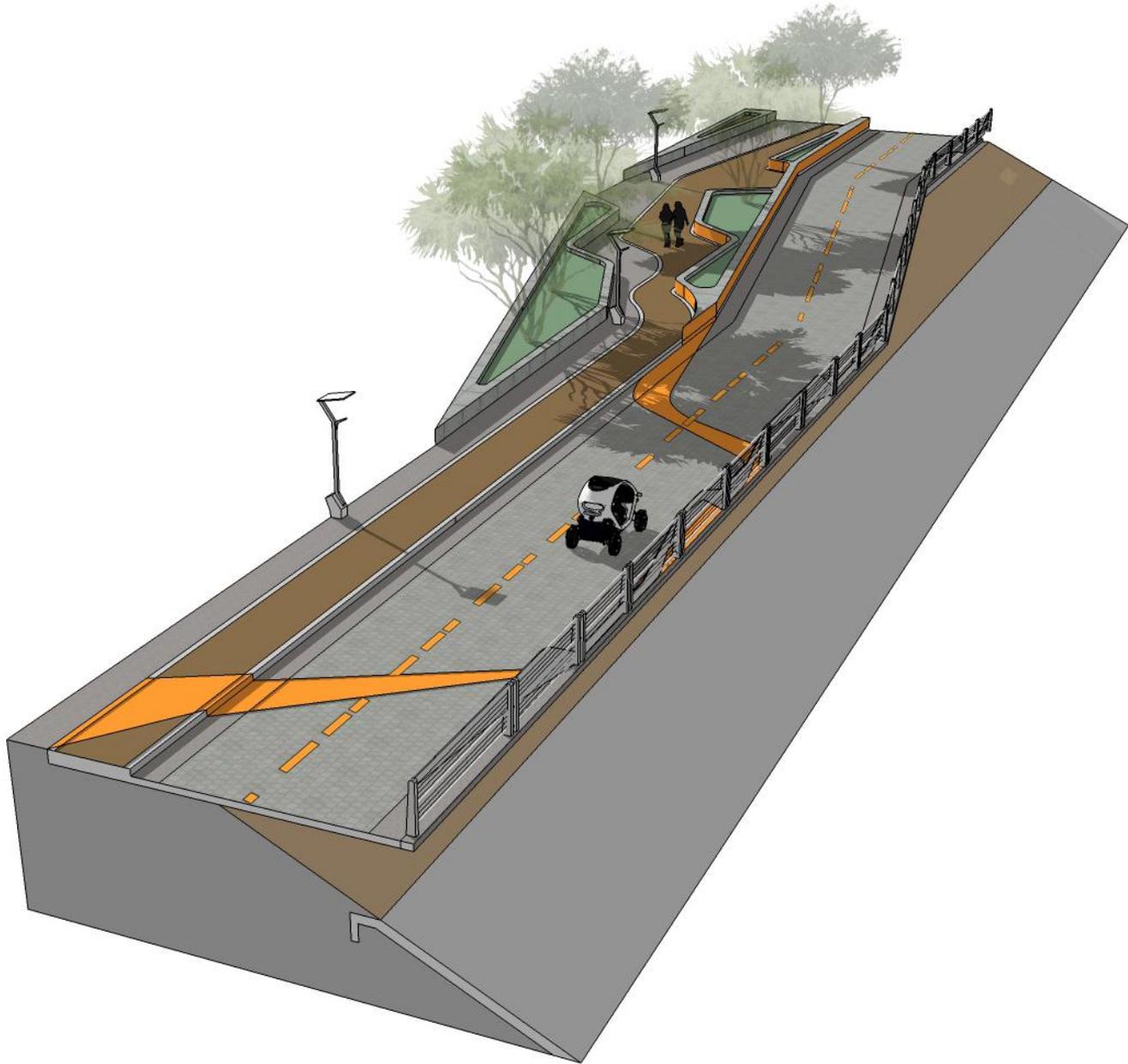
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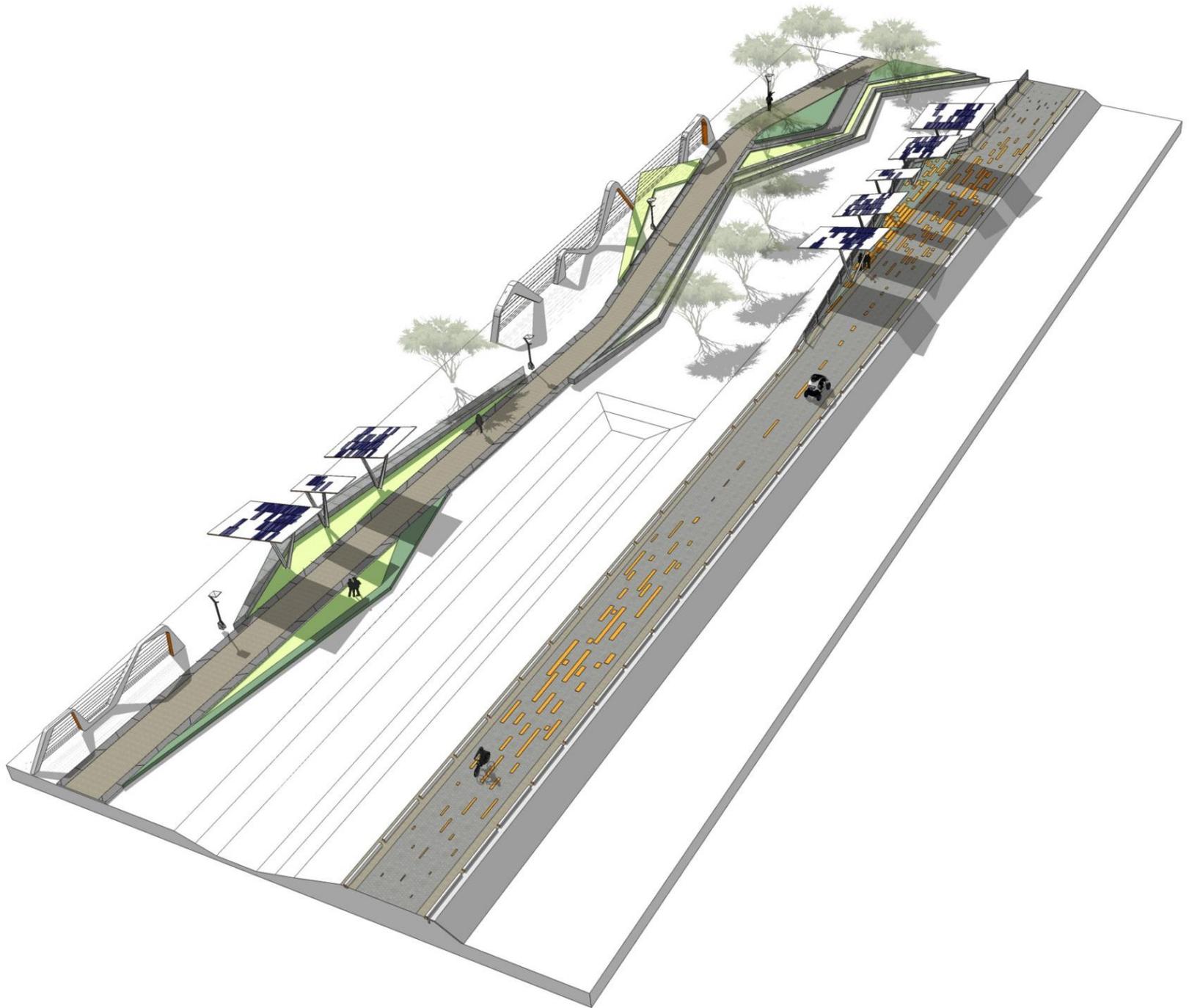


