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# San Pablo Avenue Green Stormwater Spine

## Project Update/30% Design Review

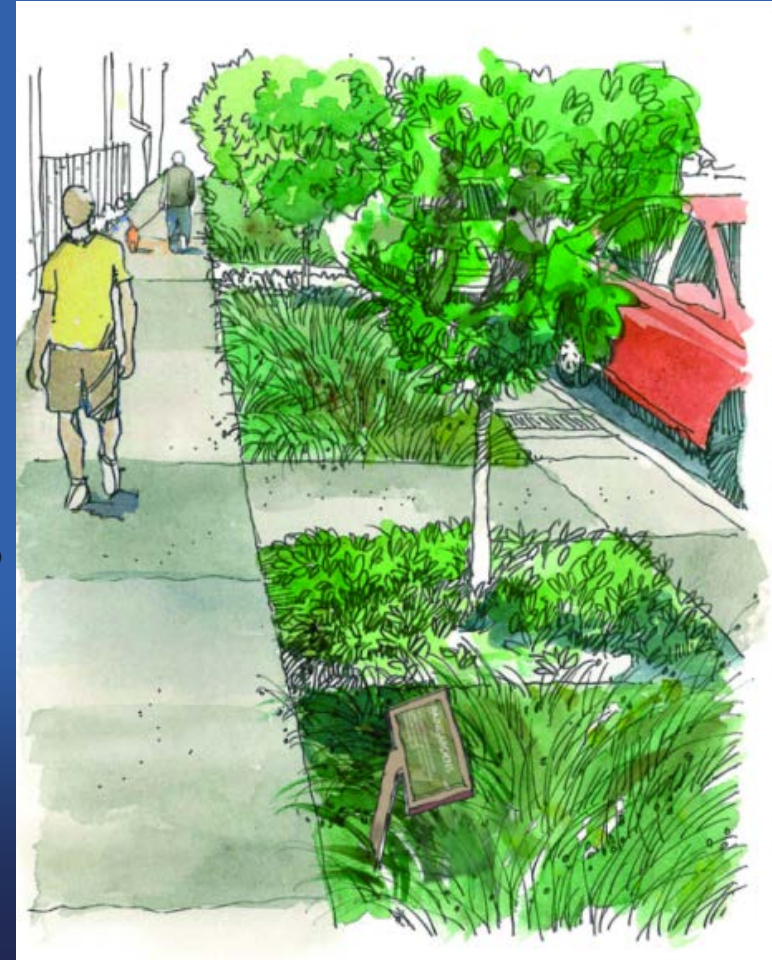
June 24, 2013

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# San Pablo Avenue Green Stormwater Spine Project Description/Approach

- Implement green infrastructure in 7 cities
- Treat 7 acres of impervious surface (min.)
- Emphasize vegetated approaches



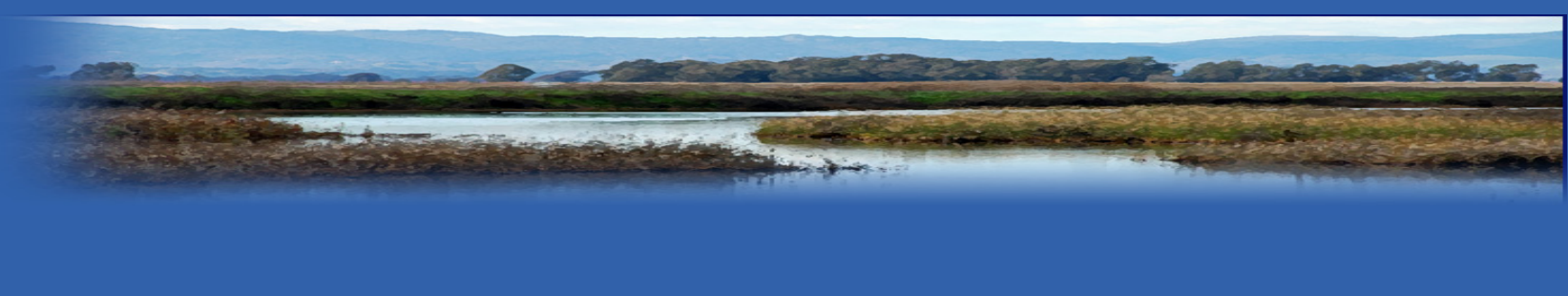




# Four Key Project Goals

- Demonstrate Benefits of LID Retrofits
- Improve Water Quality
- Increase Public Awareness
- Increase Municipal Acceptance





