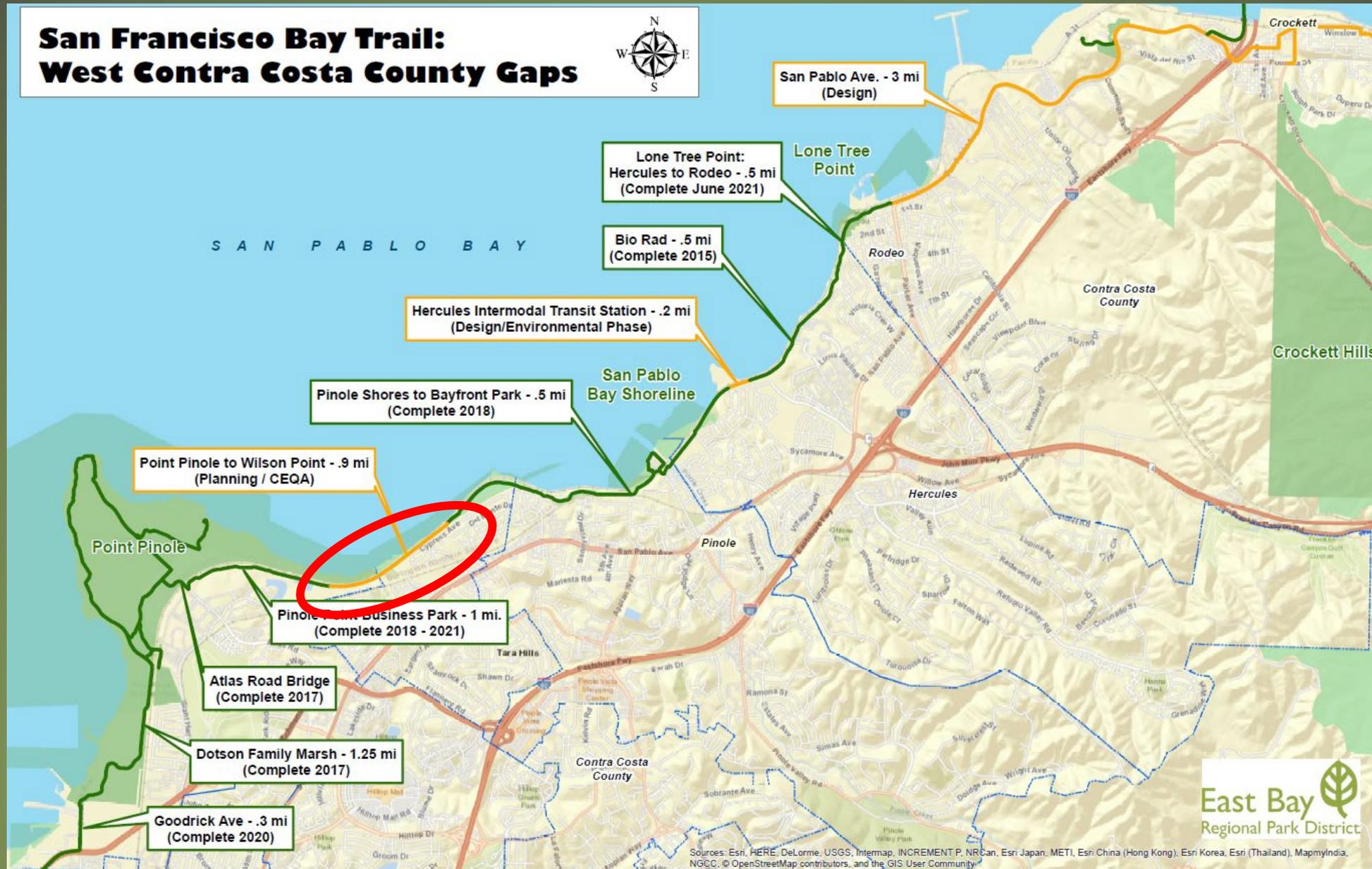


# SF Bay Trail: Richmond Gap Closure Project Preliminary Design and CEQA Update April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

