

Lower Walnut Creek Restoration



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Contra Costa County
Flood Control
& Water Conservation District







Project Goals

The project goals are to restore and enhance habitat in Lower Walnut Creek and to provide sustainable flood management, while allowing opportunities for public access and recreation.



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Community Based Planning
and
Stakeholder Engagement

- Stakeholder Advisory Group
- Tours
- Community Workshops
- Posters
- Social Media
- Lower Walnut Creek Adventures

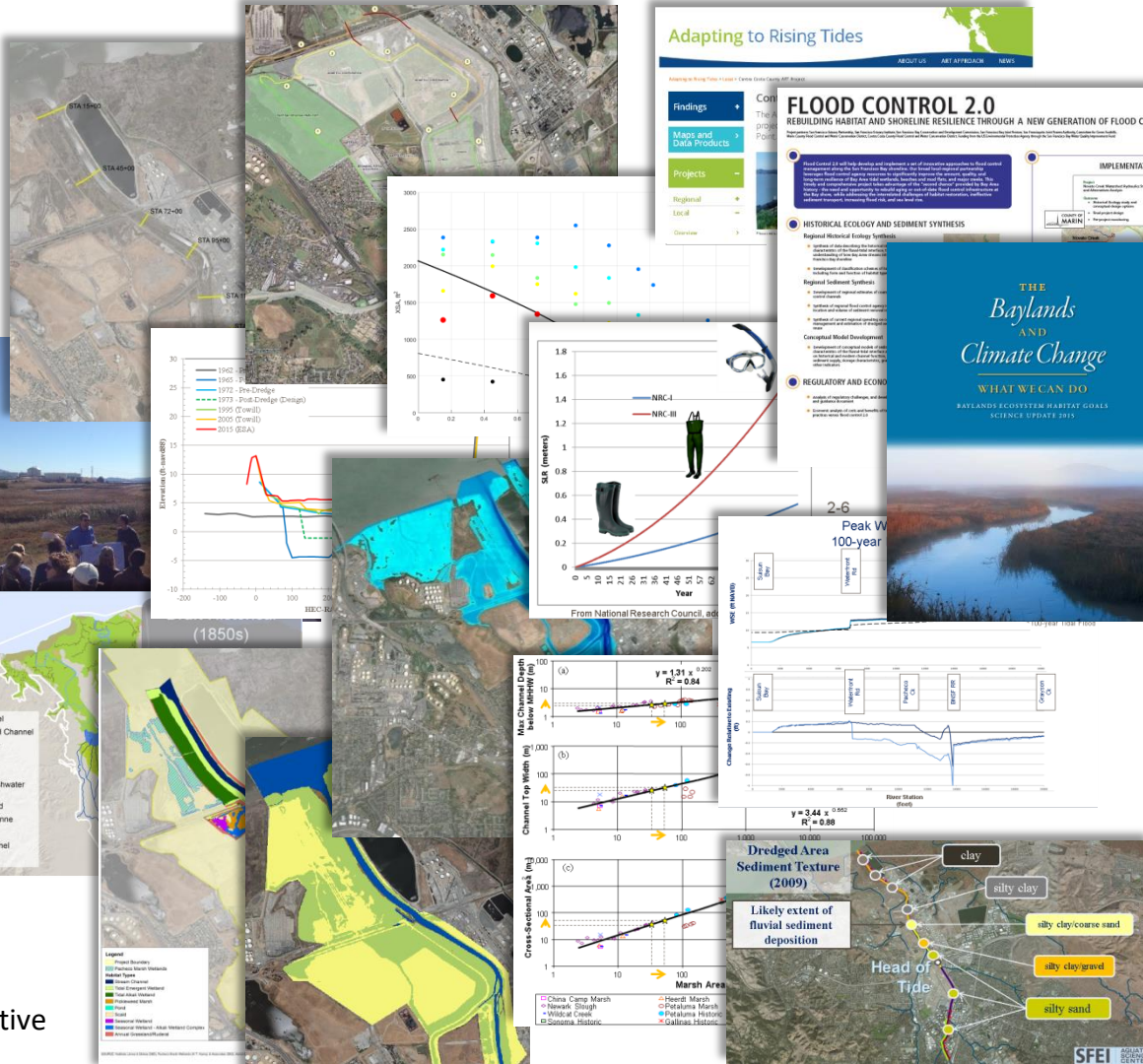


Science & Analysis:

- Historical Ecology
- Habitat Mapping
- Cultural Resource Evaluation
- Geomorphic Assessment
- Flood Study
- Habitat Sustainability
- Public Access Feasibility

Coordination with Regional Restoration Planning Efforts:

- Adapting to Rising Tides
- Flood Control 2.0
- Baylands Habitat Goals
- Northern Waterfront Economic Development Initiative



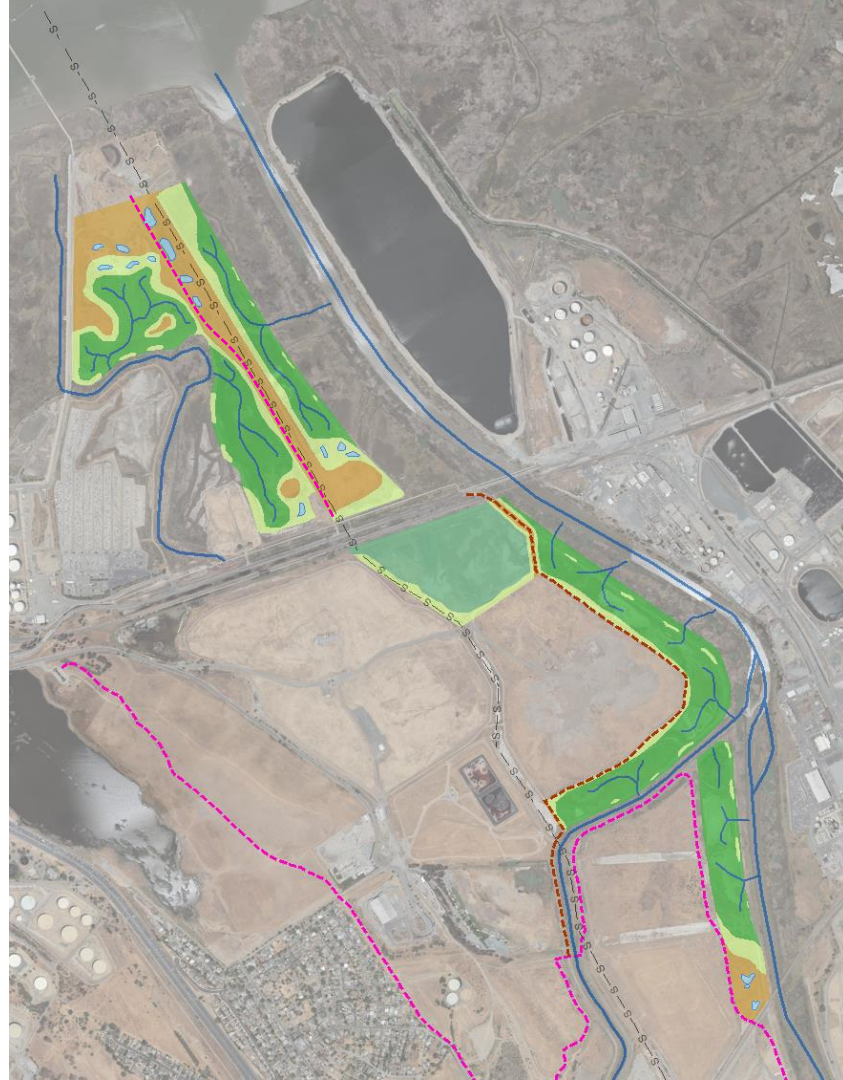
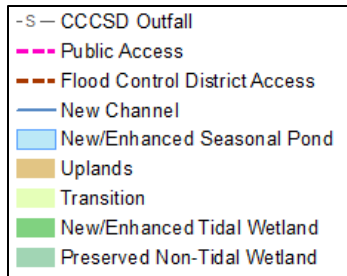
Preferred Alternative

Creates or Enhances:

- 109 ac Tidal Wetland
- 30 ac Transitional Ecotone
- 46 ac Upland Ecotone
- 48 ac Seasonal Wetland Complex

Facilitates:

- 6 mile Iron Horse Trail connection (by EBRPD)
- Enhanced recreation at Pacheco Marsh (by JMLT)





Lower Walnut Creek Adventures



8 episodes so far...more on the way



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Special Announcement!

- State of California Department of Fish and Wildlife Department, **Proposition 1 grant award of \$537,000**
- For CEQA, regulatory permits and design
- Results in a shovel-ready project (2019) that will be eligible for other competitive grants



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Local, Community Based Planning Process

