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## Sierra Point Parkway Park and Open Space Subcommittee Agenda

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Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 3:00 PM

BRISBANE MARINA OFFICE: 400 Sierra Point Pkwy, Brisbane

(If raining, meet at Brisbane City Hall Lobby: 50 Park Place, Brisbane)

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### PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. SIERRA POINT SITE WALK: Meet at the Brisbane Marina Office, 400 Sierra Point Parkway, Brisbane
- B. DISCOVERY DISCUSSION: Meet at the Brisbane City Hall Lobby, 50 Park Place, Brisbane
  - a. Introduction
  - b. Summary Presentation of Task 01: Discovery
  - c. Discovery and Exploration Synthesis & Discussion

### PUBLIC COMMENT

### ADJOURNMENT

**File Attachments for Item:**

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## SIERRA POINT SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDA REPORT

**Meeting Date:** November 7, 2022

**To:** Sierra Point Open Space and Parks Subcommittee

**From:** Noreen Leek, Parks & Recreation Director

**Subject:** Sierra Point Open Space and Parks Master Plan

### Community Goal/Result

Community Building

### Purpose

Develop the City's public spaces for community interactions, enhance connectivity, and provide additional opportunities for recreation through the master planning process.

### Recommendation

Review master plan project status updates and the findings from Task 1: Discovery in the draft report (*Attachment 1*). Confirm analysis and observations, and ideas for program and character.

### Background

The City has contracted CMG Landscape Architecture to develop an open space and parks master plan at Sierra Point. The master plan is a compelling opportunity to reinvigorate a remarkable section of the bay shore and Brisbane's waterfront for the next century of use: by creating a welcoming and resilient place to play and recreate, engaging with the outdoors, and fostering connections across generations and communities.

The project subcommittee consists of representatives from the Brisbane City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission, Open Space and Ecology Committee, Complete Streets Safety Committee, IDEA Committee, and Public Art Advisory Committee. From now until Spring 2023, the Subcommittee will be working alongside staff to ensure the master plan guides future open space improvements while maintaining important goals: enhance the natural environment, create public value by supporting social and cultural life outdoors, and increase connection to the water.

### Discussion

The first task in this process was to complete a site analysis, where City staff has reviewed with the consultants various site constraints, including the SF Bay Conservation and Development Commission's (BCDC) regulations regarding the shoreline, the need to preserve parking, and local weather/wind conditions.

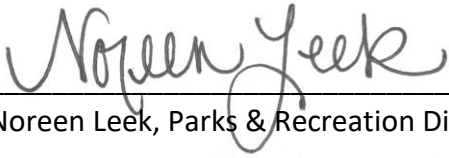
The CMG team has drafted the first section of their report, Task 1: Discovery (*Attachment 1*). This document collects, collates, and presents results of CMG's preliminary engagement with stakeholders, review of project materials and resources, and site observations. While it does not and cannot capture every detail of the conditions of Sierra Point, it is complete for the basis of their development of

alternative concept plans. Technical constraints, stakeholder ambitions, and open space improvement opportunities have been defined, and the conversation with stakeholders will continue as the process advances. A public engagement survey (*Attachment 2*) is live and will remain open through November 11<sup>th</sup>. The survey seeks to understand how people currently engage with Sierra Point and their priorities for its future. The information collected in the survey will be collated and published in the final Sierra Point Open Space & Parks Master Plan as part of the public engagement process summary and used to inform the content of the Master Plan document itself.

Completion of the Discovery phase provides a foundation for the basis of Task 2: Exploration, where CMG will develop concept plan alternatives with the subcommittee and stakeholders.

### Attachments

1. Task 01: Discovery – DRAFT report
2. Public engagement survey flyer



Noreen Leek, Parks & Recreation Director

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Clay Holstine, City Manager



Task 01: Discovery

# Sierra Point Open Space & Parks Master Plan

October 2022

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## Section 1: **Introduction**



# INTRODUCTION



The Sierra Point Open Space and Parks Master Plan is a compelling opportunity to reinvigorate a remarkable section of the shoreline of San Francisco as well as Brisbane's waterfront for the next century of use by creating a welcoming and resilient place to play and recreate, engage with the natural world, and foster connections across generations and communities. The Open Space and Parks Master Plan will guide future open space improvement within Sierra Point while maintaining important community goals: to enhance the natural environment, to create public value by supporting social and cultural life outdoors and to foster connections to the water.

The first step in this process—the Discovery phase—is analysis of the existing Sierra Point conditions in order to define and illustrate constraints and opportunities. The following material provides inventory and analysis of existing site conditions as well as insight from community engagement. Observations for open space improvement based on the inventory and analysis are provided. A summary of client and stakeholder engagement is also provided and organized into themes for project ambitions, desired uses, desired character, and quality of experience. Based on stakeholder engagement and community input, principles are established to function as a framework for project development to ensure master plan proposals are aligned with client and stakeholder criteria.





Observations based on constraints and opportunities, and the principles and goals of the project will form the basis for the development of alternative concepts for the master plan, which will then be synthesized into a final document: the Sierra Point Open Space and Parks Master Plan.



Small-town feel



Community amenities`



Resilience



Public art



Stewardship



Unique natural resources



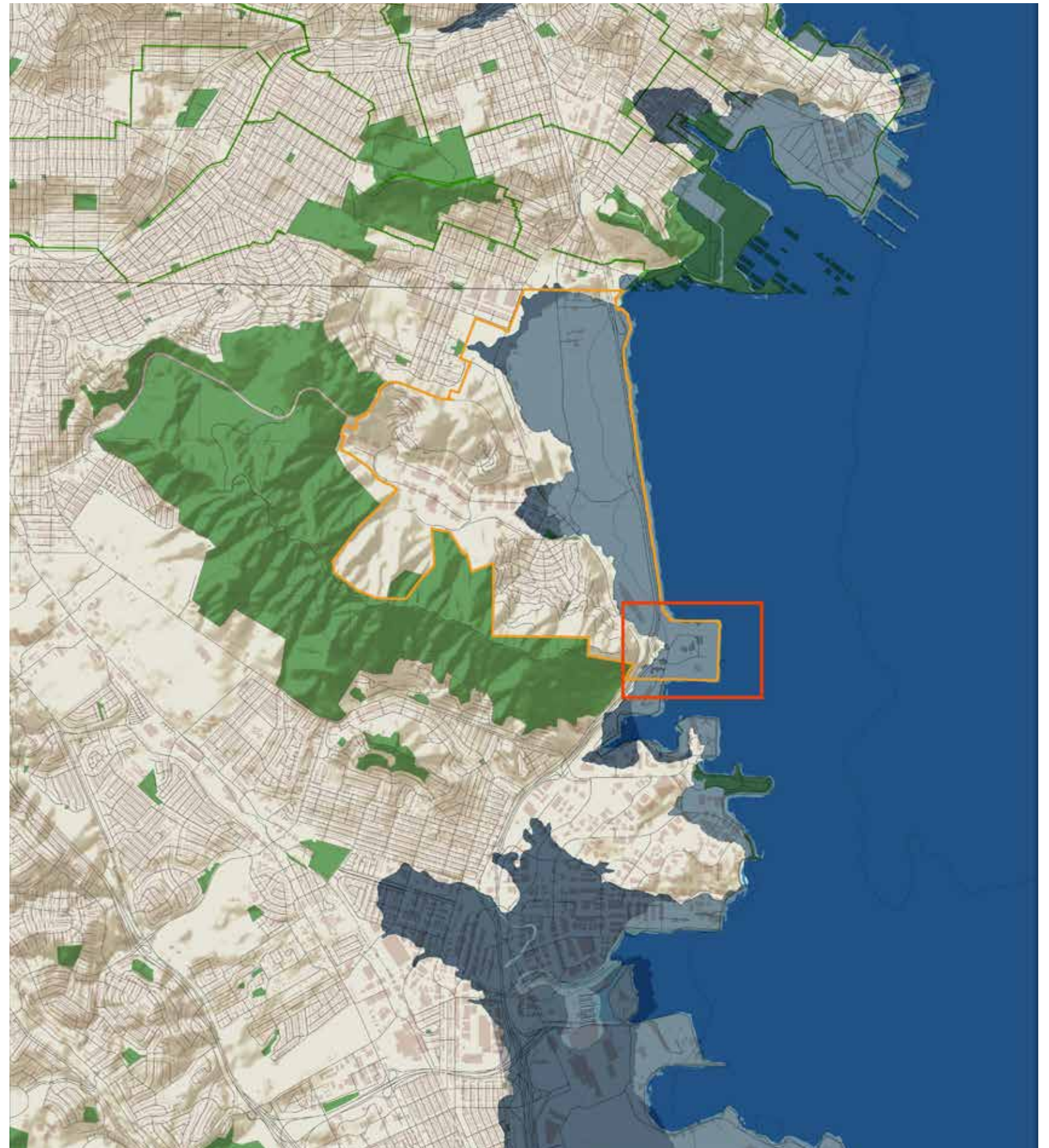
## SITE HISTORY



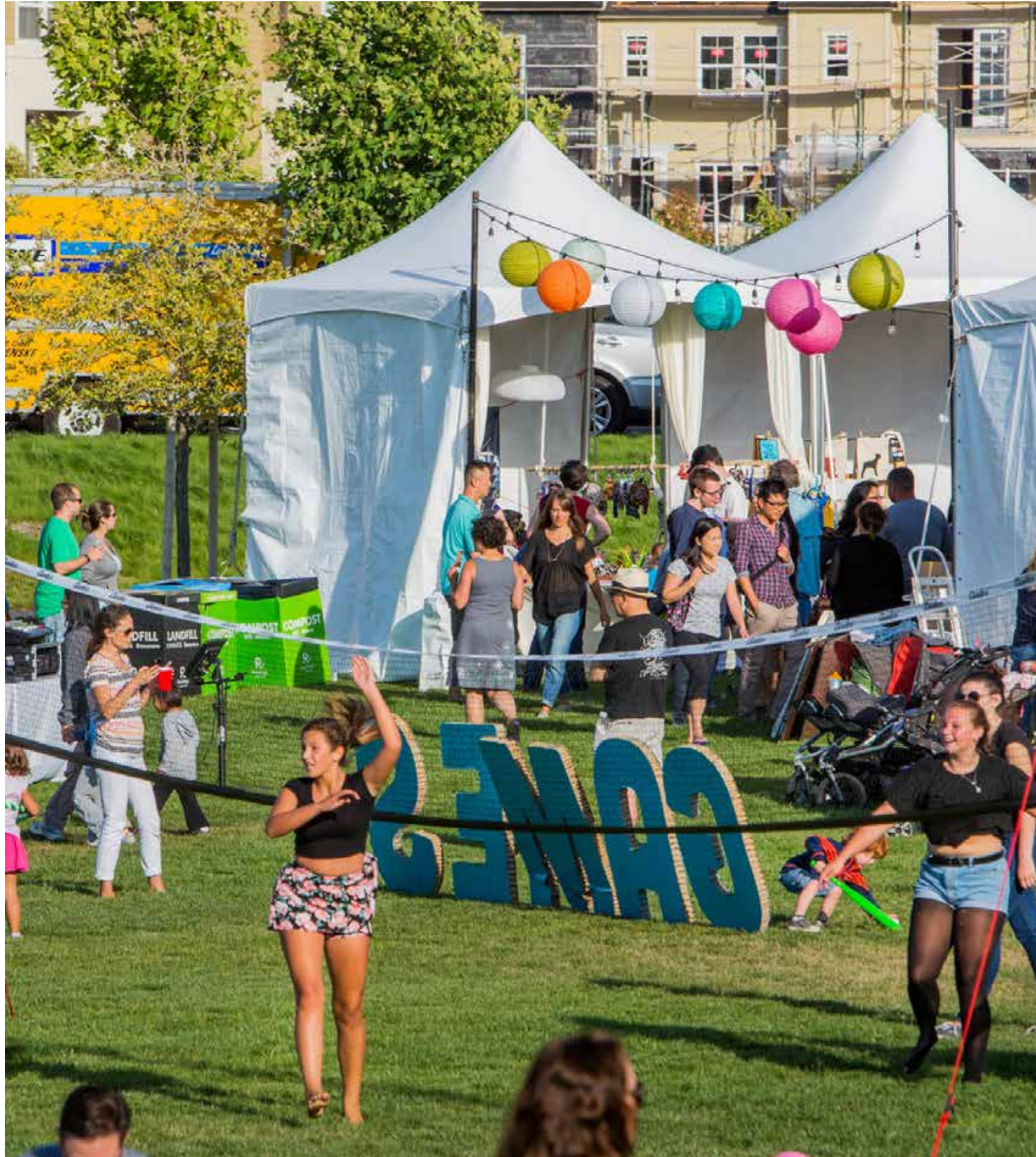
The terrain of Sierra Point and much of the surrounding area, including parts of South San Francisco, Brisbane and San Francisco, is artificial fill. The artificial fill of Brisbane is landfill: starting in the early 1900s, the city of San Francisco disposed of construction waste and other landfill materials in shallow bayshore mud.

The graphic to the right shows the historic edge of the San Francisco Bay in relationship to the current shoreline configuration. The rectangular landmass of Sierra Point is revealed to be artificial fill, and the historic shoreline of the site closely hugs the very base of San Bruno Mountain.

The archival aerial photo above shows a view north along the San Francisco Peninsula from Burlingame to Marin County. View includes San Bruno, South San Francisco, Daly City, San Bruno Mountain, San Francisco Airport (SFO) at right. Bayshore Freeway (US101) between San Bruno and Sierra Point.







## PROJECT OBJECTIVES



Sierra Point consists of unique and specific elements that are foundational to both Brisbane's identity, and the landfill that makes up the landscape. Brisbane's goals for a remarkable, sustainable and resilient public open space are captured in the following project objectives that focus the research, investigation and engagement of the Discovery phase. Thematic areas of interests are: connectivity; stewardship and sustainability; art and recreation. The Discovery phase analysis pays special attention to the following, as framed by these areas of interest:

- 1. Connectivity:** identify opportunities for improved public access to Sierra Point and the water. This includes increasing the value of Sierra Point as a destination for Brisbane residents, and visual connection to the San Francisco bay landscape.
- 2. Sustainability and resilience:** identify and preserve environmentally sensitive areas. determine strategies to build upon them, as well as opportunities to create new terrestrial and intertidal habitat. Understand the impact of projected sea level rise on the Sierra Point landscape on the landscape including access, uses and infrastructure.
- 3. Art:** identify opportunities for public art installations integrated with the landscape.
- 4. Recreation:** identify opportunities for additional recreational facilities and amenities and enhance existing.



