

**SOLANO  
City-County Coordinating Council**

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**AGENDA**

**March 9, 2017**

Location - Solano County Water Agency, Berryessa Room,  
810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Suite 203, Vacaville, CA.

**7:45 P.M. Meeting**

**PURPOSE STATEMENT – City County Coordinating Council**

“To discuss, coordinate, and resolve City/County issues including but not necessarily limited to land use, planning, duplication of services/improving efficiencies, as well as other agreed to topics of regional importance, to respond effectively to the actions of other levels of government, including the State and Federal government, to sponsor or support legislation at the State and Federal level that is of regional importance, and to sponsor or support regional activities that further the purpose of the Solano City-County Coordinating Council.”

*Time set forth on agenda is an estimate. Items may be heard before or after the times designated.*

**ITEM**

**AGENCY/STAFF**

**I. CALL TO ORDER (7:45 p.m.)**

Roll Call

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (7:45 p.m.)**

**III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (7:50 p.m.)**

Pursuant to the Brown Act, each public agency must provide the public with an opportunity to speak on any matter within the subject matter of the jurisdiction of the agency and which is not on the agency's agenda for that meeting. Comments are limited to no more than 5 minutes per speaker. By law, no action may be taken on any item raised during public comment period although informational answers to questions may be given and matter may be referred to staff for placement on future agenda.

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**IV. CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approval of Minutes for January 12, 2017 (Action Item) Chair Patterson

**V. DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

1. Adopt the City-County Coordinating Council's Proposed 2017 State and Federal Legislative Platform (Action Item)  
(7:55 p.m. – 8:05 p.m.)

Presenters: Michelle Heppner, Legislative, Intergovernmental, and Public Affairs Officer, Solano County

2. Approval of Regional Parks Legislation (Action Item).  
(8:05 p.m. – 8:20 p.m.)

Presenters: Matt Walsh, Principal Planner,  
Department of Resource Management, Solano  
County

3. Receive a presentation on flood vulnerabilities and rising sea levels.  
(8:20 p.m. – 8:50 p.m.)

Presenters: Daryl Halls, Executive Director,  
Solano Transportation Authority and Roland  
Sanford, Solano County Water Agency

## **VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **VII. CCCC CLOSING COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT:** The next City-County Coordinating Council meeting will be held on May 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Solano County Water Agency – Berryessa Room, 810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Suite 203, Vacaville, CA..

### Future Items for Upcoming Meeting:

- Travis Sustainability Study
- AB 403 Foster Care System Changes (H&SS)
- Cap Solano / Continuum of Care Implementation Strategies Plan & Results of Homeless Point in Time Count
- Federal Policies and Budget and the Affordable Care Act
- State Budget – May Revision

**CITY-COUNTY COORDINATING COUNCIL  
January 12, 2017 Summary Meeting Minutes**

The January 12, 2017 meeting of the Solano City-County Coordinating Council was held in the Berryessa Room at the Solano County Water Agency located at 810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Ste. 303, Vacaville, CA 95688.

**I. Roll and Call to Order**

**Members Present**

Elizabeth Patterson, Chair	Mayor, City of Benicia
John Vasquez, Vice Chair	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 4)
Thom Bogue	Mayor, City of Dixon
Harry Price	Mayor, City of Fairfield
Norm Richardson	Mayor, City of Rio Vista
Pete Sanchez	Mayor, City of Suisun City
Len Augustine	Mayor, City of Vacaville
Bob Sampayan	Mayor, City of Vallejo
Erin Hannigan	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 1)
Monica Brown	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 2)
Jim Spering	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 3)
Skip Thomson	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 5)

**Members Absent**

No members were absent.

**Staff to the City-County Coordinating Council Present:**

Birgitta Corsello	County Administrator, Solano County
Nancy Houston	Assistant County Administrator, Solano County
Michelle Heppner	Legislative Officer, CAO, Solano County
Tammi Ackerman	Office Assistant III, CAO, Solano County

**Guest Speakers and Other Staff Present**

Michelle Heppner	Legislative Officer, CAO, Solano County
Karen Lange	Legislative Advocate, Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.
Matt Robinson	Legislative Advocate, Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.
Sean Quinn	Project Manager, Solano EDC
Audrey Taylor	President, Chabin Concepts
Jim Leland	Principal Planner, Department of Resource Management, Solano County
Rick Rust	Senior Associate, Matrix Design Group
Tom Dunn	Deputy Director of Installation Support, 60 <sup>th</sup> Air Mobility Wing, Travis AFB
Gary Gottschall	Deputy Director of Operations, Travis AFB

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

The meeting of the City-County Coordinating Council was called to order at 7:00 pm.

**II. Approval of Agenda**

*A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Mayor Richardson and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez. Agenda approved by 12-0 vote.*

### **III. Opportunity For Public Comment**

No public comments were received.

### **IV. Consent Calendar**

*A motion to approve the August Minutes was made by Mayor Richardson and seconded by Supervisor Brown. Minutes approved by 12-0 vote.*

### **V. Discussion Calendar**

#### **1. Legislative Update – Governor’s FY 2017/18 Proposed State Budget (Verbal Report)**

Karen Lange and Matt Robinson, State Legislative Advocates, Shaw/Yoder Antwih, Inc. gave a brief legislative update and discussed the budget released by Governor Brown on January 10, 2017. Ms. Lange began, noting that the legislature returned on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 with a two-thirds democrat supermajority. She noted the Assembly members have until February 17<sup>th</sup> to introduce bills and that each member now has the ability to introduce an additional ten bills bringing the total for each member to fifty. Ms. Lange noted the Governor was very clear in his budget message that it assumes existing law and has not taken into account potential impacts at the Federal level. She noted that the State cannot truly predict the State budget at this point because of uncertainty in the Federal Budget with regards to the Affordable Care Act and that the Governor’s May Revision will be very important this year. Ms. Lange noted the Governor proposes to return the IHSS responsibilities to counties effective July 1, 2017. She noted the estimated impact to counties is approximately \$680 million dollars, with about a \$7 million impact to Solano County’s FY2017/18 General Fund budget. Ms. Lange noted that both houses of the State legislature expressed concern regarding the impact to California’s counties. She also discussed the Governor’s position to not allocate any General Fund dollars for affordable housing, despite the need to make it easier for builders to lower the cost of constructing new houses. Ms. Lange noted that one of the biggest drags on the California economy has been identified as affordable housing. The Governor cited the State Comptroller’s report showing estimated revenues down about 13 percent echoing his ongoing concern for California’s potentially slowing rate of growth in the economy. Ms. Lange gave an update on the “No Place Like Home” proposal which earmarks \$1.8 billion for housing for the homeless and mentally ill. She stated there is a draft concept paper and bill language out and hearings are being held throughout the State. She reported that an advisory committee still needs to be appointed by the Governor and the legislative bill language still needs to go through the courts to validate that it is consistent with the original intent of Proposition 63.

Matt Robinson spoke regarding State Transportation bills - AB1 & SB1 from Assemblyperson Jim Frazer and Senator Jim Beall (San Jose). He stated the bills are similar, with Senator Beall’s bill including some funds for inner city rail, both propose around \$37 million a year eligible to be spent on three corridors in the state including the Capitol Corridor which runs through Solano County. The \$ 6 billion package would be funded from excise taxes on gasoline and diesel, vehicle registration fees (some from zero emissions vehicles) and some Cap-and-Trade money as well as some of the transportation weight fees that were loaned to the general fund. He stated that in the Governor’s FY 2017/18 budget recently released, the Governor reengaged in discussions regarding transportation funding, including a \$4.2 billion package funded with excise gasoline and diesel taxes and from a \$65 road access fee (car registration) as well as some Cap-and-Trade money. He mentioned Governor Brown has proposed a \$2.2 billion Cap-and-Trade expenditure plan with appropriations for roughly 60 percent of it, with approximately \$1.3 billion available for new programs but is seeking a two-thirds vote on Cap-and-Trade legislation to extend the program. He stated the funds for

high speed rail are already flowing from Cap-and-Trade funding via previous legislation, with approximately 25 percent of all Cap-and-Trade funds going towards the project.

## **2. Receive an Update on Moving Solano Forward**

Sean Quinn, Project Manager, Solano EDC and Audrey Taylor, President, Chabin Concepts gave a presentation on the economic development strategy for Moving Solano Forward Phase II. Mr. Quinn noted some background information for the new members; 1) the project has taken 14 months and is near completion and they should have a final report by the end of January with a public presentation mid-February; 2) the project is based on 7 tasks and 21 subtasks; 3) the project has a website: [MovingSolanoForwardii.com](http://MovingSolanoForwardii.com); and 4) although the working papers and research are extensive, the key to the project is the tools being developed that will continue once the report and recommendations are completed. City staff are currently being trained to use the Executive Pulse (business retention software), a powerful software tool with the ability of producing reports and is being hosted by Solano EDC. Mr. Quinn stated the project has three major goals, identifying key building sites countywide, focusing on shared purpose for promoting the cities and the County, and a strategy. The strategy focusses on increasing economic development through increased business such as industrial tourism and utilization of the style guide (which Benicia has already adopted) to identify the Solano County brand, Solano Means Business. A copy of the style guide was handed out at the meeting and is attached to the minutes as a reference.

Audrey Taylor, Chabin Concepts, spoke regarding the economic development strategy goals for this project. She noted that the strategy emphasizes business retention, job generation, and maintaining our competitiveness in the marketplace. She stated that Solano County currently has a \$19 billion economy driven by five key areas; 1) food and beverage, 2) biotech and medical, 3) logistics, 4) Travis AFB, and 5) advanced materials, including the manufacturing sector having the largest impact on our economy with a per worker output of \$1.4 million. She stated we are uniquely attractive to manufactures given our physical location, available sites, and labor force. She noted Solano County has five trade corridors, 21 industrial parks and the site selector has identified 293 Tier 1, 2, and 3 sites available with over two million square feet of industrial, flex and warehouse space. Each city will be receiving an evaluation from the site selector and key sites selected by each city will be featured for marketing. Ms. Taylor highlighted that Solano's operating cost analysis was great versus the Bay Area, 35-45 percent cost differential compared to Oakland or San Jose, but not with the Central Valley or out of state. She commented on our labor force noting we have 60,014 inbound 107,000 outbound workers daily, with 1.3 million workers within a 40 mile radius making us a key location for the Bay Area.

Ms. Taylor discussed a part of the strategy utilizing four key interlinking initiatives; 1) Business retention and expansion, building on existing businesses utilizing "Solano Business First"; 2) Marketing and business attraction, attracting key businesses with a focus on manufacturing, emerging industries and those outgrowing current space; 3) Stay competitive, showcasing our workforce and other assets while using the style guide for marketing; and 4) Resource Hub, utilizing the data, website, property portfolio and consultant pool to have the right data to make business decisions and access resources and assistance. She noted that if the new strategy is implemented, in one year of lead generation, Solano County could show an increase of 411 new jobs, \$19 million more in wages, \$5.7 million in taxes and \$233 million in business income.

Ms. Taylor noted the next steps for this Moving Solano Forward project involves commitment to invest from the County and all seven cities. Implementation has started, utilizing the 30/60/90 day strategy. The ED Task Force has already assumed a leadership role with existing businesses and cities, a restructuring of Solano EDC and a

planned roll out in April 2017. The project team will be finalizing and delivering the reports to the cities, completing the website (Solano Means Business) and continuing with the property profile work with the County GIS department. February 15<sup>th</sup>, there will be a public presentation at the Solano EDC breakfast, in March they will launch the private sector investment campaign, and they will prepare the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) report to be adopted in June 2017 to be prepared for the next round of federal funding. Ms. Taylor gave a handout showing MSFII Strategy to be used as a tool for gaining support for the program.

More information is provided in the attached presentation slides and are attached to these minutes as part of the official record.

### **3. Receive a Presentation on the proposed Travis Sustainability Study (formerly the Travis JLUS)**

Jim Leland, Principal Planner, Department of Resource Management, Solano County and Rick Rust, Senior Associate, Matrix Design Group gave a presentation on the Travis Sustainability Study. Jim Leland introduced the continuation of the Travis Sustainability Study, which will address and identify issues and solutions that can be implemented by the cities, the county and Travis AFB. He noted this will culminate with a full report at a later meeting.

Mr. Rust gave an update on the Travis Sustainability Study, looking at the long term sustainability of the mission of Travis and its role as a good neighbor. He stated the study is not just about what can be done for Travis, but also has recommendations on what Travis can do to better communicate with the community and to better protect the outside interests and economic development potential in the County. He noted this study is primarily funded by a grant from the DOD Office of Economic Adjustment (which means the report will be viewed nationally). He mentioned, for the most case, this area has done a great job protecting the future of Travis AFB. He noted the team has been working with a technical advisory committee which includes staff from each city as well as staff members from Travis to refine the report and meet the local needs. He stated they are currently finalizing the compatibility analysis and the assessment of the 41 compatibility issues they have identified. He pointed out the table format which will show the 41 issues, the strategies to address the issues and the responsibilities of each jurisdiction. Mr. Rust stated this tool can be used to track the implementation of the strategies. He mentioned that the jurisdictions and ALUC already accomplish a great deal to address Travis sustainability and noted they need focus on reestablishing communication avenues, such as the Quarterly Planner's Lunch and the Community Partnership Program, great help to keep lines of communication open and make sure we are all on the same page. One of the suggestions to assist in this goal was to add an ex-officio Travis AFB representative to the Solano City - County Coordinating Council to facilitate better communication and understanding. The nonvoting ex officio member would attend if Agenda items may affect Travis AFB for questions or point of view.

Mr. Rust stated they are getting the word out on the next public workshop, and have included a postcard mailer for notice as this would give them a stronger outreach than utilizing only regular media programs. He noted next public workshop will be scheduled for late February or early March and the information will be given to the CCCC so they may help inform the public of the upcoming meeting. A third and final public workshop in late March or early April will include a public draft that will be circulated for comments. He stated this will leave a week to address any questions or clarifications and write up responses. In May 2017 they will prepare the final Study.

More information is provided in the attached presentation slides shared at the CCCC meeting and are attached to these minutes as part of the official record.

