BAY TRAIL RICHMOND
MID YEAR 2020 REPORT

SAN FRANCISCO BayTrail

This 20th Mid Year report, by TRAC, the Trails for Richmond Action Committee, summarizes recent progress toward closing gaps in the planned San Francisco Bay Trail route and improving existing sections of the Trail in the city of Richmond (City).

The City now has __36 miles__ of Bay Trail, representing 10% of the existing __356 miles__ of the planned __500-mile__ walking and cycling path encircling San Franciso and San Pablo Bays. Despite having more Bay Trail completed than any other city in the nine-county Bay Area, 6.4 miles of gaps remain in Richmond as shown on the map on the last page of this report.

The City started construction in June to close the spine of the Bay Trail gap between the Dotson Family Marsh Staging Area and the Richmond Parkway. This means that for the first time the Bay Trail will connect Point Pinole Regional Shoreline with Richmond's residential areas, as well as San Rafael via the Richmond-San Rafael (RSR) Bridge Trail. Point Pinole also will be linked with Berkeley, Emeryville and Oakland - even Yerba Buena Island - thanks to East Bay Regional Park District's recent opening of the new Bay Trail section between Buchanan St. in Albany and Gilman St. in Berkeley.

The City and East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) each have received and applied for more grants to build sections of the Point Molate Trail spur north of the RSR Bridge. Shea Homes installed new orientation, wayfinding and interpretive signs along the trail as part of the Waterline residential housing project.

The Bay Trail's popularity soared under COVID-19 restrictions as an excellent place to refresh the mind and exercise the body with adequate width for social distancing. There have been 56,000 bicycle trips across the RSR Bridge Trail since the opening day on November 16.

Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Trail

During the past 45 days, daily bicycle trips have averaged about 560 on weekends and 240 on weekdays. This is 76% of the east span Bay Bridge Trail trips on weekends and 55% of the Bay Bridge on weekdays. Pedestrians seem to represent about 10% of users, although counters aren't operating yet. The RSR Bridge Trail is a four-year pilot project. Trail use will be pivotal in deciding whether the trail remains open and when it will be open after the end of the pilot.
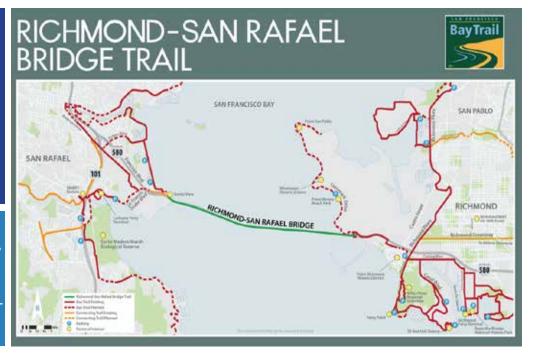
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For maps and other information on this trail, visit:

https://www.pointrichmond.com/bay-trail/point-san-pablo/

RICHMOND–SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE TRAIL

Point Molate Trail

The City and EBRPD each are seeking grant funds to construct sections of the Point Molate Trail extending 2.5 miles along the shoreline from the RSR Bridge to the northern border of the City's Point Molate property. This includes one mile of trail on a shoreline easement donated by Chevron and 1.5 miles on the City's Point Molate property. EBRPD has completed a preliminary design, approved a Mitigated Negative Declaration under CEQA and filed permit applications for the entire 2.5 miles. Plan Bay Area Priority Conservation Area grants of $2.0 million have been awarded, and applications have been filed for additional grants. This Point Molate Trail could be built as early as mid-year 2021 if a total of $6.5 million is obtained for construction.

