Memorandum



DATE February 22, 2008

Trinity River Corridor Project Committee Members: David A. Neumann (Chairman) Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Elba García (Vice-Chair) Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dwaine Caraway Carolyn R. Davis Linda Koop

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SUBJECT Trinity River Corridor Project Events in March 2008

> In March 2008, there will be several opportunities for you and the rest of the citizens of Dallas to experience the Trinity River Corridor. The following events are scheduled:

- 4th Annual Trinity River Levee Run
 - When: Saturday, March 8, 2008, 9 a.m. (race starts)
 - o Where: Crow Park at Sylvan Ave. (in the floodway)
 - o What: The 4th Annual Trinity River Levee Run is a 10K and 2 Mile Fun Run event presented by the Trinity River Corridor Project and the Running Club of Dallas. Participants will get the unique opportunity to run on top of the Trinity River Levee Top Trail, a 6.2 mile natural surface loop trail, located at Trammell Crow Park, 3700 Sylvan Avenue. The course offers natural vistas and a striking view of the Dallas skyline. Entry fees are \$20 per person (pre-registered), \$10 for members of the Running Club of Dallas, and \$25 per person on the day of the race. Participants can register at www.dallasrunningclub.org. A map of the course is attached.
- 3rd Annual Great Trinity Forest Orienteering Event
 - o When: Saturday, March 15, 2008, 9 a.m.
 - o Where: Cul-de-sac at the end of Bexar St. (in Rochester Park)
 - o What: The 3rd Annual Great Trinity Adventure Hike is an orienteering style event presented by the Trinity River Corridor Project and the North Texas Orienteering Association (NTOA). Orienteering is a cross country race where participants use a map and compass to navigate between checkpoints along an unfamiliar course. Adventure Hike participants will use a network of trails and topographic maps to navigate to more than a half-dozen "Wolf pack" Trees (attached is a sample map from a previous event). The Wolf pack is a collection of more than 70 unique trees in the Trinity Forest. Participants can stay on the trails to try to visit all of the trees in the two hour time limit for the event. The entire trail is six miles and each tree will be marked with a typical orienteering-control bag. The navigation will be at the "beginners" level and requires no previous orienteering experience. Experienced NTOA volunteers will present navigation clinics prior to the event. Awards and prizes will be handed out for participants who gain points by visiting the most spots. The event is open to the public and participants can register on line at www.ntoa.com or the day of the event before 8:30 a.m. (free to the first 150 entrants).

Texas Buckeye Trail Hike

- When: Saturday and Sunday, March 22-23, 29-30, 2008, 10 a.m.
- o Where: Cul-de-sac at the end of Bexar St. (in Rochester Park)
- What: Guided tours will be given by local environmentalists along this ¾ mile natural surface trail which leads down to a beautiful stand of blooming Texas Buckeye trees, along the Trinity River. You will also be able to view the trailhead work done in this area by Groundwork Dallas, which provided new fencing, landscaping, a pavilion and a kiosk.

Previously, we had informed this committee of an event to be held at the Audubon Center during the month of March. That event had to be cancelled due to a conflict in scheduling with the Executive Director of the National Audubon Society. Instead, we are planning a facility tour and lunch for the entire Council during the month of April (on one of the briefing days). We will provide more details as they become available.

We invite you to attend these fun, family-oriented events! If you have further questions, please let me know.

Jill A. Jordan, P.E. Assistant City Manager

Attachments

C: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council Mary K. Suhm, City Manager Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager Ramon F. Miguez, P.E., Assistant City Manager A.C. Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager David Brown, Interim Assistant City Manager Dave K. Cook, Chief Financial Officer Deborah A. Watkins, City Secretary Thomas P. Perkins, Jr., City Attorney Craig D. Kinton, City Auditor Judge Jay E. Robinson Chandra Marshall-Henson, Asst. to the City Manager Frank Librio, Director, Public Information Office

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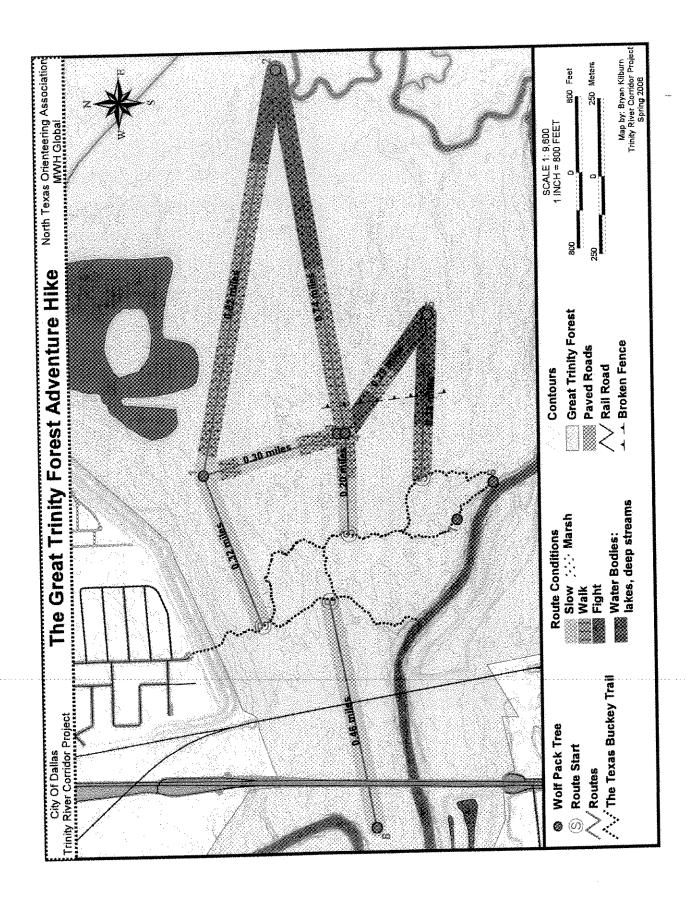
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