

The Napa Plant Site Restoration (NPSR) project seeks to restore processes that will sustain a mosaic of tidal wetland and open water habitats. Restored tidal marsh at the site will provide habitat for flora and fauna that depend on these ecosystems for their survival. Marsh areas with extensive channel systems will provide habitat for fish and other aquatic life. The historic tidal channel network will guide selection of breach and major channel locations. Some ponds may remain as managed ponds and be enhanced to maximize their use as feeding and resting habitat for migratory shorebirds and waterfowl on the Pacific Flyway. Managed ponds may require new water control structures, levees and/or maintenance of existing infrastructure.

The NPSR project is situated in the floodplain of the Napa River. The planning and design of the project will be cognizant of potential synergies and impacts associated with large-scale restoration, including maintaining existing levels of flood protection for adjacent property and infrastructure; potential effects on the adjacent Napa County Airport; navigation and residential uses on the west side of the Napa River; and wildlife-oriented public access and recreation opportunities. Wildlife-oriented public access and recreation opportunities will be developed as part of the Restoration and Management Plan (RMP) for the project. Public uses are expected to include trails for biking and hiking, launching areas for canoes and kayaks, as well as hunting, angling, bird watching, and environmental education opportunities.

The project is also planning housing for DFG staff on Green Island, an upland section of the site, using existing structures. The project will not include any structural changes or use changes to the buildings on Green Island. A portion of the site access road may be relocated.

The 1,400-acre restoration project will be planned as a discrete unit. However, the site will be split into two units for post restoration management. DFG intends to manage the portion of the site north of the Northwest Pacific Railroad tracks as part of the Fagan Marsh Ecological Reserve and land south of the railroad tracks will be designated as the Green Island Unit of the Napa-Sonoma Marshes Wildlife Area. A monitoring plan will be developed to evaluate performance of restoration activities following their implementation.

Reviewing Agencies Checklist

Resources Agency

- Boating & Waterways
- Coastal Commission
- Coastal Conservancy
- Colorado River Board
- Conservation
- Fish & Game
- Forestry & Fire Protection
- Office of Historic Preservation
- Parks & Recreation
- Reclamation Board
- S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Commission
- Water Resources (DWR)

Business, Transportation & Housing

- Aeronautics
- California Highway Patrol
- CALTRANS District # _____
- Department of Transportation Planning (headquarters)
- Housing & Community Development

Food & Agriculture

Health & Welfare

- Health Services (Drinking Water)

State & Consumer Services

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Environmental Protection Agency

- Air Resources Board
- California Waste Management Board
- SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
- SWRCB: Delta Unit
- SWRCB: Water Quality
- SWRCB: Water Rights
- Regional WQCB # 2 (SF Bay Region)

Youth & Adult Corrections

- Corrections

Independent Commissions & Offices

- Energy Commission
- Native American Heritage Commission
- Public Utilities Commission
- Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
- State Lands Commission
- Tahoe Regional Planning Agency

Other _____

____ General Services
____ OLA (Schools)

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