



**South Bay Salt Pond  
Restoration Project**

**Stakeholder Forum Meeting**

**Friday, December 14, 2007**

**1:00 to 4:00 p.m.**


**Moffet Field, Mountain View**



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**Meeting Agenda**


- Welcome, Agenda Review and Introductions
- Initial Stewardship Plan Update
- Final EIS/EIR and Overview of Changes
- Overview of Phase 1 Activities & Schedule
- Shoreline Study Integration Update
- Project Funding Update
- Future Schedule
- Celebration / Tag-Line Prioritization



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**Final EIS/EIR and  
Overview of Changes**

*Steve Ritchie, SCC*




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**Basic Elements of Final EIS/R**

- **Project approach is unchanged.**
- **Alternatives B (50:50) and C (90:10) have only minor changes.**
- **Phase 1 has only minor changes.**
- **Funding has been and will continue to be key to implementation.**

**3,395 pages**



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**Major Comment Areas  
(from 114 total commenters)**

- **Relationship to the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study;**
- **Scope of the EIS/R;**
- **Preferred Alternative;**
- **Adaptive Management Plan Funding;**
- **Aircraft Bird Strikes;**



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**Major Comment Areas  
(continued)**

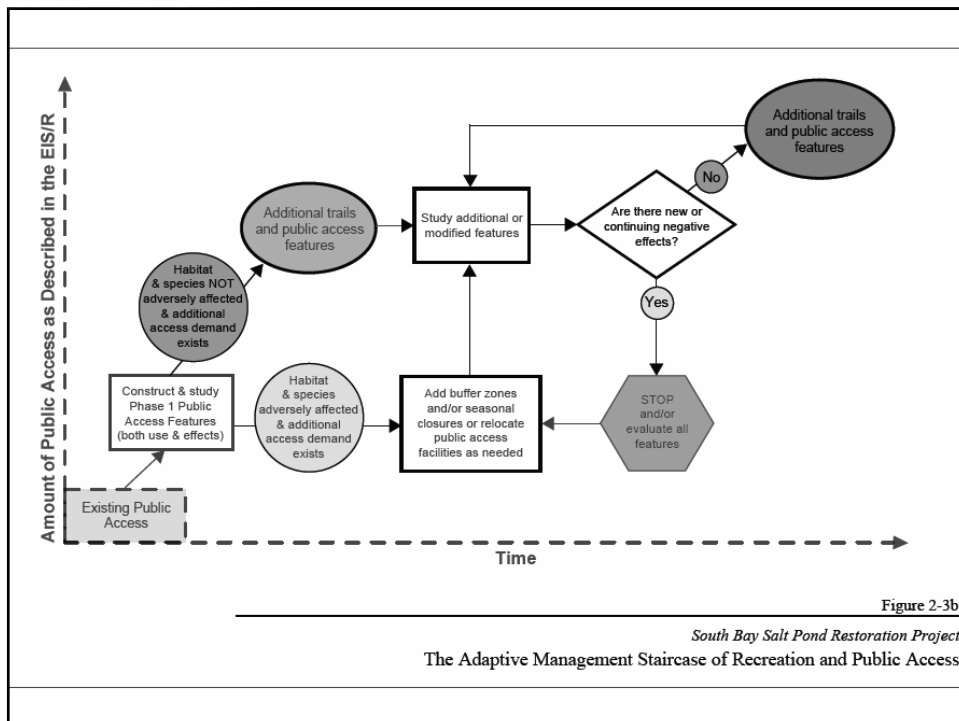
- **Public Access and Impacts to Wildlife;**
- **Wildlife Impact Significance Thresholds;**
- **Flooding;**
- **Impacts of Sea Level Rise;**
- **Hunting; and**
- **Invasive Spartina and Other Invasive Species.**

