

San Francisco Bay Trail Project

Steering Committee

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India Basin Waterfront Park Overview

Subject:

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Background:

In 2014, the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department acquired 900 Innes at India Basin in San Francisco's Bay View Hunters Point (BVHP) neighborhood. With scenic views, waterfront access, and natural resources, the site is the Department's only San Francisco Bay-front property.

At India Basin, the Department, in partnership with the BVHP community, the Trust for Public Land, and the San Francisco Parks Alliance, endeavor to build a park that is both spectacular and crucial to the health of San Francisco's southeast communities, which have been historically underserved. The development of 900 Innes will transform a post-industrial brownfield into the 21st-century legacy park in a historic waterfront context, with an emphasis on:

- Habitat and wetland restoration and enhancement
- Public access
- Resiliency to sea level rise
- Social equity
- Waterfront recreation

The proposed plan combines the existing India Basin Shoreline Park area and 900 Innes property into one grand 10-acre waterfront park development that closes a critical gap in the San Francisco Bay Trail. The property is also the mid-point of the one and a half-mile-long India Basin shoreline, which is comprised of seven properties totaling 64 acres, six of seven of which are in some stage of development.

As such, there is a unique opportunity to design these properties so that the India Basin shoreline becomes a seamless waterfront park experience on a grand scale. It will be integrated parks, trails and open space systems with a comprehensive set of programs and amenities, trails that connect gracefully, one signage system, and furniture and fixtures that complement each other.

900 Innes Remediation (Phase 1): March 2021-August 2022

The 900 Innes Avenue Remediation Project was the first phase of the India Basin Waterfront Parks project. The remediation project removed and restored contaminated soil and sediment

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left behind from industrial boat building and vessel repair activities. The construction activities also removed contaminated marine debris, abandoned structures, and deteriorated concrete to enable future park development. The landmarked Shipwright's Cottage was preserved and abated of hazardous building materials and is ready to be restored during this current construction of the 900 Innes Park.

The construction activities occurred on land, as well as within the shallow waters lying immediately to the north of 900 Innes Avenue. The offshore remediation activities included the removal of debris and dilapidated structures, followed by targeted excavation of between four and five feet within the intertidal and subtidal zone, installation of a coffer dam, and placement of an equivalent backfill material (beneficial reuse material) to serve as a protective cap. On land, the work cleared the site of abandoned structures, unusable concrete surfaces, and removed two feet of soils followed by backfill to support future park design grades per the Remedial Action Plan. A minimum of a six inch to one-foot-thick offshore sand cap was placed in the mudflats near IBSP to protect the current sediment from disturbance and prevent uncovering of sediment that contains slightly elevated concentrations of contaminants of concern below the surface.

900 Innes Park Development (Phase 2): September 2022 – August 2024

Following the completion of remediation cleanup at the 900 Innes Ave site, RPD plans to transform the 900 Innes site into a new bayfront park that includes the following:

- Rehabilitation of San Francisco Landmark #250: Shipwrights Cottage
- Construction of 3 new buildings, including the Food Pavilion, the Makers Shop, and an operations/maintenance building
- Addition of a new public restroom
- Construction of 2 new public piers
- Installation of a new floating dock for public access
- ADA-compliant walkway from Innes Avenue to the Bay Trail and waterfront
- Construction of the San Francisco Bay Trail segment
- Restoration of salvaged materials, including the marine way rails
- Viewing decks and platforms
- Landscaping with native grasses, vegetation, and habitat species

India Basin Shoreline Park (Phase 3): Fall 2024 – Fall 2026

After the completion of 900 Innes Park, RPD will turn its attention to the renovation of India Basin Shoreline Park, an existing 7.5-acre site originally constructed in the 1990's. The proposed plans for IBSP include major site regrading to ease steep slopes to allow for more site access and create additional opportunities for shoreline habitat. The concept plans would maintain and

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expand the current active recreational amenities and increase opportunities to gather, recreate and play.

- Addition of new gravel beach/shore at the end of the great lawn
- New cookout terrace and grilling area
- Construction of a new boat house, pier, and recreational dock for kayaking and fishing
- Renovation of the existing playground & addition of a new toddler playground
- Adult fitness station area
- Two new basketball courts
- Placement of decks and platform throughout the site, including a new view of the Bay City Ferry shipwreck
- New site furnishings and lighting
- Restoration of the shoreline habitat and additional landscaping
- Renovation of the existing Bay Trail to connect to adjacent parks
- Addition of a cycletrack and bikeway

Visit the project website for more information: [India Basin Waterfront Parks \(ibwaterfrontparks.com\)](http://ibwaterfrontparks.com)

Issues:

None

Recommended Action:

Information

Attachments:

- A. Presentation

Reviewed:



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