



**BOARD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, February 24, 2011**

**12:45 p.m., Board Room**

The following agenda items are listed for Committee consideration. In accordance with the Board Operating Guidelines, no official action of the Board will be taken at this meeting; rather, the Committee's purpose shall be to review the listed items and to consider developing recommendations to the Board of Directors.

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**AGENDA**

<u>STATUS</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>STAFF</u>
(I)	12:45 p.m.	1. Update on Breuner Marsh Restoration and Public Access Project, Point Pinole Regional Shoreline	Olson
(R)	1:15 p.m.	2. Request for Board Contingency Funding for Rosemary Cameron Oral History Project	Johnson
(I)	1:25 p.m.	3. Update on Lake Chabot Regional Park Bank Stabilization and Public Access Improvement Project	Althoff
		4. Public Comments	

(R) Recommendation for Future Board Consideration  
(I) Information  
(D) Discussion

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Beverly Lane, Chair; Carol Severin; Doug Siden  
John Sutter, Alternate  
Bob Doyle, Staff Coordinator

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**Project Manager(s):**

Brad Olson  
Carol Johnson  
Diane Althoff



**DATE:** February 10, 2011

**TO:** Board Executive Committee

**FROM:** Bob Doyle, General Manager

**STAFF REPORT  
PREPARED BY:** Brad Olson, Environmental Programs Manager

**SUBJECT:** Background Information for the February 24, 2011 Board Executive Committee

**ITEM 1:** **Update on Breuner Marsh Restoration and Public Access Project, Point Pinole Regional Shoreline**

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Brad Olson, Environmental Programs Manager, will make a presentation on this agenda item.

#### BACKGROUND

Breuner Marsh is located on the southern end of Point Pinole Regional Shoreline in the City of Richmond. The project area consists of 140 acres of tidal wetlands and uplands adjacent to San Francisco Bay. The proposed project would restore and enhance coastal wetlands and grassland, complete a key gap in the San Francisco Bay Trail, and provide other public access improvements.

On May 4, 2010, the Board of Directors authorized staff to hire Questa Engineering to conduct preliminary project design and to prepare an Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") for the project. Questa Engineering has conducted a number of studies to determine existing conditions on the property and has formulated four project concepts for consideration and evaluation in the EIR.



Staff will present the findings of the initial investigations and project concepts. A copy of staff's PowerPoint presentation is attached as Attachment A.

#### RECOMMENDATION

None. This agenda item is informational only.

Attachment: Copy of PowerPoint Presentation

Board of Directors Executive Committee  
Project Update  
February 24, 2011

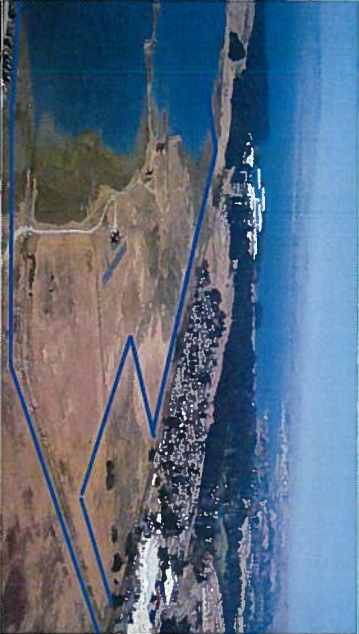


# Breuner Marsh Restoration & Public Access Project

Point Pinole Regional Shoreline

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## Project Area



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## Project Location



Breuner Marsh Restoration & Public Access Project  
Point Pinole Regional Shoreline

- City of Richmond in Contra Costa County
- South end of Pt. Pinole
- West of UPRR Tracks and Carr
- North of Murray and Richmond Rod and Gun Club

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## Funding Requirements

**Total Project Budget ~ \$8,000,000**

- Castro Cove Trustees - \$1,000,000
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service - \$1,000,000
- Environmental Protection Agency - \$1,500,000 (application pending)
- Other Potential Sources – Wildlife Conservation Board, California Coastal Conservancy, Measures CC and WW, Resource Enhancement Program

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## Project Goals Habitat Enhancement

- Self-sustaining habitats
- Special-status species
- Bay and upland habitats
- Invasive species control
- Sea level rise



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## Project Goals Public Access

- San Francisco Bay Trail
- Day use facilities
- Bay views
- Bay shoreline access
- Visitor education
- Community Stewardship

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## Existing Environment



Beuner Marsh Restoration & Public Access Project  
Point Pinole Regional Shoreline

- Imported Fill
- Hazardous Materials
- Water Quality
- Wetlands/Wildlife
- Property Boundaries
- Cultural Resources
- Public Uses
- Adjacent Land Uses