**4. Review Proposed 2017 CCCC Legislative Platform Discussion (Action Item)**

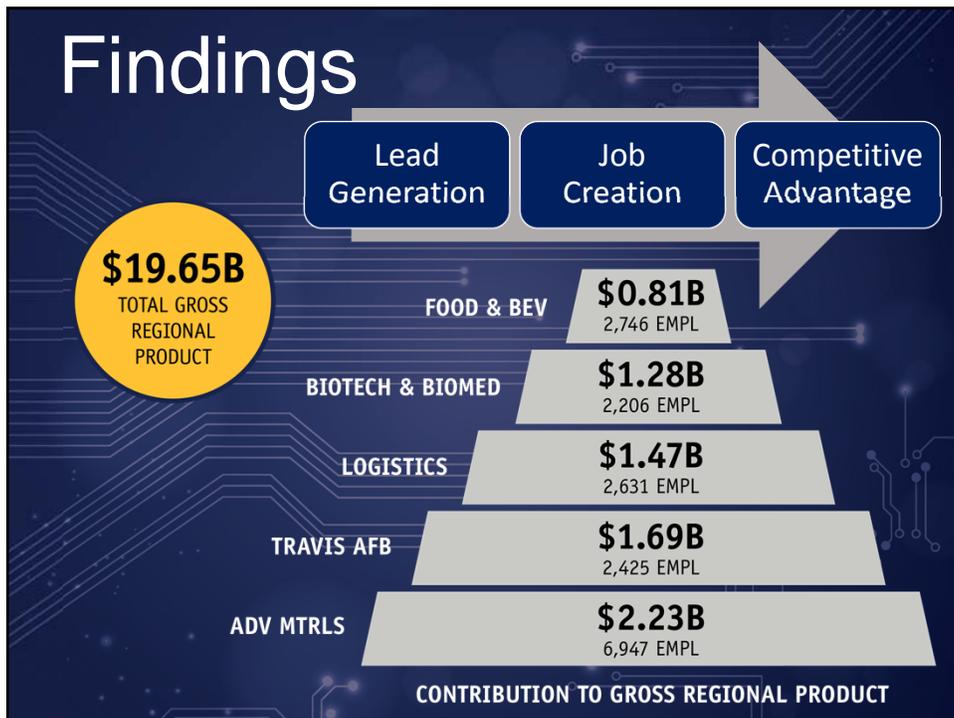
Michelle Heppner, Legislative, Intergovernmental, Solano County spoke regarding the 2017 CCCC Legislative platform and noted two additional handouts that were distributed. (The updated Solano CCCC 2016/17 State & Federal Legislative Platform and an email from Laura Kuhn, Mayor, City of Vacaville notating the new Strategic Goals for 2017 for the League of California Cities.) Mayor Patterson noted that they approve the 2017 CCCC Legislative platform but would like to continue the suggested changes embedded in the document from the City of Benicia and the Strategic Goals for 2017 from the League of California Cities to the March meeting so all members have a chance to review them.

The action was continued to the March 9, 2017 meeting.

**VI. Announcements**

There were no announcements.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m. The next meeting will be on March 9, 2017, in the Berryessa Room at the Solano County Water Agency located at 810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Ste. 203, Vacaville, CA 95688.



**Assets**

**5 Trade Corridors**



**21 Industrial Parks**

**2.0M sq ft** industrial, flex & warehouse space

**1,016 acres ready-to-go, Tier 1 Sites**

**35-45%** less than Oakland/  
San Jose costs

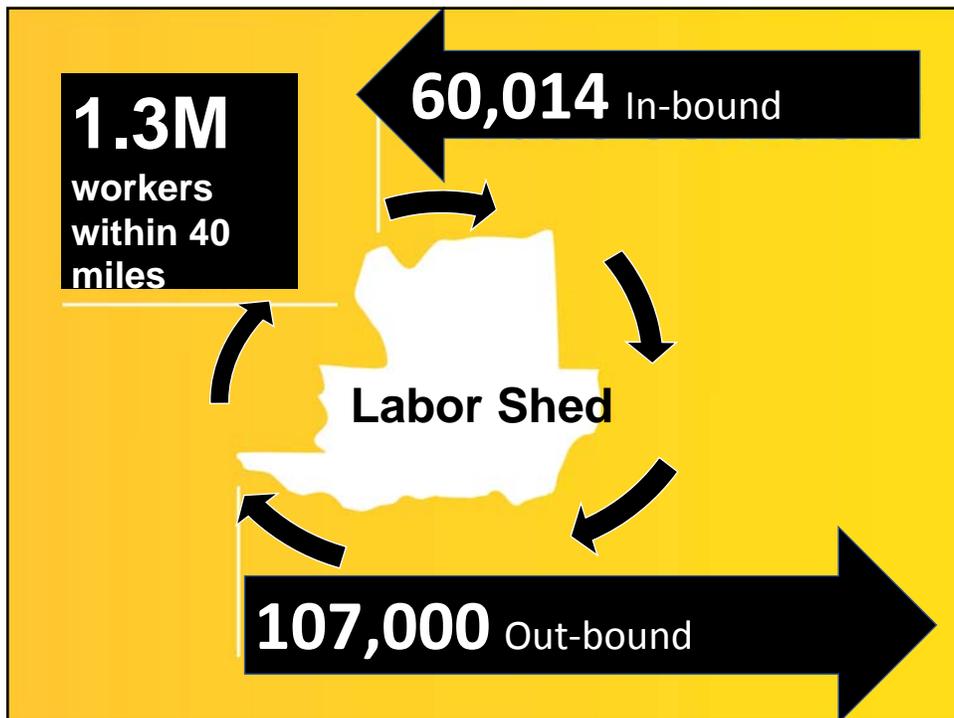
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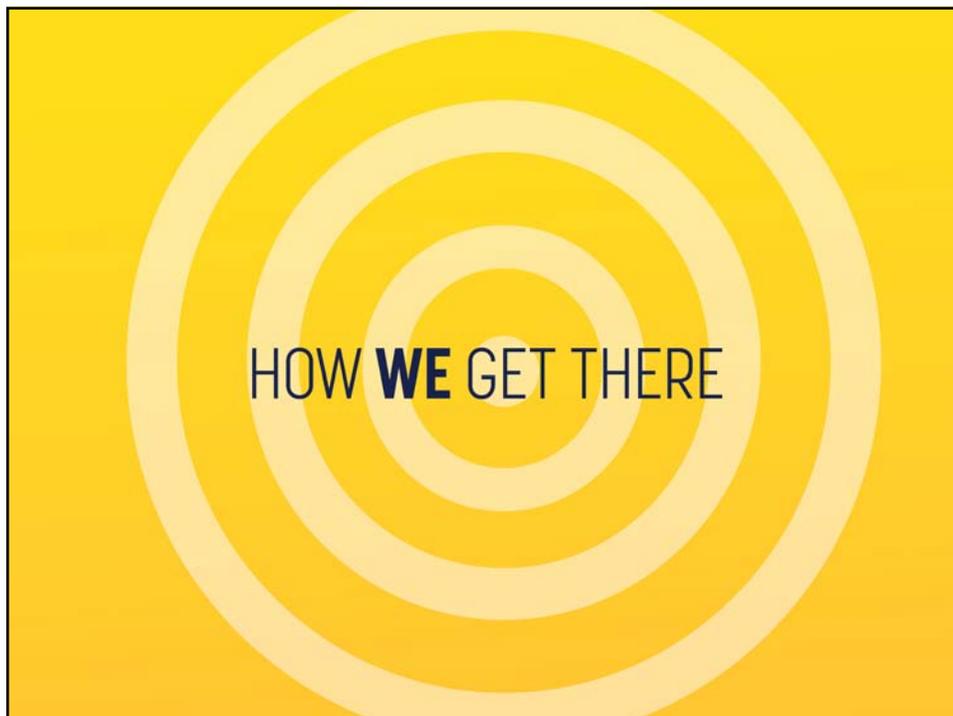
**Mature**    **Fairfield, Vacaville, Vallejo**

**Emerging**    **Dixon**

**Niche**    **Benicia, Rio Vista, County**

**Developer**    **City of Suisun City**







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IN BUSINESS FOR LIFE

Synder  
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PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY  
A JANSSEN-ORIGEN  
COMPANY

**SCALING**  
SOLANO BUSINESS FIRST

Superior Farms

Travis Air  
Force Base

Jelly Belly  
CREATING HAPPY MOMENTS

**Organize**  
Team      Message Platform  
Collateral      Lists

**Target Key Industries**  
Manufacturing  
Emerging Industries  
"Pushed" Industries

**ATTRACTING**  
**KEY BUSINESSES**

**LAUNCH**      Direct mail      Media      Outbound  
Prospecting


**POSITIONING**





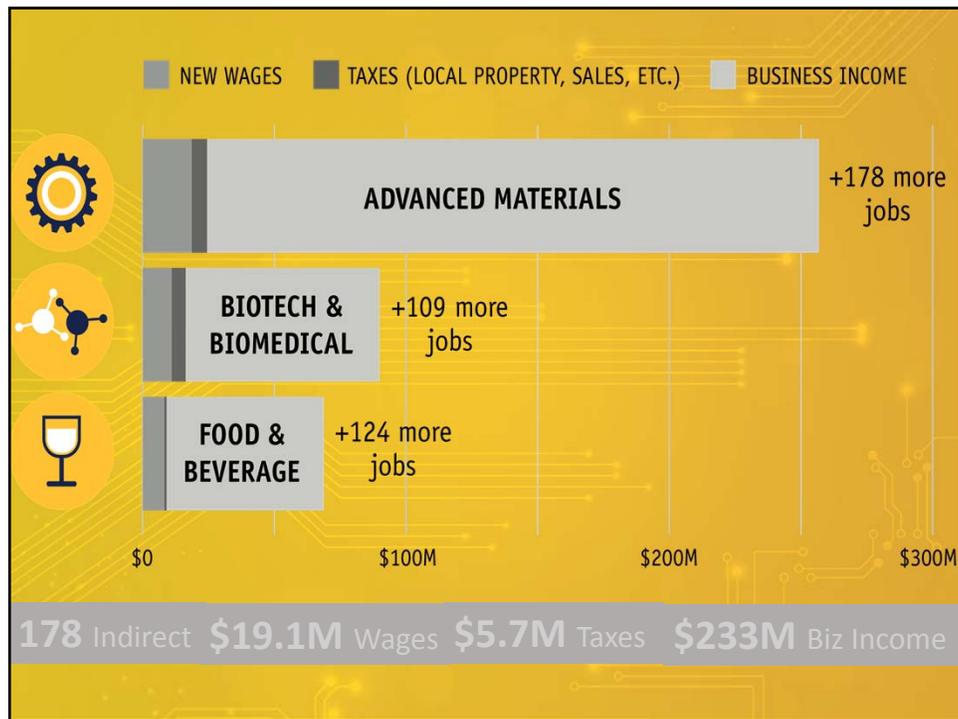
MAINTAINING COMPETITIVE

# ADVANTAGE

Infrastructure Financing  
Space - Buildings Workforce  
Shovel-ready Congestion  
State Regulations



## ECONOMIC IMPACT



## Implementing the Strategy

1. Days 0-60-90 Days – transition and restructuring;
2. ED Task Force – a collaborative leadership role;
3. Buy-In from County and all cities;
4. Commitment to investment in strategy and new tactics based on accountability.

# Challenges



1. *Will it sit on the shelf?*
2. Will there be united buy-in, standing together to maximize outcomes?
3. Will there be commitment to investing in the economic future?
4. Will all parties be accountable?

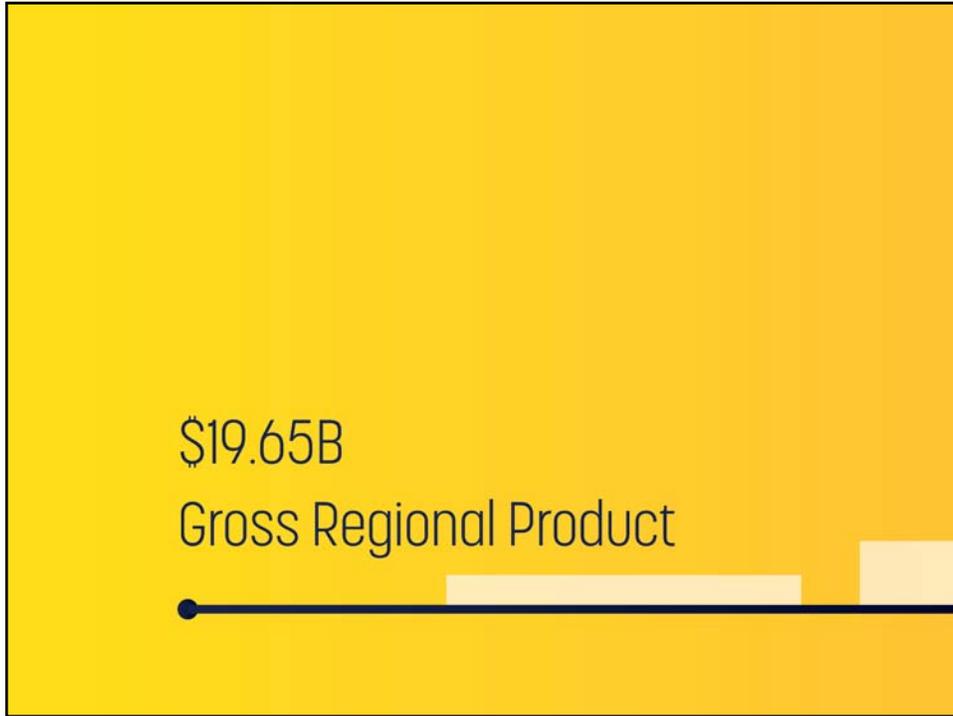
## Next Steps

### Project Team

- Jan 15 – Finalize Site Reports
- Feb - Complete website (content development)
- Continue property portfolio (County GIS Dept)
- Jan 30 - Final OEA Report
- Feb - 15 Public Presentation

### Solano EDC

- Jan - Distribute Strategy to key stakeholders.
- Jan – Feb – City manager review meetings .
- Jan-Feb – EDC Restructure and transition plan.
- March – Launching private sector investment campaign.
- Continue ED Task Force collaborative.
- Prepare (CEDs) – adopt by June 2017.





 **Welcome / Introductions**

- **Solano County Project Manager**
  - **Jim Leland, Principal Planner**  
*[jhleland@solanocounty.com](mailto:jhleland@solanocounty.com)*  
**(707) 784-6765**
  
- **Consultant Team - Matrix Design Group**
  - **Rick Rust, AICP**  
*Project Manager*
  - **Bren Cox, AICP**  
*Planning Lead*





## TSS Partners

- **TSS Partners**
  - City of Fairfield
  - Suisun City
  - City of Vacaville
  - Solano County
  - Travis AFB
- **TSS Committees**
  - Policy Committee
  - Technical Advisory Committee
  - Spectrum Encroachment Working Group

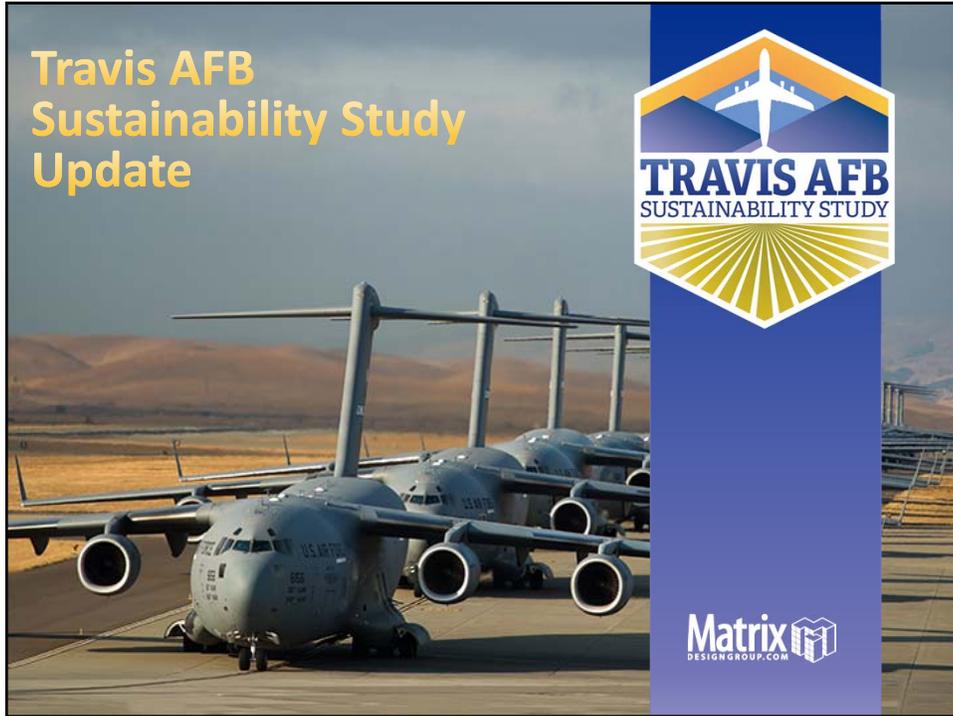


## Tonight's Meeting

**Agenda**

1. Welcome / Introductions
2. Travis AFB Sustainability Study Update
3. Strategy Development
4. Next Steps





TRAVIS AFB  
SUSTAINABILITY STUDY

### Change in project name

The project title was changed based on comments from the August 11, 2016 PC meeting

TRAVIS AFB  
JOINT LAND USE STUDY

TRAVIS AFB  
SUSTAINABILITY STUDY

Matrix

The diagram illustrates a change in the project name. It shows two logos side-by-side, connected by a right-pointing arrow. The left logo is for 'TRAVIS AFB JOINT LAND USE STUDY' and the right logo is for 'TRAVIS AFB SUSTAINABILITY STUDY'. Both logos feature a stylized mountain and aircraft icon above the text and a sunburst pattern below. A small Travis AFB Sustainability Study logo is in the top left corner, and the Matrix logo is in the bottom left corner.



