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## Funded By

### Measure AA
2014 Open Space Bond

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Six years ago, when voters passed Measure AA to support the community’s top 25 priorities of open space preservation, natural resource protection, outdoor recreation and local agriculture, the overarching desire for healthy and resilient living emerged as an overarching and connecting theme. Fast forward to June 2020, we have a renewed and deeper understanding of what healthy living means to all of us and the crucial need for time spent in nature for our physical, emotional and mental well-being. Amid the unprecedented challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District staff worked diligently to keep our preserves open to serve as a safe place for all to seek refuge and resilience.

While projects were interrupted by the mid-March shelter-in-place orders, we were able to make significant progress toward our FY20 Measure AA project portfolio goals.

Our work to connect 80 miles of continuous San Francisco Bay Trail by closing a critical 0.6-mile gap at Ravenswood Preserve, our most urban open space, expanded access to nearby nature for many neighborhoods within East Palo Alto and the Belle Haven community of Menlo Park. Other work to improve public access this year included:

- **Continuing** progress on the Highway 17 Wildlife and Regional Trail Crossings Project that will create a regional trail connection and a separate and safe wildlife corridor across Highway 17.

- **Completing** major planning, design and permitting processes at Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve to open a new area of the preserve to public access with phase 2 trails and improvements to the Alma cultural landscape and Bear Creek Stables.

Healthy humans depend on healthy nature and this year we completed several projects to restore native habitat, including:

- **Completing** a scientific study highlighting the extensive reduction in erosion into the San Gregorio Creek watershed from 15 years’ worth of sediment reduction projects at El Corte de Madera Creek Preserve, improving water quality and streambeds for fish and other wildlife.

- **Removing** invasive nonnative species at Bear Creek Redwoods and Sierra Azul Preserve to facilitate native plant germination and improve habitat quality for local wildlife.

Work also continued to preserve open space lands, focused on connecting corridors across a contiguous greenbelt:

- **Acquiring** properties as additions to El Corte de Madera Creek and Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserves.

- **Making** significant progress on the acquisition of the 182-acre San Jose Water Company inholding in El Sereno Preserve.

- **Moving** forward with the potential purchase of the 371-acre South Cowell Ranch property as an addition to Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve to protect important coastal grasslands, wildlife corridors toward the Pacific Ocean, coastal open space vistas and support local agriculture by expanding our conservation grazing program.

- **Conducting** outreach with community partners, agencies and elected officials to discuss the potential purchase of the 6,500-acre Cloverdale Ranch from Peninsula Open Space Trust.
We are grateful to the community for entrusting us with the funds required to move these major and enduring projects forward, and we are grateful to you, the Bond Oversight Committee, for your service in verifying these MAA expenditures to meet the public’s expectation of trust and transparency.

Sincerely,

/s/ Ana María Ruiz

Ana María Ruiz
General Manager
Message from the Chief Financial Officer to the Bond Oversight Committee

Bond Oversight Committee:

Midpen is pleased to present our fifth Measure AA Bond Annual Accountability Report. Approved by voters in 2014, MAA is a $300 million bond measure to accelerate land acquisition, environmental restoration and public access within the District. We present this report to you to fulfill two key tenets of this legislation — transparency and accountability — by highlighting MAA project progress and providing an overview of bond expenditures for FY20.

As committee members, your role is defined and authorized by Midpen board policy, adopted on August 12, 2015, which states:

The Committee has the following three responsibilities for each of the years the MAA general obligation tax is collected, or revenues expended:

- Review plan expenditures on an annual basis to verify conformity with the expenditure plan
- Review Midpen’s annual audit and annual accountability report and present the committee’s findings to the board at a public meeting
- Review any proposed amendments to the expenditure plan

The committee chair shall report the committee’s findings at a public meeting of the board.

The committee shall not have authority to recommend, advise, or direct any such matters that may fall under its responsibility to review. The committee is not advisory to the board and has no power to determine how General Fund monies are spent. The board retains its authority to make such decisions and determinations.

As of the end of this reporting period, Midpen has spent a life-to-date total of $65.1 million in MAA bond funds. Midpen spent a total of $65 million on MAA projects in FY20, with $58.5 million spent in previous reporting periods. Through leveraging $4.8 million in grants and partnership funding, along with an additional $3.7 million in interest income from the bond proceeds, available MAA bond funding has increased to $308.5 million total.

MAA projects are grouped into 25 portfolios. Projects are completed or underway in 20 of the 25 portfolios, with progress in the current reporting year spanning 16 portfolios. Additional efforts in support of the MAA portfolios are also noted in Portfolio Expenditures.

Looking ahead, Midpen continues to invest in projects across the 25 MAA portfolios. The adopted Budget and Action Plan for FY21 includes projects in 14 MAA portfolios.

We thank you for your time and service to our community, including the inspection of this accountability report, which supports the health of the environment we all share.

Sincerely,

/s/Stefan Jaskulak
Stefan Jaskulak
Chief Financial Officer
MISSION The mission of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District is to acquire and preserve a regional greenbelt of open space land in perpetuity, protect and restore the natural environment, and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education.

COASTSIDE MISSION To acquire and preserve in perpetuity open space land and agricultural land of regional significance, protect and restore the natural environment, preserve rural character, encourage viable agricultural use of land resources, and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education.
We are pleased to present Midpen’s fifth Measure AA Bond Annual Accountability Report. This report reflects MAA expenditures from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The structure of this document is guided by MAA ballot language, specifically Priority Portfolio Actions by Region, beginning on page 7.

The MAA expenditure plan with 25 priority actions and project portfolios were the culmination of the vision planning effort that began in 2012. The public portion of this visioning process spanned 18 months to define Midpen’s strategic direction for the following 40 years. In total, the vision plan yielded 54 priority actions. The top 25 priority actions were subsequently incorporated into a ballot initiative. In 2014, voters approved MAA, a $300 million general obligation bond, designed to fund the top 25 priority actions as described in the expenditure plan. This MAA accountability report is arranged in parallel with that expenditure plan to facilitate review. Projects are grouped into 25 key project portfolios organized by geographic area within District boundaries.

No changes in portfolio allocations are proposed for this reporting period. In the future, should a shift in portfolio allocations be needed, the MAA Bond Oversight Committee will be advised.

Bond Oversight Committee Connection with Budget and Action Plan
In keeping with its role of reviewing retrospective expenditures, this committee is not charged with reviewing the budget or other prospective information, unless it is provided as part of an explanation of a proposed portfolio allocation adjustment. There is, of course, a synergy between the budgeted and actual expenditures, and the following information is provided as context for, and insight into, Midpen’s management of MAA spending.

Each year, Midpen embarks upon a priority-setting and budgeting process with the board, allowing for at least a six-month planning process. The Budget and Action Plan is approved prior to the start of the fiscal year. The annual budget includes a Measure AA Projects Budget Overview, providing a prospective view into the next year’s planned spending.

Bond Issuance, Size and Look-Back Period
In June 2014, voters approved MAA to: protect natural open space lands; open preserves or areas of preserves to public access; construct public access improvements, such as new trails and staging areas; restore and enhance open space land, including forests, streams and watersheds; and support local agriculture.

In August 2015, Midpen issued its first tranche of $45 million in general obligation bonds to cover three years of planned project expenses, as well as the legally permitted look-back period of 60 days prior to the board’s certification of election results.

In February 2018, Midpen issued its second tranche of $50 million in general obligation bonds to cover project expenses planned for approximately the next three years.
Portfolio Allocations and Expenditures

The rollup below shows how much of the total MAA expenditure plan allocation has been used on a life-to-date basis.

The following chart shows the portfolio allocations approved in the expenditure plan and the life-to-date expenditures in each portfolio through June 30, 2020. For details, please reference the financial report on page 82, which contains actual expenditure numbers and remaining allocations.

Portfolio Expenditures to Allocations (in millions)

| Portfolio | MAA01 | MAA02 | MAA03 | MAA04 | MAA05 | MAA06 | MAA07 | MAA08 | MAA09 | MAA10 | MAA11 | MAA12 | MAA13 | MAA14 | MAA15 | MAA16 | MAA17 | MAA18 | MAA19 | MAA20 | MAA21 | MAA22 | MAA23 | MAA24 | MAA25 |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
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MAA15 Portfolio Allocation is $50.73M
Spending Trends
As of June 30, 2020, $65.1 million has been expended from MAA funds. The primary spending for FY20 was in engineering and construction associated with the construction and opening of the Ravenswood Bay Trail to the public at Ravenswood Open Space Preserve (MAA02). These activities included completing a 0.6-mile gap in the Bay Trail that required constructing a new boardwalk and bridge across wetlands and tidal marshland to connect 80 miles of continuous San Francisco Bay Trail.

Another focus area was completing the phase I public access improvements at Bear Creek Redwoods Open Space Preserve (MAA21), including completing restroom construction. Other work at Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve includes completing spillway and outlet drainage improvements at Mud Lake, installing 115 linear feet of stormwater swales, replacing 200 linear feet of culverts, including a 60-foot long culvert under Bear Creek Road. A third year of targeted nonnative invasive species removal work was completed in riparian areas, partially funded by a five-year grant from Valley Water. Additionally, Midpen removed all cultivar remnant trees at a former Christmas tree farm site and, in their place, installed native trees to improve habitat quality for local wildlife.

Also in this reporting period, Midpen completed the following: phase III and IV construction of the Oljon Trail to connect Steam Donkey to the Springboard Trail at El Corte de Madera Creek Preserve (MAA04); demolition and site restoration activities at the former Lysons property; and bridge construction and revegetation along the Stevens Creek Nature Trail at Monte Bello Preserve (MAA17). Furthermore, Midpen completed the Project Study Report and initiated the Project Approval and Environmental Document with Caltrans for the Highway 17 Wildlife Corridor and Bay Area Ridge Trail Crossing (MAA20) projects.

Midpen actively seeks land acquisition opportunities for conservation and preservation and added 1.7 acres to El Corte de Madera Creek Preserve (MAA04).

In addition to direct spending on MAA projects, Midpen prioritized key initiatives in support of MAA portfolios, including land acquisition negotiations, usage surveys, operational infrastructure improvements, environmental assessments, geotechnical studies and habitat restorations. Though the Bond Oversight Committee review is primarily focused on actual MAA expenditures, additional accomplishments not funded by MAA that support these projects have been included to help provide a sense of the work required to move projects forward, which sometimes involves partnership collaborations. These accomplishments are described in detail in the portfolio expenditure summary starting on page 14.

Midpen’s annual audited financial statements can be found at openspace.org/financials.
Of the $6.5 million expended in this reporting period, about $100,000 was related to land acquisition and associated expenses, representing 2% of all spending for the period. The tables below contain a breakdown of land acquisition costs by portfolio for the current fiscal year and life-to-date.

### Land Acquisition MAA Expenditures (July 1, 2019–June 30, 2020)

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<td>$42,499</td>
<td>Irish Ridge Land Conservation</td>
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<td>FY20 Total</td>
<td>$99,839</td>
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### Land Acquisition MAA Expenditures (May 11, 2014–June 30, 2020)

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<td>MAA02</td>
<td>$108,273</td>
<td>SFPUC Easement at Ravenswood Trail</td>
<td>Easement property right</td>
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<td>MAA03</td>
<td>$546,476</td>
<td>Riggs Property Purchase and Site Cleanup/Remediation, Chamberlain/Lundell Trust (Lobitos Creek), Guisti Property Rights Transfer</td>
<td>Includes lot line adjustment, Guisti Uplands, and Lobitos Creek land conservation purchase</td>
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<td>MAA04</td>
<td>$57,340</td>
<td>Gallaway Property Purchase</td>
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<td>MAA05</td>
<td>$1,756,093</td>
<td>Toepfer and Ashworth Property Purchases</td>
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<td>$9,008,773</td>
<td>Apple Orchard and Event Center property and Cunha Property Purchases</td>
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<td>MAA08</td>
<td>$2,153,910</td>
<td>Woodruff Redwoods Property Purchase</td>
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<td>$3,016,049</td>
<td>POST/Alpine Ranch Easement, Conley Property Purchase and Irish Ridge Land Conservation Purchase</td>
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<td>MAA17</td>
<td>$754,552</td>
<td>Lyonsons Property Purchase</td>
<td>Property Expense equals Purchase Price minus grant income of $740,000</td>
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<td>MAA19</td>
<td>$479,527</td>
<td>Gupta/Kahn Property Purchase, Dunham-Bohlinman Easement, Haight-Perry Property Purchase</td>
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<td>MAA22</td>
<td>$540,587</td>
<td>Freudenberg Land Purchase, Hendrys Creek</td>
<td>Land conservation purchase, land conservation easement to Valley Water who funded full amount of $1,500,000 for Hendrys Creek parcel</td>
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<td>MAA23</td>
<td>$3,314,084</td>
<td>Meyer Property Purchase, Twin Creeks Land Purchase</td>
<td>Land conservation purchases</td>
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<td>MAA24</td>
<td>$1,591,996</td>
<td>Barth, Petersen, Navid/Gagher, Kahn</td>
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<td>MAA25</td>
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Anticipated Future Trends
The Bond Oversight Committee primarily reviews retrospective expenses. The following section provides a high-level glimpse of anticipated expenditures based on the approved fiscal year Budget and Action Plan and operational workload. This is provided for contextual purposes and to demonstrate the progress Midpen is making toward MAA projects.

Next year’s report, covering FY21, will include the seventh year of MAA funding. Based on the approved FY21 budget, planned life-to-date spending is estimated to exceed $75 million, or approximately 25% of the $300 million bonding capacity authorized under MAA.

The capital program for FY21 continues to progress on many phased projects and regional trail connections, with a concentrated effort on public access at Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve (MAA 21) and the Beatty area at Sierra Azul Preserve (MAA22), Irish Ridge (MAA15) land conservation near Tunitas Creek Preserve, and the Saratoga-to-the-Sea Regional Trail Connection (MAA18).

