

WELCOME

GATEWAY PARK SCOPING MEETING

NOVEMBER 14, 2013

MEETING PURPOSE

SOLICIT INPUT ON THE SCOPE OF THE EIR

- Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) and Caltrans are preparing an environmental impact report/ environmental assessment (EIR/EA) to identify potential impacts of the Gateway Park project.
- A Notice of Preparation (NOP) is sent to agencies and interested parties to solicit participation in determining the "scope" of an EIR.
- Scoping helps identify environmental issues of concern and potential alternatives.
- This scoping meeting provides another opportunity for obtaining this information.
- The scoping period is November 1 to December 6. Responses are due to BATA by Friday, December 6.

EIR Process

START

- Notice of Preparation distributed
- Draft EIR prepared
- Public notice and review of Draft EIR
- Written comments received
- Responses to substantive comments on Draft EIR
- Final EIR prepared
- Final EIR certified
- Decision made on project
- Findings and mitigation monitoring and reporting plan adopted
- Notice of Determination filed

FINISH

PURPOSE AND NEED

The primary purpose of the proposed project is to provide a distinctive entryway park to the East Bay that connects to the bicycle/pedestrian path on the new East Span of the Bay Bridge.

The project will also provide safe multi-modal access to the shoreline and passive and active recreation opportunities. The project purpose also includes providing interpretive features for natural resources and transportation history, and a venue for community events and art installations. It will be designed to meet mitigation commitments for a number of transportation projects, including the new East Span of the Bay Bridge.



PROJECT OBJECTIVES

TRANSPORTATION AND SHORELINE ACCESS OBJECTIVES

- Provide public shoreline access connecting to West Oakland, the City of Oakland, the East Bay and the growing urban population at large.
- Facilitate multi-modal connections to the shoreline and regional park (bicycle, pedestrian, transit, auto and water craft).
- Provide improved staging and access to the bicycle and pedestrian path on the new East Span of the Bay Bridge.
- Provide links to existing and planned segments of the San Francisco Bay Trail. When eventually completed, the linear Bay Trail will be a continuous, 500-mile bicycle/pedestrian trail encircling the entire Bay Area.

