



MONTHLY UPDATE

EBATC Announcements, Meeting Minutes, News: January 2002

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The EBATC is composed of public agencies, equestrians, hikers, bicyclists, and conservation-ists who are committed to furthering the protection of the scenic and recreational resources of the East Bay.

HELP SUPPORT MEASURE K

The Measure K campaign, or Yes for Parks, is well underway, with only 8 weeks left before the March 5th Election Day! This important Measure ensures funding for East Bay Regional Park maintenance, public safety, resource protection/restoration and public access. Volunteers are needed to help distribute 150,000 leaflets, informing the voters of Contra Costa and Alameda counties to vote Yes on K!

Members of the Measure K campaign staff, Campaign Coordinator Doug Linney and Campaign Organizers Matt Hummel and Sara Stern, will explain how member organizations of EBATC can get involved directly in the campaign.

Area coordinators are needed throughout both counties to help organize leafleting events each weekend, recruit volunteers, and scout leafleting locations. In addition to area coordinators, the campaign is seeking volunteers for leafleting weekends and evenings, as well as evening phone bankers.

To find out more about the Yes for Parks campaign, please visit our website at www.yesforparks.com. To volunteer for the campaign, please contact Sara Stern by phone (510) 848-0800 x 313 or via email at sara@yesforparks.com.

Thanks,

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EBATC JANUARY MEETING Wednesday, January 16, 2002

7:15 to 9:30 pm

East Bay Regional Park District
Headquarters: Board Room
2950 Peralta Court, Oakland
Telephone (510) 635-0135

Agenda: January 16, 2002 Meeting

1. Call to order: 7:15 p.m.

Approval of Agenda:	Action
Approval of Minutes:	Action
2. Reports and Updates:

Treasurer's Report	Report
Governance/officers	Report
Bay Area Ridge Trail Issues	Report
3. New Business

Ballot Measures for March 2002:	
Measure K, EBRPD Parcel Tax	
State Park Bond	Action/Report
Bay Trail in Alameda	
Proposed Golf Course at Alameda Point	
5. Round Robin and Future Agenda

Reports from members	
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SUPPORT PROPOSITION 40

Your Support for the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 is needed.

Environmental groups from around the state are looking to the successful passage of Proposition 40 on the March 2002 ballot to aid them in their conservation efforts. The California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 will provide essential funds to help preserve California's ecosystems and habitats, and improve our ability to enjoy already-protected natural areas that are accessible to the public.

Proposition 40 will provide \$1.275 billion for land conservation and improved air and water quality, and \$1.325 billion dedicated to California's State and local parks, recreation, and historic and cultural resources. Passage of the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 will allow California to move forward in the effort to protect the state's wildlife and open space by allocating:

- \$300 million to the Wildlife Conservation Board for the acquisition, development, restoration, and rehabilitation of habitat that promotes the recovery of threatened and endangered species.

- \$445 million, divided between eight State Conservancies, for land acquisition, particularly with a focus on land and water resources.
- \$75 million for the preservation of agricultural lands, including oak woodlands and grasslands.
- \$20 million to the State and Local Conservation Corps for acquisition, development, restoration, and rehabilitation of land and water resources.
- \$225 million for State Parks for the improvement of existing parks, which will benefit wildlife by providing public education and quality habitat. Up to half of the funds can be used for land acquisition.
- \$375 million for protection of water resources which would benefit wildlife that live in wetlands and those that live in the delicate riparian zone along rivers.

Proposition 40 is supported by a wide variety of groups including the Planning and Conservation League, the Nature Conservancy, the Trust for Public Land, Defenders of Wildlife and the Sierra Club. Your help is needed to pass this important bond act. To get more information, donate funds, or volunteer locally to help the campaign, please visit us on-line at <http://voteyeson40.org> or contact Bryan Blum at 916-313-4539.

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