




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

DATE	March 4, 2025
TITLE	Authorization to Enter Into a License Agreement with the City of Richmond to Construct and Operate a Segment of the San Francisco Bay Trail Near the Point Molate Beach Park: San Francisco Bay Trail
DIVISION	Acquisition, Stewardship, and Development
FROM	Becky Bremser, Division Lead of Land Acquisition Ken Wysocki, Assistant General Manager of Acquisition, Stewardship & Development
APPROVED	Sabrina Landreth, General Manager 

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager recommends that the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) authorize execution of a license agreement with the City of Richmond for a segment of the San Francisco Bay Trail at Point Molate Regional Shoreline.

BACKGROUND

The Park District is working to extend the San Francisco Bay Trail in the vicinity of Point Molate in the City of Richmond. Current work is focused on extending the trail from “Bridge to Beach,” from the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Toll Plaza to the beach at Point Molate Beach Park. The City of Richmond owns and operates the Point Molate Beach Park west of Stenmark Drive (Assessor’s Parcel Number 561-100-057-0). The parcels immediately to the south of the City of Richmond’s property are owned by Chevron Incorporated. The Park District acquired a trail easement from Chevron from near the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Toll Plaza to the parcel boundary between the City of Richmond property and Chevron’s property in 2016 (Board Resolution No. 2009-11-291). The proposed license with the City of Richmond picks up at the northern end of the easement with Chevron and continues for approximately 600 feet to terminate at the Point Molate Beach Park.

The proposed trail license is for 25 years, with an option to extend for an additional 25 years. The license gives the Park District the right to construct, maintain, use, and operate a trail within a 20-foot-wide corridor. The license also includes the ability to use a portion of the adjacent Point Molate Beach Park parking area for construction staging while the trail is being built. The trail, once constructed, will be operated by the Park District and will be subject to Ordinance 38.

ANALYSIS

Entering into this license agreement will advance connection of the San Francisco Bay Trail in this area and builds on previous efforts to secure the needed rights of way through the Point Molate area and at the San Pablo Peninsula in general. The Park District has secured a total of approximately \$3.1 million in grant funding for construction of the project from three agencies; Metropolitan

Transportation Commission (MTC) awarded the project \$1 million, the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) awarded the project approximately \$1.2 million, and California State Parks awarded the project \$900,000. Staff is currently working to finalize the bid package. Construction is expected to begin in summer 2025.

Once built, this portion of the San Francisco Bay Trail will serve the community of Richmond as well as the greater Bay Area. It is an important recreational link in an underutilized area, with sweeping views of the Bay and the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge.

FISCAL IMPACT

This license agreement is offered at no cost to the Park District. No costs are incurred for this license aside from staff time.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Vicinity Map



**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 03 -
MARCH 4, 2025**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE
CITY OF RICHMOND TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE A SEGMENT OF THE
SAN FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL NEAR THE POINT MOLATE BEACH PARK:
SAN FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL**

WHEREAS, the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) is working to plan and construct a portion of the San Francisco Bay Trail at Point Molate in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond owns and operates the Point Molate Beach Park; and

WHEREAS, a proposed segment of the SF Bay Trail runs from the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Toll Plaza to the Point Molate Beach Park; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the proposed trail segment crosses City of Richmond property where it connects to the Point Molate Beach Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond and the Park District propose entering into a license agreement for the portion of Richmond's property where the SF Bay Trail will be constructed and operated;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District hereby authorizes entering into a license with the City of Richmond for the construction and operation of a segment of the San Francisco Bay Trail up to the Point Molate Beach Park as presented to the Board on March 4, 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 March 4, 2025, by the following vote:

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: