

An aerial photograph of a city street grid, viewed from a high angle. The streets form a complex network of intersecting lines. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter, giving it a monochromatic appearance. The text is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the image.

ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS

Meeting Transcript

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1 **SAN FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL STEERING COMMITTEE**

2 **THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH, 2024, 1:00 PM**

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4 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** I'D LIKE TO CALL TO ORDER THE SAN
5 FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING. TODAY'S MARCH
6 28, 2024. BOTH THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR POSITIONS ARE VACANT.
7 SO I'M -- SO I WILL BE FILLING IN FOR CHAIR DUTIES TO
8 ADMINISTER THE MEETING. STARTING WITH THE CHAIR'S
9 ANNOUNCEMENT, THIS IS BEING WEBCAST ON THE ABAG WEBSITE. THE
10 STEERING MEMBERS, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING BY ZOOM
11 WISHING TO SPEAK SHOULD USE THE RAISED HAND SPEAKER OR DIAL
12 STAR 9 AND I WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.
13 TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE LAST FOUR
14 DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBER. ROLL CALL WILL BE CONDUCTED FOR
15 AGENDA ACTION ITEMS BECAUSE OF REMOTE TELECONFERENCE
16 PARTICIPATION. SO MOVING ON TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 1. I WOULD
17 LIKE TO CALL TO ORDER THIS MEETING OF THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY
18 TRAIL STEERING COMMITTEE. WILL THE SECRETARY CALL THE ROLL AND
19 CONFIRM A QUORUM?

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21 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** YES. VIRGILIO CUASAY.

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23 **VIRGILIO CUASAY:** HERE.

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25 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** SEAN DOUGAN.

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2 **SEAN DOUGAN:** HERE.

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4 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** AND YOU ARE AT THE POSTED TELECONFERENCE
5 LOCATION?

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7 **SEAN DOUGAN:** CORRECT.

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9 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** ASHLEY TOMERLIN. QUORUM IS PRESENT.

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11 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** PUBLIC COMMENT. I WOULD NOW ASK THE
12 SECRETARY TO LIST ITEMS RECEIVED UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT
13 ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM AT THE INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5:00
14 P.M. YESTERDAY INTO THE RECORD.

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16 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THERE WERE NO WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED
17 FOR THIS ITEM. THERE ARE NO MEMBERS IN THE BOARDROOM FOR
18 PUBLIC COMMENT. I DO SEE ONE IN THE ZOOM SPACE FOR PUBLIC
19 COMMENT. HOW MUCH TIME WOULD YOU LIKE TO GIVE THEM, PLEASE?

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21 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** TWO MINUTES -- SORRY, THREE MINUTES.

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23 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** OUR FIRST SPEAKER IS BRUCE BEYAERT, PLEASE
24 GO AHEAD.

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1 **BRUCE BEYAERT.** I AM BRUCE BEYAERT, IF YOU DON'T ALREADY KNOW.
2 OUR M.T.C. TOP MANAGEMENT GENEROUSLY INVITED MARIN COUNTY
3 BICYCLE COALITION, AND TRACK TO THE ZOOM MEETING. AND
4 SURPRISED US BY ANNOUNCING THAT THEY -- THE STAFF OF M.T.C.
5 AND CALTRANS LED AN EMBARK ON A PATH TO SHUTTING DOWN THE
6 RICHMOND RIDGE TRAIL FOUR DAYS A WEEK. THIS MEANS THE BAY
7 TRAIL CONNECTING THE NORTH BAY AND EAST BAY WOULD NOT BE
8 AVAILABLE FOR PEDESTRIANS AND CYCLISTS, FIVE MILES OF BAY
9 TRAIL, EVERY DAY FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS OR WHO KNOWS HOW LONG.
10 SINCE THIS IS CENTRAL TO THE MISSION OF THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT
11 BOARD, TRAC HAS ASKED THIS BE PUT ON THE AGENDA FOR THE APRIL
12 26 TRAC. DAVID LEWIS, AND I ASKED THIS BE PUT ON THE BOARD
13 MEETING FOR THE BOARD TO TAKE A POSITION ON IT. IT'S IMPORTANT
14 TO RECOGNIZE THIS IS JUST TO OPEN UP BREAKDOWN LANE ON THE
15 ROAD FOR THE OCCASIONAL CAR MIGHT HAVE AN INCIDENT SUCH AS
16 RUNNING OUT OF GAR AND BE ABLE TO GET OVER TO THE SIDE OF THE
17 ROAD. IT IS NOT A PROPOSAL TO OPEN UP A NEW LANE FOR MOTOR
18 VEHICLE TRAFFIC. M.T.C. AND CALTRANS STAFF ARE AWARE THAT
19 WOULD LED TO INCREASE OF V.M.T., MORE TRAFFIC -- MORE TRAFFIC
20 CONGESTION THROUGH INDUCED DEMAND. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS,
21 I'D BE GLAD TO TRY TO ANSWER THEM?
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23 >>**TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** THANK YOU.
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1 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS WARREN WELLS, IF YOU
2 PLEASE GIVE ME A MINUTE TO START THE CLOCK. GO AHEAD, PLEASE.
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4 **WARREN WELLS:** FROM THE MARIN COUNTY BICYCLE COALITION. I WANT
5 TO ECHO THE COMMENTS ABOUT THE CURRENT PLAN FROM M.T.C.
6 LEADERSHIP TO REMOVE ACCESS FOR PEOPLE WALKING ON THE --
7 WALKING ON THE SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY. AS
8 MENTIONED, THE TRAIL CREATED A CONNECTION FOR ACTIVE USERS
9 BETWEEN MARIN AND THE EAST BAY FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY.
10 HAS BEEN USED BY HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE AND ALLOWED
11 PEOPLE LIKE ME WHO TRAVEL PRIMARILY WITHOUT -- WITHOUT CARS TO
12 TAKE JOBS ACROSS THE BAY WHEN THEY MIGHT NOT HAVE OTHERWISE
13 AND TO TRAVEL WITHOUT HAVING TO WAIT FOR A BUS THAT COMES AT
14 BEST EVERY HALF-HOUR AND AT WORST EVERY HOUR IF IT'S NOT
15 CANCELED. WE ARE DISAPPOINTED TO SEE THIS M.T.C. MOVING
16 FORWARD WITH THIS BEFORE THE FULL EVALUATION REPORT OF THE
17 FOUR-YEAR PILOT AS EXPECTED THIS SUMMER. AND LOOK FORWARD TO
18 SEEING THIS BODY DELIBERATE ON THIS IMPORTANT MATTER. THANK
19 YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.

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21 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU. THERE ARE NO OTHER MEMBERS OF
22 THE PUBLIC FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AT THIS TIME. THANK YOU.

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24 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** GREAT. MOVING ON TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
25 THREE, STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBER AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS. ARE

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1 THERE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS? I SEE NONE.
2 OKAY. I WILL GIVE AN -- SOME ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM STAFF. SO THE
3 FINAL RESULTS OF THE BAY TRAIL GAP CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
4 PRIORITIZATION WERE SHARED WITH THE WORKING GROUP TWO WEEKS
5 AGO ON MARCH 14. STAFF ARE CONTINUING TO WORK ON A COST-
6 BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF THE PRIORITIZATION AND ALSO LOOK AT SEA
7 LEVEL RISE VULNERABILITY IN THE NEXT MONTH. THE FINAL REPORT
8 WILL BE AVAILABLE, EXPECTED IN EARLY SUMMER OR POSSIBLY LATE
9 SPRING. THE BAY TRAIL NONPROFIT SPONSORED AN EPISODE OF NBC
10 BAY AREAS OPEN ROAD PROGRAM, AGAIN, THIS YEAR WHICH AIRED ON
11 MARCH 21 FOCUSED ON RESTORATION. LEE WAS INTERVIEWED FOR THE
12 REGIONAL SHORELINE IN RICHMOND, ECOLOGICAL PRESERVE AND
13 HERON'S HEAD PARK IN SAN FRANCISCO. THE BAY TRAIL NONPROFIT
14 ARE PROUD TO SPONSOR THE CALIFORNIA TRAILS AND CREDENCE WAYS
15 CONFERENCE THIS YEAR AT THE END OF APRIL. M.T.C. AND BAY TRAIL
16 HAD A PANEL ACCEPTED AND WERE PLANNING TO PRESENT ON THE GAP
17 CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION AND A GAP STUDY IN COMBINATION WITH THE
18 PRESENTATION ON THE WEST OAKLAND LINK PROJECT. AND THEN
19 LASTLY, M.T.C. IS SPONSORING THE TOGETHER BAY AREA CONFERENCE
20 AT FORT MASON NEXT MONTH. ANOTHER EFFORT THAT WORKS EITHER TO
21 SUPPORT -- SECRETARY, WERE THERE ANY ITEMS RECEIVED UNDER
22 PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM, AND IF ANYONE FROM
23 THE PUBLIC WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, USE THE RAISED
24 HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR 9. IN PERSON MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

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1 SHOULD FORM A LINE NEAR THE PODIUM AND THE CLERK WILL CALL
2 UPON YOU TO PEEK.

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4 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS IN THE BOARDROOM FOR
5 PUBLIC COMMENT AND NO MEMBERS THERE AND NONE IN THE ATTENDEE
6 SPACE. THANK YOU.

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8 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** GREAT. AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 4. THE SAN
9 FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL STEERING COMMITTEE CHAIR'S REPORT. THERE
10 WILL BE NO CHAIR'S REPORT TODAY. AS THAT POSITION IS VACANT.
11 SECRETARY, WERE THERE ANY ITEMS RECEIVED UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT
12 ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM AND IF ANYONE FROM THE PUBLIC WOULD
13 LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE OR
14 DIAL STAR 9. IN PERSON MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOULD FORM A
15 LINE NEAR THE PODIUM AND THE CLERK WILL CALL UPON YOU TO
16 SPEAK.