Finally, portfolio allocations include estimated land acquisition costs. Because purchases are primarily opportunity driven, estimates are not tied to a specific time frame, as we do not know when properties and/or rights will be available for purchase. The real property department actively pursues targeted opportunities for land purchases, as well as the purchase of property rights and easements, so purchase expenses may be realized as future opportunities become available.
## Priority Portfolio Actions by Region

From the Measure AA Expenditure Plan

### South Bay Foothills

Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Saratoga and Santa Cruz Mountains

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<th>PORTFOLIO 18</th>
<th>South Bay Foothills—Saratoga-to-the-Sea Trail and Wildlife Corridor</th>
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<tr>
<td>Protect wildlife corridor along Highway 9</td>
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<td>Connect trail to Saratoga-to-the-Sea Trail and Skyline-to-the-Sea Trail</td>
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<th>El Sereno—Dog Trails and Connections</th>
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<td>Provide infrastructure to open trails to dogs</td>
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<td>Develop connections to Skyline, Sanborn County Park and Lexington Reservoir</td>
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<th>PORTFOLIO 20</th>
<th>South Bay Foothills—Wildlife Passage and Ridge Trail Improvements</th>
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<td>Establish safe corridors for mountain lions across Highway 17</td>
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<td>Establish Bay Area Ridge Trail crossing</td>
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<th>Bear Creek Redwoods—Public Recreation and Interpretive Projects</th>
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<td>Open for hiking, equestrian activities</td>
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<td>Provide parking areas, trails; upgrade stables</td>
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<td>Restore and protect habitats for various species</td>
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<td>Repair roads and trails to reduce sediment</td>
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<td>Rehabilitate Alma College site</td>
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<td>Portfolio Allocation: $17,478,000</td>
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**PORTFOLIO 22**  
Sierra Azul—Cathedral Oaks Public Access and Conservation Projects

- Develop multiuse trail and plan future trails as land is available
- Develop parking
- Restore plant communities and soils
- Install trailside amenities
- Preserve additional open space and complete wildlife corridor in upper Los Gatos Creek watershed

Portfolio Allocation: $6,714,000

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**PORTFOLIO 23**  
Sierra Azul—Mount Umunhum Public Access and Interpretive Projects

- Open Mount Umunhum for multiuse public access to summit via road and trail
- Open Bay Area Ridge Trail and nearby trail connections
- Preserve additional open space and complete wildlife corridor

Portfolio Allocation: $27,972,000

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**PORTFOLIO 24**  
Sierra Azul—Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation

- Open Rancho de Guadalupe to public access
- Develop accessible multiuse trails with amenities such as parking and family recreation
- Restore habitat for rare species
- Protect cultural and natural resources

Portfolio Allocation: $10,078,000

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**PORTFOLIO 25**  
Sierra Azul—Loma Prieta Area Public Access, Regional Trails and Habitat Projects

- Provide public access and recreation, including small campground
- Develop, improve and connect regional multiuse trails to Forest of Nisene Marks State Park, protected land to east, and Mount Umunhum
- Protect steelhead habitat, rare plants and grasslands, and restore knob cone pine stands

Portfolio Allocation: $7,986,000
Peninsula Foothills and Bay
Cupertino, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Sunnyvale, Mountain View, Palo Alto, East Palo Alto, Menlo Park, Atherton, Redwood City, San Carlos, Woodside, Portola Valley and Skyline

PORTFOLIO 2
Regional—Bayfront Habitat Protection and Public Access Partnerships
- Partner to complete gaps in Bay Trail and develop city-to-bay trails
- Support wetland restoration and associated interpretive facilities
- Preserve additional bayfront open space
- Portfolio Allocation: $5,052,000

PORTFOLIO 4
El Corte de Madera Creek—Bike Trail and Water Quality Projects
- Develop single-use biking/hiking trails, complete Ridge Trail gaps and develop trail system leading to parking area
- Restore damaged trails to improve water quality
- Preserve additional open space as available
- Portfolio Allocation: $8,376,000

PORTFOLIO 5
La Honda Creek—Upper Area Recreation, Habitat Restoration and Conservation Grazing Projects
- Open upper half of the preserve to public; provide biking/hiking/equestrian trails, dog access and staging areas
- Provide loop and connector trails
- Restore habitat for rare species
- Improve fencing, corrals and water systems to reintroduce conservation grazing
- Portfolio Allocation: $11,733,000
PORTFOLIO 6
Windy Hill—Trail Improvements, Preservation and Hawthorns Area Historic Partnership

- Improve trails; complete pond facilities
- Increase multiuse trails; study possible improvements to increase dog use
- Open Hawthorns Area; develop trails connecting to Portola Valley and Palo Alto trails
- Partner to protect, restore and interpret historic buildings
- Improve habitat conditions in Los Trancos Creek
- Preserve additional scenic open space as available

Portfolio Allocation: $12,740,000

PORTFOLIO 8
La Honda Creek and Russian Ridge—Preservation of Upper San Gregorio Watershed and Ridge Trail Completion

- Preserve Upper San Gregorio watershed; restore endangered species habitats
- Support opportunities to provide additional water for fisheries
- Complete Bay Area Ridge Trail multiuse connections and gaps
- Provide additional public use facilities

Portfolio Allocation: $15,347,000

PORTFOLIO 9
Russian Ridge—Public Recreation, Grazing and Wildlife Protection Projects

- Open currently closed areas of preserve
- Construct and extend trails
- Improve fencing, corrals and water systems to reintroduce conservation grazing
- Improve habitat for sensitive species; implement pond enhancement projects for garter snakes and red-legged frogs

Portfolio Allocation: $5,560,000

PORTFOLIO 10
Coal Creek—Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use

- Reopen Alpine Road as trail connection between Portola Valley and Skyline Boulevard
- Reroute trails to reduce erosion and improve visitor experience

Portfolio Allocation: $8,017,000

PORTFOLIO 11
Rancho San Antonio—Interpretive Improvements, Refurbishing and Transit Solutions

- Add welcome center
- Refurbish and add interpretive exhibits to Deer Hollow Farm
- Support of transit improvement options such as bike trails, bike share station, bus service or additional

Portfolio Allocation: $10,811,000
**PORTFOLIO 12**

Peninsula and South Bay Cities—Partner to Complete Middle Stevens Creek Trail

- Support work by cities to develop the middle section of the Stevens Creek Trail and enhance neighborhood connections
- Support work by partners to complete stream corridor restoration and steelhead habitat enhancement below dam
- Develop and install interpretive signage

Portfolio Allocation: $1,038,000

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**PORTFOLIO 16**

Long Ridge—Trail, Conservation and Habitat Restoration Projects (Saratoga)

- Improve roadside parking and provide restrooms
- Develop new trail connections to Eagle Rock and Devils Canyon
- Repair trails for year-round, multiuse access
- Protect watersheds for steelhead
- Preserve additional open space as available
- Implement pond and habitat enhancement restoration projects to benefit rare species

Portfolio Allocation: $5,140,000

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**PORTFOLIO 17**

Regional—Complete Upper Stevens Creek Trail

- Complete multiuse connection between the Bay Trail and Bay Area Ridge Trail above the reservoir through Picchetti Ranch Open Space Preserve and Lower/Upper Stevens Creek County Parks
- Improve preserve trails and neighborhood connections
- Preserve additional open space as available

Portfolio Allocation: $7,760,000
Coast
Half Moon Bay, San Gregorio, Pescadero and La Honda

PORTFOLIO 1
Miramontes Ridge—Gateway to the Coast Public Access, Stream Restoration and Agriculture Enhancement

- Preserve scenic open space land as available, and establish wildlife corridor
- Restore fish and red-legged frog habitats in Madonna Creek watershed
- Partner to enhance water availability for agriculture and fish
- Develop trail loop system, including Ridge Trail and neighborhood access points
- Develop staging area, repair bridges
- Portfolio Allocation: $27,774,000

PORTFOLIO 3
Purisima Creek Redwoods—Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail, Watershed Protection and Conservation Grazing

- Complete and open multiuse Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail connection between Ridge Trail and Coastal Trail, and new parking areas
- Preserve additional open space as available
- Remove fish barriers and restore Lobitos Creek
- Restore ponds for endangered species
- Portfolio Allocation: $7,608,000

PORTFOLIO 7
La Honda Creek—Driscoll Ranch Public Access, Endangered Wildlife Protection and Conservation Grazing

- Open Driscoll Ranch area, provide biking/hiking/equestrian trails, limited dog access, parking areas and interpretive displays
- Develop loop and connector trails
- Restore habitat for endangered species
- Restore La Honda Creek, remove fish migration barriers
- Portfolio Allocation: $14,825,000
PORTFOLIO 13
Cloverdale Ranch—Wildlife Protection, Grazing and Trail Connections

- Improve fencing, corrals and water systems to increase conservation grazing and sustain large contiguous grasslands
- Restore habitat for endangered species
- Provide trail connections to nearby state parks
- Portfolio Allocation: $15,712,000

PORTFOLIO 14
Regional—Trail Connections and Campgrounds

- Develop trails between Butano State Park, Pescadero County Park and Russian Ridge, and between Skyline Ridge and Portola Redwoods and Big Basin state parks
- Partner with county and state parks to improve existing campgrounds
- Portfolio Allocation: $3,966,000

PORTFOLIO 15
Regional—Redwood Protection and Salmon Fishery Conservation

- Preserve additional open space as available
- Protect and enhance redwood stands, mountain scenery, various habitats and steelhead
- Portfolio Allocation: $50,728,000
Portfolio Expenditures

Numerically by Portfolio Number
Preface

**Portfolio Expenditures** includes a description of each of the top 25 MAA portfolios and its allocation, as per the MAA ballot language under the expenditure plan. Bond funding allocations may be shifted if needed following the board approval, however, for this reporting period, no deviation from the original expenditure plan is proposed.

Portfolio expenditures listed in the description represent all project costs that have been deemed eligible for MAA reimbursement from inception through June 30, 2020.

Portfolios that have no incurred expenditures are included in this report to keep continuity from year to year.

Additional contextual information is included in notable accomplishments, project challenges and potential next steps, as well as the tables and charts associated with each portfolio. Though the Bond Oversight Committee review is focused on actual expenditures, additional accomplishments not funded by, but support, MAA projects have been included to help provide a sense of the preceding effort that is required to move MAA projects forward. The tables and charts restate information gleaned from Midpen’s accounting system and provide another graphical way to view the expenditures. Finally, where available, we have included photographs of the preserves in which the projects occur.

**Portfolio Progress Indicators**

The following indicators show the progress to date on each element of the portfolio description. **Light green indicates progress in this FY and dark green indicates a previous FY, for example:**

- 🌿 Not started, or little progress to report
- 🌿 Started and approximately 25% complete (in a previous FY)
- 🌿 Approximately 50% complete (with 25% completed this FY)
- 🌿 Approximately 75% complete (with 50% completed this FY)
- 🌿 Complete (with 25% completed this FY)
### Description

- Preserve scenic open space land as available, and establish wildlife corridor
- Restore fish and red-legged frog habitats in Madonna Creek watershed
- Partner to enhance water availability for agriculture and fish
- Develop trail loop system, including Ridge Trail and neighborhood access points
- Develop staging area, repair bridges

**Portfolio Allocation:** $27,774,000  
**Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020:** $0

### Notable Accomplishments

**In Support of MAA01**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

- Completed the testing phase and identified debris and contaminants for the remediation plan & ranch dump cleanup project. Released a request for bids for the removal of the identified debris and contaminants and selected a contractor in August 2020.

- Drafted easements for trails, access, water lines and interim access license and sent to the city for review.

- Entered into a partnership letter of intent with the City of Half Moon Bay and Peninsula Open Space Trust involving the city's Johnston House Park and POST's Johnston Ranch property to provide local and regional trail and parking opportunities, support farming and ranching, and protect the scenic landscape and Arroyo Leon watershed.

- Substantially completed an application to amend county zoning and subdivision code to reflect Coastal Act exemptions for land divisions brought about by the purchase of land by a public agency for public recreational use. San Mateo County Planning Commission forwarded a recommendation to approve amendments to the board of supervisors in May 2020.

- Completed due diligence documents for the botanical study, hydrology study and draft rangeland management plan for the potential purchase of the POST Johnston Ranch Uplands property.

**Prior Years**

- Completed botanical study and hydrological study of pond area.

- Began hazardous materials testing of a former ranch dump/debris site.

- Worked with the City of Half Moon Bay and POST to develop a nonbinding letter of intent to memorialize the agreement to collaborate and partner on future public trail access.
Continued to work with County of San Mateo to resolve zoning inconsistencies to facilitate land acquisition.
Evaluated road/trail access and connections.
Assessed regional trail link to Wavecrest and Coastal Trail with POST.
Met with City of Half Moon Bay to discuss shared public parking, Highway 1 crossing at south end of Main Street and trail/bike path along Higgins Road.
Completed California red-legged frog surveys and habitat characterization at Madonna Creek Ranch.
Pursued negotiations and due diligence investigation regarding proposed transfer of 650 acres of POST’s Johnston Ranch Uplands to public ownership.
Participated in the development of a lot line adjustment application for seven parcels and submitted the application to the County of San Mateo in June 2018.

PROJECT CHALLENGES
Acquisitions on the Coast require a willing seller.
Access to Johnston Ranch Uplands south of Higgins Canyon Road will require acquisition of permissive rights through City of Half Moon Bay property.
The Johnston Ranch Uplands acquisition is contingent upon County of San Mateo approving zoning text amendments and approval of a land division application.

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS
Continue pursuing Johnston Ranch Uplands as a potential new property purchase, including participating in the submittal of a revised land division application to County of San Mateo.
Continue discussions with City of Half Moon Bay and POST on future easements and options to share access.
Remediate Madonna Creek Ranch dump.
Portfolio 2
Regional
Bayfront Habitat Protection and Public Access Partnerships

DESCRIPTION

* Partner to complete gaps in Bay Trail and develop city-to-bay trails
* Support wetland restoration and associated interpretive facilities
* Preserve additional bayfront open space

Portfolio Allocation: $5,052,000
Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $4,351,218
* Completed in Q1 of Fiscal Year 2021

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS
MAA02-001 Cooley Landing Interpretive Facilities Design and Implementation

Fiscal Year 2020
Completed habitat and plant restoration work for FY20 (part of a multi-year restoration effort). Also, 638 volunteers in 36 working days installed approximately 1,100 native plantings at the trail junctions and parking lot.

Prior Years
Funded the completion of design drawings, permitting, and construction of public access improvements at Cooley Landing Park, consistent with the Cooley Landing Vision Plan.
Completed third and final year of first phase of habitat and plant restoration work at Cooley Landing in partnership with Grassroots Ecology.
Provided technical assistance to City of East Palo Alto staff in final design and bidding for public access site improvements at Cooley Landing Park.
Obtained board approval for $1.25M in MAA funding for remaining project elements at Cooley Landing Park. Amended partnership agreement to include MAA funding and coordinated reimbursement of eligible city expenses.
Fiscal Year 2020

Completed construction of the asphalt trail, boardwalk, and bridge across wetlands on the new Ravenswood Bay Trail connection, which closes a critical 0.6-mile gap to connect 80 miles of continuous San Francisco Bay Trail. Grand opening occurred in July 2020.

Received $700,000 in funds for public access improvements from Caltrans through a cooperative funding agreement related to a Bay Conservation and Development Commission permit requirement for the Caltrans San Mateo 101 Express Lanes Project.

Made significant progress on the Bay Trail construction. All work within the seasonally restricted areas was completed on time in January 2020.

Completed construction of two high tide refuge islands adjacent to Cooley Marsh to provide enhanced habitat for federally protected species, salt marsh harvest mouse and Ridgway’s rail. Island plantings and vegetation were completed in January 2020 and will be monitored for 3-5 consecutive growing seasons.

Prior Years

Completed construction documents.

Recorded trail easement from Caltrans.

Received approval of a memorandum of understanding with City of East Palo Alto from the city council addressing a) patrol and emergency response, b) site security and c) future community trail access.

