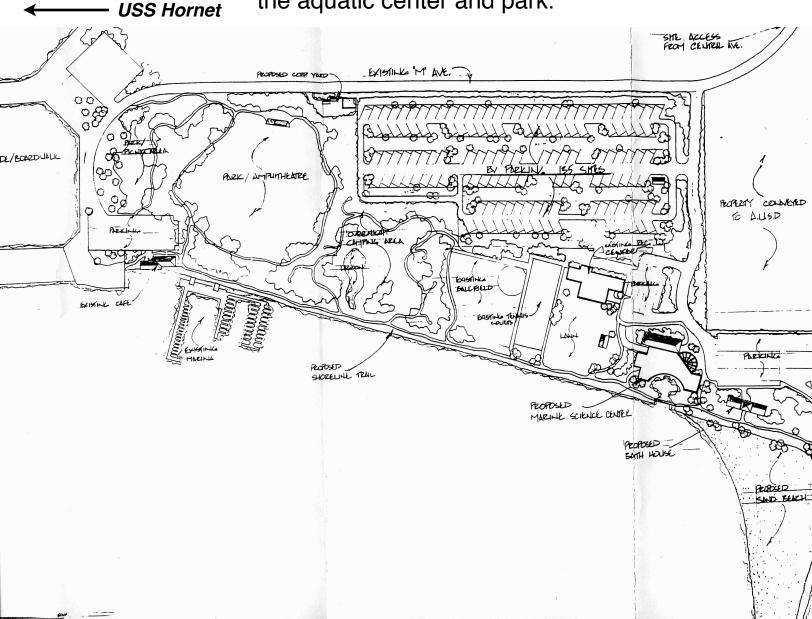
Community Aquatic Center and Shoreline Park at Alameda Point

Prepared in 1995 by East Bay Regional Park District during discussions about the future of Alameda Point.

This triangle park area is near the USS Hornet. Originally called Inner Harbor Park, it is now called Enterprise Park.

Below are excerpts about proposed programs for the aquatic center and park.



III. COMMUNITY AQUATIC CENTER: PROGRAMS

The following is a list of fifteen programs that could be housed and operated from the Community Aquatic Center, in-and-about Alameda's new Shoreline Park:

- 1. SAILING INSTRUCTION. Basic-to-advanced sailing classes could be conducted at the CAC's Inner Harbor using boats ranging from dinghies to keelboats. Some of these boats may be available from the Navy. The adjoining Seaplane Lagoon could be utilized to teach the newest of sailors once it was made available for public use.
- 2. WIND SURFING. Many types of boards could be used at the CAC to teach all levels of the rapidly growing and relatively inexpensive sport of wind surfing.
- 3. SEA-KAYAKING. Also growing in popularity is the sport of sea-kayaking. Beginning-to-advanced instruction could be given at the center.
- 4. ROWING. The flat water of the Inner Harbor would make a good site for instruction in different types of rowing. Introductory-to-advanced classes in sculling and sweep rowing would be offered at CAC. The growing sport of open-water rowing could also be offered.
- 5. ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS. San Francisco Bay is a threatened resource. The CAC could serve as an educational base for public awareness and education regarding environmental issues. It also could be utilized as a base for many of the ongoing aquatic biology programs sponsored by such groups as the UCB Lawrence Hall of Science (LHS). A science vessel could be moored at CAC for use by LHS in its nationally recognized programs.
- 6. PROGRAMS FOR THE DISABLED. CAC would be developed to ensure that its programs were accessible to the disabled.
- 7. EQUIPMENT RENTAL. Having successfully completed instructional programs, graduates and others would have the opportunity of renting recreational equipment from the center. Considering the type and quantity of inventory that could be stored and maintained at CAC, this concept could be popular and profitable.
- 8. K-12 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS. CAC could serve as a central location for classes throughout the year. After-school and weekend programs could be available. CAC also would be utilized for summer youth programs and camps, especially for disadvantaged inner-city youth who had never experienced life outside of their own communities.

PROGRAMS (CONT)

- 9. HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAMS. There are few, if any, active competitive aquatic (non swimming) programs at East Bay high schools featuring sailing as a competitive or intramural program as found at many Southern California schools. Shoreline Park could remedy this disadvantage in favor of budding competitive sailors from Northern California.
- 10. COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROGRAMS. There are six community colleges within a reasonable commute distance of Shoreline Park. CAC could serve as a central location for their in-water safety programs. In addition, many of the activities taught at the CAC could be made available for student physical education credit.
- 11. UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE PROGRAMS. CAC could also assist with the development of cooperative programs with Bay Area colleges and universities: UC Berkeley, Mills College, Holy Names, Cal State Hayward, USF and UCSF.
- 12. CLASSROOM OFFERINGS. A variety of on-land instruction could be carried out at CAC such as: general seamanship, navigation, boating safety, operating a marine business, boat building and repair, outboard engine repair, etc. Many of these classes could receive partial funding by continuing grants from the Department of Boating and Waterways. Furthermore, the Coast Guard Auxiliary would find this setting a convenient and central one for offering its water-safety courses.
- 13. LOCAL AQUATIC ORGANIZATIONS. Storage and meeting space could be made available to Sea Scouts, rowing clubs and other water-related, nonprofit organizations.
- 14. REGATTAS AND SPECIAL EVENTS. CAC would be a perfect venue for the many local regattas sponsored by such organizations as the Small Boat Racing Association (SBRA) and Yacht Racing Association (YRA), along with large national and international sailing regattas. Rowing competitions could also be held at CAC. Such attractions could generate revenue for local restaurants and hotels as well.
- 15. OLYMPIC TRAINING FACILITIES. The U.S. Olympic Sailing Committee/US SAILING has been looking for a West Coast site that could be used as a base for individuals coaching and training for the Olympic Games plus recreational instructor training. Athletes participating in the Olympic sports of flat water kayaking and rowing are also potential users, especially when one considers the possibility of utilizing existing NAS barracks and messing facilities for the competitors.

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT Fund Raising Plan

EBRPD's Grants Administration Department is a section of Management Services that coordinates outside funding opportunities for capital projects, including acquisition and capital development. Staff identifies funding opportunities, applies for grants, administers contractual provisions, monitors expenditures and closes the completed projects in a timely fashion.

- EBRPD is experienced in planning and constructing innovative park and trail improvements and habitat enhancement projects and leveraging district funds with outside funding sources.
- To date, EBRPD has received some 415 grant awards from local, state and federal sources in the amount of \$92,150,000.
- EBRPD acquires and develops park facilities by entering into joint ventures with other public agencies and with private enterprise.
- Grant-funded projects receive a high priority in EBRPD's Design and Construction Departments.
- District residents have a long tradition of supporting state and local bonds for park development. In 1988, the voters of Alameda and Contra Costa counties supported EBRPD's Measure AA Bond by more than a two-thirds majority.
- EBRPD will seek competitive grant opportunities for trail construction beach enhancement, overnight camping areas, turf play grounds and the marina from annual state and federal grant sources.