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18 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** NO WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED FOR THIS
19 ITEM. NONE IN THE ATTENDEE SPACE. AND NONE AT THE
20 TELECONFERENCE LOCATION. THANK YOU.

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22 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** GREAT. AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 5. CONSENT
23 CALENDAR. SO THE CONSENT CALENDAR INCLUDES ITEM 5-A, UNLESS
24 THERE IS AN ITEM A MEMBER WOULD LIKE TO TAKE SEPARATELY, THE

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1 CONSENT CALENDAR WOULD BE ACTED UPON IN ONE MOTION. DO I HAVE
2 A MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR?

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4 **VIRGILIO CUASAY:** MOTION TO APPROVE.

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6 **ASHLEY TOMERLIN:** SECOND.

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8 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** GREAT. I HAVE A MOTION BY VIRGILIO CUASAY
9 AND A SECOND BY ASHLEY. IS THERE ANY COMMITTEE MEMBER
10 DISCUSSION? SECRETARY, WERE THERE ANY ITEMS RECEIVED UNDER
11 PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM AND IF ANYONE FROM
12 THE PUBLIC WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, USE THE RAISED
13 HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR 9. IN PERSON MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
14 SHOULD FORM A LINE NEAR THE PODIUM AND THE CLERK WILL CALL
15 UPON YOU TO SPEAK.

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17 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THERE WERE NO WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED
18 FOR THIS ITEM. NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN THE BOARDROOM FOR
19 PUBLIC COMMENT. NONE IN THE ATTENDEE ZOOM SPACE FOR PUBLIC
20 COMMENT AND FOR THE TELECONFERENCE LOCATION, I SEE NO MEMBERS
21 OF THE PUBLIC THERE FOR COMMENT. THANK YOU.

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23 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** THANK YOU. WILL THE CLERK PLEASE CONDUCT A
24 ROLL CALL.

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1 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** VIRGILIO CUASAY.

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3 **VIRGILIO CUASAY:** AYE.

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5 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** SEAN DOUGAN.

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7 **SEAN DOUGAN:** AYE.

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9 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** LEO DUBOSE IS ABSENT. ASHLEY TOMERLIN.

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11 **ASHLEY TOMERLIN:** AYE.

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13 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY

14 ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

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16 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** OKAY. MOVING ON TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 6 A

17 REPORT ON THE BAY TRAIL ROAD MAP. I AM GOING TO HAND IT OVER

18 TO ANDY TO INTRODUCE THIS AND I WILL BE GIVING THE

19 PRESENTATION.

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21 **ANDREW FREMIER:** THANK YOU, TOSHI, AND THANK YOU, MEMBERS OF

22 THE COMMITTEE. LOOK, I DO WANT TO THANK YOU AND APPRECIATE YOU

23 FOR YOUR CONTINUED DEDICATION TO THE BAY TRAIL AND ALL IT

24 MEANS TO THE REGION. I'M REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THIS WORK THAT

25 IS GOING TO SHOW UP IN THIS PARTICULAR ITEM. I THINK IT'S AN

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1 EXCITING PATH FORWARD FOR THE BAY TRAIL PROGRAM. I WANT TO
2 ENSURE THE COMMITTEE THAT WE ARE CONTINUING OUR LONG-TERM
3 COMMITMENT TO THE SENATE BILL 100 MANDATE. THROUGH THIS
4 COLLABORATIVE ROAD MAP, WE'VE ACCOMPLISHED A LOT AND WORKED
5 HARD OVER THE PAST YEAR TO PUT TOGETHER THIS PLAN AND IT DOES
6 HAVE FULL SUPPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE TEAM MOVING FORWARD. WE ARE
7 PUTTING MORE RESOURCES THAT LEVERAGES NEW ACTIVE
8 TRANSPORTATION FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.
9 WE SEE THIS ROAD MAP AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN
10 PARTNERSHIPS WITH KEY REGIONAL AGENCIES, IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS
11 AND STRONG TIES TO THE M.T.C. ABAG POLICYMAKERS AND, OF
12 COURSE, PROVIDING A REAL QUALITY PRODUCT FOR THE COMMUNITY IT
13 SERVES. SO I WILL HAND THIS OVER TO TOSHI AND SOME OF THE
14 CHANGES MOVING FORWARD.

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16 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** THANK YOU, ANDREW. I WILL TAKE IT FROM
17 HERE. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO THIS IS A SLIDE WE PRESENTED ON
18 FEW OCCASIONS BEFORE. THIS IS OUR M.T.C. VISION OF THE BAY
19 TRAIL. JUST A FEW THINGS TO HIGHLIGHT WE'RE FOCUSING ON THINGS
20 TO ACTIVE RECREATION AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC
21 HEALTH. COMPLETING THE SPAIN AS WELL AS CONNECTING FACILITIES
22 AND THEN A REAL EMPHASIS OF EQUITY. DON'T WANT TO DWELL ON
23 THIS. WANT TO REITERATE IT AGAIN. NEXT SLIDE. SO THIS IS JUST
24 THE MILEAGE COMPLETED ON THE BAY TRAIL OVER THE LAST 40 YEARS.
25 THE CHART ON THE LEFT IS THE CUMULATIVE MILEAGE BY YEAR OVER

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1 TIME AND THEN THE CHART ON THE RIGHT IS THE INCREMENTAL
2 MILEAGE ADDED BY YEAR. SO STARTING WITH THE CHART ON THE LEFT,
3 IN 1987, WHEN SB-100 WAS APPROVED, A LITTLE OVER 150 MILES.
4 AND THERE WAS SLOW PROGRESS OVER THE NEXT DECADE, BUT THERE
5 WAS REALLY A ROBUST BOOM BETWEEN 2000 AND 2012 WHERE ON
6 AVERAGE OVER 10 MILES A YEAR WERE DELIVERED. SO OVER 120 MILES
7 IN 12 YEARS WHICH IS A TREMENDOUS ACCOMPLISHMENT WHICH THIS
8 BODY PLAYED A REALLY KEY ROLE IN. WE'VE SINCE SEEN THAT SLOW
9 DOWN SO UP UNTIL 2018, IT WAS ABOUT FOUR MILES A YEAR AND THEN
10 SINCE THEN WE'VE ACTUALLY SEEN VERY MINIMAL NEW MILEAGE ON THE
11 BAY TRAIL. SO REALLY WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE JUST ALL THE GREAT
12 WORK THAT WAS DONE, YOU KNOW, PARTICULARLY DURING THAT BUILD
13 BOOM OF 2000 UNTIL, SAY, 2015. BUT ALSO THAT WE ARE IN A NEW
14 PHASE AND ERA OF THE BAY TRAIL WHERE THERE -- I DON'T WANT TO
15 SAY THERE ARE NO MORE EASY PROJECTS BECAUSE NONE OF THEM WERE
16 EASY, BUT ONLY THE COST AND COMPLEX PROJECTS REALLY REMAIN. AS
17 IT APPLIES TO THE 150 MILES WE ARE TRYING TO DELIVER. NEXT
18 SLIDE, PLEASE. WE'VE ALSO, THROUGH THE BAY TRAIL GAP CLOSURE
19 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, BEEN ABLE TO DO THE FIRST REAL INVENTORY
20 AND DATA COLLECTION OF THE EXISTING CONDITIONS OF THE BAY
21 TRAIL AND WERE SURPRISED -- NOT TOTALLY SURPRISED TO FIND
22 NEARLY 20% OF THE EXISTING TRAIL IS SUBSTANDARD. SO THAT'S
23 OVER 70 MILES THAT HAD ONE OF THESE FOUR DIFFERENT
24 DEFICIENCIES, WHETHER POOR PAVEMENT, DESIGN ISSUES,
25 OBSTRUCTIONS, OR JUST GENERAL MAINTENANCE NEEDS. AND THIS IS

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1 JUST DUE TO US NOW HAVING A MORE MATURE, EXTENSIVE NETWORK.
2 YOU KNOW, IT'S GREAT PEOPLE HAVE MADE GREAT USE OF THESE
3 FACILITIES. BUT THERE'S ALSO A GROWING REHAB BURDEN THAT COMES
4 WITH A MORE MATURE NETWORK. SO I THINK JUST IN THE CONTEXT OF
5 THE PREVIOUS SLIDE, EVEN THOUGH WE PLATEAUED THE LAST SEVEN
6 YEARS, IN REALITY, WE'RE ACTUALLY GOING BACKWARDS BECAUSE
7 THESE FACILITIES ARE CONSTANTLY DETERIORATING AND SEA LEVEL
8 RISE WILL ONLY ACCELERATE THOSE ISSUES. SO WE JUST HAVE -- WE
9 HAVE A LOT OF WORK OURSELVES EVEN JUST TO MAINTAIN THE STATUS
10 QUO. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO MOVING ON TO JUST THE ORG
11 STRUCTURE. THESE ARE JUST ISSUES WE'VE TALKED ABOUT DURING THE
12 STEERING COMMITTEES AND BOARD MEETINGS. THIS IS A HANDFUL OF
13 ISSUES WE HAD WITH THE NONPROFIT. SO WE HAD THREE STEERING
14 COMMITTEE MEMBER RESIGNATIONS LAST YEAR, INCLUDING THE CO-
15 CHAIRS. WE'VE STRUGGLED TO HAVE A QUORUM FOR A STEERING
16 COMMITTEE MEETINGS, INCLUDING HAVING TO CANCEL TWO OF THE
17 MEETINGS LAST YEAR. WHICH ALSO, UNFORTUNATELY, ENDED UP
18 DELAYING THE APPROVAL OF AN ALIGNMENT CHANGE FOR THE CITY OF
19 ALAMEDA UNNECESSARILY BY ABOUT NINE MONTHS SO THERE ARE
20 IMPACTS OF NOT BEING ABLE TO HAVE THESE MEETINGS. FUNDRAISING
21 IS UNDERSTANDABLY NOT A PRIORITY OR CARRIED OUT. WE'RE STILL
22 GENERATING ABOUT \$2,000 TO \$3,000 A YEAR IN DONATIONS. WHICH
23 IS VERY MINIMAL TO SUPPORT A NONPROFIT LIKE THIS. AND AS WE
24 MENTIONED, LAST YEAR, WE'VE BEEN HAVING SOME NEW I.R.S. ISSUES
25 WE HAD TO DEAL WITH FOR THE TAX STATUS WHERE WE HAVEN'T BEEN