<b>Major Project Tasks</b>	<b>Timeline</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>
<b>Project Management/Admin</b>	On-going-Dec 2015	All funders
<b>Final Design &amp; Engineering</b>	Late Fall 2013	EPA/UG
<b>Environmental Review &amp; Permits</b>	Spring 2013	EPA/UG
<b>Construction &amp; Construction Management</b>	Late Fall-Early Winter 2013	Caltrans/IRWM/UG
<b>Water Quality &amp; Hydrologic Monitoring</b>	Winter 2015	IRWM
<b>Plant Establishment/Maintenance</b>	Summer 2014-Winter 2015	IRWM/UG
<b>Model Green Infrastructure Ordinance</b>	Summer 2013	EPA
<b>Regional Outreach</b>	On-going-Dec 2015	IRWM



# Status Update - Admin

## Contracts & Agreements

- Caltrans Cooperative Agreement
- Urban Greening Contract
- SFEI Monitoring Contract
- Bay Friendly Coalition Contract
- Design Contract Amendment
- Bay Friendly Rater (Gates & Associates)



## Status Update – Admin (cont.)

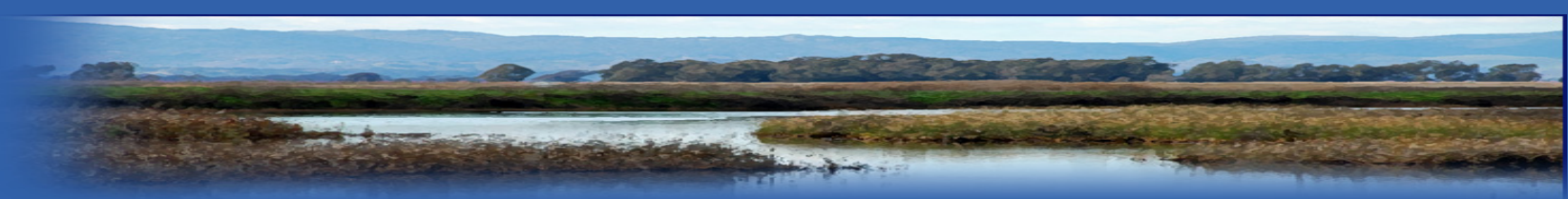
- Contracts & Agreements Upcoming
  - ReNuwlt Monitoring Contract
  - City Agreements





## Status Update – Design/Permits

- Topographic Surveys- complete
- Potholing- complete
- Soils Investigations- complete
- CEQA: Categorical Exemption- complete
- 30% Design Level - complete



## 30% DESIGNS

- 30% Title Sheet (Key Map, Notes, Legend and Abbreviations)
- 30% Demolition Plan
- 30% Street Improvement Design (including drainage improvements, signing, and striping)
- 30% Typical Cross Section(s)
- 30% Landscape Plans (with draft plant palette)
- 30% Cost Estimate
- Draft Design Report