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## Special-Status Species



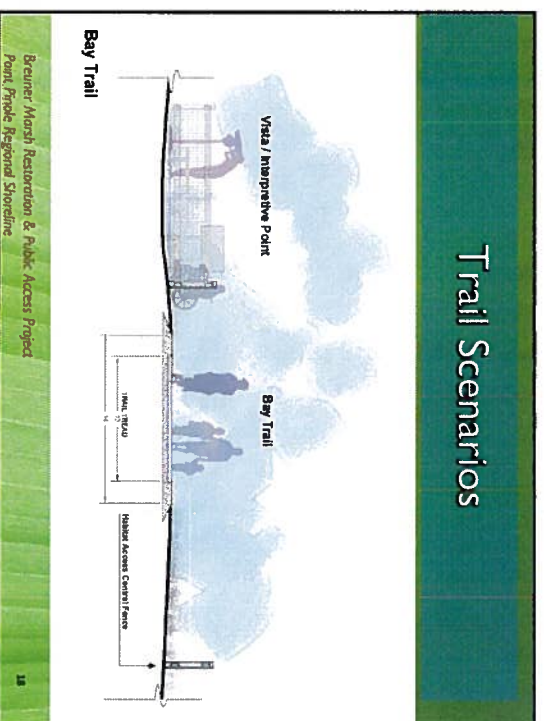
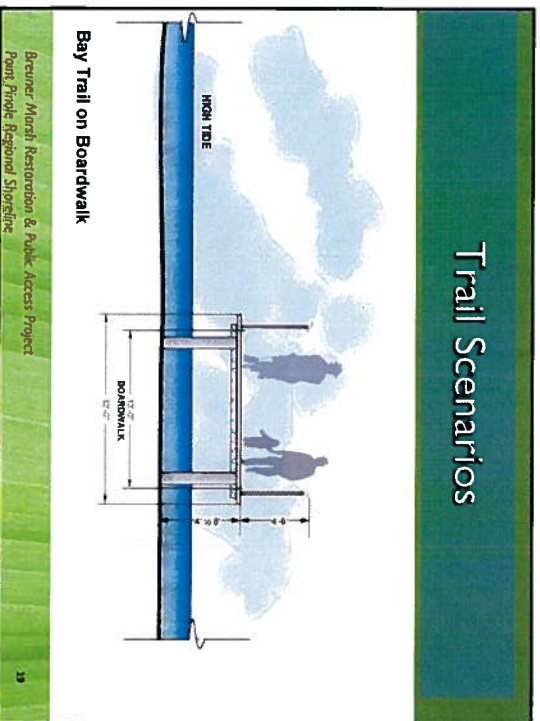
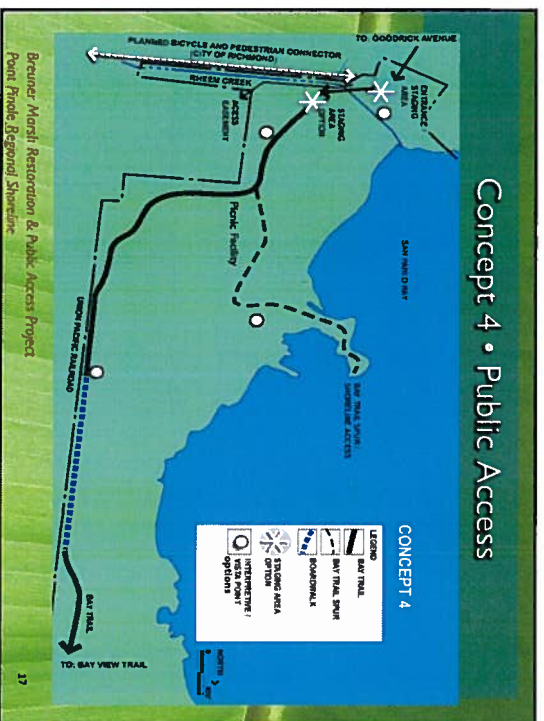
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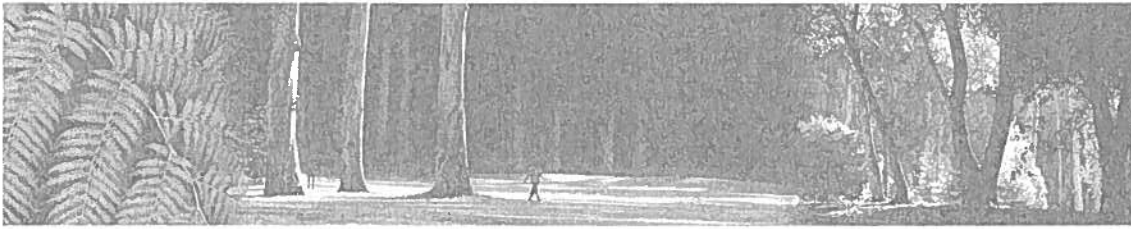
- California clapper rail
- Western burrowing owl
- Northern harrier
- White-tailed kite
- Saltmarsh harvest mouse
- Soft bird's-beak

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**DATE:** February 9, 2011

**TO:** Board Executive Committee  
**FROM:** Bob Doyle, General Manager  
**STAFF REPORT PREPARED BY:** Carol Johnson, AGM, Public Affairs  
**SUBJECT:** Background Information for the February 24, 2011 Board Executive Committee  
**ITEM 2:** **Request for Board Contingency Funding for Rosemary Cameron Oral History Project**

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Carol Johnson, Assistant General Manager for Public Affairs, will make a presentation on this agenda item.

