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About Us

The Port of San Francisco manages the waterfront as the gateway to a world-class city, and advances environmentally and financially sustainable maritime, recreational and economic opportunities to serve the City, Bay Area region, and California.

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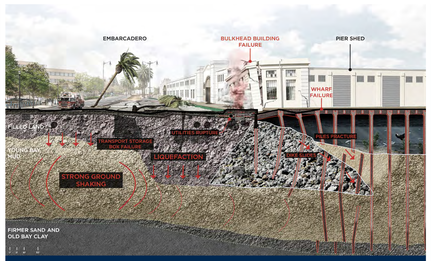
A Once in a Generation Opportunity

The Port's Waterfront Resilience Program will take actions to reduce seismic and climate change risks that support a safe, equitable, sustainable, and vibrant waterfront.

Waterfront Resilience Program

Addressing Risks Along The Waterfront

FLOODING & SEA LEVEL RISE RISK

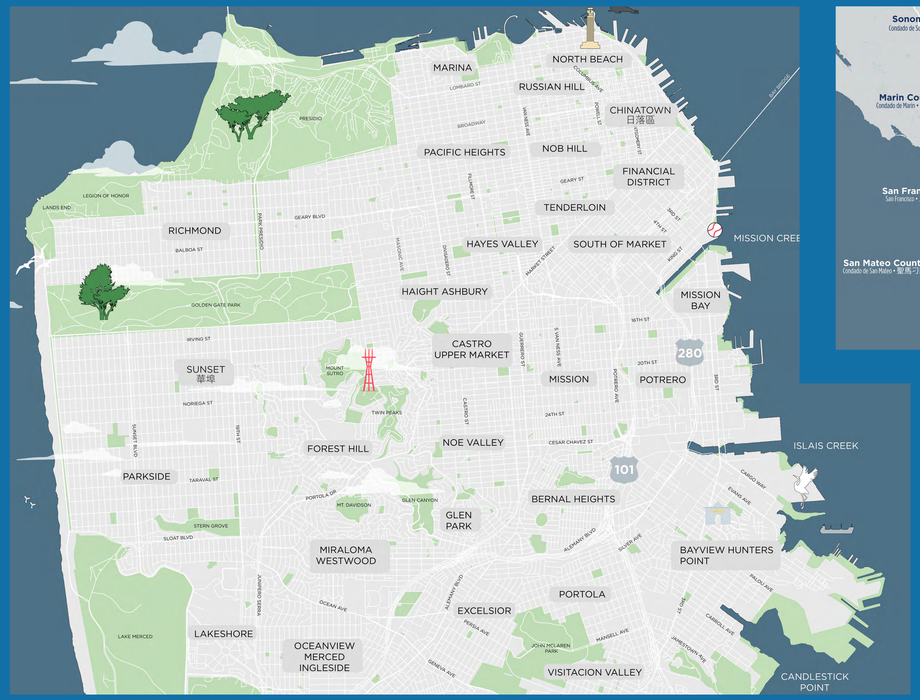


EARTHQUAKE & LIQUEFACTION RISK

Parts of the waterfront already experience flooding during storms and royal tides, and are located on aging infrastructure, making them especially vulnerable to seismic activity and coastal flooding.

ABOUT YOU

Where do you LIVE, WORK or VISIT?



Other Bay Area locations?

WHAT do you want to LEARN or DISCUSS tonight?

PORT OF SAN FRANCISCO Waterfront Resilience Program

UNDERSTANDING RISK
PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

The San Francisco Waterfront Flood Study

The technical and funding foundation that helps us:

- Understand where risks are highest
- Advance early projects where action is most urgent
- Establish an overall vision for the line of defense that unlocks partnerships and funding to deliver projects over time

US Army Corps of Engineers

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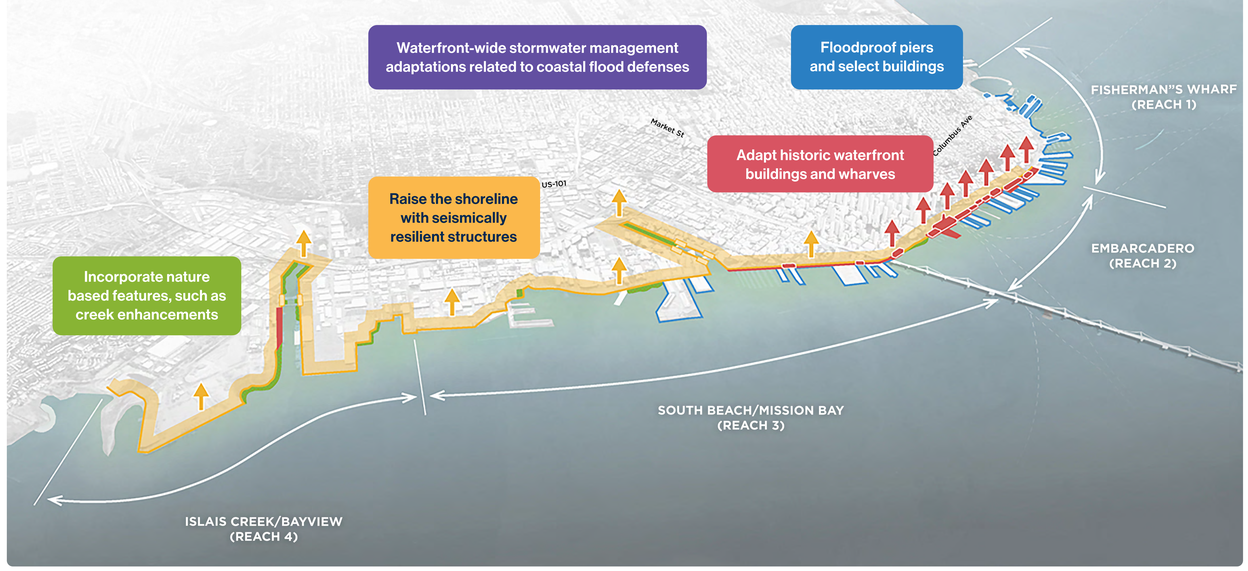
The Recommended Plan