Received two grants: $300,000 from Facebook and $1,055,328 from the California Natural Resources Agency—Urban Greening Program.

Negotiated an exchange agreement and public trail easement with the City and County of San Francisco and City of East Palo Alto.

Concluded negotiations with the City and County of San Francisco, which resulted in the board of supervisors approving a 0.6-mile Ravenswood Bay Trail easement over San Francisco Public Utilities Commission lands. This agreement will close a gap within a segment of the SF Bay Trail that connects 80 miles of continuous trail within the 500-mile route along the shoreline of the nine Bay Area counties.

Completed geotechnical investigations and developed 65% plan set for construction of the 0.6-mile Ravenswood Bay Trail connection. Submitted a joint aquatic resource permit application.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

MAA02-002 Ravenswood Bay Trail Design and Implementation

Requires extensive, multiple agency coordination and permits, including coordination between cities, Association of Bay Area Governments, SFPUC and other governmental and regulatory entities.

Limited construction season due to sensitive species (Sept. through Jan.) could have extended or delayed construction.

Slight construction delay due to COVID-19 shelter-in-place orders.

MAA02-001 Cooley Landing Interpretive Facilities Design and Implementation

Interagency coordination between Midpen and City of East Palo Alto.

City project team lacks familiarity with project history, more Midpen involvement is necessary.
POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

MAA02-001  Cooley Landing Interpretive Facilities Design and Implementation

- Comply with land use covenant for operations and maintenance of soil cap related to 2014 site remediation work.
- Formalize separate agreements/easements (Midpen, City of East Palo Alto, Regional Water Quality Control Board, Menlo Fire) to meet operations and maintenance requirements.

MAA02-002  Ravenswood Bay Trail Design and Implementation

- Complete construction of new trail in July 2020 and open to public.
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86.13% OF FUNDS USED

Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20 $4,351,218
Expenditure Plan Remaining $700,782

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Portfolio 3

Purisima Creek Redwoods
Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail, Watershed Protection and Conservation Grazing

DESCRIPTION

- Complete and open Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail connection between Ridge Trail and Coastal Trail, and new parking areas
- Preserve additional open space as available
- Remove fish barriers and restore Lobitos Creek
- Restore ponds for endangered species

Portfolio Allocation: $7,608,000
Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $1,298,765

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MAA03-001 Purisima Uplands Lot Line Adjustment and Property Transfer
Fiscal Year 2020

Prepared record of survey and set survey monuments on the northerly boundary of the Purisima Upland property.

Closed escrow on the 240-acre Purisima Upland property on July 3, 2019 and completed amendments to property’s trail and conservation easements.

Prior Years

Received board approval to finalize lot line adjustment documents with the County of San Mateo and transfer of the 240-acre Purisima Uplands property to Midpen, to assemble public lands for the future Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail.

Purchased the 40.2-acre Riggs property, helping to protect the Lobitos Creek watershed and spawning habitat for coho salmon and steelhead.

Received four gift parcels totaling 0.84 acres as additions to Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve for the purposes of watershed, open space and redwood forest preservation.

MAA03-002 Purisima Uplands Site Cleanup and Soil Remediation Assessment
Fiscal Year 2020

Received county coastal development and demolition permits.
### Prior Years

Completed a phase 1 environmental site assessment for a remnant structure on the property (hunting cabin).

Prepared right of entry for Midpen use of farm roads for site cleanup and restoration of oil facilities, and hunting cabin assessment.

Completed Purisima Uplands lead and asbestos abatement for the hunting cabin to inform future demolition work.

Completed corral demolition, water system installation and fence installation for Bluebrush Ranch at Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve.

Completed phase 2 oil tank and facilities assessment, including site cleanup and restoration cost estimates to address site safety issues as part of the property land transfer.

Completed road erosion assessment for farm roads on Purisima Uplands property and private farm roads providing access to the property to inform condition of property assets (roads) and need for future repairs.

### MAA03-003 Purisima Creek Fence Construction

#### Fiscal Year 2020

Began and completed initial scope of work and scheduled bid walk just before county-issued shelter-in-place orders. Bid process completed and award of contract issued. Work to begin summer/fall of FY21.

### Prior Years

Completed installation of fencing along riparian areas to keep cattle out of Purisima Creek.

### MAA03-004 Harkins Bridge Replacement

#### Prior Years

Completed the Harkins Bridge installation project. Project secures long-term vehicle and pedestrian access.

### MAA03-005 Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail and Parking Area Feasibility and Plan

#### Prior Years

Initiated project scoping for Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail and Parking Feasibility Plan.

Purchased a 45-acre riparian conservation and public access easement over private property along Lobitos Creek for protection of significant scenic, open space, riparian and natural wildlife habitat values. The easement also contains provisions for a possible future public trail through the area.

### In Support of MAA03

#### Fiscal Year 2020

Initiated discussions with POST for potential purchase of the South Cowell Ranch Uplands property to support protection of Lobitos Creek, improve access for conservation grazing within the preserve, and provide additional options for the Purisima-to-the-Sea trail alignment and parking.

Completed due diligence work, including historic resource assessment, phase 1 and phase 2 studies, and building inspections due diligence work for the South Cowell Ranch Uplands.

Identified viable parking and trail options on the South Cowell Ranch Uplands property along Verde Road for further planning studies.

Worked with POST to prepare a month-to-month grazing lease for the South Cowell Ranch Uplands property. Lease was signed by the rancher and is assignable to Midpen if purchase of the property is realized.
Prior Years

Completed design and construction of double vault restroom to replace existing single vault. Obtained County of San Mateo building permit. Project improves public facilities at Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve.

Collaborated with the USGS to install fog collection experimental stations at Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve to conduct research on the viability of fog water harvesting to support agricultural uses and/or improve water availability for wildlife.

Completed mowing projects at October Farm to control brush encroachment and at Bluebrush Canyon to control invasive species and reduce wildfire fuels.

Attended site tour with POST and property owner to discuss parking and access opportunities related to the Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

Purisima-to-the-Sea

Determining feasible alignment and connections to existing trails in the preserve.

Parking Area and Trail Connection

Ongoing discussions and negotiations with property owners.

Uncertainty as to where to locate connector trails and pedestrian trail crossing at Highway 1 and Verde Road to connect the Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail to the ocean.

The South Cowell Ranch Uplands property acquisition is contingent upon County of San Mateo approval of a land division application and board approval.

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

Award consultant contract for Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail and Parking Feasibility Study. Initiate trail alignment scouting within the Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve.

Provide additional assessment for oil well, provide rare plant survey and coordinate with California Department of Fish and Wildlife, develop environmental documents, acquire all necessary permits, and implement site cleanup.

Continue to pursue potential purchase of the South Cowell Ranch Uplands property.
## Portfolio 3: Purisima Creek Redwoods—Purisima-to-the-Sea Trail, Watershed Protection and Conservation Grazing

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**17.07% OF FUNDS USED**

- Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20: **$1,298,765**
- Expenditure Plan Remaining: **$6,309,235**

Purisima Creek Redwoods Open Space Preserve by Victor Volta

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## Description

- Develop single-use biking/hiking trails, complete Ridge Trail gaps and develop trail system leading to parking area
- Restore damaged trails to improve water quality
- Preserve additional open space as available

| Portfolio Allocation: $8,376,000 | Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $1,004,617 |

## Notable Accomplishments

### MAA04-001 El Corte de Madera Creek Gallaway Property Purchase

**Fiscal Year 2020**

- Purchased the 1.7-acre Chet Gallaway property to remove inholding and protect watershed.

### MAA04-002 El Corte de Madera Creek Watershed Protection Final Phase

**Prior Years**

- Completed Watershed Protection Program.

### MAA04-003 El Corte de Madera Creek Watershed Protection Reassessment

**Prior Years**

- Reassessed trails and reprioritized erosional sites.

### MAA04-004 El Corte de Madera Oljon Trail Implementation

**Fiscal Year 2020**

- Completed phase 3 and phase 4 of the Oljon Trail connecting Steam Donkey to the Springboard Trail. Final construction and restoration are associated with the Watershed Protection Program.

**Prior Years**

- Completed Oljon Trail construction, which included bridge construction, puncheon installation, road-to-trail conversion and trail construction to open additional public recreational opportunities within El Corte de Madera Creek Preserve.
- Completed majority of closure and restoration of the upper segment of the Steam Donkey Trail.
- Removed and restored existing deteriorating roads and trails to eliminate potential sources of sedimentation within the watershed.
In Support of MAA04

Fiscal Year 2020


Prior Years

Completed first year of sediment and stream monitoring and data collection.

Pursued Ridge Trail gaps between El Corte de Madera Creek and La Honda Creek preserves by working with partners and meeting with landowners to convey interest in possible land or trail easement purchases.

Project Challenges

Land acquisition to complete gaps in the Bay Area Ridge Trail requires willing seller.

Potential Next Steps

Continue to seek willing sellers to complete gaps in Bay Area Ridge Trail.

### Portfolio 4: El Corte de Madera Creek—Bike Trail and Water Quality Projects

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Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20: $1,004,617
Expenditure Plan Remaining: $7,371,383

11.99% of funds used

Measure AA Bond Annual Accountability Report FY2020
La Honda Creek
Upper Area Recreation, Habitat Restoration and Conservation Grazing Projects

DESCRIPTION

- Open upper half of the preserve to public; provide biking/hiking/equestrian trails, dog access and staging areas
- Provide loop and connector trails
- Restore habitat for rare species
- Improve fencing, corrals and water systems to reintroduce conservation grazing

Portfolio Allocation: $11,733,000
Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $2,463,776

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MAA05-001 La Honda Creek Land Conservation Opportunities

Prior Years

- Purchased the 38.14-acre Toepfer property to facilitate a future Ridge Trail opportunity between La Honda Creek Preserve and El Corte de Madera Creek Preserve.
- Purchased the 5-acre Ashworth property to facilitate a future Ridge Trail extension opportunity between La Honda Creek Preserve and El Corte de Madera Creek Preserve.

MAA05-002 Upper La Honda Creek Grazing Infrastructure

Fiscal Year 2020

- Completed virtual bid process and received board approval to award the construction contract for water infrastructure improvements to the Lone Madrone (formerly McDonald) Ranch.

Prior Years

- Installed riparian protection fencing to resume conservation grazing, as well as water pipe and new water troughs at Lone Madrone Ranch.

MAA05-005 La Honda Creek Red Barn Parking Area and Easy Access Trail

Prior Years

- Began feasibility studies for a new parking area and trailhead at the Red Barn site, including conducting traffic counts, site evaluations for a new driveway, and evaluation of historic features to ensure new improvements do not impact the historic landscape of the site.
- Completed nine preliminary technical site investigation studies and conducted an iterative design development process resulting in two conceptual parking and staging area design alternatives.
Conducted focused stakeholder outreach for the conceptual designs. Held Planning and Natural Resources Committee meeting and community open house to solicit public input on the Red Barn public access area concept design alternatives.

Conducted preliminary trail scouting from the proposed new parking location.

Completed a third design alternative based on public input received in May 2017. Presented design alternative and additional technical information at three public meetings. On June 12, 2018, the board directed staff to propose a process to form an advisory committee and assess alternative locations for a new parking area that meets project goals and objectives.

**MAA05-008 La Honda Creek White Barn Structural Rehabilitation**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Completed site assessment, basis of design report analyzing four different design alternatives, and presentation of findings to the board, resulting in board selection of the structure stabilization design alternative.

**Prior Years**

Started the design and additional assessment for the La Honda Creek White Barn project.

Completed historic and structural assessments for the La Honda Creek White Barn.
MAA05-009 La Honda Creek Redwood Cabin Assessment, Removal and Site Restoration

Fiscal Year 2020

Completed site assessment, basis of design report analyzing four different design alternatives, and presentation of findings to the board, resulting in board selection of the demolition design alternative.

Prior Years

Started the design and assessment for the La Honda Creek Redwood Cabin project.

In Support of MAA05

Fiscal Year 2020

Formed a Public Access Working Group with community members, constituent representative(s) from each ward, and two board liaisons to identify new, viable parking area and trailhead options to open the central area of the preserve to public access. Held seven Working Group meetings between August 2019 and March 2020. The Working Group recommendations are scheduled to be presented to the board in October 2020.

Prior Years

Completed preliminary site assessment of Sears Ranch Road parking lot and Driscoll Ranch area as alternative parking sites to Red Barn area.

Developed process for and formation of the new Public Access Working Group for the La Honda Creek Parking and Trailhead Access Feasibility Study.

Pursued trail connections to the central area of La Honda Creek Preserve by meeting several times with landowner to convey interest in possible land or trail easement purchases as part of efforts to design and implement phase 2 trails of the La Honda Creek Preserve Master Plan.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

Acquisition of trail easement requires willing sellers to complete connections.

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

Present Working Group’s public access recommendations for full board consideration to proceed with feasibility analysis that will inform preferred site options for future design and completion of CEQA review.

Develop phase 2 trail designs for planned trail connection between central La Honda Creek Preserve and existing Sears Ranch Road parking lot (lower La Honda).

Construct Lone Madrone grazing water infrastructure improvements.
### Portfolio 5: La Honda Creek—Upper Area Recreation, Habitat Restoration and Conservation Grazing Projects

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* Actuals were transferred from MAA05 to MAA07 to more accurately assign project expenditures.

- **Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20**: $2,463,776
- **Expenditure Plan Remaining**: $9,269,224

La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve by Mark Hatnett
**Portfolio 6**

**Windy Hill**
Trail Improvements, Preservation and Hawthorns Area Historic Partnership

**DESCRIPTION**

- Improve trails, complete pond facilities
- Increase multiuse trails; study possible improvements to increase dog use
- Open Hawthorns Area; develop trails connecting to Portola Valley and Palo Alto trails
- Partner to protect, restore and interpret historic buildings
- Improve habitat conditions in Los Trancos Creek
- Preserve additional scenic open space as available

**Portfolio Allocation: $12,740,000**

**Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $31,249**

**NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**MAA06-001 Hawthorns Parking Lot Concept Design**

*Prior Years*

- Conducted initial evaluation of potential public access programming and feasibility for new parking area and trail.

**MAA06-002 Hawthorns Public Access Site Plan and CEQA**

*Fiscal Year 2020*

- Held meetings with Town of Portola Valley and onsite with stakeholders and community members for discussion of permitting approach with Town.
- Retained planning consultant to assist with project planning due to vacant Planner III position.

*Prior Years*

- Conducted a parking study to assess site feasibility for a proposed parking area and driveway location.
- Completed a cultural resources field survey and assessment report.
- Initiated development of public outreach and stakeholder engagement process for site plan project to review with board committee and Town of Portola Valley.
**PROJECT CHALLENGES**

Historic complex of structures, including the main residence and garage, are in significant disrepair.

Multiyear effort to secure a viable partnership for maintenance and reuse of the property has not been successful. Currently there is no viable potential partnership opportunity.

Integration of Midpen’s planning and environmental review process with the Town of Portola Valley permitting and public engagement process is complex and requires additional coordination.

**POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS**

To facilitate future public access improvements in support of MAA, develop a site-specific plan for new public access trails and parking area including the town’s request for a realignment of the Alpine Road Trail at the Hawthorns property, in coordination with the town and stakeholders.
La Honda Creek
Driscoll Ranch Public Access, Endangered Wildlife Protection and Conservation Grazing

DESCRIPTION

- Open Driscoll Ranch Area; provide biking/hiking/equestrian trails, limited dog access, parking areas and interpretive displays
- Develop loop and connector trails
- Restore habitat for endangered species
- Restore La Honda Creek, remove fish migration barriers

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NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MAA07-001 Event Center and Apple Orchard Purchase

Prior Years

Purchased the 307.64-acre Apple Orchard and Event Center property, as well as a 3-acre conservation easement from POST to protect and further restore redwood, coho salmon and steelhead habitat along San Gregorio Creek.

Completed invasive weed control work at the Apple Orchard and Driscoll Ranch properties of La Honda Creek Preserve.

MAA07-002 Fisheries Restoration, Design and Permitting

Prior Years

Partially funded by CDFW Fisheries Restoration Grant Program. Completed road and trail upgrades and drainage improvements along nearly 5 miles of road to address priority erosion control sites to reduce sediment delivery to San Gregorio Creek and tributaries.

MAA07-003 Fisheries Enhancement, Apple Orchard

Prior Years

Completed fisheries habitat enhancement project at the Apple Orchard parcel of lower La Honda Creek, installing 13 in-stream, large woody debris structures, in partnership with the San Mateo Resource Conservation District and CDFW Fisheries Restoration Grant Program.
**MAA07-004 Fisheries Enhancement, Event Center**

**Prior Years**

Completed fisheries restoration project at the Event Center, installing large woody debris habitat within San Gregorio Creek to improve salmonid habitat.

**MAA07-005 Grazing and Water Systems Infrastructure**

**Prior Years**

- Completed pond reconstruction to enhance breeding habitat for California red-legged frog and to improve the water source as a cattle stock pond.
- Constructed a new corral system at the previous site of the Wool Ranch house to support the conservation grazing program.
- Installed riparian protection fencing, water pipe and new water troughs at Driscoll Ranch to support conservation grazing.

**MAA07-006 Cunha Land Purchase**

**Prior Years**

Purchased the 30-acre Cunha Trust property at the end of Sears Ranch Road to provide on-site patrol and management oversight, and secure ownership of the private road that now serves as the driveway entrance into the Sears Ranch parking lot.

**MAA07-007 Demolitions, Wool Ranch House/Sears Ranch Rd**

**Prior Years**

Completed site clean-up and demolition of numerous dilapidated structures, after completing photography documentation of the structures, to prepare the preserve for public access.

**MAA07-009 Sears Ranch Parking Area**

**Prior Years**

- Finalized deck replacement and installed new rails on the Harrington Creek Bridge, allowing trail users to safely cross a major creek.
- Constructed the new Sears Ranch parking area, providing 22 vehicle spaces, a restroom, signage and the main trailhead to access the trails in the southern area of the preserve.
- Completed phase 1 trail and road repairs in preparation for the public opening of lower La Honda Creek Preserve, including installation of signage and self-closing gates.
- Completed permit-only equestrian parking area and equestrian-only trail segment connecting to the new Folger Ranch Loop Trail.

**MAA07-010 Sears Ranch Road Repair**

**Prior Years**

Completed over 3 miles of ranch road repairs, including culvert replacements, to the main ranch road in lower La Honda Creek Preserve. These were critical for opening the roads to public access, maintaining safe passage for patrol, maintenance and emergency vehicle use; and providing ranch access to support the ongoing conservation grazing program.
# MAA07-011 Lower La Honda Creek Phase II Loop Trails

## Fiscal Year 2020

Project received grading and resource management permits from County of San Mateo. Biological/cultural/wetland reports completed and provided to appropriate agencies.

## Prior Years

- Submitted County of San Mateo permits.
- Completed trail design at 90% (contracted with Fall Creek Engineering to design and engineer the LHC Loop Trail).
- Completed rare plant survey and wetland delineations.

## In Support of MAA07

### Prior Years

- Completed installation of new water line, storage tank and water trough.
- Received board direction to repair an existing housing facility and to designate the residence as Agricultural Workforce Housing.
- Completed a housing structures assessment for the Driscoll Ranch area of La Honda Creek Preserve and secured board approval to build/repair agricultural workforce housing in partnership with the County of San Mateo.
- Hosted groundbreaking ceremony and grand opening celebration at lower La Honda Creek Preserve.
**Portfolio 7: La Honda Creek—Driscoll Ranch Public Access, Endangered Wildlife Protection and Conservation Grazing**

**Project Challenges**

No project challenges identified at this time.

**Potential Next Steps**

Develop plans for and construct phase 2 roads and trails that will connect the new Sears Ranch Road parking area (lower La Honda) with the central La Honda area (upper La Honda).

Amend La Honda Creek Master Plan to include the Apple Orchard and Lower Event Center and Cunha Trust property additions.
La Honda Creek and Russian Ridge
Preservation of Upper San Gregorio Watershed and Ridge Trail Completion

DESCRIPTION

- Preserve Upper San Gregorio watershed; restore endangered species habitats
- Support opportunities to provide additional water for fisheries
- Complete Bay Area Ridge Trail multiuse connections and gaps
- Provide additional public use facilities

Portfolio Allocation: $15,347,000
Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $2,153,910

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MAA08-001 Folger Property Purchase
Prior Years

Purchased the 190-acre Woodruff Redwoods property as an addition to La Honda Creek Preserve.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

No project challenges identified at this time.

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

Continue to pursue opportunities for to expand Bay Area Ridge Trail connections.
## Portfolio 8: La Honda Creek and Russian Ridge—Preservation of Upper San Gregorio Watershed and Ridge Trail Completion

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### Notes
- **Partial Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20**: $2,153,910
- **Expenditure Plan Remaining**: $13,193,090

La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve by Frances Freyburg for Midpen
Portfolio 9

Russian Ridge
Public Recreation, Grazing and Wildlife Protection Projects

DESCRIPTION

- Open currently closed areas of preserve
- Construct and extend trails
- Improve fencing, corrals and water systems to reintroduce conservation grazing
- Improve habitat for sensitive species; implement pond enhancement projects for garter snakes and red-legged frogs

Portfolio Allocation: $5,560,000
Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $394,556

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MAA09-001 Russian Ridge Grazing Infrastructure

Prior Years

Completed brush management of south pasture at Mindego Ranch.

Upgraded corral and water system at Mindego Ranch, installing two 5,000-gallon water storage tanks, 11,000 feet of buried pipe, six water troughs, and solar-powered water pump for storage tanks. Selected grazing tenant to manage grazing operation.

MAA09-003 Russian Ridge Mindego Pond Improvement

Fiscal Year 2020

The US Army Corps of Engineers authorized the Section 404 permit in April 2020.

The San Mateo County Resource Conservation District Board of Directors approved a grading permit exemption for the 630 cubic yards of proposed grading work in February 2020.

Design-build entity completed project construction documents, basis of design, integrated pest management plan and vegetation management plan in September 2019.

The design-build entity applied for a grading permit exemption from County of San Mateo and a section 401 permit from the RWQCB.

Prior Years

Selected a design-build firm to improve the ponds to support endangered species’ habitat. Began project survey, assessment, design and permitting.

Began pre-bid work on the first design-build project to be implemented by Midpen. The project will enhance and restore habitat for the California red-legged frog and San Francisco garter snake at two ponds at Mindego Ranch.
MAA09-004 Mindego Hill Trail Construction

Prior Years

Constructed and opened an extension of Mindego Hill Trail to the top of the prominent Mindego Hill with 360-degree panoramic views.

Completed remediation of the Mindego Ranch area.

In Support of MAA09 Prior Years

Completed year four of the San Francisco garter snake field study and ongoing bullfrog eradication work at Mindego Ranch in Russian Ridge Preserve.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

No project challenges identified at this time.

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

Complete Mindego Pond projects to improve habitat for California red-legged frog and San Francisco garter snake.

**Portfolio 9: Russian Ridge—Public Recreation, Grazing and Wildlife Protection Projects**

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7.10% OF FUNDS USED

Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20 $394,556

Expenditure Plan Remaining $5,165,444

Measure AA Bond Annual Accountability Report FY20
DESCRIPTION

- Reopen Alpine Road as trail connection between Portola Valley and Skyline Boulevard
- Reroute trails to reduce erosion and improve visitor experience

Portfolio Allocation: $8,017,000
Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $345,341

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MAA10-001 Alpine Road Regional Trail, Coal Creek

Fiscal Year 2020

Completed the 65% design documents, Alternatives Analysis report, geotechnical investigation and report, wetland and riparian delineation, botanical survey and report, and Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration CEQA document has been drafted and is ready for release for public comment.

Executed a memorandum of understanding with County of San Mateo regarding future transfer of Alpine Road to Midpen.

Prior Years

Began assessment of trail conditions and developed recommendations/alternatives and cost analysis for repairs. Developed agreement with the County of San Mateo for long-term repairs.

Updated the road and trail inventory and completed preliminary conceptual design alternatives for two large failures on Alpine Road. Presented options for repairs and improvements to the board, which selected the approach of repairing failures to trail width (6-foot-wide standard). Coordinated the project with County of San Mateo Public Works.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

The County of San Mateo determined that they are unable to lead the repair due to other higher priority repair issues stemming from the 2016-17 winter storms, Midpen is now the lead.

Alpine Road Trail is owned in fee and easement by the County of San Mateo; repairs will require careful coordination and approval from the county.
## Potential Next Steps

Receive and review the road design and third-party cost estimations with the County of San Mateo for concurrence.

Finalize construction plans.

Secure permits and complete CEQA review.

Enter into negotiations with the County of San Mateo regarding funding contribution and long-term maintenance.

### Portfolio 10: Coal Creek—Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use

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**4.31% of Funds Used**

- Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20: $345,341
- Expenditure Plan Remaining: $7,671,341
**Portfolio 11**

**Rancho San Antonio**
Interpretive Improvements, Refurbishing and Transit Solutions

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**DESCRIPTION**

- Add welcome center
- Refurbish and add interpretive exhibits to Deer Hollow Farm
- Support of transit improvement options such as bike trails, bike share station, bus service or additional parking

**Portfolio Allocation: $10,811,000**

**Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $150,328**

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**NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**MAA11-001 New Trails to Connect Quarry Trail to Black Mountain Trail**

**Prior Years**

- Accepted two trail easements, two rights of first offer and rights of first refusal, and a conditional grant deed conveyance, for properties adjacent to Monte Bello and Rancho San Antonio preserves.

**MAA11-002 Rancho San Antonio, Deer Hollow Farm: White Barn Rehabilitation**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

- Completed project design and started the permitting process with County of Santa Clara; and issued Request for Bids for construction.

**Prior Years**

- Selected consultant for the design and assessment of the Rancho San Antonio White Barn to improve building access, structural stability and public safety.
- With MAA and other funding, completed historic and structural assessments for the Deer Hollow Farm White Barn; obtained Legislative, Funding, And Public Affairs Committee confirmation of partnership agreements to fund project.
In Support of MAA11

Fiscal Year 2020

Notable accomplishments listed for the VP11-001 Rancho San Antonio Multimodal Access Study project

Collected traffic data at the main entrance on Cristo Rey Drive from October through November 2019. Traffic data is being used to evaluate current parking behaviors, specifically peak parking per lot, time of day, day of week and holiday parking demand to inform the development of multimodal transit solutions and improvements for the preserve.

Developed an intercept survey that was posted online from October 1, 2019 to January 3, 2020 to understand how visitors access the preserve and the opportunities and challenges that exist to encourage multimodal transit use. After closing the survey, the consultant received 1,000 responses, 106 via intercept surveys and 894 via online surveys.

Designated a curbside area near the restroom and installed a Rideapp sign to direct rideshare drop-off/pick-up.

Installed three bicycle racks—two near the restroom and one near the PG&E trailhead. All new bicycle racks have been advertised on social media platforms to promote bicycle transit to access the preserve.

Prior Years

Completed draft scope for parking and transportation demand analysis (Multimodal Access Study), and met with Santa Clara County Parks on project scope review and coordination.

Presented the draft Multimodal Access Study scope and potential short-, medium- and long-term measures to address parking challenges at Rancho San Antonio Preserve to board committee. Received board approval of the Multimodal Access Study scope to proceed with a request of proposals and board approval to implement the short-term measures.

Restored the Deer Hollow Farm White Barn milk room at Rancho San Antonio Preserve, facilitating ongoing environmental interpretation and animal husbandry at the popular farm site.

Completed 69 days of vehicle occupancy counts to understand the parking use patterns at Rancho San Antonio Preserve.

Initiated stakeholder agency engagement in identifying opportunities for parking and transit improvement options.

Conducted a one-week tabling campaign for mountain lion awareness at Rancho San Antonio Preserve.

Coordinated with the City of Mountain View and Friends of Deer Hollow Farm to prepare for a historic and structural assessment of the White Barn at Rancho San Antonio Preserve that was conducted during fiscal year 2017-18.
PROJECT CHALLENGES

Depending on potential parking solutions, coordination, agreement and co-implementation with other agencies may be required.

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

To facilitate future MAA-eligible improvements, continue to engage stakeholder agencies and community in evaluating parking and transit improvement options.

Complete Rancho San Antonio Multimodal Access Study, which includes parking and transportation demand analyses and recommendations to address traffic congestion.

To facilitate future MAA-eligible improvements, continue to collaborate with City of Mountain View and stakeholders on the rehabilitation of the Deer Hollow Farm White Barn.
## Portfolio 11: Rancho San Antonio—Interpretive Improvements, Refurbishing and Transit Solutions

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- **1.39% of Funds Used**
- **Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20**
  - $150,328
- **Expenditure Plan Remaining**
  - $10,660,672
DESCRIPTION

- Support work by cities to develop the middle section of the Stevens Creek Trail and enhance neighborhood connections
- Support work by partners to complete stream corridor restoration and steelhead habitat enhancement below dam
- Develop and install interpretive signage

Portfolio Allocation: $1,038,000  Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $0

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In Support of MAA12

Prior Years

Supported work by partners to complete stream corridor restoration and steelhead habitat enhancement below Stevens Creek Dam. Coordinated with partners, reviewed technical reports, held site visit to Deep Cliff site and produced letter of funding support.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

No project challenges identified at this time

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

Coordinate with cities, Santa Clara County Parks, Friends of Stevens Creek Trail and other stakeholders on new signage for the Stevens Creek Trail through preserves, parkland and other jurisdictional lands.
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**Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20**: $0

**Expenditure Plan Remaining**: $1,038,000
Cloverdale Ranch
Wildlife Protection, Grazing and Trail Connections

DESCRIPTION

- Improve fencing, corrals and water systems to increase conservation grazing and sustain large contiguous grasslands
- Restore habitat for endangered species
- Provide trail connections to nearby state parks

| Portfolio Allocation: $15,712,000 | Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $0 |

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS
In Support of MAA13

Fiscal Year 2020

- Completed compilation of background information and existing conditions report for the Cloverdale Ranch property.
- Initiated community and partner outreach including Resource Conservation District, La Honda Pescadero Unified School District, Pescadero Municipal Advisory Committee, State Parks, Sustainable Pescadero, County of San Mateo, Puente, State Coastal Conservancy and grazing tenants.
- Held site tours at Cloverdale Ranch for board members, local officials, State representatives and funding agencies.