BACKGROUND

In the past few years, Public Affairs has allocated funds for the creation of several important oral histories of high ranking Park District representatives. These personal accounts help shape the story of the evolution of the East Bay Regional Park District and are stored prominently at U.C. Berkeley, Institute of Governmental Studies.

Recently completed oral histories include:

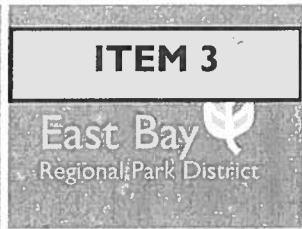
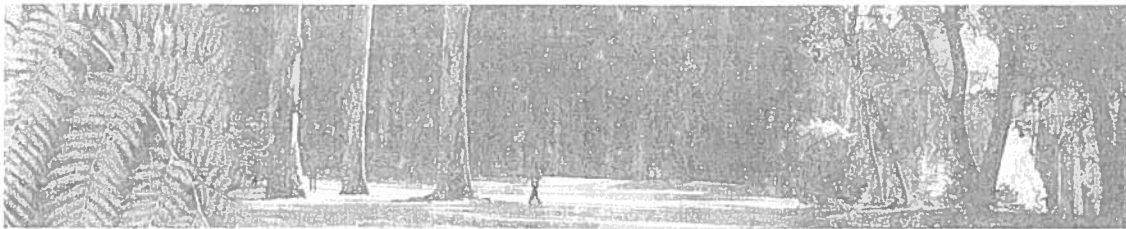
- Ted Radke, longest tenured Board member
- Pat O'Brien, retired General Manager emeritus
- Jerry Kent, retired Assistant General Manager, Operations
- Hulet Hornbeck, retired Assistant General Manager, Land

Each oral history is conducted under the direction of the Institute of Governmental Studies at U.C. Berkeley at a cost of \$24,500. The Park District has been fortunate to have a consistent oral historian in Laura McCreery, author of the Park District's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary book *Living Landscape*, available to conduct these important documentaries in her position at the Institute of Governmental Studies.

In 2010, retired Assistant General Manager Rosemary Cameron was selected by former General Manager Pat O'Brien as a priority oral history candidate due to her 25-year tenure managing much of the Park District's community and legislative outreach, and her close work with the Board of Directors. The total cost of this oral history contract with Laura McCreery is \$24,500, of which Public Affairs has budgeted \$12,500. Public Affairs is requesting assistance to fund the remaining \$12,500 from Board Contingency Account (101-1110-000-5821).

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of \$12,500 from the Board Contingency Account (101-1110-000-5821) to conduct the oral history of Rosemary Cameron, former Assistant General Manager for Public Affairs.



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**DATE:** February 10, 2011

**TO:** Board Executive Committee

**FROM:** Bob Doyle, General Manager

**STAFF REPORT  
PREPARED BY:** Diane Althoff, Chief of Design and Construction

**SUBJECT:** Background Information for the February 24, 2011 Board Executive Committee

**ITEM 3:** **Update on Lake Chabot Regional Park Bank Stabilization and Public Access Improvement Project**

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Diane Althoff, Chief of Design and Construction, will make a presentation on this agenda item.

#### BACKGROUND

For over eight years Park District staff worked cooperatively with representatives of Row Chabot, Inc., in an attempt to develop a rowing program and provide boat storage at Lake Chabot Regional Park. During this time staff commissioned a feasibility study to consider alternatives and costs for a public access dock designed to accommodate rowing needs and developed detailed drawings.

On November 9, 2011, Vince Horpel, acting on behalf of Row Chabot, Inc., notified the Park District that the organization was being dissolved effective immediately. Without Row Chabot's planned use of Lake Chabot, a public access dock designed to accommodate rowing programs is no longer needed.

Staff has removed the public access/rowing dock from the plans leaving rock riprap stabilization of a failing bank along the lakeshore, ADA compliant fishing access improvements, a relocated boat launch ramp, and a fish planting tube. Funds for this work, approximately \$320,000, are available through the Park District's ADA Transition plan funding allocation. The Park District also received \$100,000 in State Prop 12 funds allocated to the County of Alameda for a dock to serve rowing programs (converted to Park District General Funds at the closure of Prop 12). These funds would be applied toward the bank stabilization and public access improvements project.

The public review period for the Initial Study ("IS") and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration ("MND") for the bank stabilization and public access improvements at Lake Chabot marina is complete and the document will come before the Board of Directors for consideration in March 2011. The project description in the IS/MND includes a public access/rowing dock, so this work is not precluded for the future. The re-scoped project, which includes only the bank stabilization and public access improvements, will have less impact, and therefore, is compliant with the current impact assessment.

#### RECOMMENDATION

None. This agenda item is informational only.