



East Bay Regional Park District

The East Bay Regional Park District,
in cooperation with California State Parks,
invites you to celebrate
the completion of the Berkeley Meadow restoration
at Eastshore State Park.

Please join us for a celebration

Saturday, April 16, 2011

11:30 a.m.

Berkeley Meadow southwest entrance, along Marina Boulevard

Please RSVP to bmontano@ebparks.org or call 510-544-2200

Light refreshments will be served.

*This dedication is part of the City of Berkeley's Bay Festival,
a daylong celebration of the Bay and its shoreline (see reverse).*

Eastshore State Park's Berkeley Meadow is a shining achievement in wetland restoration. The present-day meadow was once a landfill that today has been transformed into a rare habitat oasis. The 72-acre meadow now offers coastal grassland and seasonal wetlands with walking paths that provide an opportunity for recreation and nature study. The East Bay Regional Park District restored the site in three stages over five years, planting native grasses and scrub species to create habitat for white-tailed kites, northern harrier, western burrowing owl, and other birds and animals.

Berkeley Meadow is part of Eastshore State Park, one of the most outstanding achievements in the history of open space protection, resulting from decades of citizen efforts to protect San Francisco Bay as a public open space resource. The 8.5-mile State Park is a recreational facility harmonious with its natural setting. The East Bay Regional Park District manages Eastshore for the State, and owns the property with California State Parks.

The cost for restoring the entire 72-acre meadow was approximately \$6,000,000 with major funding from the California Coastal Conservancy and the East Bay Regional Park District. Additional funding came from California State Parks, City of Berkeley, Bailey Estates LLC, Cherokee-Simeon Joint Venture, and Knapp Excavators.

This dedication is part of the Berkeley Bay Festival, an environmental education event planned at the Berkeley waterfront and includes a volunteer shoreline cleanup and an open house of the new Shorebird Nature Center.



White-tailed kites
Photo: Jerry Ting



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Driving Directions

From I-80 westbound:

Take University Avenue (Exit 11), go left at University Avenue toward Berkeley Marina, make a slight right onto Marina Blvd. The dedication will be on the right at the Marina Blvd. entrance to the meadow, directly across from the marina.

From I-80 eastbound:

Take Powell Street (Exit 9) toward Emeryville, turn left at Powell. Drive under the freeway and turn right at Frontage Road and follow it for two miles to University Avenue. Turn left on University Avenue toward Berkeley Marina, make a slight right onto Marina Blvd. The dedication will be on the right at the Marina Blvd. entrance to the meadow, directly across from the marina.

Berkeley Bay Festival

The City of Berkeley presents the Bay Festival at the Berkeley Marina

**Saturday
April 16, 2011
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

This has been a community event since 1937! The Festival theme is environmental education and the Bay. This free event is for all ages.

Come experience the dedication of the meadow and the grand opening of the new Shorebird Park Nature Center.

Event Schedule

Shoreline Clean-Up:
Registration: 9 a.m.
Clean-up: 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Berkeley Meadow Dedication:
11:30 a.m. to noon

New Environmental Education Classroom Grand Opening:
Noon to 1 p.m.

Berkeley Bay Festival:
Noon to 5 p.m.

Information:
Festival Coordinator
Patty Donald.....510-981-6720
or www.cityofberkeley.info/marina, under special events