Prior Years

- Initiated bimonthly meetings and conducted staff site tours of Cloverdale Ranch with POST.
- Conducted ongoing due diligence investigation to evaluate site resources and obligations of a potential future land purchase and subsequent management of POST’s 6,500-acre Cloverdale Ranch. Worked with POST to conduct an introductory site tour for board members and key management staff to learn more about the property. Added Cloverdale Ranch to the Capital Improvement and Action Plan for FY2018-19.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

- Changing economic conditions due to COVID-19 limits state funding that could be leveraged for this project.

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

- Continue public outreach and community engagement, including legislative engagement.
- Conduct additional field trips for staff to become familiar with site infrastructure
- Identify additional site investigations to be conducted.
## Portfolio 13: Cloverdale Ranch—Wildlife Protection, Grazing and Trail Connections

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Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20

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Expenditure Plan Remaining

$15,712,000

Cloverdale Ranch by Kirk Lenington/Midpen
**Portfolio 14**

**Regional**

**Trail Connections and Campgrounds**

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**DESCRIPTION**

- Develop trails between Butano, Pescadero County Park and Russian Ridge, and between Skyline, Portola Redwoods and Big Basin State Park
- Partner with county and state parks to improve existing campgrounds

**Portfolio Allocation:** $3,966,000  
**Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020:** $0

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**NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**In Support of MAA14**

**Prior Years**

Acquired a conservation easement from POST covering the 353-acre Alpine Ranch property to protect redwood forests, watershed and habitat values (expensed in MAA15 portfolio). Supports MAA14 for future trail connections and campgrounds to San Mateo County’s Pescadero Creek Park Complex.
### Portfolio 14: Regional—Trail Connections and Campgrounds

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- $0

**Expenditure Plan Remaining**

- $3,966,000

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Skyline Ridge Open Space Preserve by Linda Folkman

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Portfolio 15

Regional
Redwood Protection and Salmon Fishery Conservation

DESCRIPTION

- Preserve additional open space as available
- Protect and enhance redwood stands, mountain scenery, various habitats and steelhead

**Portfolio Allocation: $50,728,000**  
**Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $3,075,549**

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**MAA15-001 Conservation Easement Upper Alpine Ranch Area**  
Prior Years

Acquired a conservation easement from POST covering the 353-acre Alpine Ranch property to protect redwood forests, watershed and habitat values.

**MAA15-002 Conley Property Purchase**  
Prior Years

Purchased the 191-acre Conley property from POST as an addition to Long Ridge Preserve to protect redwood forest and the upper Pescadero Creek watershed.

**MAA15-003 Long Ridge Property Addition**  
Prior Years

Made appraisal and offer. Offer was rejected. Negotiations may continue.

**MAA15-004 Irish Ridge Land Conservation**  
Fiscal Year 2020

Submitted lot-split application to County of San Mateo for review and is running concurrently with the zoning amendment application.

Received board approval for the purchase of the 151-acre Irish Ridge (Tabachnik) property. The property purchase is contingent upon a land division (lot-split) and a zoning amendment with County of San Mateo.

In Support of MAA15 and other MAA Portfolios  
Fiscal Year 2020

Completed appraisal and staff site assessment for the Boy Scouts property.
Prior Years

Purchased 190-acre Woodruff Redwoods property as an addition to La Honda Creek Preserve (expensed in MAA08 portfolio); purchase includes 51 acres of old-growth redwood forest that support MAA15 priority actions.

Contracted with consulting professionals to develop the La Honda forest management plan to evaluate restoration and management priorities in the watershed.

Held several meetings with SJWC executive staff concerning the potential purchase of their CPUC regulated utility lands in addition to the potential purchase of their 182-acre non-CPUC regulated property near El Sereno Preserve.

Pursued watershed protection opportunities at Sierra Azul and El Sereno preserves after state legislation created the opportunity to purchase land governed by the CPUC. Established initial contact with site owners, toured the property with site managers and Midpen board members, and conveyed goals for a working partnership to negotiate a mutually beneficial transaction.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

Land acquisition requires willing seller.

Lot split for the 151-acre Irish Ridge (Tabachnik) property is contingent on an amendment to the existing zoning that would make the Planned Agricultural District zoning consistent with an exemption to the Coastal Act for land divisions in connection with the purchase of lands by a public agency for public recreational use. The zoning amendment is anticipated to occur in the summer/fall of 2020, and the application review for the lot-split would run concurrently with the zoning amendment timeline.

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

Continuing to communicate and work towards the purchase of SJWC lands, but purchase is contingent on a willing seller.
**Long Ridge Trail, Conservation and Habitat Restoration Projects (Saratoga)**

**DESCRIPTION**

- Improve roadside parking and provide restrooms
- Develop new trail connections to Eagle Rock and Devils Canyon
- Repair trails for year-round, multiuse access
- Protect watersheds for steelhead
- Preserve additional open space as available
- Implement pond and habitat enhancement restoration projects to benefit rare species

**Portfolio Allocation: $5,140,000**  
**Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $0**

MAA funds have not been expended on this portfolio through the reporting period, therefore there are no funds in this portfolio for the Bond Oversight Committee to validate at this time. This does not necessarily mean that work is not underway in this portfolio. If there is work in process, other funding sources are being utilized and either the scope is not what was contemplated as part of this MAA portfolio, or the scope is not currently eligible for MAA funding.
## Portfolio 16: Long Ridge—Trail, Conservation and Habitat Restoration Projects (Saratoga)

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Expenditure Plan Remaining
$5,140,000

0.00% OF FUNDS USED
Portfolio 17

Regional
Complete Upper Stevens Creek Trail

DESCRIPTION

- Complete multiuse connection between the Bay Trail and Bay Area Ridge Trail above the reservoir through Picchetti Ranch Preserve and Lower/Upper Stevens Creek County parks
- Improve preserve trails and neighborhood connections
- Preserve additional open space as available

Portfolio Allocation: $7,760,000

Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $1,646,441

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MAA17-001 Land Conservation: Last Piece Upper Stevens Creek

Prior Years

- Purchased the 60-acre Lysons property, securing land to facilitate the Upper Stevens Creek regional trail.
- Leveraged partnership funds to match the MAA funds expended for this purchase.

MAA17-002 Demolition & Restoration: Lobner/Lysons

Fiscal Year 2020

- Completed demolition and site restoration activities to prepare for future public access/regional trail connection.
- Finalized and closed all permits.

Prior Years

- Completed design and contractor bidding process to demolish existing structures for site restoration and future public access.
- Evaluated the Lysons property for demolition and restoration.

MAA17-004 Stevens Creek Nature Trail Bridges, Monte Bello

Fiscal Year 2020

- Completed final bridge construction and revegetation of project area.

Prior Years

- Constructed two new pedestrian bridges on the Stevens Creek Nature Trail and removed one old bridge.
**PROJECT CHALLENGES**

Coordination with Santa Clara County Parks to consider multiuse trail designation for Upper Stevens Creek Trail.

**POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS**

Continue to coordinate with Santa Clara County Parks regarding consideration of multiuse trail designation.

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**Portfolio 17: Regional—Complete Upper Stevens Creek Trail**

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21.22% of funds used

Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20: $1,646,441
Expenditure Plan Remaining: $6,113,559

Pichetti Ranch Open Space Preserve by Violet Scandalis

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South Bay Foothills
Saratoga-to-the-Sea Trail and Wildlife Corridor

**DESCRIPTION**

- Protect wildlife corridor along Highway 9
- Connect trail to Saratoga-to-the-Sea Trail and Skyline-to-the-Sea Trail

| Portfolio Allocation: $1,365,000 | Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $734,398 |

**NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**
**MAA18-002  Saratoga-to-the-Sea Regional Trail Connection**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

- City of Saratoga completed 45% of trail construction work.
- City of Saratoga completed draft interpretive signs.

**In Support of MAA18**
**Prior Years**

- City of Saratoga completed engineering design and environmental review and initiated permitting for the proposed Saratoga-to-the-Sea regional trail connection within city’s easement area on San Jose Water Co. lands.
- City of Saratoga completed phase 1 park improvements at Quarry Park, which is the trailhead for the Saratoga-to-the-Sea Trail.
- Finalized partnership agreement with the City of Saratoga and obtained board approval for a funding contribution of the final design and environmental review for the Saratoga-to-the-Sea Trail.

**PROJECT CHALLENGES**

- No project challenges identified at this time.

**POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS**

- Provide additional partnership funding and/or technical staff support to City of Saratoga to complete the approximately 3-mile Saratoga-to-the-Sea Trail connection from Saratoga Quarry Park to Sanborn County Park.
# Portfolio 18: South Bay Foothills—Saratoga-to-the-Sea Trail and Wildlife Corridor

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* Prior year adjustment (transfer of Saratoga-to-the-Sea expenditures from Fund 40 General Fund Capital to Fund 30 MAA).

- **Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20**: $734,398
- **Expenditure Plan Remaining**: $630,602

53.80% of funds used

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**Portfolio 19**

**El Sereno**  
Dog Trails and Connections

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**DESCRIPTION**

- Provide infrastructure to open trails to dogs
- Develop connections to Skyline, Sanborn County Park and Lexington Reservoir

**Portfolio Allocation:** $2,254,000  
**Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020:** $479,527

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**NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**MAA19-001 Gupta/Khan Property Purchase**  
**Prior Years**

Purchased a 9.37-acre fee property and a 1.97-acre floating trail easement from Gupta-Khan to improve opportunities for wildlife corridor and trail connectivity.

**MAA19-002 Dunham-Bohman Easement**  
**Prior Years**

Purchased a 0.33-acre public trail and patrol easement from a private landowner ($15,000 purchase). These purchases fill a gap in the Bay Area Ridge Trail between El Sereno Preserve and Sanborn County Park (one property acquisition remains).

**MAA19-003 Haight-Peery Low Value Land Acquisition**  
**Prior Years**

Purchased the 1.87-acre Haight-Peery property, including a portion of the Aquinas Trail, as an addition to El Sereno Preserve.

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**In Support of MAA19**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Entered into letter of understanding with SJWC. Reached agreement with SJWC to purchase 182-acre El Sereno inholding, including Aquinas Trail as an identified section of the Bay Area Ridge Trail. Board approval is scheduled for July 2020 and following approval, close of escrow will be scheduled for September 30, 2020.

**Prior Years**

Completed CEQA review and a use and management plan amendment for board approval to open existing trails to dogs on-leash and added on-leash dog use to 6 miles of existing trail.

To facilitate future MAA trail projects, initiated site investigations for regional trail connections between Sanborn County Park, El Sereno Preserve and a potential Highway 17 Bay Area Ridge Trail crossing.
**Portfolio 19: El Sereno—Dog Trails and Connections**

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**PROJECT CHALLENGES**

Need to secure additional property rights to provide contiguous access through El Sereno Preserve to the adjacent Sanborn County Park.

**POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS**

Continue seeking property rights required for a trail connection from Highway 17 through El Sereno Preserve to Sanborn County Park.

Continue analysis of regional trail connections between Sanborn County Park, El Sereno Preserve and a potential Highway 17 Bay Area Ridge Trail crossing.
Portfolio 20

South Bay Foothills
Wildlife Passage and Ridge Trail Improvements

**DESCRIPTION**

- Establish safe corridors for mountain lions across Highway 17
- Establish Bay Area Ridge Trail crossing

**Portfolio Allocation:** $13,966,000  
**Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020:** $570,615

**NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**MAA20-001  Wildlife Corridor: Highway 17 Crossing**  
**MAA20-002  Bay Area Ridge Trail: Highway 17 Crossing**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

- Caltrans reviewed the final project study report developed by Midpen and consultants.
- Completed project study report and initiated project approval and environmental document with Caltrans.
- Consultant selected and under contract for CEQA/NEPA and Caltrans project approval and environmental documentation.

**Prior Years**

- Submitted draft project study report to Caltrans and initial comments received. Held additional meetings with project partners and stakeholders (Caltrans, SJWC, Green Foothills, National Wildlife Federation), as well as a second public meeting to continue to advance a proposed wildlife crossing.
- Conducted preplanning, trail scouting and preliminary conceptual-level design and cost estimates for a proposed regional trail crossing over Highway 17. Completed a pre-permitting coordination meeting with Caltrans.
- In coordination with a consultant team, completed a draft project preliminary alternatives report for both the wildlife corridor and regional trails crossing at Highway 17 for agency review.
- Engaged public and stakeholders for input on proposed draft alternatives and received agency comments on draft report.
- Released draft recommended alternatives report for both the wildlife corridor and regional trails crossing at Highway 17 and received agency comments.
- Developed a cooperative agreement with Caltrans and developed a Caltrans project initiation document.
- Continued evaluation of the Highway 17 wildlife crossing and regional trail crossing through identification and analysis of additional crossing alternatives in response to partner, stakeholder and public comment on initial drafts.
- Collaborated with partner agencies (Santa Clara County Parks, Valley Water, Ridge Trail, etc.) to identify best opportunities for a public access crossing at Highway 17, including trail connections. Crossing will close a major gap in the regionwide trail system and connect open space areas for multiple regional trails.
**Portfolio 20: South Bay Foothills—Wildlife Passage and Ridge Trail Improvements**

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**In Support of MAA20**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Entered into letter of understanding with SJWC on December 23, 2019 for collaboration on watershed open space lands, including cooperation on Wildlife and Ridge Trail crossing of Highway 17.

**Prior Years**

Completed preplanning and site investigations to identify potential trail routes to connect trail crossings. Worked with consultants to develop preliminary trail design and completed draft trail connections report. Shared draft report with stakeholders (Caltrans, SJWC, Santa Clara County Parks, etc) for review prior to public presentations. Scheduled public informational meeting on trail connections.

Conducted numerous field investigations and trail route evaluations for a potential future regional trail crossing over Highway 17 that would become part of the Bay Area Ridge Trail near the El Sereno, St. Joseph’s Hill and Bear Creek Redwoods preserves.

Co-hosted with POST a free screening of “The Cat that Saved America” and panel discussion on wildlife corridors and the Highway 17 wildlife crossing attended by 325 guests on April 7, 2018.

Conducted additional ground-truthing and analysis on potential trail alignments that support the potential trail crossing locations to include in a feasibility study. Identified eight trail alignments to include in the project study report for Caltrans.

**Project Challenges**

Complex Caltrans process and coordination with numerous project partners and stakeholders and Midpen as the project lead despite not owning or managing any of the underlying land or immediate trail connections.

