



Goals and Objectives

Table 1



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Natural Resources

Goal: Maintain and preserve existing functioning native habitats and ecosystem functions, enhance and restore degraded habitats and habitat corridors, and reduce the extent of non-native and invasive species. Restore, protect, and enhance wildlife habitat and habitat corridors.

- **Example Objective:** Create a methodology for determining which invasive weeds should be prioritized for removal, and which sensitive area in the Baylands should be prioritized for restoration.
- **Example Objective:** Preserve existing functioning native habitats.

Sea Level Rise and Climate Change

Goal: Incorporate climate change and sea level rise into long term management and policies at the Baylands.

- **Example Objective:** Complete a sea level rise mapping exercise to determine which areas of the Baylands and adjacent city are most vulnerable.
- **Example Objective:** Employ adaptive management strategies to natural resource management to adapt to climate change.

Recreation

Goal: Provide diverse opportunities for recreation including a habitat compatible trail network that enables access to wildlife observation, creates opportunity for other recreational activities, and provides connection to the greater Palo Alto area.

- **Example Objective:** Identify connection points for trails to the greater Palo Alto area.
- **Example Objective:** Identify areas for wildlife observation.





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Management

Goal: Holistically manage the Baylands to balance recreation and natural resource protection and ensure that existing and proposed activities are compatible with the ecological and physical constraints.

- **Example Objective:** Identify ecological and physical constraints of the natural Baylands system.

Organization Partnerships

Goal: Promote thoughtful, well-advertised, and transparent community involvement opportunities that encourage participation by partner organizations, community groups, and environmental education programs to foster greater public engagement at the Baylands.

- **Example Objective:** Invite community groups, stakeholder, partner organizations and environmental education programs to visioning workshops.

Public Art

Goal: Include appropriate environmental art in the Baylands that builds upon Palo Alto's Public Art Master Plan.

- **Example Objective:** Identify appropriate locations for additional public art installations or activities.
- **Example Objective:** Collaborate with Parks and Open Space staff and stakeholder groups to ensure diverse community engagement in environmentally based public art projects.

Former Los Altos Treatment Plant

Goal: Restore parts of the former LATP site and dedicate them as parkland.

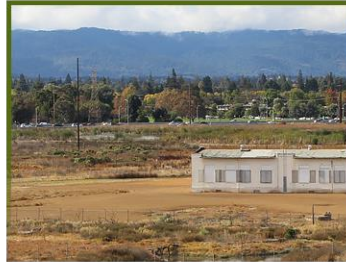
- **Example Objective:** Identify restoration opportunities at the LATP site.





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Byxbee Park

Goal: Finalize the 2015 Interim Byxbee Park Master Plan that includes guidance for the completion of interpretive signage, incorporates policies for appropriate management of wildlife and native habitats, contains plans for trail connections to the former ITT property/Renzel Wetlands, and completes plans for parking at Byxbee Park.

- **Example Objective:** Develop an updated parking design for Byxbee Park.
- **Example Objective:** Identify points for potential trail connection to the former ITT property/Renzel Wetlands.

Former ITT Property/Renzel Wetlands

Goal: Restore, protect, and enhance wetlands, uplands, and hydrologic connectivity to the site; include a plan for historic building at the Former ITT site.

- **Example Objective:** Identify site alternatives for historic building at the Former ITT site.
- **Example Objective:** Maintain existing functioning habitats.

Projects

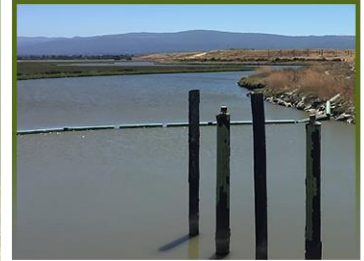
Goal: Strategically phase projects within the Baylands to minimize disturbance.

- **Example Objective:** Identify planned and future projects, project proponents, and project timeline.
- **Example Objective:** Ensure that all projects are sensitive to environmental impacts and maintain land use compatibility with surrounding uses and habitat.





Vision for the Baylands and the Comprehensive Conservation Plan



Example Vision Statement:

The Palo Alto Baylands Nature Preserve is an ecological safe haven where the habitat, wildlife, and natural resources entrusted to Palo Alto are protected and preserved. It is a sanctuary that rekindles the human spirit through recreation and reflective introspection, and offers a living link to our cultural history.

Implementation of the BCCP will help guide the protection of the preserve's habitat, wildlife, and natural resources; ensure that stewardship and nature-friendly recreational opportunities are available for park visitors to enjoy the Baylands now and in the future; and help the City manage the Baylands in a way that allows the preserve to thrive in the face of challenges such as sea level rise and climate change.