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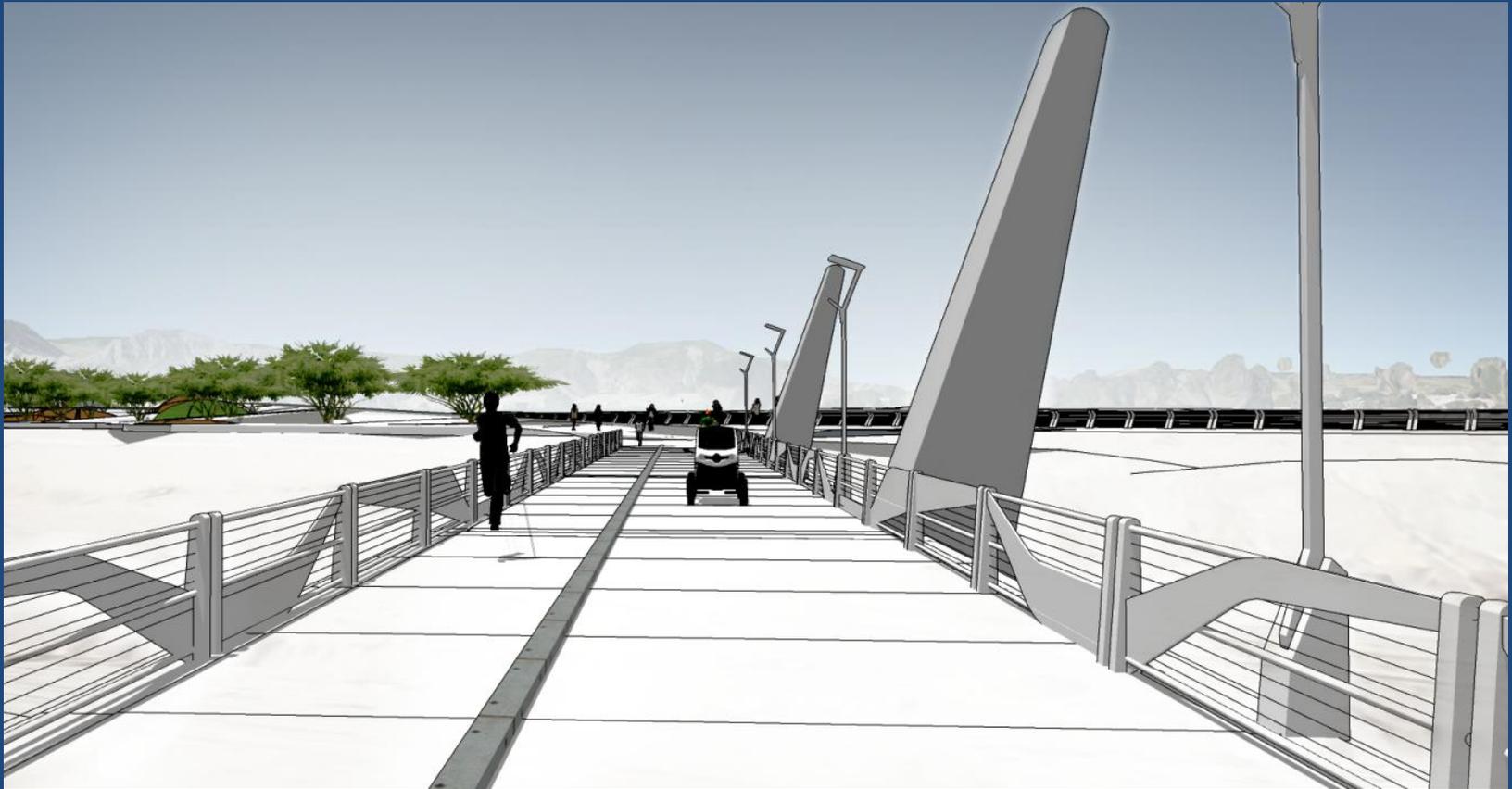


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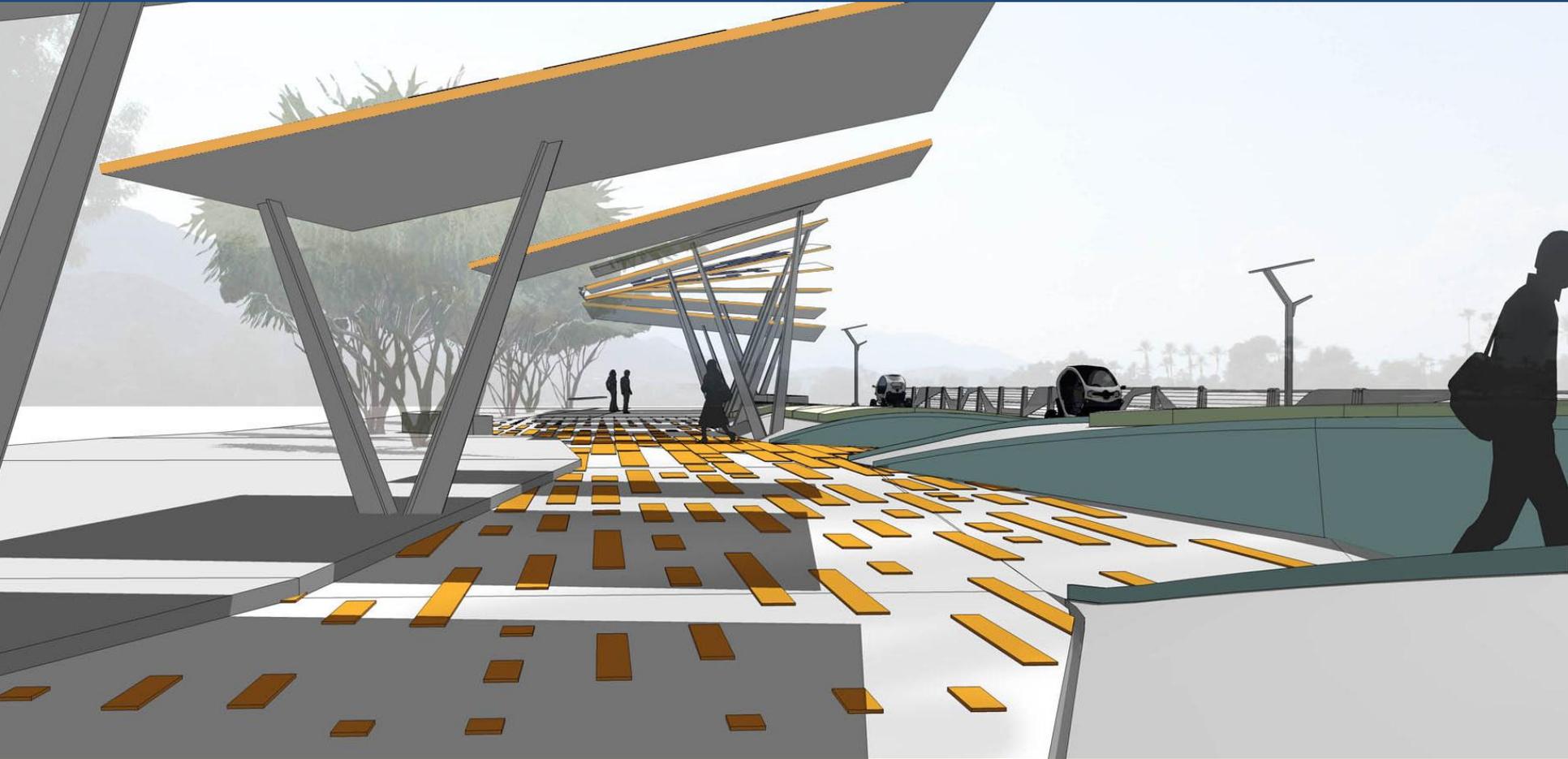