Additional studies and coordination needed to identify feasible trail connections linking to a regional trail crossing at Highway 17, evaluating multiple scenarios for trail connections on either side of Highway 17.

Requires negotiations with multiple property owners to secure property rights.

**Potential Next Steps**

Complete CEQA/NEPA document for entire project including crossings and trails.

Complete project approval and environmental document phase which identifies changes since the last phase and develops a Caltrans draft/final project report.

Continue to secure permission to access private properties for studies and to negotiate for property rights.
Bear Creek Redwoods
Public Recreation and Interpretation Projects

**DESCRIPTION**

- Open for hiking, equestrian activities
- Provide parking areas, trails, upgrade stables
- Restore and protect habitats for various species
- Repair roads and trails to reduce sediment
- Rehabilitate Alma College site

*Portfolio Allocation: $17,478,000*  
*Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $9,489,863*

**NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**MAA21-003 Bear Creek Redwoods Water System**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Combined with MAA21-004 Bear Creek Stables Site Plan Implementation.

**MAA21-004 Bear Creek Stables Site Plan Implementation**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Combined MAA21-003 Bear Creek Redwoods Water System project with MAA21-004 Bear Creek Stables Site Plan Implementation.

- Water demand was determined, and final direction was provided by Santa Clara County Fire.
- Board approved the funding source and the final design direction to focus exclusively on repairs. Prepared plans for submittal as part of county planning pre-application.

**Prior Years**

- Completed an assessment of water source options and associated cost estimates for the preserve, concluding that the most cost effective and secure option is to execute an agreement with SJWC to complete the water line installation from their main line as the new source of water for the preserve and Bear Creek Stables.
- Established and filed pre-1914 water rights for the preserve, installed meters, and completed required annual reporting.
- Started the design of a water main extension at gate BC01 to provide water access to staff and provide initial connection to water system for stables.
- Met with County of Santa Clara planning staff and fire marshal office to discuss the type of repair and maintenance work that would be permissible under the existing legal, nonconforming use.
- Completed a fundraising pre-feasibility assessment.
The board directed staff to move forward with maintenance and repairs in the near-term and the stables site plan as a long-term solution.

Developed the stables site plan alternatives and secured board selection of the preferred alternative for CEQA review purposes.

**MAA21-005 Bear Creek Redwoods Public Access**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

- Submitted notice of completion to County of Santa Clara.
- Completed restroom construction, final punch list items, repairs of damaged loop trail sections, and final payments for the parking.

**Prior Years**

- Completed construction of a new parking lot, bridge, retaining wall improvements, vault toilet restroom, ADA pathway, and road/trail improvements, opening 6 miles of new trail to public access.
- Completed second (final) year of cultural resource evaluations for 19 sites within the preserve. Final report completed. Provided archaeological monitoring for parking lot and trail construction.
- Completed installation of two interpretive signs for the new main parking area at Upper Lake.
- Completed an archaeological resources curation guidelines report.
- Completed archaeological studies in advance of ground disturbance activities.
- Conducted an engineering feasibility study to identify the preferred location for a Bear Creek Road trail undercrossing as an option for connecting visitors between the new parking area and the western area of the preserve.
- Completed cultural resource assessments. Prepared RFPQ, selected and contracted with consultant to complete a final survey/assessment reports for 10 sites, parking lot area and Mud Lake improvements.
- Completed phase 1 public access road and trail construction, upgrades, and drainage improvement, including constructing two segments of new trail to complete the westside loop.
- Investigated a legacy landfill at BCR to determine size and potential constituents of concern. Scoped project, prepared RFPQ, and selected consultant.
### MAA21-006 Bear Creek Redwoods Alma College Cultural Landscape Rehab

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Demolition permits were received, and demolition project was successfully bid and awarded.

County planning director and building official attended a site walk to discuss the project and ADA approach.

### Prior Years

Presented Alma College cultural landscape plan to Santa Clara County Historic Heritage Commission for a landmark alteration permit. County of Santa Clara planning department issued a landmark alteration permit for the rehabilitation project.

Completed 90% of plans and specifications and prepared permit package for submission to the County of Santa Clara planning department. Completed conversion of mansion ruins to bat habitat.

Conducted a recreation planning analysis for potential reuse of the Alma College chapel.

Completed an earthquake fault rupture hazard study to determine if the Alma College chapel could be occupied.

Constructed two structures to provide alternative bat roosting habitat in anticipation of demolition work at Alma College.

### MAA21-007 Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve Plan Invasive Weed Treatment

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Proceeded with year three of invasive weed management with disruptions from county-issued shelter-in-place orders.

### Prior Years

Completed treatments as planned and selected contractor for final two years of project through RFP process.

Completed all work under a task order with Valley Water for the implementation of grant-funded invasive species work.

Implemented the first year of a targeted invasive species treatment to restore native habitat throughout the preserve.

Received a grant from Valley Water for $200,000 per year for five years with a possible five-year extension for another $1 million.

### MAA21-008 Bear Creek Redwoods Ponds Restoration and Water Rights

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Completed the Mud Lake Improvements Project, including the replacement of the Mud Lake spillway and outlet, installation of 115 linear feet of storm water swale improvements, replacement of 200 linear feet of storm water culverts and the replacement of a 60 foot long culvert under Bear Creek Road.

Executed a funding agreement with the County of Santa Clara in September 2019, which reimburses Midpen for the Bear Creek Road culvert replacement work.

Project plans were reviewed and approved by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, USACE, RWQCB and County of Santa Clara.
Prior Years

Completed construction documents and began the permitting process to improve drainage from Mud Lake to Briggs Creek.

Completed a pond assessment and management plan to determine the water needs for wildlife and habitat values at aquatic sites.

Began the first year of the western pond turtle population study and developed a western pond turtle management plan.

Completed the Mud Lake drainage improvement project plans to 60%, which allowed for pre-permitting meetings to be held with the USACE, RWQCB and CDFW to determine the permit and review timeframe required before construction. The project will improve the stormwater drainage system for Mud Lake.

MAA21-009 Bear Creek Redwoods Webb Creek Bridge

Prior Years

Completed the removal of an existing bridge and installation of a new bridge to provide safe public access and patrol route.

Designed the Webb Creek Bridge replacement foundation.

Submitted CDFW and RWQCB permits for the Webb Creek Bridge replacement.
**MAA21-010 Bear Creek Redwoods Landfill Characterization and Remediation**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Completed site investigations and preliminary historic resource evaluations.

**Prior Years**

Completed a landfill characterization and developed the project remedial approach.

**MAA21-011 Phase II Trail Improvements**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Completed trail feasibility analysis, basis of design document, preliminary design for trail structures, protocol botanical surveys, cultural/biological resources report and contract amendment with consultant team.

Secured traffic consultant to begin analyzing multiuse trail crossings near the Summit and over Highway 17.

**MAA21-012 Bear Creek Redwoods Tree Restoration**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Removed all abandoned ornamental trees within the project area and installed native trees.

**In Support of MAA21**

**Prior Years**

Completed the Bear Creek Redwoods online story map.

Celebrated completion of phase 1 public access improvements and progress on natural resources restoration projects with partner ribbon-cutting and tours, media outreach and extensive public educational outreach during the opening weekends.

Hired a consultant for feasibility studies, design engineering and permitting to implement the phase 2 trails.

Received board approval of the Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve Plan and certification of the accompanying EIR.

Hosted a groundbreaking for the preserve parking area project on May 1, 2018.

Completed construction of the Alma College site fencing in April 2018 to improve site safety and security.

**PROJECT CHALLENGES**

MAA21-004: Stable’s legal nonconforming status raises concerns regarding permit approvals and code upgrades that may raise costs substantially and extend permitting timeline.

MAA21-006: Project experienced prolonged County of Santa Clara review regarding accessibility standards.

MAA21-008: Permitting agencies unexpectedly asked that Upper Lake and Mud Lake projects be combined, requiring staff to pull two consultant teams together to complete permit applications.

Land acquisition requires a willing seller.

**POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS**

Continue design development of allowable repairs of existing stables site within legal, nonconforming status.

Continue integrated pest management implementation on roads and trails, and in shaded fuel break.

Complete permitting and construction of the Upper Lake pond improvement project.

Complete demolition of existing non-historic structures and begin construction of Alma site improvements.
## Portfolio 21: Bear Creek Redwoods—Public Recreation and Interpretive Projects

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54.30% OF FUNDS USED

Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20
$9,489,863

Expenditure Plan Remaining
$7,988,137
## Portfolio 22

### Sierra Azul

Cathedral Oaks Public Access and Conservation Projects

### Description

- Develop multiuse trail and plan future trails as land is available
- Develop parking
- Restore plant communities and soils
- Install trailside amenities
- Preserve additional open space and complete wildlife corridor in upper Los Gatos Creek watershed

**Portfolio Allocation:** $6,714,000  
**Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020:** $1,158,805

### Notable Accomplishments

#### MAA22-001 Hendrys Creek Property Land Restoration

**Fiscal Year 2020**

- Continued ongoing monitoring.
- Coordinated with Valley Water on conservation easement held on the property, accomplished monitoring and reporting on the long-term management plan, which is a task to be done in perpetuity.
- Met Valley Water grant requirements and secured $269,116 through reimbursements on a $484,650 grant to implement restoration plans at Hendrys Creek.
- Completed land restoration project.

**Prior Years**

- Removed culverts that impeded the creek and restored natural creek flow.
- Completed annual monitoring and submitted annual report to Valley Water and CDFW, as required by the long-term management plan and CDFW permit conditions.
- Received partnership funds to purchase the 117-acre Hendrys Creek property to protect wildlife corridors and watershed lands. No MAA funds were used on this purchase.
- Completed fifth year of the coordinated monitoring effort to reduce mercury within the Guadalupe River watershed.
- Completed first phase of invasive plant removal and developed a partnership with the San Jose Conservation Corps for the Hendrys Creek watershed restoration effort.
- Negotiated with resource agencies, including CDFW, RWQCB and USACE to finalize permits to perform the Hendrys Creek restoration project. Rare opportunity to perform environmental restoration to benefit wildlife and water quality.

#### MAA22-003 Freudenberg Land Purchase

**Prior Years**

- Purchased the 24.41-acre Freudenberg property to protect wildlife and watershed lands.
**Portfolio 22: Sierra Azul—Cathedral Oaks Public Access and Conservation Projects**

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**MAA22-004 Beatty Parking Area and Trail Connections**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

- Completed on-site field reconnaissance and preliminary assessment of the county’s Miller Point parking lot. Met with stakeholders to develop scoping of studies regarding newts.
- Held consultations with Santa Clara County Parks and Valley Water regarding proposed parking and trail development and permitting requirements.
- Released RFPQ for consulting services to develop bridge design and evaluate the stability of the trail alignment.

**Prior Years**

- Issued RFPs and selected consultants for site surveys, traffic, hazardous material assessments and environmental and biological services to support the implementation of the Beatty Parking Area.
- Initiated traffic counts and line of sight analysis, phase 1 environmental assessments, and completed topographic surveys. Initiated conceptual parking area design.
- Awarded a $149,906 grant from Valley Water for the Beatty Trail connection project (grant income included in FY20).

**Project Challenges**

- Permit monitoring requires up to 10 years of tracking and reporting, which is cumulative for every project requiring a resource agency permit.
- Newt studies and enhancements are critical to address prior to continuing work on the parking area and trail connections project.

**Potential Next Steps**

- MAA22-001: monitoring for up to 9 years for resource agency permits, and monitoring required in perpetuity under the Long Term Management Agreement associated with the Conservation Easement with Valley Water.
Sierra Azul
Mount Umunhum
Public Access and Interpretation Projects

DESCRIPTI ON

- Open Mount Umunhum for multiuse public access to summit via road and trail
- Open Bay Area Ridge Trail and nearby trail connections
- Preserve additional open space and complete wildlife corridor

Portfolio Allocation: $27,972,000  Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $21,655,703

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MAA23-001 Mt. Um Road and Trail Property Rights
  Prior Years

  Purchased the 38.97-acre Meyer/Connolly property to protect additional open space and wildlife corridors.

  In support of MAA improvements, purchased the 28-acre Rossetta property to secure public access rights along Mt. Umunhum Road and the Woods Trail in the Mount Umunhum area of Sierra Azul Preserve.

MAA23-002 Mt. Um Trail
  Prior Years

  Completed nearly 4 miles of the new Mt. Umunhum Trail to connect people to the summit.

  Completed major construction milestones on the Mt. Umunhum Trail, including the construction of an additional 0.5-mile trail segment, the narrowing of old, abandoned road cuts into a trail, and the installation of three new pedestrian bridges and signage.

  Completed final preparations for opening Mount Umunhum, installing fencing, signs, horse trough, trail construction and new bridges.

MAA23-004 Mt. Um Summit Restoration, Parking and Landing Zone
  Fiscal Year 2020

  Volunteers and contractors installed 1,085 nursery plants. A plant maintenance contractor continues to maintain the site with watering and weeding around previously installed nursery plants.
Prior Years

Completed phase 2 plant restoration and sign installation.

Created a new contract with Grassroots Ecology’s Native Plant Nursery to grow approximately 1,900 native plants and 5 pounds of native grass and forb seed for phase 1 of the Mount Umunhum revegetation project.

Developed a habitat restoration plan for the Mount Umunhum Summit to enhance the native plant recolonization of the restored mountaintop, incorporating input from the Amah Mutsun tribal group on Native American restoration techniques.

Surveyed and mapped rare plant populations and collected native plant seeds in support of the restoration planting plan.

Completed the construction of the Mount Umunhum Summit restoration project, including a new parking lot, summit shelters, turnaround area, ceremonial circle, ADA pathways, stairs, trail steps and other site amenities. Opened Mount Umunhum Summit area to the public in September 2017.

Developed and created broad interpretive displays for the Mount Umunhum summit project, providing visitors with a substantially greater understanding of the site’s rich history.

Continued restoration planting at Mount Umunhum to restore native vegetation at the summit.

MAA23-005 Mt. Um Guadalupe Creek Overlook and Bridges

Prior Years

Completed the design, permitting and construction for the Guadalupe Creek overlook (a featured overlook along Mt. Umunhum Trail), including permitting and construction of three new trail bridges along the trail.

Installed the Guadalupe Creek overlook railings and mitigation planting and removed trail debris to open the Woods Trail to the public.

MAA23-006 Mt. Um Road Design/Permitting/Construction

Prior Years

Completed the construction of the Mt. Umunhum Road improvement project, including the installation of new culverts, asphalt concrete paving, drainage structures, gabion retaining walls, guardrail, mass grading and off haul, striping and other road safety improvements. Completion of the project opened public vehicular access to the Mount Umunhum Summit area.

MAA23-007 Twin Creeks Land Conservation

Fiscal Year 2020

Incorporated IPM plan into the annual work plan. Completed FY20 invasive weed work.

Incorporated review of long-term management for bat species into ongoing core duties.