# PROJECT VISION

connectivity



stewardship & sustainability



art



recreation



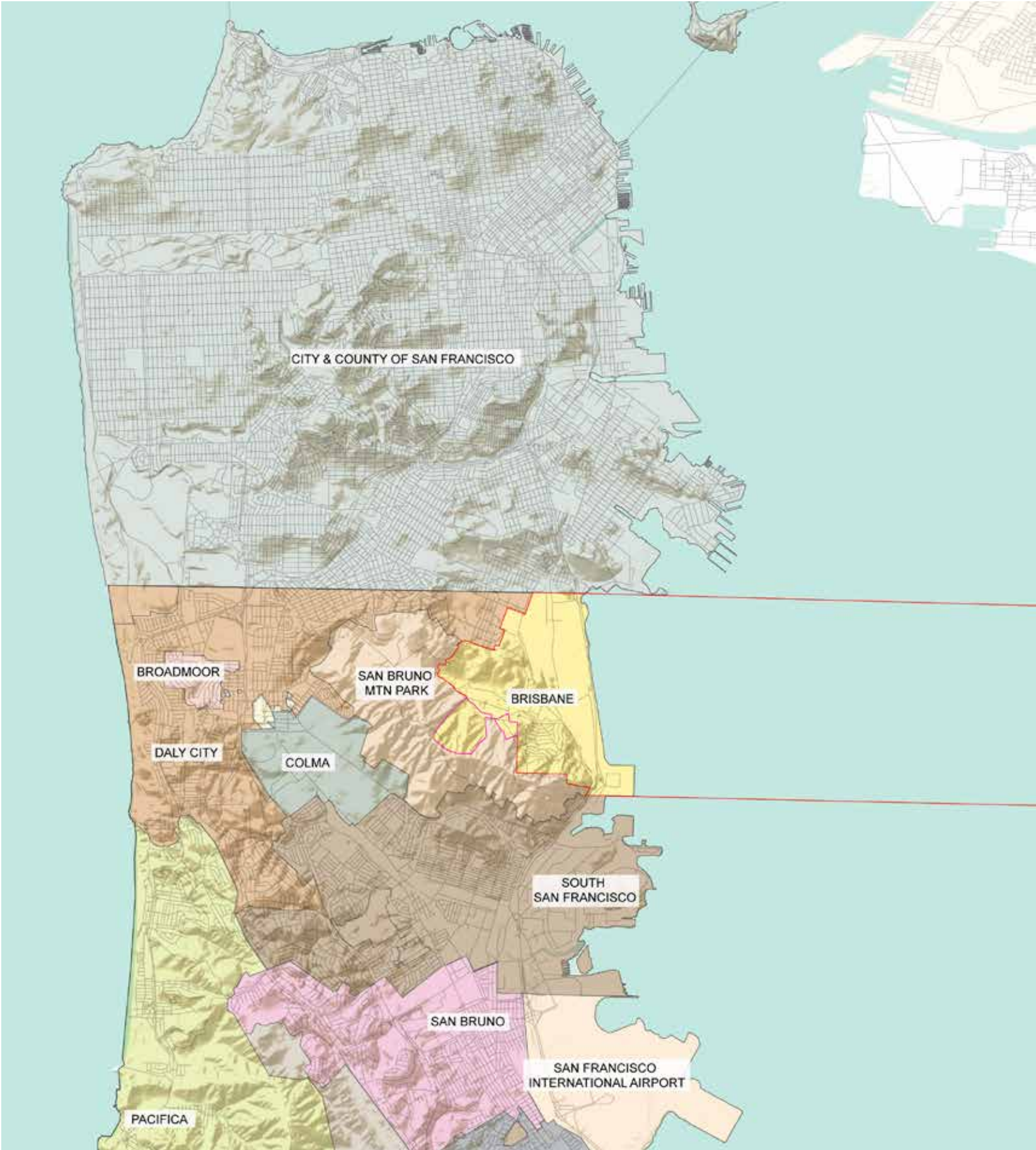


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## Section 2: **REGIONAL CONTEXT**







## SITE CONTEXT



Brisbane, the City of Stars, is a city in San Mateo County. The city is bounded by San Bruno Mountain to the west, and the San Francisco Bay to the east. Immediately adjacent cities are: San Francisco, Daly City and South San Francisco; Colma, San Bruno and Pacifica are also neighbors. The San Francisco International Airport is south of Brisbane, and the San Bruno Mountain State & County Park is also directly accessible through the city.

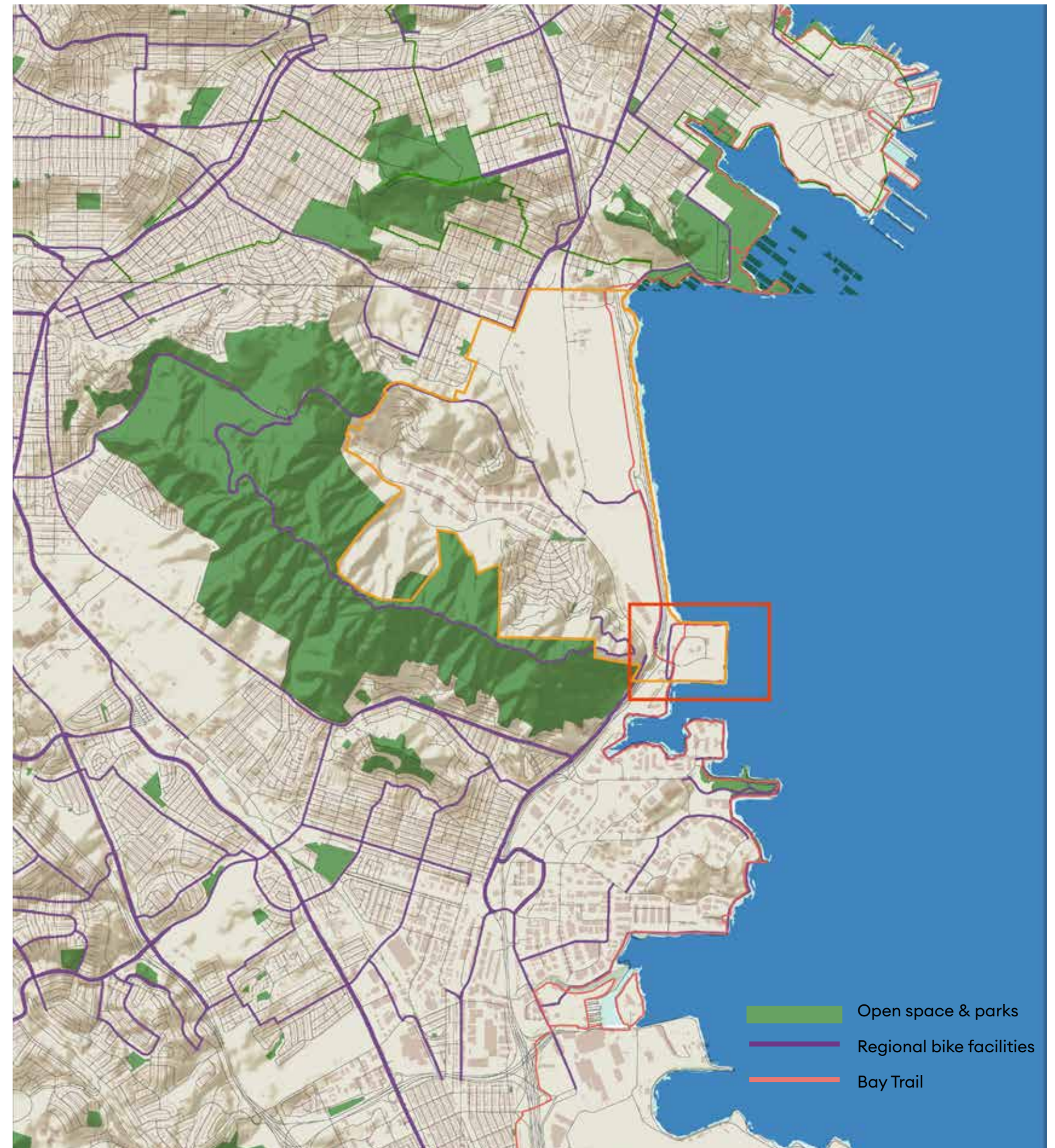


## REGIONAL OPEN SPACE & CONNECTIONS



There are many public transit options in San Mateo county, and Brisbane is served directly by several SamTrans stops. Commuter rails such as CalTrain and BART have lines nearby, and Oyster Point, another bayside development immediately to the south of Sierra Point, has a ferry terminal. Despite the nearby plethora of public transit options, Sierra Point itself is not directly served by any public transit stops, and driving via private car, biking or walking, are the primary ways that visitors can access the project area. There is a shuttle service for office workers between Sierra Point, BART and CalTrain on weekdays.

The Bay Trail circumnavigates the outer edge of Sierra Point. However, the Class II bike lane connection under US-101 is substandard in the southbound direction. The section of the Bay Trail that connects Sierra Point to Central Brisbane and beyond under US-101 does not have sidewalks for pedestrians, further eroding the site's connection to central Brisbane to the north – and the rest of the Bay Trail. The connection from Sierra Point to South San Francisco and Oyster Point is strong.





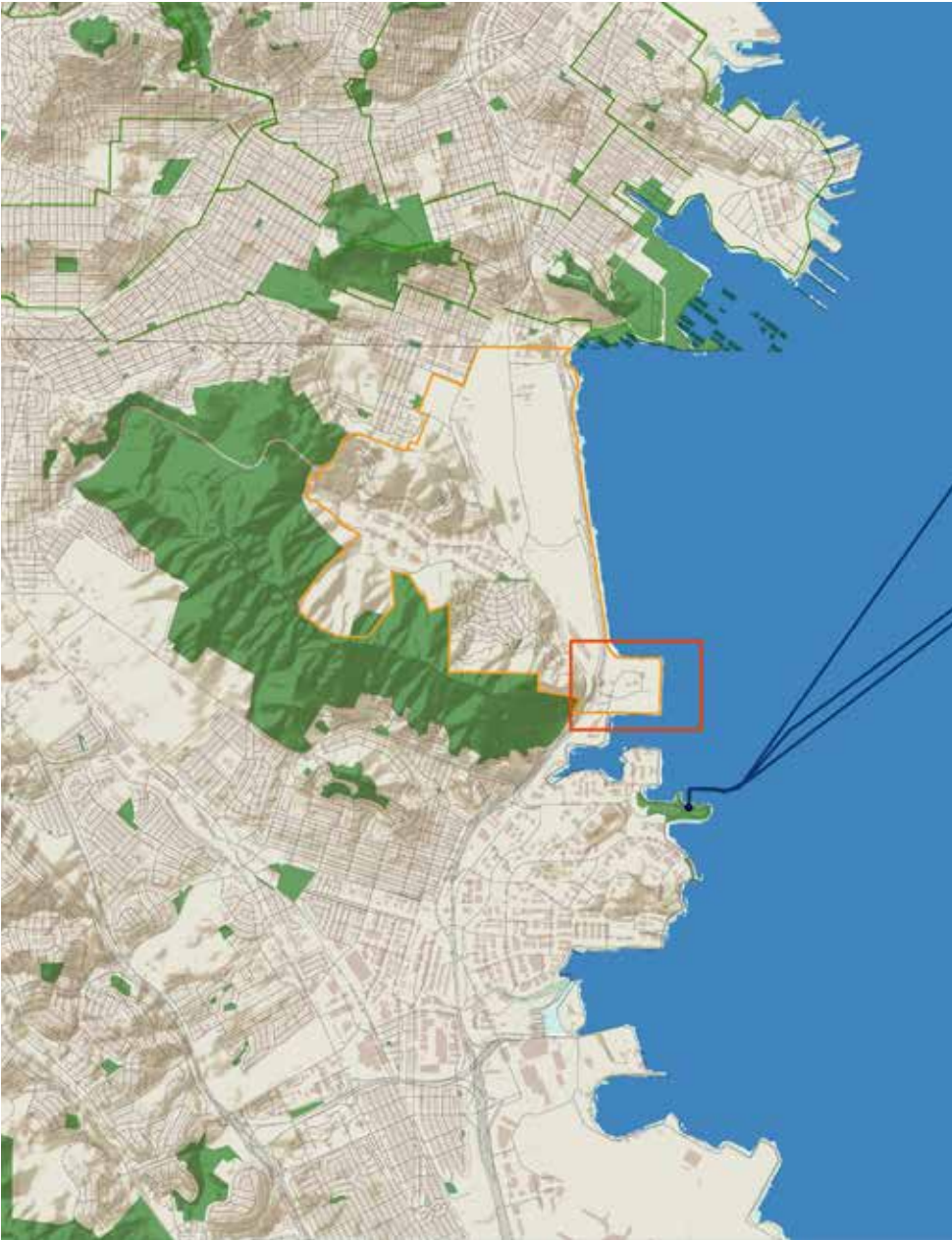
# REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSIT



- BART route
- CalTrain route
- CalTrain station



- SamTrans bus route
- Other public bus service
- Bus stops



- Oyster Point Ferry route
- Oyster Point Ferry station



# REGIONAL SEA LEVEL RISE

Sea Level Rise Scenario	Daily Tide	Extreme Tide (Storm Surge)						
	+SLR (in)	1yr	2yr	5yr	10yr	25yr	50yr	100yr
	Water Level above MHHW (in)							
Existing Conditions	0	15	19	24	27	32	37	42
MHHW + 6"	6	21	25	30	33	38	43	48
MHHW + 12"	12	27	31	36	39	44	49	54
MHHW + 18"	18	33	37	42	45	50	55	60
MHHW + 24"	24	39	43	48	51	56	61	66
MHHW + 30"	30	45	49	54	57	62	67	72
MHHW + 36"	36	51	55	60	63	68	73	78
MHHW + 42"	42	57	61	66	69	74	79	84
MHHW + 48"	48	63	67	72	75	80	85	90
MHHW + 52"	52	67	71	76	79	84	89	94
MHHW + 54"	54	69	73	78	81	86	91	96
MHHW + 60"	60	75	79	84	87	92	97	102
MHHW + 66"	66	81	85	90	93	98	103	108

in = inch(es)  
MHHW = Mean Higher High Water  
SLR = sea level rise  
yr = year(s)

Sierra Point is part of a region that will be impacted by a combination of SLR, groundwater rise and tidal events.

