

COMMUNITY MEETING #2
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GROUND RULES

- PLEASE SIGN
- TURN OFF CELL PHONES
- DIRECT COMMENTS TO THE FACILITATOR
- RAISE YOUR HAND TO SPEAK
- KEEP TO THE AGENDA
- PLEASE HOLD ALL QUESTIONS FOR THE END



AGENDA

- WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, AND OBJECTIVES
- **PART 1:** 2012 CLEAN & SAFE PARKS BOND
- **PART 2:** PROJECT OVERVIEW
- **PART 3:** POTENTIAL SCOPE IMPROVEMENTS
- **PART 4:** FEEDBACK



MEETING OBJECTIVES

- PRESENT OVERVIEW OF PREVIOUS PUBLIC FEEDBACK
- PRESENT POTENTIAL PROJECT PROPOSAL
- OBTAIN ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY FEEDBACK TO FURTHER CONCEPT DESIGN



PART 1

2012 CLEAN & SAFE PARKS BOND



BOND OVERVIEW

2012 Clean & Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Program Summary

In November of 2012, the citizens of San Francisco passed Proposition B, \$195 M General Obligation Bond, known as the 2012 Clean and Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond.

The \$195M in bond funding is divided into two allocations based on the jurisdiction of the parks and facilities scheduled to receive funding, with \$160.5M committed to the Recreation and Parks Department and \$34.5M dedicated to the San Francisco Port.

The objectives of this bond program are:

- Fix and improve specified neighborhood parks
- Renovate parks and playgrounds in poor physical condition
- Improve trails, forestry, and implement water conservation
- Improve park open space and habitat in Golden Gate Park, McLaren Park, and **Lake Merced**
- Attract matching community and philanthropic support



BOND OVERVIEW

2012 Clean and Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Budget Summary

Neighborhood Parks (includes pool renovations)	\$99
Waterfront (Port Projects)	\$34.5
Failing Playgrounds	\$15.5
Community Opportunity Grants	\$12
Park Forestry, Trails, and Water Conservation	\$13
Citywide Programs (GGP/McLaren Park/ Lake Merced)	\$21
TOTAL	\$195M
Lake Merced Improvement Project	\$2M



PART 2

PROJECT OVERVIEW



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, SCHEDULE & BUDGET

COMMUNITY MEETINGS (3 OR MORE) DECEMBER 2015 – MAY 2017:

- **MEETING #1:** INTRODUCTION & PUBLIC INPUT (held November 3, 2016)
- **MEETING #2:** DRAFT PLAN & PUBLIC INPUT (Today)
- **MEETING #3:** PRESENTATION OF CONCEPT PLAN

PROJECT BUDGET \$2M:

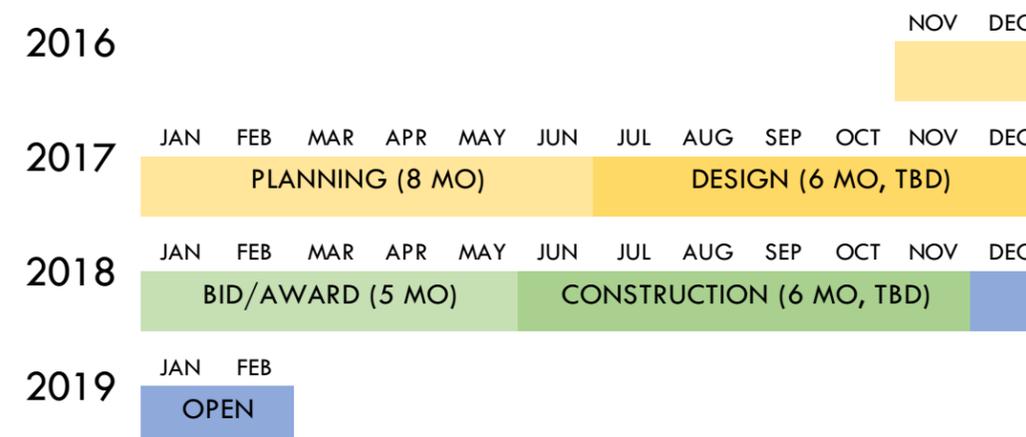
Estimated Construction Budget: \$1.3M

Estimated Soft Cost Budget: \$700k

Includes:

- Project management
- Architectural and engineering design services
- Construction management
- Permits, surveys, reports
- Testing and regulatory agencies review fees

TENTATIVE PROJECT SCHEDULE:



PROJECT OBJECTIVES

Identify opportunities to protect & improve lifestyle programming, facilities, infrastructure, and natural resources at Lake Merced.