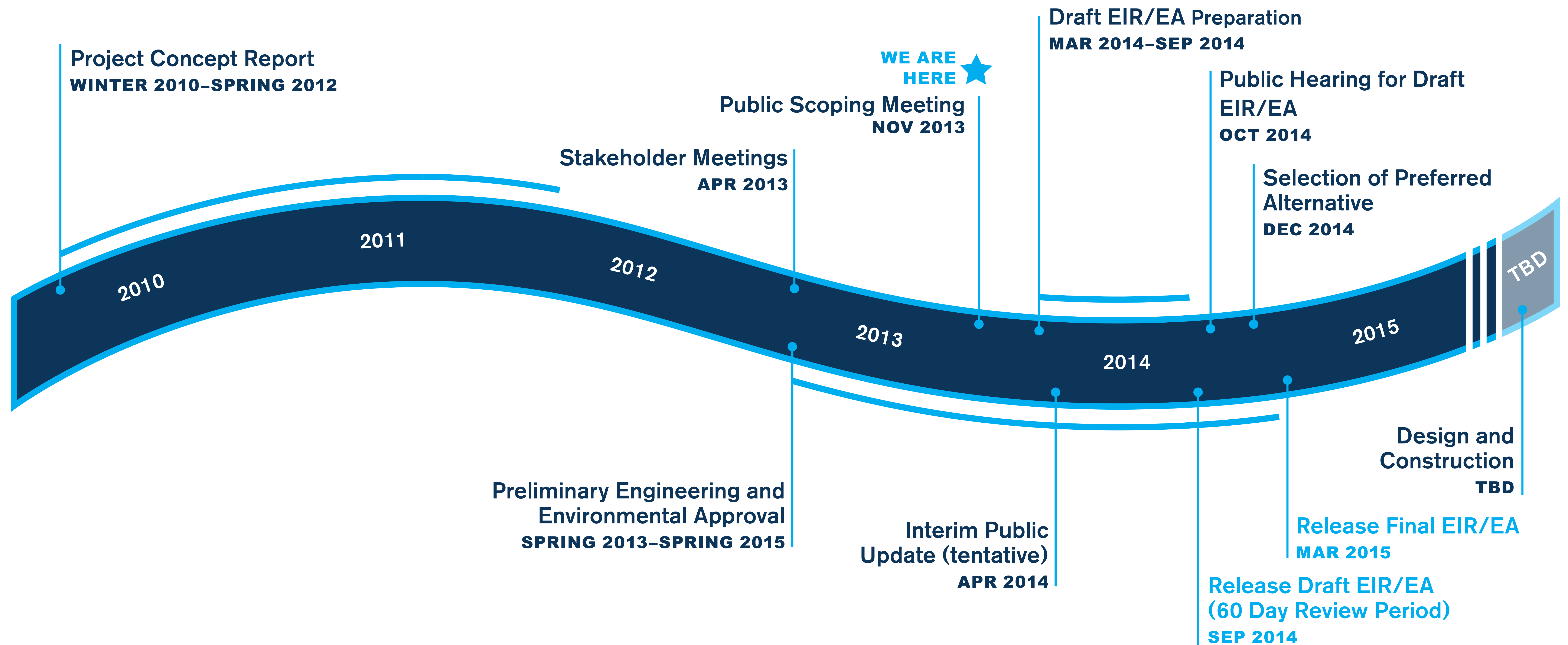


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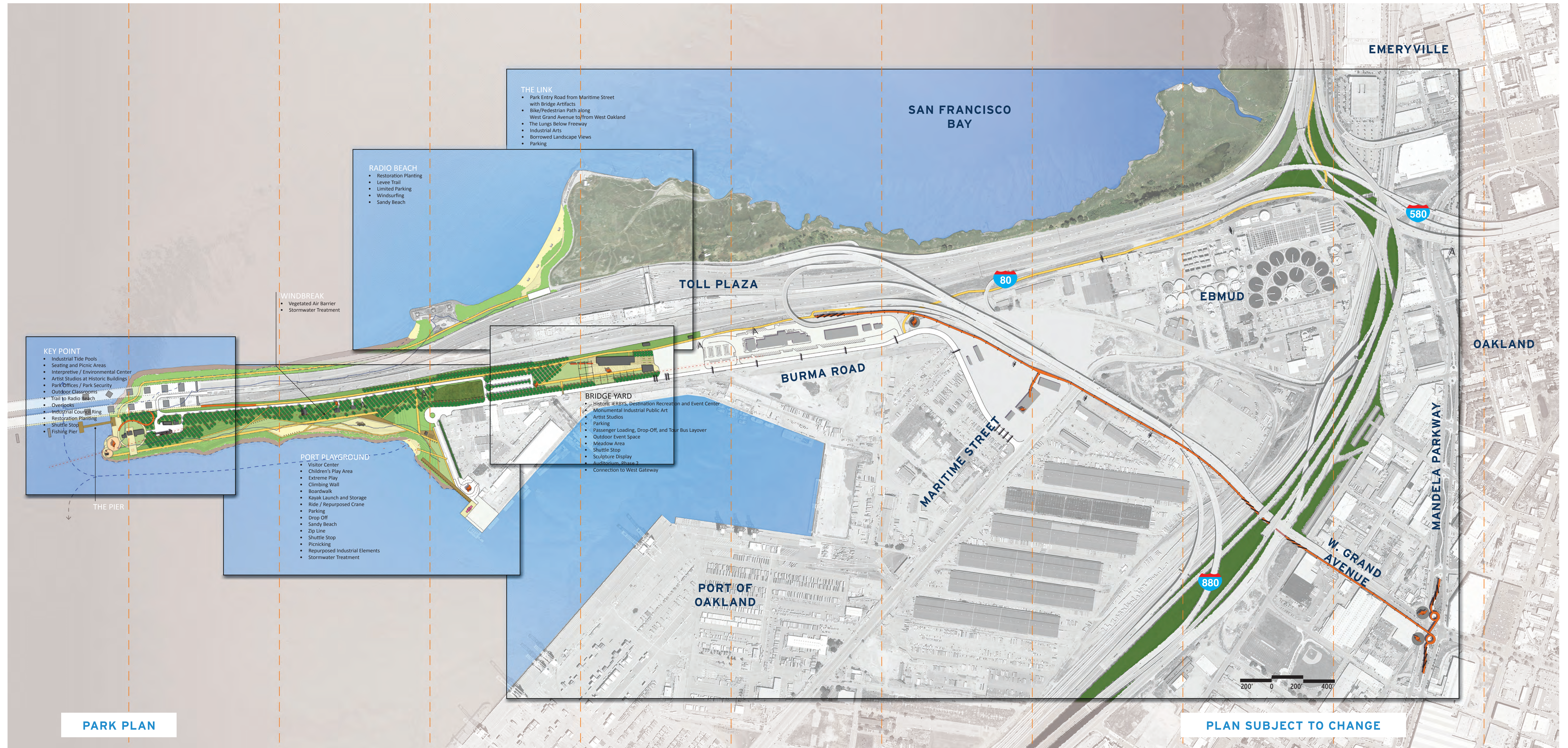
REGIONAL PARK AND RECREATION OBJECTIVES

- Create a distinctive entryway park that reflects the people, history and culture of the East Bay.
- Provide a destination for residents and visitors to view and access San Francisco Bay and the new East Span of the Bay Bridge, as well as view the Port of Oakland operations.
- Provide active and passive recreation opportunities, including walking, nature appreciation, interpretation of transportation history, bicycling, fishing, and non-motorized boating.
- Provide opportunities for the interpretation of San Francisco Bay natural resources, transportation history, and the history of the Port of Oakland.
- Provide a venue for community, regional, and national events.
- Provide a venue for art installations.
- Provide a learning environment for students to experience San Francisco Bay natural resources and transportation history.
- Provide a long-term sustainable regional park, including revenue generation opportunities for funding park operations and maintenance.
- Provide the required mitigation for other transportation projects.

