Tonight’s Agenda

Start meeting at 6:00pm
- District Presentation on the LUPA
- Ascent Environmental Presentation on the Program EIR
- Public Comment and Input
- Next Steps
- Wrap-Up

Close meeting at 7:30pm
Miller/Knox is dedicated to the late State Senator, George Miller, who lived in Point Richmond when he was young, and Assemblyman John T. Knox, who provided great assistance to the District in acquiring the hill portions of the park.
A long-range planning document that identifies:

- Land use designations
- Resource management strategies
- Recreational use
- Future park development

Primary Purpose

- Protect park resources while providing regional recreational access
These projects are not part of the current LUPA
Enhance the existing recreational, interpretive, and scenic values at Miller/Knox consistent with the District’s Master Plan while providing additional recreational opportunities

1. Protect and Enhance Existing Environmental and Scenic Qualities
2. Highlight History of the Area
3. Enhance Physical Fitness Opportunities
4. Provide Additional Interpretive and Recreational Programming
5. Optimize Opportunities for Quiet Reflection
Miller/Knox LUPA Planning Areas

- Ridgeland
- Bay Shore
- Ferry Point
- Bray Oil Property
- Lagoon
**Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment**

**The Ridgeland Planning Area**

*Improve Public Access and Enhance the Existing Trail System*
- New staging areas
- Implement recommendations for
  - Trails
  - Wildfire Hazard Reduction
  - Integrated Pest Management
  - Grazing

**The Lagoon Planning Area**

*Enhance Active Recreation and Improve Lagoon Habitat and Water Quality*
- New trail on east side of lagoon
- Refurbish picnic areas and barbeques
- New outdoor fitness stations
- Lagoon Enhancement Project

**A Park for the People, By the People**

**Bray Oil Property Planning Area**

*Develop Trail Connections and Park Facilities*
- New Promenade
- New native plant demonstration gardens
- Trails & picnic areas
- New structure for outdoor education and programs
- Relocate green-waste composting area
- Area for lagoon maintenance dredge disposal

**The Bayshore Planning Area**

*Improve Public Access along the Shoreline*
- Remove remnant railroad tracks
- Develop section of San Francisco Bay Trail
- Formalize access to Lagoon Planning Area

**The Ferry Point Planning Area**

*Maximize Public Amenities and Scenic Vista*
- New promenade
- Native grassland turf
- Additional picnic areas and benches
- Expanded parking
- Rehabilitate historic pumphouse building for passive interpretive use
- Replace historic warehouse building with day-use and scenic vista point area
**Improve Public Access and Enhance the Existing Trail System**

**Recommendations:**

1. Develop new staging areas off Dornan Drive and off Canal Boulevard
2. Implement trail recommendations to develop trailheads, develop new vista points, repair trails damaged by erosion, and decommission trails too damaged for repair
**Improve Public Access and Enhance the Existing Trail System**

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Bay Shore Planning Area

**Improve public access along the shoreline**

**Recommendations:**
1. Remove the remnant railroad tracks within District jurisdiction
2. Develop a section of the San Francisco Bay Trail between Keller Beach and Ferry Point Beach
3. Formalize access between the Bay Shore to the Lagoon Planning Area

Trail connection

Ferry Point Beach

Ferry Point Beach Public Access Improvement

Map showing Bayshore, Lagoon, Bray Oil, and Ridgeland areas.
Maximize Public Amenities and Scenic Vista

Recommendations:

1. Develop a promenade connecting the Ferry Point Pier to the Lagoon Planning Area through the Bray Oil Property Planning Area

2. Provide native grassland open turf area

3. Provide additional picnic areas and benches

4. Develop additional permanent parking adjacent to the existing parking area

5. Rehabilitate the historic pumphouse building for passive interpretive use and demolish the historic warehouse building, maintaining the development footprint of the demolished building for future day-use and scenic vista point enhancement
LUPA Goal - Develop Trail Connections, Park Operations Areas, and Park Facilities

Recommendations:
1. Develop a promenade connecting the Ferry Point Pier to the Lagoon Planning Area through the Bray Oil Property Planning Area
2. Establish native plant demonstration gardens, trails, and picnic areas throughout
3. Provide a green-waste composting area for Park operations and public education
4. Provide an area for disposal of lagoon maintenance dredge disposal
5. Develop structure for outdoor education, interpretive programs, and volunteer activities
Lagoon Planning Area

Enhance Active Recreation & Improve Lagoon Habitat and Water Quality

1. Establish a new trail on the east side of the lagoon
2. Refurbish existing picnic areas and barbeques
3. Replace under-utilized areas of irrigated lawn with naturalized vegetation
4. Develop outdoor fitness stations
5. Implement the lagoon enhancement project

Outdoor Fitness Station ~ Chabot

Refurbished Picnic Area ~ Ferry Point Beach

Carex proeagricilis — California meadow sedge
South End Lawn Conversion Project

Lagoon Enhancement Project
Draft LUPA Land Use Designations
Environmental Review Process

• Program Environmental Impact Report
• Addresses LUPA implementation
• Includes known projects as “later activities”
• When later activities are proposed, review in light of the PEIR analysis and mitigation
  – Is a later activity within the scope of PEIR?
    • If so, rely on PEIR and include its mitigation
Uses of the Program EIR

• Inform the community about environmental effects
• Inform the District for consideration of the LUPA
• Coordination with “responsible agencies”
  – Bay Conservation and Development Commission
  – California Department of Fish and Wildlife
  – San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board
  – State Lands Commission
• Identify environmental features for the LUPA
Navigating the PEIR

- Program EIR covers the full scope of issues and LUPA recommendations
- Organization of each environmental issues section
  - Existing Setting
  - Regulatory Setting
  - Environmental Impacts and Significance
  - Mitigation Measures
  - Environmental Significance after Mitigation
Key Environmental Issues

• Hydrology and Water Quality
  – Lagoon enhancement
• Historic Resources
  – Ferry Point
• Scenic Resources and Public Access
  – Throughout the park
Environmental Topics Addressed

- Biological Resources
- Geology and Soils
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources
- Visual Resources/Aesthetics
- Public Services and Utilities
- Recreation Resources and Public Access
- Transportation and Circulation
- Air Quality
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate Change
- Noise and Vibration
- Growth-inducing Impacts
- Cumulative Impacts
Working Schedule

- Revised Notice of Preparation       June 28, 2017
- **Public Scoping Meeting**        **July 19, 2017**
- Close NOP Comment Period        July 28, 2017
- Draft LUPA/Program EIR for Public Review  November 2017
- Public Input Meeting         December 2017
- Final LUPA/Program EIR to Board  May 2018
How to Participate

• Submit comments on the Notice of Preparation now
  – Scoping period currently open
    • Comment period open until Friday July 28th at 5:00pm
    • Submit comments to: mjulene@ebparks.org

• Submit comments on the Draft Program EIR during the 45-day public review period
Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline

Your Input is Important to Us!