Develop a project plan utilizing:

- Community input
- Findings from the 2011 Lake Merced Watershed Report
- Rec & Park Strategic Plan programming goals

The department will not be able address all of the items identified in this presentation with the 2012 Bond funds, this is a starting point for community discussion



COMMUNITY MEETING #1 FEEDBACK

Perimeter Trail Bike Path Improvements

- Create a bike fast lane
- Provide pedestrian/bike safety signage
- Increase path width
- Trail surface improvements caused by root intrusion (south and west side of lake)
- Bike speed signs

Address erosion and falling trees at Harding trails

Provide signage: “Don’t feed birds/wildlife”

Provide animal safe trash cans (*program is in place to provide these outside of bond funds*)

Attention to the PUC/RPD Memorandum of Understanding

- What has the PUC reimbursement to RPD been since 2013? (\$415K Annually for maintenance activities)

Attention to Boating Community

- Provide Restrooms near Boathouse
- Provide 25% of Bond funds as seed money for boat storage
- Address Boathouse Bay door & human doors (*order is in place to repair outside of bond funds*)
- Provide increased boat storage at Boathouse

Address overgrowth at the North Lake Dock

- Trimming/pruning needs to be a Fall project (outside of bird nesting period)

North bridge

- Identify who has authority to lock the North Bridge
- Create a walking connection on the south side of the bridge to help connect walking trails

Water recreation

- What is the status of water levels?
- Fishery – revise riprap edge for fishing access
- Provide ADA accessibility at fishing areas



PART 3

POTENTIAL SCOPE IMPROVEMENTS



STRATEGY

ADDRESS AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENTS:

1. PERIMETER PATH IMPROVEMENTS (\$600K)

- Provide pedestrian/bike safety improvements
- Provide expanded fitness opportunities
- Repair asphalt path at root intrusion at approximately 15 locations
- Center line lane striping & distance labels
- Pedestrian/bike safety signage
- Replace Parcouse stations with new Greenfields outdoor fitness stations (12-14 stations)

2. NATURAL RESOURCE IMPROVEMENTS (\$620K)

- Address areas in need of erosion control
- Erosion control related to storm drain outfalls
- Erosion control related to the trail edge
- Provide habitat protection signage – “do not feed/release”
- Replace/Update interpretive environmental signage around the lake

3. PUBLIC AMENITIES (\$580K)

- Provide a new restroom facility

GENERAL PROJECT COST (\$200K)

- *Permit fees, Regulatory, Construction Management, Consultants*



PERIMETER PATH

- Repair asphalt path at root intrusion at approximately 15 locations
 - Scope would include removal +/- 10 linear feet of full pathway at affected areas
 - Fully regrade and repave path surface
- Center line lane striping & distance labels
 - Visually divide path with a painted centerline to delineate direction of travel and increase pedestrian safety, full length of the perimeter path
 - MTA guidelines recommend painting centerline at path widths of 8'-0" and greater
 - Provide painted distance markers at 1/4 mile intervals to promote fitness activities
- Pedestrian/bike safety signage to increase pedestrian safety
- Replace Parcouse stations with new Greenfields outdoor fitness stations
 - Provide fitness stations spaced approximately 1/2 mile intervals (where achievable) around perimeter of lake
 - Provide a cluster of stations at Sunset Circle
 - Approximately 12-14 stations total



NATURAL RESOURCE IMPROVEMENTS

EROSION CONTROL

- Address issues at storm drain outfalls



- Address issues at the trail edge & stair erosion



NATURAL RESOURCE IMPROVEMENTS

- Provide habitat protection signage – “do not feed/release”



