



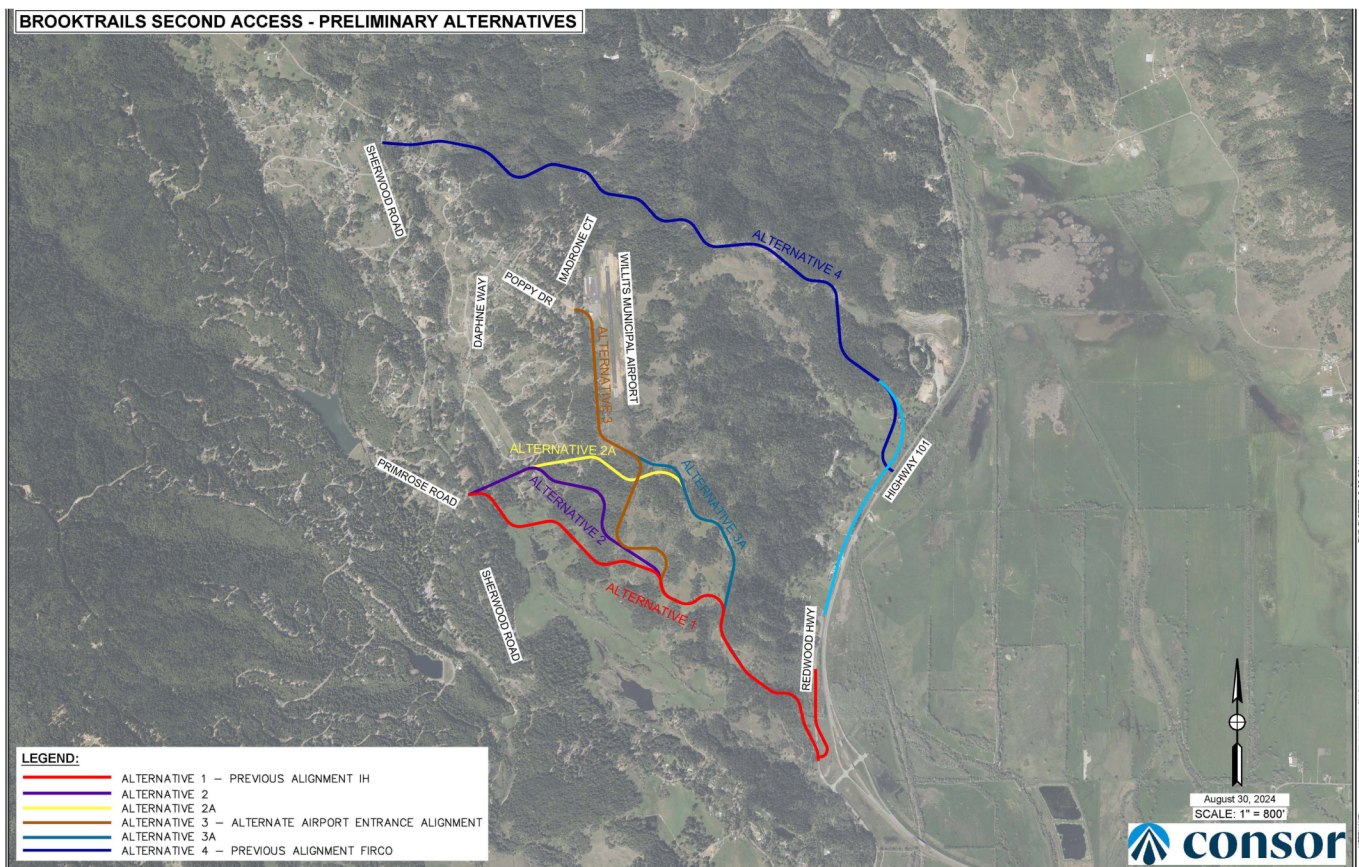
# Mendocino County Department of Transportation

## BROOKTRAILS SECOND ACCESS PROJECT

### Project Scope and Benefits

This project provides for the development of an approximately 2 mile, two-lane arterial local road with paved shoulders and a new local bridge structure over Upp Creek, connecting Sherwood Road at the intersection of Primrose Drive to North Main Street in Willits, California. Total Costs, including costs of each phase of the project including, Project Approval and Environmental Documentation (PA&ED), Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E), Right of Way Acquisition, and Construction of a new, is estimated to be approximately \$100 million. 12 million has been previously awarded for PA&ED and PS&E.

### Map of Project



### Image Description

A rendering of a map of the proposed project, showing potential access routes into the township of Brooktrails.

## Proposed Schedule

Phase	Anticipated Completion Date
Project Approval and Environmental Documentation	In Progress, 2024
Plans, Specifications, and Estimates	2025
Right of Way	2026
Construction	2028

## Project Background and Need

The Brooktrails Second Access Project aims at providing the communities of the Brooktrails Township, the Sherwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California, and surrounding areas with a second access into and out of the Brooktrails Township and surrounding communities. This project would improve public safety by decreasing emergency service times and provide these communities with an alternative evacuation route in the event of wildfire.

The threat to the transportation system in the Brooktrails area is immediate, as the response time for emergency services in these areas is severely restricted by the limited access. If failure of infrastructure or any blockage of the transportation system occurred during a wildfire event, the consequences may be catastrophic, both to the environment of the area and the people and communities that live within. Because Sherwood Road is currently the only access point to these communities, any failure of the transportation system along Sherwood Road may severely hinder regional mobility as well as economic opportunities and goods movement in the area.

The Brooktrails Second Access project would be a vital step towards increasing the climate resiliency of the Brooktrails area. Creating a second access would address the imitate need of additional and alternative evacuation routes in the case of wildfire and other disasters. It would allow for the continued protection of vital community assets and infrastructure, and for the protection of the communities that rely on them. By increasing the resiliency of transportation assets, creating alternative access routes, and enhancing the safety and preparedness of climate-vulnerable communities in the face of evolving climate challenges, it would allow for the communities of the Brooktrails area to progress with climate adaptation and equity measures. Additionally, this project would advance the transportation and housing goals in the area, as development and furthering of these communities has been severely hampered by lack of access and overburdened transportation system.