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1 ABLE TO MEET THE PUBLIC SUPPORT PERCENTAGE AND THAT HASN'T
2 IMPROVED SINCE WE PRESENTED ON IT LAST YEAR. SO THERE ARE A
3 VARIETY OF CHALLENGES THAT WE FACE WITH THE EXISTING STRUCTURE
4 OF A NONPROFIT, WHICH WAS WELL-INTENTIONED WHEN IT WAS CREATED
5 IN 1990 BUT JUST HAS NEVER QUITE BEEN ABLE TO PURSUE THAT
6 PRIVATE FUNDING TO REALLY SUPPORT THE REASON FOR HAVING A
7 NONPROFIT. SO NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AND SO WE'RE GOING TO BE
8 TALKING ABOUT JUST HOW WE'RE GOING TO BE MOVING FORWARD WITH
9 THE STRUCTURE, BUT I ALSO WANT TO TAKE A STEP BACK AND
10 HIGHLIGHT BILL SENATE BILL 100 WHICH IS THE ENABLING
11 LEGISLATION FOR THE BAY TRAIL AND SHARE WHAT OUR BARE MINIMUM
12 REQUIREMENTS ARE WHICH M.T.C. IS CERTAINLY PLANNING TO GO
13 ABOVE AND BEYOND, BUT AT A MINIMUM WE WILL BE FULFILLING
14 SENATE BILL 100. SO IT CREATED THIS CONCEPT OF A CONTINUOUS
15 HIKING AND BIKING TRAIL AROUND THE BAY. IT DIRECTED ABAG TO
16 COMPLETE THE BAY TRAIL PLAN IN TWO YEARS, WHICH IT DID IN 1989
17 TO DEVELOP RELATIONSHIPS WITH AGENCIES AFFECTED BY THE BAY
18 TRAIL, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THESE TWO COMMITTEES, BUT THERE
19 WAS NO FUNDING INCLUDED IN THE LEGISLATION, AND THE NONPROFIT
20 WAS NOT MENTIONED ANYWHERE. THAT WAS SOLELY A DECISION OF ABAG
21 AS A WAY TO -- AS A VEHICLE TO HOLD THESE COMMITTEE MEETINGS.
22 SO JUST PROVIDING THIS BACKGROUND FOR CONTEXT. NEXT SLIDE,
23 PLEASE. THIS IS AN OVERVIEW OF THE NEW STRUCTURE THAT WE HAVE
24 FOR THE BAY TRAIL AND I'LL SPEAK TO A LITTLE BIT HERE, BUT WE
25 ALSO HAVE MORE DETAILED SLIDES COMING ON EACH OF THESE

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1 ELEMENTS THAT I'LL GET INTO AFTER THIS. SO POLICY WILL BE
2 MOVING TO THE JOINT M.T.C. PLANNING AND ABAG ADMIN COMMITTEE.
3 THIS WILL ALLOW US TO MAINTAIN THE CLOSE TIE TO ABAG BUT ALSO
4 FORMALIZING THE CONNECTION TO M.T.C., WHICH HAS BEEN PROVIDING
5 ALL OF THE PUBLIC FUNDING FOR THE BAY TRAIL PROGRAM. WE'RE
6 ESTABLISHING A REGIONAL AGENCY TAC OR TECHNICAL ADVISORY
7 COMMITTEE, COMPRISED OF THE REGIONAL AGENCIES THAT HAVE BEEN
8 INVOLVED IN THE BAY TRAIL. WE'LL BE MOVING ADVOCACY TO A
9 COUPLE DIFFERENT FORUMS. CONTINUING THE ANNUAL BAY TRAIL GAP
10 CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN WORKING GROUP, AND THEN WE'RE ALSO
11 GOING TO BE EXPLAINING A NEW PARTNERSHIP THAT WE'VE BEEN
12 WORKING ON WITH RAILS TO TRAILS AND THE BAY AREA TRAILS
13 COLLABORATIVE. AND LASTLY, M.T.C. WILL CONTINUE TO HOLD AN
14 ANNUAL INFORMATION MEETING AND WILL INVITE ALL -- ALL THOSE
15 INTERESTED IN THE BAY TRAIL TO ATTEND. SO I'LL GO INTO A
16 LITTLE MORE DETAIL ON EACH OF THOSE ON THE FOLLOWING SLIDES.
17 NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. HERE IS A TABLE LISTING OUT THE EXISTING
18 FUNCTIONS OF THE BAY TRAIL AND THE ROAD MAP THAT WE HAVE FOR
19 EACH OF THOSE SO THAT NOTHING IS LOST IN THIS TRANSITION. I'LL
20 ALSO GO INTO MORE DETAIL IN EACH OF THESE BUT THIS IS JUST AN
21 OVERVIEW OF THE SIX DIFFERENT FUNCTIONS THAT WE'VE IDENTIFIED
22 INCLUDING INFORMATIONAL UPDATES AND INFORMATION SHARING, TRAIL
23 ALIGNMENT CHANGES, ADVOCACY, OUTREACH AND SUPPORT, M.T.C.'S
24 OWN PLANNING STUDIES RELATED TO THE BAY TRAIL, AND THEN
25 LASTLY, THE NONPROFIT DECISIONS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO FIRST

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1 IS THE TRAIL ALIGNMENT CHANGES. THIS IS THE MOST FREQUENT
2 ACTION ITEM THAT COMES UP AT THE STEERING COMMITTEE. SO WE ARE
3 CREATING A REGIONAL AGENCY TAC OF THE FOUR REGIONAL AGENCIES
4 LISTED HERE. IN ADDITION TO M.T.C., IT WILL BE OUR KEY
5 PARTNERS, THE COASTAL CONSERVANCY AND BCDC WHICH ARE ON THE
6 STEERING COMMITTEE, AS WELL AS CALTRANS. OUR INTENT IS TO MEET
7 FOUR TIMES A YEAR AND ALSO, AD HOC, IF NECESSARY, IF THERE ARE
8 RUSHED DECISIONS NECESSARY FOR ALIGNMENT CHANGES. THE INTENT
9 IS TO TAKE THE SAME APPROACH OF BUILDING MAJORITY CONSENSUS,
10 AND WE WOULD ONLY BE TAKING ACTION ON ITEMS THAT THE RIGHT-OF-
11 WAY OWNERS BRING FORWARD. SO THIS ISN'T OUR AGENCY'S TRYING TO
12 PUSH NEW CHANGES BUT JUST US RESPONDING TO PROPOSALS BROUGHT
13 FORTH BY THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OWNERS. AND THEN, WE'LL ALSO BRING
14 IN APPROPRIATE -- OTHER AGENCIES THAT MAY BE IN THE VICINITY
15 OF THESE TRAIL ALIGNMENT CHANGES. AND SO WE THINK THIS WILL
16 ALLOW US TO BE MORE RESPONSIVE IN MAKING THESE ALIGNMENT
17 CHANGES AND NOT FACE THE TYPES OF DELAYS THAT WE HAD LAST YEAR
18 WITH ALAMEDA WHERE WE HAD THE CHALLENGES WITH THE STEERING
19 COMMITTEE MEETINGS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO FOR THE BAY TRAIL
20 PROGRAM INFORMATIONAL UPDATES, WE WILL HAVE AN ANNUAL MEETING
21 OPEN TO ALL OF OUR PARTNERS AS WELL AS THE PUBLIC WHERE WE
22 WILL LOOK FORWARD TO EXPLAINING AND INFORMING FOLKS ABOUT ALL
23 THE WORK THAT M.T.C. IS CARRYING OUT TO THE BAY TRAIL. SO THIS
24 WILL BE A SIMILAR TOWN HALL FORMAT. WE DO SEE THIS AS A REALLY
25 CRITICAL FUNCTION NOW OF THE BAY TRAIL OF KEEPING ALL THESE

