

**San Francisco Bay Trail  
Fall 2014 Board Meeting Minutes  
American Canyon City Hall  
October 9, 2014**

**Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

**Attendance**

Board Members

John Woodbury, Chair  
Tom Huening, Co-Chair  
David Beaupre  
Bruce Beyaert  
Julie Bondurant  
Sean Co  
Corinne DeBra  
Leo DuBose

Jim Foran  
Joe LaClair  
Bill Long  
Judy Malamut  
Julia Miller  
Dave Mitchell  
Rick Parmer  
Don Weden  
Betsy Wilson

Guests

Bill Keene  
Karen Langdon  
Maggie Wenger  
Arthur-Bart Williams  
Sofia Recalde  
Leon Garcia  
Brad Wagneknecht  
Keith Caldwell  
Barry Christian  
Tony Norris  
Nancy Matson  
Creighton Wright  
Cheryl Braulik

Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District  
Kaiser Marin-Sonoma  
Bay Conservation and Development Commission  
Canogle  
Solano Transportation Authority  
Mayor, American Canyon  
Napa County Supervisor  
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Napa County Regional Parks and Open Space Commission  
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Director Parks and Recreation City of American Canyon  
City of American Canyon Public Works

Staff

Lee Huo  
Maureen Gaffney

Bay Trail Project  
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**Introductions / Agenda / Announcements**

Woodbury brought the Board meeting to order and introductions were made. Mayor Leon welcomed the group to American Canyon, and Supervisor Wagenknecht welcomed the group to Napa County.

Agenda/Minutes

**ACTION: Miller moved, Foran seconded adoption of the 10/09/14 agenda and 05/15/14 minutes. The agenda and minutes were approved unanimously.**

Yes Votes:

John Woodbury, Chair  
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*No Votes: None*

*Abstentions: None*

Board Announcements

- Woodbury Bay Trail Project Manager Laura Thompson is unable to attend due to illness.
- Beyaert Provided updates on the Goodrick Avenue, Point San Pablo and Pt. Molate projects.
- Miller Provided an update regarding paving of the Bay Trail segment near Google Headquarters.
- Long Announced Bay Area Ridge Trail's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event at the Log Cabin in the Presidio.
- Malamut Announced Science for Parks, Parks for Science: The Next Century March 25-27, 2015 at UC Berkeley.
- Co New ATP grant is \$130 million total and is a combination of funds for bike/ped projects throughout the state. MTC's share for the Bay Area is \$30 million. The next round will be in March 2015. Stated that Bay Area Trails Collaborative is working to participate with MTC's Plan Bay Area planning process and the next round of ATP grants.
- Foran Announced that Santa Clara County will be putting forward Measure Q to the voters to fund open space projects.

Staff Announcements

- Gaffney Two upcoming events to launch the final two Bay Trail/Canogle mobile phone audio tours: October 26<sup>th</sup> at Alviso, and November 2<sup>nd</sup> in American Canyon.
  
- Huo Announced that TRAC will be receiving MTC's Excellence in Motion Award on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Announced that several projects to construct the Bay Trail received funding under the Active Transportation Program including \$4.2 million for the Pinole Shores to Bayfront Park, \$3.2 million for the Lake Merritt Connector, and \$1.2 million for the Cross Alameda Bay Trail. Contra Costa County Public Works also received \$300,000 from a Planned Development Area grant from Contra Costa Transportation Authority for a feasibility study of the Bay Trail between Rodeo and Crockett. Stated that the Measure BB extension will be up for a vote in November and will fund completion of the Bay Trail in Alameda County if passed.

**Bay Trail Board Candidates**

Woodbury introduced Bill Keene, General Manager for the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District, as a candidate for board membership. Keene gave the board of directors an overview of his work and interest in serving the project.

**ACTION: Huening moved, Long seconded confirmation of Bill Keene as a member of the Bay Trail Board of Directors. The vote was approved unanimously.**

Woodbury introduced Karen Langdon, Kaiser Marin-Sonoma, as a candidate for board membership. Langdon gave the board of directors an overview of her work and interest in serving the project.

**ACTION: Miller moved, Foran seconded confirmation of Karen Langdon as a member of the Bay Trail Board of Directors. The vote was approved unanimously.**

Woodbury introduced Maggie Wenger, SF Bay Conservation and Development Commission, as a candidate for board membership. Wenger would serve as an alternate to Joe LaClair. Wenger gave the board of directors an overview of her work and interest in serving the project.

**ACTION: Huening moved, Beyaert seconded confirmation of Maggie Wenger as an alternate member of the Bay Trail Board of Directors. The vote was approved unanimously.**

Woodbury introduced Sofia Recalde, Associate Transportation Planner with the Solano Transportation Authority, as a candidate for board membership. Recalde gave the board of directors an overview of her work and interest in serving the project.

**ACTION: LaClair moved, Miller seconded confirmation of Sofia Recalde as a member of the Bay Trail Board of Directors. The vote was approved unanimously.**

Yes Votes:

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*No Votes: None*

*Abstentions: None*

**North Bay Overview**

Gaffney provided an overview of progress in the North Bay via a power point presentation.

-Parmer Inquired about status of Hwy 37 and Skaggs Island segments of the Bay Trail and stated that feasibility studies are needed for these segments.

-Long Asked for update on Bay Trail west of Zampa Bridge.

**Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Public Access**

Huo led the discussion regarding the BATA/Caltrans proposal to provide a 4.75-foot, two-way, bicycle-only pathway on the upper (west-bound) deck, and for a bicycle/pedestrian path on Scoffield that narrows to 8 feet in places.

-Co Caltrans recommends five for one-way bicycle-only travel, 8 feet minimum for a two-way multi-use path with 10 feet preferred. Concerned regarding narrow width—raises safety concerns.

-Foran Supports recommendations on the Richmond approach, concerned about 4.75-foot width on span.

-LaClair Commented that public access on the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge has been actively sought for fifteen years or more. Willing to give up pedestrian access in the near term if necessary—don't let the perfect be

the enemy of the good. Concerned regarding seismic joints and their safety for cyclists.

-Beyaert Asked if it was possible to incorporate breaks in the barrier to accommodate breakdowns? Cars could come into bike path? Mission of the Bay Trail is a path for bikes and pedestrians. This will not be a “complete” Bay Trail segment if pedestrians are not allowed.

No formal vote was taken, but the overall consensus was that there are concerns regarding the 4.75-foot width of the path on the span for safety reasons, and that any path that does not include pedestrians will not be considered “complete” Bay Trail.

### **CBS/KPIX – Bay Crossings Media Partnership**

Woodbury presented and provided background on the proposed CBS/KPIX – Bay Crossings Media Partnership. The Board discussed concerns that the 15% of sponsorship sales was too low, that the potential six year exclusive relationship was too long, that the exclusivity terms would potentially damage relationships with other media outlets and present Freedom of the Press issues, and that the Bay Trail Project would lose control of media content. This was a discussion item, so no vote was required or taken. The general consensus was that the terms of the proposed partnership were not adequate for the Bay Trail Project, and that the concerns discussed by the Board would need to be addressed for any media relationship.

### **Adjourn Meeting**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

### **Walking Tour of the Napa River/Bay Trail**

Arthur Bart Williams, CEO of Canogle, led a group of board members, staff, and the Mayor of American Canyon on a walking tour of a portion of the Bay Trail to showcase the new companion smartphone audio tour, developed by Canogle and Doug McConnell of Convergence Media.