




**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
AGENDA STAFF REPORT**

DATE	February 18, 2025
TITLE	Authorization to Award a Professional Services Contract for \$480,584 with BKF Engineers for the Develop Access and Picnic Area Project: Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline
DIVISION	Acquisition, Stewardship, and Development
FROM	Ren Bates, Division Lead of Design & Construction Ken Wysocki, Assistant General Manager of Acquisition, Stewardship & Development
APPROVED	Sabrina Landreth, General Manager 

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager recommends the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District authorize execution of a \$480,584 professional services contract with BKF Engineers to provide engineering and design services for the Develop Access and Picnic Area Project (Project) (No. 142400): Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline.

BACKGROUND

In December 2013, the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) Board of Directors adopted the Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment (LUPA) (Resolution 2013-12-302), defining a vision for the park's development as a popular destination in close proximity to urban residential areas and providing sought-after access to Bay shoreline, trails, and recreation opportunities. In keeping with newly outlined uses and amenities, the plan recommends entrance and staging area improvements to accommodate anticipated increased park use.

Though the 2013 LUPA designated the Davis Street entrance as the primary park entrance, it was deemed incompatible due to noise, air quality, utility and traffic conflicts and the EBRPD Board of Directors officially designated Neptune Drive as the primary park entrance (Resolution 2020-09-212), and a CEQA Notice of Exemption was filed in September of 2020.

To date, \$2.3 million in Park District funds have been spent implementing the approved LUPA. This has included the construction of a new disc golf area as well as planting and irrigation associated with site development. It also includes extension of the existing 6" water main and various lateral lines to provide water to the proposed parking lot and staging area, the installation of irrigation and planting along the eastern edge of the site to provide screening from the Waste Management facility, coordination of the import, placement and grading of over 1 million cubic yards of soil, hydroseeding for stormwater compliance on approximately 75 acres at the site, and the development of approximately 10,000 linear feet of new trails.

The next step of the Develop Access and Picnic Areas project will create a formal park entrance at Neptune Drive, including a parking lot staging area with ADA-compliant parking and restrooms with flushing toilets. It will create greater connectivity and provide more user amenities by re-aligning sections of the San Francisco Bay Trail to connect with the City of San Leandro's bike system, and adding picnic areas, water bottle filling stations and bicycle amenities.

ANALYSIS

Engineering and site design are needed for the next outlined park improvements. The Park District advertised the RFP for professional services on November 26, 2024, with proposals due January 7, 2025. The project was available through the Park District's online planroom. Five firms responded, and the selection committee ranked BKF Engineers highest due to their demonstrated experience related to site development on former landfill sites as well as working with public agencies including the Park District. In addition, BKF's understanding of the project scope and design intent, coupled with the firm's understanding of the Federal, State, and local regulatory framework related to the project and the ability to explain the reasoning behind their project approach in a detailed, clear and concise manner raised them above the other proposal submitters.

The recommended action is for the Board to award a contract to BKF Engineers for engineering and design services to advance the implementation of the project. The design will help move the project toward construction and completion which will bring Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline into alignment with the Park District's land use planning documents for the park. Failure to complete the design will result in being unable to complete the project.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is sufficient funding in the Develop Access and Picnic Area: Oyster Bay Project (Project No. 142400) to accommodate these costs. Staff anticipates that construction will cost \$2,500,000 and that no additional funds will be needed to finish the project.

SOURCE OF FUNDS	
Develop Access and Picnic Area: Oyster Bay Project (No. 142400)	\$5,427,608
Encumbrances and Expenditures to Date	(2,372,309)
Total Funds Available	\$3,055,299

USE OF FUNDS	
Contract with BKF Engineers	\$480,584
Balance Remaining	\$2,574,715

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline Develop Access and Picnic Area Project Location Map



**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 02 -
FEBRUARY 18, 2025**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR
\$480,584 WITH BKF ENGINEERS FOR THE DEVELOP ACCESS AND PICNIC
AREA PROJECT: OYSTER BAY REGIONAL SHORELINE**

WHEREAS, in December 2013, the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) Board of Directors adopted the Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline Land Use Plan Amendment (LUPA) (Resolution 2013-12-302), defining a vision for the park's development as a popular destination with access to Bay shoreline, trails, and recreation opportunities; and

WHEREAS, to date the Park District has invested \$2.3 million implementing the approved LUPA, including the construction of a new disc golf area, utility extensions, planting and irrigation for site screening, placement and grading of over 1 million cubic yards of soil along with hydroseeding over 75 acres, and the development of approximately 10,000 linear feet of new trails; and

WHEREAS, engineering and design services are needed to create a formal park entrance at Neptune Drive to accommodate park improvements and increased park use, which will bring Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline into alignment with the Park District's 2013 land use planning documents; and

WHEREAS, the Park District advertised the RFP for professional services on November 26, 2024, and received proposals on January 7, 2025; and

WHEREAS, five proposals were received by the deadline and BKF Engineers was determined to be the most qualified respondent because of the firms understanding of the project scope and regulatory framework for working on former landfills and the ability to communicate clearly the project approach; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds currently allocated in the Develop Access and Picnic Area: Oyster Bay Project (Project No. 142400) budget to accomplish this goal;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District hereby authorize award of a Professional Services Contract for \$480,584 with BKF Engineers for the Develop Access and Picnic Area Project: Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline as presented to the Board on February 18, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Manager is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Park District and in its name, to execute and deliver such documents and to do such acts as may be deemed necessary or appropriate to accomplish the intentions of this resolution.

Moved by Director _____, and seconded by Director _____, and
adopted February 18, 2025, by the following vote:

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: