



Westrust Takes on Remainder of the Nut Tree Master Plan

Westrust to Bring Back Historical Elements of Nut Tree

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Retail and mixed-use development company, Westrust, has purchased the assets of Nut Tree Associates, the master developer of the Nut Tree and Nut Tree Family Park (the latter is a 3.5-acre amusement park Westrust closed on January 1, 2009).



Rendering of the Entrance to Nut Tree Family Park.

The Nut Tree master plan is a 77-acre project and with this acquisition, Westrust gained ownership, or options to purchase, the remaining 36 acres of this project. Westrust was already the developer of the 30-acre, 333,000-square-foot Nut Tree lifestyle / community center, which encompasses the site of the Nut Tree road stop that Westrust says "draws millions of Californians traveling along the stretch of I-80 that connects the San Francisco Bay Area with Sacramento." The retail portion of the center, which is located in Solano County, is about 90% leased.

Westrust plans to bring back original elements of and relocate key elements of the family amusement park, including the Nut Tree Train, Carousel, and historic Ice Cream Pavilion to the Hackberry Tree area of the retail center. Construction on this project began last month and is planned for completion this August. The center will also host events and feature a museum.