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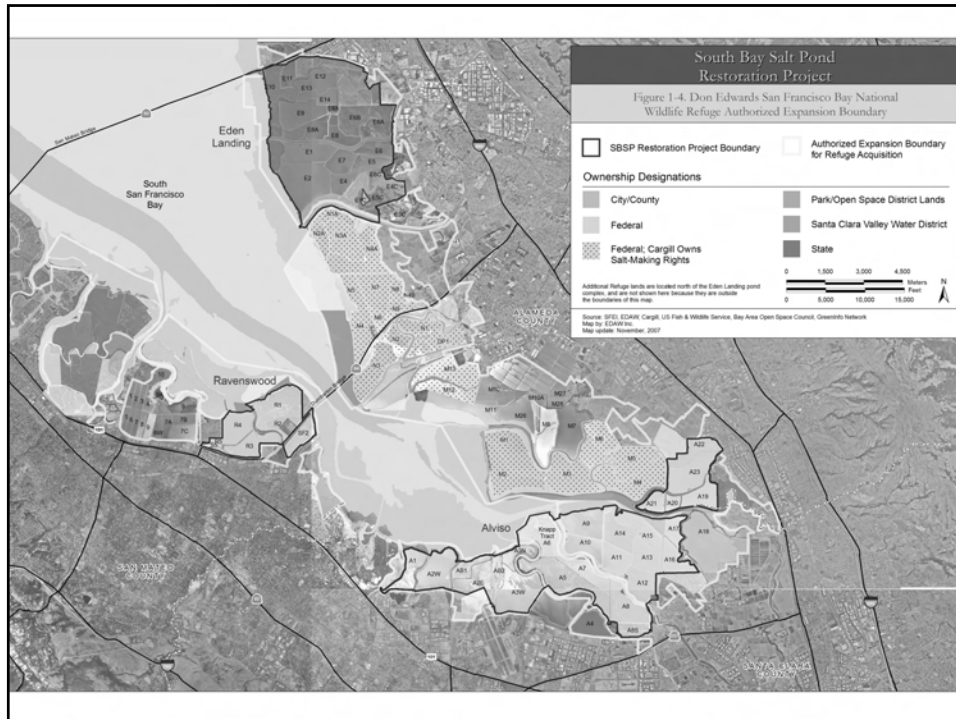
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## Changes in Final EIS/R

- The Corps no longer a co-lead agency.
- A Public Access Adaptive Management staircase diagram added.
- A figure displaying the DESFBNWR acquisition area included.



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## Other Changes in Final EIS/R


- **PG&E facility modifications that are needed because of restoration will be incorporated into the Project.**
- **A preferred alternative, Alternative C, has been identified for legal reasons, but the document re-emphasizes the Adaptive Management nature of the Project.**
- **Invasive Spartina best practices included.**



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## Summary of Invasive Spartina Best Practices

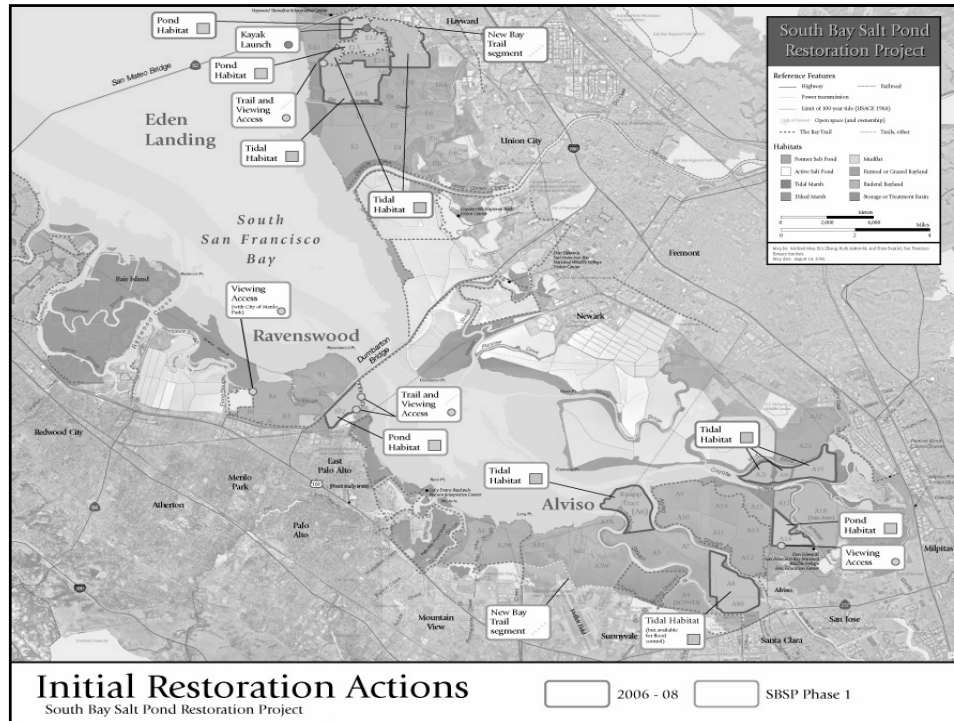
- No breaching where invasive spartina, hybrids, seeds and/or propagules are likely to get into the Project Area.
- No introduction of non-native seed or propagules into the Project Area.
- Ensure that dredged materials brought to the Project Area do not contain non-native seed or fragments.
- Variations to the best practices may be appropriate based on site-specific conditions and scientific analysis.




