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Get Involved...

The Park Advisory Committee (PAC) is a 21-member advisory group mostly appointed by the Park District Board of Directors. The PAC provides community perspectives and advice to staff and to the Board on the issues, projects and policies of the Park District. The PAC considers a spectrum of policy issues, such as land use plans, the Park District budget, public safety, naming park facilities and more.

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Hills Regional
Park, Fremont**
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Government and Legislative Affairs



East Bay 
Regional Park District

**Reinhardt Redwood
Regional Park, Oakland**



Legislative Program Summary

The East Bay Regional Park District Government and Legislative Affairs team works on a local, state and Federal level to support the agency’s projects, programs and communities. The team strives to align funding and policy advocacy with identified project and program needs and priorities. The team’s scope of responsibility includes eight Federal legislative offices, 12 State legislative offices, 10 County Supervisor offices and 33 cities with 180 council members.

Advocacy Priorities

To act nimbly in response to new opportunities that arise, the Park District is guided by seven advocacy goals.

Wildfire Resilience
To minimize the rise of catastrophic wildfire in the East Bay by using proactive vegetation management which is ecologically sound.

Overarching principles of the Park District’s advocacy goals include equitable service delivery, advancing climate resiliency adaptation and mitigation, guiding work with an environmental ethic, supporting

Sea Level Rise Preparedness
To address sea level rise with nature-based infrastructure and initiate mitigation strategies regarding climate change.

Community Health
To ensure equitable access to parks so all East Bay communities can enjoy the physical and psychological benefits of open space.

inclusive interpretation and educational opportunities, increasing conservation through land acquisition, and ensuring the fiscal health of the Park District.

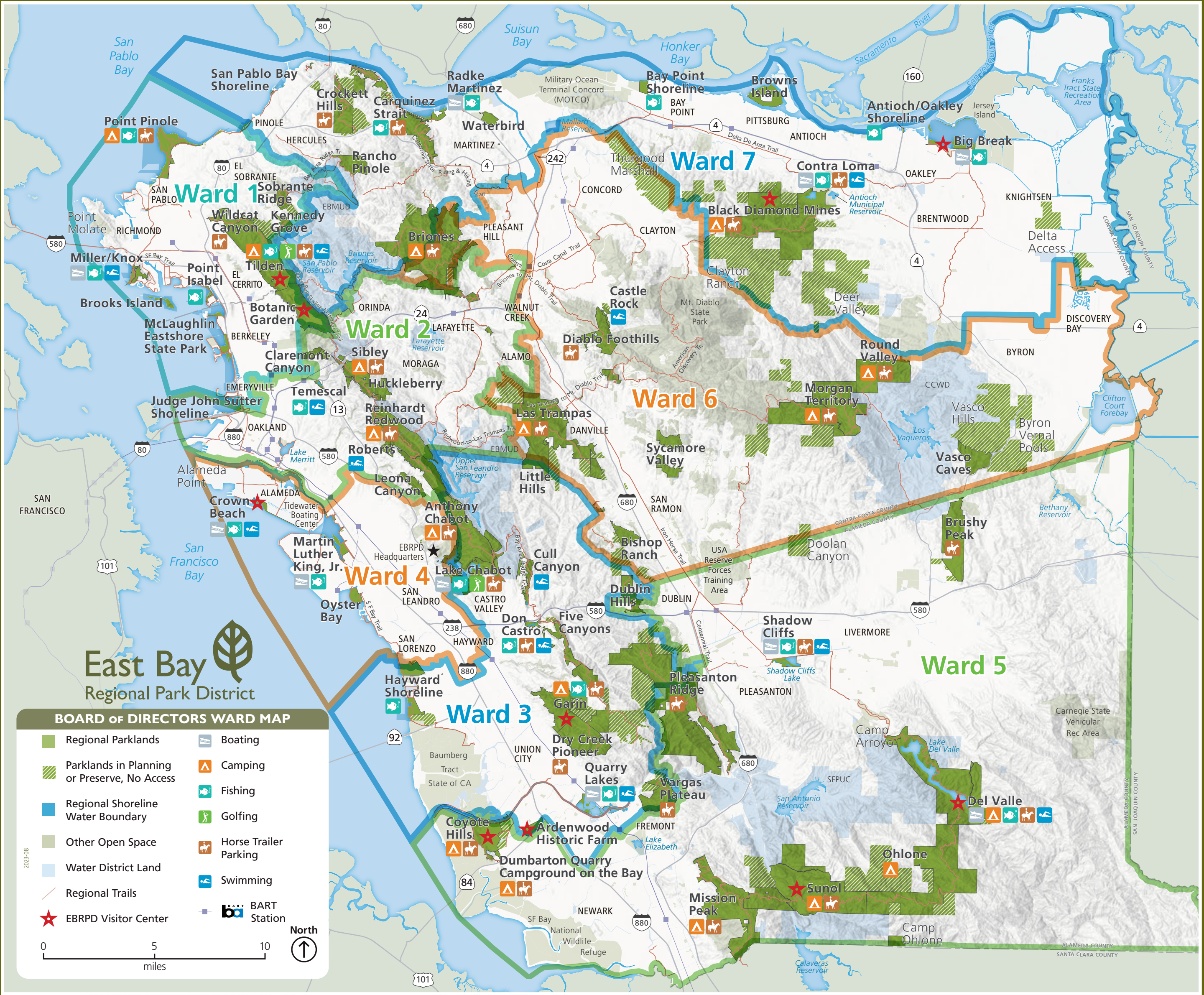
Ecosystem Stewardship
To support ecosystem health through restoration, acquisition and habitat enhancement and improved efficiencies in regulatory approvals.

Green Jobs
To guide the development of career pathways for all in the parks, recreation, interpretation, outdoor and environmental fields.

View over Oakland toward San Francisco from Claremont Canyon Regional Preserve, Oakland

Welcoming Visitor Use Facilities
To be sure all visitors are welcome to the East Bay parks and trails by providing facilities which are safe, accessible, inclusive and sustainable.

Climate-Friendly Transportation
To expand accessible active and public transportation in East Bay parks and trails.



FUNDING AND POLICY Program Support

Local

- **Active Transportation Program** – Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)/Bay Area Transportation Authority (BATA)
- **East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy** – Contra Costa County
- **Measure AA** – San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority
- **Measure BB** (Alameda County) – Active Transportation
- **Measure FF** – East Bay Regional Park District
- **Measure J** (Contra Costa County) – Active Transportation
- **Measure WW** – East Bay Regional Park District

State

- **Active Transportation Program** – California Transportation Commission
- **California Coastal Conservancy** – San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy Program
- **California Vegetation Treatment Program** (CalVTP) – Board of Forestry and Fire Protection
- **Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program** – Wildlife Conservation Board
- **Climate Ready Program** – California State Coastal Conservancy
- **Cutting the Green Tape** – California Natural Resources Agency

- **Forest Health and Fire Protection Grant Programs** – CAL FIRE
- **Monarch Butterfly and Pollinator Rescue Program** – Wildlife Conservation Board
- **Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program** – California Department of Parks and Recreation
- **Recreational Trails Program** – California Department of Parks and Recreation
- **Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program** – California Department of Conservation
- **Urban Greening** – California Natural Resources Agency

Federal

- **Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)** – Federal Emergency Management Agency
- **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)** – Federal Emergency Management Agency
- **Land and Water Conservation Fund** – U.S. Department of the Interior
- **Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)** – U.S. Department of Transportation
- **San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund (SFBVQIF)** – Environmental Protection Agency