## TSS Schedule

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Overall Project Initiation</li> <li>✓ Stakeholder and Public Involvement</li> <li>✓ Data Collection, Inventory and Mapping</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mar 2016</li> <li>Ongoing</li> <li>Mar-Aug 2016</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Public Workshop #2 <span style="float: right;">Feb-Mar 2017</span></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Public Draft Study Reports <span style="float: right;">Mar 2017</span></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Public Review / Workshop #3 <span style="float: right;">Mar-Apr 2017</span></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Prepare Final Study Report <span style="float: right;">May 2017</span></li> </ul>




## TSS Background Report

- Draft Chapters 1-4 sent to TAC for review in August, 2016
- Background Report contains 5 sections
  1. Introduction
  2. Community Profile
  3. Travis AFB Profile
  4. Existing Compatibility Tools
  5. Compatibility Assessment
- Draft Chapter 5 will be sent to TAC for review January 20, 2017





## Chapter 5: Compatibility Assessment

**Chapter 5 includes:**

- Compatibility issues are grouped 25 compatibility factors
- For 8 compatibility factors, no issues were identified (or are covered under other factors)
- Issues were identified based on input from the PC and TAC, members of the public, existing plans and technical reports, and evaluation by the project team




## Compatibility Factors

**41 total compatibility issues identified**

COMPATIBILITY FACTORS		
AQ	Air Quality	
AT	Anti-Terrorism / Force Protection	
BIO	Biological Resources	
No Issues	CA	Climate Adaptation
COM	Coordination / Communication	
No Issues	CR	Cultural Resources
No Issues	DSS	Dust / Smoke / Steam
ED	Energy Development	
No Issues	FSC	Frequency Spectrum Capacity
FSI	Frequency Spectrum Impedance / Interference	
HA	Housing Availability	
IE	Infrastructure Extensions	
LAS	Land / Air / Sea Spaces	
LU	Land Use	
LEG	Legislative Initiatives	
LG	Light and Glare	
MAR	Marine Environments	No Issues
NOI	Noise	
PT	Public Trespassing	No Issues
RC	Roadway Capacity	
SA	Safety Zones	
SNR	Scarce Natural Resources	No Issues
VO	Vertical Obstructions	
V	Vibration	No Issues
WQQ	Water Quality / Quantity	





## Strategies Discussion

### Initial Strategies Discussion

- TAC participation in development, including today's review
  
- Strategies primarily fall into five general types:
  - Information
  - Communication
  - Coordination
  - Policy
  - Regulatory





## Complete Strategies (example)

Issue or Strategy #	Military Compatibility Area (MCA)	Strategy	Timeline for Initiation	Geographic Areas													
				City of Fallon	City of Primm	Churchill County	Eureka County	Lander County	Mineral County	Nye County	Pershing County	Washoe County	Tribal Governments	NAS Fallon	BLM/USFS	Reclamation	USFWS
<b>BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES (BIO)</b>																	
BIO-1		<b>Proactive Management of Species with Potential for Listing.</b> Concern over potential listing of additional species and impacts of additional listings on military operations.															
BIO-1A	MCA 1	<b>Species for Potential Listing</b> Collaborate with USFWS on species that may be considered in the future for potential listing under the Endangered Species Act and develop coordinated management strategies that allow continuation of training activities while providing necessary habitat and species protections. Other Partner: Nevada Natural Heritage Program (NNHP)	2014 / On-going	<input type="checkbox"/>													




## TAC Strategies Workshop Today

ISSUE / STRATEGY		LAND / AIR / SEA SPACES (LAE)	
LAE-1	New ICN allowed after sunset		
LAE-1A	Travis operational awareness		
LAE-1B	Travis operational information		
LAE-1C	MCA between Travis AFB, Nellis AFB, and ICN		
LAE-1D	MCA between Travis AFB and Nellis AFB		
LAE-2	LACK OF AIRSPACE CONTROL		
LAE-2A	Convey concerns to the Federal Aviation Administration		
LAE-3	Impact of unarmored aerial systems		
LAE-3A	Adopt ordinances regarding unarmored aerial systems		
LAE-3B	Enforcement and fines		
LAE-3C	Develop information on usage		
LAE-4	Crop dusting activities near Travis AFB		
LAE-4A	Implement Scheduling Coordination		





## Key TAC Discussion Points Today

- Jurisdictions and ALUC already accomplish a great deal to address Travis sustainability
- Change MOUs to focus on reestablishing communication, such as Quarterly Planners' Lunch and Community Partnership Program
- Consider adding Travis AFB representative to Solano City County Coordinating Council
- Delete strategies refining ALUC process (ED-2A and LEG-1A)



## Key TAC Discussion Points Today

- Some strategies require members to go back to their organizations for information
- Getting the word out on next public workshop







## TSS Schedule

✓	Overall Project Initiation	Mar 2016
✓	Stakeholder and Public Involvement	Ongoing
✓	Data Collection, Inventory and Mapping	Mar-Aug 2016
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**For Questions . . .**

Solano County Department of Resource Management

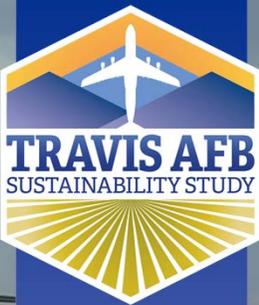
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**Adjourn**

**Thank you**



**SOLANO  
City County Coordinating Council  
Staff Report**

**Meeting of:** March 9, 2017

**Agency/Staff:** Michelle Heppner, Solano  
County, Legislative, Intergovernmental, &  
Public Affairs Officer

**Agenda Item No:** V.1

**Title /Subject:** Provide Input and Adopt the City-County Coordinating Council's Revised Proposed 2017 State and Federal Legislative Platform.

**Background/Discussion:**

The Solano City County Coordinating Council (CCCC) began adopting annual State and Federal legislative platforms in 2006 and has continued this practice.

The CCCC legislative platforms represent a compilation of shared concepts and priorities created with input from Solano cities, the County, the Solano Transportation Authority, and the Travis Community Consortium with the goal of capturing all of the significant regional priorities, as well as the priorities established by the League of Cities and the California State Association of Counties.

Staff reached out to the City Manager's Group, the County's departments, and Paul Yoder, Solano County's State Legislative Advocate. No changes were received. Staff is requesting input from the CCCC and approval of the 2017 State and Federal Legislative Platform if no changes are requested.

The attached Proposed 2017 State and Federal Legislative Platform was presented at the January 12, 2017 CCCC meeting and included proposed changes that were provided just prior to the meeting and members did not have enough time to review them. As a result, the CCCC continued the item to the March meeting to allow members the opportunity to review and suggest any additional changes. No additional changes have been received by staff.

While the Proposed 2017 State and Federal Legislative Platform seeks to accurately reflect the current challenges and threats imposed by both the state and federal governments, should unanticipated issues arise, additional modifications may be required in future.

**Recommendation:** Provide input and approve the CCCC's Proposed 2017 State and Federal Legislative Platform.

**Attachments:**

1 - Proposed City-County Coordinating Council's 2017 State and Federal Legislative Platform (Redline)

**SOLANO**  
**City-County Coordinating Council**  
**2016-2017 State & Federal Legislative Platform**

**Overview**

The Solano City-County Coordinating Council (CCCC) consists of the Mayors of all seven cities in Solano County – Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield, Rio Vista, Suisun, Vacaville and Vallejo - and the five members of the County Board of Supervisors. On an annual basis, the CCCC adopts a legislative platform; recommending positions and strategies on both state and federal legislative and budget related issues. The platform takes into consideration and seeks to support the legislative priorities of all seven cities, the County of Solano, Solano Transportation Agency (STA), Solano County Water Agency (SCWA), Travis Community Consortium (TCC), Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District and our public higher education institutions (Solano Community (Heppner) College, UC Davis and CSU Maritime Academy).

Listed below are the CCCC's highest State and Federal legislative priorities as well as other significant policy issues. These are issues that CCCC believes are important to support and partner on. These priorities are extracted from other regional entities and are not intended to conflict or compete, but rather support and complement efforts to improve funding of regional needs and priorities.

**2016-2017 State and Federal Legislative Priorities (Listed Alphabetically)**

1. **Funding for Key Water Infrastructure Projects.** Support efforts to authorize and fund key water infrastructure projects in Solano cities and the County, including dredging, water reuse and recycling, conjunctive and stormwater use (Benicia) and flood ~~control~~-management (Benicia) projects.
2. **Protect the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.** Ensure that Solano cities and the county is adequately represented in efforts to develop policy impacting the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, including policies to address water quality and supply, flood protection, environmental preservation and emergency response. Support legislation that protects Solano County water sources and supplies and provides for mitigation with regard to disaster preparedness, water rights, North Delta Water Agency Contract with the California Department of Water Resources, socio-economic vitality, water quality, water elevations, levee protection, loss of agricultural production, aquaculture, and access to fresh water supplies. Support efforts to develop other water supply options outside the areas-of-origin so as to reduce stresses in the Delta region. In general, support legislation that would provide for assurances and mitigations to the County, local Districts, and our residents and ensure sustainable funding outside of the General Fund for existing and future obligations created by State / Federal water projects and their Habitat Conservation Plans. Support appropriations from Proposition 1 that will facilitate key water infrastructure projects.
3. **Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness.** Support funding for programs that assist Solano cities and the county with efforts aimed at reducing crime and enhancing public safety through community partnerships and multi-jurisdictional efforts, such as the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program and the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program. In addition, support funding for programs that assist the County and cities with disaster response and preparedness and homeland security-related needs, including efforts aimed at achieving communications interoperability. Monitor legislation and state budget actions regarding the implementation of Proposition 47 to ensure that proper resources exist at the local level. Also monitor the implementation of state legislation such as AB 403 (Stone), which will significantly revamp placement options for foster youth.
4. **State Realignment & Cost-Shifts.** Oppose proposals to restructure, realign, or otherwise shift the cost of state programs to local government, without commensurate compensation

and a legislative ability for counties to draw down available federal funding. Support efforts to constitutionally guarantee continued funding for realigned programs. Support efforts to obtain and improve the stability of current Solano cities and the county's revenue sources. Oppose any realignment initiatives which fail to fully fund services shifted to the County and cities. Advocate for funding for local police agencies and the Sheriff's Office dealing with the increase in specific crimes in Solano cities and the county due to realignment.

## **20162017 State and Federal Legislative Principles (Sections Listed Alphabetically)**

### **Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Water**

1. Support efforts to protect the Suisun Marsh consistent with the Suisun Marsh Preservation Act and the Suisun Marsh Plan;
2. Support improved mapping of flood hazard areas and advocate for the US Army Corps of Engineers and other federal and state agencies to protect Solano cities and the county from these hazards, including hazard mitigation and adaptation planning, (Benicia) either directly or via funding and technical assistance.
3. Support, develop, or seek out legislation that protects the Solano cities and the county's quality of life, its diverse natural resources, and preserves the essence and history of Solano.
4. Support legislation to establish the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta National Heritage Area to protect and promote the economic vitality and cultural, historical, and natural assets of the region.
5. Support protections and assurances to assure a reliable supply and access to high quality water for drinking, agriculture and recreation in the County.
6. Support funding for an alternate intake to the North Bay Aqueduct; monitor and advocate for the appropriate and timely allocation of resources from Proposition 1.
7. Support legislative or regulatory efforts to maintain local control/involvement in allocation of water resources.
8. Support new funding to support local priorities for implementing water storage, recycling, storm water capture and other integrated water management strategies (Benicia), and conservation measures.
9. Support funding for efforts to mitigate or adapt to sea-level rise impacts, including shoreline restoration, retreat (Benicia), flood mitigation, and recreation projects.

### **General Government**

1. Support efforts to realign government services with necessary funding in order to improve the delivery of services and make government more accountable and efficient to the people they serve.
2. Seek out, develop, and support legislative, regulatory, and budget efforts that protect and/or enhance local governments' revenues, maximize Solano cities and the county's access to Federal funding sources, and/or increases local funding flexibility.
3. Support legislation that provides tax and funding formulas and regulations for the equitable distribution of Federal monies while opposing attempts to decrease, restrict, or eliminate Solano cities special districts and the county's revenue sources.
4. Support any expansion, continuation, and/or increased flexibility in the bidding/procurement, delivery, and management of construction projects.
5. Oppose legislative or administrative actions that would create State or Federal unfunded mandates and/or preempt local decision-making authority.
6. Oppose attempts to restrict local authority with respect to issues that affect local communities.
7. Oppose any effort to balance the state budget through the taking of local government resources.
8. Support the enactment of legislation to allocate statewide bond funding based on objective criteria developed with local input.

9. Support budgetary efforts for outstanding Payment-in-Lieu-of-Taxes (PILT) funding that is owed to the County and support legislative and budgetary efforts to continue PILT funding based on the allocation provided in the 2015-16 State Budget.

### **Housing, Community and Economic Development, and Workforce Investment**

1. Support additional flexibility for Proposition 63 that could provide a one-time statewide infusion of funding for supportive housing in California.
2. Support Housing Element reform that provides for self-certification process for all jurisdictions that have a housing allocation, and that provides greater flexibility to agencies with limited urban services and strong city centered development policies.
3. Support continued funding for existing programs including the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). Oppose efforts to reduce funding and operational flexibility for these programs.
4. Encourage and seek legislation to facilitate orderly economic expansion and growth, and increase the opportunity for discretionary revenues, programmatic and financial flexibility for Solano cities and the county.
5. Support funding and incentives for smart growth and sustainable development, including [affordable housing and \(Benicia\)](#) infrastructure funding.
6. Oppose Federal legislation that would reduce U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) funds and support the expanded eligibility and access to these funds.
7. Support legislation that encourages job growth and the success of the business community.
8. Support legislation that provides a stable national-level appropriation for workforce development programs as a longer-term investment strategy for the nation's economy. Support or seek federal grant funding opportunities that advance and improve housing, community and economic development, and workforce investment opportunities for disadvantages individuals and families including the homeless.
9. Support and/or advocate for funding programs that would provide funding for community youth [and senior \(Benicia\)](#) programs, including programs targeting underserved youth [and seniors \(Benicia\)](#).
10. Oppose Federal legislation that would reduce funding to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that provides rent subsidies and administrative funding to the Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) Programs.
11. Support State legislation that would create a new funding mechanism for local governments to provide funding for affordable housing (new construction, acquisition and rehabilitation).
12. Support State legislation that would create funding for local governments for economic development purposes.
13. Support efforts to increase employment opportunities and linking training programs to local available employment.

