WILDCAT MARSH & LANDFILL LOOP TRAIL

The story of this portion of the Bay Trail is one based on the very essence of today’s meaning of “green.” Non-existent until now, the trail incorporates fantastic views of San Pablo Bay, Wildcat and San Pablo Creeks with remarkable examples of industrial water conservation and reuse; resource recovery, electrical generation, recycling and recreation. Make sure to visit the many interpretive exhibits along the trail which tell the story of this formerly little-known part of Contra Costa County’s shoreline.

Who Lives Here?

This new land form has attracted flora and fauna characteristic of the Bay Area shorelines. Salt tolerant plants as well as marshbirds, shorebirds and raptors co-exist with mammals along the shoreline.

What to bring on the trail:
- Water
- Snack or picnic lunch
- Binoculars
- Birding book
- Camera

For school tour information call 510-215-3125.
What exactly is "Garbage Mountain"?

This landfill was begun in 1953 on farmland on the San Pablo Bay shoreline. It was operated for many years by the Richmond Sanitary Service and then acquired by Republic Services that operated the facility until it stopped accepting waste in 2000. The landfill had been approached by a number of developers at various times for years, with no success. In November of 2008, the State of California signed a contract with Republic Services. The contract, publicized by the West County Wastewater District, implements the "Garbage Mountain'" project, which includes the following:

- The project is funded by a $11 million grant from the State, $1.5 million from the West County Wastewater District and $9 million from Republic Services.
- The project is expected to provide power sufficient for 1,500 homes.
- The project is expected to cost $26 million.
- The project is expected to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by over 200,000 tons per year.
- The project is expected to create 100 jobs.
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