PROJECT TIMELINE



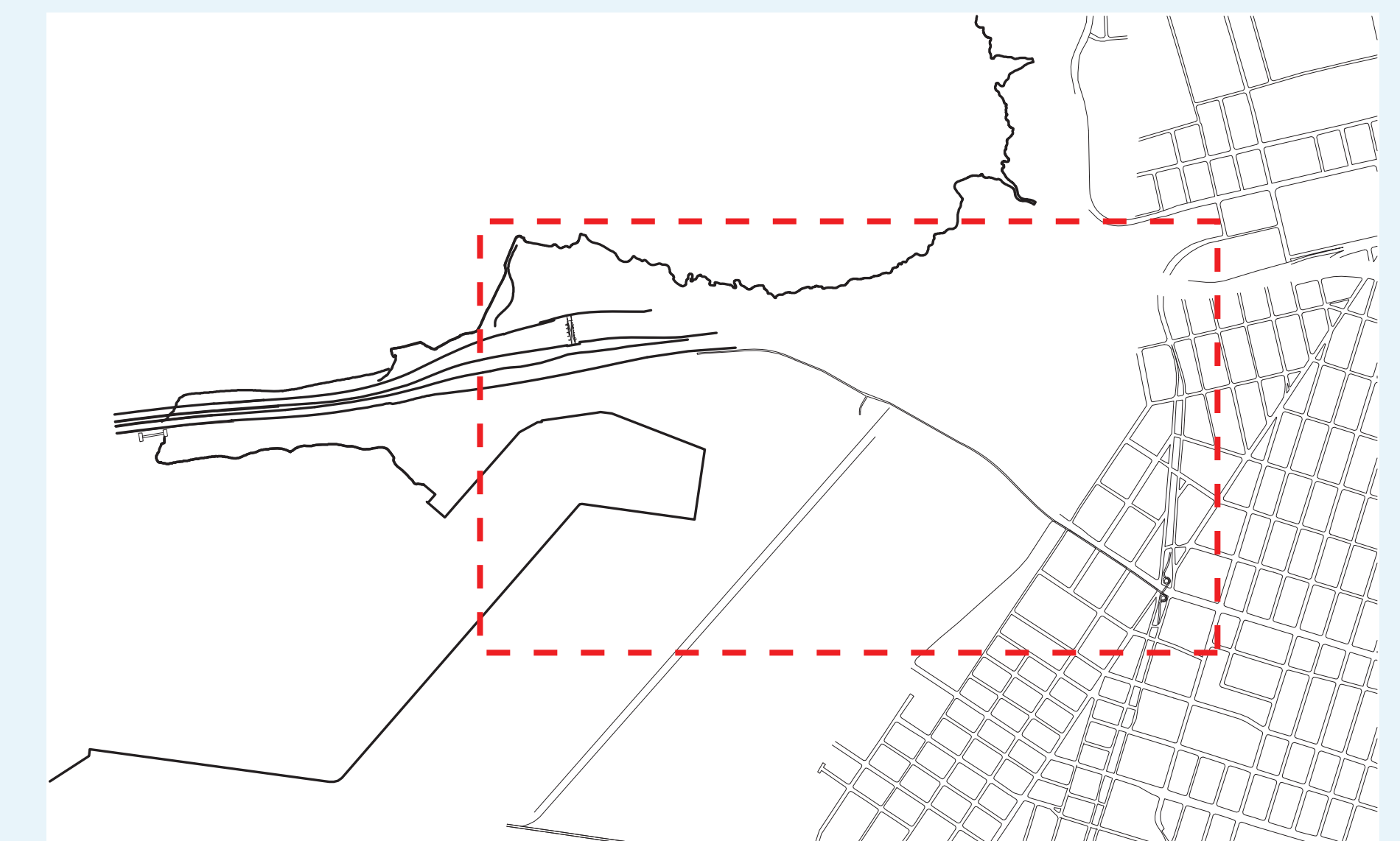
OVERALL PROJECT CONCEPT



