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73 Parks. 125,000 acres. 1,250 miles of trails. 55 miles of shoreline. Serving 2.8 million people in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.
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Park District Asks Visitors to Carry Cloth Face Coverings in Parks, Wear When Within Six Feet of Others
Local Health Agencies Issue New “Cover Your Face” Order

Thursday, April 23, 2020 (Oakland, CA) – On Friday, April 17, 2020, a “Cover Your Face” order was issued for five Bay Area counties—San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Alameda, and Contra Costa—urging the public to carry cloth face coverings and wear them while six or fewer feet of others, including when being active and biking.

The new order recommends that all people engaged in outdoor recreation “bring a Face Covering and wear that Face Covering in circumstances where it is difficult to maintain compliance with social distancing requirements, and that they carry the Face Covering in a visible and easily accessible location, such as around the wrist or in a pocket for quick use.”

[Images of people with face masks and social distancing signs]
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Conducting Digital Programs

Digital Learning served 861,652 people using 1,212 virtual programs, 200 videos shared on YouTube, Facebook, Instagram.

Virtual Fitness served 2,400 people keeping healthy in community doing Tai Chi, Zumba, and Stretching exercises regularly together.
Installed New Exhibits in Two Visitor Centers

Del Valle Visitor Center
Del Valle Regional Park, Livermore

Hazel-Atlas Mine, Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve, Antioch
Opened Two New Shoreline Parks

Judge John Sutter Regional Shoreline
Oakland

Dumbarton Quarry Campground on the Bay
Fremont
Restored Habitats and Trails in Two Public Access Areas

Bay Point Regional Shoreline
Serving Bay Point, Pittsburg, Antioch

Albany Beach & San Francisco Bay Trail
Serving Albany, Berkeley, El Cerrito, Emeryville, Oakland, Richmond
Celebrated UN International Day of Peace
September 18, 2021
Established in Concord:
Thurgood Marshall Regional Park – Home of the Port Chicago 50

On Tuesday, June 1, 2021, the Park District Board of Directors officially named the new regional park at the former Concord Naval Weapons Station “Thurgood Marshall Regional Park – Home of the Port Chicago 50.”

The naming recognizes the service and bravery of the young African American sailors who served their country, both by serving in the US Military during WWII, and also by standing up to the US Military’s racially discriminatory policies of the day. Their courage, and the advocacy of NAACP attorney Thurgood Marshall on their behalf, ultimately led to the desegregation of the military and changed the course of history.

On July 17, 1944, over 5,000 tons of munitions exploded at Port Chicago Naval Magazine, killing 320 mostly enlisted African American sailors. At the time, sailors were segregated and only African Americans loaded the munitions onto the ships.

The surviving sailors were ordered to return to work loading munitions at the Mare Island Naval Shipyard under continued unsafe working conditions and inadequate training. Fifty of the sailors, in an act of protest against the discriminatory policies of the segregated Navy, refused to return to work and were charged with mutiny and ultimately dishonorably discharged.

The plan for the newly named park includes a joint visitor center with the National Park Service highlighting the history of the Port Chicago Naval Magazine National Memorial and Diablo Valley, along with staging areas, and several miles of recreational trails for hiking, biking, and nature viewing. The Park District is partnering with the National Park Service on the future visitor center in the park where the Port Chicago Disaster story will be told, along with stories of the land, including its military, agricultural, and natural history, and stories of the Chupanb people who lived there.

Federal and state funding are needed to build the joint visitor center at the new 2,500-acre park.

The Park District is currently designing road improvements and plans to open a portion of the park, south of Bailey Road, within the next two to three years.
Monitoring and Protecting Water Quality

Lake Temescal, Oakland

Installation of oxygenation system at Lake Anza, Berkeley

*Increased dissolved oxygen (DO) helps maintain water clarity and reduce algal blooms and mats.*
Monitoring and Managing Tree Die-Off in Parks

Site Visit in September 2021 by California Natural Resources Agency Deputy Director Jessica Morse

EBRPD Fire Chief Aileen Theile
Responding to Wildfire Emergencies and Providing Wildfire Mutual Aid
Thank you United Nations Association USA, East Bay and Silicon Valley Chapters for the Global Citizen Award