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What: Public Hearing for draft Integrated Feasibility and Environmental Document, South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Phase 1 Project

When: Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2015

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Where: George Mayne Elementary School
5030 N. 1st St.
San Jose, Ca. 95002

RSVP: RSVP@valleywater.org

A public hearing on the first phase of the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study will give attendees the opportunity to hear about and comment on the proposed project located in north San Jose between the Alviso Slough and Coyote Creek.

This study is a partnership between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Santa Clara Valley Water District and the State Coastal Conservancy. Representatives from these agencies will attend the hearing and take questions and comments on the project evaluated in the draft Integrated Feasibility and Environmental Document.

The area covered in the Shoreline Phase 1 Project includes the Alviso community and the San Jose/Santa Clara Regional Wastewater Facility and is identified as Economic Impact Area 11, or EIA11. It includes homes and commercial and industrial facilities that are generally located below sea level and protected by former salt ponds.

This project would provide flood protection from coastal flooding, restore bay habitats for about 3,000-acres of former salt ponds and provide recreational and public access.



The meeting will allow the public to learn about the proposed project under consideration.

Get involved

The comment period for the draft report closes at 5 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 2, 2015. The report is available for public and agency review and comment for 45 days at:

- The Alviso Library at 5050 N. First St.
- The Milpitas Public Library at 160 N. Main St.
- The Santa Clara Valley Water District at 5700 Almaden Expressway

Also view it online at:

- www.valleywater.org/PublicReviewDocuments.aspx
- www.spn.usace.army.mil/Library/FreedomofInformationAct/FOIAHotTopics.aspx

The public can forward any input electronically to ShorelineEnvironment@usace.army.mil or by mail to Bill DeJager at 1455 Market St., San Francisco, CA 94103.

About the study

The South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study is a congressionally authorized study by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, who in 2005 partnered with the Santa Clara Valley Water District and the State Coastal Conservancy to identify and recommend flood risk management and ecosystem restoration projects along the Bay for federal funding.

The study's goal is to protect Santa Clara County's shoreline from coastal flooding using flood protection levees with wetlands, an approach that allows for a flood protection system that can evolve over time and protect against future sea level rise. Other land owning agencies within the project area and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are also involved in the study efforts.

This study is coordinated with the State Coastal Conservancy's South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project, which seeks to restore historic wetlands on 15,100-acres of former salt ponds in the South Bay.

Project schedule*

- Jan. 2015: Public Hearing
- Aug. 2015: Final Integrated Document
- Sept. 2015: Draft Corps Chief's Report
- Dec. 2015: Corps Chief's Report approved
- 2016: Legislative Project Authorization
- 2016-2017: Design Phase
- 2018: Construction begins

*Dates are subject to change

More about the partners

The State Coastal Conservancy is a state agency that uses entrepreneurial techniques to purchase, protect, restore and enhance coastal resources and provide access to the shore. It partners with local governments, other public agencies, nonprofit organizations and private landowners and to date, has undertaken more than 1,800 projects along the 1,100 mile California coastline and around San Francisco Bay.

The Santa Clara Valley Water District manages an integrated water resources system that includes the supply of clean, safe water, flood protection and stewardship of streams on behalf of Santa Clara County's 1.8 million residents. The district manages 10 dams and surface water reservoirs, three water treatment plants, an advanced recycled water purification center, a state-of-the-art water quality laboratory, nearly 400 acres of groundwater recharge ponds and more than 275 miles of streams.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is a federal agency under the Department of Defense and is one of the world's largest public engineering, design and construction management agencies. It delivers engineering services to more than 130 countries worldwide.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is a bureau within the Department of the Interior that guides the conservation, development and management of the nation's fish and wildlife resources. It administers a national program to provide the public opportunities to understand, appreciate and wisely use fish and wildlife resources.

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