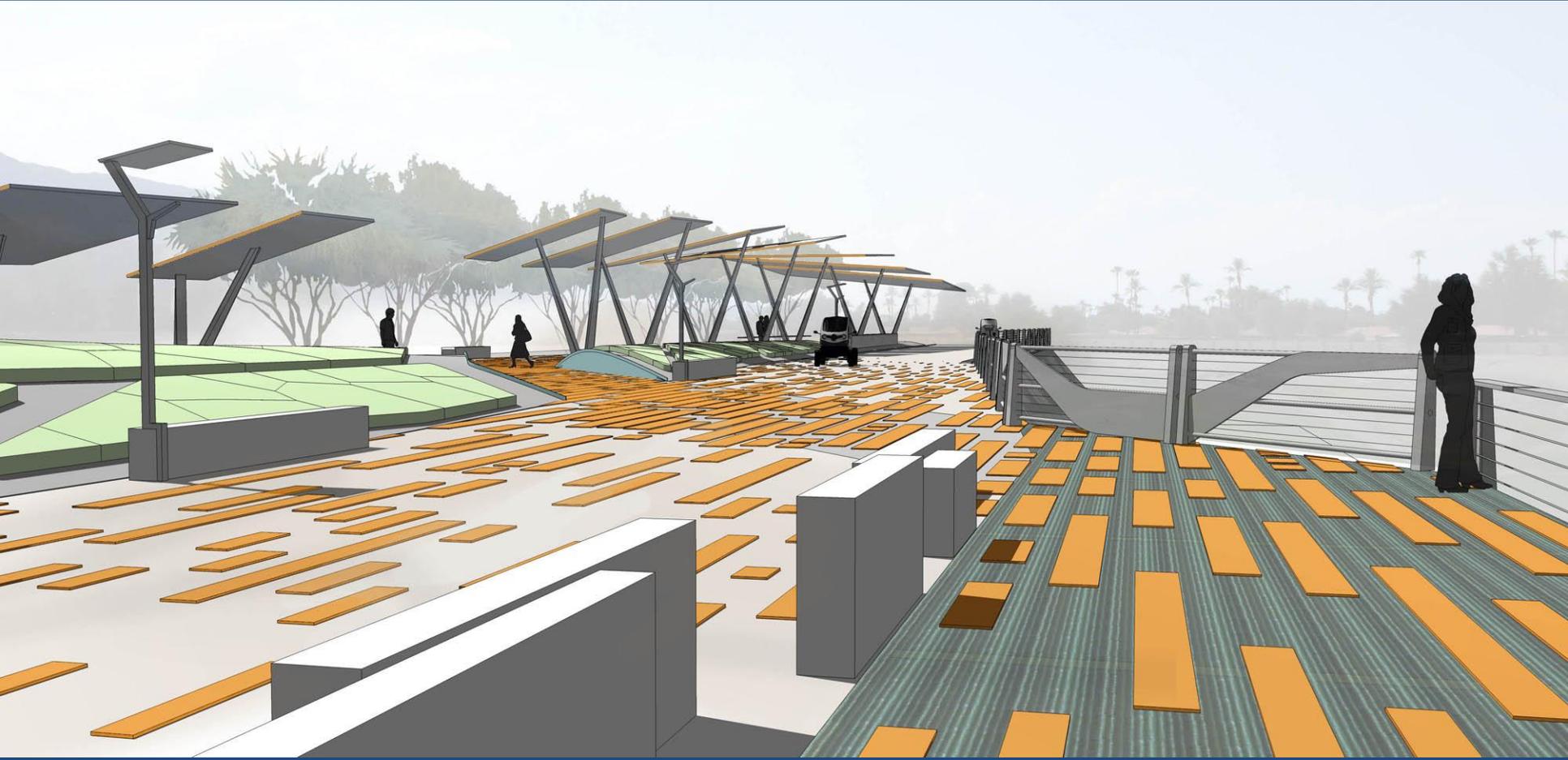
Bridges at Channels



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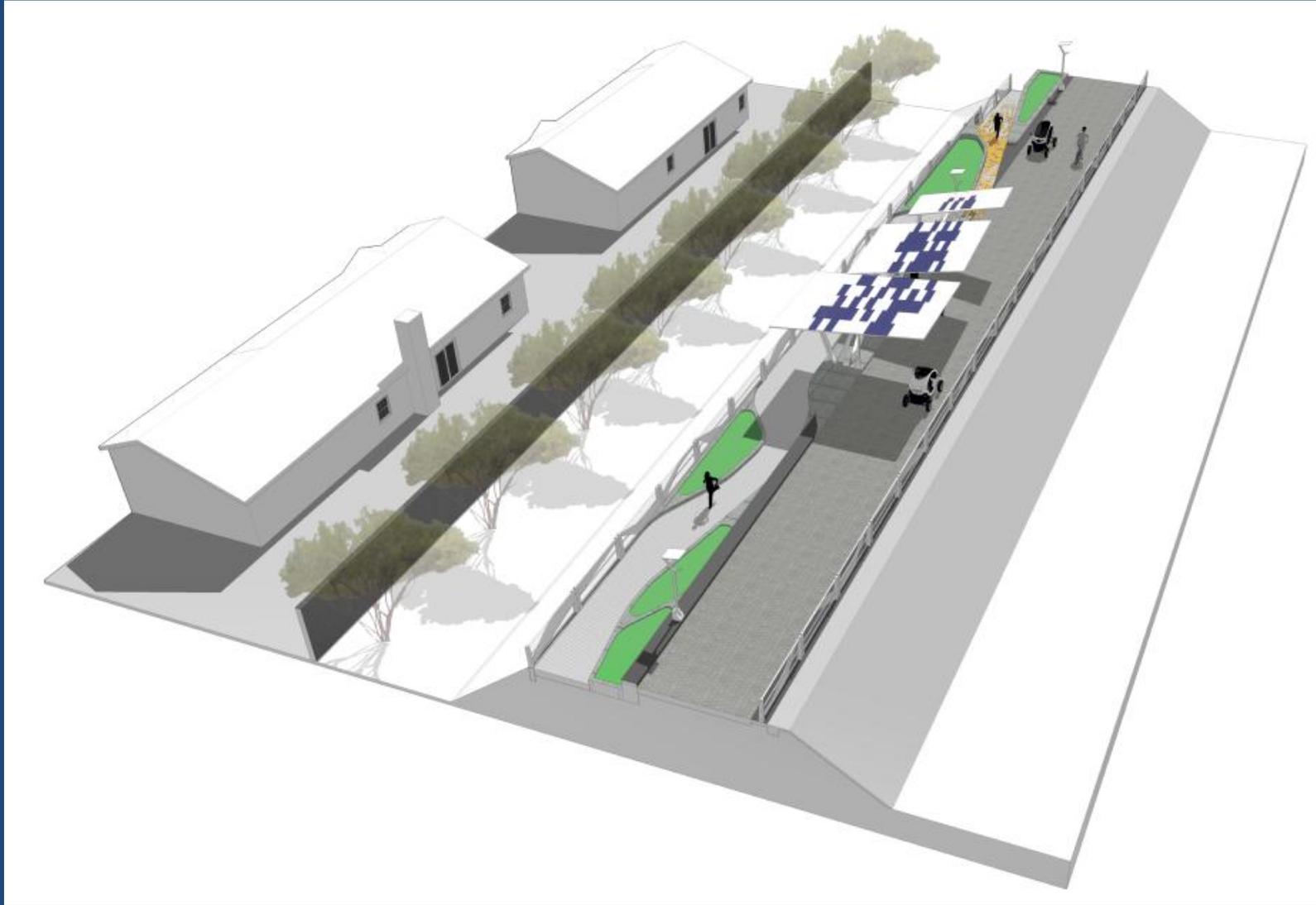
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