THE LINK

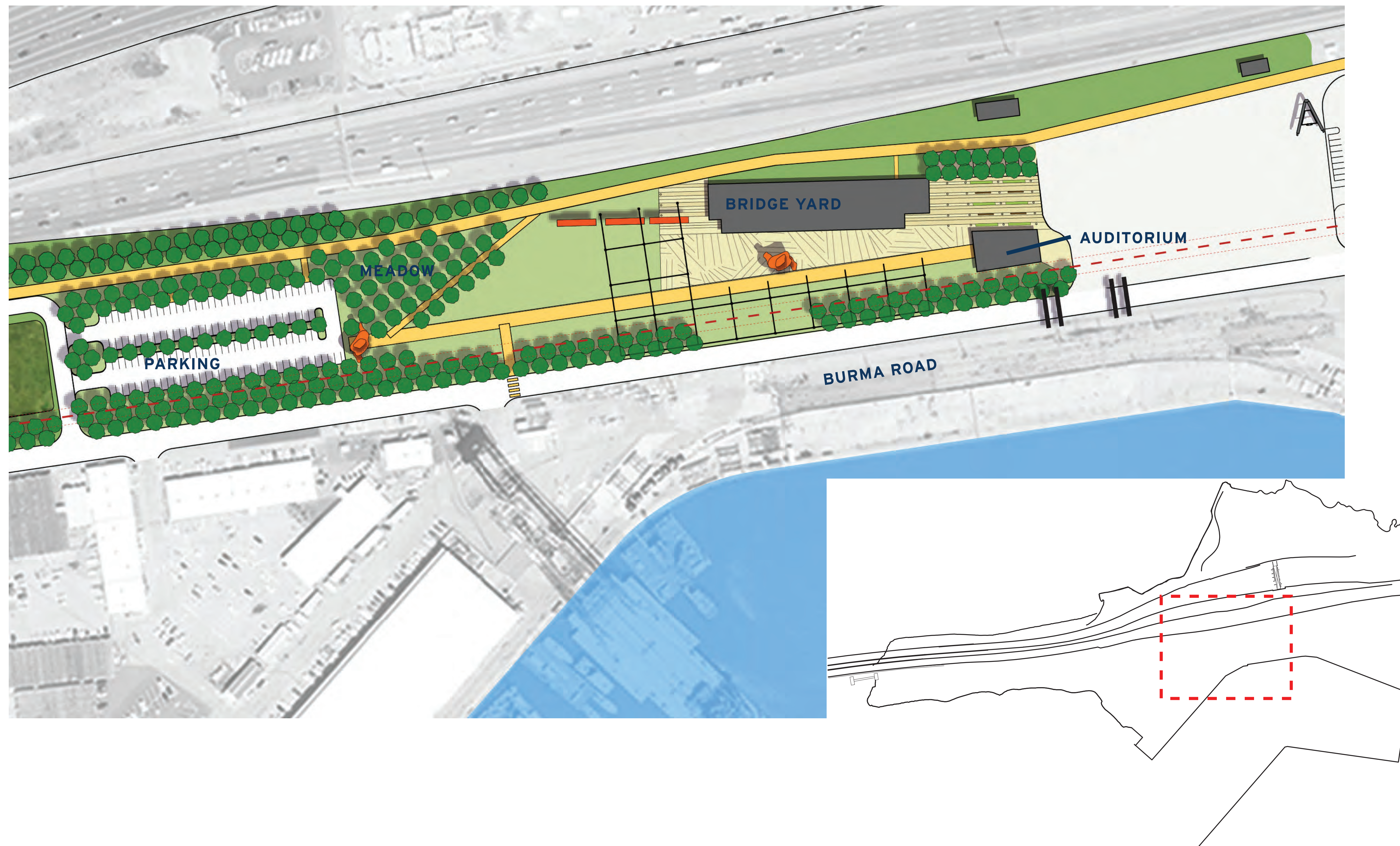
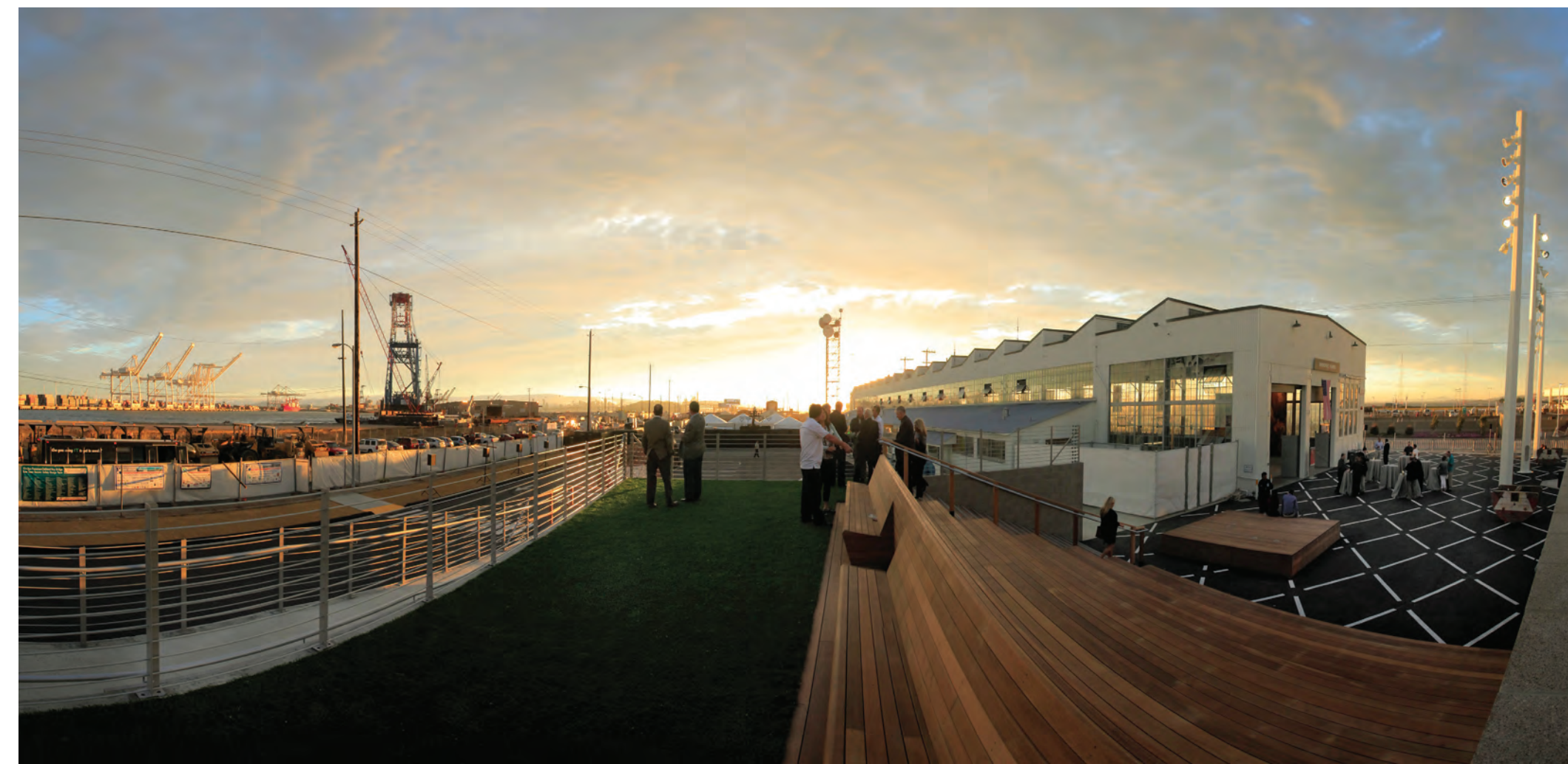


- Park Entry Road from Maritime Street with Bridge Artifacts
- Bike/Pedestrian Path along West Grand Avenue to/from West Oakland
- Planting Below Freeway
- Industrial Arts
- Borrowed Landscape Views
- Parking



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THE BRIDGE YARD



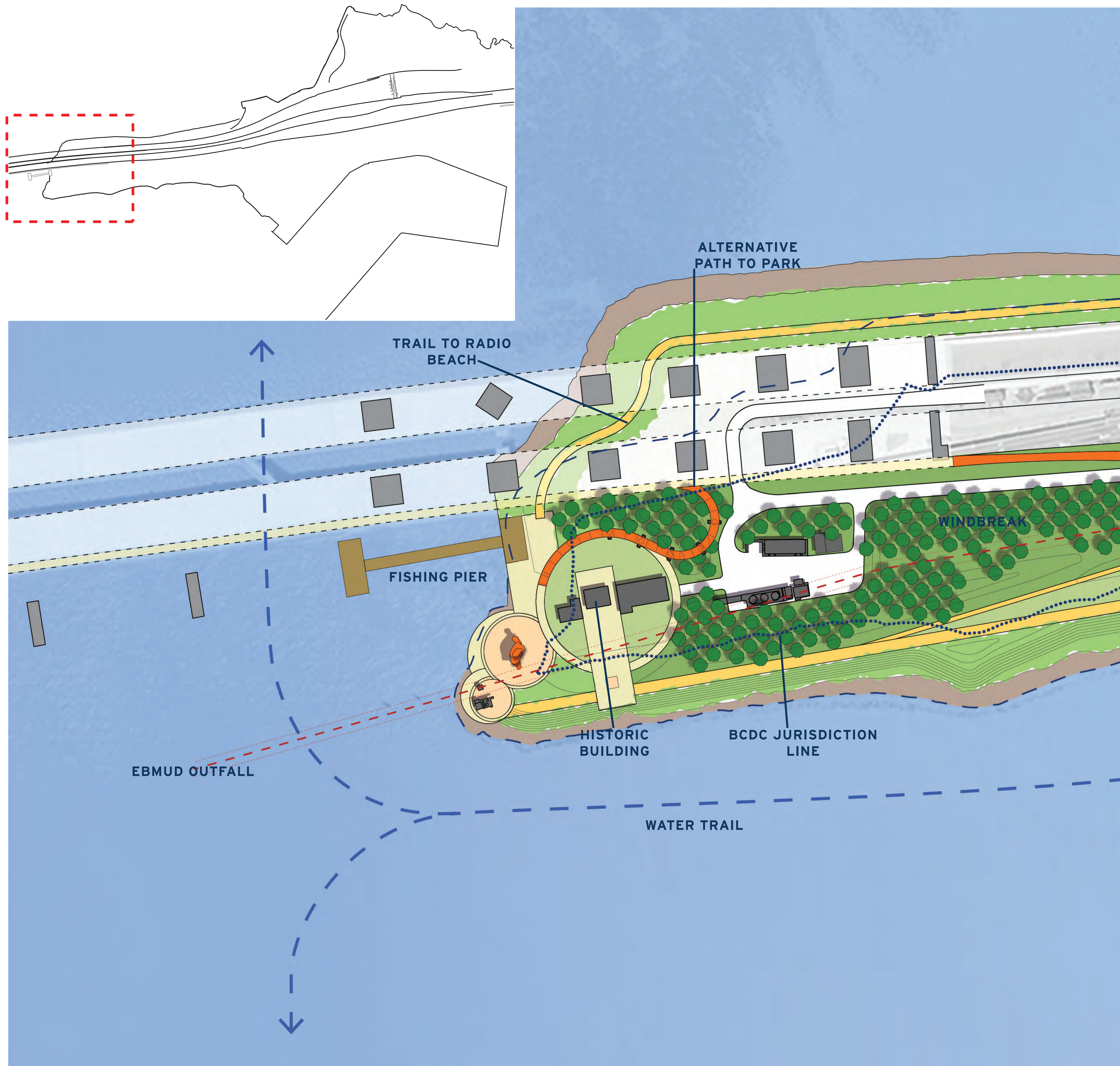
- Historic IERBYS, Destination Recreation and Event Center
- Monumental Industrial Public Art
- Artist Studios
- Parking
- Passenger Loading, Drop-Off, and Tour Bus Layover
- Outdoor Event Space
- Meadow Area
- Shuttle Stop
- Sculpture Display
- Auditorium, Phase 2
- Connection to West Gateway

