Timely Permits? No Problem!
Permitting Challenges

- Many masters, not enough focus
- Understaffed, underfunded agencies
- Inter-agency disconnects
- Public – a more prominent player
- Time delay repercussions
- Static baseline problem
- Changing project description

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What Might Help

- More agency staff, more funding
- More agency focus, less overlap
- More aggressive programmatic permitting approaches
- Thinking more proactively about Bay fill
- Dredged sediment as a resource
- Viewing the baseline more dynamically

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