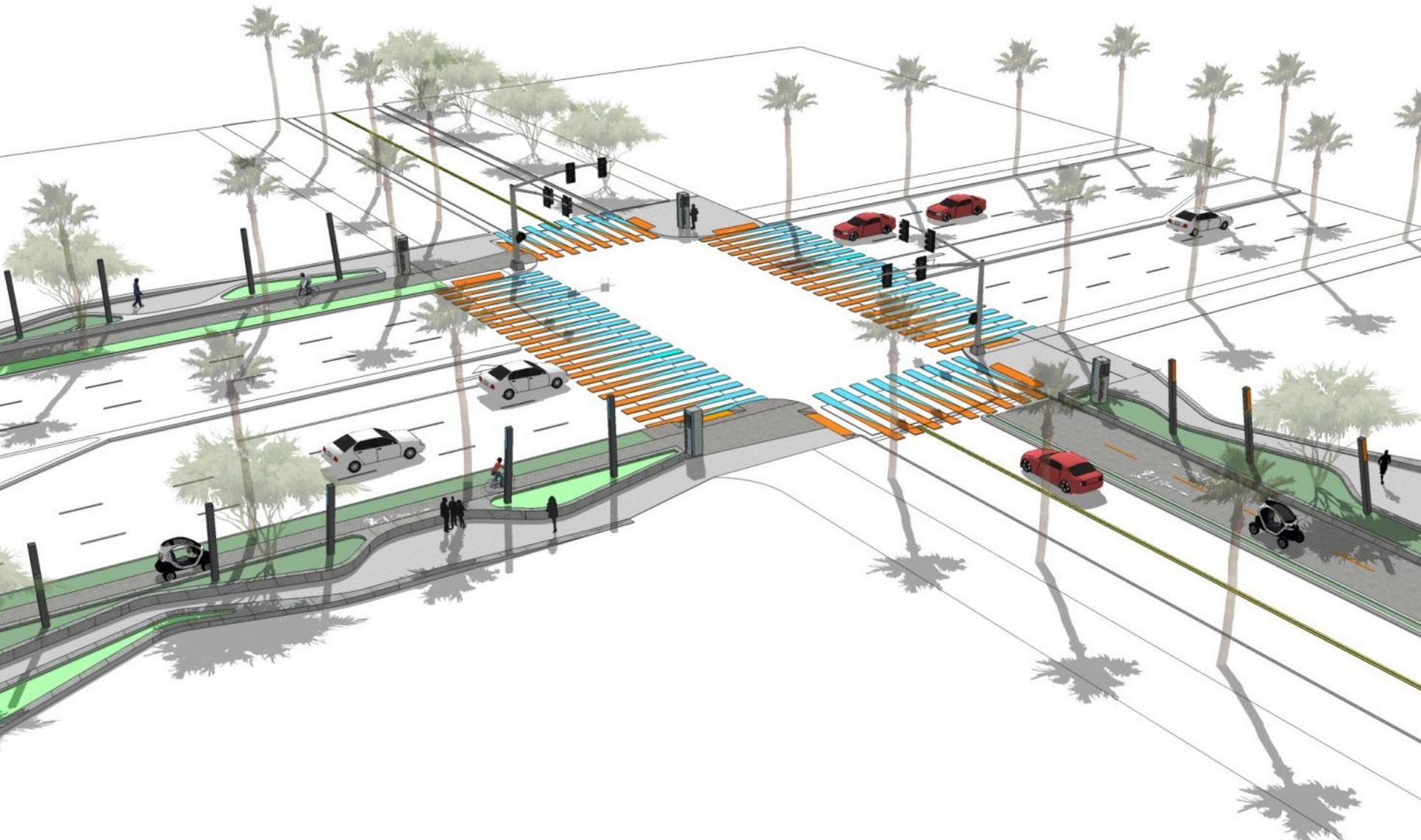
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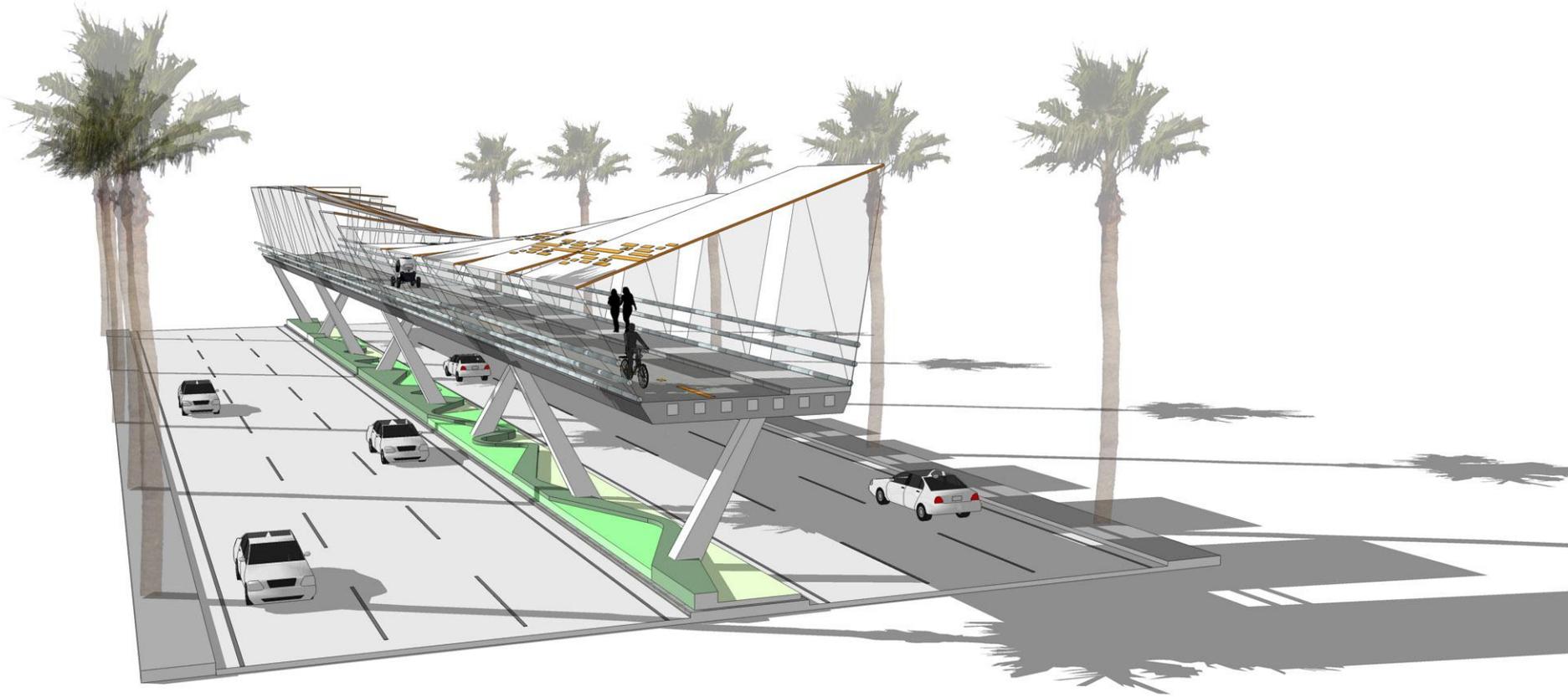
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