# Work Session on Status of Sub-Regional Adaptation Planning and Proposed Application for Federal Funds for Implementation







## Purpose of Work Session

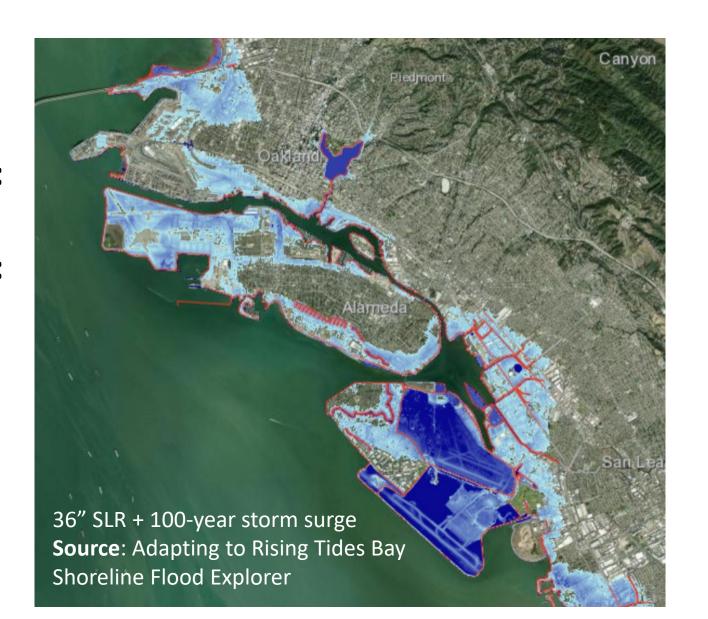
- 1. Provide an update on Sub-regional Adaptation Planning
- 2. Seek direction on recommendation to apply for FEMA BRIC grant





# Background: Sea Level Rise

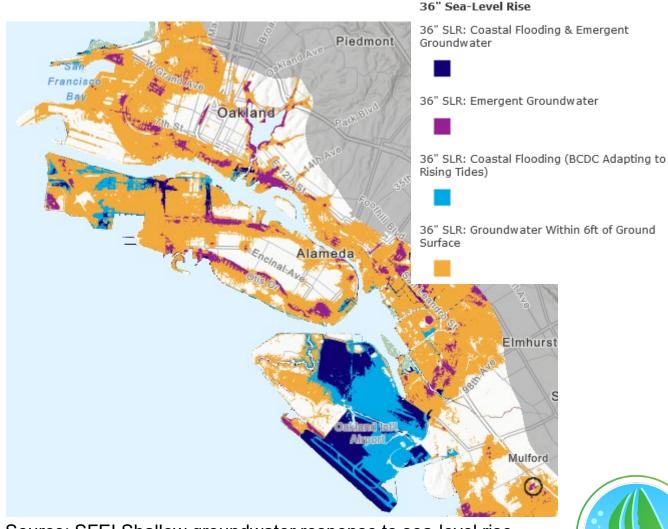
- Already seen:+8 inches SLR
- Projected by 2050:1 foot
- Projected by 2100: 4 feet
- Costs: \$110 B for Bay Area (Alameda County = \$22 B)





# Background: Groundwater Rise

- Infiltration and corrosion underground
- Damage to roads and structures
- Flooding also from emergent groundwater
- Contaminated sites
- Increased liquefaction



Source: SFEI Shallow groundwater response to sea-level rise



## City Council Direction to Date

## **Policy Direction**

- 2019: Adopted CARP with priority flooding locations for mitigation
- 2023: Adopted Climate Adaptation and Hazard Mitigation Plan and amended General Plan Safety Element with priority flooding locations
- 2023: Adopted Strategic Plan with adaptation as top priority

## **Priority Projects**

- 2020-23: Approved funding and grants for priority projects
- 2021: Formed Oakland Alameda Adaptation Committee (OAAC)
- 2023: Approved Community Partners and Consultant Team to lead projects and community engagement



San Leandro operational landscape unit (one of 30 OLUs in Bay Area)

**CARP directive:** Establish a cooperative shoreline management program... Consider management options through the frames of society and equity, economy, environment, and governance.



The Oakland Alameda Adaptation
Committee (OAAC) coordinates the
Oakland Alameda sub-region flood and
adaptation projects to protect and restore
water quality, habitat, recreation and
community resilience.

## **OAAC: Steering Committee**

## Agencies

- Caltrans
- City of Alameda
- City of Oakland
- East Bay Regional Park District
- Port of Oakland
- S.F. Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

## **Community Partners**

- Community Action for a Sustainable Alameda
- Greenbelt Alliance
- Hood Planner/East Oakland Neighborhood Initiative
- Sogorea Te' Land Trust
- West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project



















# OAAC: Funded Projects (2023-2025)

Oakland-Alameda Adaptation Committee Projects

















Sub-regional Adaptation Plan

Oakland-Alameda Estuary Adaptation Project

Bay Farm Island Adaptation Project







## Community Partners

• Role: Lead community engagement process for three funded adaptation projects

• **Budget**: \$323,000

• Selected by Steering Committee



• Role: Provide technical review

• **Budget**: \$35,000















# Project 1: Sub-regional Adaptation Plan

• **Purpose**: Identify actions over time as shoreline changes to protect communities

## Milestones:

- Feasibility assessment (spring 2024)
- Governance structure (2024)
- Two rounds of outreach (2024 & 2025)
- Request City Council approval (fall 2025)
- **Budget**: \$840,000
- Grant End Date: October 31, 2025

www.alamedaca.gov/AdaptationLongTermPlan





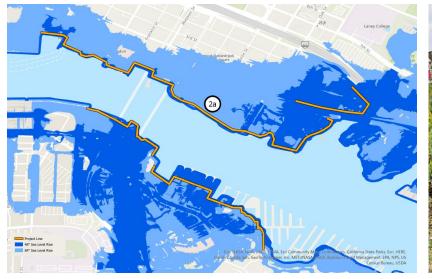


## Project 2: Oakland-Alameda Estuary Adaptation Project

 Purpose: Develop concept design to protect Jack London District and Alameda's Posey-Webster Tubes

## • Milestones:

- Alternatives (spring 2024)
- Draft concept design (mid-2024)
- Two rounds of outreach (2024)
- Request City Council approval (early 2025)
- **Budget**: \$500,000
- Grant End Date: Feb. 28, 2025









# Project 3: Bay Farm Island Adaptation Project

 Purpose: Develop design for shortterm fixes on northern waterfront and long-term plan for entire Bay Farm Island

### Milestones:

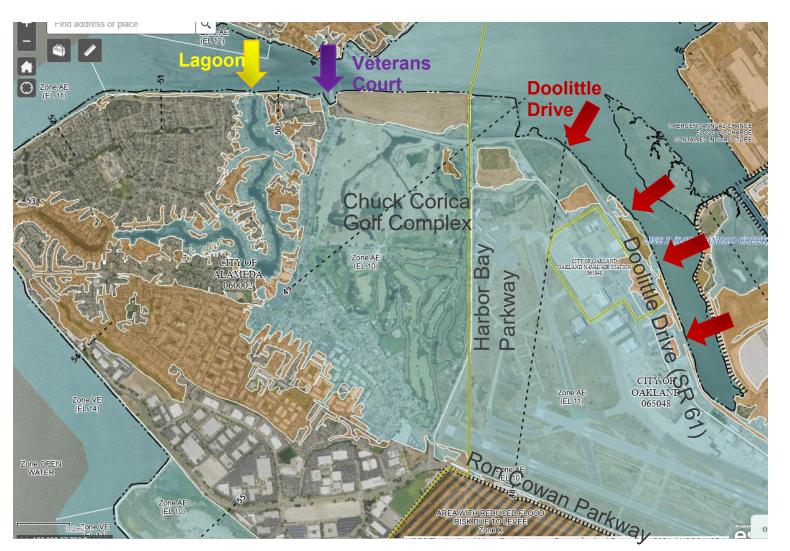
- Alternatives (spring 2024)
- Draft design (fall 2024)
- Two rounds of outreach (2024 & 2025)
- Request City Council approval (mid-2025)
- **Budget**: \$2 million (Congresswoman Barbara Lee federal earmark)
- Grant End Date: September 29, 2025







## BFI Adaptation Project: Next Steps



- Flooding on Bay
   Farm results from
   overtopping
   Doolittle Drive, the
   lagoon outfall, and
   Veterans Court
- All entry points be addressed to remove these areas from the floodplain

## **FEMA BRIC Grant Priorities**

- Grant supports projects that reduce risks from disasters and natural hazards
- 20% funding directed to CDRZs
- Projects in CDRZs require 10%, instead of 25%, match
- Additional 40 points for CDRZs
- \$50M maximum federal share