### **Public Safety and Emergency Disaster Preparedness**

1. Support the preservation of funding levels for existing public safety programs such as the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) Program, California State Law Enforcement Funding (SLEF), California Fire Fighter Joint Apprenticeship Committee (CFFJAC), Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) grant funding, Department of Alcohol and Beverage Control programs, and the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program. Oppose efforts to reduce or divert funding away from these programs.
2. Support continued or new funding for emergency disaster preparedness programs such as FEMA - Emergency Management Performance Grants (EMPG), the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI), and emergency disaster preparedness and infrastructure damage recovery programs. Oppose efforts to reduce or divert funding away from these programs.
3. Support funding for the State Office of Emergency Services to enhance Disaster Preparedness by linking local Emergency Operations Centers and by providing training.

4. Support funding to integrate climate change and sea level rise impacts into Local Hazard Mitigation Plans and Emergency Operation Plans. Support funding for regional hazard mitigation planning.
5. Support funding to address emergency preparedness needs, particularly those that include communications equipment, training/exercises, or ongoing operations and maintenance costs.
6. Support the preservation of funding for the State's Police Officer Standards and Training program that reimburses local agencies for training.
7. Support changes to US Corps of Engineer's current flood control inspection standards that have resulted in the loss of Public Law 84-99 eligibility for post disaster restoration funding for local governments.
8. Support legislation that improves the availability, affordability and coverage for earthquake and flood insurance. Support legislation to improve the affordability of fire coverage in California's more forested areas.
9. Support efforts to improve safety of hazardous materials transported by rail, including crude by rail and enhance capacity of local emergency responders to appropriately respond to potential emergency events resulting from derailment or releases and provide catastrophic recovery funds for business, governments and residents (Benicia).

### **Resource Management, Environmental Health, and Sustainability**

1. Support measures and funding for County, city, and special district programs and projects that address sustainability issues such as air quality improvement, energy efficiency, water use (Benicia) efficiency, renewable energy, fuel efficiency, energy adequacy, and security while balancing the reduction of emissions with impacts on business.
2. Support legislation and administrative action that further the goals of the Solano cities and the county's climate protection and sustainability efforts, including programs that promote energy-efficient home improvements like the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program and as referenced in their approved Climate Action Plans.
3. Support Federal and state climate change legislation and policies that include local government funding and consideration for implementation at the local level.
4. Support legislation and grant funding opportunities that improve land use planning for major economic drivers and infrastructure projects in Solano cities and the county.
5. Support funding for community planning and public participation at the neighborhood level for infill housing (Benicia).
- ~~5.6.~~ Support sensible CEQA reform that streamlines processes for broader range of infill development while maintaining strong analytic and mitigation requirements for large projects that clearly have significant environmental consequences at a regional or statewide level.
- ~~6.7.~~ Support regulatory processes that are not a one-size-fits-all approach and maintain flexibility for Solano cities, special districts, and the County to determine the best means of achieving water conservation mandates.
- ~~7.8.~~ Support legislation that fosters, establishes or expands regional purchasing capabilities and inter-jurisdictional infrastructure development to achieve local environmental and sustainability goals/requirements.
- ~~8.9.~~ Support legislation that enhances funding options for sustaining and expanding a countywide parks system.
- ~~9.10.~~ Support efforts to direct Cap and Trade revenues to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in communities disproportionality impacted by large sources of industrial pollution. Support the more timely and regular allocation of Cap and Trade funds.
11. Support efforts to cap future emissions from large sources of industrial pollution rather than allow offsets out of the local area (Benicia).
- ~~10.12.~~ Support restored State Parks funding and legislation that facilitates implementation of the recommendations of the Parks Forward Commission and the State Parks Transformation Team.

## Transportation

1. Support efforts to reduce requirements and restrictions on the use of street maintenance funding by local agencies.
2. Support efforts to maintain existing or increased funding for transportation programs and projects within the County.
3. Support legislative efforts for Federal transportation reauthorization measures that reflect the needs of Solano cities and the county and project priority in funding streams.
4. Support consideration of an increase or the indexing of the Federal gasoline tax and alternative sources of funding for pavement maintenance.
5. Support legislation and budget action that provides additional and continuing funding for local infrastructure, including local roads, bridges, and transit priorities.
6. Ensure that existing transportation funding sources are retained.
7. Seek to reverse the current diversion of the Off Highway Vehicle funding so that it returns to local source.
8. Continue to seek funding from Cap and Trade for enhancements to the county's transportation network that reduce greenhouse gas emissions including regionally integrated transit, active transportation, congestion relief, trade corridor improvements, and clean vehicle deployment consistent with the region's sustainable communities strategy - Plan Bay Area.
9. Support or sponsor legislation that provides for the establishment, extension, or increase of a special tax for the purpose of providing funding for local transportation projects, including pavement maintenance, and lowers the threshold for voter approval to 55%.
10. Support legislation and administrative rule making that improves rail and rail car safety, including positive train control (PTC) technologies, for transport of hazardous material including crude oil.
11. Seek funding and maximize opportunities to develop, support, and maintain a robust active regional transportation strategy, with particular attention to transportation and health equity issues.

11.12. State (Caltrans) Aeronautics Funding – Encourage the replenishment of State funding of the Aeronautics Program for Capital Improvement Grant Funding through the California Transportation Commission (CTC); and restore State Aeronautics funding reliability for future project planning. (DGS – Kanon Artiche)

## Other Agency Interests

1. Travis Community Consortium. Support the mission of all military organizations located within the County. Support the 2014-2018 strategy adopted by the Travis Community Consortium. Work with the Governor's Military Council to protect California's interest with the decline in defense spending and the probable realignment of missions and closure of bases. Support Travis AFB moving forward in 20162017 with the Air Force Community Partnership (AFCP). Support additional assets/missions such as C-17, KC-46 squadrons, modernization of existing aircraft, and gaining other aviation and non-aviation missions.
2. Solano Transportation Authority. Support the 20162017 legislative state priorities and programs as outlined and adopted by the Solano Transportation Authority.
3. League of California Cities (League). Support the 2017 League Strategic Goals as adopted by the League. (Laura Kuhn)

**SOLANO  
City County Coordinating Council  
Staff Report**

**Meeting of: March 9, 2017  
Agenda Item No: V.2**

**Agency/Staff: Bill Emlen, Solano County**

**Title /Subject:** Accept a status report relating to the County's efforts to introduce special legislation to enable the formation of a dependent Regional Parks and Open Space District in Solano County; Authorize issuance of a letter of support for Senate Bill 365.

**Background:**

In May 2015 the County initiated exploratory work towards establishment of a regional parks/open space system in Solano County. The Board of Supervisors took action to form a Board subcommittee, consisting of Supervisors Seifert and Vasquez (currently consisting of Supes Hannigan and Vasquez).

With consultant assistance, the County conducted 50 stakeholder interviews and a telephone survey of 519 registered voters attempting to determine the level of general public knowledge of existing regional parks and gauge public support for an integrated regional system of parks and open spaces in Solano County. The focus of the district would be to improve public access to lands currently owned by the Solano Land Trust, improve trail connections, and provide for possible partnership opportunities to assist with management of other open space lands in the County. The consultant team and staff presented the results and recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on January 12, 2016, and staff provided an update to the CCCCs on March 10, 2016 and included an updated status memo to the CCCCs on May 12, 2016. An inventory and assessment of various open space lands in the County is attached.

Some key results from the public survey included the following:

- A. The public feels strongly that the availability of proximate parks, trails, and recreational opportunities improves their quality of life (89%).
- B. Keeping parks properly maintained is a necessity (94%).
- C. Additional parklands and trails should be acquired and opened for use by Solano County residents (80%).
- D. The public is not yet willing to support a sales tax measure that would provide funding to support expansion or maintenance of recreational lands (25.5% likely, potential up to 36%). Support for some form of a parcel tax was less (22% likely, 31% potential).
- E. The public would encourage County officials to continue to explore options for creating an integrated regional parks and open space system (78%).
- F. Should a district be considered, the public prefers to have the Board of Supervisors or a combination of the Board and appointees from public agencies included in the district to serve as Directors (55%).

Based on the survey results, the Board directed staff to move forward with the technical analysis toward the formation of a dependent regional parks and open space system. The County contracted with a firm, SCI Consulting Group, to provide technical analysis and recommendations relating to the formation of a district. SCI recommended that the County consider the formation of a dependent Regional Parks and Open Space District (Regional District) utilizing special

legislation. The special legislation was recommended because it provides a process to allow the legislation to be crafted to meet the more local objectives of Solano County. The primary factors that prompted the need for special legislation are the elimination of the power of eminent domain (otherwise allowed under the principal statute) and to allow the district to initially be created as a dependent district with the Board of Supervisors, acting ex officio, as the district's Governing Board. The legislation provides the flexibility for the district to transition to an independently elected Board in the future.

On December 13, 2016, the Board passed a resolution, directing staff to move forward and pursue special legislation for a dependent Regional District, with the objective of ultimately increasing and enhancing public access to regional park areas in Solano County.

**Discussion:**

**Current Status:** Since December, staff worked with County Counsel and Senator Bill Dodd's office to finalize the text of the draft legislation (attached). Staff has also met with all the City Managers in the County, over the course of the last six months, to discuss the process and get feedback from each of the managers.

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The legislation was introduced by Senator Dodd on February 14, 2017 (SB 365). It is co-sponsored by Assembly members Tim Grayson and Jim Frazier.

It is important to note that the special legislation is just an initial step in working toward the formation of a district. Should the legislation pass, an administrative plan will need to be developed and methods for financing the district will need to be analyzed. The County intends to conduct public surveys to gauge public support of a parcel tax measure (\$8 - \$20 per year) to help fund the district. The County will also increase public information and outreach regarding the district formation process. Once the administrative and financing plan have been developed and the surveys have been completed, the Board of Supervisors will still need to approve a resolution to place the formation of the district on a ballot. The district can be formed with a majority vote whereas any parcel tax would be categorized as a "special tax" and would require a 2/3 vote.

At this juncture, the County is asking the CCCC's to express its support of the initial step of passing the special legislation which will allow the process to unfold and continue. A draft letter is attached for the CCCC's review.

**Recommendation:**

Accept a status report relating to the County's efforts to introduce special legislation to enable the formation of a dependent Regional Parks and Open Space District in Solano County; Authorize issuance of a letter of support for Senate Bill 365.

**Attachments**

- (1) Identification and Assessment of Potential Regional Park and Open Spaces in Solano County
- (2) Legislative Counsel Digest
- (3) Regional Parks Letter to Senator Dodd

# **IDENTIFICATION AND ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE PROPERTIES IN SOLANO COUNTY**

*Prepared for,*  
**Solano County Board of Supervisors**

**Solano County Department  
of Resource Management**

**December 2015**



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## **IDENTIFICATION AND ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE PROPERTIES IN SOLANO COUNTY**

### **Introduction**

Recent research has indicated that the residents of Solano County are receptive to the idea of parks and open spaces as being an important factor in the measurement of their quality of life. The residents have shown that they understand the health and economic benefits of having access to more parks and open spaces and are supportive of increasing the levels of access currently found within the county. This document serves to identify and provide assessment of existing and potential parks and open space locations within Solano County.

The diversity of the County's geography makes the prospect for a regional park system both interesting and desirable as it is a factor in the variety of outdoor recreational activities pursued in the County; from bird watching to personal watercraft use, mountain biking to disc golf, picnicking to sport fishing, the desire to recreate outdoors is abundant, this document identifies the range of resources existing within the County that provide for the range of recreational opportunities that residents seem to undertake.

There is already a baseline for a regional parks system in the County with regional type parks and open spaces between cities and the unincorporated area. Examples of these include Lake Solano County Park, Sandy Beach County Park, and Rockville Hills Park. Other lands, such as Rockville Trails Preserve and the Vallejo Swett Ranch Open Space are operated by the SLT and are permanently preserved, but they have limited or no public access due to lack of funding to improve, maintain, and safely operate.

Costs to adequately fund and operate larger properties typical of a regional parks system can be burdensome to smaller jurisdictions and entities. There are economies of scale that make a consolidated, integrated system a natural consideration as additional growth in the County makes such a system a more feasible and desirable element of the larger Solano County community.

As a result, the County is investigating ways to consolidate parks and open space management at a regional level. A necessary step in this analysis is to understand the various open space and park lands that could be included in a regional park system and to determine what the needs are for these areas in order to keep them open to the public or to make these areas available to the public if not currently open. This Assessment looks at a range of properties (generally already owned by public and semi-public entities) in the County that could potentially be included in a regional parks and open space system and evaluates infrastructure and maintenance requirements.

The properties are divided into tiers as follows;

**Tier 1** properties are currently managed by Solano County Parks and Recreation;

**Tier 2** properties are currently managed by Solano Land Trust which could potentially be operated by Solano County Parks and Recreation, similar to current management of Lynch Canyon Open Space;

**Tier 3** properties represent properties managed by public or semi-public entities in the County that share characteristics commonly associated with parks and open spaces.