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1 INTERESTED PARTIES INFORMED AND SO WE DO PLAN TO CONTINUE THAT
2 AND SO LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THE SAME PEOPLE PLUS OTHERS IN A
3 SIMILAR BODY NEXT YEAR. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO THE POLICY
4 COMMITTEE, AS I MENTIONED, WILL BE MOVING TO THE JOINT M.T.C.
5 PLANNING AND ABAG COMMITTEE. THIS WOULD BE AS NEEDED AS POLICY
6 DECISIONS COME UP, WHICH ARE EXTREMELY RARE IN REALITY. WE
7 DON'T HAVE ANY PERSPECTIVE POLICY ACTIONS FOR THE BAY TRAIL
8 RIGHT NOW. BUT THIS IS I THINK A GREAT BODY IF THOSE POLICY
9 ACTIONS DO COME UP, BECAUSE THIS IS THE COMMITTEE THAT
10 OVERSEES THE REGIONAL ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK AND THE
11 PRIORITY CONSERVATION AREA, WORK BY M.T.C. SO THIS WOULD BE
12 THE BEST-INFORMED BODY TO BRING FORWARD ANY BAY TRAIL POLICY
13 DECISION-MAKING. SO WE GOT THE COMPOSITION OF THOSE TWO
14 COMMITTEES, THE ABAG ADMIN AND M.T.C. PLANNING COMMITTEES.
15 I'LL ALSO HIGHLIGHT WE NOTICED HALF OF THESE MEMBERS ARE ALSO
16 ON THE BCDC BOARD. SO ALSO BUILD OFF OF THAT STRONG
17 RELATIONSHIP THERE. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. FOR ADVOCACY, I'M
18 EXCITED TO EXPLAIN A LITTLE MORE ABOUT OUR NEW PARTNERSHIP
19 WITH RAILS TO TRAILS AND THE BAY AREA TRAILS COLLABORATIVE.
20 THIS IS -- ADVOCACY IS NOT REQUIRED BY SB-100 BUT WE RECOGNIZE
21 IT HAS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT PART IN WHAT THE BAY TRAIL HAS DONE
22 IN THE PAST AND ADVANCING IT TO WHERE IT IS TODAY. SO BATC
23 WILL TAKE ON THE BAY TRAIL ADVOCACY AND LOBBYING ROLE. AND THE
24 RAILS TO TRAILS WILL RUN THIS BAY TRAIL SUBCOMMITTEE AS A
25 FRIENDS OF THE BAY TRAIL, INCLUDING TWICE A YEAR MEETINGS WITH

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1 ADVOCATES AND FRIENDS, BUT ALSO MAINTAINING A LISTSERV AND A
2 WAY TO KEEP FOLKS INFORMED BY BOTH PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS
3 GOING ON IN THE BAY TRAIL AS WELL AS ADVOCACY TO SUPPORT THE
4 BAY TRAILS. SO WE THINK WILL ACTUALLY BE AN EVEN MORE
5 EFFECTIVE FORUM FOR PROPONENTS OF THE BAY TRAIL TO STAY ENGAGE
6 TO WHAT'S GOING ON AND SUPPORT IT, INCLUDING THE WRITING OF
7 SUPPORT LETTERS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO WHY BATC? WE FOULLY
8 FOUND -- WE ACTUALLY FOUND THEM TO BE A REALLY GREAT FIT FOR
9 THE NEEDS HERE. SO IT'S A COLLABORATIVE THAT'S BEEN REALLY
10 PROMINENT IN THE LAST FEW YEARS IN THE BAY AREA. IT HAS BEEN
11 SUPPORTED BY RAILS-TO-TRAILS, THE NATIONAL LEADING TRAILS
12 ORGANIZATION. BATC IS A MIX OF PARTNERS AND ADVOCATES. I'LL GO
13 INTO A LITTLE BIT OF THE COMPOSITION ON THE NEXT SLIDE. BUT IT
14 HAS GREAT GEOGRAPHIC OVERLAP OF THE BAY TRAIL -- THE BAY TRAIL
15 IN ITS ENTIRETY IS A SUBSET OF THE TRAIL NETWORK THAT BATC HAS
16 BEEN ADVOCATING FOR SO IT'S ALREADY WELL ALIGNED. AND SAME
17 WITH THE PROJECT PRIORITIES THEY'RE LOOKING TO ADVANCE. A
18 MAJORITY OF THEIR LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS ARE ON OR
19 CONNECTING TO THE BAY TRAILS. SO IT'S A GREAT FIT. THEY ALSO
20 RECOGNIZE THE TWIN FOCUSES OF TRANSPORTATION AND RECREATION
21 AND REALLY BEING OPPORTUNISTIC IN WHERE WE CAN GET RESOURCES
22 FOR EITHER PURPOSE TO HELP ADVANCE THE BAY TRAIL. AND
23 GENERALLY, WE'RE JUST REALLY EXCITED TO BUILD OFF OF BEST
24 PRACTICES FROM RAILS-TO-TRAILS KNOWING THEY HAVE EXPERTISE
25 FROM OTHER TRAILS -- REGIONAL TRAILS ENTITIES ACROSS THE

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1 COUNTRY. SO I THINK THERE'S A LOT OF BENEFIT TO BE ADDED HERE.
2 NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THIS IS JUST A HIGH LEVEL OVERVIEW OF BATC
3 MEMBERS NOW. WE HAVE SEVERAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES BUT ALSO
4 PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES. MANY RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE
5 AGENCIES. SEVERAL NONPROFITS WHO ARE ALSO INVOLVED IN THE BAY
6 TRAIL. AND THEN SOME REALLY PASSIONATE, SUPPORTIVE PRIVATE
7 SECTOR PARTNERS TO TOO -- PARTNERS, TOO, SO IT'S A COMPOSITION
8 SIMILAR TO WHAT WE HAVE NOW ON THE BAY TRAIL BOARD. NEXT
9 SLIDE, PLEASE. AND THEN JUST THE LAST ONE ON OUR NEW
10 PARTNERSHIP WITH RAILS-TO-TRAILS AND BATC, IN ADDITION TO THE
11 RESOURCES THAT M.T.C. IS PROVIDING TO RUN THE BAY TRAIL
12 SUBCOMMITTEE AND THOSE EFFORTS THAT I LISTED, WE ARE ALSO
13 FUNDING CONSULTANT RESOURCES TO MAINTAIN THE BATC G.I.S. MAP.
14 THIS WAS A GREAT CROWDSOURCE EFFORT BY BATC BUT CERTAINLY
15 NEEDS WORK TO REFINE IT AND MAINTAIN IT. SO WE WANT TO GET THE
16 BEST OUT OF THIS DATA THAT HAS BEEN COLLECTED. SO WE'RE
17 LOOKING FORWARD TO PARTNER WITH RAILS-TO-TRAILS AND THEIR
18 G.I.S. STAFF ON THAT. AND THEN THE THIRD PART IS TO -- IS THAT
19 M.T.C. AND RAILS-TO-TRAILS STAFF WILL MEET A COUPLE TIMES A
20 YEAR TO DISCUSS LEGISLATIVE AGENDAS AND LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES
21 WHEN -- TO ADVANCE, YOU KNOW, PRIORITIES THAT WE BOTH SHARE.
22 SO WE'RE REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH LAURA AND THE
23 TEAM OVER THERE TO REALLY LEVERAGE THIS OPPORTUNITY. NEXT
24 SLIDE, PLEASE. SO THE FIFTH FUNCTION THAT WE HIGHLIGHTED ARE
25 THE M.T.C. STUDIES OF WHICH WE HAD SEVERAL KICK OFF IN THE

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1 LAST FEW YEARS. SO WE INTEND TO CONTINUE THE RECENT WORKING
2 GROUPS AND TACS FOR THE MAJOR BAY TRAIL PROJECTS. THIS
3 INCLUDES THE EQUITY STRATEGY AND S.F.O. GAP CLOSURE. WHERE WE
4 HAD REALLY GREAT STAFF PARTICIPATION FROM MANY OF THE KEY
5 AGENCIES THAT ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PLANNING AND DELIVERING AND
6 MAINTAINING ON THE BAY TRAIL. A MAJORITY OF WHICH ARE NOT
7 INVOLVED IN THE BAY TRAIL STEERING COMMITTEE OR BOARD. SO THE
8 PIE CHART ON THE RIGHT SHOWS THE ATTENDEES FROM THE GAP
9 CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN THAT WE HAD WHERE THERE WERE
10 NEARLY 100 PARTICIPANTS FROM ALL NINE COUNTIES. AND I THINK
11 MOST IMPORTANTLY, WE HAD A GREAT TURNOUT FROM OUR CITY AND
12 COUNTY PARTNERS WHO OWN THE ACTUAL RIGHT-OF-WAY AND HAVE THE
13 GREATEST RESPONSIBILITY FOR DELIVERING AND MAINTAINING THE BAY
14 TRAILS. SO LOOKING TO CONTINUE THAT GREAT INVOLVEMENT. NEXT
15 SLIDE, PLEASE. SO THE SIXTH ELEMENT IS RELATED TO THE
16 NONPROFIT. THIS IS AN UPDATE OF A SLIDE WE PRESENTED A COUPLE
17 YEARS AGO BY OUR PRIOR M.T.C. E.D., TERESA MILAN. WE HAD TWO
18 OPTIONS. ONE VIABLE FOR THE FUTURE OF THE NONPROFIT. THE
19 NONPROFIT IS A LEGAL ENTITY WITH A BANK ACCOUNT THAT HAS ABOUT
20 \$150,000 IN IT THAT IS UNPROGRAMMED. SO THE TWO OPTIONS ARE TO
21 STAND UP THE EXISTING NONPROFIT INDEPENDENTLY. THIS WOULD
22 REQUIRE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF WORK, INCLUDING FUNDRAISING
23 BEING THE MOST IMPORTANT ONE TO SET UP TO BE A FINANCIALLY
24 SUSTAINABLE AND TO SUPPORT DEDICATED STAFF, INCLUDING AN
25 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR IT. WE HAVE NOT HEARD ANY INTEREST IN

