Accelerating Implementation of Local and Regional Resilience to Climate Change:

GRAND BAYWAY

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IDENTITY
• Strengthen the identity of the San Pablo Bay Region to encourage a better understanding of the Baylands as a major habitat, ecological and educational resource.

ADAPTING GROUND
• Provide new strategies for adaptation of the San Pablo Baylands in response to sea level rise to protect sensitive habitats and maintain critical biodiversity.

MOBILITY
• Create long-term and resilient opportunities to connect across the San Pablo Baylands with discrete trails and inter-modal connections to adjacent communities.

EXPAND THE CONSTITUENCY
• Provide more equitable access to the diverse communities of San Pablo Bay that could broaden the constituency for these Baylands.
Project Study Area
Outline a set of next steps for public access alternatives. The analysis will aim to do the following:

• Develop a set of bike/e-bike, pedestrian and water recreation options that balance public access and protection of sensitive habitats.

• Confirm trail design principles, guidelines, and routing alternatives to complete a continuous San Francisco Bay Trail alignment.

• Identify opportunities to incorporate access to the Bay via the San Francisco Bay Area Water Trail.

• Consider opportunities to increase awareness and environmental education in the Baylands.

• Deliver prudent and strategic near-term trail and access options, in coordination with with the longer and short-term goals and for the region.
Schedule

- Kick-off Meeting
- Local Working Group #1
- 4-County Policy Meeting
- Focus Group #1
- Local Working Group #2
- Public Engagement Pop-up Event #1
- Public Presentation #1
- Local Working Group #3
- Focus Group #2
- 4-County Policy Meeting
- Public Engagement Pop-up Event #2
- Public Presentation #2 & Policy Committee Presentation
- Public Access Scoping Report
- Existing Conditions / Constraints & Opportunities Report
- Draft Public Access Scoping Report
- Final Public Access Scoping Report
- San Pablo Baylands Identity Report
Project Website - https://stateroute37.wixsite.com/thegrandbayway
While the mid- to long-term solutions will accommodate resiliency to SLR and ease traffic congestion, the Corridor Plan recognizes that there needs to be near-term strategies to improve existing traffic congestion and address flooding issues in the corridor. Near-term improvements are estimated to take one to five years to implement, have minimal to no impact on the environment and provide cost-effective solutions to addressing immediate needs of the corridor. These potential improvements focused on corridor wide operational improvements and short-term flood protection. Exhibit 19 illustrates potential near-term improvements along the study corridor.