# Oakland Site – Existing Conditions







## Oakland Site #1

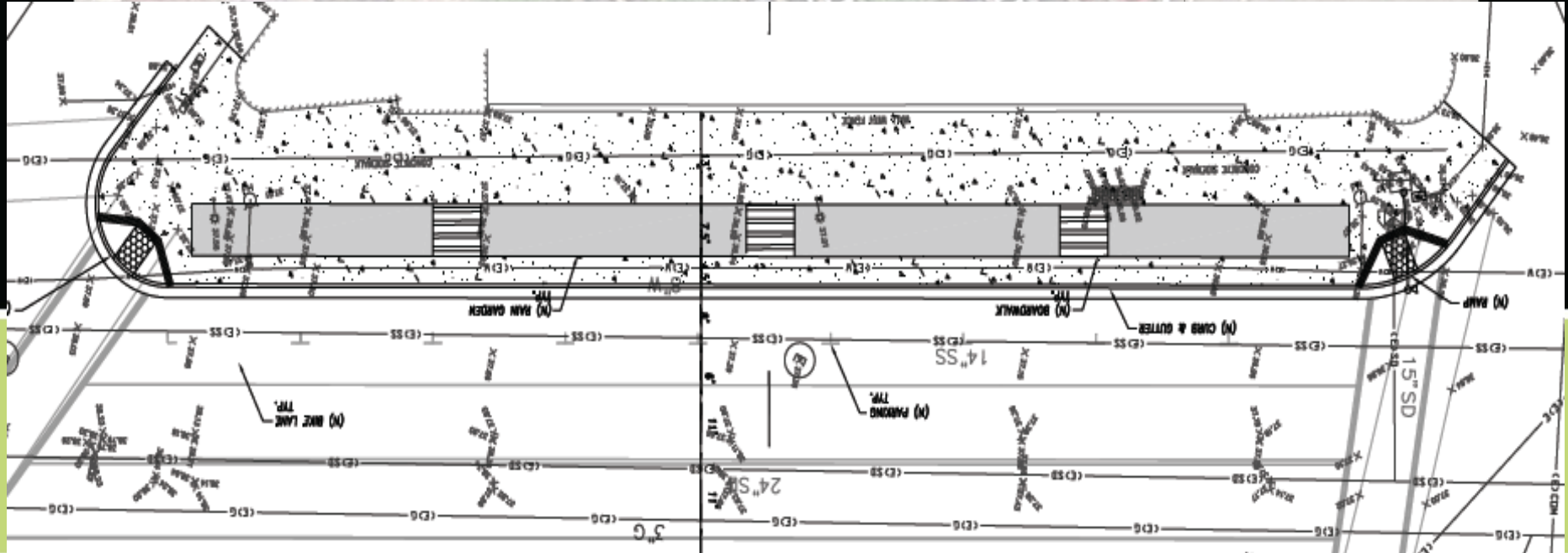
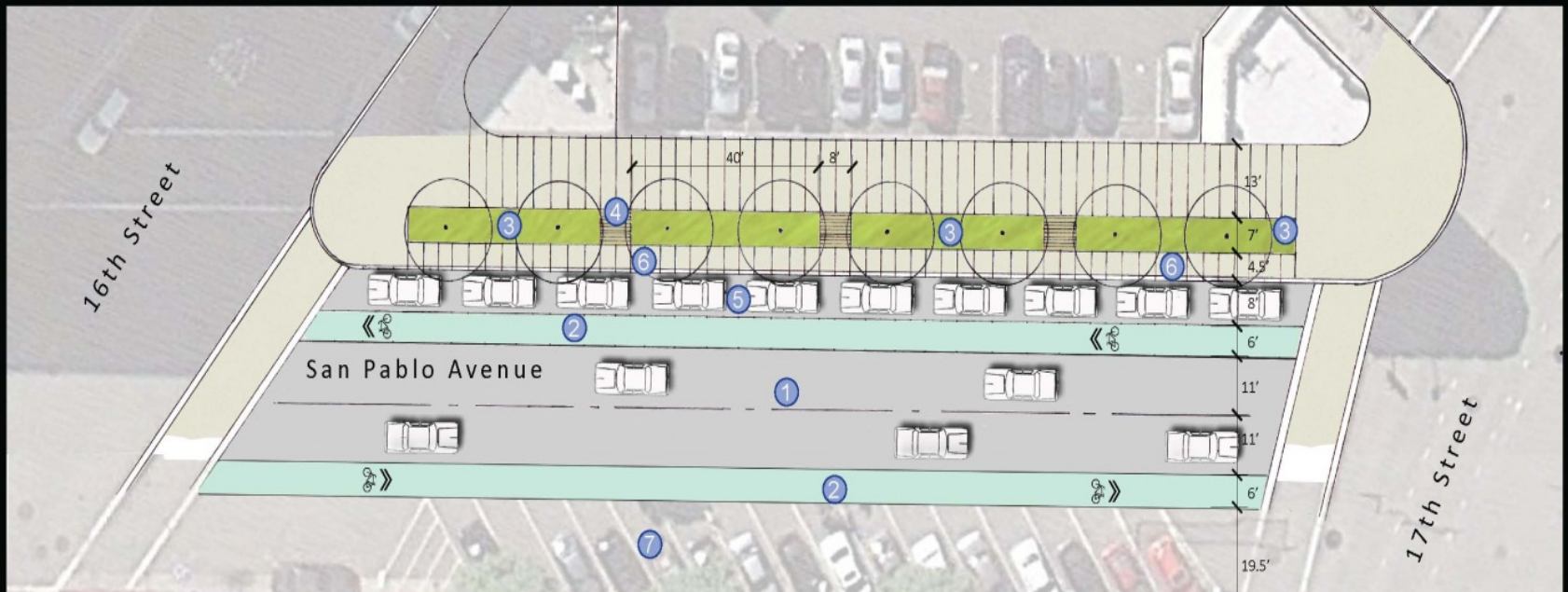
17th Street and San Pablo Avenue