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1 THE LAST FEW YEARS SINCE WE FIRST BROUGHT THIS IDEA FORWARD,
2 SO I DO RECOGNIZE IT IS REALLY CHALLENGING, BUT IT IS UP TO
3 THE BOARD TO DECIDE TO DO THAT IF THEY DID WANT TO PURSUE THAT
4 ROUTE. WE DO SEE OPTION B AS THE MORE REALISTIC OPTION WHERE
5 WE WOULD IDENTIFY EITHER A NONPROFIT FISCAL AGENT OR A
6 NONPROFIT OR MULTIPLE NONPROFITS TO BE RECIPIENT IT'S OF -- OF
7 THAT \$150,000. WE WOULD RECOMMEND THE RAILS-TO-TRAILS
8 CONSERVANCY, WHICH WOULD BE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD OFF
9 THE WORK THAT M.T.C. IS FUNDING WITH THEM, GIVEN THAT THEY
10 HAVE A GOOD UNDERSTANDING OF THE NEEDS OF WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO
11 ADDRESS ON THE BAY TRAIL. BUT THAT IS A DECISION THAT IS UP TO
12 THE BOARD AND THE STEERING COMMITTEE AS M.T.C. IS NOT ON
13 EITHER BODY. SO HAPPY TO SUPPORT A DISCUSSION AROUND THAT.
14 NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. WE'VE ALSO JUST BEEN DOING A REVIEW OF, I
15 GUESS, NONPROFITS THAT DO WORK RELATED TO THE BAY TRAIL AND
16 CAME UP WITH A NONCOMPREHENSIVE LIST OF 30 HERE. SO A MIX OF
17 CITY, COUNTY, AND REGIONAL PARKS. A VARIETY OF ADVOCATES AND
18 LAND TRUSTS. SO WE DO SEE PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES TO DIRECT
19 PRIVATE FUNDING TO THE BAY TRAIL THROUGH A VARIETY OF
20 DIFFERENT NONPROFITS THAT ARE BETTER STAFFED AND CAPABLE OF
21 ADMINISTERING PRIVATE FUNDS. SO AT A MINIMUM, EACH OF THESE
22 HAS BEEN GENERATING AT LEAST \$100,000 A YEAR IN FUNDRAISING.
23 MANY OF THEM, MORE THAN THAT, COMPARED TO THE \$2,000 A YEAR
24 FOR THE BAY TRAIL NONPROFIT. SO WE WOULD BE EXCITED TO WORK
25 WITH THESE PARTNERS IF THERE ARE OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO BRING

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1 FUNDING TO THE BAY TRAIL. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. HOWEVER, IF
2 THERE IS INTEREST IN LOOKING INTO STANDING UP THE NONPROFIT AS
3 AN INDEPENDENT ENTITY, WE DO HAVE SOME CONSULTANT SUPPORT
4 AVAILABLE FROM THE POTRERO GROUP. THEY ARE EXPERTS IN THE AREA
5 AND GAVE A PRESENTATION LAST YEAR TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE.
6 THEY HAVE BEEN REALLY WORKING AT THE FOREFRONT OF THESE
7 RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS AND PUBLIC AGENCIES
8 AND SO CLEVELAND AND DANIEL ARE AVAILABLE WITH A LIMITED
9 AMOUNT OF BUDGET WE HAVE LEFT IN THE CONTRACT WITH THEM. SO IF
10 ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN STANDING IT UP, YOU KNOW, THEY ARE
11 AVAILABLE TO HAVE SOME CONVERSATIONS. BUT WE DO RECOGNIZE THAT
12 IT'S A VERY HEAVY LIFT TO STAND UP THIS NONPROFIT
13 INDEPENDENTLY. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO I'LL JUST SKIM THROUGH
14 OUR BAY TRAIL WORK PROGRAM WHICH WE SHARED A FEW TIMES
15 PREVIOUSLY. BUT JUST WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THAT THERE ARE A
16 VARIETY OF STUDIES THAT WE KICKED OFF IN THE LAST COUPLE OF
17 YEARS AND WILL BE CONTINUING IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS WHERE
18 M.T.C. IS BRINGING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO SUPPORT THIS GREAT
19 WORK. SO JUST REITERATING THAT WE'RE BRINGING MORE PUBLIC
20 RESOURCES THAN EVER TO SUPPORT THIS IN ADDITION TO OUR OWN
21 M.T.C. STAFF TIME. SO REALLY EXCITED TO SUPPORT THIS. NEXT
22 SLIDE, PLEASE. SO HERE'S FIVE PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY ABAG AND
23 THEN BATA. BRIDGE TOLL REF VIEWS. -- REVENUES. NEXT SLIDE,
24 PLEASE. AND WE WILL MEASURE REGIONAL THREE FUNDING WHICH WILL
25 BE COMING AVAILABLE THROUGH A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS IN THE

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1 COMING YEARS. AND NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AND SO THIS IS MY FINAL
2 SLIDE. SORRY FOR THE LONG PRESENTATION TODAY. BUT THIS IS JUST
3 A SCHEDULE AND NEXT STEPS FOR MAKING THIS TRANSITION. SO WE'RE
4 PRESENTING THIS ITEM TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE TODAY AND TO
5 THE BAY TRAIL BOARD NEXT MONTH. WE WILL BE WORKING WITH RAILS-
6 TO-TRAILS TO ESTABLISH THIS FRIENDS OF THE BAY TRAIL AND HAVE
7 THAT UP AND RUNNING THIS SUMMER. WE'LL BE GOING TO THE ABAG
8 EXECUTIVE BOARD TO FORMALIZE THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE
9 RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE JOINT M.T.C. PLANNING AND ABAG ADMIN
10 COMMITTEE. AND THEN, WE'LL ALSO BE HAVING THE FIRST REGIONAL
11 T.A.C. MEETINGS LATER THIS YEAR AND THE FIRST BAY TRAIL, YOU
12 KNOW, GENERAL ANNUAL INFORMATIONAL UPDATE ROUGHLY A YEAR FROM
13 NOW. SO WE WILL BE HAVING, YOU KNOW, AT A MINIMUM THREE
14 MEETINGS A YEAR BETWEEN THE BATC AND M.T.C. MEETINGS WHICH IS
15 THE SAME CADENCE THAT WE'VE BEEN MEETING THROUGH THE STEERING
16 COMMITTEE AND THE BOARD. SO NOTHING SHOULD BE LOST IN TERMS OF
17 THAT INFORMATION SHARING. IT WILL JUST BE THROUGH SOME
18 DIFFERENT FORUMS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH FOLKS TO
19 HAVING THE SAME TYPES OF CONVERSATIONS. JUST THROUGH --
20 THROUGH THOSE DIFFERENT FORUMS. YEAH, WE WILL BE MOVING ALONG
21 WITH THIS THROUGHOUT THIS YEAR. AND THAT IS MY FINAL SLIDE. IF
22 THERE ARE -- IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS FROM COMMITTEE
23 MEMBERS. I SEE NONE --
24

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1 **VIRGILIO CUASAY:** I DO HAVE A QUESTION. FIRST COMMENT -- THANK
2 YOU FOR PRESENTING THIS ITEM AND I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO WHAT
3 RAILS-TO-TRAILS COLLABORATIVE IS ABLE TO BRING. ONE THING THAT
4 I WAS THINKING ABOUT WAS THAT I BELIEVE ABAG IN THE PAST --
5 ABAG STAFF CONDUCTED OUTREACH AND RELATIONSHIP BUILDING WITH
6 PARTNERS THROUGHOUT THE BAY AREA. I WAS WONDERING IF A
7 COMPONENT OF THAT WOULD EXIST WITHIN FUTURE BATC MEETINGS?

8

9 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** I AM TRYING TO PROCESS THE REQUEST OR THE
10 QUESTION. I THINK M.T.C. ABAG STAFF WILL STILL WORK TO FOSTER
11 THOSE RELATIONSHIPS AND WE ARE TRYING TO ENGAGE AS MANY PUBLIC
12 ENTITIES AS POSSIBLE IN THE BAY TRAIL WORK. SO THROUGH THE
13 DIFFERENT PLANNING STUDIES THAT WE HAVE AND THEN OUR OWN
14 INFORMATIONAL UPDATE. AND I THINK WHERE THERE IS INTEREST AND
15 DESIRE, WE WOULD CERTAINLY DIRECT THEM TO BATC AS WELL TO
16 LEARN MORE FROM ALL THE PARTNERS AND THESE ADVOCATES WHO ARE
17 INVOLVED WITH IT. SO I DON'T THINK IT'S A -- I THINK IT'S
18 TRYING TO GET FOLKS ENGAGED IN ALL THOSE DIFFERENT
19 OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN MORE AND SUPPORT THE BAY TRAIL.

20

21 **VIRGILIO CUASAY:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** SECRETARY, WERE THERE ANY ITEMS RECEIVED
24 UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM, AND IF ANYONE
25 FROM THE PUBLIC WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, USE THE

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1 RAISED HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR 9. IN PERSON MEETINGS OF THE
2 PUBLIC SHOULD FORM A LINE NEAR THE PODIUM AND THE CLERK WILL
3 CALL UPON YOU TO SPEAK.

4

5 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THERE WERE NO WRITTEN COMMENTS FROM THE
6 ITEM, NO MEMBER IN THE BOARDROOM. NONE AT THE TELECONFERENCE
7 LOCATION. THERE IS ONE HAND RAISED IN THE ZOOM ATTENDEE SPACE.
8 CAN I CONFIRM THE TIME FOR THE PUBLIC SPEAKER?

9

10 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** THREE MINUTES, PLEASE.