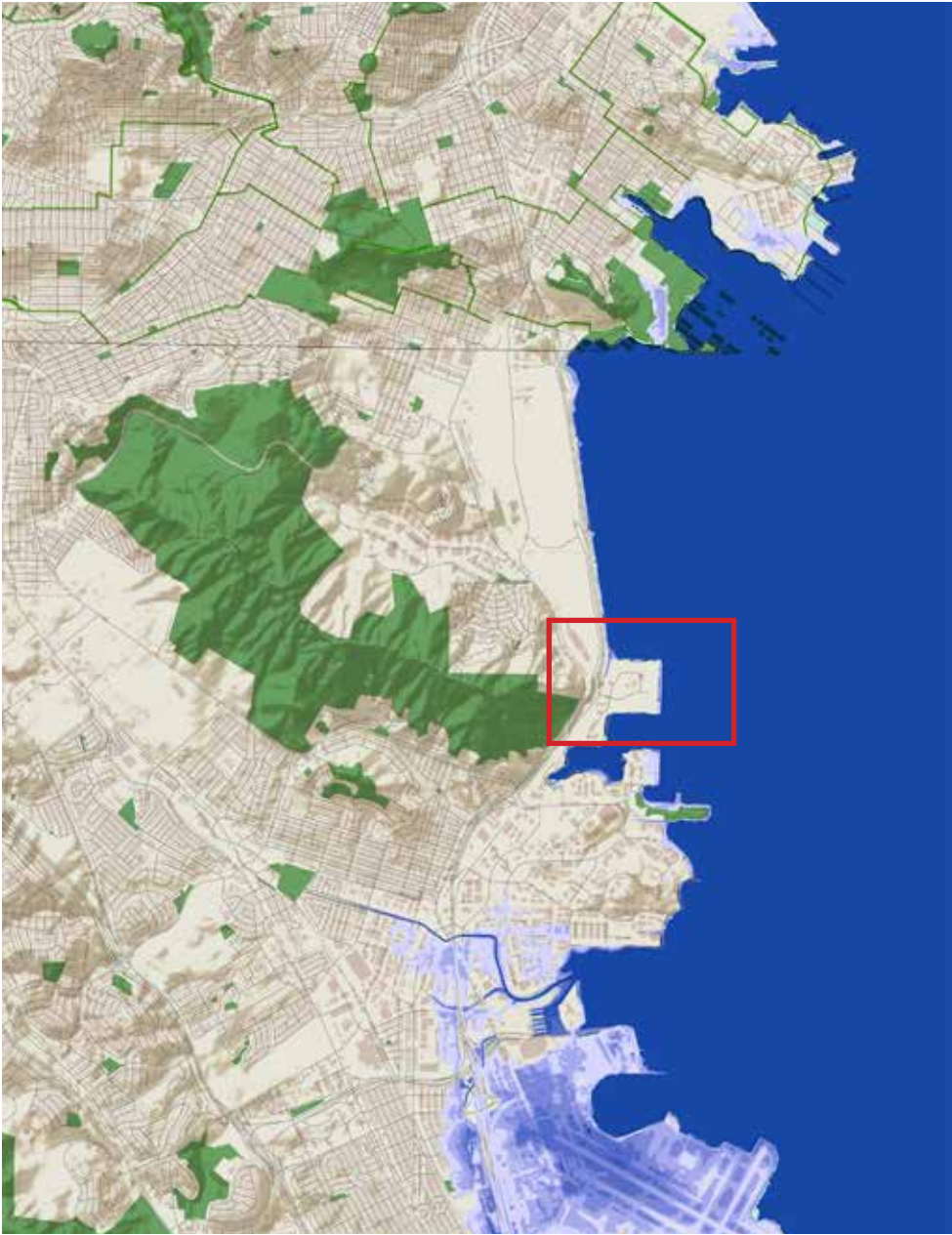
Solutions should be regional as well as local. Opportunities include change required for regional infrastructure projects, such as US-101 and railroad facilities adjacent to Sierra Point parcels.

This analysis uses data created by BCDC and other regional authorities and presents a matrix of possible scenarios that reflect predicted, average SLR conditions over time coupled with extreme events such as king tides and storm surges.

See Section 3: Site Inventory & Analysis for more detailed information about sea level rise scenarios and impacts at Sierra Point.



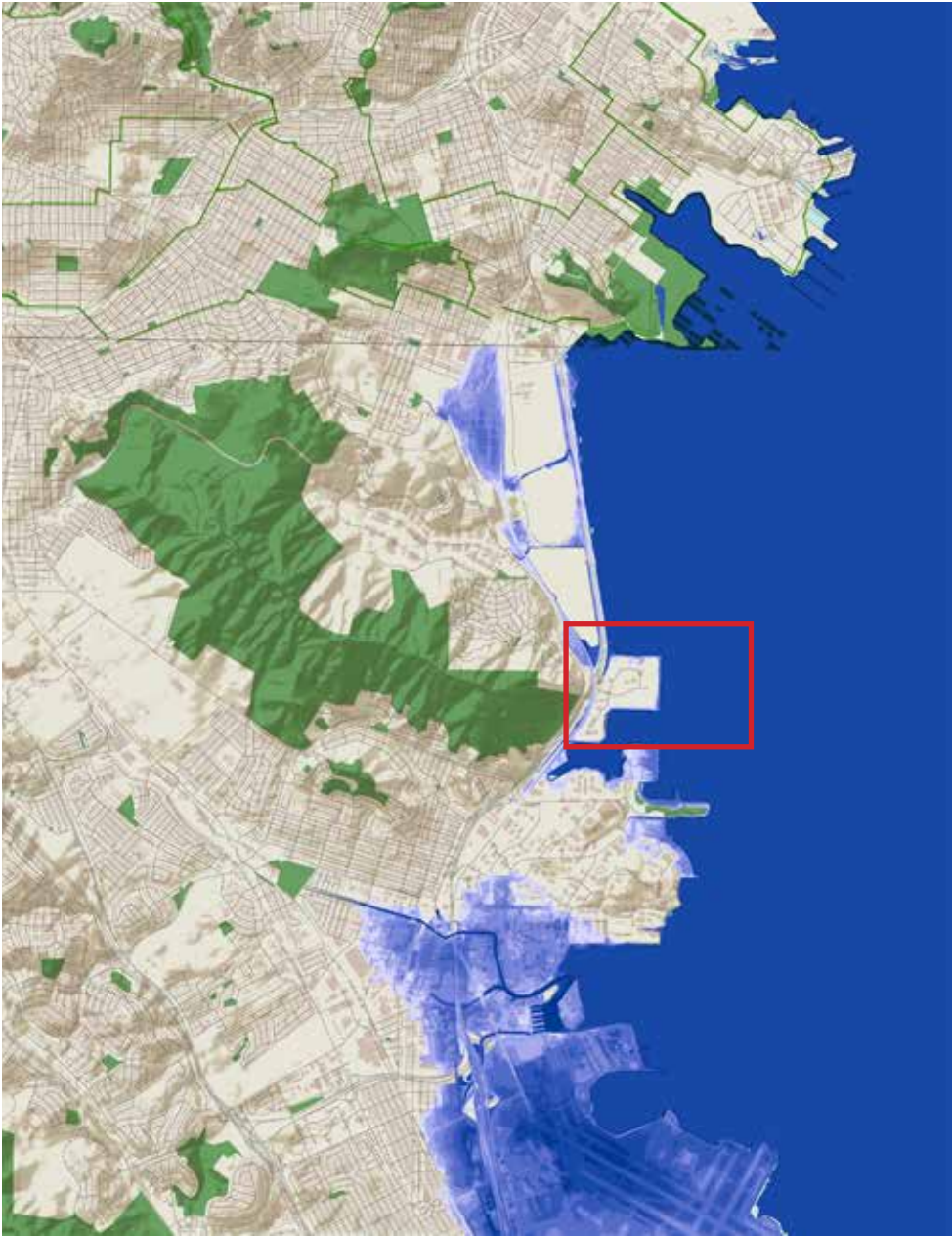




**+36" MHHW**  
MHHW + 48" or  
MHHW +24" and  
5-year extreme tide  
event



**+66" MHHW**  
MHHW + 66" or  
MHHW +36" and  
25-year extreme  
tide



**+108" MHHW**  
MHHW + 66" and  
100-year extreme  
tide or storm surge



## Section 3: **SITE ANALYSIS**





# EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS





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# SITE CIRCULATION

Access to Sierra Point is limited and privileges private vehicles.

Bike connection terminates at the US-101 overpass and does not include pedestrian crosswalks or marked bike lanes.

Safe pedestrian connection from central Brisbane to Sierra Point does not exist.

The Bay trail does not make a full loop around the point.

- ==== Vehicular circulation
- //// Drop-off Area
- |||| Sidewalk
- Class I Shared-Use Path - SF Bay Trail
- ... SF Bay Trail - under construction
- Shared path
- ||||| Class II Bike Lane
- ▶ Main Access
- ▶ Vehicular Access
- ▶ Proposed Access
- ▶ Pedestrian Access





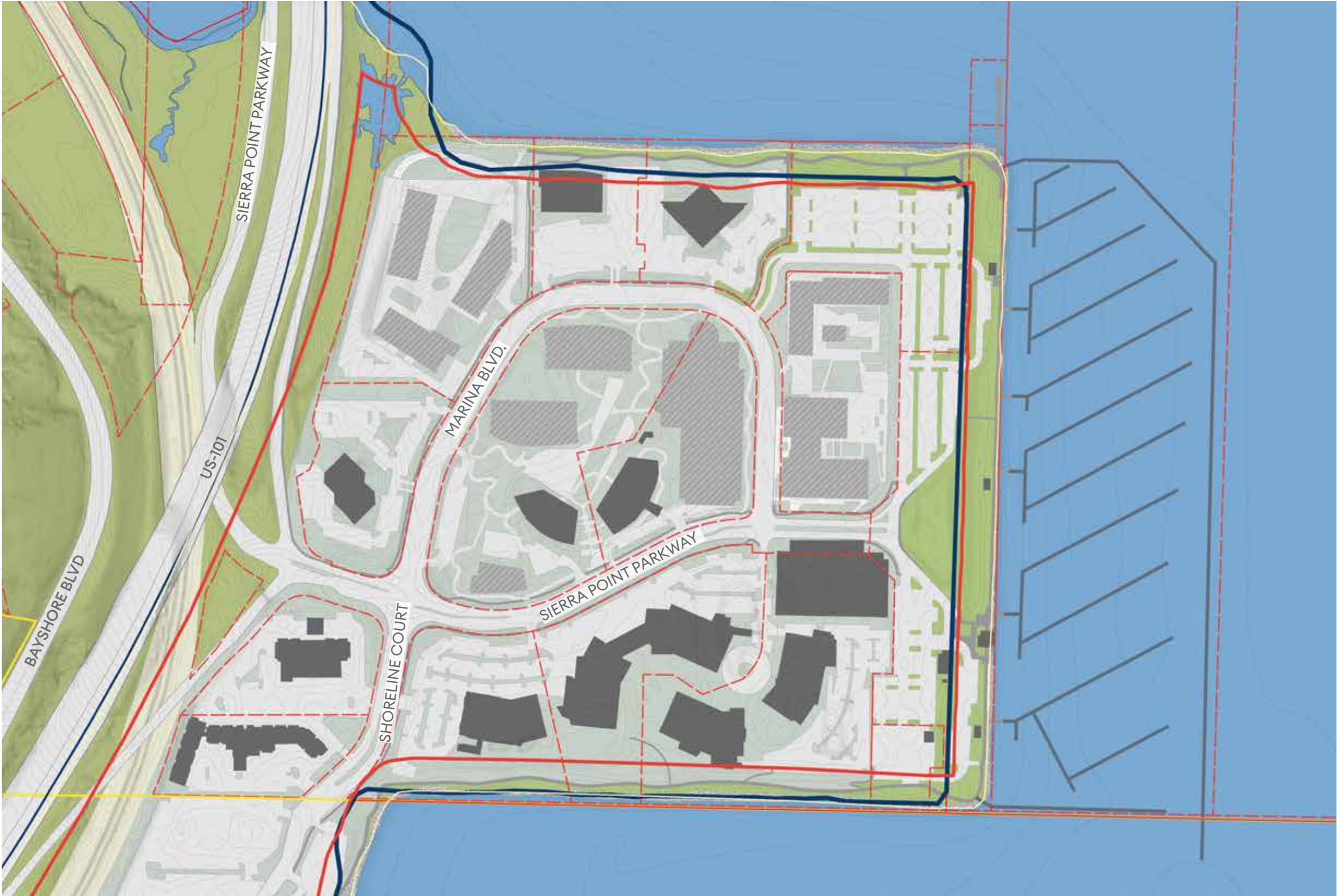
# JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES

There are many regional and state interests represented at Sierra Point. Due to its proximity to the bayshore, a 100-foot buffer from the shoreline at Sierra Point falls under BCDC’s jurisdiction.

Parcels are a mix of public and privately owned.

The site is at the south-eastern-end of the city of Brisbane, and the city limit between Brisbane and the city of South San Francisco runs across the southern shoreline of Sierra Point.

- Limit of the city of Brisbane
- Parcel boundaries
- BCDC 100’ jursdiction
- BCDC Shoreline
- FEMA FLOOD ZONE





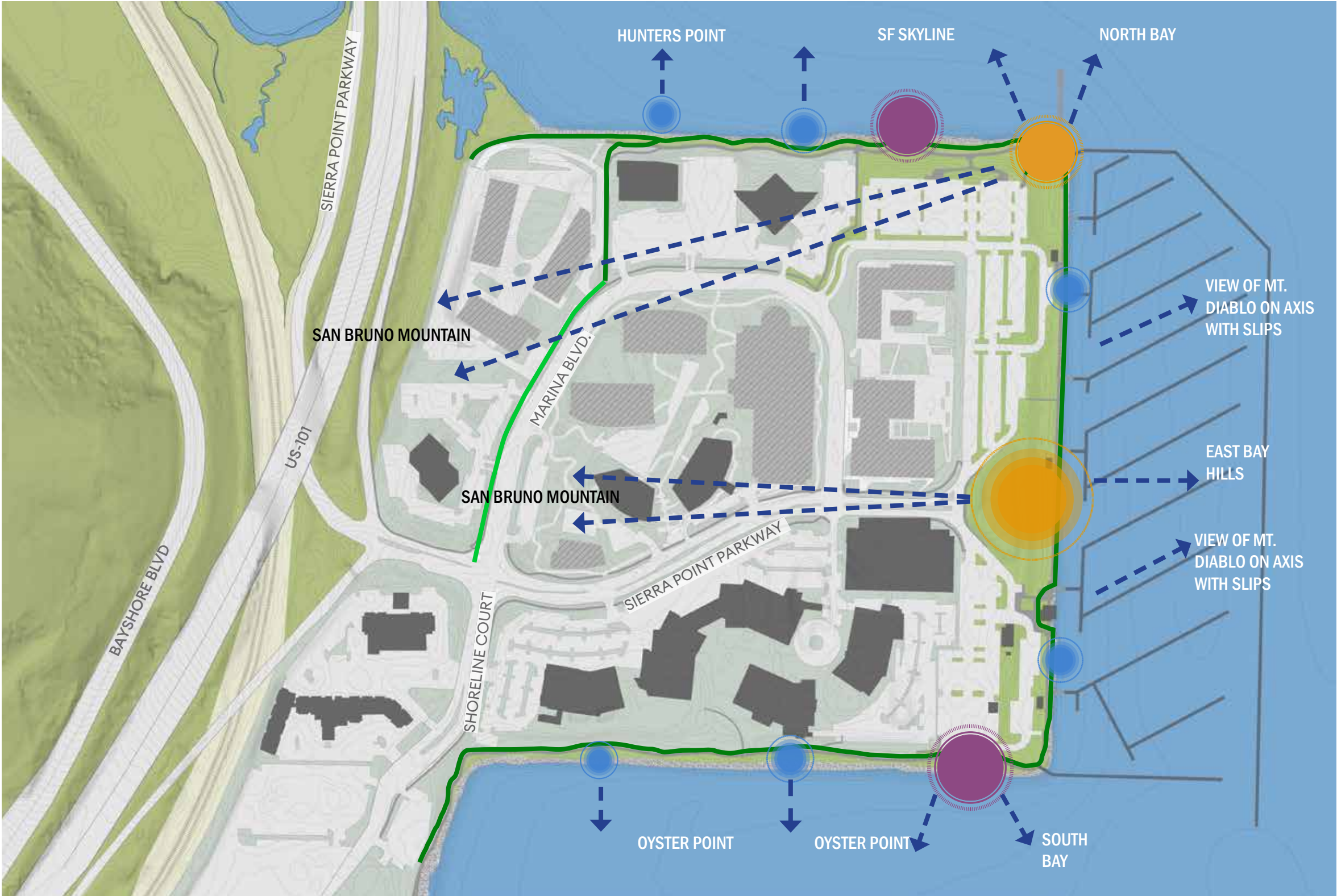
# VIEWS

Views are a primary feature of the Sierra Point Open Space experience.