Our long term, coordinated framework for addressing coastal flood risk across 7.5 miles of the waterfront



PROJECTS IN PARTNERSHIP

Waterfront Resilience Projects

The Waterfront Resilience Program takes a phased, place-based approach, acting now in the areas with the highest risk, while planning for coordinated, shoreline protection over the long term.

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Scan QR code to SEE MORE of the Port's Waterfront Resilience Projects

Fisherman's Wharf Forward

Revitalizing one of San Francisco's most iconic and visited waterfront destinations.

- Addresses earthquake and sea level rise risks
- Creates new public spaces and improves access to the Inner Lagoon
- Supports local businesses to keep the area vibrant and welcoming

Downtown Coastal Resilience Project

Protecting one of the most critical and vulnerable stretches of the Embarcadero.

- Addresses flood sea level rise, and earthquake risks
- Protects infrastructure, utilities, and historic assets
- Enhances public spaces and coastal habitat to keep the area safe and accessible

South Beach Coastal Resilience Project

Strengthening a growing and active waterfront neighborhood.

- Addresses flood, sea level rise, and earthquake risks
- Reinforces seawalls and wharves to improve long-term resilience
- Enhances the public promenade and supports mobility and connections

Addressing Risks Along The Waterfront

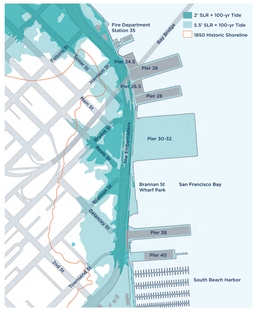
The Program works in partnership with communities and agencies to plan, design, and deliver coordinated solutions that reflect local priorities and long-term goals.

PORT OF SAN FRANCISCO Waterfront Resilience Program

HOW WAS THIS PROJECT SELECTED?

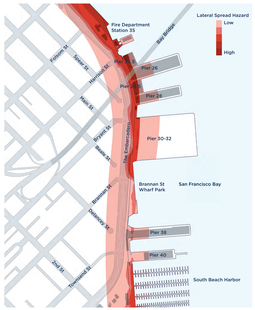
Project Evolution

Implementation of the South Beach Coastal Resilience Project will bring together several efforts funded by the 2018 Proposition A General Obligation Bond, including the Multi-Hazard Risk Assessment and the San Francisco Waterfront Flood Study. The project builds on principles and objectives developed through community input, including those outlined in the Waterfront Land Use Plan and the Waterfront Resilience Program goals. In 2024, the Port was awarded a grant from the California State Coastal Conservancy to advance this project through the early stages of design.



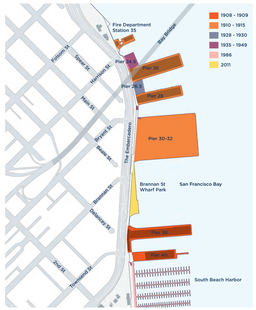
Flood Risk

Coastal flooding will increase in frequency and extent as a result of sea level rise.



Seismic Hazard

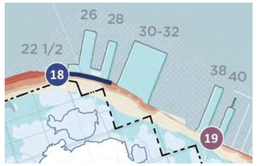
The shoreline is susceptible to several seismic hazards, including lateral spreading, liquefaction, and ground shaking.



Age of Waterfront Structures

This stretch of the Embarcadero is home to some of the oldest piers and wharves on the waterfront.

Early Projects (2022)



18 Pier 24 to Pier 28-1/2 Bulkhead Wall and Wharf Substructure Earthquake Safety Retrofit Project

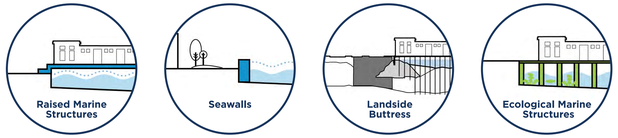
19 Emergency Fire Water System, Intake Tunnel #1 Earthquake Reliability Project

Based on the Multi-Hazard Risk Assessment two projects were identified to address specific earthquake safety and disaster response risks. Concepts were explored for the Pier 24 to 28-1/2 Safety Retrofit Project, which ultimately resulted in a recommendation to combine this early project and the Intake Tunnel project.

