

**San Francisco Bay Trail  
Fall 2011 Board Meeting Minutes  
EcoCenter at Heron's Head Park, San Francisco  
October 11, 2011**

**Call to Order**

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

**Attendance**

Board Members:

Chair: Rick Parmer

Co-Chair: Tom Huening

Julie Bondurant

Ann Buell

Rosemary Corbin

Leo DuBose

Jim Foran

Dan Hodapp

Ellen Johnck

Judy Malamut

Julia Miller

Dave Mitchell

Elish Ryan

John Woodbury

Advisory Council:

Linda Stonier, National Park Service, Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program

Guests:

Patrick Marley Rump, Acting Executive Director, Literacy for Environmental Justice

Thor Kaslofsky, Project Manager, Hunters Point Shipyard, San Francisco Redevelopment Agency

Amabel Akwa-asare, Assistant Project Manager, San Francisco Redevelopment Agency

Staff:

Laura Thompson, Project Manager

Maureen Gaffney, Bay Trail Planner

Lee Huo, Bay Trail Planner

**Introductions / Agenda / Announcements**

Parmer brought the Board meeting to order and introductions were made.

Patrick Marley Rump, Acting Executive Director for the Literacy for Environmental Justice welcomed the board to the EcoCenter.

Agenda/Minutes

Corbin made a motion to adopt the agenda and minutes; DuBose seconded. The agenda and minutes were adopted unanimously.

### Board Announcements

- Woodbury Informed the Board that 3.5 miles of Bay Trail in American Canyon will open in January.
- Miller Reported that trail use at Moffett Field continues to be very popular for recreation and commuting one year after opening.
- Ryan Announced that Santa Clara County Supervisor Dave Cortese hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Day on the Bay in Alviso.
- DuBose Announced that the East Bay Bicycle Coalition now has three full-time employees and has established increased momentum as an advocacy organization.
- Hodapp Informed the board that plans are underway to improve the entrance to Heron's Head Park at Cargo Way ... At Cargo and Illinois Street, a one-acre parcel will be transformed into a resting place and gateway along the Bay Trail ... Design for Crane Cove Park is underway at Pier 70.
- Johnck Announced that she is involved in the Phase 2 projects for the South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project to incorporate the trail and public access into the landscapes.
- Parmer Reported that the East Bay Regional Park District is involved in "Parks in Focus", a program supported by the Udall Foundation to connect youth to nature ... Recently attended the Recreation and Tourism Roundtable to learn about trends in outdoor experiences – backpacking is significantly declining ... "Outdoor Nation" is a youth program that has sponsored projects such as camping in National Parks.

### Staff Announcements

- Thompson Announced that ABAG is currently interviewing for the Water Trail Planner position ... An agreement was reached between the City of Vallejo, the Greater Vallejo Recreation District, and the native American tribes for the development of the shoreline park and construction of trail ... The Bay Trail was recently written up in the New York Times, filmed for Bay Area Bikes TV on Channel 15 in San Jose, and on NBC Bay Area with Doug McConnell.
- Gaffney Provided an update on the San Francisco Bay Shoreline Guide scheduled for publication by UC Press in August 2012. The slideshow features dozens of new photographs that were donated for the publication.
- Huo Updated the Board on three projects: Oakland is still pursuing access under the Oakland Estuary Bridges. Fruitvale to High Street, the last trail gap between the two bridges, will open soon ... The section of trail

adjacent to the West County Wastewater District will soon open and connect to the new Landfill Loop Trail in Richmond ... The Port Costa School recently celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary with an event sponsored by the Port Costa Conservation Society.

### **Update on the Bay Trail Monument**

Thompson updated the board on the status of the monument proposal. The Board indicated a general preference that the revised plaque language and monument design be reviewed by the Steering Committee with opportunity for interested board members to comment. Staff will send an announcement to the full board letting them know the date of Steering Committee review and timeline for comments.

### **Hunters Point Naval Shipyard**

Thor Kaslofsky of the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency provided a PowerPoint overview of the Hunters Point Shipyard Parks, Open Space and Streetscape Master Plan. The overview provided some detail for 'Parcel A' on the hilltop overlooking the shipyard, the first phase to move forward in the plans. The presentation highlighted the areas that the group would visit on the tour.

### **Tour of Hunters Point Naval Shipyard**

Bay Trail staff and board members toured the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard, currently off-limits to the public. San Francisco Redevelopment Agency staff led the group on a driving tour with stops at key buildings and locations to discuss development plans and proposed trail alignments.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.