## ***Projected Properties***

### **Parks and Open Space**

#### **Tier**

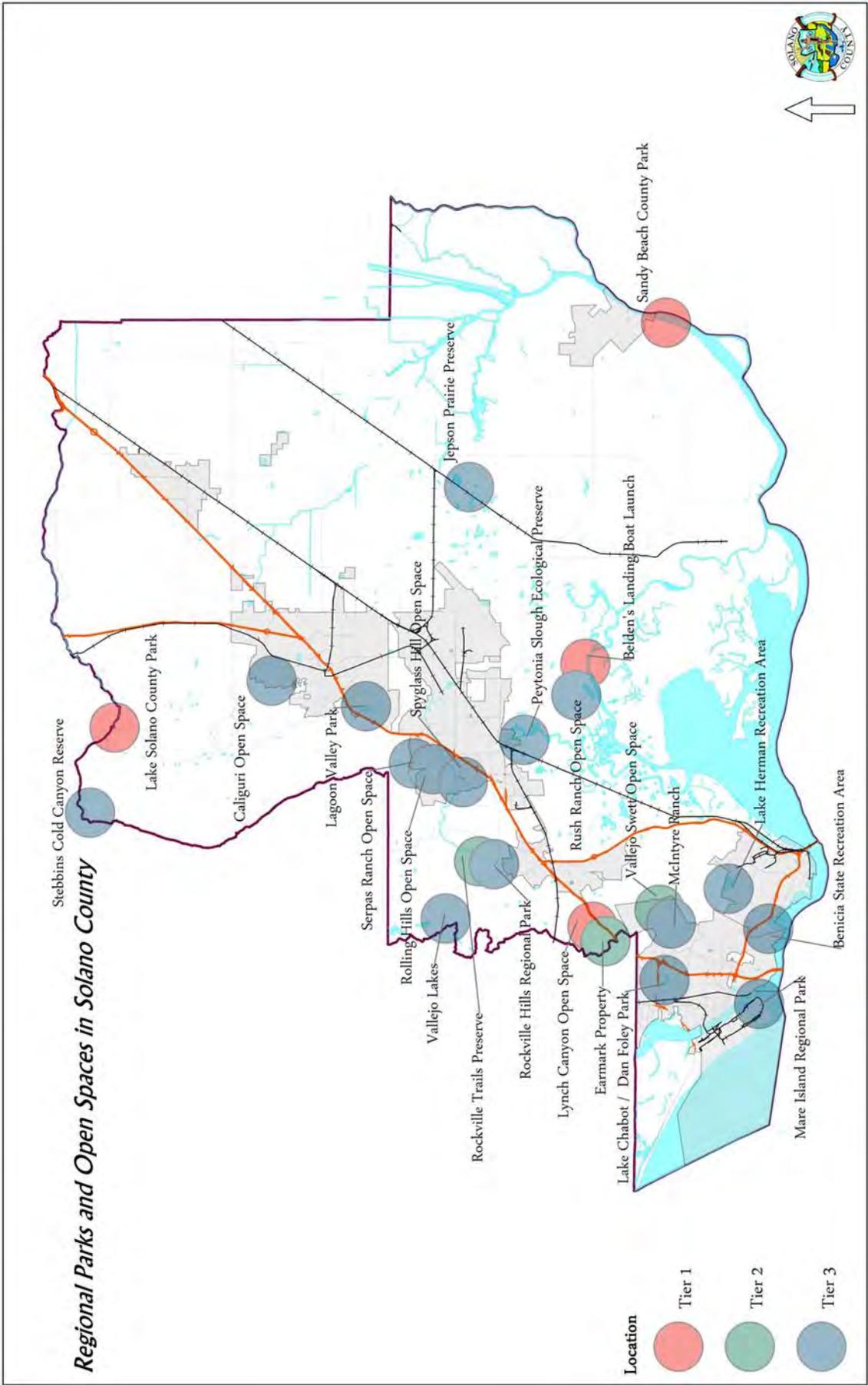
- 1** Sandy Beach County Park
- 1** Lake Solano County Park
- 1** Belden's Landing Boat Launch Facility
- 1** Lynch Canyon Open Space
- 2** Earmark Property
- 2** Vallejo Swett Open Space
- 2** Rockville Trails Preserve
- 3** Lagoon Valley Park \ Lagoon Valley Open Spaces
- 3** Lake Herman Recreation Area
- 3** McIntyre Ranch
- 3** Mare Island Regional Park
- 3** Benicia State Recreation Area
- 3** Lake Chabot / Dan Foley Park
- 3** Caligiuri Open Space / Glen Eagle Open Space
- 3** Serpas Ranch Open Space / Rolling Hills Open Space
- 3** Spyglass Hill Open Space
- 3** Rockville Hills Regional Park
- 3** Vallejo Lakes
- 3** Peytonia Slough Ecological Preserve
- 3** Rush Ranch Open Space
- 3** Jepson Prairie Preserve
- 3** Stebbins Cold Canyon Reserve

### **Total Acreage by Tier**

**Tier 1 1,254**

**Tier 2 3,924**

**Tier 3 14,097**



## Tier 1 and Tier 2 Identified Projects

TIER	LOCATION	PROPERTY OWNER	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED COSTS
1	Sandy Beach 30 acres	Army Corps of Engineers	campsite electrical upgrade	\$ 250,000.00
			plant vegetation border / plant trees in day use and campground	\$ 15,000.00
			repave campground	\$ 800,000.00
			restripe day use and launch lots	\$ 7,000.00
			playground installation	\$ 75,000.00
			install new horseshoe pits	\$ 1,000.00
			new shower building	\$ 260,000.00
			ADA improvements	\$ 415,000.00
				<b>\$ 1,823,000.00</b>
1	Lake Solano 178 acres	Bureau of Reclamation	repave campground	\$ 1,000,000.00
			Campsite electrical upgrade	\$ 320,000.00
			payment machine	\$ 20,000.00
			ADA Improvements	\$ 1,243,000.00
			youth area / Day Use Bridge	\$ 420,000.00
				<b>\$ 3,003,000.00</b>
1	Belden's Landing 7 acres	Department of Fish and Wildlife	gravel perimeter of boundary fence	\$ 10,000.00
			repave parking lot	\$ 150,000.00
			make ADA changes to fishing pier	\$ 240,000.00
			install fishing pole holders / bait cutting boards	\$ 10,000.00
				<b>\$ 410,000.00</b>
1	Lynch Canyon 1039 acres	Solano Land Trust	ADA Improvements	\$ 96,000.00
			shade structure	\$ 180,000.00
<b>Tier 1 1254 acres</b>				<b>\$ 276,000.00</b>
2	Earmark Property 264 acres	Solano Land Trust	vault toilet	\$ 25,000.00
			trail creation	\$ 50,000.00
			staging area	\$ 200,000.00
				<b>\$ 275,000.00</b>
2	Vallejo Swett 906 acres	Solano Land Trust	staging area	\$ 290,000.00
			trail building	\$ 210,000.00
			signage	\$ 5,000.00
				\$ -
				<b>\$ 505,000.00</b>
2	Rockville Trails Preserve 1500 acres	Solano Land Trust	staging area /	\$ 600,000.00
			walking bridge to Rockville Hills Regional Park	\$ 700,000.00
			trail network	\$ 100,000.00
			signage	\$ 2,500.00
<b>Tier 2 3924 acres Total</b>				<b>\$ 1,402,500.00</b>
<b>CIP Total</b>				<b>\$ 7,694,500.00</b>

# Sandy Beach County

## Park

**Owner:**  
United States  
Army Corps of Engineers

**Operator:**  
Solano County Parks  
and Recreation

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
108,000 people

**Acres:** 30



### Park Features

- 42 campsites (water and electric)
- 24 hour Boat Launch
- 1/4 mile beach access (water activities range from shore fishing, sunbathing, playing in the water, boating, and Personal Watercraft use)
- Restrooms (3)
- Shower Building (1)

### Site Opportunities and Constraints

- Adjacent to waste water treatment facility
- Adjacent to Army Corps. dredging deposit site
- Resident Ranger

### Planned Improvements

Park improvements including: campsite electrical upgrades, repair of damaged asphalt, playground installation, a new shower building, natural resource and habitat enhancements, and making needed accessibility improvements are projected to cost \$1,800,000.

**Tier 1**

# Lake Solano County Park

## Winters

**Owner:**  
United States  
Bureau of  
Reclamation

**Operator:**  
Solano County Parks  
and Recreation

**Operational Status**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
70,000 people

**Acres:** 178



**Tier 1**

### Park Features

- 70 campsites (36 water and electric , 24 primitive)
- Youth Group Area
- Kayak, canoe launch access
- 6 creek access areas
- Restrooms (9)
- Shower Building (1)
- Nature Center
- Rentable spaces in Day Use

### Site Opportunities and Constraints

- Water flow of creek controlled by Solano Irrigation District
- Possible neighboring property connection
- Resident Ranger

### Planned Improvements

Park improvements including: campsite electrical upgrades, repair of damaged asphalt, playground installation, a bridge connecting the day use and youth camp , natural resource and habitat enhancements, and making needed accessibility improvements are projected to cost \$3,003,000.

# Belden's Landing Boat

## Launch

**Owner:**  
State of California  
Department of  
Fish and Wildlife

**Operator:**  
Solano County  
Parks  
and Recreation

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
18,000 people



### Tier 1

#### Park Features

- 24 Hour Boat Launch Access
- 24 Hour Fishing Pier Access
- Restrooms (1)

#### Site Opportunities and Constraints

- Service Point for Montezuma Bridge Electrical
- Remote location

#### Planned Improvements

Park improvements including: repair of damaged asphalt, natural resource and habitat enhancements, Install bait cutting stations and fishing rod holders and making needed accessibility improvements are projected to cost \$410,000.

# Lynch Canyon Open Space

## Fairfield/Vallejo

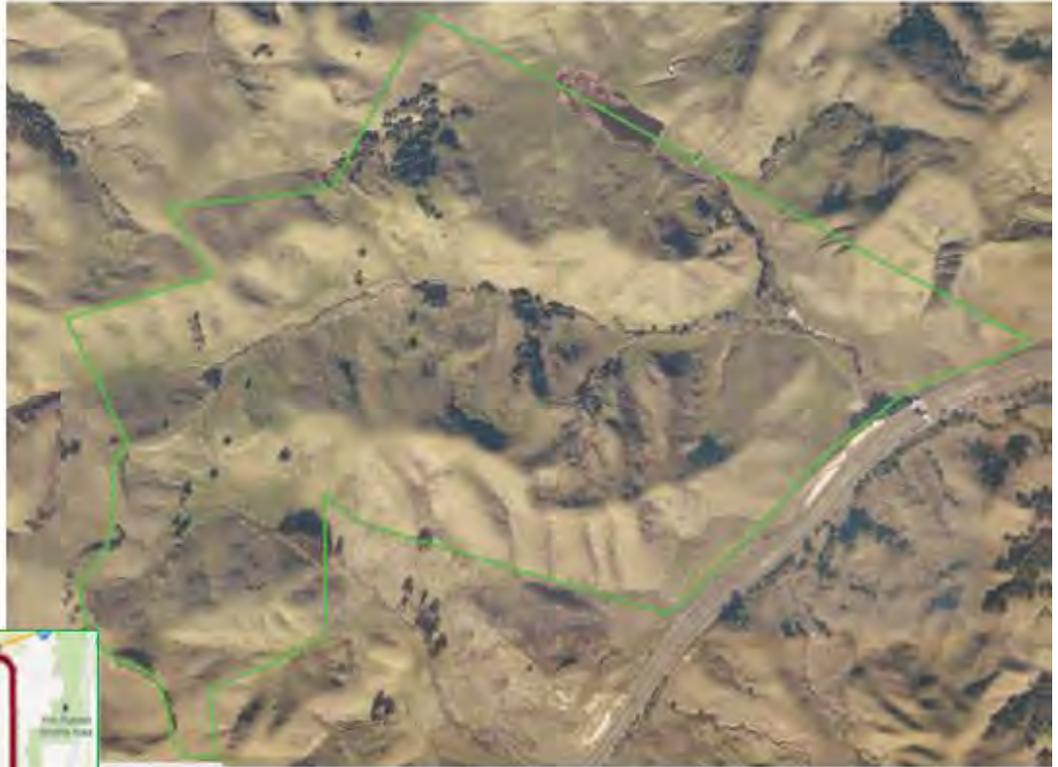
**Owner:**  
Solano Land Trust

**Operator:**  
Solano County Parks  
and Recreation

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
2,200 people

**Acres:** 1039



### Park Features

- 9 Miles of Multi Use trails
- Restrooms (1)

### Site Opportunities and Constraints

- Possible connection to neighboring properties
- Passive boundary with Newell Open Space

### Planned Improvements

Park projects include shade structure and accessibility improvements projected to cost \$276,000.

**Tier 1**

# Earmark Property

## Fairfield/Vallejo

Owner:  
N/A

Operator:  
N/A

Operational Status:  
N/A

Usage annually:  
N/A

Acres: 264



**Tier 2**

### Park Features

-Undeveloped open space

### Site Opportunities and Constraints

-Possible connection to neighboring properties  
-Freeway adjacent  
-Not currently under operation

### Planned Improvements

Park improvements include a staging area, restroom, trail network creation and signage projected to cost \$275,000.

# Vallejo Swett Open Space

## Vallejo

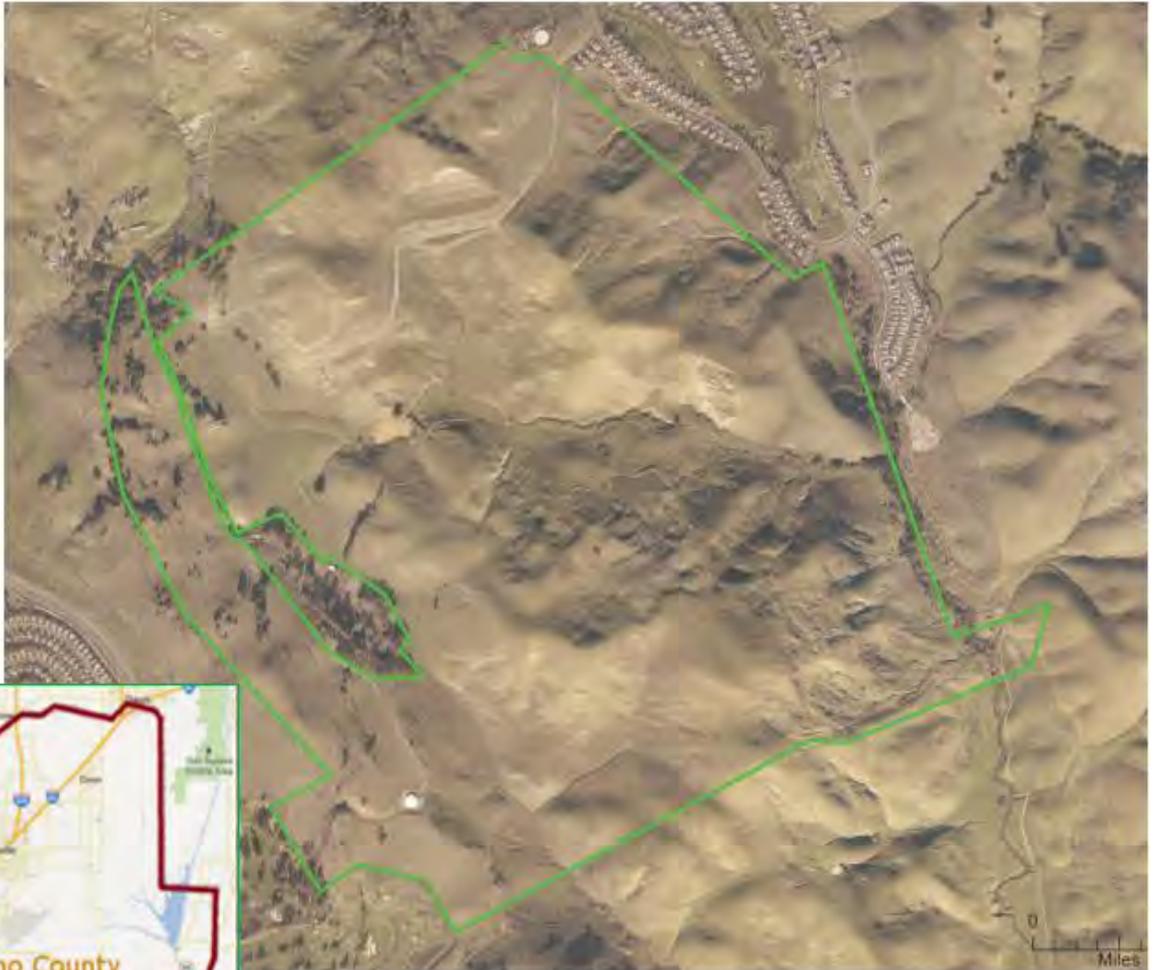
**Owner:**  
Solano Land Trust

**Operator:**  
Solano Land Trust

**Operational Status:**  
Docent Led Access

**Usage annually:**  
121

**Acres:** 906



**Tier 2**

### **Park Features**

- Access from Blue Rock Springs Park
- Undeveloped open space

### **Site Opportunities and Constraints**

- Two access points
- Possible connection to neighboring properties

### **Planned Improvements**

Park projects include a staging area, trail network construction and signage projected to cost \$505,000.

# Rockville Trails Preserve

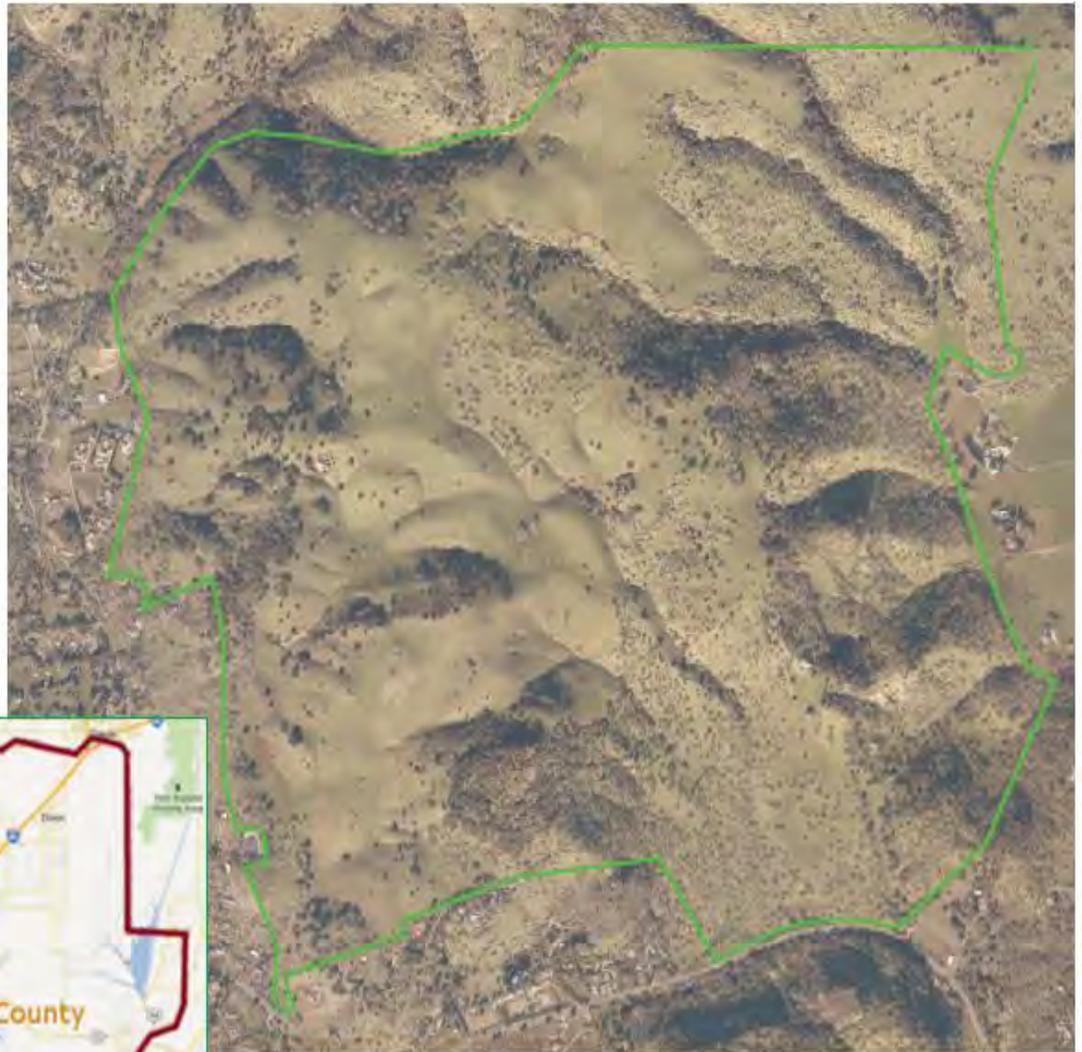
**Owner:**  
Solano Land Trust

**Operator:**  
Solano Land Trust

**Operational Status:**  
Docent Led Access

**Usage annually:**  
480

**Acres:** 1500



**Tier 2**

## Park Features

- Undeveloped open space
- Hiking trails

## Site Opportunities and Constraints

- Possible connection to a neighboring property (Rockville Hills Regional Park)

## Planned Improvements

Park projects include a staging area with restrooms, trail network construction, pedestrian crossing point to connect to Rockville Hills Regional Park, and signage projected to cost \$1.4 million.

# Lagoon Valley Park / Lagoon

## Valley Open Spaces

### Vacaville

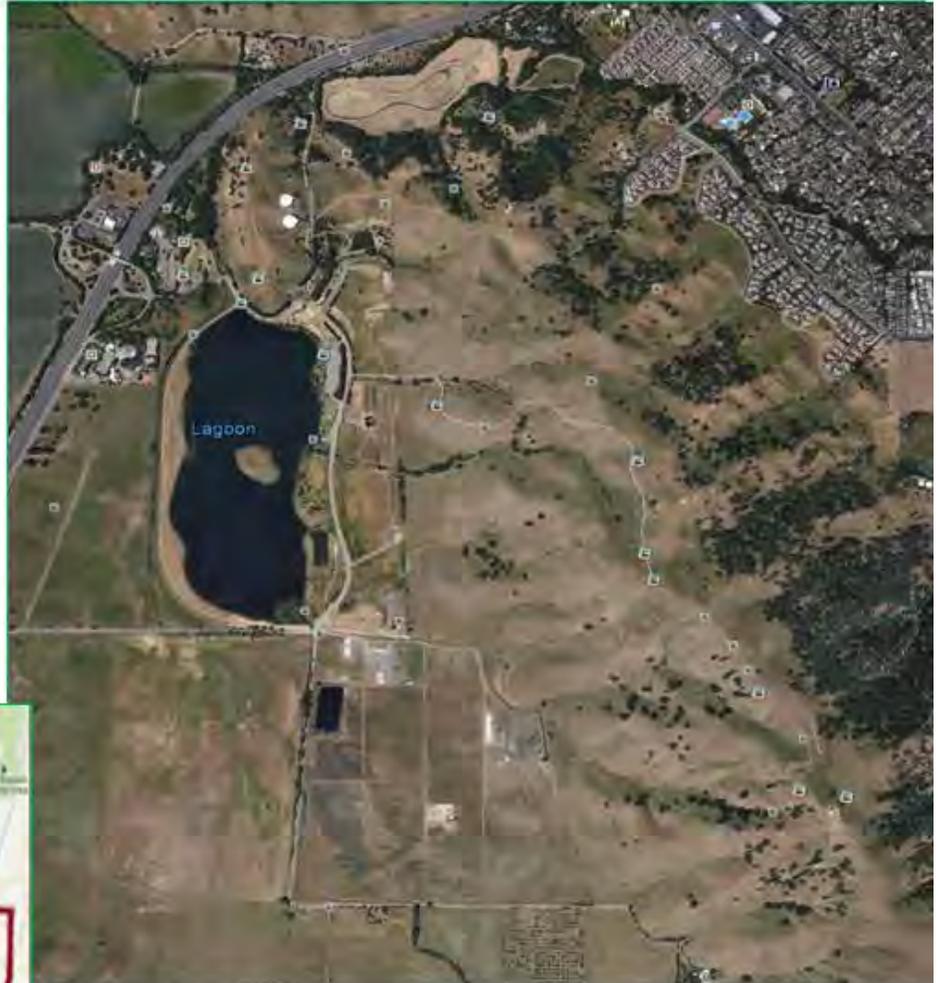
**Owner:**  
City of Vacaville

**Operator:**  
City of Vacaville

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
Not tracked

**Acres:** 1445



**Tier 3**

#### Park Features

- Multiuse parkland
- Dog park
- Disc golf course
- Multiuse trail network

#### Site Opportunities and Constraints

- Pena Adobe is within the property
- Lagoon is heavily sedimented requiring the lagoon to be rehabilitated.

#### Planned Improvements

Park projects include: rehabilitating the paving throughout the park, constructing an entrance Kiosk, and signage projected to cost \$1 million.

# Lake Herman Recreation Area

## Benicia

**Owner:**  
City of Benicia

**Operator:**  
Benicia Parks and  
Community Services

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
Not tracked

**Acres:** 577



## Tier 3

### Park Features

- 50 acre reservoir
- Hiking, fishing, picking
- Restroom (3) at neighboring Community Park
- Restroom (2 portable toilets) at the north access point

### Site Considerations

- Access from Community Park
- Connection to a neighboring property

### Planned Improvements

Park Projects include trail design and construction, and signage projected to cost \$50,000.

# McIntyre Ranch

## Vallejo

**Owner:**  
Greater Vallejo  
Recreation District

**Operator:**  
Greater Vallejo  
Recreation District

**Operational Status:**  
Special Event access only

**Usage annually:**  
N/A

**Acres:** 24



## Tier 3

### Park Features

- Ranchland open space

### Site Considerations

- Possible connection to a neighboring properties
- Possible operations point for Vallejo area open spaces

### Planned Improvements

Park Projects include replace existing water holding tank for larger capacity tank, installation of restroom, and restorative work on the historic barn projected to cost \$215,000.

# Mare Island Regional Park

## Vallejo

**Owner:**  
City of Vallejo

**Operator:**  
City of Vallejo /  
Mare Island Heritage Trust

**Operational Status:**  
Open Friday-Sunday,  
Holidays

**Usage annually:**  
Not Tracked

**Acres:** 250



**Tier 3**

### Park Features

- Hiking trails
- Restrooms (1)

### Site Opportunities and Constraints

- Possible increase of property size as rehabilitated land is made available by US Navy
- National Cemetery within park
- Multiple structures need to be assessed for use or removal

### Planned Improvements

**Park projects include: staging area rehabilitation nature center updates and signage projected to cost \$500,000.**

# Benicia State Recreation Area

## Benicia

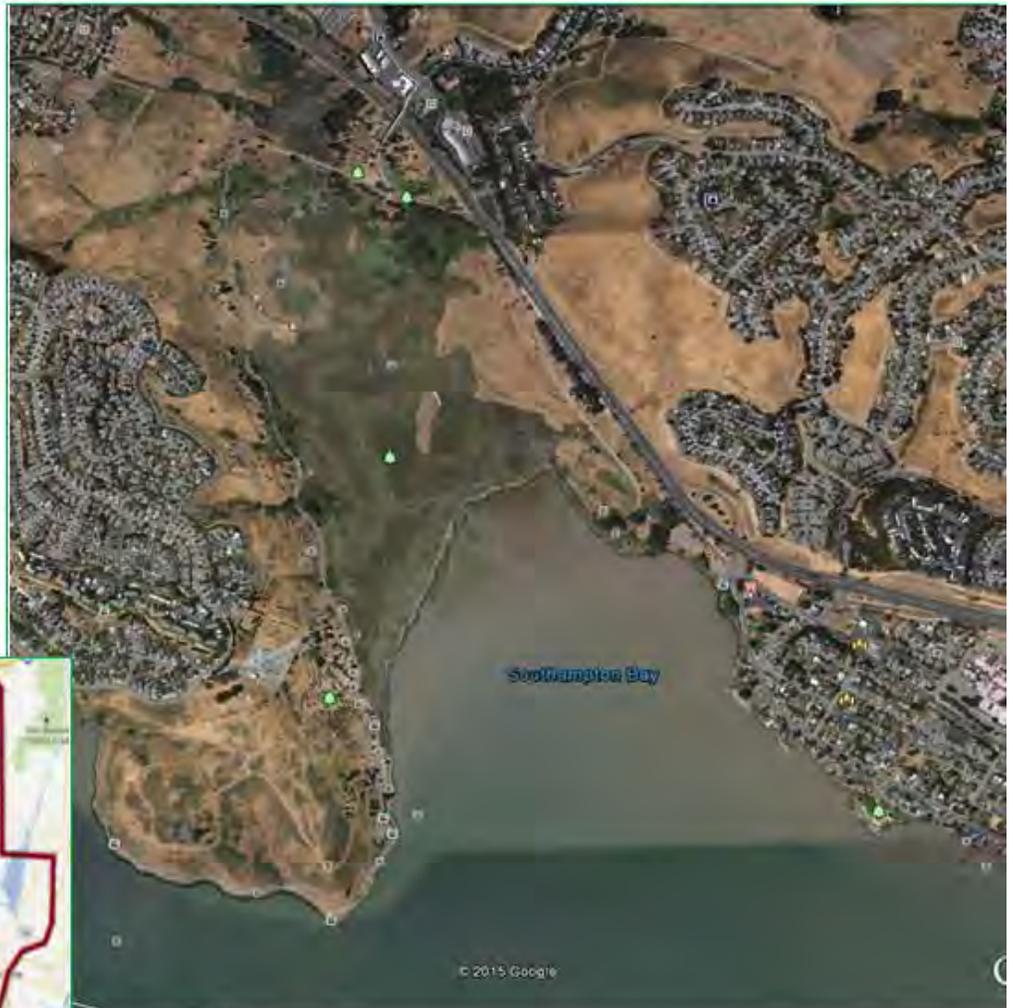
**Owner:**  
State of California

**Operator:**  
California State Parks

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
N/A

**Acres:** 447



**Tier 3**

### Park Features

- Enroute campsites (3)
- Native Demonstration Garden
- 2 1/2 miles of roads/ trails for hiking and biking
- Restrooms (1)

### Site Considerations

- Bathroom at end of park needs rehabilitation or removal.
- Bay Area Ridge Trail segments connect in park

### Planned Improvements

Park projects include removal or restoration of restroom structure, rehabilitate road and parking lots, create multiuse roadside trail, installation of fee payment machine and signage projected to cost \$285,000.

# Lake Chabot / Dan Foley Park

## Vallejo

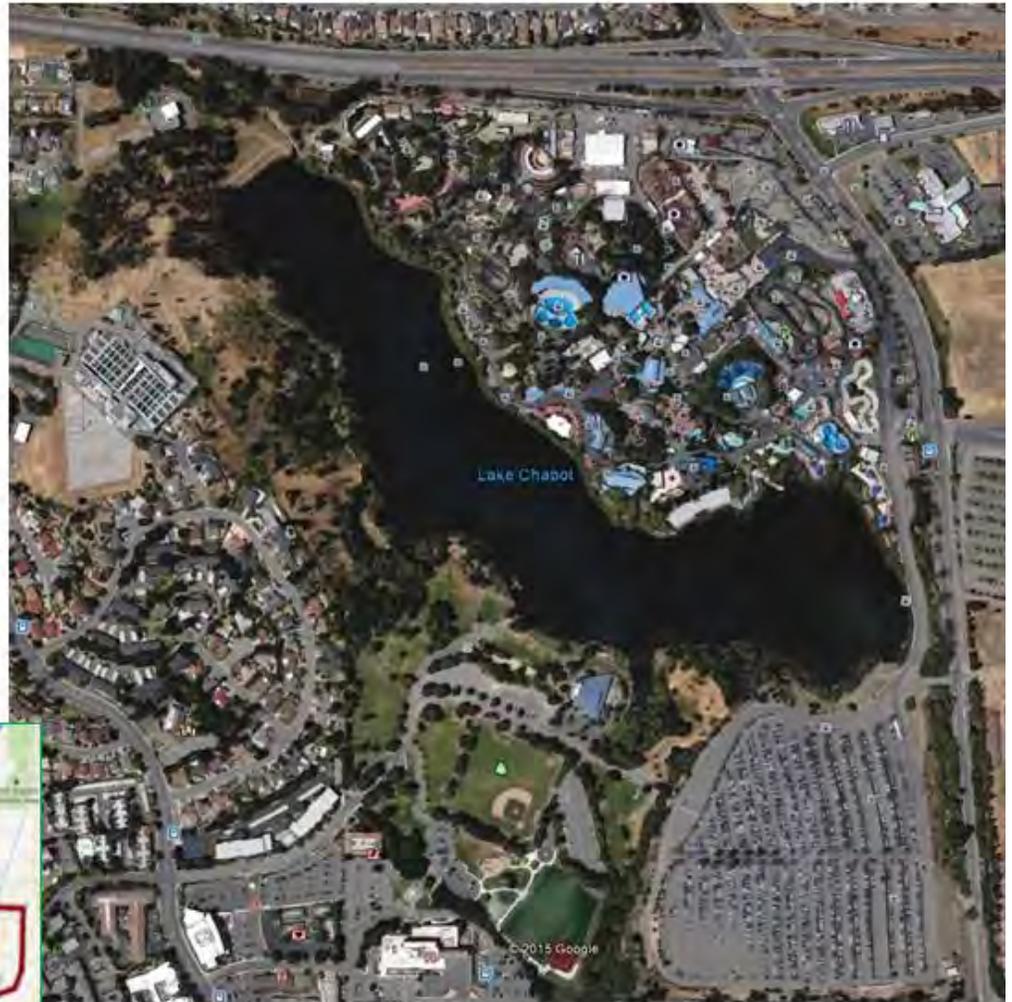
**Owner:**  
GVRD

**Operator:**  
GVRD

**Operational Status:**  
Open Daily

**Usage annually:**  
N/A

**Acres:** 60



## Tier 3

### Park Features

- Water access
- Fishing
- Sports Fields
- Community Center
- Rentable spaces

### Site Opportunities and Constraints

- Adjacent to Six Flags Discovery Kingdom
- Freeway adjacent
- Multi use park, sports fields to passive lakefront recreation

### Planned Improvements

Park improvements include: Trail design and installation, ADA Improvements, trail corridor Improvements. \$200,000

# Caligiuri Open Space /Glen Eagle

## Open Space

**Owner:**  
City of Vacaville

**Operator:**  
City of Vacaville

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
Not tracked

**Acres:** 489



**Tier 3**

### Park Features

-Undeveloped open space

### Site Considerations

-Curb parking, multiple access points  
-Trail network consists of social trails, no planned trail network

### Planned Improvements

Park projects include trail design and building, and signage projected to cost \$305,000.

# Serpas Ranch Open Space / Rolling Hills Open Space

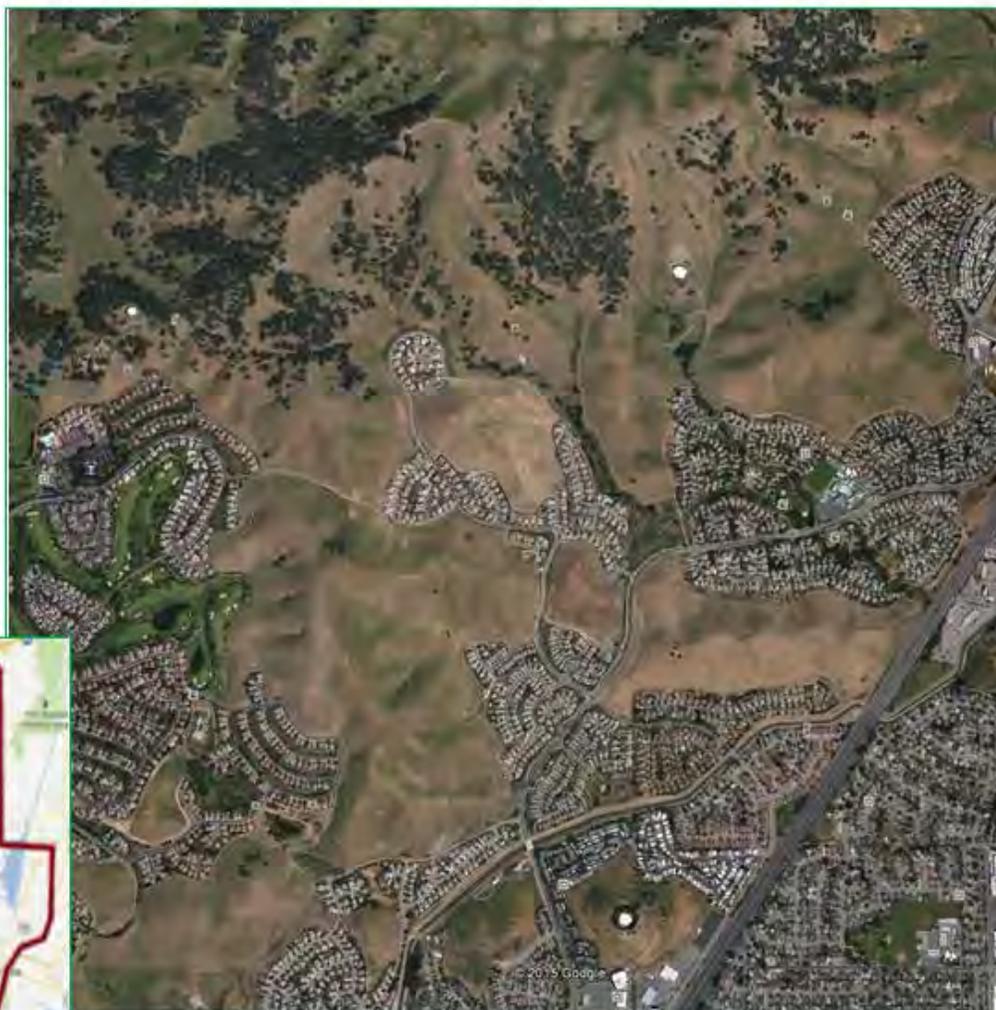
**Owner:**  
City of Fairfield

**Operator:**  
Fairfield Parks and Open Space

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
Not tracked

**Acres:** 703



**Tier 3**

## **Park Features**

- Undeveloped Open space

## **Site Considerations**

-Possible connection to a neighboring property  
-Parking lot

## **Planned Improvements**

Park projects include trail design and building, and signage projected to cost \$170,000.

# Spyglass Hill Open Space

## Fairfield

**Owner:**  
City of Fairfield

**Operator:**  
Fairfield Parks and Open Space

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
Not tracked

**Acres:** 25



**Tier 3**

### **Park Features**

-Undeveloped open space

### **Site Considerations**

-Property is land locked by neighborhood

### **Planned Improvements**

-Park projects include trail design and building, and signage projected to cost \$5,000.

# Rockville Hills Regional Park

## Fairfield

**Owner:**  
City of Fairfield

**Operator:**  
Fairfield Parks and Open Space

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
Not Tracked

**Acres:** 630



**Tier 3**

### Park Features

- Multiuse regional parkland
- Restrooms (1)
- established and heavily trafficked system of approx. 30 miles of trail

### Site Considerations

- Possible connection to a neighboring property

### Planned Improvements

Park projects include trail design and building, and signage projected to cost \$100,000.

# Vallejo Lakes

## Fairfield

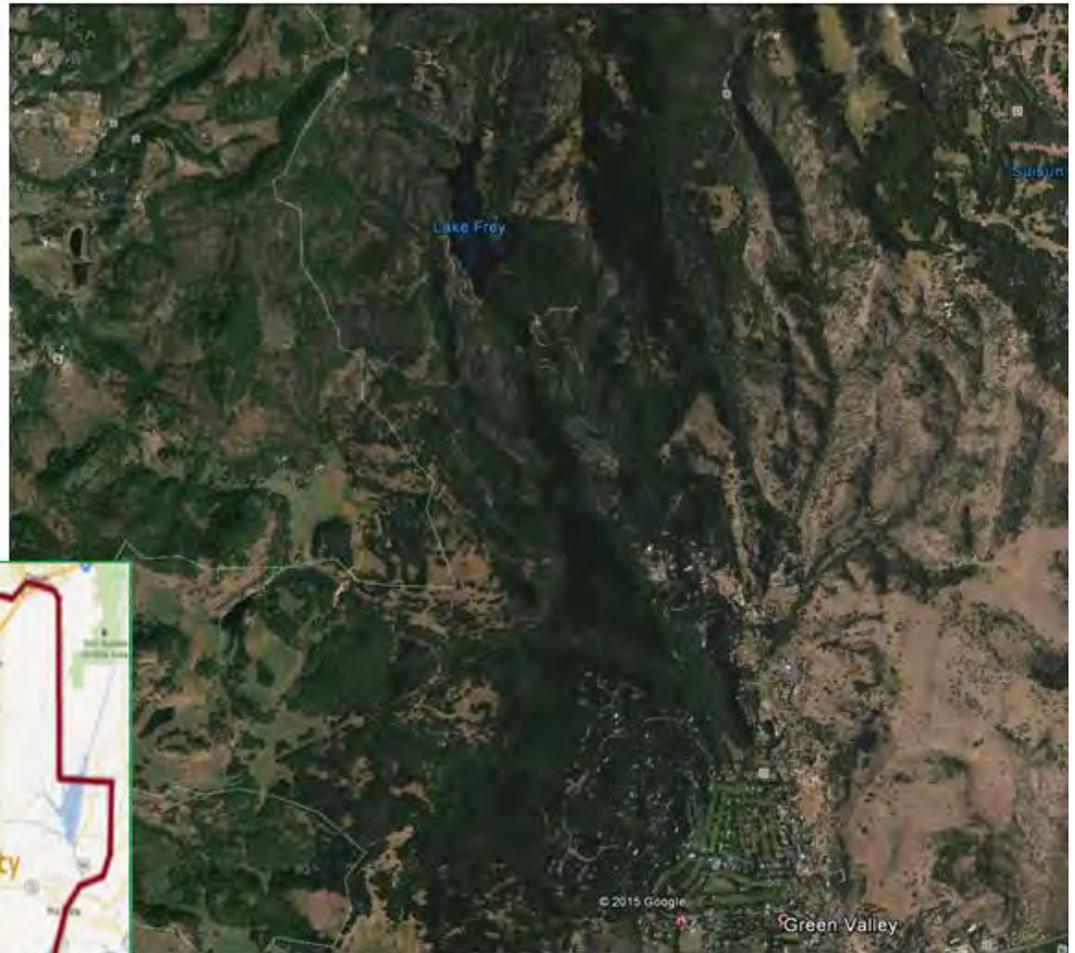
**Owner:**  
City of Vallejo

**Operator:**  
City of Vallejo

**Operational Status:**  
Docent led Hikes only

**Usage annually:**  
N/A

**Acres:** 1100



**Tier 3**

### Park Features

- Undeveloped open space
- Protected water source

### Site Considerations

- Soft boundary shared with Newell Open Space Preserve
- Possible connection to a neighboring property

### Planned Improvements

Park projects include trail rehabilitation, staging area improvements and signage projected to cost \$80,000.

# Peytonia Slough Ecological Preserve

## Suisun

**Owner:**  
State of California

**Operator:**  
Dept. Fish and Wildlife

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
Not tracked

**Acres:** 117



**Tier 3**

### **Park Features**

-Marshland hiking trails

### **Site Considerations**

-Connection to a neighboring property with boat launch and restroom

### **Planned Improvements**

Park projects include signage and trail improvements projected to cost \$10,000

# Rush Ranch Open Space

**Owner:**  
Solano Land Trust

**Operator:**  
Solano Land Trust

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round

**Usage annually:**  
13,052

**Acres:** 2070



**Tier 3**

## Park Features

- 2,070 acres of marsh and grassland
- Nature Center
- 7 miles of hiking trails
- Historic barn, Sears home
- Restrooms (1)

## Site Considerations

- Nature Center and Residence works entirely off the grid
- Access Adventure onsite

## Planned Improvements

Park projects include boardwalk and interpretive displays and kiosks, upgrades to staging areas, bus turn around area, expanded picnic area, trail design and building, upgrades to the off grid electrical system, and ADA improvements projected to cost \$1million.

# Jepson Prairie Preserve

## Vacaville

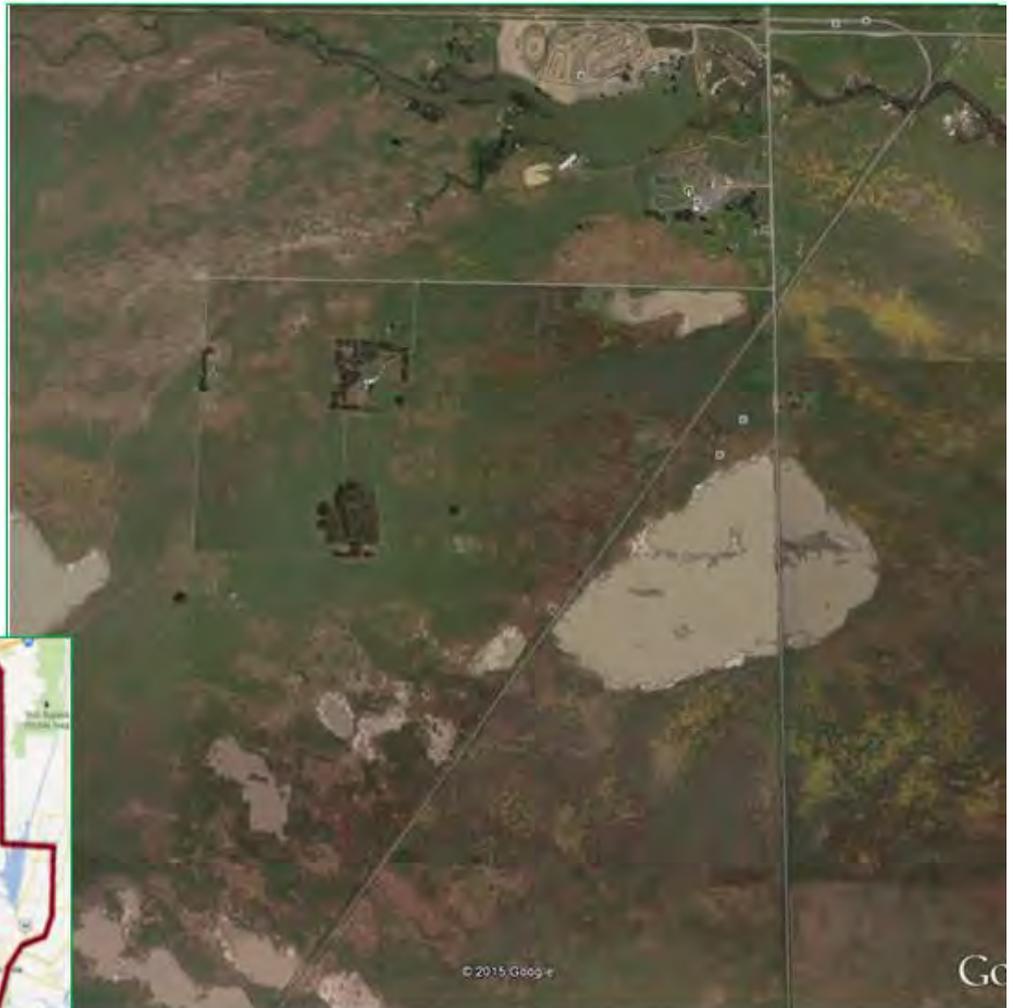
**Owner:**  
Solano Land Trust

**Operator:**  
Solano Land Trust

**Operational Status:**  
Limited Access  
Docent led tours

**Usage annually:**  
559

**Acres:** 1566



**Tier 3**

### **Park Features**

-Preservation land

### **Site Considerations**

-UC Davis Natural Reserve System

### **Planned Improvements**

Park improvements to include upgrades to the staging area, picnic area, outdoor classroom seating installation and interpretive displays projected to cost \$200,000.