Recommended Plan (2026)

The Recommended Plan, developed through the San Francisco Waterfront Coastal Flood Study, a partnership between the Port of San Francisco and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, evaluates coastal flood risk and sea level rise along the Port's 7.5-mile jurisdiction. The South Beach Coastal Resilience Project advances the strategies outlined in the Recommended Plan.

Recommended Plan Toolkit (2024)



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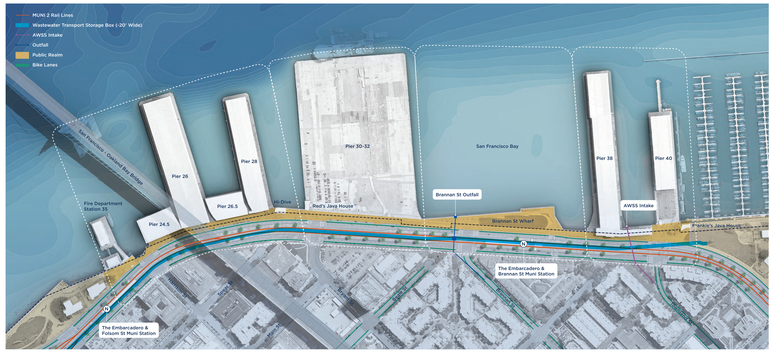
The San Francisco Waterfront Coastal Flood Study developed coastal flood risk mitigation, shoreline stabilization, and ecological measures that could be combined to create, evaluate, and compare complete alternatives. The measures selected for the South Beach Coastal Resilience Project are shown above.

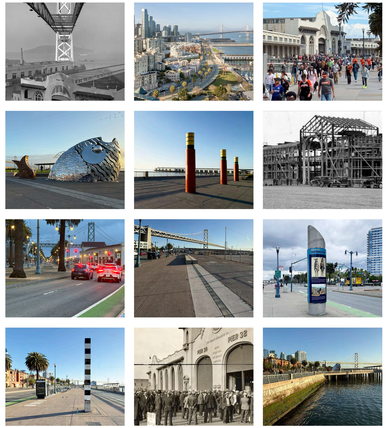
SOUTH BEACH COASTAL RESILIENCE PROJECT

Site Background & Project Timeline

The South Beach Coastal Resilience Project significantly improves the resilience of the Embarcadero waterfront by mitigating near-term risks associated with aging, seismically vulnerable infrastructure, while also addressing longer-term risks from coastal flooding that escalate each year with sea level rise. As one segment of the waterfront's overall resilience plan, this project capitalizes on prospective investments in the Pier 30/32 and Pier 38/40 facilities to collaboratively implement waterfront improvements that will benefit the community well beyond risk mitigation.



South Beach Now & Then



PROJECT TIMELINE

We are here

- **Public Outreach #1 - Introduction & Goals** *Summer 2026*
- **Concept Design Studies**
- **Public Outreach #2 - Design Options** *Winter 2026*
- **Develop Draft Concept**
- **Public Outreach #3 - Draft Design Concept** *Spring 2027*
- **Finalize Concept**
- **Public Outreach #4 - Final Design Concept** *Summer 2027*
- **Detailed Design and Construction Timeline Subject to Future Decisions and Availability of Funding**

WHAT ARE THE PROJECT GOALS?

Aligning with Broader Waterfront Plans

What matters to you most for this waterfront?

ADD A DOT OR WRITE IN MORE IDEAS

PROTECTION

- Improve Life Safety and Disaster Response & Recovery
- Increase Resilience to Earthquakes, Combined Flooding & Sea Level Rise
- A Resilient Port

CONNECTION

- Improve Mobility & Access
- Transportation and Mobility for People & Goods
- A Maritime Port, Water-dependent Uses

NATURE & ECOLOGY

- Integrate Nature, Embed Sustainability, & Enhance the Environment
- An Environmentally Sustainable Port
- Public Access & Open Space Along the Waterfront

COMMUNITY

- Center Equity & Partner with the Community
- Safeguard & Enhance Public Space Maritime Use, Cultural Resources, & Connection to the Bay
- Build Agency Collaboration & Capacity
- Partnering for Success
- Diversity of Activities & People

ECONOMIC VITALITY

- Support Economic Vitality & Financial Stability
- Deliver the Waterfront Resilience Program Innovatively, Safely, & Efficiently
- Urban Design & Historic Preservation
- A Financially Strong Port with Economic Access for All
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ADD YOUR IDEAS

?

WRP Goals

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Waterfront Land Use Plan Goals

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- An Environmentally Sustainable Port
- A Resilient Port
- Partnering for Success

The Waterfront Land Use Plan identifies specific objectives for the South Beach subarea, including:

- Preserve and improve existing maritime uses.
- Maintain and activate parks and public open spaces.
- Expand transit and alternative transportation services to improve travel safety and comfort.
- Integrate innovative resilience strategies while respecting the history, character, and authenticity of the South Beach waterfront.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE WATERFRONT PLAN

HOW DO YOU GET TO OR MOVE THROUGH SOUTH BEACH?

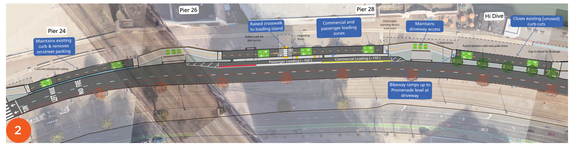
Mobility & Access Along the Waterfront

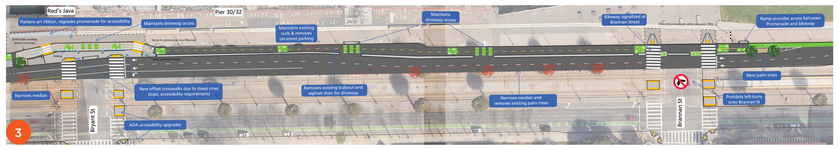
ADD A DOT TO NOTE YOUR MODE OF TRANSPORTATION

◯ Morning ◯ Afternoon ◯ Weekend

- Walk or Jog
- Muni Transit
- Bus
- Bike or Scooter
- E-bike/E-scooter
- Taxi or Ride Share
- Personal Car
- Boat
- Other

SFMTA Central Embarcadero Safety Project





This near-term project addresses multi-modal safety along the Embarcadero corridor, overlapping the South Beach Coastal Resilience Project (SBCRP) site from Harrison to Brannan Street. The project introduces a two-way separated bikeway on the waterside of the vehicular lanes, representing an incremental step toward the waterfront's future transportation program.

Crucially, elements of this work directly benefit the SBCRP—specifically, narrowing the central median between Harrison and Brannan Streets provides vital additional space to accommodate necessary grade transitions.

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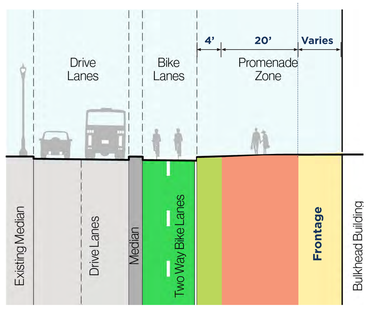
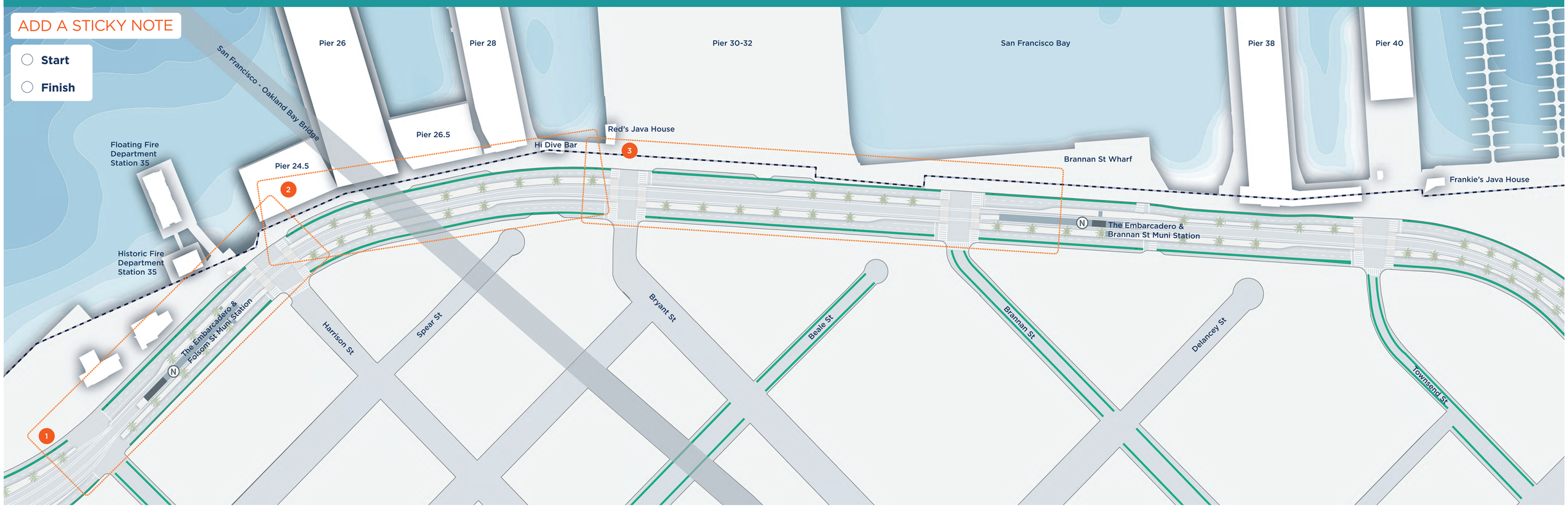


Anything that keeps you away? Barriers to entry? What can be improved?

ADD A STICKY NOTE

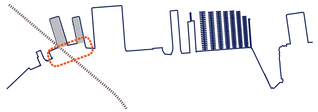
◯ Start

◯ Finish

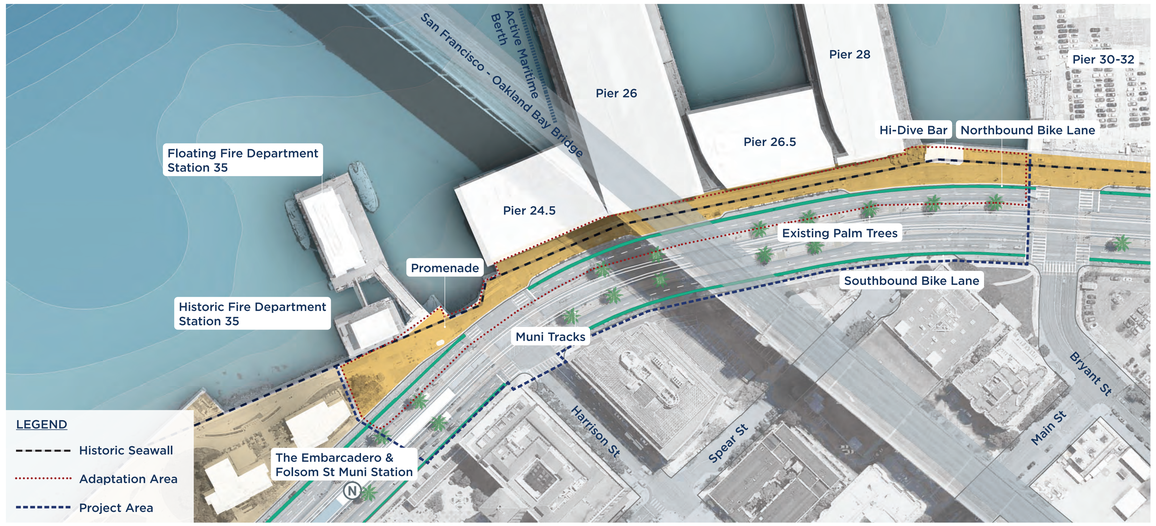


PIERS 22.5 - 28 & HI-DIVE

Harrison St to Bryant Street



The corridor from Fire Station No. 35 (Pier 22.5) to Pier 28 is nestled in the shadow of the Bay Bridge. Historically developed as part of the city's working waterfront in the Mission Revival style, these annex buildings and piers once supported the bustling maritime trade with shipping and industrial activity. Today this stretch of the waterfront hosts a floating fire boat station, gallery space, modern workspace supporting the blue economy, local food & beverage destination and more.



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What do you love about these places?

What should be retained?

What could be improved?

PIERS 22.5 - 28 & HI-DIVE

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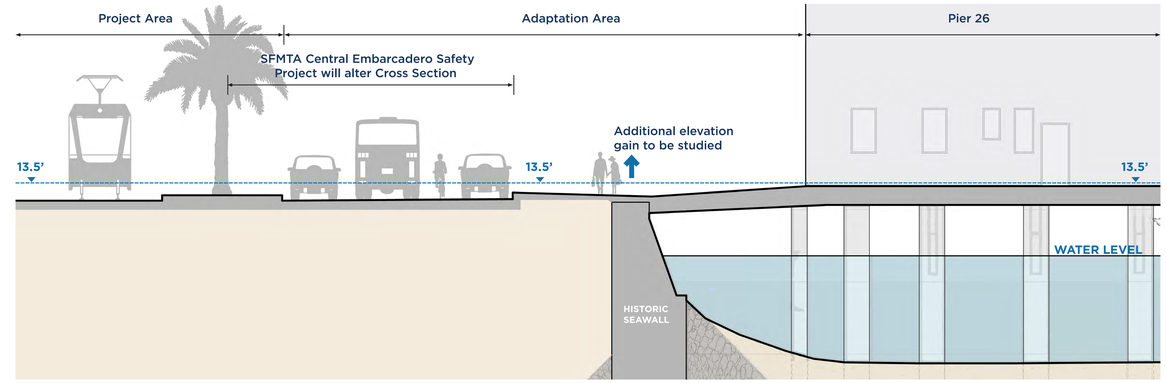
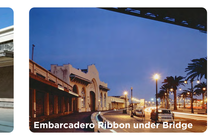


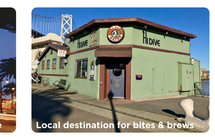
Fire Department Station 35 (Pier 22)

Pier 26.5 Annex office space

Pier 26 Today

Promenade Today


Embarcadero Ribbon under Bridge


Local destination for bites & brews

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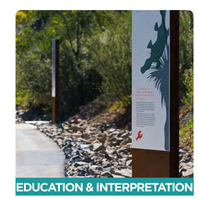
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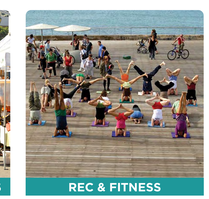
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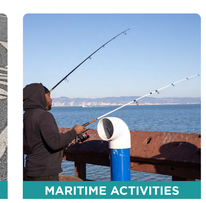
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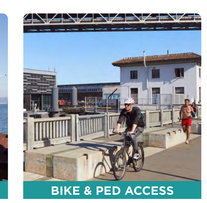
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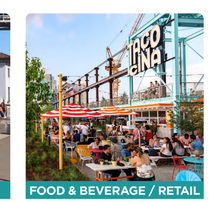
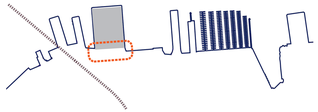


FOOD & BEVERAGE / RETAIL

ANYTHING ELSE?

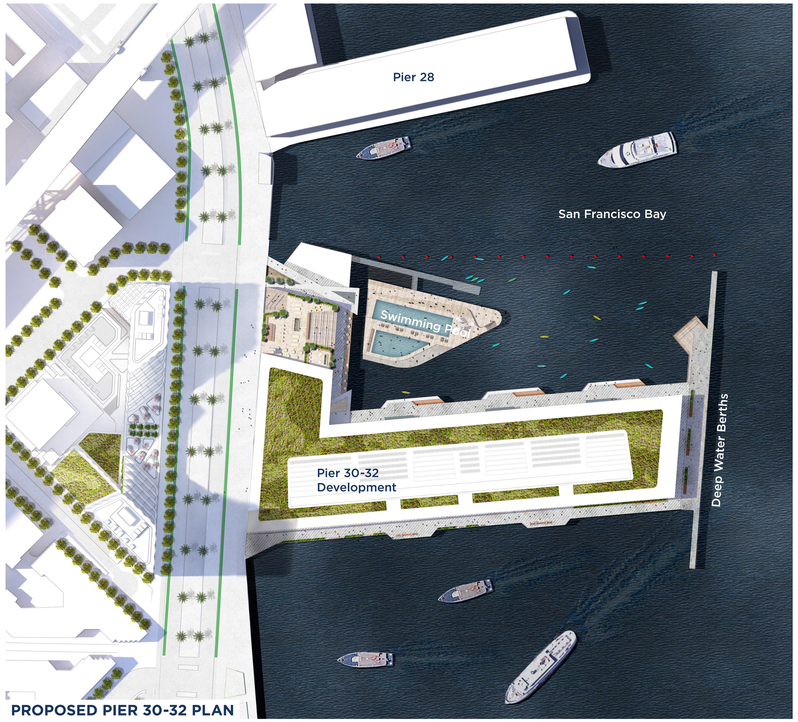
PIERS 30 - 32

Bryant St to Brannan St



Located south of the Bay Bridge Pier 30-32 has historically and continues to serve an important maritime role for the Port of San Francisco with a natural deep-water berth capable of servicing a wide range of vessels. Pier 30-32 is envisioned as part of San Francisco's evolving mixed-use waterfront, with long-term development efforts focused on resiliently transforming the site with extensive public infrastructure and amenities.

PROPOSED PIER 30-32 RENDERING



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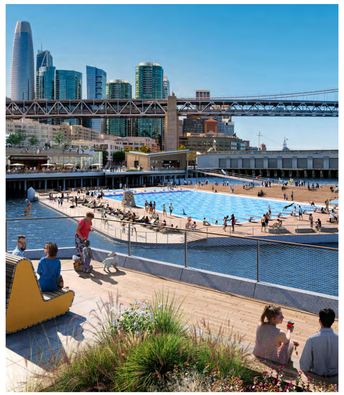

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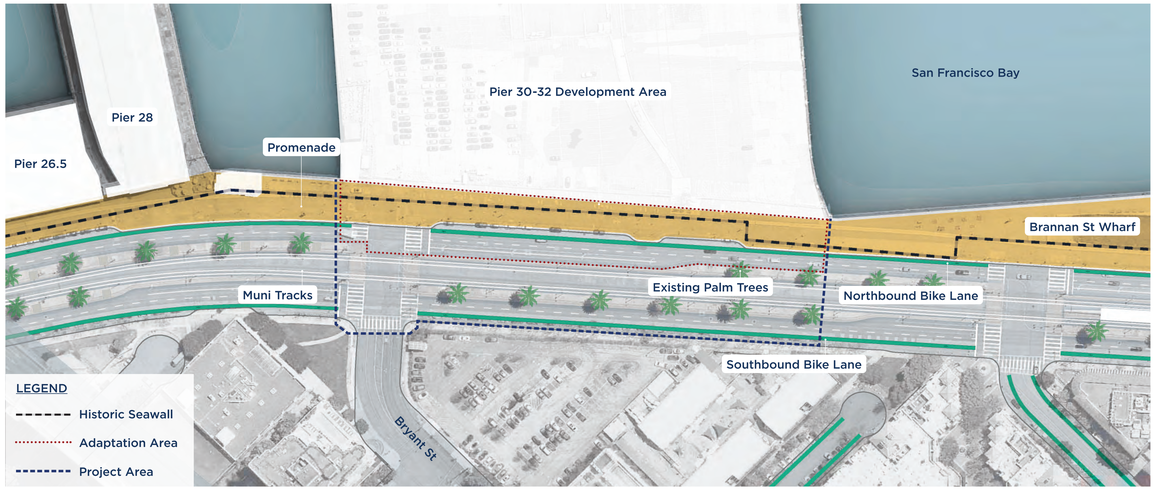

Embarcadero Ribbon

Promenade Today

Embarcadero Frontage Rendering

Aerial Rendering

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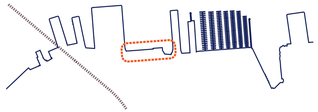
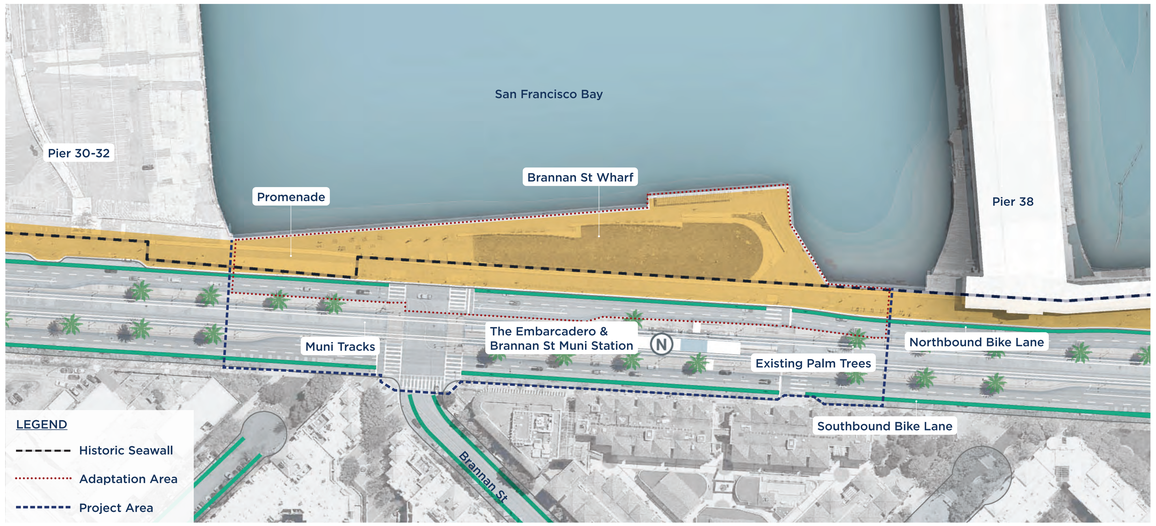


Brannan Street Wharf occupies the historic site of former Piers 34–36, once a center of San Francisco's lumber trade and industrial cargo operations along the working waterfront. Following decades of decline and deterioration, the aging piers were removed and the site was reimagined as a flexible public open space. There is currently a large raised lawn with landscaping along its edge, with seven picnic tables, benches and a shelter structure to view the waterfront.



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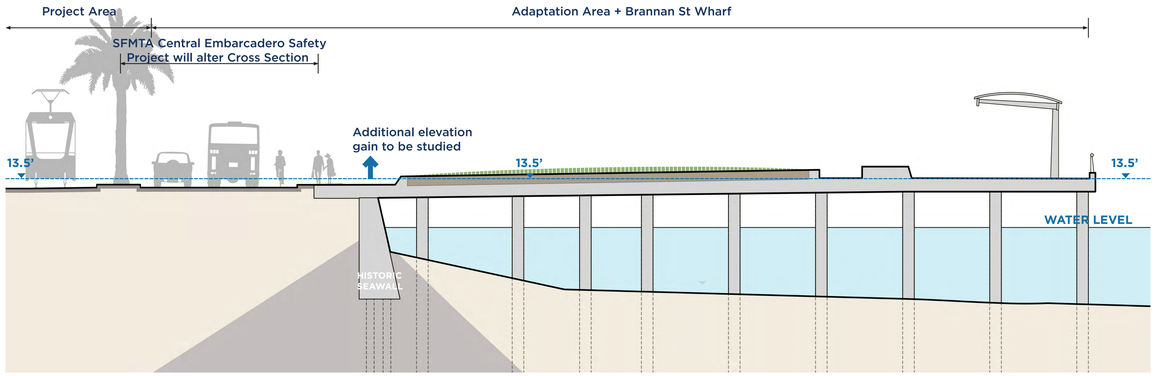