Prior Years

Completed site cleanup and demolition of structures to support land preservation and riparian habitat restoration.

Purchased the 153.59-acre Twin Creeks property providing water quality protection within the Los Alamitos Creek watershed, continuity of wildlife habitat corridors and the potential for a future trail connection with Rancho Cañada del Oro Preserve. The Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation provided grant funding in the amount of $750,000 toward the purchase of $2,800,000.
**MAA23-008 Twin Creeks Restoration**

**Prior Years**

Started a botanical survey at the Twin Creeks property.

**In Support of MAA23**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Completed the Mt. Umunhum Road Improvements Project in June 2020, which included the installation of paved bicycle turnouts, repairs to roadside drainage scupper, curb repairs, the application of sharrows and installation of a solid double yellow centerline. Installed additional road safety signs and markers.

Completed the basis of design for the Radar Tower 2nd assessment and presented it to the board in November 2019. The board selected the long-term repair option and approved the development of construction documents for the selected scope of work. Construction documents are in development by the project engineer. Draft 65% plans and specifications were delivered to Midpen in June 2020.

**Prior Years**

Selected a consultant to complete a radar tower assessment and develop repair alternatives with costs estimates that protect public safety and implement the board’s retain and seal decision for the structure.

Completed interim repairs on the radar tower to open the Mount Umunhum Summit to public access.

Finalized and recorded the Mount Umunhum public access easement, drainage easements, fee property and patrol/maintenance easement to Mt. Thayer, ensuring legal access to these areas of the preserve.

Continued to respond to wildlife entrapment issues at the Mount Umunhum radar tower.

Submitted an application nominating Mount Umunhum as one of the 2018 Great Places in California, an award program under the American Planning Association California Chapter in March 2018. The APA Great Places jury selected Mount Umunhum as one of three Great Places in California for 2018.

Stayed in communication with Mount Umunhum neighbors for the summit and road projects before, during, and after the grand opening.

Produced a “Stories of Mount Umunhum” audio tour app and made it available for free download on iTunes and Google Play. The app offers a virtual guided tour of the summit.

Held the Mount Umunhum grand opening on September 17, 2017, with extensive media coverage.

**PROJECT CHALLENGES**

Mount Umunhum Summit: potential ongoing wildlife entrapment at the tower.

Twin Creeks: restoration of the creek and banks.

Land acquisition: property rights required from potential unwilling seller.

**POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS**

Continue monitoring for potential entrapped wildlife.

Continue native plant restoration of summit.
## Portfolio 23: Sierra Azul—Mount Umunhum Public Access and Interpretation Projects

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**Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20**

$21,655,703

**Expenditure Plan Remaining**

$6,316,297

**77.42% OF FUNDS USED**
Sierra Azul
Rancho de Guadalupe
Family Recreation

DESCRIPTION

- Open Rancho de Guadalupe to public access
- Develop accessible multiuse trails with amenities such as parking and family recreation
- Restore habitat for rare species
- Protect cultural and natural resources

Portfolio Allocation: $10,078,000
Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $1,591,996

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MAA24-001 Barth Property Purchase
Prior Years

Purchased 4-acre Barth property improving access into the preserve from Hicks Road.

MAA24-002 Petersen Property Acquisition
Prior Years

Purchased the 23.41-acre Petersen property to protect grassland habitat and water quality in the Guadalupe Creek watershed.

MAA24-003 Property Exchange Navid/Bagher
Prior Years

Negotiated a property exchange with Navid/Bagher covering 3.42 acres, further improving access from Hicks Road to the preserve.

MAA24-004 Kahn Property Acquisition
Prior Years

Purchased the 24.01-acre Kahn property for open space and watershed protection.
In Support of MAA24

Fiscal Year 2020

Valley Water conducted a natural resources assessment of the potential construction staging area on Midpen property in May 2020.

Prior Years

Pursued land conservation opportunities by continuing to work with a landowner and consulting with County of Santa Clara planning department about possible lot line adjustments or remainder lot legalization along Pheasant Creek.

Continued to negotiate with Valley Water about a land exchange to facilitate widening of Hicks Road near Guadalupe Reservoir and construction of a potential new parking area for the preserve.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

Land acquisition requires a willing seller.

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

Continue negotiations for potential land acquisition.

Complete western pond turtle studies.

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Portfolio 24: Sierra Azul—Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation

In Support of MAA24

Fiscal Year 2020

Valley Water conducted a natural resources assessment of the potential construction staging area on Midpen property in May 2020.

Prior Years

Pursued land conservation opportunities by continuing to work with a landowner and consulting with County of Santa Clara planning department about possible lot line adjustments or remainder lot legalization along Pheasant Creek.

Continued to negotiate with Valley Water about a land exchange to facilitate widening of Hicks Road near Guadalupe Reservoir and construction of a potential new parking area for the preserve.

PROJECT CHALLENGES

Land acquisition requires a willing seller.

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

Continue negotiations for potential land acquisition.

Complete western pond turtle studies.
**Sierra Azul**
Loma Prieta Area Public Access, Regional Trails and Habitat Projects

**DESCRIPTION**

- Provide public access and recreation, including small campground
- Develop, improve and connect regional multiuse trails to Forest of Nisene Marks State Park, to protected land to the east, and to Mount Umunhum
- Protect steelhead habitat, rare plants and grasslands, and restore knob cone pine stands

| Portfolio Allocation: $7,986,000 | Portfolio Expenditures Through 6/30/2020: $410,150 |

**NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**MAA25-001 Land Conservation Opportunities**

**Prior Years**

Purchased the 40-acre Burton/Robinson property to protect additional habitat within the Loma Prieta area.

**In Support of MAA25**

**Fiscal Year 2020**

Sent letters of intent and negotiations are occurring on a key 35-acre inholding property near the intersection of Mt. Umunhum Road and Loma Prieta Road.

**PROJECT CHALLENGES**

Land acquisition requires a willing seller.

**POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS**

MAA25-001: Site clean-up and restoration of former Burton property.
## Portfolio 25: Sierra Azul—Loma Prieta Area Public Access, Regional Trails and Habitat Projects

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- **Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20**: $410,150
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Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve by Chih-Hsin Wang
# Financial Report by Project

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| Portfolio 22: Sierra Azul—Cathedral Oaks Public Access and Conservation Projects |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Portfolio Allocation | $6,714,000 |
| 22-001 — Hendrys Creek Property Land Restoration | Expenditure Plan | Total Through Prior Period 6/30/19 | Current Period 7/1/19 Through 6/30/20 | Total Life-to-Date Through 6/30/20 | Expenditure Plan Remaining | Percent Expended |
| | | $472,984 | $40,360 | 513,343 |
| 22-003 — Freudenberg Land Purchase | $540,587 | | 540,587 |
| 22-004 — Beatty Parking Area and Trail Connections | $64,325 | $107,662 | 171,986 |
| Subtotal | $6,714,000 | $1,077,895 | 148,021 | $1,225,916 | 5,488,084 | 18.26% |
| 22-001 — Hendrys Creek Property Land Restoration Grant Income | (67,111) | | (67,111) |
| 22 Total | $6,714,000 | $1,010,784 | 148,021 | 1,158,805 | 5,555,195 | 17.26% |
## Portfolio 23: Sierra Azul—Mount Umunhum Public Access and Interpretation Projects

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## Portfolio 24: Sierra Azul—Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation

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### Portfolio 25: Sierra Azul—Loma Prieta Area Public Access, Regional Trails and Habitat Projects

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* Includes prior year adjustment of $131,009 (transfer of Saratoga-to-the-Sea MAA18-002 expenditures from Fund 40 General Fund Capital to Fund 30 MAA).
MAA Ballot Language

To improve access to hiking and biking opportunities, protect and preserve redwood forests, natural open spaces, the scenic beauty of our region and coastline, critical wildlife habitat, restore creeks to protect water quality, and reduce forest fire risk, shall Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District be authorized to issue up to $300 million in bonds, at a tax rate not to exceed $3.18 per $100,000 of assessed value of property owned, with expenditures verified by an independent citizen oversight committee?

MAA Votes by County

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ORDINANCE NO. 2014-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT CALLING AN ELECTION AND ORDERING THE SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSITION FOR INCURRING BONDED INDEBTEDNESS NOT TO EXCEED $300 MILLION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING PUBLIC ACCESS AND ACQUIRING, RESTORING AND PRESERVING OPEN SPACE THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT, TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JUNE 3, 2014

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2014, the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (the “District”) adopted, by a unanimous vote of all five members of said Board of Directors present (two absent), a Resolution entitled "Determination that the Public Interest and Necessity Demand Providing Public Access, and Acquiring, Restoring and Preserving Open Space Throughout the District, with Financing Through the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds" (the "Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, in order to provide for the issuance by the District of its general obligation bonds to finance the costs of providing public access and acquiring, restoring and preserving open space throughout the District, it is necessary for this Board of Directors to pass an ordinance ordering the submission of the proposition of incurring bonded indebtedness for such purpose to the qualified voters of the District at an election; and

WHEREAS, a General Election for the District is to be held on Tuesday, June 3, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to submit to the voters at said election the proposition of incurring bonded indebtedness as hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to consolidate the District election with the General Election to be held in the District on June 3, 2014.

Now therefore, the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. That a district election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the District on June 3, 2014, at which election there shall be submitted to the qualified voters the proposition set forth below:

SECTION 2. That said proposition shall appear on the ballot for said district election in the following form:

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<th>To improve access to hiking and biking opportunities, protect and preserve redwood forests, natural open spaces, the scenic beauty of our region and coastline, critical wildlife habitat, restore creeks to protect water quality, and reduce forest fire risk; shall Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District be authorized to issue up to $300 million in bonds, at a tax rate not to exceed $3.18 per $100,000 of assessed value of property owned, with expenditures verified by an independent citizen oversight committee?</th>
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The Board does hereby submit to the qualified voters of the District, at said district election, this Ordinance and the proposition set forth above.
SECTION 3. The indebtedness to be incurred by the District shall be for the object and purpose set forth in the Resolution, namely, to provide public access and acquire, restore and preserve open space throughout the District and to implement a set of priority actions as described in Exhibit A. The object and purpose of the priority actions shall be to improve access to hiking and biking opportunities, protect and preserve redwood forests, natural open spaces, the scenic beauty of the region and coastline, critical wildlife habitat, restore creeks to protect water quality, and reduce forest fire risk. Priority actions will be distributed throughout the District.

All of the foregoing described objects and purposes are referred to herein as the “Expenditure Plan” (Exhibit A) for purposes of this Ordinance.

The indebtedness incurred under this Ordinance shall include the cost of legal and other fees incidental to or connected with the authorization, issuance and sale of the general obligation bonds.

SECTION 4. The District projects that property tax rates will not exceed an additional $3.18 per year per $100,000 of assessed valuation, as described more completely in the Tax Rate Statement that is attached hereto as Exhibit “B.” The repayment projections are based on reasonable growth assumptions, taking into account Article XIII A of the California Constitution. The foregoing provision shall not be construed to limit the power and duty of the Board of Directors to cause to be levied and collected a tax sufficient to fulfill its obligations to pay debt service on bonds in any fiscal year.

SECTION 5. The estimated cost of providing public access and acquiring, restoring and preserving open space throughout the District as outlined in the Expenditure Plan is not to exceed Three Hundred Million Dollars ($300,000,000). The estimated cost includes the bond issuance fees.

SECTION 6. The principal amount of the general obligation bonds to be issued for the Expenditure Plan is Three Hundred Million Dollars ($300,000,000).

SECTION 7. The rate of interest to be paid on the bonds to be issued for the Expenditure Plan shall not exceed the State of California (the ‘State’) maximum allowed rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum (unless the maximum interest rate for general obligation bonds of the District shall hereafter be increased by the Legislature of the State, in which event said maximum fixed by said Legislature shall apply).

SECTION 8. Under sections 53410 and 53411 of the California Government Code, the bonds shall be for the specific purposes authorized in this Ordinance and the proceeds of such bonds will be applied only to the Expenditure Plan. The District will comply with the requirements of section 53410 of the California Government Code.

An annual report will be prepared by the District consistent with the accountability measures as required in California Government Code section 53411. An Independent Citizen Oversight Committee will be formed to verify annual expenditures of bond proceeds. The Citizen Oversight Committee will consist of seven at-large members, all of whom shall be District residents.

SECTION 9. The Board of Directors finds that adoption of this Ordinance creating a government funding mechanism or other government fiscal activity does not constitute a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (14 Cal. Code. Regs., section 15378(b)(4)). The final design of and alternatives considered for any particular project shall be subject to CEQA as required by law, and all environmental review required by CEQA shall be completed before any specific project is commenced.
SECTION 10. The District proposes to issue and sell General Obligation Bonds of the District pursuant to section 5568 of the California Public Resources Code, Article 9, commencing with section 43600 of Chapter 4 of Division 4 of Title 4 of the California Government Code and/or Article 4.5, commencing with section 53506, of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code, in one or more series, in the maximum amount and for the objects and purposes set forth above, if two-thirds of all qualified voters voting on the proposition set forth above vote in favor thereof. The bonds are to be general obligations of the District, payable from and secured by taxes levied and collected in the manner prescribed by laws of the State of California. All of said bonds are to be equally and ratably secured, without priority, by the taxing power of the District.

SECTION 11. The polls for said election shall be open the day of said election in accordance with the California Elections Code.

SECTION 12. The election hereby called for the date hereinbefore specified shall be and is hereby, ordered consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held within the District on said date, and within the territory affected by the consolidation, the election shall be held and conducted, election officials appointed, voting precincts designated, ballots printed, polls opened and closed, ballots counted and returned, returns canvassed, results declared, and all other proceedings incidental to and connected with the election shall be regulated and done in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the Statewide general election and specified herein. The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara and the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz are hereby requested to order the consolidation of the election hereby called with said Statewide general election, and the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara and the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz are hereby authorized to canvass the returns of said election, and said election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election and only one form of ballot shall be used in each of the affected counties. Each of said Board of Supervisors shall certify the results of the canvass of the returns of said district election in each of the respective counties to the Board of Directors of this District, which shall thereafter declare the results thereof. The proposition submitted by this Ordinance shall be designated on each ballot by a letter printed on the left margin of the square containing the description of the proposition, as provided in the California Elections Code.

SECTION 13. All persons qualified to vote at general district elections in the District upon the date of the election herein provided for shall be qualified to vote upon the proposition submitted at said election.

SECTION 14. Ballots for the election shall be in form and in the number as required by law. On said ballots, in addition to any other printed matter which may be required by law, two (2) voting squares shall be set off to the right of the proposition submitted at the election, in the manner provided by law, one having the word “YES” printed before it, and the other having the word “NO” printed before it.

SECTION 15. Each voter to vote for the proposition and for the incurring of said indebtedness shall stamp or write a cross, or indicate by hold punch or other means, in the blank space opposite the word “YES” on the ballot to the right of the proposition; and each voter to vote against the proposition and against the incurring of said indebtedness shall stamp or write a cross, or indicate by hold punch or other means, in the blank space opposite the word “NO” on the ballot to the right of the proposition.

