Leveraging Our Resources

In 2013, the Park District added more than 500 acres of open space and parklands to our Regional Parks system, providing significant habitat, recreational, aesthetic, and economic benefits. In 2010, East Bay voters approved Measure WW, an extension of the 1988 Bond authorization, to acquire and protect significant biologic, scenic, and historic resources.

In Rodeo Valley, the Park District acquired the 58-acre Gillrie property in the Castro Valley area is a critical link in the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

The 65-acre Roddy Ranch in Eastern Contra Costa County is a rare example of a Mission period adobe that was not previously protected. The Park District acquired this property in 2010 through the efforts of the California State Coastal Conservancy, City of Livermore grant funders: Alameda County Agreement Fund; East Contra Costa Trust; Dougherty Valley Trail Committee; City of Danville; and City of Livermore. The Roddy property will protect the hillside from further degradation and will be used as a community meeting place.

In 2013, the Park District added more than 800 acres of open space and parklands to our Regional Parks system, including Dusty Valley and Garin Regional Park.

Community Connections

Engaging Our Communities

• Despite the 411 CM staff changes demand more resources.
• We hosted community events for America’s Cup fans, which included a sailboat parade.
• Launched the 2013 Park Challenge Program.
• Provided 8413%, grant from the U.S. Dept. of Transportation Transportation Commission.
• The largest expenditure category is personnel costs at 49.4%.
• One of only 42 such grants awarded in 2010.
• Secured a $10 million federal TIGER grant, one of only 42 such grants awarded in 2010. Thanks to the efforts of our officials elected to the San Francisco Bay Trail, to be completed early 2014.

Green Transportation Funding

Thanks to the efforts of all players involved, a $10 million federal TIGER grant was secured in 2010.

Community Connections – A look back at 2013; a look ahead to 2014

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A Message from Robert E. Doyle, General Manager

The East Bay Regional Park District has been enriching the surrounding communities since 1934. Our staff, board members, volunteers, and you, our park visitors, are the reason for our success. With 25 special districts, 24 cities and counties, and 25 parks, our role is to serve as stewards of the parks and open space field, beginning as a modest operation in 1934, and we are celebrating 80 years in 2014 with a number of projects and events on our vision for 2014 and for years to come. Our Park District founders were men and women of great foresight. But if they could see their creation today, they would likely be amazed and delighted. In an ever-changing world, they never dreamed that we would have a number of significant milestones achieved and development. I am pleased to report to you that our vision for 2014 and for years to come is on track with our mission, and that we are working hard each day to provide, maintain, and increase access to our parks to people every day. This theme guides our work and helps to keep focused on our mission. In 2013, the Board of Trustees approved the final, Board-approved 2013 Master Plan for the District. The Board’s approval was the last step in a series of legislative and regulatory requirements that are necessary for the implementation of the Master Plan. The most significant is the 2013 Master Plan document that guides the District in future development and expansion. This Master Plan provides a long-term strategic plan that includes a vision for how the District should grow in the future. The Master Plan is a comprehensive blueprint for addressing some of the challenges we face today and making sure that our resources, both financial and human, serve the needs of the community for the next 30 years.

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