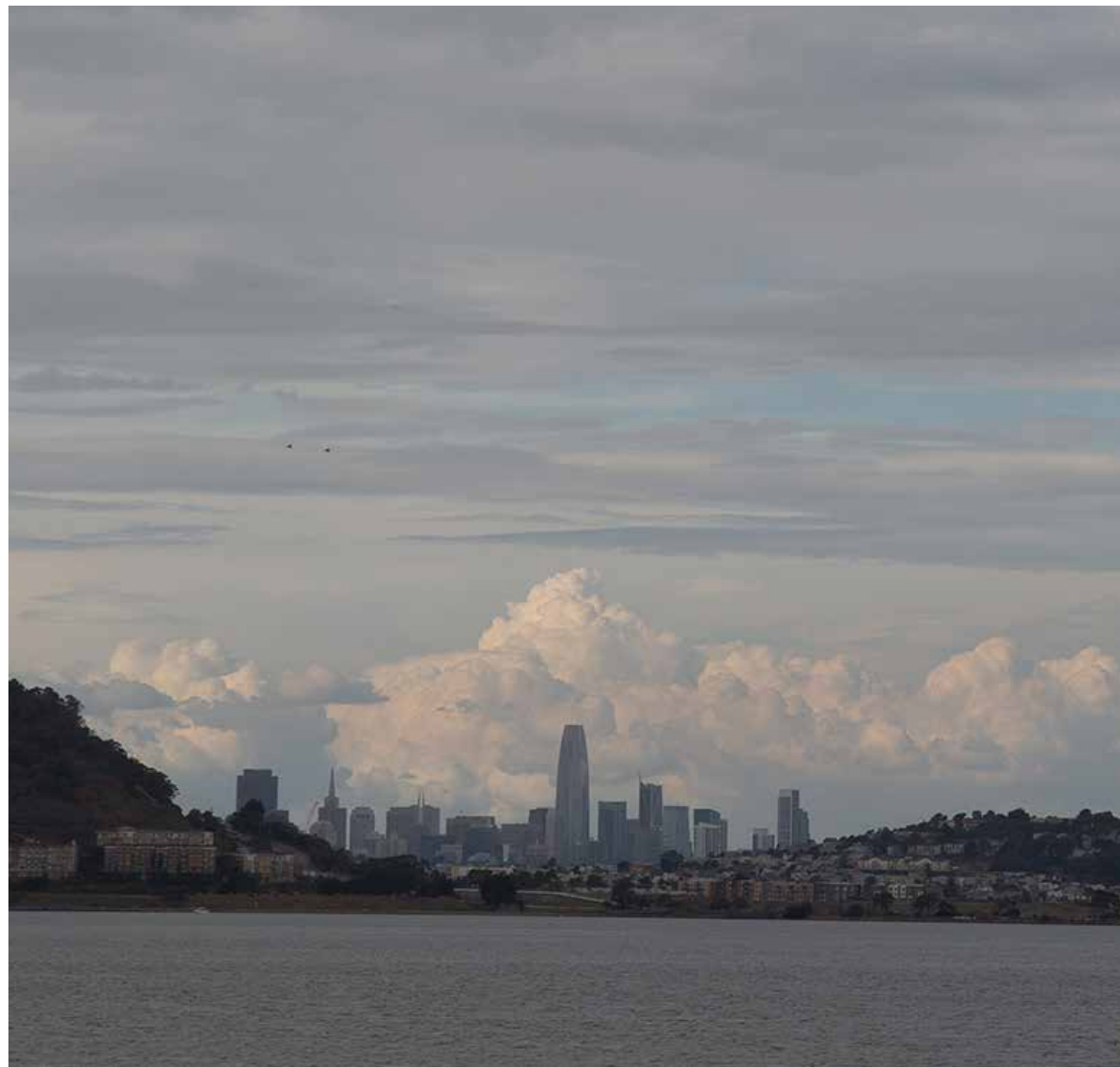
Many users reported visiting Sierra Point for activities related to views – looking out toward San Francisco and Oakland from the north edge of the site and the end of the fishing pier in particular; looking out across the marina toward Mount Diablo in the east; visiting Sierra Point as a destination to watch fireworks shows from around the entire San Francisco Bay.

Recent buildings have modified view corridors, particularly in the direction of San Bruno Mountain. New and proposed buildings will continue to change the viewing experience.

- SF BAY TRAIL
- ON STREET BAY TRAIL
- PRIMARY VISTA POINTS
- SECONDARY VISTA POINTS
- VISTA POINTS







**Images:** Views from Sierra Point: San Bruno Mountain; Oakland skyline; San Francisco skyline; Brisbane marina; Mount Diablo.



# MARINA FACILITIES

The marina has 580 slips and played an important role in the history and development of Sierra Point.

The marina has a permit for a 10% live-aboard rate. Residents have access to a private bathroom and laundry facilities.

Small craft launches are not currently accommodated.

Public programs at the marina are limited; the annual Regatta, hosted by the Sierra Point Yacht Club, is a major event.







SIERRA POINT YACHT CLUB



MARINA RESTROOMS



MARINA SLIPS



HARBORMASTER'S



PARKING LOT & MARINA STORAGE

*Images: An assortment of marina facilities*





GANGWAY TO PARKING LOT



FISHING PIER



PRIVATE DOCK & GANGWAY



RESTROOMS



ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

Images: Marina & waterfront facilities

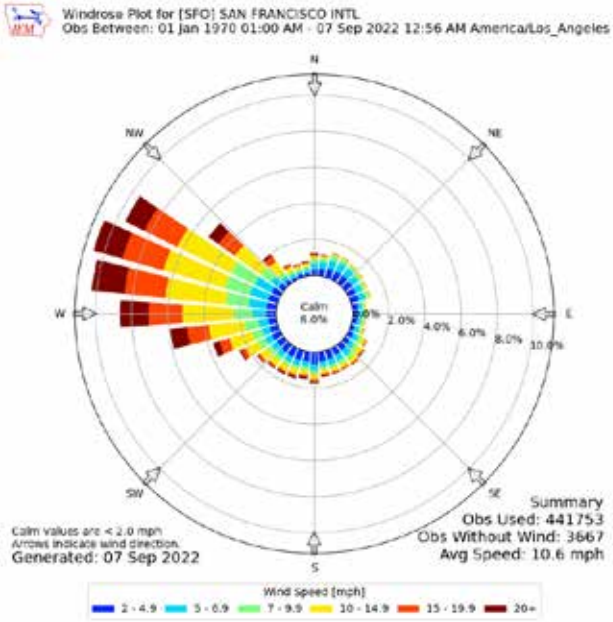


# WIND & SUN

Sierra Point has excellent solar orientation.

Sierra Point is subject to regular, intense wind, often strengthening in speed in the mid-afternoon.

Average wind speed is 10.6 MPG. See windrose diagram below for average yearly wind information.



- > SUMMER SOLSTICE
- > WINTER SOLSTICE
- > NE WIND IN WINTER
- > SW WIND IN SUMMER





# SITE INFRASTRUCTURE

The drainage visualized in this diagram is conceptual; recent construction projects have adjusted site drainage.

- Drainage
- Electrical and/or mechanical infrastructure





# PARKING

Parking lots dominate the experience of the waterfront and marina.

Stormwater runoff from existing asphalt parking lots on public land is not treated. Parking surfaces are generally impermeable and made from asphalt or concrete.

As is, the parking lots provide useful, multi-purpose spaces – visitors shared fond stories of activities.

Office buildings have extensive parking lots. These lots may be highly used by office workers during the weekday, but are not used with the same frequency during weekends.

Parking for the marina is controlled by the number of slips and ratios are suggested by the California Department of Boating and Waterways.

EXISTING PARKING:

- PUBLIC PARKING  
661 PARKING STALLS / 12 ADA STALLS
- MARINA PARKING  
91 PARKING STALLS
- YACHT CLUB PARKING  
15 PARKING STALLS / 5 ADA STALLS
- CORPS YARD AND PARKING  
12 PARKING STALLS
- MARINA DROP-OFF AREA  
7 PARKING STALLS / 2 ADA STALLS
- YACHT CLUB DROP-OFF AREA  
9 PARKING STALLS / 4 ADA STALLS



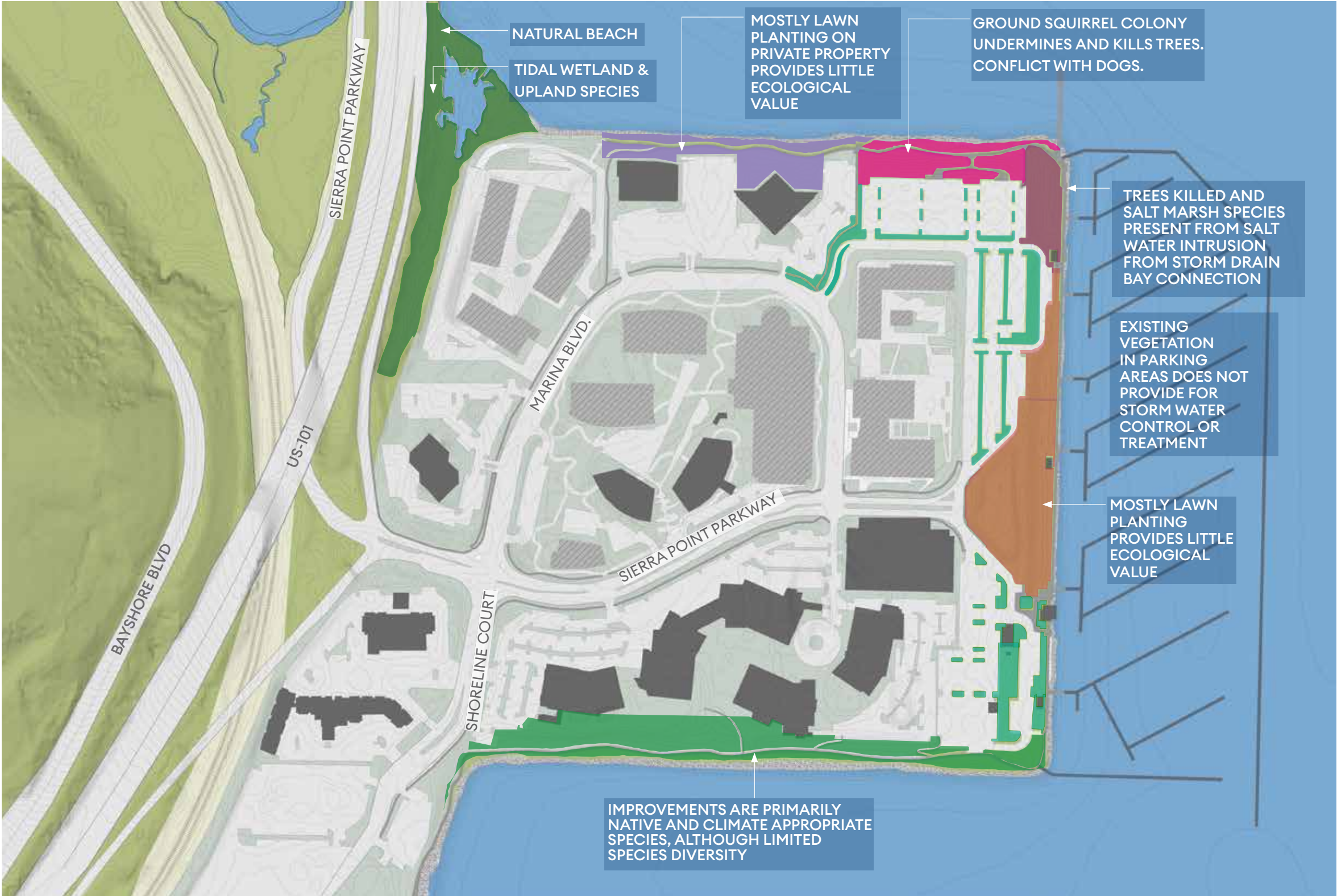


# VEGETATION & WETLANDS

Existing planting is limited in area. Species diversity is relatively low and favors non-native plants.

A large ground squirrel population – in addition to saltwater intrusion in the eastern-most edges of Sierra Point – have killed multiple trees, including hardy species such as the lombardy poplar (*Populus nigra*).

Newer office buildings have complied with landscaping palette that favors native California species such as manzanita, coyote brush and deergrass. It is unclear whether or not the species planted directly on the edge of the bay are tolerant of the brackish water and salt spray.







*Images: Existing vegetation -- unimproved bay edge; new landscaping; trees suffering from saltwater intrusion*



# PRIVATE OPEN SPACE AMENITIES

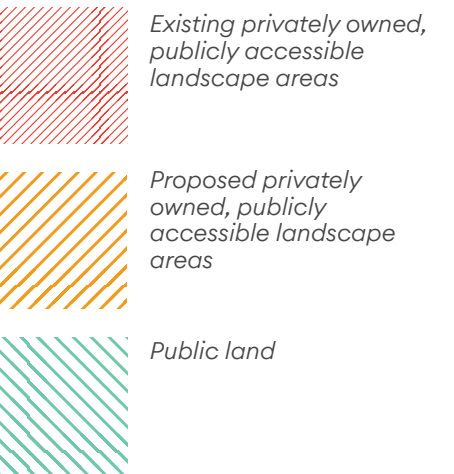
The land of Sierra Point is a mix between private and publicly held land.

Recent development agreements have provided public amenities on the office campus landscapes, but the public usage and access to these public benefits remains low.

The landscaping around many of the office buildings is publicly accessible but does not necessarily look public, potentially reducing public use because they are perceived to be private and inaccessible.

Visitors noted that some public amenities are not always set up and/or useable – for example, a pickleball court exists but does not always have a net.

Public amenities on the site include exercise equipment adjacent to the Bay Trail.







*Images: Assorted landscapes along Bay Trail, which threads between public and private spaces.*



# SEA LEVEL RISE

Initial evaluation of the Sierra Point landscape shows beneficial verticality of the landscape, which opens up more opportunities for site development relative to sea level rise.

Current models project approximately 1.9 feet of sea level rise by 2050. Current projection for 1-in-200 chance of sea level rise in the Bay is 7' by 2100. For the study area this would be a minimum elevation +18.5'. Generally, the study area of Sierra Point is around elevation +9' NAVD88 along the shoreline, increasing to elevations +17' to +18' NAVD88 further inland. The open space area at the south end of the study area is at around elevation +24' to +25' NAVD88. Upland existing conditions are sufficiently elevated at the perimeter to provide protection for the next 75 years as projected by State agencies. Additionally, the outer breakwater around the marina provides sheltering of the east side of Sierra Point. With this protection there might be some opportunities to reduce the rip rap and develop a living shoreline.

See Section 2 for an overview of regional SLR predictions and impacts.





How Sea Level Rise affects Flood Hazards:

- Extreme water levels
- Storm surge (hours to days)
- High tides (hours)
- El Niño (weeks to months)
- Wave action (wind driven)
- King tides (2-4 times annually)

Visualizing potential SLR at Sierra Point

Per BCDC, “...Low-lying parts of the shoreline have historically experienced coastal flood events (such as the annual king tides and El Niño extreme high tides), and they may experience similar events with increased frequency, duration, and severity in the future as a result of projected sea level rise (SLR). Planners and engineers need tools to evaluate vulnerabilities and risks due to projected inundation and flooding. ..”

