



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Parks



Date: January 11, 2017
Board Meeting Date: February 28, 2017
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Sarah Birkeland, Acting Parks Director

Subject: California Division of Boating and Waterways Grant Application for the Coyote Point Eastern Promenade Trail Project

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the submittal of an application for grant funding from the California Division of Boating and Waterways for the Coyote Point Eastern Promenade Trail Project in the amount of \$700,000.

BACKGROUND:

In the 1920s, the Coyote Point Promenade was built as part of the Pacific City amusement park as a pathway alongside the San Francisco Bay. Since the County acquired the Coyote Point Recreation Area in the 1940s, use of the site has always included a shoreline trail and access to the Bay for non-motorized recreational users.

The Promenade is recognized in two regional trail plans. It is a spur to the San Francisco Bay Trail as it connects to the Coyote Point Bay Trail and allows pedestrians and cyclists to travel from the City of San Mateo through the Coyote Point Recreation Area. It is also listed as a high opportunity site in the San Francisco Bay Area Water Trail Plan and could be included as a permanent site once improvements have been completed.

Strong winds and tides have deteriorated the shoreline pathway and beach to the extent that an engineered solution was essential to prevent permanent closure of the site. Private funding was secured to develop a full set of construction plans, permits, and specifications. BKF Engineers, an experienced Bay Area consulting firm, was hired to complete the Project plans, permits and engineer's estimate.

DISCUSSION:

The Coyote Point Eastern Promenade Project is the second phase of a two-phase project along the northern shoreline of Coyote Point Recreation Area. This Project to improve 1,000 feet of shoreline includes:

- creation of a curved bay with a perched flat sandy beach ranging in width from 50 to 125 feet and raised to 12-feet North American Vertical Datum (NAVD) to accommodate anticipated sea level rise in 2050;
- an improved 1,000-foot-long Promenade trail raised to 13-feet NAVD with several accessible ramps and beach mats for beach goers, open water swimmers, and kayakers;
- 188 parking spaces in lower, middle, and upper parking areas;
- shoreline, bluff and bio-swale planting plan using drought tolerant and native grasses, shrubs, and trees; and
- a new restroom building.

Boating and Waterways, a Division of California State Parks and Recreation, was established in 1957 to focus on all aspects of recreational boating with a special fund to fund the division's activities. The division brings together a body of knowledge as the state's expert in recreational boating-related matters, including public access, safety and education, marine law enforcement, and consumer and environmental protection.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the resolution as to form.

Approval of this resolution contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of an Environmentally Conscious Community as the Project will increase the number and quality of natural experiences and recreational opportunities for County Park visitors.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2016-17 Actual	FY 2017-18 Projected
Linear Feet of Shoreline Trail and Beach Restored	N/A	1,000 feet

FISCAL IMPACT:

This \$700,000 grant award will be reimbursable. When eligible Project expenditures are made, reimbursements can be sought. There is no impact to the General Fund.