

Measure DD (2002), the Oakland Trust for Clean Water and Safe Parks

City of Oakland Bond Manager's Report
March 17, 2025





Lake Merritt Restoration
and Water Quality
Improvements
Funding Category I

No Active Projects

Remaining Funds in Category I

- \$1,504,409 in remaining funds. Staff's proposal, supported by Measure DD Community Coalition at past meetings, is to request authorization from Oakland City Council to move these funds to the Estuary Park Project and then to reimburse Category I when the fourth tranche of Measure DD bonds are sold in the future.

Oakland Waterfront Access, Parks, and Cleanup - Category II



Estuary Park Project Update

- 1/21/25 - Oakland City Council adopted the Estuary Park Master Plan (EPMP), CEQA determination, and Major Conditional Use Permit for park improvements per the EPMP.
- EPMP includes Parcel N (former Cash and Carry site) in overall Park design proposal.
- October 2024 - Brooklyn Basin developer submitted planning application proposing townhomes for Parcel N property it owns. If approved this would affect the Estuary Park project design and would require an amendment to the EPMP.
- Council adoption of the full park Master Plan allows a path forward for phased implementation of EPMP to deliver public-serving improvements that do not impede the developer application from being considered by decision-makers.



Estuary Park Project Update

- City Planning and Building Department is still reviewing and processing the proposed Parcel N project, including March 2025 submittal from Brooklyn Basin Developer (Signature Development Group) that presents three (3) alternatives to the Estuary Park Master Plan.
- As part of the public review process, there will be multiple public hearings on the proposed Brooklyn Basin Parcel N development project, which will provide an opportunity for public participation. During these hearings, the public will be able to see the Parcel N residential development as well as the proposed alternatives to the EPMP and how they inform one another.
- In the interim, if there are any questions or concerns regarding the Parcel N Project, please contact the Bureau of Planning directly.
- City is working with internal stakeholders to define a Phase 1 for construction that would not preclude development of Parcel N. Options for phase 1 and schedule for implementation depend upon several factors, including amount and timing of available funding, and remediation of park site.

Lake Merritt to Estuary Connection (Lake Merritt Channel) Category III



Lake Merritt Channel at 10th Street Project

- Replanting mitigation wetland and other areas in Peralta Park to meet environmental permit requirements.
- Fence fabrication underway; installation work will begin March 2025.
- Anticipate completing mitigation by December 2025. Park will reopen for daytime public access once planting work is complete.
- Three-year plant establishment & warranty period begins upon construction completion. Regulatory monitoring and reporting will be required for 10 years.



Creeks and Waterways Restoration Category V – Active Projects



Acquisitions

- Property owner received appraisal for Cobbledick Creek headwaters parcel – more than \$1 million.
- Property owner interested in selling to City for ~\$800k and donating remainder.
- Received guidance from City Attorney's Office and outside bond attorney on 1/29/25 on options for donating land to a land trust or other non-profit to remove the City's maintenance liability.
- City is actively pursuing this option including talking to prospective partners.



Courtland Creek Restoration

- Construction ~95% complete.
- Remaining work to be completed by May 2025: revegetation with native plants, and interpretive, anti-littering and wayfinding sign fabrication and installation.
- Ribbon cutting event being planned for Spring 2025.
- Contractor to perform plant establishment for three years after planting complete. Project monitoring and reporting to regulatory agencies is required for ten years past project completion. Years 6-10 only photo-monitoring.



Glen Echo Creek and Beaconsfield Restoration

- Beaconsfield Restoration Project is on MDD Prioritized Creek Restoration Project List.
 - Pre-design - City exploring funding opportunities to move a streamlined project forward. Friends of Sausal Creek developed conceptual plans several years ago that will be referenced. See picture.
- Glen Echo Creek Restoration is on the MDD Prioritized Creek Restoration Project List (ranked sixth).
 - Project Manager working with consultant on next steps as of spring 2025 and will complete public engagement and 30% Designs in 2025 (not funded by Measure DD). In future City will pursue grant funding to complete the project and may use fourth tranche of Measure DD bond funds.



Series D Bond Issuance Planning Lake Merritt Category I

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