# Stebbins Cold Canyon Reserve

## Berryessa

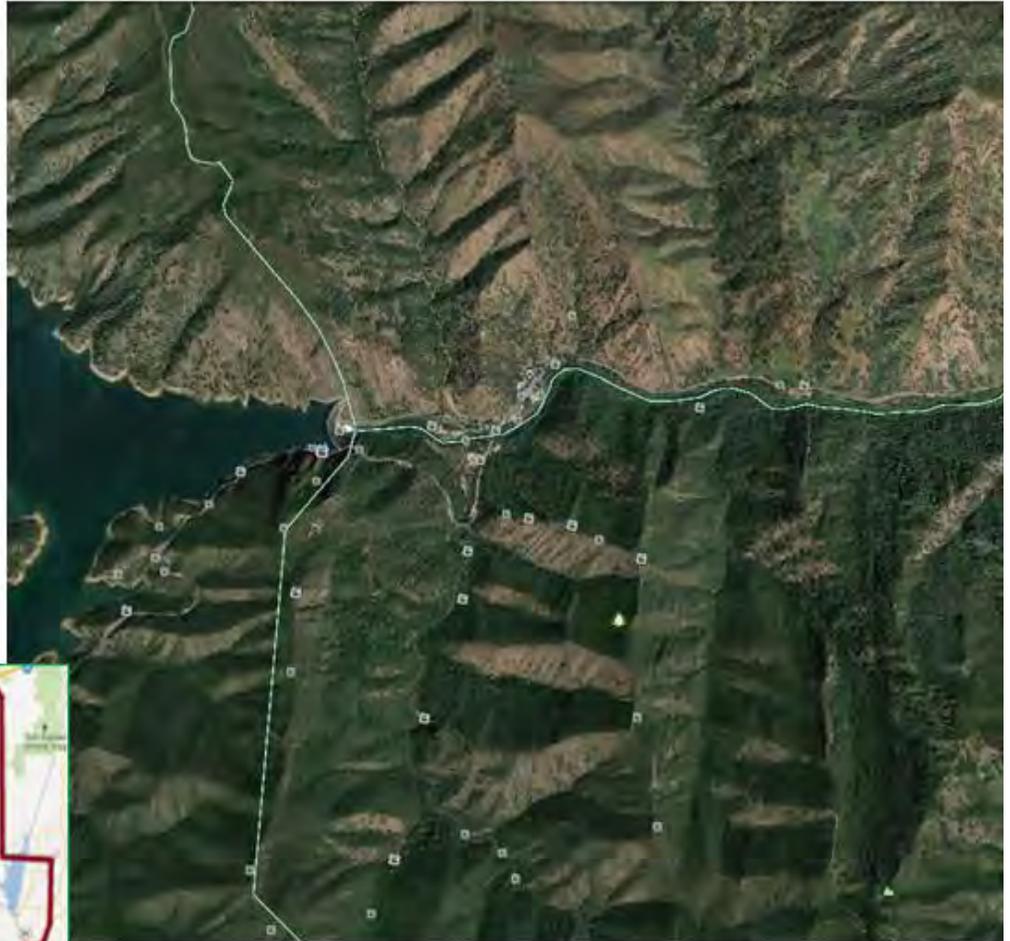
**Owner:**  
UC NRS

**Operator:**  
UC Davis

**Operational Status:**  
Open year round  
\* Currently closed until  
May 2016 due to extreme  
fire damage

**Usage annually:**  
45,000

**Acres:** 670



**Tier 3**

### **Park Features**

-Open space and small trail network

### **Site Considerations**

-Access from lot across Hwy 128

### **Planned Improvements**

Park improvements include staging area construction, trail design and building, and habitat restoration projected to cost \$750,000.

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## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Bill No.

as introduced, Dodd.

General Subject: Regional park and open-space districts: County of Solano.

Existing law authorizes proceedings for the formation of a regional park and open-space or regional open-space district in specified counties in the state to be initiated by resolution of the county board of supervisors adopted after a noticed hearing, and specifies the contents of the resolution.

This bill, in addition, would authorize the formation of a regional district in the County of Solano to be initiated by resolution of the county board of supervisors after a noticed hearing. The bill would specify the contents of the resolution, including the calling of an election, as prescribed.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.



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An act to add Section 5506.13 to the Public Resources Code, relating to parks.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. (a) There is increasing interest in preserving the natural and open-space areas of the County of Solano and in creating opportunities for public access to these areas for hiking and other recreational activities.

(b) Formation of a regional park and open-space district or regional open-space district in the County of Solano is critically needed to help address the unresolved needs in the Solano County area with respect to the preservation of open-space and natural areas and the enhancement of regional parks and recreation facilities, including regional trail connections to the greater San Francisco Bay area.

SEC. 2. Section 5506.13 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:

5506.13. (a) A proceeding for the formation of a regional district in the County of Solano may be initiated by resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Solano, adopted after a hearing noticed in accordance with Section 6064 of the Government Code, in lieu of the petition and related proceedings specified in this article.

(b) The resolution shall do all of the following:

(1) Name the proposed regional district and state the reasons for forming it.

(2) Specify that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Solano shall act, ex officio, as the governing body for the regional district, except as provided in paragraph (8). The provisions of this article pertaining to district directors do not apply, and all powers and authority of the regional district shall be vested in the board of supervisors in its capacity as the governing body of the regional district, unless a separate board is elected pursuant to paragraph (8).



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(3) Describe the territory to be included in the regional district.

(4) Describe the methods by which the regional district will be financed.

(5) Specify that the district shall not have, and may not exercise, the power of eminent domain pursuant to Section 5542 or any other law.

(6) (A) Call and give notice of an election to be held in the proposed regional district for the purpose of determining whether the regional district shall be formed. The election shall be consolidated with a statewide election or any election conducted throughout the County of Solano.

(B) Notwithstanding Section 5518, the County Counsel of the County of Solano shall prepare the language in the ballot label. The proposition shall specify the matters set forth in the resolution, except for subparagraph (A). The analysis and review of the measure shall be carried out pursuant to Section 9160 of the Elections Code.

(7) Include any other matters necessary to the formation of the proposed regional district.

(8) Specify all of the following:

(A) No sooner than 10 years after formation of the regional district, the directors may, after holding a hearing, adopt a resolution placing the question of having an elected board of directors pursuant to Section 5527 on the ballot. Notice of the hearing on the resolution, specifying the time and place, shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the district.

(B) If a majority of the voters voting upon the question are in favor, the regional district shall have an elected board of directors, with boundaries of the proposed wards or subdistricts being drawn pursuant to Section 5515. At the election, the voters shall



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also elect members to the regional district's board of directors. Those persons shall take office only if a majority of the voters voting upon the question of having an elected board of directors are in favor of the question.

(C) If the question is submitted to the voters at a general district election, the notice required by Section 12112 of the Elections Code shall contain a statement of the question to appear on the ballot. If the question is submitted to the voters at a special election, the notice of election and ballot shall contain a statement of the question.

(c) The resolution calling the election may provide for a single ballot measure or separate ballot measures on the question of formation, establishment of an appropriations limit authorized by Section 4 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution, the authority to tax pursuant to Section 5566, and the authority to sell bonds pursuant to Section 5568, or any combination of those questions.

(d) (1) The formation of the regional district is not subject to Section 5517.1 or to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (Division 3 (commencing with Section 56000) of Title 5 of the Government Code).

(2) The district shall be formed if a majority of voters voting on the proposition vote in favor of formation of the regional district.

(e) If the regional district is created and established in the County of Solano, officers and employees of the County of Solano may act, ex officio or under contract, as officers and employees of the regional district and may discharge the authority and responsibility specified in the article.

(f) The County of Solano may provide the services and facilities needed to carry out the functions of the district. Proceeds of taxes levied by the district pursuant to



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Section 5566 may be used to reimburse the County of Solano for the actual costs of these services and facilities.

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March 9, 2017

Senator Bill Dodd  
3<sup>rd</sup> Senate District  
State Capitol, Room 5064  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Legislation for Solano County Regional Parks and Open Space District

Dear Senator Dodd,

I am writing this letter in my position of \_\_\_\_\_, representing the Solano City County Coordinating Council (CCCC), which is a local body made up of the Board of Supervisors and mayors from each city in Solano County. This letter is intended to express support of special legislation that would allow Solano County to take the next steps towards the formation of a Countywide Dependent Regional Parks and Open Space District. Formation of such a district is intended over time to facilitate greater public access to open spaces and hiking trails in the County.

Our understanding is that special legislation is necessary for the County to pursue a “Dependent” form of District with the potential for conversion to an “Independent” District at some point in the future. The special legislation also allows the County to exclude the potential for the District to utilize the powers of eminent domain which is otherwise provided for in the current state statutes and is a sensitive property rights issue in Solano County.

We also understand that this process may ultimately lead to placing a measure on the County wide ballot for the formation of the District. Any official CCCCs decision to support such a measure will ultimately be determined once details of the measure are further known and the level of public support is better understood.

At this stage in the process, the CCCCs supports the County’s efforts to initiate the special legislation and is looking forward to further discussion with the County as the process continues to evolve.

Sincerely,

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Name  
Title

**SOLANO**  
**City County Coordinating Council**  
**Staff Report**

**Meeting of. March 9, 2017**  
**Agenda Item No. V.3**

**Agency/Staff: Robert Macaulay, STA**  
**Robert Guerrero, STA**

**Title /Subject: Solano Flood Control and Sea Level Rise Forum**

**Background:**

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) contacted the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) to assist them in setting up a presentation on sea level rise impact scenarios, including mapping of impacted areas. Their request was to have a countywide forum for Solano County departments of public works, planning and hydrological experts to provide input on their 10 sea level rise scenarios. Subsequently, STA staff identified a Caltrans-led state planning effort on the same topic. These will have a potential impact on the emerging planning efforts on the SR 37 corridor, related to a Design Alternative Assessment that MTC and the four North Bay Transportation Authorities have initiated with a focus on flood protection, sea level rise and transportation improvements.

In addition, the County of Solano completed a Sea Level Rise Strategic Program document in 2011 and it is in various stages of implementation.

**Discussion:**

The request for a countywide meeting and presentation of the flood control and sea level rise discussion are timely given two upcoming Bay Area region funding opportunities and recent flooding that has resulted in closures on SR 37, SR 113 and I-80 during the months of January and February. The STA, in coordination with the County of Solano, scheduled a forum on March 7<sup>th</sup> with technical staff invited throughout the county to discuss these mapping and planning efforts by MTC, BCDC and the state. This will also provide an opportunity for the county to discuss the status of their Seal Level Rise Strategic Program and for the Cities, SCWA and STA to provide input as well.

Attachment A is draft agenda topics for the March 7<sup>th</sup> Solano Flood Control and Sea Level Rise Forum. The second attachment includes the list of confirmed forum attendees. STA staff will report to the 4Cs on the discussions that occur at the March 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

One of the issues that will require guidance as a follow-up which are agency or agencies best suited to take the lead in addressing this issue. There are potential impacts to transportation and flood control infrastructure, emergency management issues, and multiple agencies involved. A process and coordination for identifying and dealing with these issues will be an important follow-up step.

**Recommendation:**

Information.

Attachments:

- A. Solano Flood Control and Sea Level Rise Forum Draft Agenda Topics
- B. Confirmed Forum Attendees

**DRAFT AGENDA**  
**Solano Flood Control and Sea Level Rise Forum**  
1:30 p.m., March 7, 2017  
STA Conference Room 1  
One Harbor Center, Suite 130  
Suisun City, CA 94585

Tentative Discussion Topics

**Background:**

**1. 2011 County of Solano Sea Level Rise Strategic Program**

Comprehensive County SLR plan completed by the same consultants that MTC and BCDC hired for the SLR mapping scenarios.

Reference: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B2DiXZWI6HagcmlodzAwY3IzdjQ>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Discuss what strategies were implemented and decide if it may be time to update it.

**2. State Route 37 Transportation and Sea Level Rise Corridor Improvement Plan**

The corridor is vulnerable to SLR and is forecasted to have regularly flooding and corridor closure events by 2050 and is likely to be completely inundated by 2100. This Plan is funded by MTC and the Congestion Management Agencies of Marin, Sonoma, Napa and Solano Counties with the intent develop a Project Initiation Document equivalent in order to identify a solutions and start the environmental process.

Reference: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B2DiXZWI6HagMWg3YTAzMTNCQW8>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Discuss potential flood control solutions in conjunction with potential transportation improvements along the corridor.

**Current Regional and State Sea Level Rise Planning Efforts**

**1. MTC/BCDC Sea Level Rise Impact Mapping**

MTC and BCDC have teamed up to model 10 Sea Level Rise scenarios and are seeking input on the maps before they make them public.

Reference: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B2DiXZWI6HagcWhNVVFXWWc5LTg>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Maps will identify updated vulnerable locations and infrastructure along the shorelines of Unincorporated Solano County, Vallejo, Benicia and Suisun City. Sorry Dave, their model doesn't have the capability to forecast scenarios near Rio Vista.

**2. Caltrans Statewide Sea Level Rise Impact Mapping, Data Collection and Standardization**

Caltrans is currently undertaking a planning exercise statewide that has not been previously discussed. Caltrans staff is interested in participating in this forum.

## **Upcoming Funding Opportunities**

### **1. Bay Area Resiliency by Design Grant**

The Rockefeller Foundation granted up to \$4.6 million, with the intent to fund at least 1 design project from the 9 Bay Area Counties (up to \$250k each). The grant is for teams to design innovative solutions for projects impacted by sea level rise.

Reference: <http://www.resilientbayarea.org/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Grant opportunity for designing a sea level rise/flood control project and teeing it up to be shovel ready if funding becomes available.

### **2. Bay Area Restoration Parcel Tax**

Recently approved by voters, the parcel tax is Bay Area wide and is intended to fund restoration projects identified in the Bay Area Restoration Authority's Project List.

Reference: <http://sfbayrestore.org/docs/Projects.pdf>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Solano County has several projects included on the list and Steve Chappel from the Suisun Resource and Conservation District was invited to participate in their advisory committee. Mr. Chappel is invited to participate in this forum.

**Solano Flood Control and Sea Level Rise Forum Attendees**

**Confirmed**

Eliza Berry, BCDC

Steve Chappell, Suisun Resource Conservation District

Bill Emlen, County of Solano Resource Management

Stefanie Hom, MTC

Tim McSorley, City of Suisun Public Works

David Mellilli, City of Rio Vista Public Works

Jill Mercurio, City of Vallejo Public Works

Melissa Morton, Vallejo Flood Control and Sanitary District

Thomas Pate, Solano County Water Agency

Roland Sanford, Solano County Water Agency

Fraser Shilling, UC Davis Road Ecology

Graham Wadsworth, City of Benicia Public Works

**Invited**

James Davis, Caltrans Headquarters, Division of Planning Chief

Kevin Cullen, Fairfield Suisun Sewer District