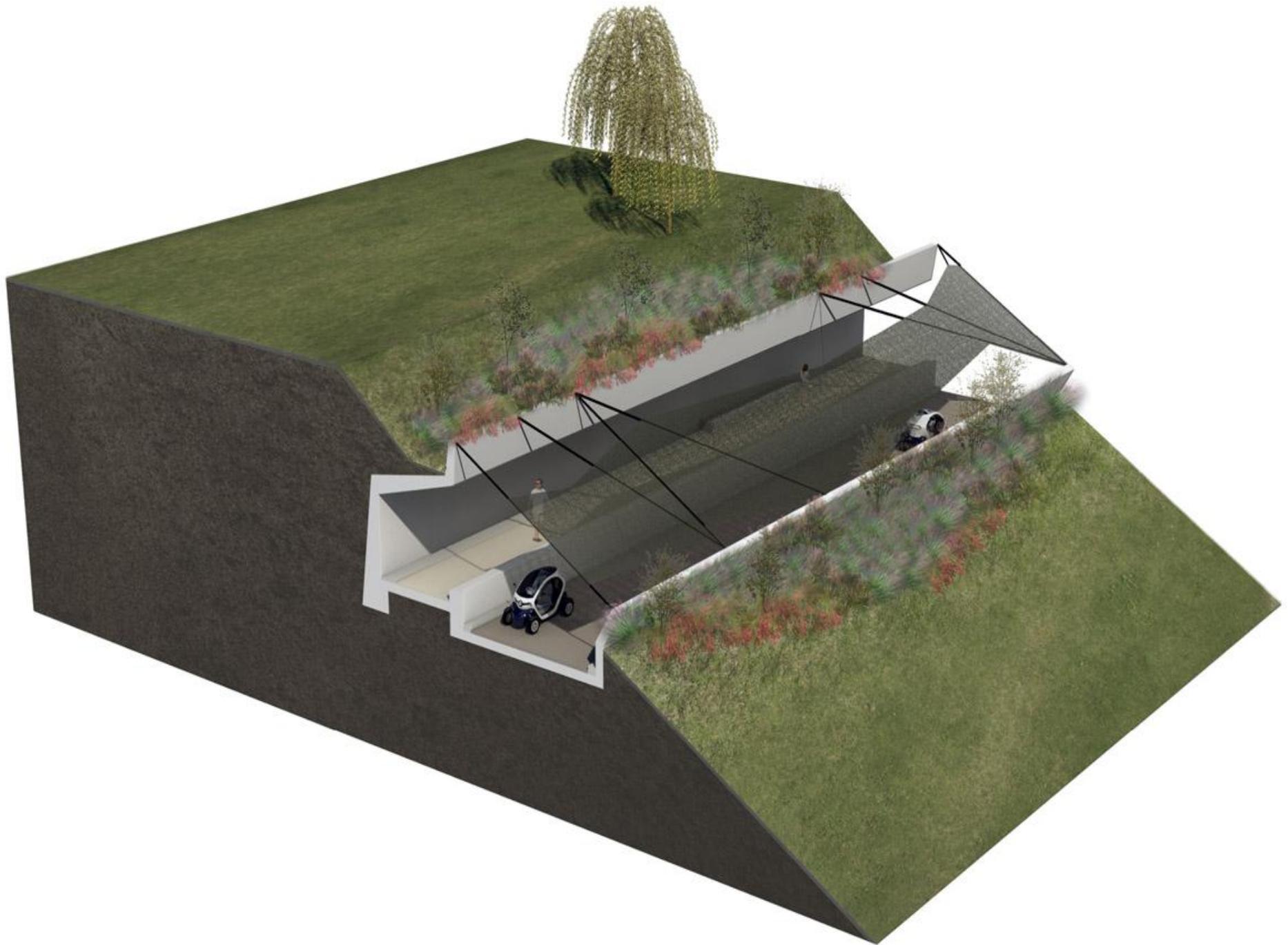
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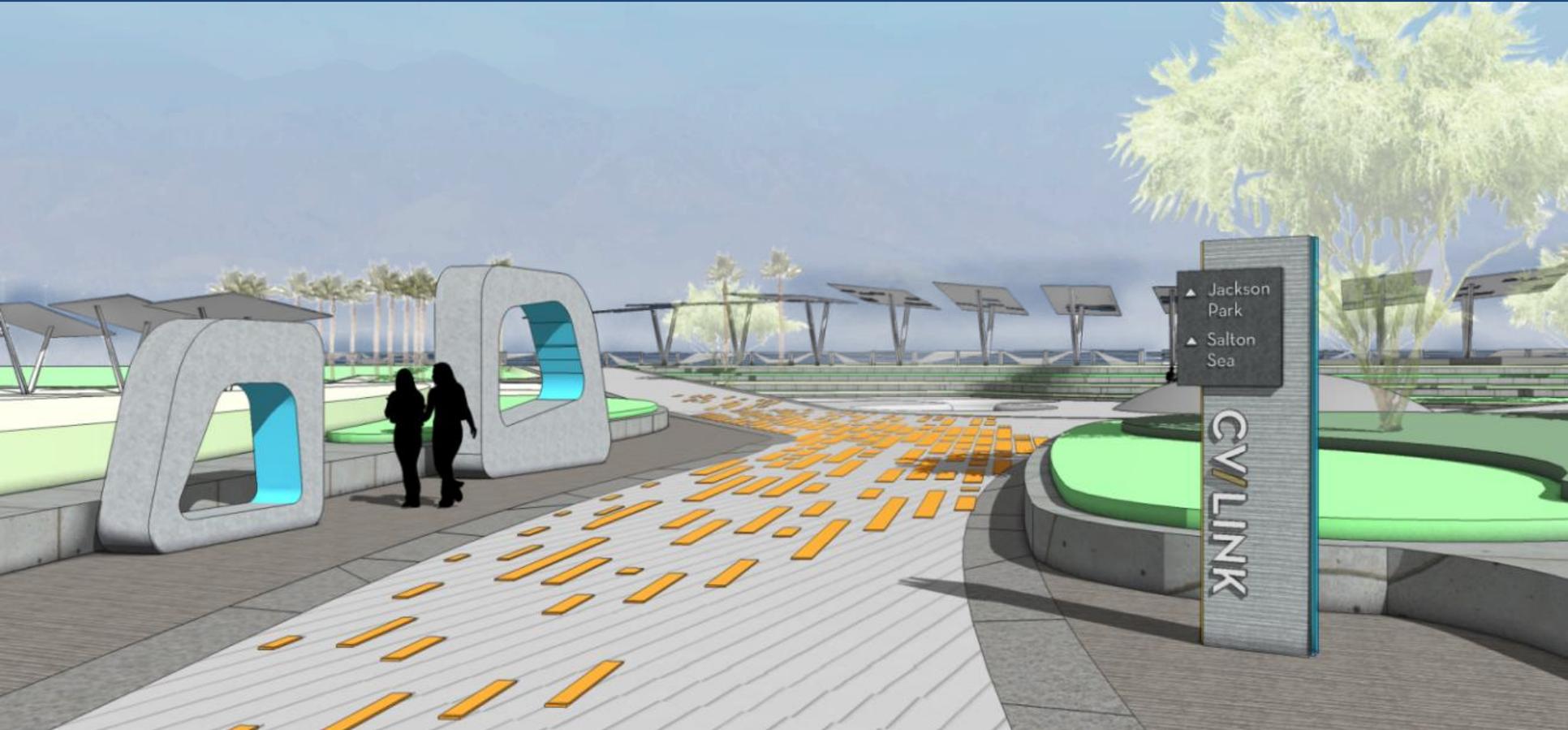
Trailheads + Access Points