This SLR inundation mapping captures permanent inundation as well as temporary flooding as a result of SLR scenarios ranging from 0 to 66 inches in addition to extreme high tide events from the 1-year to the 100-year extreme tide. The values shown model daily as well as extreme tide levels above the MHHW in San Mateo County. These levels, developed by Bay Area agencies, show the average of the water levels at all model output points along San Mateo’s bayshore.

Note: MHHW is a tidal datum and is representative of the daily high tide.

This analysis uses a set of ten inundation maps that represent a spectrum of possible sea level rise scenarios coupled with extreme tide levels. The

scenarios range from 12 to 108 inches and represent combinations of 0 to 66 inches of SLR with extreme tides between the 1-year to the 100-year extreme tide. These projections represent current NRC SLR projections and approximate storm sure events. The range of water levels visualized means that the maps are flexible and can accommodate future changes in SLR projections.

“Permanent inundation occurs when an area is regularly covered by daily tidal fluctuations. As sea levels rise, additional shoreline areas may be subject to permanent inundation. In contrast, temporary flooding occurs when an area is exposed to episodic, short-duration, extreme tide events of greater magnitude than normal tide levels (such as during storm surge or El Niño events). Shoreline and inland areas may be temporarily flooded during an extreme tide event, but may resume their intended function once floodwaters recede.”<sup>1</sup>

This data shows that as sea levels rise, the bayshore and adjacent communities will be more frequently exposed to tidal levels that are currently classified as ‘extreme’. Over time, existing shoreline infrastructure will not provide the same level of protection as it was designed to do. The increased frequency of extreme tide levels must be considered in the design of resilient bayshore regions such as Sierra Point.

This analysis uses data developed for the Bay Area by agencies & organizations such as the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC), the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, and San Mateo, and Alameda Counties.

<sup>1</sup> Adapting to Rising Tides Bay Area Sea Level Rise Analysis and Mapping Project (2017)

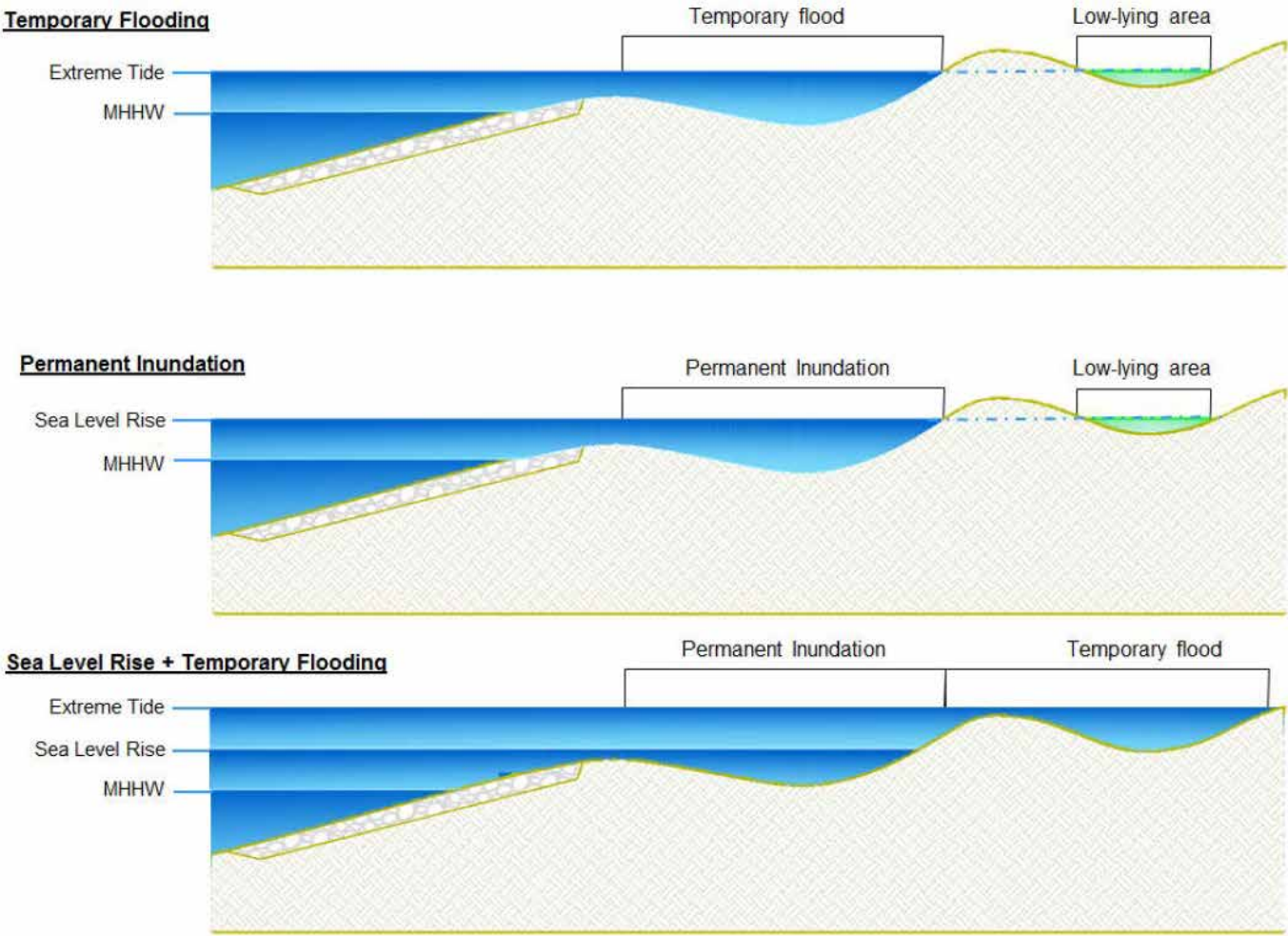


Figure: from Adapting to Rising Tides Bay Area Sea Level Rise Analysis and Mapping Project (2017)



Sea-Level Rise Impacts:

- Mean sea level and tide range rises
- Extremes water levels reach higher elevations
- Temporary and permanent flooding and inundation
- Wave-related erosion

The figures on the right represents a matrix for potential SLR scenarios in San Mateo County. The ten scenarios represent combinations of 0 to 66 inches of SLR coupled with extreme tides in the 1-year to 100-year return period. The values represent San Mateo County’s daily and extreme tide levels above the MHHW.

The first six scenarios (12”, 24”, 36” 48”, 52” and 66” of SLR above the MHHW) are related to the NRC SLR estimates. This range of six water levels represent the most likely scenarios as currently projected for the mid-century and end of the century.

Per data published in *Adapting to Rising Tides Bay Area Sea Level Rise Analysis and Mapping Project (2017)*, the following ranges apply:

- 12-inch SLR by 2050
- 24-inch SLR by 2050 – a high end of the range OR an existing 5-year extreme tide
- 26-inch SLR by 2100 – a most-likely SLR scenario OR an existing 50-year extreme tide
- 48-inch SLR by 2100 – a high end of the range OR 6-inches of SLR AND a 100-year extreme tide

- 52-inch SLR – 12-inch of SLR plus 100-year extreme tide
- 66-inch SLR by 2100 – a high end of SLR scenarios OR 24-inches of SLR AND a 100-year extreme tide

The remaining four projections (77”, 84”, 96” and 108” of SLR above the MHHW) are above current projections for SLR by 2100, but illustrate short-term, temporary inundation that could occur when SLR is coupled with extreme tides.

- 77 inches above MHHW – 36-inch SLR AND 100-year extreme tide
- 84 inches above MHHW – 48-inch SLR AND 50-year extreme tide
- 96 inches above MHHW – 66-inch SLR AND 25-year extreme tide
- 108 inches above MHHW – 66-inch SLR AND 100-year extreme tide

Mapping Scenario	Reference Water Level	Applicable Range for Mapping Scenario (Reference ± 3 inches)
Scenario 1	MHHW + 12"	MHHW + 9 to 15"
Scenario 2	MHHW + 24"	MHHW + 21 to 27"
Scenario 3	MHHW + 36"	MHHW + 33 to 39"
Scenario 4	MHHW + 48"	MHHW + 45 to 51"
Scenario 5	MHHW + 52"	MHHW + 49 to 55"
Scenario 6	MHHW + 66"	MHHW + 63 to 69"
Scenario 7	MHHW + 77"	MHHW + 74 to 80"
Scenario 8	MHHW + 84"	MHHW + 81 to 87"
Scenario 9	MHHW + 96"	MHHW + 93 to 99"
Scenario 10	MHHW + 108"	MHHW + 105 to 111"

MHHW = Mean Higher High Water

Sea Level Rise Scenario	Daily Tide	Extreme Tide (Storm Surge)						
	+SLR (in)	1yr	2yr	5yr	10yr	25yr	50yr	100yr
	Water Level above MHHW (in)							
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MHHW + 60"	60	75	79	84	87	92	97	102
MHHW + 66"	66	81	85	90	93	98	103	108

in = inch(es)  
MHHW = Mean Higher High Water  
SLR = sea level rise  
yr = year(s)





***Images:** Saltwater intrusion is already impacting Sierra Point landscape. Salt-tolerant plants; lawn and tree die-off from saltwater intrusion; permanently inundated areas; more tree die-off.*



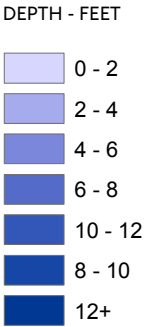
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Most likely scenario of SLR by 2050.





+3-4 feet SLR



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Image: MHHW +48"



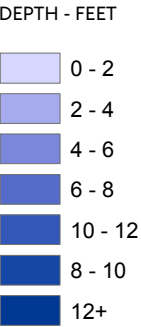
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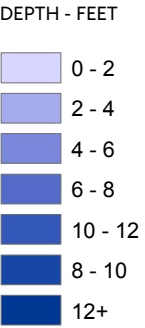
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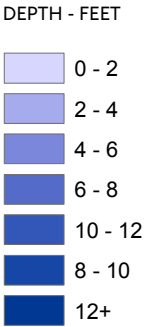
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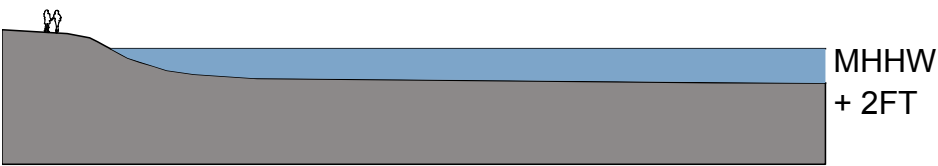
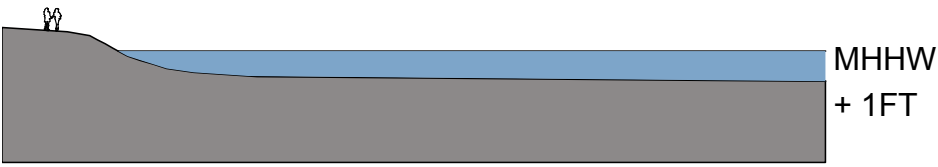
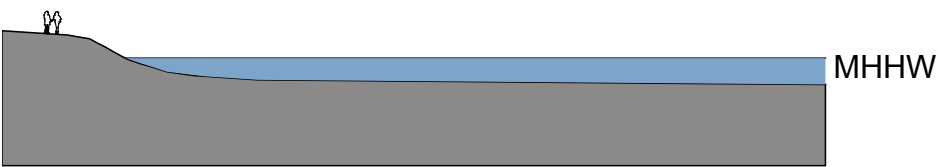


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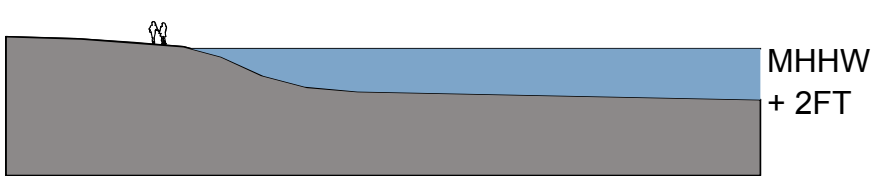
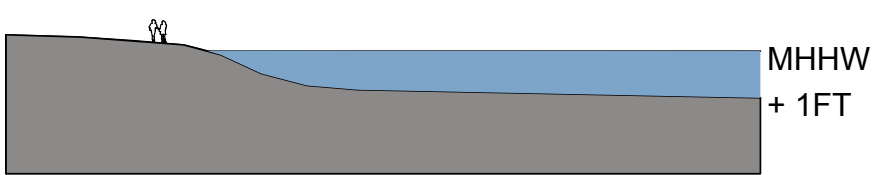
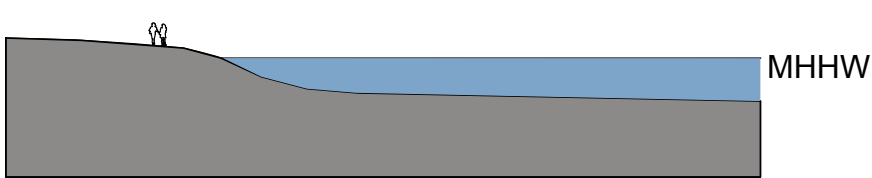




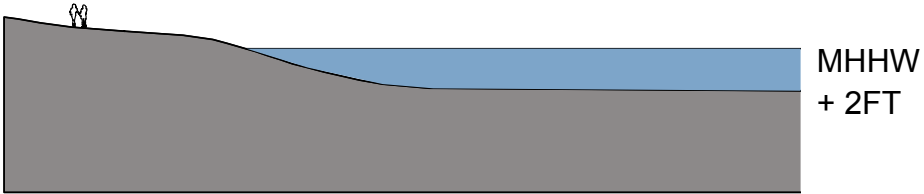
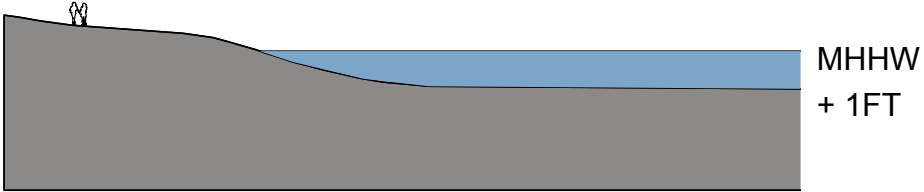
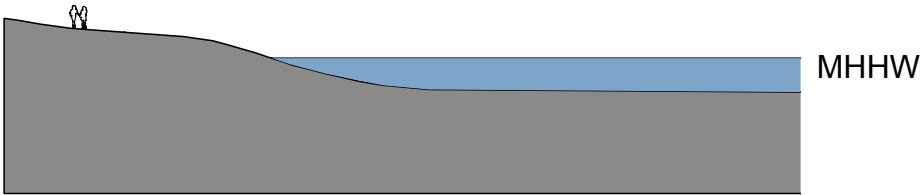
NORTH BAY TRAIL



EAST BAY TRAIL



SOUTH BAY TRAIL



1-in-200 Chance Sea-Level Rise by:					
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Section 4:  
**COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT**





# STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Understanding the culture and identity of Brisbane's community is an essential aspect of planning the Sierra Point Open Space and Parks Master Plan. During Task 01: Discovery, points of interest, aspirations and insight were gleaned from conversations that direct the development of the character and quality of the master plan's proposed open space experience.