11

12 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** BRUCE BEYAERT, PLEASE GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

13

14 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** TOSHI, THAT WAS AN EXCELLENT PRESENTATION. VERY
15 THOUGHTFUL PROPOSAL. I'D LIKE TO JUST COVER A COUPLE OF
16 POINTS. ONE, LACK OF FOCUS ON PRIVATE FUNDRAISING, I THINK WAS
17 PRIMARILY BECAUSE THERE WAS SO MUCH GOVERNMENTAL MONEY
18 AVAILABLE FOR BAY TRAIL PROJECTS. I KNOW TRAC IN OUR 25 YEARS
19 WORKING WITH THE CITY OF RICHMOND, WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN ABLE TO
20 FIND FUNDING FOR BAY TRAIL PROJECTS. THEY'VE ALWAYS BEEN VERY
21 COMPETITIVE IN THAT ARENA. SO ENOUGH ON FUNDING. THE MAJOR
22 CONCERN, I'M HOPING STAFF WILL THINK ABOUT THIS BETWEEN NOW
23 AND THE APRIL 26 BOARD MEETING IS OVER ADVOCACY, OUTREACH, AND
24 SUPPORT. THE SUCCESS OVER THE YEARS THROWN ON THE EARLY CHART
25 WAS DUE, IN MY VIEW, FOR BAY TRAIL STAFF, FOCUSED STAFF AT

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1 ABAG GOING OUT AND MEETING WITH THE PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS
2 STAFF IN THE CITIES, COUNTIES, AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS THAT HAVE
3 BAY TRAIL GAPS. AND THERE WERE A LOT OF THEM. THE CITY,
4 COUNTY, STAFF PEOPLE KNEW THE ABAG PEOPLE. AND ABAG STAFF
5 WORKED WITH THEM HAND HOLDING, HELPING THEM DEVELOP BAY TRAIL
6 PROJECTS AND GET FUNDING FOR THEM. THAT, I DON'T SEE THAT
7 HAPPENING IN ANY OF THE PROPOSALS THAT WE SAW TODAY. I MEAN,
8 BATC, RAILS-TO-TRAILS CONSERVANCY, AND VOLUNTEER THAT HAVE
9 OTHER JOBS IN THE SUBCOMMITTEE ARE NOT GOING TO BE GOING OUT
10 AND WORKING DIRECTLY WITH INDIVIDUALS IN ALL THE CITIES,
11 COUNTIES, AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS TO HELP DEVELOP AND SUPPORT
12 THEM IN FUNDING BAY TRAIL PROJECTS. I THINK THIS IS REALLY A
13 CRITICAL ISSUE. I HOPE YOU GIVE THIS SOME MORE THOUGHT BETWEEN
14 NOW AND THE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING. WE'RE LOSING MORE
15 RAILS-TO-TRAILS AS YOU KNOW, AND HOPEFULLY HAVE A GOOD PERSON
16 TO REPLACE HERE. BUT I WONDER WHERE THE RAILS-TO-TRAILS
17 CONSERVANCY HAVE THE STAFF TO DO THE OUTREACH DONE BEFORE.
18 GOING TO CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS, PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS,
19 MAKING COMMENTS, PUBLIC SECTOR PROJECTS WERE APPROVED TO
20 ENSURE THE PUBLIC SECTOR -- SORRY -- PRIVATE SECTOR PROJECTS
21 INCORPORATED THE BAY TRAIL. ALL THAT IS LOST NOW. I'D LIKE TO
22 FIND A WAY TO RECOVER THAT. SO THANK YOU FOR THESE
23 OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMENT. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE APRIL 26 BOARD
24 MEETING AND HOPE YOU'LL HAVE SOME NEW, GOOD IDEAS TO

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1 STRENGTHEN THE ROAD MAP WITH REGARD TO ADVOCACY, OUTREACH, AND
2 SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

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4 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU. THERE ARE NO ATTENDEES IN THE
5 ZOOM SPACE FOR COMMENT. I'M SORRY. THERE IS ONE MORE MEMBER
6 WHO RAISED THEIR HAND. NO. THERE ARE NO OTHER MEMBERS. THANK
7 YOU. I'M SORRY, TOSHI. BILL LONG HAS RAISED HIS HAND. BILL
8 LONG, GO AHEAD, PLEASE. THREE MINUTES.

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10 **BILL LONG:** [INDISCERNIBLE]

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12 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** EXCUSE ME, BILL. EXCUSE ME, BILL. WE'RE
13 NOT RECEIVING YOUR AUDIO VERY WELL.

14

15 **BILL LONG:** [INDISCERNIBLE]

16

17 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** DID YOU WANT TO TRY AGAIN? WE'RE HAVING
18 DIFFICULTIES WITH HIS AUDIO. THIS IS FOR BILL LONG, IF YOU'D
19 LIKE TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN COMMENT. YOU CAN DO IT, BY EMAILING
20 ME OR WITH -- AND WE'LL SHARE WITH COMMITTEE STAFF. THANK YOU.

21

22 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** OKAY. MOVING ON TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 7.
23 THE INDIA BASIN WATERFRONT PARK. SO DAVID FROEHLICH KATHERINE
24 LISS WILL GIVE THIS REPORT.

25

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1 **DAVID FROEHLICH:** THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME PRESENT TO THE
2 STEERING COMMITTEE. MY NAME IS DAVID FROEHLICH AND I'M A
3 PROJECT MANAGER WITH THE SAN FRANCISCO PARKS DEPARTMENT AND
4 I'M JOINED HERE BY KATHERINE LISS, OUR LEAD DESIGNER AND
5 PROJECT MANAGER FROM G.G.M. INDIA BASIN IS A PROJECT WITH
6 THREE OTHER PARTNERS. THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND, THE SAN
7 FRANCISCO PARKS ALLIANCE, AND THE A. PHILIP RANDOLPH
8 INSTITUTE, OR APRI. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. INDIA BASIN IS LOCATED
9 IN THE SOUTHEAST SECTION OF THE CITY IN THE BAYVIEW/HUNTER'S
10 POINT NEIGHBORHOOD, AS YOU CAN SEE ON THE MAP ON THE LEFT.
11 LOOKING AT THE MAP ON THE RIGHT, WE ARE SANDWICHED BETWEEN
12 HERON'S HEAD PARK, THE PG&E SHORELINE TO THE NORTH OF US, TO
13 THE EAST OF OUR PARK SITE, WE HAVE 700 OPEN SPACE. BEYOND --
14 900 INNES. AND TO THE EAST OF THAT IS THE HUNTER'S POINT NAVAL
15 SHIPYARD OR DEVELOPMENT. AND THEN TO THE SOUTH IS THE BAYVIEW-
16 HUNTER'S POINT NEIGHBORHOOD. WE HAVE TWO PARTS TO OUR SOUTH.
17 WE HAVE THE INDIA BASIN SHORELINE PARK. AND THEN WE HAVE THE
18 900 INNES PARCEL WHICH REC PARK RE -- ACQUIRED IN 2014. THIS
19 COMBINES THE EXISTING INDIA BASIN SHORELINE PARK AREA AND 900
20 INNES PROPERTY INTO ONE GRAND 10-ACRE WATERFRONT PARK. INDIA
21 BASIN SHORELINE PARK IS CURRENTLY 7.5 PACKERS. 900 INNES IS
22 2.5 ACRES AND TOGETHER THEY WILL BE A 10-ACRE PARK, WHICH ALSO
23 WILL CLOSE A GAP IN THE BAY TRAIL. 900 INNES PARK WAS A
24 PRIVATELY OWNED PROPERTY FOR OVER 100 YEARS. SO WE WILL
25 CONNECT OUR EXISTING INDIA BASIN SHORELINE PARK SEGMENT OF THE

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1 BAY TRAIL TO OUR OPEN SPACE AREA TO THE EAST. AND THEN, ONCE
2 ALL OF THESE WATERFRONT PARKS ARE COMPLETED, I BELIEVE IT WILL
3 COMPLETE 1.7 MILES OF NEW BAY TRAIL ALONG THIS INDIA BASIN
4 PARK SHORELINE. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. YOU CAN SEE THE EXISTING
5 INDIA BASIN SHORELINE PARK SITE WHICH IS WHAT WE'RE HERE TO
6 SHOWCASE TODAY. 900 INNES IS ACTUALLY IN CONSTRUCTION AS WE
7 SPEAK SO WE'LL TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THAT. BUT WE'LL GO OVER
8 HOW WE'RE CONNECTING THE BAY TRAIL THROUGHOUT BOTH OF THESE
9 PARKS. YOU CAN SEE THE INDIA BASIN SHORELINE PARK IMAGE ON THE
10 RIGHT. IT WAS A PARK THAT WAS BUILT IN THE 1990'S AS PART OF
11 MITIGATION MEASURES FOR RUNWAY CONSTRUCTION, THE AIRPORT. IT
12 CONSISTS OF A PARKING LOT, SOME RIFFRAFF THAT HAS BEEN
13 DETERIORATING AND PARK FEATURES, AN OLD PLAYGROUND AND A
14 SEGMENT OF THE BAY TRAIL CONNECTS THE PG&E SHORELINE FROM
15 HERON'S HEAD PARK AND STOPS AT PART OF OUR PARK. AND HERE I
16 WILL PASS IT OVER TO KATHERINE LISS TO CONTINUE ON.

17

18 **KATHERINE LISS:** THANKS, DAVID. IF WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE.
19 SO IN OUR INITIAL MEETINGS WITH THE COMMUNITY AND ALSO JUST
20 UNDERSTANDING SOME OF THE SITE ANALYSIS THAT WE WERE DOING
21 EARLY ON IN OUR CONCEPT, WE REALLY IDENTIFIED SOME KEY ITEMS
22 THAT NEEDED TO BE RECONNECTED. SO THE NEIGHBORHOOD UP ON THE
23 HILL RIGHT NEXT TO THIS PARK WAS REALLY DISCONNECTED FROM THE
24 PARK AT 900 INNES BECAUSE IT WAS FENCED OFF. BUT ALSO FROM
25 INDIA BASIN SHORELINE PARK AND THE WATER. AND SO WE HEARD FROM