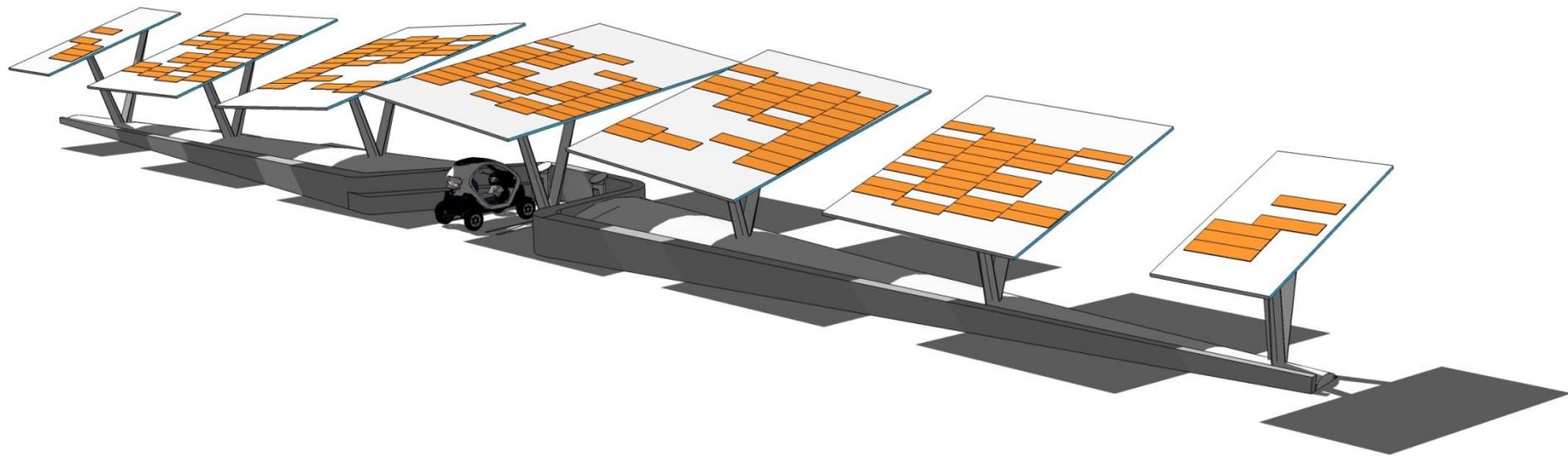
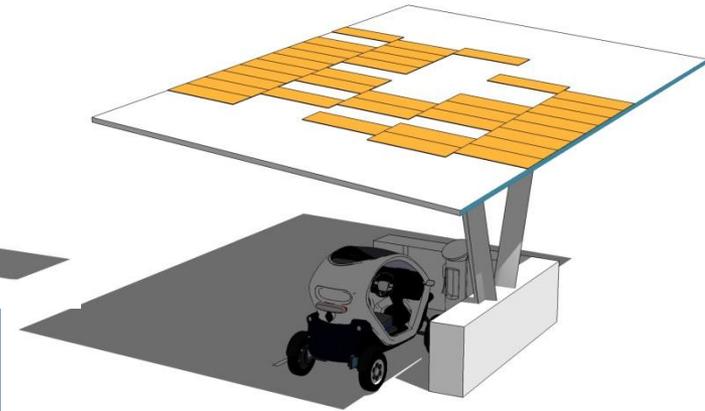
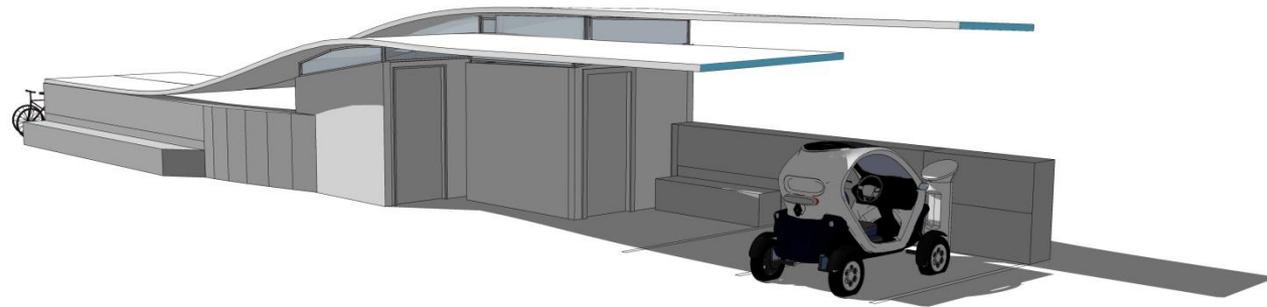
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Charging Stations



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Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Program



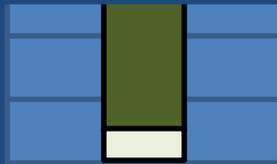
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Next Steps

- Master Plan & EIR – Dec 2014
- Groundbreaking – Nov 2015

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Welcome to the **CV Link** project information page.