## Public Participation Goals

Public participation will foster creative, collaborative environments to ensure that participants feel welcome and comfortable being their true selves and honestly expressing their thoughts and ideas. Implementing a process of authentic listening and feedback will strengthen the communities' trust in the Sierra Point Open Space Master Plan Project. Interactions with the community are designed to facilitate a nuanced process that engages stakeholders. All feedback received from the community from interviews, meetings, and outreach events will be documented in summary reports. Stakeholder engagement shall:

- Gather constructive, meaningful input from community members and key stakeholders
- Engage diverse target audiences;
- Build relationships on behalf of Brisbane Parks and Recreation department with key community organizations and other City agencies to foster ongoing community involvement and support
- Increase community awareness and involvement;
- Identify existing community-based programming for collaboration.

## Target audiences

Participation and input from interested community members is designed to ensure that diverse and balanced perspectives are heard from a broad range of stakeholders engaged in meetings, site walks and at events.

Broadly the stakeholder list includes: Brisbane City Councilmembers and Staff; Brisbane Parks & Recreation Commission; Brisbane Open Space & Ecology Committee; Brisbane Public Art Committee; Inclusion, Diversity, Equity & Accountability (IDEA) Committee; Complete Streets Safety Committee; Sierra Point Yacht Club; community and business leaders; property owners; members of the general public.





## STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

For the initial discovery phase, the planning team met with city of Brisbane staff, project sub-committee and the public at the annual Day in the Park event. Information and insight gained from this varied engagement provided the planning team an understanding of how the Brisbane community views itself, its aspirations for the park, as well as additional technical understanding of the existing conditions, history and context. During Task 01: Discovery, the planning team has conducted meetings with:

Brisbane technical advisory:

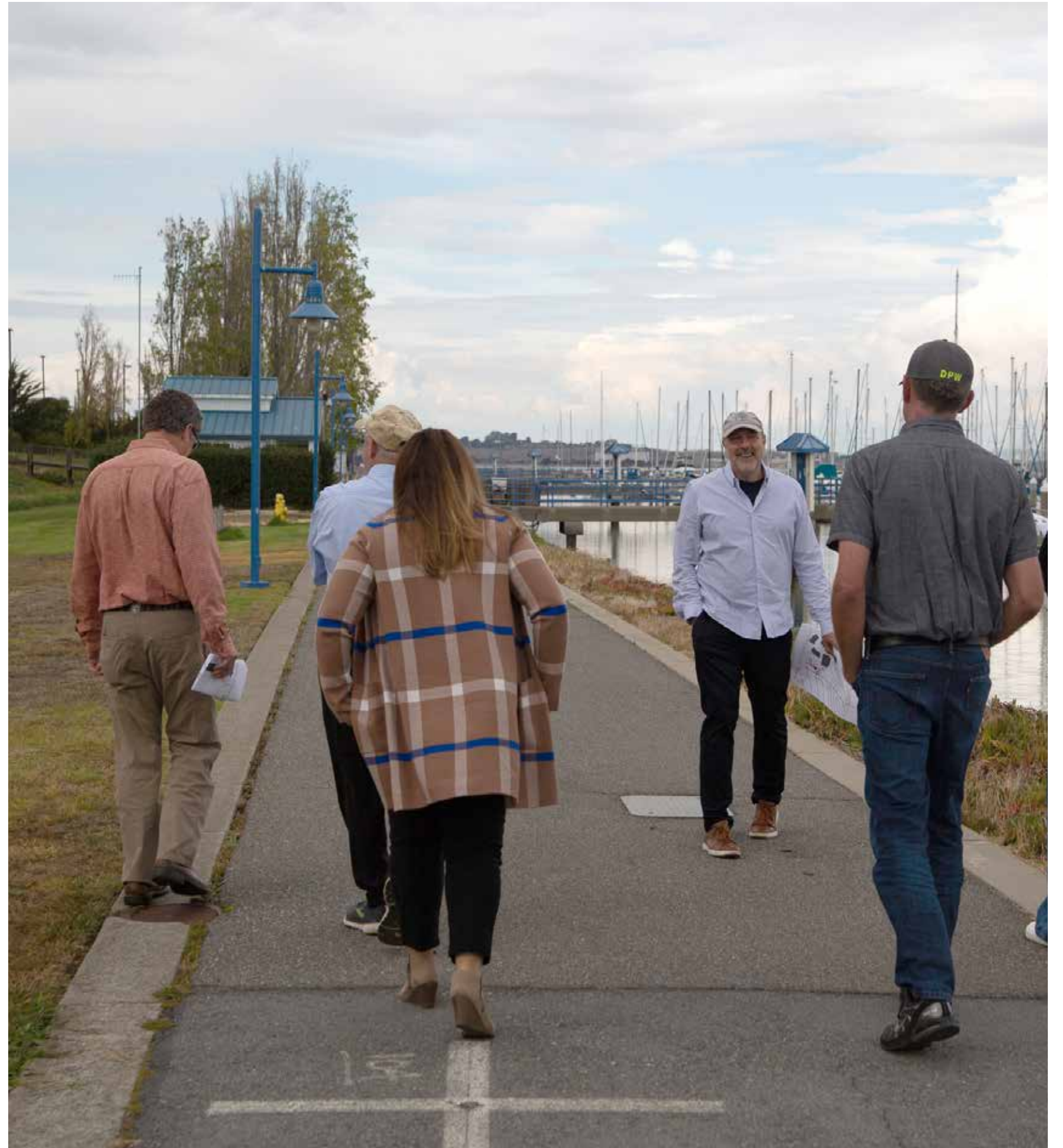
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Sierra Point Parkway and Open Space Subcommittee:

- Cliff Lentz – Mayor Pro Tempore/Councilmember
- Terry O’Connell – Councilmember
- Trudi Davis – Parks & Recreation Commission
- Barbara Ebel – Open Space and Ecology Committee
- Camille Salmon – Public Art Advisory Committee
- Mangesh Kolhatkar – Inclusion, Diversity, Equity & Accountability (IDEA) Committee
- Dariusz Wodziak – Complete Streets Safety Committee

Brisbane Day in the Park 2022

- Brisbane community members – general public





# STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Similar prompts for discussion were provided at each engagement. Comments are summarized below, edited from all feedback to be concise. Complete responses gather to date are included in the Appendix.

## What makes Brisbane special?

- Community cohesiveness and spirit of stewardship
- Connection to nature
- Small-town feel
- Diverse population
- Willingness to buck trends & not go along with standard thinking
- Surrounded by natural assets, open space and the bay
- Family-friendly

## Favorite Aspects of Sierra Point included:

- Scenic views and watching fireworks
- Walking, running, hiking & biking Sierra Point and Oyster Point
- Family interaction
- Fishing
- Kite flying
- A place to meditate
- Regatta
- Family and friends connection; picnics with friends on

- the slopes
- Critical pandemic open space
- Opportunities at Sierra Point**
- Preserve scenic views – San Bruno Mountain, bay, downtown SF, Mount Diablo
- Connect native CA flora from San Bruno mountain to Sierra Point;
- Continue the Bay Trail to make a complete loop around Sierra Point;
- Interactive playground - nature play & materials to engender creativity;
- Visual and physical connection to water
- Interpret history, indigenous communities
- Seating for contemplation, view appreciation
- Public art
- Exercise equipment
- Flood mitigation & planning for SLR resiliency
- Places for families & small gatherings, picnic and BBQ areas;
- Bike trail connection to downtown Brisbane
- Jogging & hiking connections &
- Public access and connections to the middle of Sierra Point
- Kid-friendly
- Dog-friendly





# WHAT SHOULD SIERRA POINT OPEN SPACE BE?

Connectivity	Art	Stewardship & sustainability	Recreation
Safe pedestrian and bike connections	Playground structure as art;	Durable lasting improvements; 100+ year life	Activities that are appropriate for weather challenges–note strong, regularly occurring wind.
Pedestrian connection from downtown Brisbane to Sierra Point	Stage for small concerts or arts performances & other engagement	Improvements to contribute to achieving highest bar for reducing carbon emissions; meet Brisbane’s Climate Emergency commitment; net zero; sequester carbon	Small craft/kayak launching – note difficult wind and tidal conditions
Dedicated bike route and improved facilities from downtown Brisbane to Sierra Point	Landscaping as art; Environmental art	Planning for sea level rise and landscape resiliency	Water access and protected swimming
Dedicated bike path separated from pedestrians at Bay Trail	Interactive;	Softening of bay shoreline for more interaction with SLR and tidal influence	Beach
Connect pedestrians and bikes to San Bruno Mountain trails	Possible landmark;	Educational opportunities at bay & shore	Playground
Connections to nature and native plants	Integral to community at large	More planting, less paving	Adventure playground
Beach access and connection to the water	Art that can withstand elements without damage & high maintenance	Improve ecological value and maximize biodiversity; native plants; native trees	Amphitheater (Note that City Staff have expressed concern about amplification and projection issues)
Maintain views of San Bruno Mountain	Celebrate Brisbane’s diverse art community	Demonstrate historical ecology	Dog park
Kayak water access	Use art to connect with cutting-edge research of Sierra Point and historic Brisbane	Wetlands	Bocce
Make the Bay Trail a loop around Sierra Point	Kinetic art; wind art	Native trees	Horseshoe
Keep parking for boaters, and some visitors	Think more broadly about art, including artful, artistic elements such as beautiful stonework.	Pollinator garden	Kite flying
Connection to Oyster Point for ferry access; SP ferry terminal	Food and Beverage (Note marina users desire F&B/ store)	Green infrastructure: rain gardens; photovoltaics; wind power	Picnic and barbecue areas
Green connections	Yacht Club support more pop-up public events		Gathering for small groups and large groups
Attention to interface/gradient between building edges (private property) and bay.	Include businesses that benefit Brisbane		Areas protected from wind
Access publicly accessible amenities on private parcels	Food truck and cart area		Skate park; pump track
Waterfront	Good, affordable waterfront restaurant – a destination		A tranquil place; yoga and meditation
Create public connections throughout Sierra Point	Café/kiosks–coffee and pastries		Multipurpose, unprogrammed areas
Create more reasons for more people to go to Sierra Point	Market/pop-ups		As much open space as possible
			Kids sailing or boating activities
			Reinforce public access to amenities on development parcels



## SIERRA POINT SHOULD BE...

vibrant

programmatically diverse

peaceful

welcoming

embracing

enticing

a crowning glory

playful and fun

quirky

a destination

connected

down to earth

practical and beautiful

wild and free

natural

adaptive

carbon neutral





Section 5:  
**PRINCIPLES &  
GOALS**

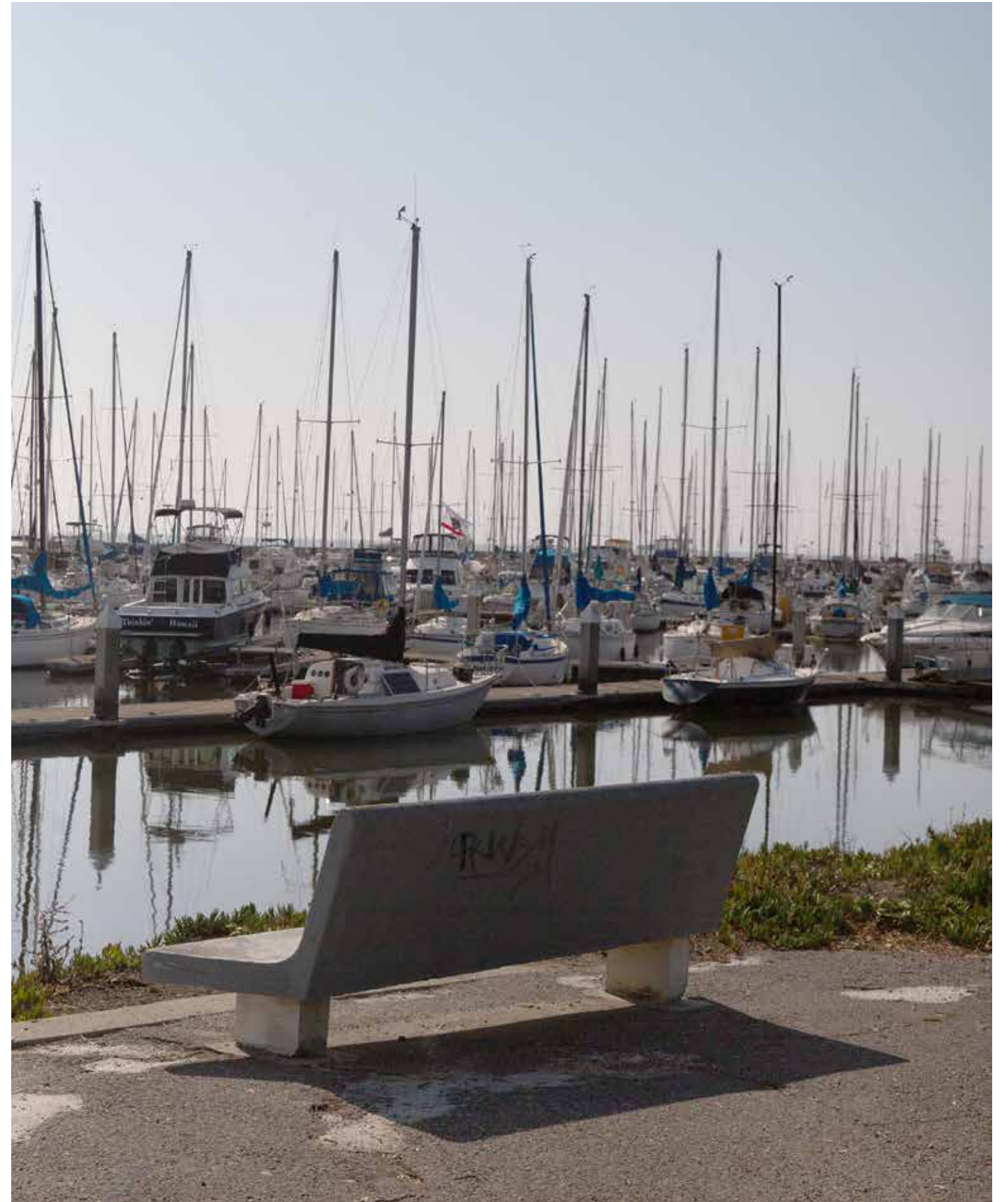




# PRINCIPLES

Guiding Principles established for the Sierra Point Open Space and Parks Master Plan will be the foundation for building consensus for aspirations that will guide development of the project. The initial principles below summarize statements by City and community stakeholders to date, and will continue to be refined or augmented with community input. The guiding principles are to be comprehensive in the breadth of concerns they address, but each is to be specific in its intent. Collectively they describe an inclusive public destination, founded on health, wellness and community cohesion, that is a unique expression of Brisbane's identity.

- 1. Sierra Point will be a diverse & inclusive place that is authentic to Brisbane.**
- 2. Sierra Point will have a unique identity, accentuated by art, that inspires community pride.**
- 3. Sierra Point will be a beautiful, durable place to enjoy everyday and in all seasons.**
- 4. Sierra Point will include varied amenities for daily use in a natural setting.**
- 5. Sierra Point will be a healthy, safe space of respite and a place to meet your neighbors.**
- 6. Sierra Point will demonstrate best practices for sustainable, resilient waterfront open space.**





# CONNECTIVITY GOALS



**Bike Access:**

Bike facilities and connections between Central Brisbane to Sierra Point can be enhanced, particularly under the US-101 underpass, where the City’s current Bike/Ped Master Plan calls for a Class IV bike/Ped connection. Additional facilities within Sierra Point itself might include marked bike lanes continuing to the waterfront for a family friendly connection. A pedestrian and bike bridge could further enhance opportunities for connection from San Bruno Mountain and Central Brisbane.