PORT PLAYGROUND



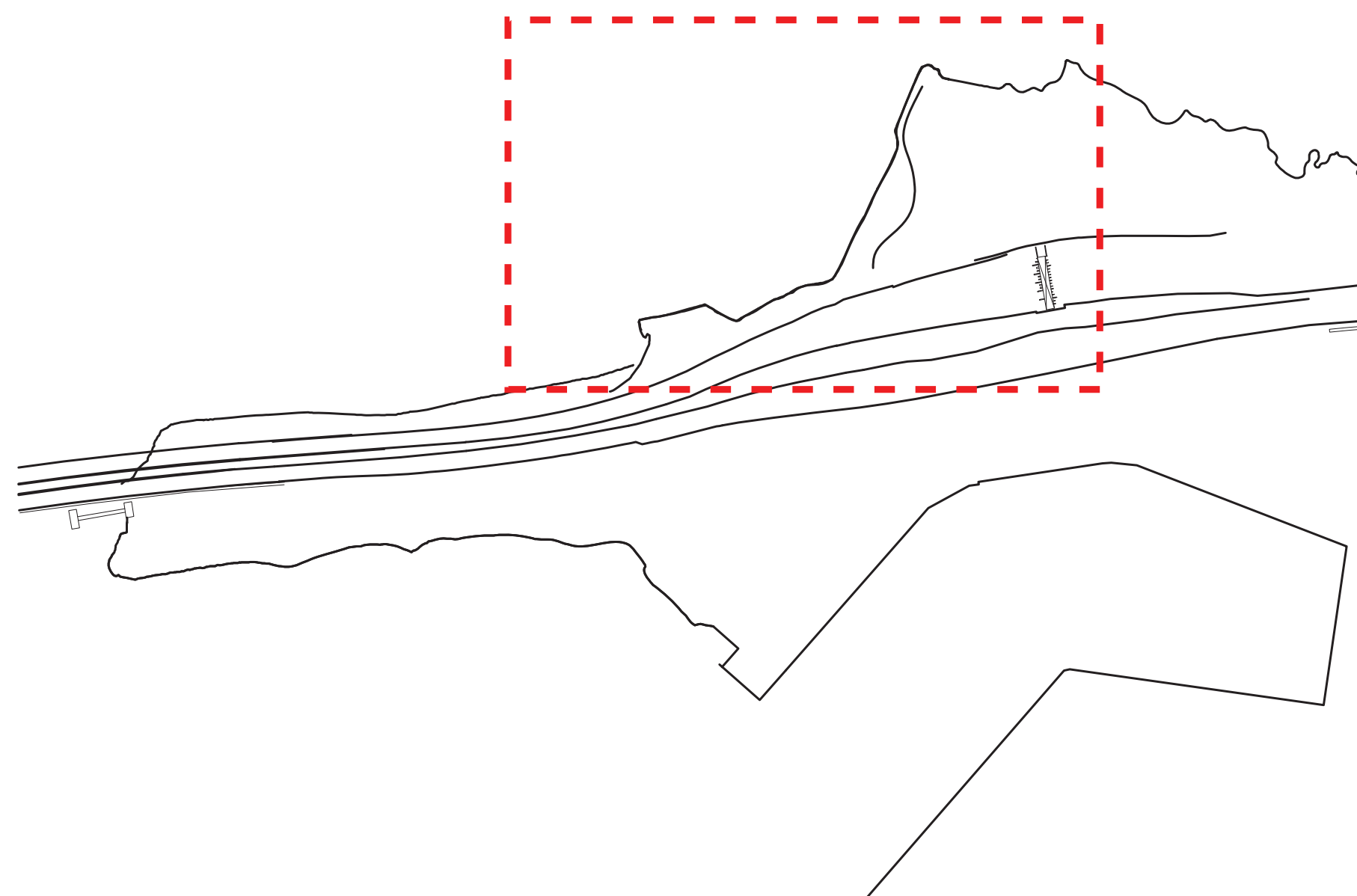
- Visitor Center
- Children's Play Area
- Extreme Play
- Climbing Wall
- Boardwalk
- Kayak Launch and Storage
- Ride/ Repurposed Crane
- Parking
- Drop Off
- Sandy Beach
- Zip Line
- Shuttle Stop
- Picnicking
- Repurposed Industrial Elements
- Stormwater Treatment