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# San Francisco Bay Trail: West Contra Costa County Gaps



San Pablo Bay Shoreline Progress Since 2015

# Pinole Point Property - Easement



# Pinole Point Property - Wetlands



Richmond Bay Trail Gap Closure

# Montara Bay Park & Community Center



Richmond Bay Trail Gap Closure

# Garrity Creek Bridge



Richmond Bay Trail Gap Closure

# Shoreline Bluff and Utility Corridor



Richmond Bay Trail Gap Closure



- 25' setback from nearest rail
- Outer 15' of UP ROW

**Note: High Pressure Gas Pipeline & Private Properties**

# MOU with Union Pacific Railroad – Longitudinal Easement

# CEQA

- **Mitigated Negative Declaration**
- **Wetland impacts and mitigation**
- **AB 52**
- **Public review process spring**



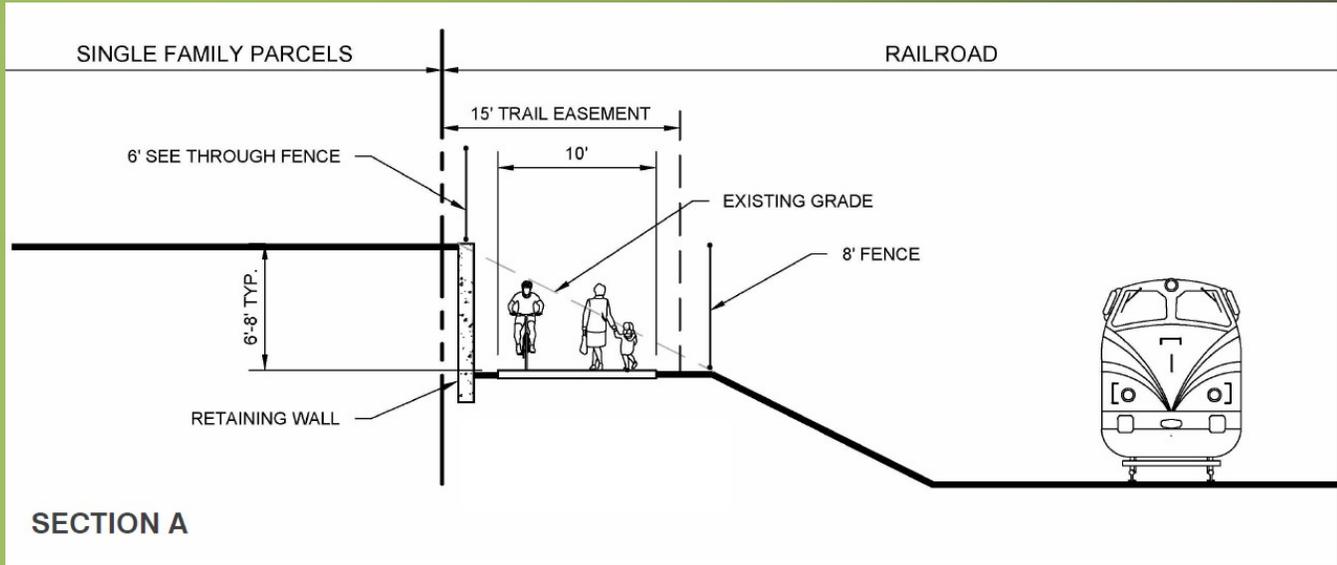
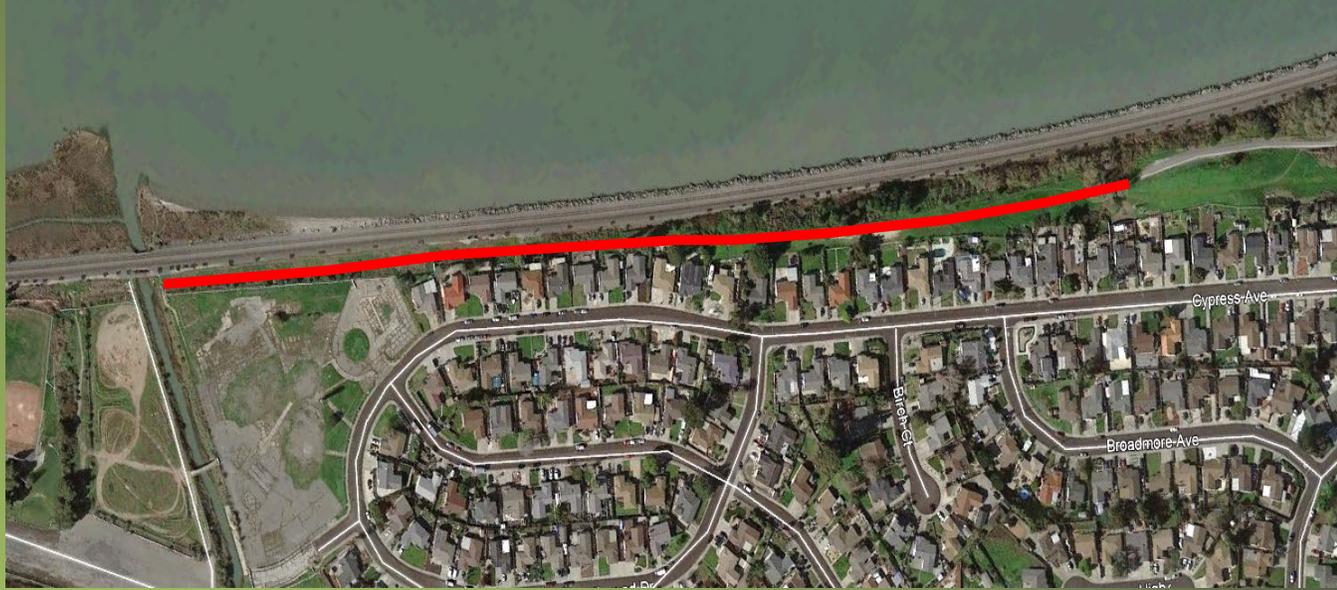
## Species