Brannan St Wharf Park

Shade Structure

Public Art Piece: Swings of the Tide

Promenade Today

The Bay Lights

Public Art

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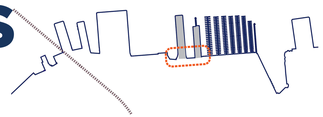
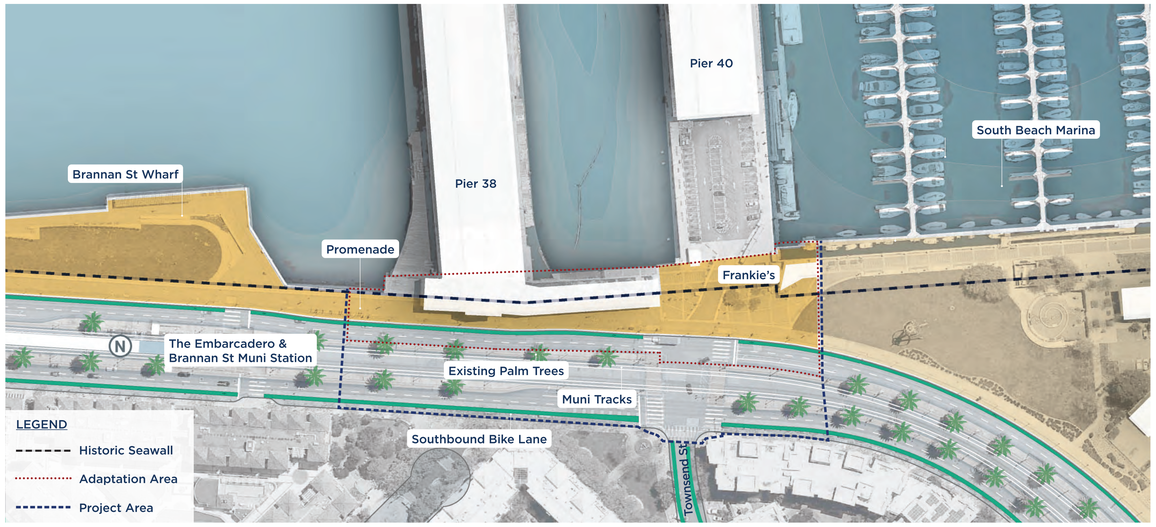


Located just north of South Beach Harbor, historic pier 38 and pier 40 are envisioned as vibrant mixed-use facilities adjacent local residential and regional entertainment hubs. Pier 40 currently supports harbor operations and is a gateway to human-powered water sports, small-craft sailing and other maritime excursions.



Share your thoughts about this place

ADD A STICKY NOTE

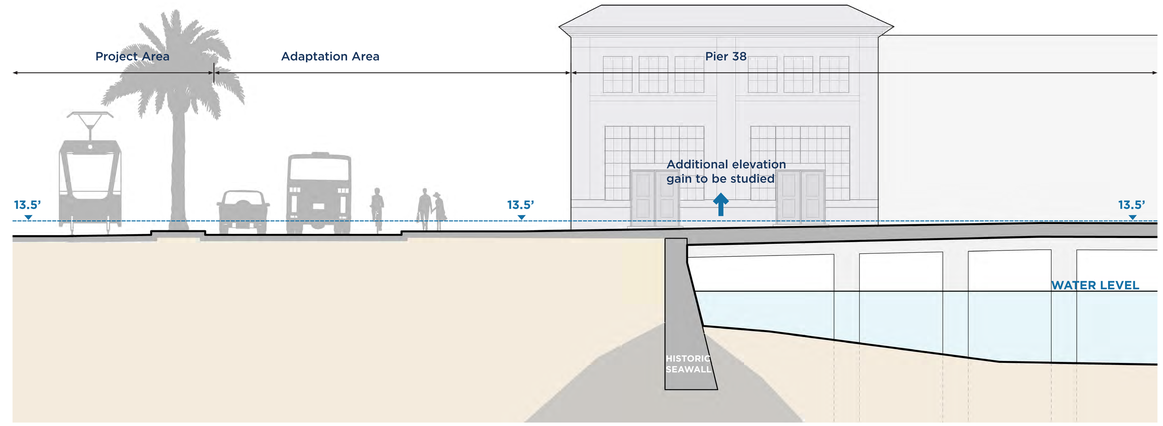
What do you love about these places?

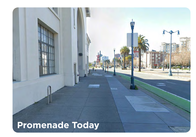
What should be retained?

What could be improved?

PIERS 38 - 40 & FRANKIE'S

Delancey St to Townsend St




Promenade Today

Pier 38

New Proposal for Pier 40

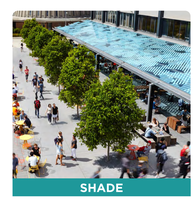
Pier 40 Today

View towards the Bay

Frankie's

What would you like to see or do here?

PLACE A DOT ON YOUR TOP THREE THINGS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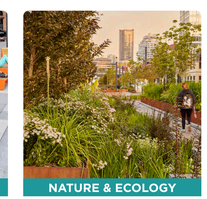
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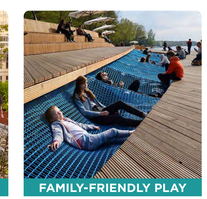
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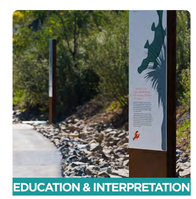
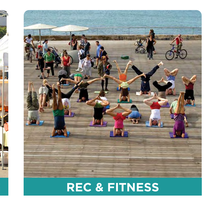

EDUCATION & INTERPRETATION

ART & CULTURE

PROGRAMMABLE SPACES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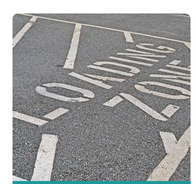
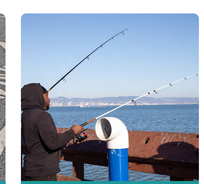


LOADING & PARKING


MARITIME ACTIVITIES

BIKE & PED ACCESS

FOOD & BEVERAGE / RETAIL

ANYTHING ELSE?