FEMA Community Disaster Resilience Zones



# BFI/Airport CDRZ: BRIC Request



**BRIC federal:** \$50 m (90%)

**Non-federal:** \$5.5 m (10%)

**Total**: \$55 m

**Start:** 2025

**Construction:** 

2028

# BFI/Airport CDRZ: BRIC Request (cont.)

BRIC Costs	%	\$ million
1. Doolittle Drive / SR-61 / SF Bay Trail	42%	\$23.5
2. Northern Shoreline (Bay Farm Island)	18%	\$9.8
3. Veterans Court (Bay Farm Island)	6%	\$3.3
4. Columbian Gardens Stormwater Flooding (East Oakland)	19%	\$10.5
5. BFI Lagoon (Bay Farm Island)	11%	\$6.1
6. Tidal Marsh Enhancement	4%	\$2.3
Total project cost		\$55.5
Federal Share		\$50.0
Non-federal Share	\$5.5	

Non-Federal Share (10%)	% Share	\$ million
Port (#1 and 6)	46%	\$2.6
Oakland (#4)	19%	\$1.0
Alameda (#2, 3, 5)	35%	\$1.9
Total	100%	\$5.5

- Port of Oakland share has been committed
- City of Oakland will request commitment from City Council on February 20, 2024

# Overwhelming Support for BRIC Application

- Assemblymember Mia Bonta
- City of Oakland Mayor Sheng Thao
- City of Oakland D7 Councilmember Treva Reid
- Supervisor Lena Tam
- Port of Oakland
- San Francisco Bay Trail
- San Francisco Water Board
- San Francisco Estuary Institute
- San Francisco Estuary Partnership

- CHBIOA
- EBRPD
- EBMUD
- CASA
- Confederated Villages of Lisjan Nation
- Greenbelt Alliance
- The Hood Planning Group



## Recommendation

- 1. Accept an update on Sub-regional Adaptation Planning
- 2. Provide direction on recommendation to apply for FEMA BRIC grant





## **Next Steps**

- Return to City Council on consent on Feb 20<sup>th</sup> for authorization to apply for BRIC grant
- Return later in 2024 for review and approval of governance options and key decision points

## Potential Governance Options

Lead Agency with Non-Binding MOU (or Charter)

#### **Description**

Lead agency manages projects and contracts with a non-binding MOU with other public entity stakeholders

#### **Examples**

- Highway 37
- North Richmond
- Oakland Alameda Adaptation Committee

#### **Description**

 Lead agency manages projects and contracts with a legally binding MOU/MOA with other public entity stakeholders

#### **Examples**

South Bay Salt Restoration Project

Lead Agency with Legally Binding MOU or MOA

Joint Powers
Authority

#### **Description**

Agencies enter into a Joint Powers
 Agreement, forming a new entity that
 can execute contracts, potentially levy
 fees or taxes, issue bonds, hire staff,
 and work collaboratively

#### **Examples**

 San Francisquito Creek JPA, Hayward Area Shoreline Planning Agency, Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority

#### **Description**

- A new agency is created through State legislation to address a specific issue
- The agency can: execute contracts, potentially levy fees or taxes, issue bonds, hire staff, work collaboratively, and may have other special powers authorized by legislation

#### **Examples**

 San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority, Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, One Shoreline, Fort Ord Reuse Authority Hybrid State Agency
/ JPA (Special
District)



# Plan: Funding Sources

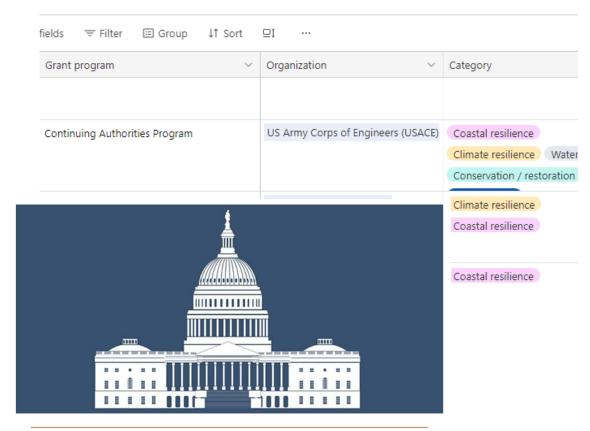
- Federal
  - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
  - National Oceanic & Atmospheric Admin. (NOAA)
  - US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
  - Water Resources Development Act (WRDA)

#### **Non-federal Match Examples**

- State
  - Sub-regional plans receive priority (SB 272)
  - Caltrans
  - California Air Resources Board
  - California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank
  - State Coastal Conservancy
  - Wildlife Conservation Board
- Regional Measure AA (SF Bay Restoration Authority)
- County Measure BB grants (Alameda CTC)
- Local Stormwater Fee (Oakland and Alameda)
- Foundations (Bay Area Council & Kresge)



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#### **New Federal Grant Opportunities**

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Infrastructure opportunities and info at build.gov.

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