- Vegetation
  - Mostly non-native grassland
  - 2 Sensitive Natural Communities - Creeping Rye Grass, Arroyo Willow thickets
- Potential for 15 listed wildlife species to occur within project area for example:
  - California Red-Legged Frog
  - Burrowing Owl
  - Western Pond Turtle

# Avoidance and Mitigation

- 2.2 acres wetlands in project area mostly avoided with boardwalks and a bridge
  - Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring Plan (HMMP) will specify mitigation for the 0.366 acres of permanent impacts
  - HMMP to identify restoration and enhancement sites
- Pre-construction surveys and educational program for all construction personnel
- Native seed collection or transplanting
- Temporary fencing to protect sensitive natural communities
- Work with archeologists and tribal representative to prepare a cultural monitoring plan

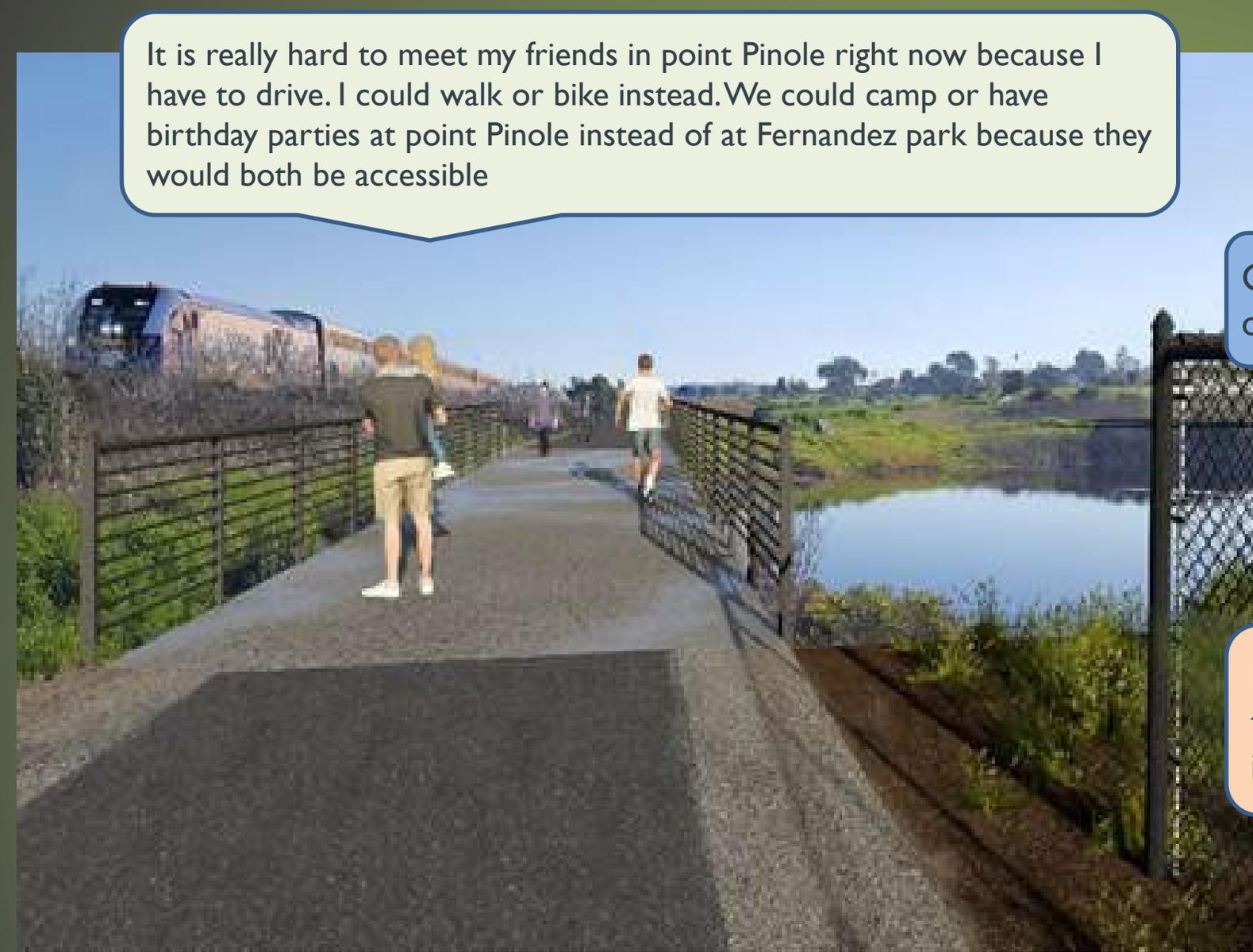




It is really hard to meet my friends in point Pinole right now because I have to drive. I could walk or bike instead. We could camp or have birthday parties at point Pinole instead of at Fernandez park because they would both be accessible

Closing this gap is crucial to improving usability of the bay trail

It's in the community's best interest to allow travel between communities without the incursion of motorized traffic





# Schedule

**CEQA Adoption – Summer 2024**

**Finalize Preliminary Design – Fall 2024**

**Phase II, Final Design – 2025 thru 2026**

**Construction - 2027**

Funding Amount and Source	Expense
\$330,792 - Develop Bay Trail to Wilson Point (528400)	CEQA and Preliminary Engineering
\$500,000 WCCTAC Funds	Phase II - Design
\$6.4M Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) – PENDING, AWARDS JULY 2024	Design and Construction
\$3-5M California Active Transportation Program Funds – APPLICATIONS DUE JUNE 2024	Design and Construction



## Richmond Bay Trail Gap Closure - Funding

# Questions