- Replace/Update interpretive environmental signage around the lake



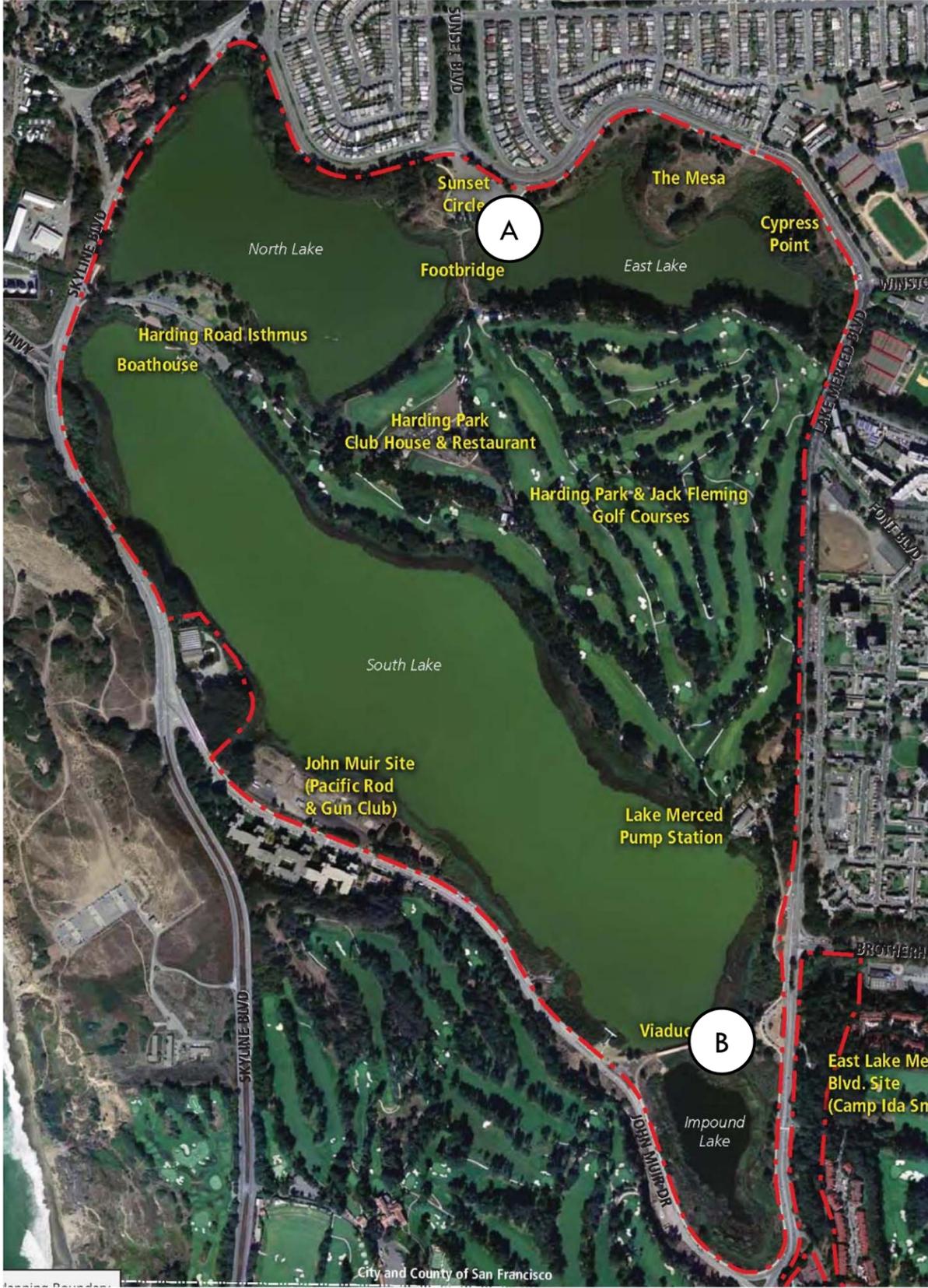
PUBLIC AMENITIES

PROVIDE NEW RESTROOM FACILITY

- POTENTIAL LOCATIONS FOR DISCUSSION
 - A – SUNSET CIRCLE, high volume area with large parking lot
 - B – IMPOUND LAKE, farthest distance from an existing restroom facility



NPS Photo



PART 4

FEEDBACK



FEEDBACK

What are your thoughts on the three program elements?

- How would you prioritize the presented options?
- Is there anything you would add?

What are your concerns, how can it be better?

- Facility improvements
- Programming improvements
- Site deficiencies/opportunities

What do you like about Lake Merced?

What are your priorities for the park?

Next Steps:

- Develop Concept Plan
- Community Meeting #3
- Update project website with progress



THANK YOU!

Please submit additional comments to:

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