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## Overview of Phase 1 Actions and Schedule

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# Phase 1 Eden Landing


- 630 acres of tidal habitat restoration (E8A/9/8X)
- 230 acres of enhanced shorebird habitat (E12/13)
- 3.8 miles of new trails and a non-motorized boat launch area
- Viewing areas of new habitat and historic salt-making facilities



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## Phase 1 Alviso

- 360 acres of tidal habitat restoration (A6)
- 570 acres of muted tidal restoration (A8)
- 240 acres of enhanced shorebird habitat (A16)
- 2.5 miles of new trail in the Bay Trail system (near Moffett Field)




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## Phase 1 Ravenswood

- 240 acres of enhanced shorebird and snowy plover habitat (SF2)
- 1.4 miles of improved trail
- Viewing areas of new habitat and historic salt marsh

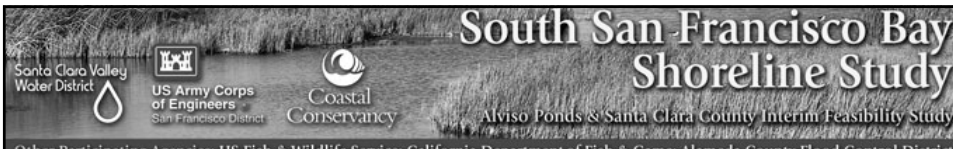




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## Shoreline Study Update




South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study

Santa Clara Valley Water District  
US Army Corps of Engineers San Francisco District  
Coastal Conservancy  
Alviso Ponds & Santa Clara County Interim Feasibility Study

Other Participating Agencies: US Fish & Wildlife Service; California Department of Fish & Game; Alameda County Flood Control District

## Study Schedule

- **Without Project Conditions & Preliminary Alternative Concepts – November 2008**
  - *Quantification of Flood Risk*
- **Alternatives Formulation Briefing – June 2010**
  - *Action Alternatives*
- **Final Feasibility Report – March 2011**
- **Chief's Report (to OMB) – August 2011**




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## Water Resources Development Act of 2007

- Enacted over President's veto
- Specific Shoreline Study provisions
- General crediting provisions




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## WRDA 2007 - Shoreline Study


- Report due to Congress in 3 years
- Report shall include recommendations "based on planning, design, and land acquisition documents" prepared by SCC and others
- Crediting provisions



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## **WRDA 2007 Shoreline Study Crediting**


- **“The cost of work performed by the non-Federal interest in preparation of the feasibility study that is conducted before the date of the feasibility cost sharing agreement; and**
- **The funds expended by the non-Federal interest for acquisition costs of land that constitutes a part of such a project and that is owned by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.”**



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## **WRDA 2007 - General Crediting**


- **A partnership agreement ... may provide ... credit toward the non-Federal share of the cost of the project, including a project implemented without specific authorization in law, the value of in-kind contributions [integral to the project] made by the non-Federal interest, including--**
  - **The costs of planning (including data collection), design, management, mitigation, construction, and construction services;**
  - **The value of materials or services provided before execution of the partnership agreement, including efforts on constructed elements incorporated into the project; and**
  - **The value of materials and services provided after execution of the partnership agreement.**



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**Project Funding Update**


**Steve Ritchie, SCC  
and  
Felicia Madsen, Save the Bay**



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**Project Funding Options**

- Federal FY '08 Budget Actions (FWS and Corps)
- State Bond Implementation (SCC and WCB)
- FWS Coastal Wetlands grant application for E8A/9/8X
- CIAP grant application for E12-13
- Local agencies (SCVWD and ACFCD)
- Regional Funding Ideas (Save the Bay)



## Schedule

- Record of Decision: Spring 2008
- Ravenswood Working Group: January 17
- Alviso Working Group: February 7
- Eden Landing Working Group:  
February 28
- Phase 1 implementation:  
Spring 2008 – 2010
- Stakeholder Forum Meeting:  
Late 2008



## Instructions for Voting on Project Tag Line

- Use colored dots to indicate your preference.
- You may vote for more than one or you can use all dots on favorite tag line.
- The Project Management Team will use this input in selecting the Project's tag line.