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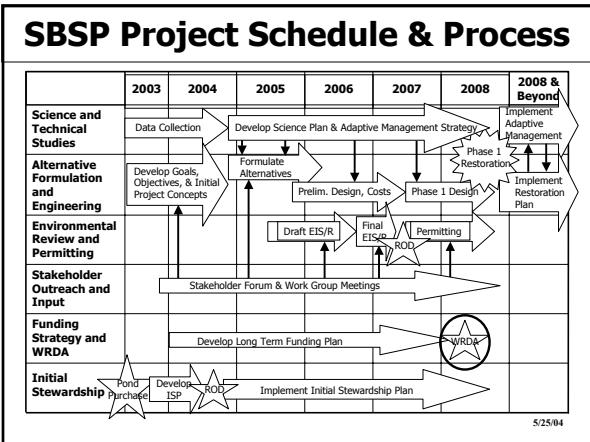
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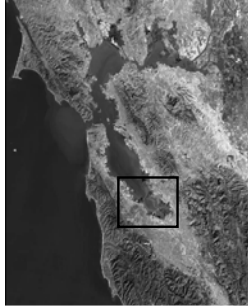
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## Presentation Overview

- Overview of Shoreline Study and Corps process
- Purpose of integration
- Integrated schedule
- Integration challenges



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## Federal Funding for Ecosystem Restoration and Flood Control

- Water Resources Development Act (WRDA)
- Legislation authorizing Corps projects
  - Every 2 years
  - Or not
- Projects may be included in WRDA after working through the Corps process
- Annual appropriations still necessary

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## Implementation Funding: Where Does WRDA Fit?

- Substantial potential share
- WRDA cost sharing conditions
  - Non-Federal shares
    - State (Bond measures, appropriations)
    - Local (Benefit assessment districts)
    - Private (Foundations, donations)
- Operation and maintenance are local responsibility
- Contributions from mitigation actions

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## Working With The Corps

- The Corps' Mission
- The Corps process
- The Shoreline Study

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## Elements of the Corps's New Mission

- Flood damage reduction
- Ecosystem restoration
- Navigation
- Watershed Studies
- Related purposes (e.g. recreation)

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## The Corps Process

- Broad authorization
  - From House Committee
- Reconnaissance Study
  - Is there a Federal interest?
  - Is there a local sponsor?
- Feasibility Study
  - What are the objectives?
  - What are the alternatives?
  - Gets to project-level detail
- Chief of Engineers Report
- WRDA authorization by Congress

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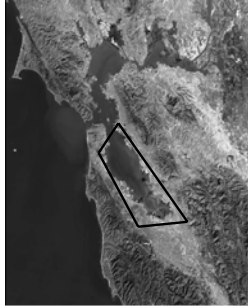
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## South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study

- 1992 study:
  - Cargill levees sufficient for flood control
- 2002 authorization:
  - flood damage reduction
  - environmental restoration and protection
  - related purposes
  - shoreline of San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Alameda counties




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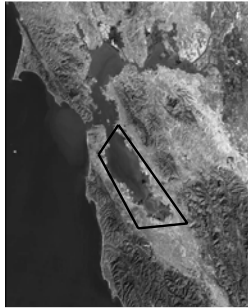
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## South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study

- Reconnaissance Study complete
- \$325,000 in Federal appropriations for FY '05
- SCC/SCVWD WRDA proposal: local sponsor leadership role for feasibility




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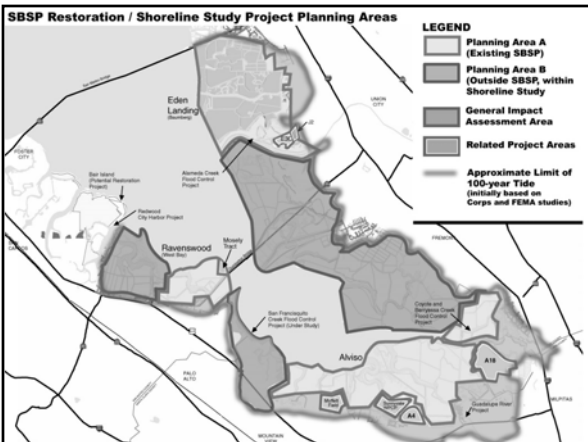
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## Purpose of Integration

- Increase overall support for the Project
- Provide assistance to a greater geographic area
- Take advantage of Corps's capabilities
- Determine Federal funding eligibility
- Achieve WRDA authorization for all or some of the Project

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## Salt Pond Project - Shoreline Study Integration: A Common Purpose

- This is a multi-purpose project that will provide an integrated plan for environmental restoration of the South San Francisco Bay Salt Ponds, tidal and fluvial flood protection of the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline (Redwood Creek to Highway 92), and related public access and recreation improvements.

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## Coordination and Integration History and Ongoing Activities

- Discussions began in summer 2003
- Regular monthly meetings since April 2004
- FY 2004 Reconnaissance Study funding
- Support for Others agreements
- Development of Project Management Plan
- Development of Integrated Schedule
- Corps as NEPA co-Lead Agency

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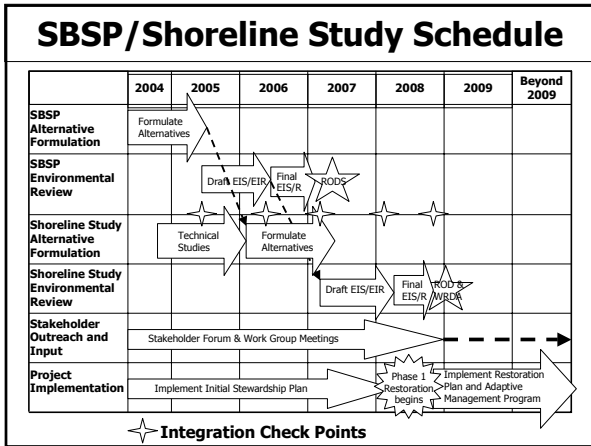
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### South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project

#### Integration Challenges

- Stakeholder concerns
  - Limited familiarity with the New Corps
  - Will the Corps dictate the results of the Project?
- The Corps prescribed process
- Availability of Federal share of funding
  - FCSA: 50-50
  - MOA: all local
- Vertical integration by all partners
- Regulatory Agency MOU

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### South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project

#### Schedule Challenges

- Requires close coordination
  - Single team
  - Vertical integration
  - Integration check points
- Dependent on funding
- If less funding
  - Focus on Phases 2 and 3?
  - Less detail area-wide?

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## Conclusions

- Requires close coordination
- Integrated process will be transparent
- Corps will be a valuable partner

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## A Year of Accomplishments

- **Late 2003:** Stakeholder Forum Convened
- **February 2004:** Forum Approves Goals and Objectives
- **March, June, Nov:** Local Government Forum Meetings
- **April and Oct:** National Science Panel Meetings
- **June:** Forum approves Alternatives Development Framework
- **July:** Initiation of ISP; Project receives local and national media coverage
- **Fall 2004:** Public Workshops, Scoping meetings, Science Team completes syntheses on 9 key technical questions, special feature in *Bay Nature* magazine

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## A Year of Accomplishments

- Two Weddings
- Three Babies
- One Promotion

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