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1 THE COMMUNITY THAT THIS CONNECTION BACK TO THE WATER AND TO
2 THE LAND WAS REALLY IMPORTANT. AND SO IN THESE -- THIS CONCEPT
3 IMAGE IN THE KIND OF -- ON THE RIGHT SIDE, YOU CAN SEE HOW
4 THIS INITIAL CONCEPT SKETCH IS REALLY TRYING TO EMPHASIZE WHAT
5 WE HEARD WHICH WAS TO RECONNECT THAT NEIGHBORHOOD BACK TO THE
6 LAND AND THE WATER. THE OTHER THING IS THOSE TWO MAIN KIND OF
7 PATHWAYS ON EITHER SIDE OF THE MEADOW ARE REALLY INSPIRED BY
8 THE BOAT YARD HISTORY OF THE SITE. SO THERE WERE AT 900 INNES,
9 THERE WERE ACTUALLY BOATS PULLED UP ON MARINE RAILS FOR
10 REPAIR, AND SO THOSE -- THAT KIND OF LANGUAGE IS INSPIRED FROM
11 THAT BOAT YARD HISTORY. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO I ALSO -- AS WE
12 WENT THROUGH THE COMMUNITY PROCESS, WE HAD SEVERAL KIND OF
13 MEETINGS THROUGHOUT OUR DESIGN, LIKE, DURING THE CONCEPT PHASE
14 AND S.D. PHASE AND DESIGN DEVELOPMENT PHASE. TOWARDS THE END
15 OF ALL THOSE PROCESSES, WE ACTUALLY WERE MEETING WITH THE
16 COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP GROUP FAIRLY REGULARLY AS THEY WERE
17 DEVELOPING THIS EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT PLAN WHICH WAS THESE SIX
18 GOALS THAT WERE TO STRENGTHEN BOTH ALL OF THESE ELEMENTS THAT
19 WERE REALLY IMPORTANT TO THE COMMUNITY BOTH IN THE PARK BUT
20 ALSO CREATE THIS EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT PLAN THAT WOULD THEN
21 SERVE AS A GUIDELINE FOR A LOT OF OTHER OPPORTUNITIES IN THIS
22 BAYVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD. NEXT SLIDE. AND THEN, SO OUR KIND OF
23 FOUR KEY GOALS THAT CAME OUT OF OUR DESIGN PROCESS WERE TO
24 UPHOLD THOSE COMMUNITY PRIORITIES THAT WE LEARNED ABOUT IN THE
25 EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT PLAN. WE WANTED TO CONNECT AND PROVIDE

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1 ACCESS BOTH THE NORTH AND SOUTH ALONG THE VARIOUS CONNECTIONS
2 THAT I'LL TALK ABOUT AND ALSO TO THE WATER. AND THEN WE ALSO
3 WANTED TO CONNECT OUR CREATE AND ENHANCE THE NATURAL HABITAT
4 AREAS THAT WERE ALREADY PRESENT IN THE PARK. AND TO CREATE
5 MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THEM. AND THEN, TO ADAPT TO SEA LEVEL
6 RISE. SO REALLY TAKING INTO ACCOUNT HOW THAT -- ALL THOSE
7 ELEMENTS, BOTH PUBLIC AND NATURAL, WERE GOING TO BE IMPACTED
8 OVER TIME AND HOW COULD THEY ADAPT OVER TIME ON OUR PARK.
9 NEXT. AND SO AS DAVID ALREADY MENTIONED, WE KIND OF ACTUALLY
10 HAD THREE PHASES TO THE PARK PROJECT. SO THE FIRST PHASE IS --
11 WAS ACTUALLY REMEDIATION PHASE DURING WHICH SOME OF THE BOAT
12 YARD MATERIALS THAT WERE THERE AS PART OF THE -- KIND OF
13 EXISTING BOAT YARD CONSTRUCTION HISTORY OF THE SITE WERE
14 REMOVED AND WERE CAPPED WITH TWO TO THREE FEET OF CLEAN FILL.
15 AND THEN, WHAT WE'RE DOING RIGHT NOW IS PHASE TWO WHICH IS THE
16 900 INNES PHASE AND THAT'S SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED AT THE
17 END OF THIS YEAR. AND THEN WHAT -- THE THIRD PHASE WOULD BE
18 INDIA BASIN SHORELINE PARK WHICH, AGAIN, IS IN -- KIND OF CYAN
19 BLUE THERE ON THE PLAN. AND THAT'S SCHEDULED TO START THIS
20 FALL. IN TERMS OF CONSTRUCTION. NEXT. AND THEN SO FOCUSING ON
21 INDIA BASIN SHORELINE PARK, ALTHOUGH THERE IS A LITTLE BIT OF
22 900 INNES ON THE PLAN. THIS SHOWS CIRCULATION ROUTES THAT WE
23 STUDIED AND ALSO PROVIDE ON THE PARK. SO STARTING WITH IN
24 PURPLE -- IN THE PURPLE SOLID LINE IS THE BAY TRAIL BLUE
25 GREENWAY CONNECTION. SO THIS IS THAT WHAT YOU ALL HAVE BEEN

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1 TALKING ABOUT TODAY. THIS IS WHERE THE BIKES AND PEDESTRIAN
2 ROUTE WOULD CONNECT TO HER -- FROM HERON'S HEAD ALL THE WAY
3 DOWN THROUGH THE PG&E SITE AND SOUTH. AND UPLAND OF THAT OR
4 TOWARDS THE STREET, WE HAVE ALL THOSE -- THOSE YELLOW CIRCLES
5 THAT YOU SEE ARE ALL THOSE CONNECTIONS AT THE SIDEWALK FOR
6 PEOPLE TO COME IN, YOU KNOW, RIGHT OFF OF THE SIDEWALK FROM,
7 YOU KNOW, THEY CAN COME IN DIRECTLY OR MEANDER THROUGH SOME
8 STAIRS IF THEY PREFER THAT. THERE'S ALSO THAT DASHED PURPLE
9 LINE WHICH ACTUALLY IS AN ACCESSIBLE ROUTE AND IT'S A WIDENED
10 PATH. SO WE ARE NOTING THAT BIKES CAN BASICALLY WALK DOWN THAT
11 TRAIL AND PEDESTRIANS WOULD AS WELL TO CONNECT TO THE BAY --
12 BAY TRAIL BLUE GREENWAY. AND THEN THERE'S ALSO IN BLACK YOU
13 CAN SEE WHERE THE VEHICLES WOULD COME IN FROM THE STREET THERE
14 AND PARK AT THE PARKING AREA OR TURN AROUND AND DROP OFF
15 SOMEBODY. YOU CAN ALSO SEE THOSE TWO MAIN KIND OF MAGENTA
16 ARROWS THAT POINT DOWN TO THE WATER. THIS IS REALLY WHERE WE,
17 YOU KNOW, FROM OUR CONCEPT, THIS IS KIND OF WHERE WE ENDED UP
18 WITH IN TERMS OF STILL MAINTAINING THAT STRONG EMPHASIS OF
19 CONNECTION DOWN TO THE WATER. AND FRAMED BETWEEN THOSE TWO
20 MAIN PATHWAYS IS THE MAIN MARINE WAY LAWN WHICH, AGAIN,
21 PROVIDES GENTLE SLOPES FOR PEOPLE TO JUST WALK DOWN THE LAWN,
22 PICNICKING, AND ALSO JUST A GRAND VIEW DOWN TO THE WATER WHICH
23 IS, AGAIN, SOMETHING WE HEARD WAS REALLY IMPORTANT. AT THE END
24 OF THIS MARINE WAY LAWN AND PATHWAYS, WE HAVE A GRAVEL BEACH
25 WHICH, YOU KNOW, BECAUSE THIS IS A FAIRLY MUDDY BAY IN THIS

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1 AREA, WE'RE NOT ENCOURAGING SWIMMING AT THIS LOCATION. BUT IT
2 WILL SERVE, YOU KNOW, AT HIGH TIDE FOR POTENTIALLY, YOU KNOW,
3 SOMEONE WHO REALLY UNDERSTANDS THE TIDES TO HAVE ANOTHER
4 LOCATION FOR KAYAK OR CONNECTION TO THE WATERTRAIL. BUT THE
5 MAIN LOCATION FOR THAT IS OFF OF THE FLOATING DOCK, WHICH YOU
6 CAN SEE THERE'S THIS KIND OF WHITE RECTANGLE RIGHT OFF OF THE
7 PARKING AREA AND THAT'S THE BOAT HOUSE, WHICH WILL HOUSE ALL
8 OF THE BOAT -- DIFFERENT BOAT EQUIPMENT. AND ALSO, HAVE
9 PROGRAMS AND OFFICES TO RENT AND ALSO HAVE IDEALLY CLASSES,
10 POTENTIALLY, FOR TEACHING GROUPS TO GO OUT ONTO THE WATER. AND
11 THEN, THAT IS CONNECTED TO THAT LONGER MAGENTA LINE THAT
12 REALLY GOES OUT INTO THE WATER. AND THAT'S REALLY THE FLOATING
13 DOCK PORTION OF THE PROJECT, WHICH REALLY CONNECTS YOU TO THAT
14 WATERTRAIL. NEXT. SO THESE ARE THE MAIN PROGRAM ELEMENTS ON
15 THE PARK. WE REALLY TALKED THROUGH THESE -- OR REALLY LEARNED
16 ABOUT THEM OR WHAT WAS DESIRABLE FROM THE COMMUNITY. SO IN ONE
17 OF OUR REALLY, REALLY EARLY MEETINGS, SOMEONE WAS ALREADY
18 ASKING HOW TO RESERVE A PICNIC SPOT OR A GRILL, YOU KNOW,
19 SPOT. SO WE KNEW SOMETHING LIKE A COOK-OUT TERRACE, WHICH IS
20 WHAT WE CREATED, KIND OF IN THE HEART OF THE LAWN AND
21 BASKETBALL AREA WAS REALLY IMPORTANT TO THE COMMUNITY. SO THAT
22 SPACE WE'RE REALLY ENVISIONING AS A PLACE WHERE EVERYONE CAN
23 COME AND SIT, LIKE YOUR WHOLE FAMILY, AND, YOU KNOW, THE
24 PARENT OR THE GRANDPARENTS COULD BE COOKING THERE WHILE MAYBE
25 THE SMALLER KIDS ARE OUT PLAYING ON THE LAWN AND THEN THE