SECTION 16. The District hereby requests and directs that San Mateo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties print the full text of this Ordinance, inclusive of attachments in each County’s respective Voter Information Pamphlet. The Clerk of the Board of the District is hereby authorized and directed to take such
actions and fill out such forms as is necessary to accomplish this direction for publication of the full text of the proposition in the Voter Information Pamphlets.

SECTION 17. The District hereby requests and directs that San Mateo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties allow arguments for and against this measure to be filed pursuant to Elections Code section 9282 et seq. The Board adopts the provisions of Elections Code section 9285 to allow rebuttal arguments for the ballot measure.

SECTION 18. The District will reimburse separately San Mateo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties for the actual costs incurred by each of the county’s elections officials in conducting the election upon receipt of a bill stating the amount due as determined by the elections officials pursuant to State law.

SECTION 19. This Ordinance shall be published once a day for at least seven days in a newspaper printed, published and circulated at least six (6) days a week in the District, or once a week for two weeks in a newspaper printed, published and circulated less than six (6) days a week in the District. The first of said publications shall, in either event, be within thirty (30) days after the adoption of this ordinance. The Clerk of the Board of the District is hereby authorized and directed to make said publications and to transmit, for receipt no later than March 7, 2014, a certified copy of this Ordinance to the appropriate officials of San Mateo County, Santa Clara County and Santa Cruz County responsible for preparing the ballots for said election.

SECTION 20. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately as an ordinance relating to an election pursuant to Government Code section 36937(a) upon its adoption by two-thirds vote of all the members of this Board of Directors.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on February 12, 2014 and adopted as an ordinance of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors on February 26, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: CYR, HANKO, HARRIS, HASSETT KISHIMOTO, RIFFLE, SIEMENS
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

ATTEST:

/s/ Larry Hasset
Secretary
Board of Directors

APPROVED:

/s/ Cecily Harris
President
Board of Directors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Sheryl Schaffner
General Counsel
I, the District Clerk of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an ordinance duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District by the above vote at a meeting thereof duly held and called on the above day.

/s/ Jennifer Woodworth

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District Clerk
EXHIBIT A
Expenditure Plan

TITLE: To improve access to hiking and biking opportunities, protect and preserve redwood forests, natural open spaces, the scenic beauty of the region and coastline, critical wildlife habitat, restore creeks to protect water quality, and reduce forest fire risk.

1. SUMMARY

Founded by voters in 1972, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (“District”) has protected, in perpetuity, 62,000 acres of open space containing 26 preserves and more than 220 miles of trails that serve Santa Clara, San Mateo, and a portion of Santa Cruz counties. The District’s preserves provide a scenic backdrop to the region offering residents places for hiking, biking, horseback riding, or simply connecting with nature, close to home. Throughout its 41-year history the District has used taxpayer dollars wisely, leveraging funds to bring in state, federal, and private grant money, and providing annual audits in a transparent public process. The District is governed by a publicly elected board of directors.

Over the years, the number of acres and miles of trails the District owns and maintains have steadily increased, as have the number of visitors and the cost of land. Expanding public access, restoring sensitive environments and purchasing land are costly, yet are high priorities for the public.

To reinforce and expand these types of services and resources, the Board of Directors is placing this funding measure on the June 3, 2014 ballot.

$300 million in General Obligation Bonds will be sold. The bond repayment would be financed by an annual property tax override based on a tax rate not to exceed $3.18 per $100,000 of assessed value of property owned per year.

This Expenditure Plan outlines priority actions identified by the public and proposed by the District to be funded with bond proceeds. Part B describes each priority action and describes what goals it will achieve. Part C of the Expenditure Plan describes the establishment of an independent Citizen Oversight Committee.
2. PRIORITY ACTIONS

The priority actions listed below are the result of a process that combined scientific analysis with broad public engagement to create a shared vision for the future of the District and the region’s open space. Each priority action may address one or more of the following as more specifically described in the table Priority Actions, By Region attached to this Expenditure Plan:

- Improved hiking, biking, and equestrian opportunities
- Protection and preservation of redwoods, natural open spaces, the scenic beauty of the region and coastline, critical habitats
- Restoration of creeks to protect water quality
- Reduction of forest fire risk

Priority actions are distributed throughout the District as depicted on the map attached to this Expenditure Plan.

If approved, the bond proceeds would be allocated to fund the capital improvements necessary to implement the priority actions listed below. Note: the number associated with each priority action does not denote its priority level, but is only used for identification purposes to correlate with the locations depicted on the map.

The estimates associated with each priority action are in 2014 dollars. These are estimates only, and the actual costs may change in implementation.

The District may annually review and propose amendments to the Expenditure Plan to provide for the use of additional federal, state and local funds, to account for unexpected revenues, or to take into consideration unforeseen circumstances. The District shall act on no more than one package of amendments each fiscal year. The District shall establish a process for proposed Expenditure Plan amendment(s) which ensures that the Citizen Oversight Committee is included in the development. Upon completion of this process, amendments(s) to the Expenditure Plan must be passed by a two-thirds majority of the District Board in a publicly noticed meeting.
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<td>South Bay Foothills: Saratoga-To-Sea Trail and Wildlife Corridor</td>
<td>Protect wildlife corridor along Highway 9. Connect trail to Saratoga-To-Sea Trail and Skyline-To-Sea Trail.</td>
<td>$1,365,000</td>
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<td>19</td>
<td>El Sereno: Dog Trails and Connections</td>
<td>Provide infrastructure to open trails to dogs. Develop connections to Skyline, Sanborn County Park, &amp; Lexington Reservoir</td>
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<td>20</td>
<td>South Bay Foothills: Wildlife Passage and Ridge Trail Improvements</td>
<td>Establish safe corridors for mountain lions across Highway 17. Establish Bay Area Ridge Trail crossing.</td>
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<td>21</td>
<td>Bear Creek Redwoods: Public Recreation and Interpretive Projects</td>
<td>Open for hiking, equestrian activities. Provide parking areas, trails; upgrade stables. Restore &amp; protect habitats for various species. Repair roads &amp; trails to reduce sediment. Rehabilitate Alma College site.</td>
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<td>Sierra Azul: Cathedral Oaks Public Access and Conservation Projects</td>
<td>Develop multi-use trail &amp; plan future trails as land is available. Develop parking. Restore plant communities and soils. Install trailside amenities. Preserve additional open space and complete wildlife corridor in upper Los Gatos Creek watershed.</td>
<td>$6,714,000</td>
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<td>Sierra Azul: Mt. Umunhum Public Access and Interpretation Projects</td>
<td>Open Mt. Umunhum for multi-use public access to summit via road and trail. Open Bay Area Ridge Trail and nearby trail connections. Preserve additional open space and complete wildlife corridor.</td>
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<td>Sierra Azul: Rancho de Guadalupe Family Recreation</td>
<td>Open Rancho de Guadalupe to public access. Develop accessible multi-use trails with amenities such as parking and family recreation. Restore habitat for rare species. Protect cultural and natural resources.</td>
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<td>Sierra Azul: Loma Prieta Area Public Access, Regional Trails and Habitat Projects</td>
<td>Provide public access and recreation, including small campground. Develop, improve, connect regional multi-use trails to Forest of Nisene Marks State Park, to protected land to east, and to Mt. Umunhum. Protect Steelhead habitat, rare plants and grasslands, restore Knobcone Pine stands.</td>
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<td><strong>Regional</strong>: Bayfront Habitat Protection and Public Access Partnerships</td>
<td>Partner to complete gaps in Bay Trail and develop city-to-bay trails. Support wetland restoration and associated interpretive facilities. Preserve additional bayfront open space. <strong>$5,052,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>El Corte de Madera Creek</strong>: Bike Trail and Water Quality Projects</td>
<td>Develop single-use biking/hiking trails, complete Ridge Trail gaps, and develop trail system leading to parking area. Restore damaged trails to improve water quality. Preserve additional open space as available. <strong>$8,376,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>La Honda Creek</strong>: Upper Area Recreation, Habitat Restoration and Conservation Grazing Projects</td>
<td>Open upper half of the preserve to public; provide biking/hiking/equestrian trails, dog access, and staging areas. Provide loop &amp; connector trails. Restore habitat for rare species. Improve fencing, corrals, and water systems to reintroduce conservation grazing. <strong>$11,733,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Windy Hill</strong>: Trail Improvements, Preservation and Hawthorns Area Historic Partnership</td>
<td>Improve trails, complete pond facilities. Increase multi-use trails, study possible improvements to increase dog use. Open Hawthorns Area; develop trails connecting to Portola Valley and Palo Alto trails. Partner to protect, restore, and interpret historic buildings. Improve habitat conditions in Los Trancos Creek. Preserve additional scenic open space as available. <strong>$12,740,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>La Honda Creek/Russian Ridge</strong>: Preservation of Upper San Gregorio Watershed &amp; Ridge Trail Completion</td>
<td>Preserve upper San Gregorio watershed; restore endangered species habitats. Support opportunities to provide additional water for fisheries. Complete Bay Area Ridge Trail multi-use connections and gaps. Provide additional public use facilities. <strong>$15,347,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Russian Ridge</strong>: Public Recreation, Grazing and Wildlife Protection Projects</td>
<td>Open currently closed areas of preserve. Construct and extend trails. Improve fencing, corrals, and water systems to reintroduce conservation grazing. Improve habitat for sensitive species, implement pond enhancement projects for garter snakes and red-legged frogs. <strong>$5,560,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Coal Creek</strong>: Reopen Alpine Road for Trail Use</td>
<td>Reopen Alpine Road as trail connection between Portola Valley &amp; Skyline Blvd. Reroute trails to reduce erosion and improve visitor experience. <strong>$8,017,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Rancho San Antonio</strong>: Interpretive Improvements, Refurbishing, and Transit Solutions</td>
<td>Add welcome center, refurbish and add interpretive exhibits to Deer Hollow Farm. Support of transit improvement options such as bike trails, bikeshare station, bus service, or additional parking. <strong>$10,811,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Peninsula/South Bay Cities</strong>: Partner to Complete Middle Stevens Creek Trail</td>
<td>Support work by cities to develop the middle section of the Stevens Creek Trail and enhance neighborhood connections. Support work by partners to complete stream corridor restoration and steelhead habitat enhancement below dam. Develop and install interpretive signage. <strong>$1,038,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Long Ridge</strong>: Trail, Conservation and Habitat Restoration Projects (Saratoga)</td>
<td>Improve roadside parking and provide restrooms. Develop new trail connections to Eagle Rock and Devils Canyon. Repair trails for year-round multi-use access. Protect watersheds for steelhead. Preserve additional open space as available. Implement pond and habitat enhancement restoration projects to benefit rare species. <strong>$5,140,000</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Regional</strong>: Complete Upper Stevens Creek Trail</td>
<td>Complete multi-use connection between the Bay Trail &amp; Bay Area Ridge Trail above the reservoir through Picchetti Ranch Open Space Preserve &amp; Lower/Upper Stevens Creek County Parks. Improve Preserve trails and neighborhood connections. Preserve additional open space as available. <strong>$7,760,000</strong></td>
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Measure AA Ballot Language, as approved by voters on June 3, 2014
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<td>Miramontes Ridge: Gateway to the Coast Public Access, Stream Restoration and Agriculture Enhancement</td>
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<td>Preserve scenic open space land as available, and establish wildlife corridor. Restore fish and red-legged frog habitats in Madonna Creek watershed. Partner to enhance water availability for agriculture and fish. Develop trail loop system, including Ridge Trail and neighborhood access points. Develop staging area, repair bridges.</td>
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<td>Purisima Creek Redwoods: Purisima-to-Sea Trail, Watershed Protection and Conservation Grazing</td>
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<td>Complete and open multi-use Purisima-to-Sea trail connection between Ridge Trail and Coastal Trail, and new parking areas. Preserve additional open space as available. Remove fish barriers and restore Lobitos Creek.</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>La Honda Creek: Driscoll Ranch Public Access, Endangered Wildlife Protection and Conservation Grazing</td>
<td>$14,825,000</td>
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<td>Open Driscoll Ranch Area; provide biking/hiking/equestrian trails, limited dog access, parking areas, and interpretive displays. Develop loop &amp; connector trails. Restore habitat for endangered species. Restore La Honda Creek; remove fish migration barriers.</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>Cloverdale Ranch: Wildlife Protection, Grazing and Trail Connections</td>
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<td>Improve fencing, corrals, and water systems to increase conservation grazing and sustain large contiguous grasslands. Restore habitat for endangered species. Provide trail connections to nearby State parks.</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>Regional: Trail Connections and Campgrounds</td>
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<td>Develop trails between Butano, Pescadero County Park, Pescadero, Russian Ridge, and between Skyline and Portola Redwoods, Big Basin State Park. Partner with County and State Parks to improve existing campgrounds.</td>
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<td>15</td>
<td>Regional: Redwood Protection and Salmon Fishery Conservation</td>
<td>$50,728,000</td>
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<td>Preserve additional open space as available. Protect and enhance redwood stands, mountain scenery, various habitats and steelhead salmon.</td>
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3. INDEPENDENT CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

An Independent Citizen Oversight Committee will be formed to verify expenditures of bond proceeds. The Independent Citizen Oversight Committee will consist of seven at-large members, all of whom shall be District residents. The Citizen Oversight Committee will be selected by the Board and interviewed and approved in open session, and will be subject to the conflict of interest constraints of the California Political Reform Act.

The responsibilities of the Committee include:

- Review Plan expenditures on an annual basis to verify conformity with the Expenditure Plan.
- Review District’s Annual Audit and Annual Accountability report and present the Committee’s findings to the Board at a public meeting.
- Review any proposed amendments to the Expenditure Plan.
EXHIBIT B
TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (the "District") on June 3, 2014, to authorize the sale of up to $300 million in bonds of the District to provide public access and acquire, restore, and preserve open space throughout the District as described in the ballot measure. If the bonds are approved, the District expects to sell the bonds in several series over time. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The information contained in numbered paragraphs 1 - 3 below is provided in compliance with sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is $1.00 per $100,000 of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2015-16.

2. The best estimate of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is $2.90 per $100,000 of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2044-45.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is $3.18 per $100,000 of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2034-35.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rates are based on the estimated ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the respective County’s official tax rolls, not on a property’s market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property’s assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District’s projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on its needs for funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the respective County Assessor in the annual property value assessment process.

Dated: __________, 2014.

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General Manager
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District
# Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

## Measure AA Bond Program

### Schedule of Program Expenditures

June 30, 2020

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<td>La Honda Creek - Upper Recreation Area</td>
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<td>Hawthorn Public Access Improvements</td>
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<td>Reimbursements from Grants, Contributions, and Other Funds</td>
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* In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the District transferred prior period expenditures for the Saratoga to the Sea Project from the GF Capital Projects Fund.

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### Measure AA Capital Projects Fund

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