KEY POINT + THE PIER



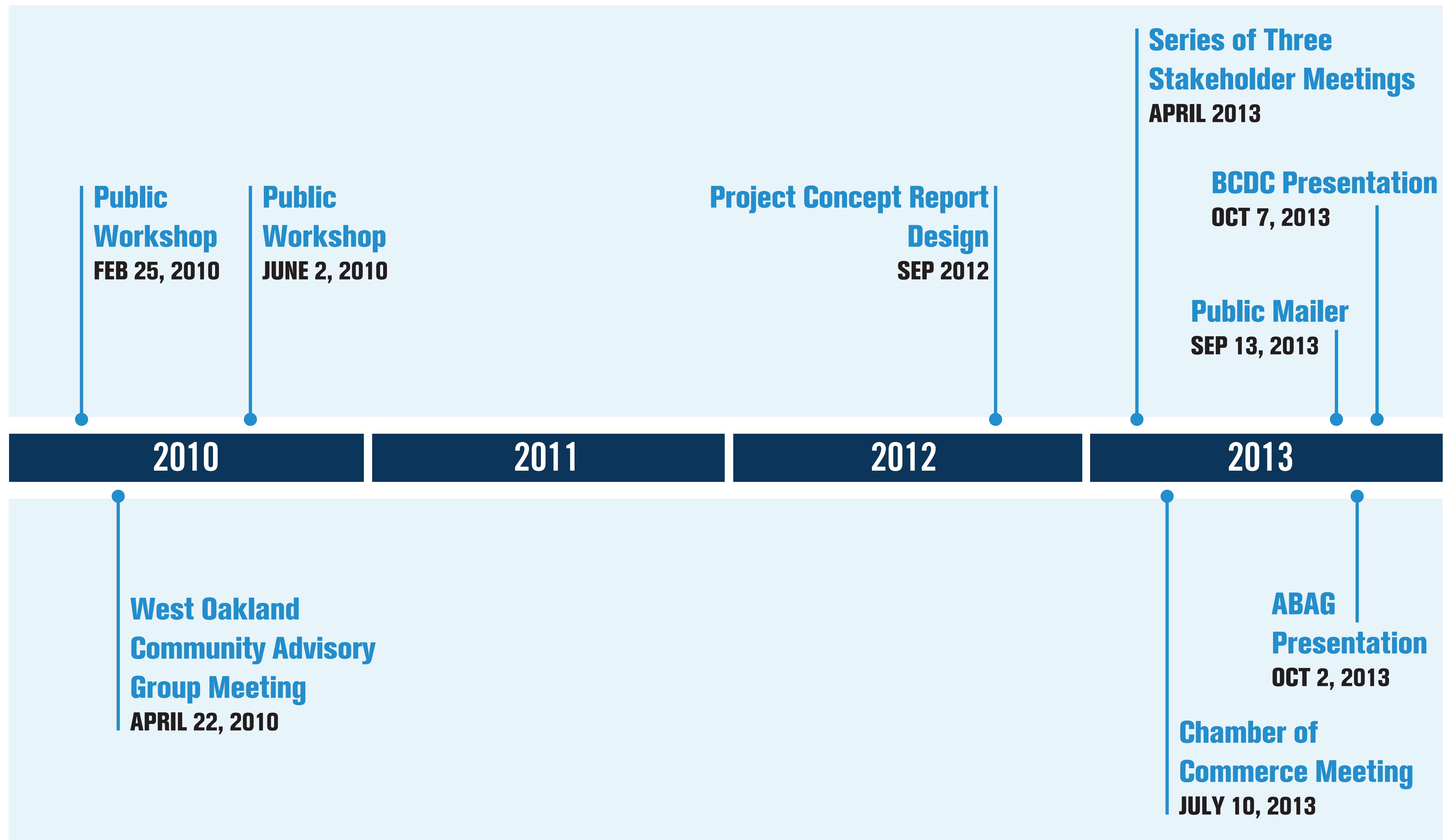
- Industrial Tide Pools
- Seating and Picnic Areas
- Interpretive/ Environmental Center
- Artist Studios at Historic Buildings
- Park Offices/ Park Security
- Alternative Path to Park
- Outdoor Classrooms
- Trail to Radio Beach
- Overlooks
- Industrial Council Ring
- Restoration Planting
- Shuttle Stop
- Fishing Pier

RADIO BEACH



- Restoration Planting
- Levee Trail
- Limited Parking
- Windsurfing
- Sandy Beach

OUTREACH TO-DATE



COMMUNITY INPUT

The Gateway Park Working Group has gathered comments on the 2012 initial design proposal and identified key issues.

THESE INCLUDED:

- Air quality for park users and those biking to and from the park
- Potential conflicts between trucks and bicyclists on Maritime Road
- Integration of the billboards with the park design
- Funding source(s) for all the proposed park elements
- Who will own and operate the park?
- Design park to be inclusive for all types of users

IN RESPONSE TO THESE COMMENTS, THE 2012 PARK PLAN AND DESIGN HAVE BEEN REFINED AS FOLLOWS:

- Replaced active recreation areas with planting near the Toll Plaza and the I-80/580/880 interchange
- Identified a safe bicycle/pedestrian connection to the Grand/Mandela/Peralta corridors
- The billboards are not a part of the park project
- Adopted phased-development approach to promote private and philanthropic participation
- Initiated discussion on long-term park governance
- Improved park access for all transportation modes

OTHER DESIGN REVISIONS INCLUDE:

- Replaced museum with other interpretative features throughout the park
- Added a more direct path through the park to the Bay Bridge
- Developed opportunities for more active-use areas in the park