Welcome to the **CV Link** a revolutionary new concept in transportation. Led by the Coachella Valley Association of Governments, the CV Link is the first of its kind to incorporate within one project pedestrians, bicyclists and low-speed electric vehicles. CV Link will connect eight Coachella Valley Cities and the lands of two federally recognized tribes with an alternate transportation route to the busiest corridor in the Coachella Valley.

Social Media



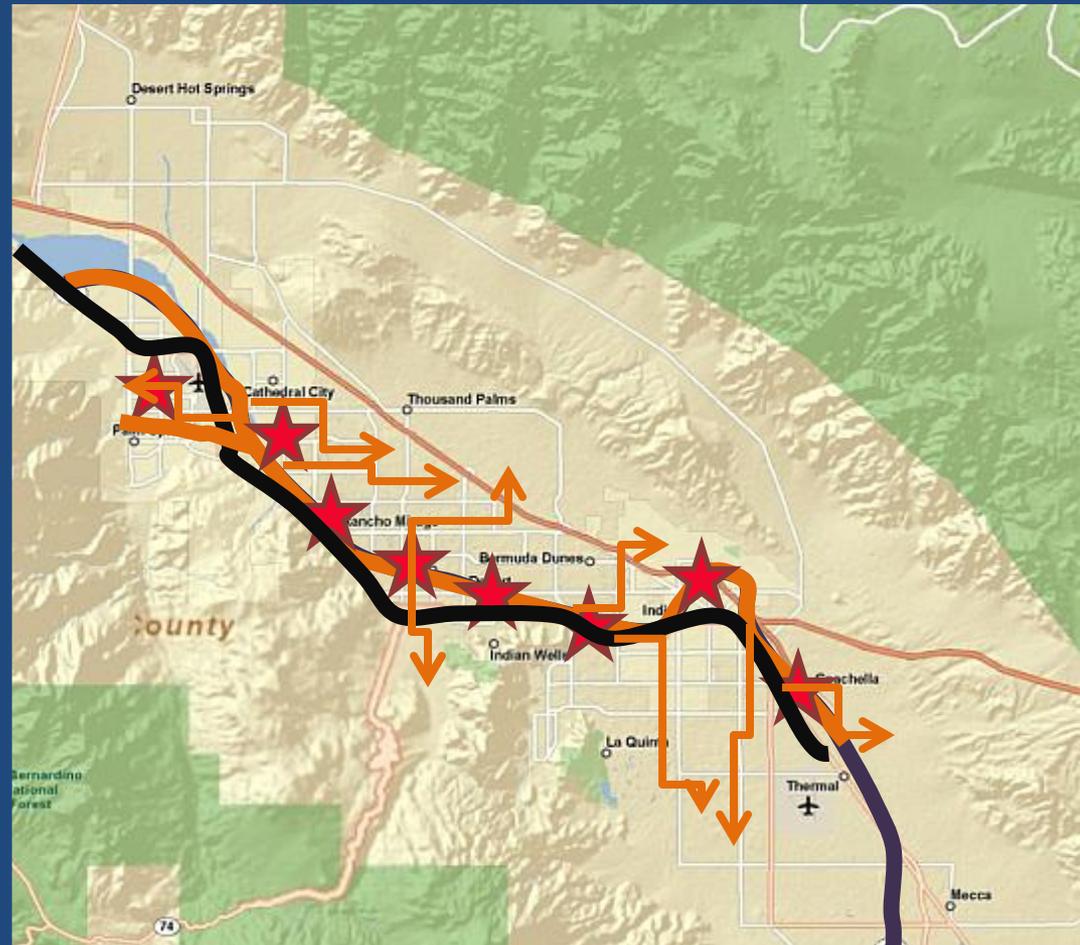
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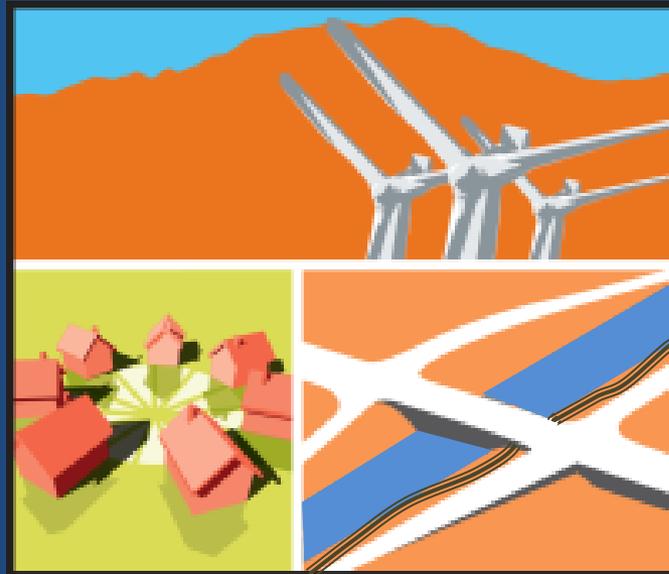
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CV Link

- Weaves Through 8 CV Cities
- Stimulate Local Connections
- Spine Just Like Hwy 111



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CONNECTING THE COACHELLA VALLEY



About the Project

A visionary and revolutionary new concept in transportation is coming to the Coachella Valley! **CV Link** will provide an exciting alternative to Highway 111 by connecting our Valley through a safe path for bicyclists, pedestrians and low-speed electric vehicles.

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Promotes Active and Healthy Lifestyles • Stimulates Tourism • Creates a Safe Environment

Permite Movilidad Eficiente Por El Valle • Mejora La Calidad Del Aire • Alivia El Tráfico • Crea Trabajos

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CONECTANDO EL VALLE DE COACHELLA



Sobre el Proyecto

¡Un concepto nuevo en transportación que es visionario y revolucionario esta llegando al Valle de Coachella! CV Link va proveer una alternativa de la Carretera 111 y conectara nuestro Valle a través de una vía segura para ciclistas, peatones y vehículos eléctricos de baja velocidad.

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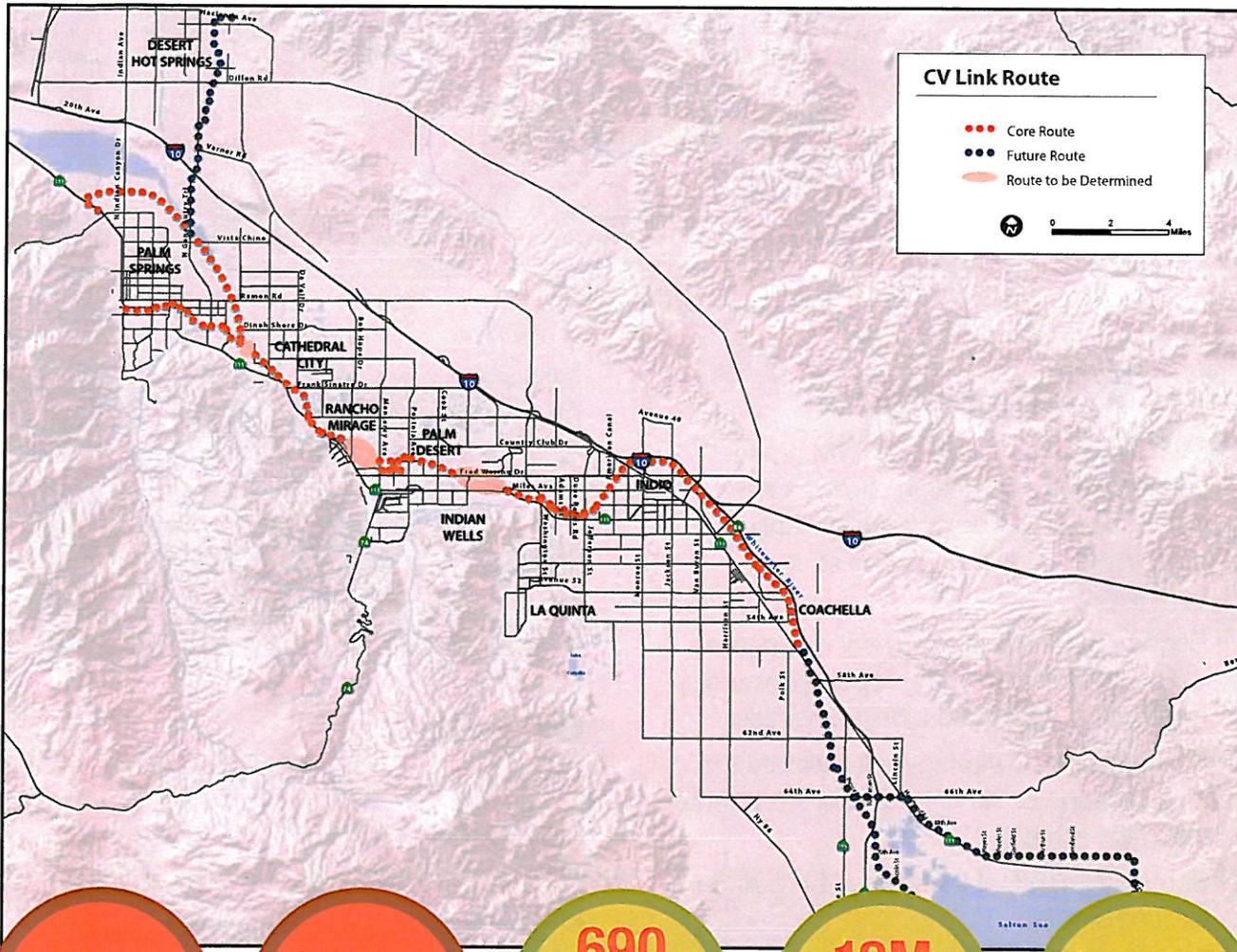
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Project Description



52 mi.
total length

\$65M
in funding secured

690
permanent jobs created

12M
annual vehicle miles saved

\$1.47B
in economic benefits

The CV Link will connect Coachella Valley cities and tribal lands with a safe, continuous pathway for pedestrians, bicyclists and low-speed electric vehicles.

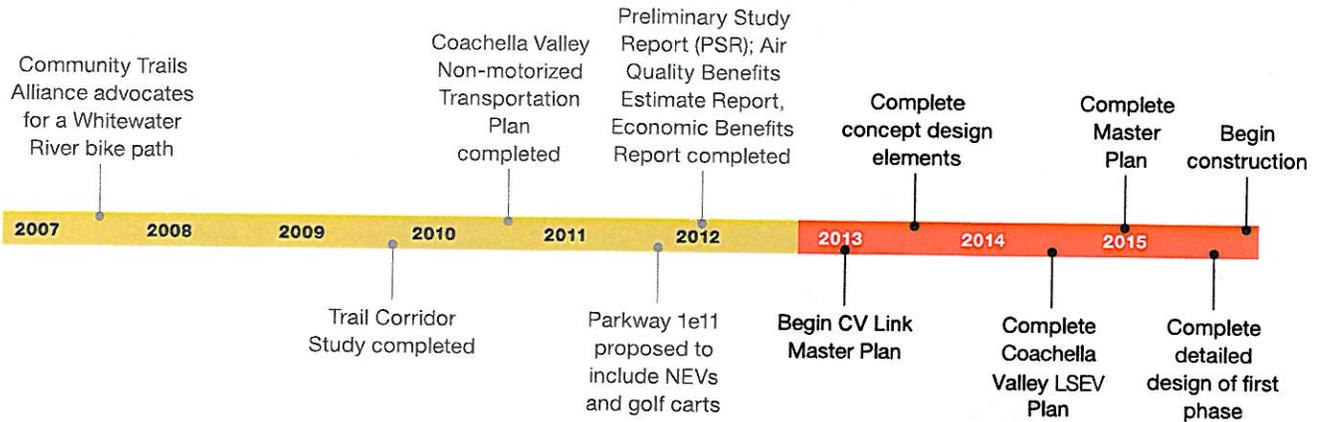
The CV Link Master Plan will identify the preferred route, draft maintenance and operations plans for successful trail management, and establish design and construction strategies.

Other outcomes are environmental documentation, a Low Speed Electric Vehicle (LSEV) Transportation Plan, and a priority project plan to select the first section(s) for construction. The selected first

phase construction project will include design recommendations developed through a community process that considers public support, cost, ease of implementation, safety, environmental enhancement and aesthetics.

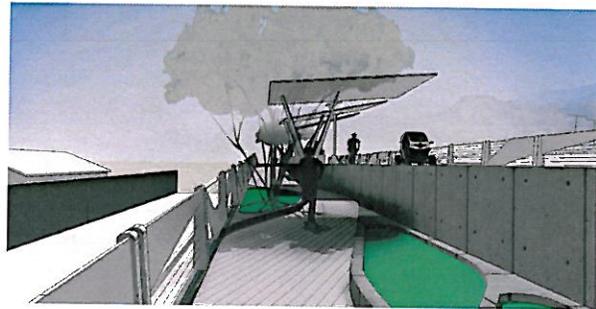
The design of the CV Link will change the landscape of the Coachella Valley with features and forms unprecedented in pathway design. The trail identity will be reflected in way-finding, LSEV charging stations, and public art and interpretive opportunities.

Timeline



Trail Implementation

- The Master Plan is a nearly \$2M, three-year planning and design effort. A key component is public outreach to ensure that the trail meets the needs of each community.
- Recommended trail alignment alternatives will be coordinated with property owners, local jurisdictions, and tribal authorities.
- The right-of-way strategy will estimate the locations and costs of desirable easements along the route.
- Some segments of the trail will be built on existing streets.
- \$65 million in funding has been secured for trail construction. Construction on the first phase will begin in late 2015.



Benefits

- Relieves congestion on Highway 111
- Improves air quality
- Will be an amenity for our tourist industry
- Provides an additional recreation and fitness opportunity
- Stimulates the economy with design, construction and maintenance jobs

“Towards an innovative, multi-modal facility of national importance that connects Coachella Valley communities and provides significant environmental, health, wellness and economic benefits”

Go to www.coachellavalleylink.com for more information, including updates on public workshops!



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