For more information on the Point Molate Trail, visit:
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Linkages Between Bridge, Ferry & Richmond Greenway

Protected bikeways are needed where port, boat repair and industrial facilities require inland detours of the Bay Trail on Harbour Way South from the ferry terminal to Hoffman and Cutting Blvds. Plans for these bikeways were developed as part of the Ferry to Bridge to Greenway Complete Streets Project funded by a $276,000 grant under Caltrans Sustainable Communities Transportation Planning program. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission is providing $325,000 for building the Harbour Way portion, and Simms Metals Management has provided $65,000 for Hoffman Blvd. The City is actively seeking grants to complete funding for this 2.25 -mile cycle track

Closing the Last Gaps in Richmond's Spine Bay Trail

The last gaps in Richmond's spine Bay Trail are in the vicinity of Point Pinole Regional Shoreline as shown on the map last page of this report. The City of Richmond started work in June on a two-way, multi-use trail on the eastern side of narrow Goodick Avenue between the Dotson Family Marsh Staging Area and the Richmond Parkway Bay Trail. Construction is being funded by a $976,000 grant of Measure J gasoline tax revenues from Contra Costa Transportation Authority and $130,000 from the Bay Trail Project at the Association of Bay Area Governments.

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Richmond's Bay Trail Website Upgraded

TRAC's website designed by David Moore won the Website Design Award during the 2008 California Trails & Greenways Conference. However, the platform became outdated and unsuitable for today's smart phone technology. Scott Harris of ClientClicks volunteered to maintain the website when David retired this year and has upgraded it to a new, user-friendly platform.

Check out TRAC's new website!
Visit: https://www.pointrichmond.com/bay-trail/

TRAC Steering Committee: Top row - Donald Bastin, Nancy Strauch, Chair Bruce Beyaert & Vice Chair Bruce Brubaker. Bottom row - Andrew Butt, Claudia Garcia & Michelle Hook.
Photo by Don Gosney.

Thank you for supporting completion of the Bay Trail in Richmond. Please share this report with your friends and neighbors, encouraging them to join the Richmond Bay Trail Network at no cost by e-mailing tracbaytrail@earthlink.net. For maps, a calendar of events and other information about the Bay Trail in Richmond, visit https://pointrichmond.com/baytrail/.

Legend

Bay Trail
— Complete
--- Incomplete

Connector Trail
— Complete
--- Incomplete

● Water Trail site
● Water Trail site *(planned)*
▮ Parks/Open Space
▮ Water Bodies

SAN FRANCISCO BayTrail

Welcome to Richmond

Over 35 miles of Bay Trail linking a necklace of 12 shoreline parks

December 19, 2019

Map Labels

Point Wilson

Point Pinole Regional Shoreline

Atlas Rd

San Pablo Ave

Richmond

Open 2020

Richmond Parkway

Goodrick Ave

San Pablo

Landfill Loop Trail

Wildcat Creek Trail

Wildcat Marsh Trail

Gertrude Ave

Hensley St

Point San Pablo

Point San Pablo Yacht Harbor

Winehaven Historic District

Point Molate

Point Molate Beach Park

Pennsylvania Ave

Richmond

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Castro St

Richmond Pkwy

Barrett Ave

Nevin Ave

West Macdonald

Richmond Museum of History

Richmond BART Station

Trail Open — Pilot Project
Richmond-San Rafael Bridge

Stenmark Dr

Garrard Blvd

Ohio Ave

Richmond Wellness Trail

Richmond Greenway

El Cerrito

El Cerrito del Norte BART Station

Ohlone Greenway

Point Richmond

Cutting Blvd

Hoffman

Wright

23rd St

580

Boat Ramp St

Canal Blvd

Keller Beach

Dorman Dr

Miller-Knox Regional Shoreline

Brickyard Cove

Kaiser Shipyard 3

Ferry Point

Point Potrero

SS Red Oak Victory

Harbour Way South

Hall

Marina Wy

Regatta Blvd

Marina Bay

Marina Bay Pkwy

Marina Bay Park

51st St

Lucretia Edwards Park

Jay & Barbara Vincent Park

Shimada Park

To Point Isabel Regional Shoreline →

Richmond-San Francisco Ferry Terminal

Rosie the Riveter/ WWII Home Front NHP Visitor Center

Brooks Island

Point Isabel Regional Shoreline

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