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

FACTORS TO CONSIDER WITH PROJECT PHASING:

FUNDING

**AVAILABILITY
OF
RIGHT-OF-WAY**

**PROJECT
PERMITTING**

GOVERNANCE

BIKE/PED ACCESS



Bike/Path to Emeryville

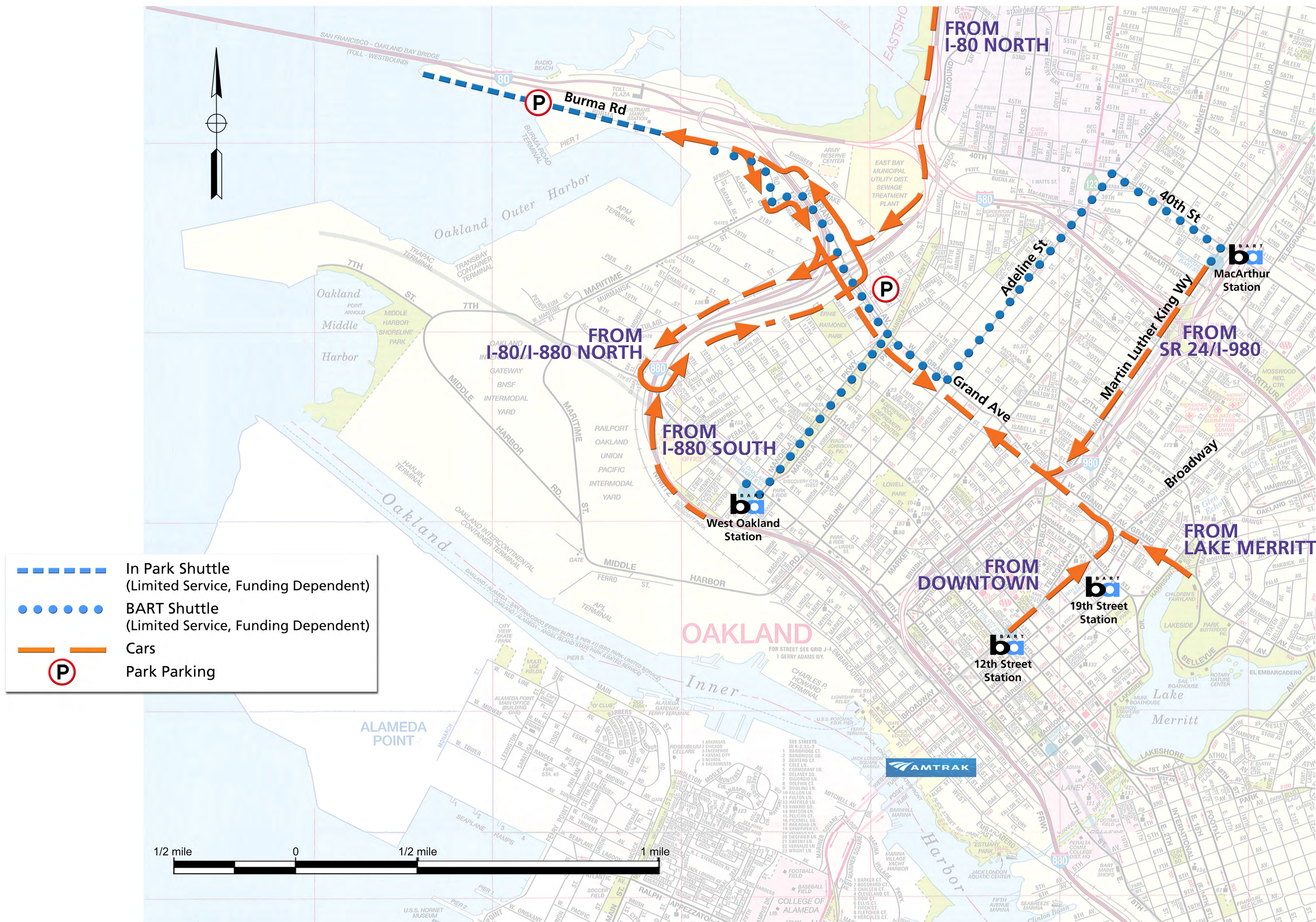


Grand Avenue Bike Corridor



Mandela Parkway Trail

VEHICULAR/TRANSIT/SHUTTLE ACCESS



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COMMENTS

We invite you to provide your comments on the scope of the environmental review, including potential impacts that should be analyzed in the environmental document, alternatives that should be considered, and input on mitigation measures that might address impacts.

Comments can be submitted at the meeting or by sending them to Peter Lee at PLee@mtc.ca.gov or via mail at the Bay Area Toll Authority, 101 Eighth Street, Oakland, CA 94607. Please include "Gateway Park Scoping Comments" in the subject line.

Comments are to be received by December 6, 2013.

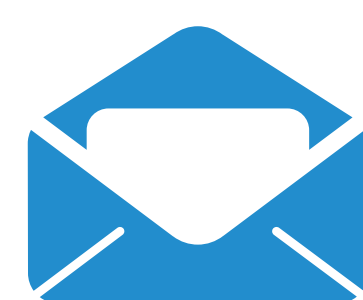
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