**Pedestrian Access:**

Pedestrian access can be introduced from central Brisbane along Sierra point parkway and under the overpass to make connection to the Bay Trail. A pedestrian and bike bridge could further enhance opportunities for connection from San Bruno Mountain and central Brisbane.

**Vehicular Access:**

While parking and service access is necessary at Sierra Point, with improved bike access and evaluation of necessary capacity, the parking lots may be rightsized, and locations modified. Additionally, with numerous parking garages at Sierra Point integrated with private properties, a parking management strategy could be developed to allow for public use of the garages, for example at night and on weekends.

**Water access:**

An existing beach at the northwestern edge of Sierra Point, a legacy of the historic shoreline, provides physical access to the water. This resource and water access should be preserved and enhanced. The existing beach also provides opportunity to highlight Native American occupation of the area. Additional opportunities for access to water should be evaluated, with consideration of technical and safety concerns.

**Views:**

Improvements to Sierra Point open space should maximize opportunities for views to San Bruno Mountain, the Bay and the landscape beyond, including landmarks such as Mount Diablo and Downtown San Francisco.

**Watercraft:**

The marina will remain an active use space. Opportunities to accommodate or integrate additional watercraft activity at Sierra Point can be evaluated, including a “float-in dock” for visitors, small craft launch, ferry or water taxi if relevant, and programs such as sailing classes.

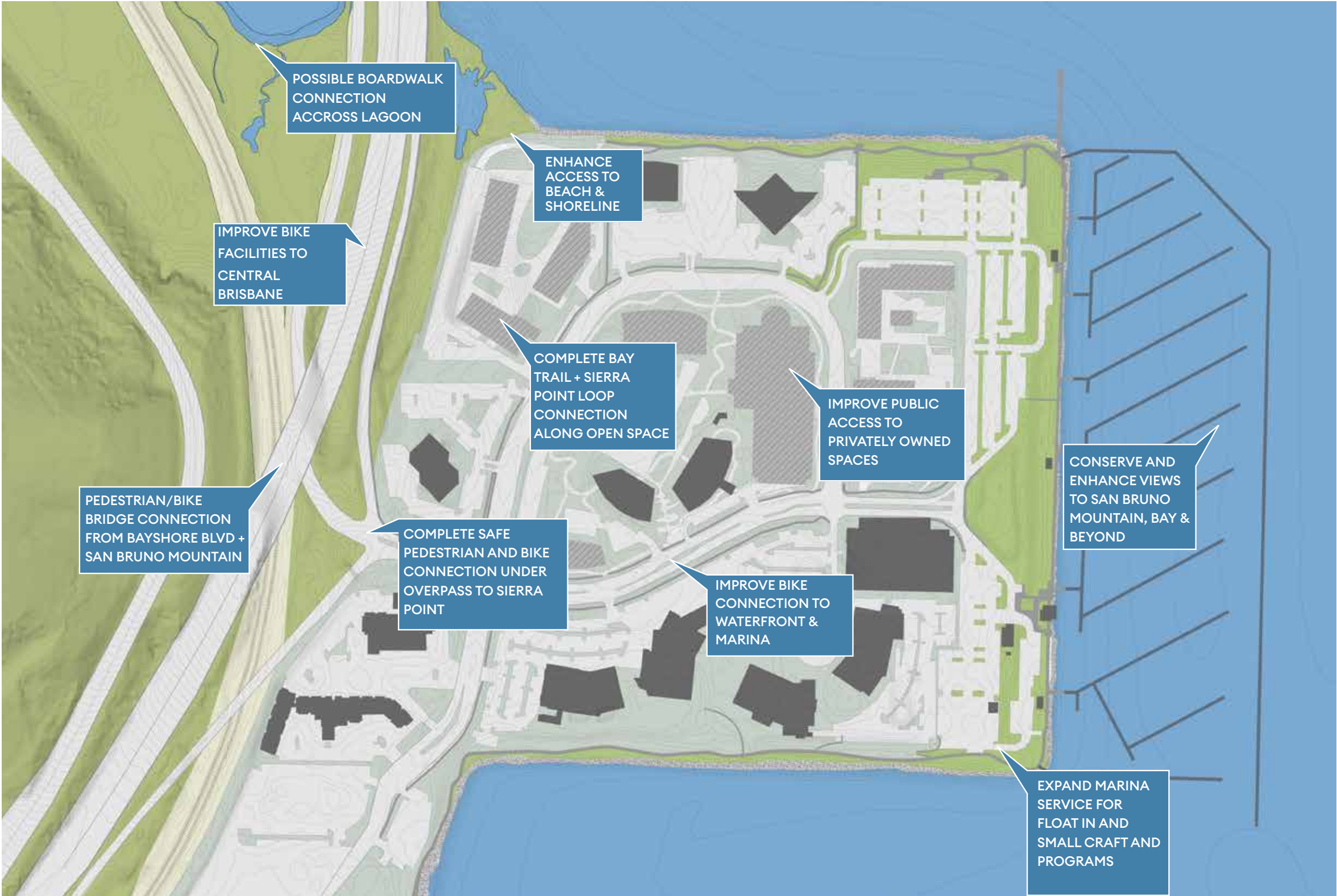


# CONNECTIVITY GOALS

Views are a primary feature of the Sierra Point Open Space experience.

Many users reported visiting Sierra Point for activities related to views – looking out toward San Francisco and Oakland from the north edge of the site and the end of the fishing pier in particular; looking out across the marina toward Mount Diablo in the east; visiting Sierra Point as a destination to watch fireworks shows from around the entire San Francisco Bay.

Recent buildings have modified view corridors, particularly in the direction of San Bruno Mountain. New and proposed buildings will continue to change the viewing experience.





## STEWARDSHIP & SUSTAINABILITY GOALS



Sierra Point is subject to the impact of sea level rise, in conjunction with severe storm events and tide level fluctuations, including king tides. In its current condition the southeast corner regularly floods, saltwater infiltration kills trees, access and circulation. Recent FEMA flood maps locate much of the easternmost edge of the site in a flood zone. Existing infrastructure and marina facilities will need to be adapted to changes in sea level and storm events.

### Sea level rise:

Sea level rise can be addressed by three strategies: defend, accommodate, retreat. These are hardening of existing conditions, accommodating for infrequent flooding, and retreat moves assets beyond flood conditions. The master plan can study a nuanced combination that mitigates the impact of rising sea level through time. Access and circulation, infrastructure and use areas will generally need to be hardened or located outside of projected sea level rise areas. Reshaping the landscape to account for sea level rise can provide opportunities for new ecological typologies and a diverse waterfront experience.

### Wind:

Locations & types of master plan improvements must consider wind, and specifically protection from the wind for successful social space. Recreational uses will be limited by exposure to the wind. The regular afternoon wind could be leveraged for art installations and kite flying.

### Green infrastructure:

The regular afternoon wind could be used for energy generation. Application of photovoltaic panels on the site can be explored. Vegetated swales and planted facilities for detention or retention and treatment of stormwater runoff will be integrated in master plan proposals.

### Planting:

Planting should be developed as appropriate for San Francisco Bay edge ecological typologies. Planting palettes should consist of climate appropriate and ideally locally-native California species. Planting selections should be used strategically on site: for instance, trees can

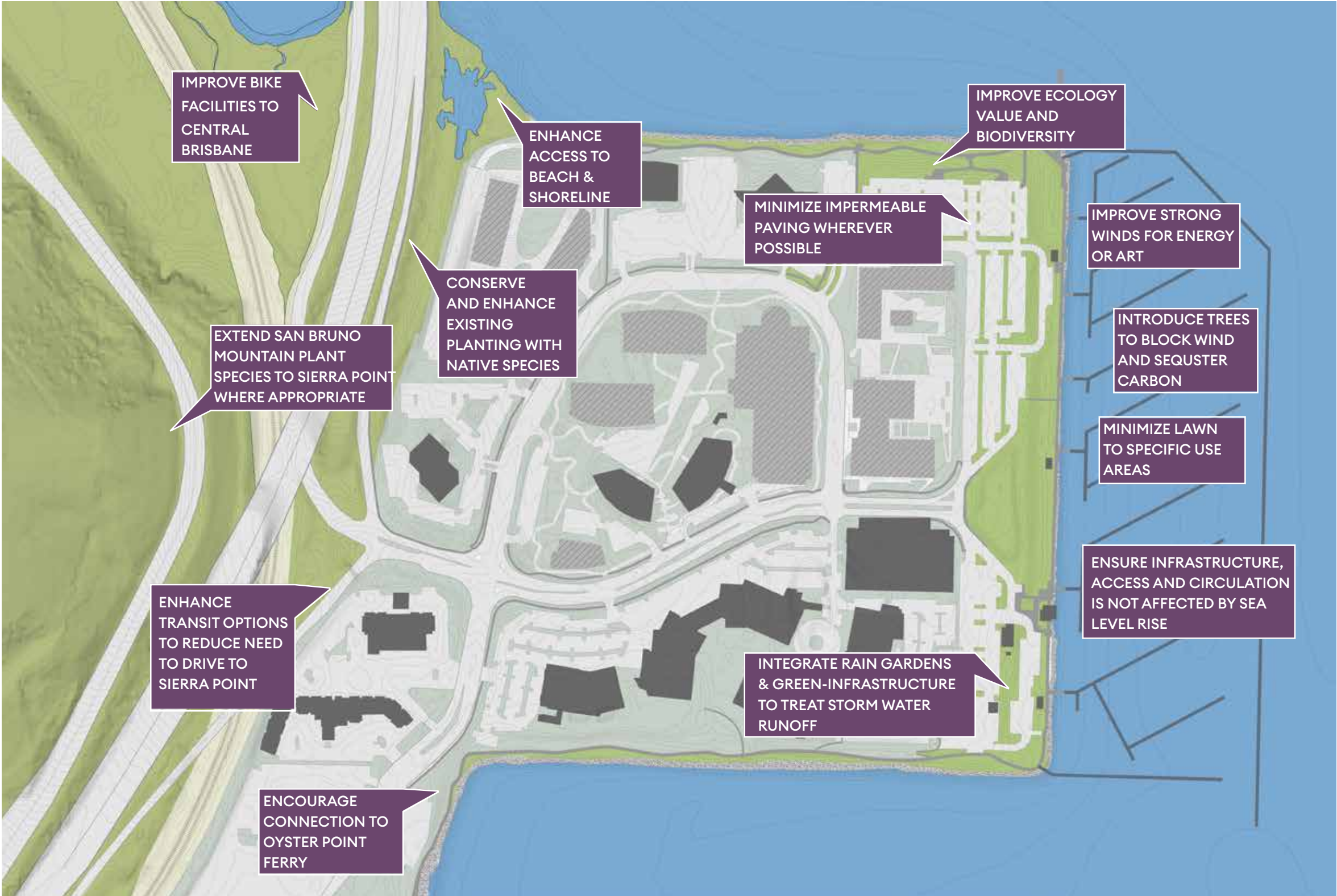
block wind, and together with expansive understory planting, can trap carbon for the long term. The ground squirrel population will have to be addressed for successful long-term planting.

### Climate positive design:

The master plan shall demonstrate commitment to climate positive design with the use of pathfinder software. An online application named Pathfinder guides designers towards a path of being climate positive – sequestering more carbon than their project emits, ultimately making a positive contribution to reversing global warming. Climate positive design analysis will be iterative as the master plan develops. The master plan should propose a landscape that sequesters the amount of carbon associated with its improvement within 5 years of its construction. Thereafter the landscape can continue to pull carbon from the atmosphere.



# STEWARDSHIP & SUSTAINABILITY GOALS





# ART GOALS



Art is valued in Brisbane and is part of the City’s identity as a place of quirky and creative spirit. An Art Master Plan by the City is underway, and should inform the development of art at Sierra Point.

**Art Curation:**

While the Arts Master Plan can provide a city-wide curatorial approach and goals for public art within Brisbane, Sierra Point should be considered comprehensively to reinforce its unique place as a city destination, as well as its district landscape attributes.

**Art Opportunities:**

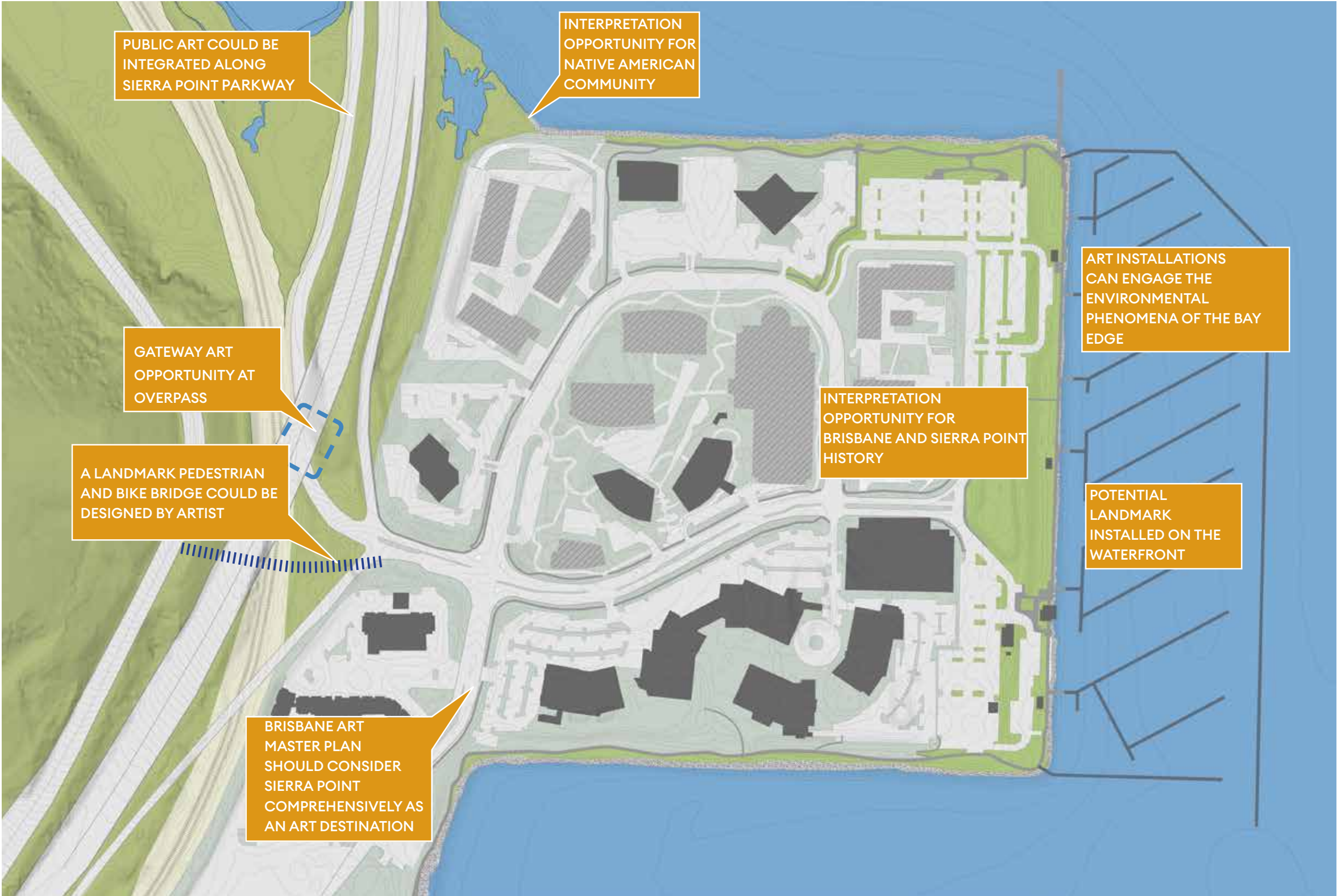
Public art could be incorporated along Sierra Point Parkway to reinforce Central Brisbane connection to Sierra Point. A potential pedestrian and bike bridge could be a Brisbane landmark designed by an artist.

