



The voice of industry, environment, and infrastructure on SF Bay

SAN FRANCISCO BAY CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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MISSION

The reason BPC exists

A broad coalition providing expert advocacy and facilitation to advance a strong industrial economy that supports a sustainable environment within San Francisco Bay and its watershed.

2030 VISION

What we intend BPC to become or where we intend to take it

Be the most effective coalition that drives visionary leadership and advocacy for San Francisco Bay stakeholders, vigorously shaping a future for a sustainable, thriving economy, environment and quality of life.

BACKGROUND

35 years in advancing a strong industrial economy in San Francisco Bay

- Nonprofit member-based organization founded in 1983
- **FOCUS:** Dredging → Dredging + commerce, industry, infrastructure, recreation and natural environment connected to SF Bay and its watershed
- **MEMBERS:** Over 150 members in professional services, business & industry, associations, and local governments & districts
- **OPERATIONS:** Driven by staff of four – CEO, manager of operations and policy, and two policy associates
- **LEADERHIP:** Board of Directors, Officers, and Executive Committee

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK 2018-2030

BPC Strategic Planning Retreat, Nov. 5-7, 2017

Strategic Goals in the next three years:

1. Effect significant change in **dredging regulation and financing policy** to promote resilient shorelines, restored habitats and navigable water ways
2. Be recognized as a credible voice to promote reasonable **air quality policy** development

1. EFFECT SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN DREDGING REGULATION AND FINANCING POLICY TO PROMOTE RESILIENT SHORELINES, RESTORED HABITATS AND NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS

Supporting Strategies

- Collaborate with agencies
- Work with national organizations
- Make the public, economic and scientific case
- Increase stable funding for dredging
- Link to federal navigation program
- Support state-level legislation that allows for dredging, shoreline protection and mitigation related to climate change
- Based on scientific data, challenge environmental windows
- Support economic and scientific analysis to assess aquatic transfer facilities

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Collaborate with agencies

BPC White Paper: *Shoreline Restoration/Resiliency Projects in SF Bay: An Opportunity for Improving Regulatory Efficiency*

Objective: Facilitate constructive dialogue amongst key agencies and interest groups as to the best means to improve the timeliness and effectiveness of permitting for shoreline resiliency projects around San Francisco Bay.

- Current state of permitting
- Shoreline restoration/resiliency project characteristics
- Permitting approaches in other estuary regions
- Funding considerations
- Regional mitigation strategies
- Possibilities for expedited permitting in SF Bay
- Recommendations

[DOWNLOAD FULL PAPER AT WWW.BAYPLANNINGCOALITION.ORG](http://WWW.BAYPLANNINGCOALITION.ORG)

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Increase stable funding for dredging

Implement state-level legislation to fund statewide study on the economic and environmental benefits of dredging and beneficial reuse.

Support state-level legislation that allows for shoreline protection and mitigation related to climate change

Support AB 388 (Mullin) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Wetland restoration projects to make the reuse of dredged sediment an eligible investment from the GHGRF.

DREDGING & BENEFICIAL REUSE COMMITTEE

Sample of Draft goals for 2018

1. Streamline and expedite the **dredge operations plan (DOP) approval process** to something similar to SAP/SAR approval
2. Provide better consistency and predictability in the **process for dredging after November 30** if going to beneficial reuse
3. Ensure **RMP funds** are used to support expansion of dredging authorizations
4. Continue to assess likelihood/appetite for amending LTMS EIR/EIS to allow more than 20% **in-Bay disposal** for medium and large dredge projects

2. BE RECOGNIZED AS A CREDIBLE VOICE TO PROMOTE REASONABLE AIR QUALITY POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Supporting Strategies

- Establish presence with regulatory agencies
- Credible scientific data
- Organization development
- Make the economic case
- Collaborate with impacted parties

Organization development

Water, Energy and Infrastructure Committee → Resources and Infrastructure Committee

Establish presence with regulatory agencies

Early 2018: Expert Briefing with Bay Area Air Quality Management District

WORK WITH BAY PLANNING COALITION

1. Meet with BPC committees

Dredging & Beneficial Reuse, Legislative, Marinas & Boatyards, Resources & Infrastructure, Sustainable Waterfronts, Workforce Development

2. Attend BPC events

Waters of the State, Marinas & Boatyards, Air Quality, CEQA Update, Dredging & Beneficial Reuse Workshop, Energy & Water Nexus Summit, and more

3. Invite BPC to the table for collaboration, facilitation and guidance on key industry issues

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