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1 YOUNGER OR THE YOUTH OR TEENAGERS ARE PLAYING BASKETBALL. AND
2 THAT'S ALL VISIBLE FROM THAT COOKOUT TERRACE. SO IT'S REALLY
3 THIS PLACE THAT ALLOWS FOR THAT GATHERING. BUT ALSO HAS VIEWS
4 TO THE SURROUNDED AREA AND FEEL SAFE THERE. AND THEN, THE LAWN
5 ITSELF WAS, AGAIN, ONE OF THE MAIN ELEMENTS THAT WE HEARD WAS
6 IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT ALLOWS FOR FLEXIBLE KIND OF USAGE. AND I
7 ALREADY MENTIONED THE GRAVEL SHORE. THIS IS ALSO WAS INSPIRED
8 BY A SMALL SECTION OF THE PARK THAT ALREADY HAD A LITTLE BIT
9 OF GRAVEL SHORE AND WE WANTED TO EXPAND THIS SO IT COULD BE OF
10 A SCALE THAT WOULD BE WELCOMING TO EVERYONE. AND, AGAIN, ALLOW
11 FOR THOSE DIFFERENT TYPES OF INTERACTIONS WITH THE WATER,
12 WHETHER YOU'RE JUST SITTING THERE, YOU KNOW, KIND OF
13 CONTEMPLATING THE WATER'S EDGE OR YOU'RE FLYING A KITE THERE
14 BECAUSE YOU CAN GET MORE WIND. AS I ALREADY MENTIONED, WE HAVE
15 TWO FULL BASKETBALL COURTS. AND A PLAYGROUND AREA AS WELL. AND
16 A LITTLE FITNESS AREA, TOO. NEXT SLIDE. AND YOU KNOW, DAVID
17 AND I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO SHARE WITH YOU WHAT THE
18 CONDITIONS AROUND INDIA BASIN SHORELINE PARK ARE IN TERMS OF
19 THE BAIL TRAIL. SO THIS IS REALLY FOCUSING MORE ON THE BAY
20 TRAIL CONTEXT. WHAT'S ALREADY BEEN CONSTRUCTED IS ACTUALLY AN
21 IMAGE ON THE BOTTOM LEFT WHERE IN ORANGE IS THE BAY TRAIL. SO
22 WE HAVE -- WE'RE FAIRLY GENEROUS WIDTH FROM 14 TO 16 AS YOU'RE
23 APPROACHING THE 900 INNES AREA AND THEN IT ACTUALLY WIDENS OUT
24 TO 18. BECAUSE WE'RE EXPECTING QUITE A BIT OF ACTIVITY COMING
25 DOWN THE HILL THROUGH THOSE STAIRS AND ACCESSIBLE PATHWAY.

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1 PLUS, THERE ARE SEVERAL BUILDINGS ON THIS SITE AT 900 INNES.
2 THERE IS THE SHOP BUILDING, WHICH WILL HAVE A BOAT BUILDING
3 PROGRAM. THERE'S A FOOD PAVILION, ALSO, THAT WILL SERVE FOOD
4 AND WILL HAVE CAFE CHAIRS AND TABLES. AND THEN, THERE'S A
5 HISTORIC SHIPYARD COTTAGE WHICH WILL BE A WELCOME CENTER AND
6 COMMUNITY SPACE. SO WITH THAT, THIS IS THE KIND OF -- THE AREA
7 THAT WILL HAVE A LOT OF ACTIVITY BUT WE FEEL THIS IS A
8 GENEROUS SCALE FOR THAT AREA TO ACCOMMODATE EVERYONE. AND THEN
9 LOOKING TO THE NORTH, WE HAVE THE PG&E SITE. THIS IS AN
10 EXISTING PHOTO REALLY JUST NORTH OF OUR PARK AS YOU WALK
11 TOWARDS HERON'S. YOU CAN KIND OF SEE HERON'S HEAD IN GENERAL.
12 YOU CAN SEE THE GENERAL CONDITIONS TO THE NORTH. NEXT. AND
13 THEN, SO THE BAY TRAIL AND INDIA BASIN TRAIL PARK, IN
14 PARTICULAR, YOU CAN SEE WE HAVE SOME VARYING WIDTHS FROM 15 TO
15 16 WIDTH AT THE LAWN. AND THEN I WANTED TO SHARE A FEW
16 SECTIONS THROUGH THESE AREAS REALLY NOTING HOW ON THE BAY
17 TRAIL YOU ARE GETTING A VARIED EXPERIENCE. YOU KNOW, YOU'RE AT
18 THE SOUTHERN END, YOU'RE MORE ALMOST AT THE EDGE OF THE
19 SHORELINE THERE. YOU CAN SEE, LIKE, THERE'S THE PLAYGROUND IS
20 TO YOUR LEFT IN THAT LOWER SECTION. AND THEN, YOU HAVE THE BAY
21 TRAIL AND THEN THERE'S A NATIVE PLANTED SLOPE. AND THEN,
22 REALLY THE BAY. AND THEN, AS YOU COME A LITTLE BIT FURTHER
23 INTO THE PARK, THE BAY TRAIL WILL COLLECT SOME PEOPLE FROM
24 ACTUALLY IN THE PARK, OBVIOUSLY, THAT ARE POTENTIALLY GOING TO
25 THE FITNESS CENTER OR GOING TO THE BAY CITY FERRY WOOD DECK

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1 WHICH IS A GATHERING AREA. SO IN THAT UPPER SECTION, IT REALLY
2 BECOMES PART OF THE PARK. AND THEN, IT CONTINUES ON THAT ROUTE
3 UNTIL -- THROUGH THE LAWN AND THEN THE PARKING AREA AND THEN
4 UP TOWARDS THE PG&E SITE. SO JUST WANTED TO NOTE, IT'S REALLY
5 INTEGRATED INTO OUR PARK DESIGN. NEXT. YEAH. AND I THINK THIS
6 IS JUST AN OVERALL RENDERED VIEW OF THE INDIA BASIN SHORELINE
7 PARK DESIGN. AND ACTUALLY, YOU CAN SEE 900 INNES IN THIS VIEW
8 AS WELL. IN THE FOREGROUND YOU SEE THE FLOATING DOCK ON THE
9 RIGHT SIDE AND THE GRAVEL SHORE JUST NEAR THAT. AND THAT LAWN
10 SPACE THAT CARRIES UPWARDS TO THE STREET LEVEL. AND YOU CAN
11 SEE THE BAY TRAIL, AGAIN, LIKE WINDING ITS WAY REALLY STARTING
12 FROM THE BOAT HOUSE ON THE RIGHT SIDE. SO THAT BUILDING THAT
13 HAS THAT KIND OF SLATTED ROOF. AND THEN IT'S REALLY WINDING
14 ITS WAY THROUGH THE LAWN IN AND AROUND THAT FITNESS AREA AND
15 AROUND THE PLAYGROUND TOWARDS 900 INNES. YEAH, ANYTHING TO
16 ADD, DAVID?

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18 **DAVID FROEHLICH:** I THINK THAT'S IT.

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20 **KATHERINE LISS:** OKAY, GREAT.

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22 **DAVID FROEHLICH:** I GUESS WE CAN OPEN IT UP TO QUESTIONS FROM
23 THE COMMITTEE OR --

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1 **JOHN MYERS:** THANK YOU. SERVING AS COUNSEL FOR THE COMMITTEE. I
2 HAD A QUICK ANNOUNCEMENT THAT I HAD TO PUT IN FOR. WITH THE
3 COMMITTEE MEMBER TOMERLIN, UNFORTUNATELY, HAD TO GO TO ANOTHER
4 COMMITMENT. SO AT THIS TIME, THE STEERING COMMITTEE NO LONGER
5 HAS A QUORUM OF MEMBERS TO CONTINUE AS AN OFFICIAL MEETING.
6 HOWEVER, FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR PUBLIC AND OUR REMAINING
7 MEMBERS, WE WILL OF COURSE FINISH THIS ITEM AND ALLOW FOR
8 PUBLIC COMMENT JUST AS WE NORMALLY WOULD. BUT WE WOULD JUST
9 ASK IF OUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS COULD REFRAIN FROM SOME EXTENDED
10 DISCUSSIONS ON THIS ITEM GIVEN THAT WE NO LONGER HAVE THE
11 OFFICIAL QUORUM BUT WE CAN STILL HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC AND
12 STILL CONTINUE THE MEETING.

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14 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** THANK YOU, JOHN. IS THERE ANY COMMITTEE
15 MEMBER DISCUSSION?

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17 **SEAN DOUGAN:** AFTER THAT ANNOUNCEMENT, NO. BUT I WANTED TO SAY
18 WHAT AN EXCITING PROJECT. I LIVE IN THE EAST BAY. I WISH
19 SOMETHING LIKE THIS WAS HAPPENING OVER HERE. THERE'S A LOT
20 HAPPENING OVER HERE, TOO. REALLY, REALLY GREAT SPACE. AND I
21 REALLY HOPE THAT THE COMMUNITY APPRECIATES YOUR WORK. SO THANK
22 YOU.

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24 **KATHERINE LISS:** THANK YOU.

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1 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** SECRETARY, WERE THERE ANY ITEMS RECEIVED
2 UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM. AND IF ANYONE
3 FROM THE PUBLIC WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM OR -- USE THE
4 RAISED HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR 9. IN-PERSON MEMBERS OF THE
5 PUBLIC GO TO THE PODIUM.

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7 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** I SEE NO MEMBERS IN THE PUBLIC FOR
8 COMMENT. NOR AT THE TELECONFERENCE LOCATION. I SEE NO MEMBERS
9 THERE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK YOU.

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11 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** AGENDA ITEM 8, ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT
12 MEETING. THE NEXT MEETING FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL
13 STEERING COMMITTEE WILL BE DULY NOTICED. THANK YOU, ALL.

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