**Landscape Phenomena:**

Landscape experiences unique to Sierra Point can be inspiration for art, including the bay and sky views, wind, water and shifting light across the open space.



# ART GOALS





# RECREATION GOALS

Existing program and uses are limited at Sierra Point now. People from Brisbane and neighboring communities regularly walk their dogs, stroll and jog, ride bikes and teach their children how to ride. Some may bird watch, although habitat on shore is limited and the shoreline is not amenable to wading shore birds. The fishing pier is a popular attraction and provides space for fishing as well as opportunities to absorb views of the San Francisco Bay and events such as Fourth of July fireworks shows around the Bay. Many activities are ad hoc and include uses of the open area of parking from car shows to drone and kite flying. Existing amenities have been depleted in recent years; though BBQ pits are still available, seating that went with the BBQs has been removed. Available food and beverage is limited to soda machines by a concessionaire, and occasional food service for the public at the yacht club. The private developments on site are accessible for use by the public and include a variety of amenities that would not be duplicated in the waterfront open space.

## A Natural Setting:

The wind conditions that limit active recreational opportunities, ambition for a climate positive design that maximizes planting, and an expressed desire on the part of stakeholders for a predominantly natural and peaceful, family friendly setting suggests that active recreation programs are suited to a more pastoral setting. While possible active program can be integrated with the design along with social spaces and trails, the predominant character of the park will be planted open space on the waterfront. Stakeholder desire is for a family friendly environment.

## Existing Valued Uses:

The following uses currently occur on site and can readily be integrated into master plan proposals

- Resting and connection to nature
- Strolling & dog walking
- Jogging
- Bike riding

- Bird watching
- Fishing
- Kite flying
- Picnic and barbecue
- Watching regional fireworks displays
- Sunset watching
- Public toilets
- Existing uses that might contradict open space master plan goals include car rally, and drone flying.

## New uses for consideration:

- Multi-purpose field
- Amphitheater
- Playground

## Retail opportunities:

They can include food trucks and pop-up carts, or additional permanent food and beverage facilities. Stakeholders expressed interest in coffee and pastries at a minimum, and offerings could be expanded to what does not require an on-site kitchen.

## Marina uses:

The marina plays a historic and important role at Sierra Point. Full time residents benefit from the landside amenities and would value park improvements, including picnic and barbecue areas and other public amenities. New programs at the marina might include a float-in dock, small craft launch, and sailing classes. As the Bay Area expands its public serving water services a water taxi or ferry landing might be appropriate.





# RECREATION GOALS





Section 6:  
**APPENDIX**





220920 City Kick-off Meeting Agenda & Notes

Attendees:

City of Brisbane:

Noreen Leek, Parks & Recreation Director  
Stuart Schillinger, Assistant City Manager  
Randy Breault, Public Works Director  
John Swiecki, Community Development Director  
Andrew Rehberg, Harbormaster

CMG:

Willett Moss  
Yann Guo  
Amy McCosh Leonard

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Warm Up:
  - a. **Brisbane! (What makes it so special?)**
    - Environmental stewardship
    - San Bruno Mountain & Open Space
    - Deeply engaged
    - Outdoor connections
    - Small town
    - Ownership & input
    - Tight community - *highly* participatory
    - Like big city amenities while being a small town
    - Pride in distinct qualities
    - Tension between local vs. development by others
    - Volunteerism
    - Internal divisions between different parts of Brisbane – upper bowl vs. lower bowl; central Brisbane vs. the ridge
    - High status of life-long residents
  - b. **What should Sierra Point Open Space be?**
    - i. **Developing the Principles of Sierra Point: "Sierra Point is... "**
      - Adaptive
      - Inviting
      - Engaging
      - Carbon-neutral
      - Diverse & inclusive to visitors
      - Natural
  - iii. **What should Sierra Point be, framed primarily through the lenses of values/principles expressed in the RFP: Connectivity, Stewardship & sustainability, Art & recreation**
- 4. **Connectivity**

- Create a gradient of activity, offering a buffer to the marina
  - If included, higher-energy uses – “city life” – should be at the back of the transition near the buildings, away from the water/marina edge
  - Create connections through the development
  - Create connection to central Brisbane
  - Currently lacking a strong reason/destination to go to Sierra Point - current connectivity issues means there’s no reason to come through
  - Want a destination beyond a place to exercise
  - Place for regional events
- **Stewardship + Sustainability/resilience**
  - Want the project to have a 100+ year life
  - Climate action plan is important to Brisbane’s citizens
  - The city is at the forefront of environmental initiatives
  - Want a project that benefits the environment at the highest possible level
- 2. **Art & Recreation**
  - See Arts Master Plan – has a budget, a committee – will get started next year some time
  - Real art program/destination
  - The landscape itself should be art
  - Community itself has been interested in land art lectures
  - How to create a landscape that in and of itself is full of meaning?
  - See the Garden of Cosmic Speculation
- 3. **Recreation**
  - Want to maintain a family-friendly marina
  - Current development amenities are technically accessible to the public
  - Non-motorized boating – ‘Blue Trail’ – sounds good, but possibly not feasible on site because of cost and/or wind concerns?
  - Open space is resource for development
  - Could host events like a Farmer’s Market?
  - Amphitheatre - passive or programmed
  - Views!
  - Space to host regional events
- 4. **Other: overall character/relationship to Marina**
  - Have tried express it as family-friendly; it’s peaceful and quiet as-is by design and would like to preserve that
  - Would like a gradual transition of activity from marina (peaceful) to higher energy (edge between buildings & new open space)
  - Visual blocks between marina and any new, high-energy programming
  - Do NOT want a marina that feels like a mini-Embarcadero, or Oxnard or Ventura



sake of stuff

5. **Other comments & insights**

- Marina - 10% live-aboard allowed (but not at that level yet)
- Current complaints about the marina as-is – no stuff, no bar, no restaurant
- Tension between current tenants of Sierra Point – community/city wants to keep the campuses open, while biotech wants things closed
- Council’s perspective – the park at Sierra Point will add value to the biotech companies, and keeping the buildings at high-occupancy will create revenue for the city
- Currently striving for a reciprocity with the occupants/businesses at Sierra Point, but not always achieving that
- Not sure that a second Farmer’s Market out here would be supported enough
- Wind on site is also a challenge – added issue for hosting a farmer’s market
- Marina is a functioning business and ideally is self-supporting

3. **Project Overview**

- a. Goals:
  - i. Open Space and Parks Master Plan to guide future open space improvement:
    - 1. Enhance the natural environment
    - 2. Support cultural and social life outdoors
    - 3. Provide connection to the bay and nature
- b. Deliverables:
  - i. Master Plan Report
    - 1. Illustrative Plan
    - 2. Landscape system diagrams + narratives
    - 3. Implementation plan--pricing and phasing
- c. Schedule:
  - i. September 2022 - February 2023

4. **Discussion--Constraints and Opportunities**

- a. New Development
- b. Access and Circulation
- c. Yacht Club & Marina
- d. BCDC relationship
- e. Stormwater
- f. Program



220926 City Kick-off Meeting Agenda & Notes

Attendees:

City staff

- Clay Holstine, City Manager
- Noreen Leek, Parks & Recreation Director
- Angel Ibarra, Admin Management Analyst, City Manager’s Office

Sierra Point Parkway and Open Space Sub-committee

- Cliff Lentz – Mayor Pro Tempore/Councilmember
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1. Warm Up:
  - a. Brisbane! (What makes it so special)
2. Discussion: What should Sierra Point Open Space be?

Experience & Project Advocates Interests:

i.Identity

- i. Local destination - Brisbane residents and SP workers
- ii. Regional destination - Brisbane, SF and South SF resource and attraction

ii.Connectivity

- i. Access to Sierra Point
- ii. Universal Access
- iii. Access to the Bay

iii.Stewardship + Sustainability

- i. Ecology
- ii. Sea-level rise
- iii. Active mobility + health

iv.Art & Recreation

- i. Types of art
- ii. Passive recreational program
- iii. Active Recreational program
- iv. Commercial/revenue generating program



221001 Brisbane Day in the Park event

**Collated & transcribed notes from community engagement boards & other day-of notes.**

**A. Character statements: "Sierra Point is... "**

**1) Nature-based value statements**

Look and feel natural  
No more buildings in Sierra Point!  
Green  
Down-to-earth  
Practicality and beauty  
Wild & free

**2) Energy-level value statements**

Mellow  
Relaxing  
Peaceful  
Vibrant  
Amazing  
Destination  
Crowning glory

**3) Connection value statements**

Connected  
Embracing  
Enticing  
Welcoming  
People + pet friendly

**4) Character value statements**

Diverse recreation invitations  
Diverse  
Unique to ‘Bane  
Quirky  
  
Really fun!  
Playful and fun

**B. Programming – “What future uses & experiences at Sierra Point are most important to you?”**

**1. Connectivity**

Biking side trail  
Connect trails, biking to SP  
Maintain mountain views of San Bruno  
Dedicated bike paths without overlap with pedestrians  
Walking path/connection to explore San Bruno trails  
Dedicated bike path from center  
Increase bike trails  
Increase bike connections  
Keep some parking for driving access  
Better bike connections  
Connections to central ‘Bane  
Make a loop!  
Connect existing loop of trail to Brisbane for pedestrians  
Increase bike/ped safety  
Keep some surface parking  
Green connections  
More ferry terminals and routes  
Connection to Oyster Point for ferry access  
Connection from San Bruno trails to Sierra Point  
Protected bike lanes  
Safe connections  
Parking for boaters

**2. Recreation**

Get in water!  
Playground  
Dog park  
Protected cove - swimming  
Small gravel beach  
Get in the water  
Small boat launch  
Pool?  
Picnic areas  
Family-friendly  
Water-front restaurant  
Bike access  
Children-friendly  
Themed-restaurant  
Dog-friendly  
Restaurant or cafe  
Flexible spaces open to interpretation



Space for family-gathering  
Space for kids  
Small shops  
Brunch space for family & friends  
Dog-walking space  
Cafe by the water  
Protected areas from wind  
Yoga retreat location  
Playspace  
Waterslides  
Concert venue  
Picnic areas  
Horseshoe  
Bocce  
Good cafe  
Adventure play  
Zipline or ropescorse  
More biking infrastructure  
Picnic  
Skatepark or pumptrack  
Pool  
Swimming in bay  
Maze  
Public space  
Outdoor exercise equipment  
Child-friendly  
Kids access to water  
Food trucks  
Parking spot for food trucks  
Destination food program  
Keep quiet  
Peaceful place for tranquility  
Affordable community restaurant  
NICE restaurant  
Food truck spots  
Cafe  
Bike connectivity  
Concessions to draw people  
Decent restaurant  
Good coffee & pastry  
Affordable food & drinks  
Cafe  
Kayak launch  
Get into the water

Waterfront connection to bay & boats  
Small craft launch  
Kid’s sailing or boating activities  
Kite-flying  
Nicer dog park than downtown Brisbane option  
As much open space as possible  
Beach access?  
Unprogrammed or flexible spaces  
Walk along water (daily use)  
Seating for picnics  
Yoga spot

3. Sustainability & stewardship

Less hardscape/surface parking  
Net zero  
Ecology  
Native CA plants that are site-appropriate  
Sequester CO2  
Wetland rebuilt  
Wetlands  
Historic ecology - show what the land should look like if it were natural  
High tide treatment in the afternoon  
More native plants around waterfront  
Sustainability  
Soils & gas underneath (?)  
Trees on site  
Native plants - coast live oaks; arroyo willows; toyon; manzanita  
Native plants & resources for pollinators  
Maximize biodiversity  
Pollinator garden  
Meet Brisbane’s climate emergency of 60% drawn down commitment  
Resilient landscape  
More greenery & trees  
Green infrastructure  
Respond to climate change

4. Art

Beautiful stonework  
Art walls - e.g. Wynward  
How do we avoid Lowes?  
Kinetic art wind energy generation landmark  
Site specific wind art



5. Other

As few buildings as possible  
Businesses that benefit Brisbane  
Express/leverage waterfront location  
Yacht club event based - can they support more public pop-ups?  
Keep clean & cared-for

C. Current uses of Sierra Point:

1) “What do you like most about Sierra Point right now?”

Biking  
Running  
Access to Oyster Point for ferry service  
Great place to ride bikes - flat  
Amazing views  
Kite flying  
Community  
Great place to meditate  
Cycle-cross at open lot  
Remote planes & drones  
Car shows  
Place for daily walks  
Visual connection to the Bay  
Visual connection to Mount Diablo  
Seeing the mountain!  
Easy access to the marina/boating from Brisbane  
Diversity of scenery within Sierra Point landscape  
Views!  
Great walking  
Friendly people  
Learned to drive in the parking lots here  
Regatta event  
Picnics with friends on slopes of marina  
Commuting through Sierra Point to ferry at Oyster Point  
Opportunity for family connections/events/get-togethers  
Respite of Sierra Point open space during pandemic was critical

Biking on Sierra Point Parkway feels exposed  
Wetlands Open Space Improvement Plans  
High speed rail  
Does additional development at Sierra Point trigger Public Art per ordinance?  
Ground squirrels will destroy any project  
Ground squirrels + landfill issues  
Car shows used to happen here  
Yacht club wants to expand building and programming offerings, especially for younger kids  
Pickleweed present in marshy channel along 101 - habitat for federally protected Harvest Mouse & California Clapper rail (Ridgeway’s rail)  
Too many buildings as-is!  
Keep the yacht club for boaters, not a social club  
Amenities offered by office buildings are hard to access  
Pickleball court never has a net up  
Activities offered by yacht club are not widely known - Sunday brunch option for non-members  
BBQ areas no longer have seats or chairs to use

2) Other comments/issues

Bike death nearby



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## Open Space & Parks Master Plan

### COMMUNITY SURVEY!

The Sierra Point Open Space and Parks Master Plan is a compelling opportunity to reinvigorate a remarkable section of the Bay shore and Brisbane's waterfront for the next century of use: by creating a welcoming and resilient place to play and recreate, engage with the outdoors, and foster connections across generations and communities.

We want your input!

Please take a moment to complete the online survey to share with us how you engage with Sierra Point and your priorities for its future. The information collected in this survey will be collated and published in the final Sierra Point Open Space & Parks Master Plan as part of the public engagement process summary and used to inform the content of the Master Plan document itself. The survey can be found at: [bit.ly/SierraPointSurvey01](https://bit.ly/SierraPointSurvey01).

*Scan this QR code to complete the survey online!*



**IF YOU PREFER TO COMPLETE A HARD COPY OF THE SURVEY OR NEED TRANSLATION ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CONTACT PARKS & RECREATION AT (415) 508-2140.**