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 City of Oakland, California

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# Emeryville – Existing Conditions







# Emeryville Site

*Apgar Street and San Pablo Avenue*

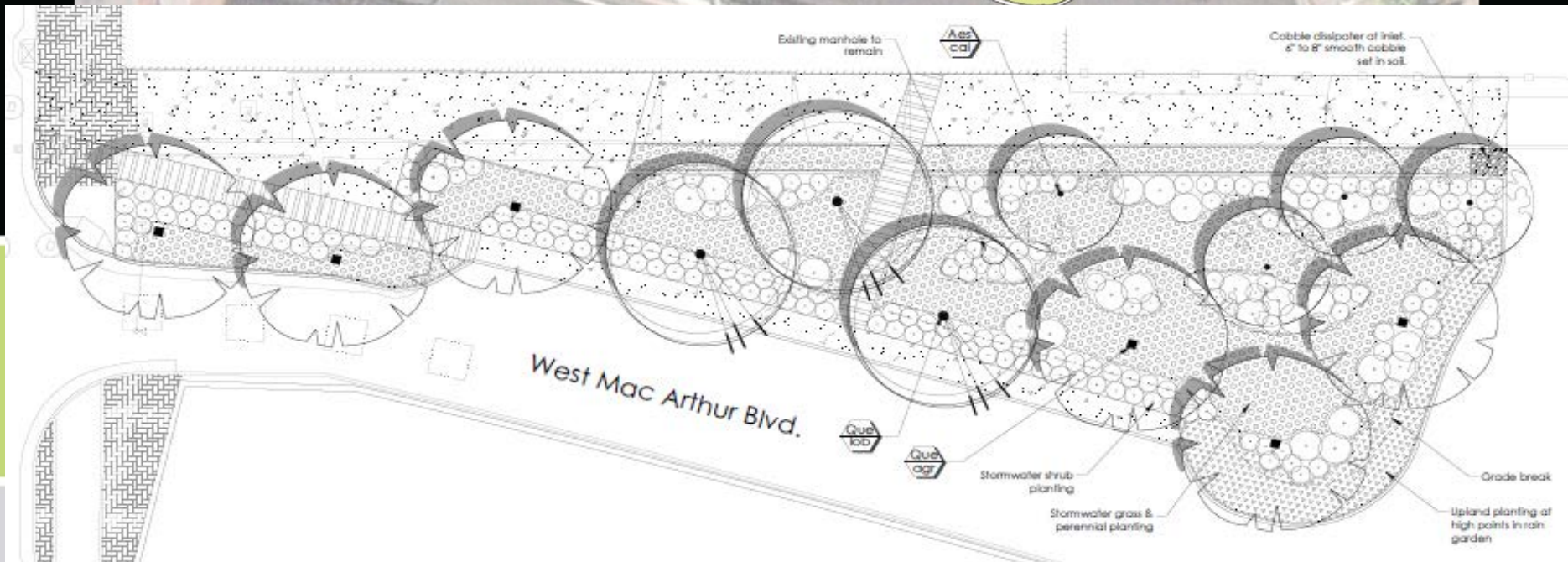
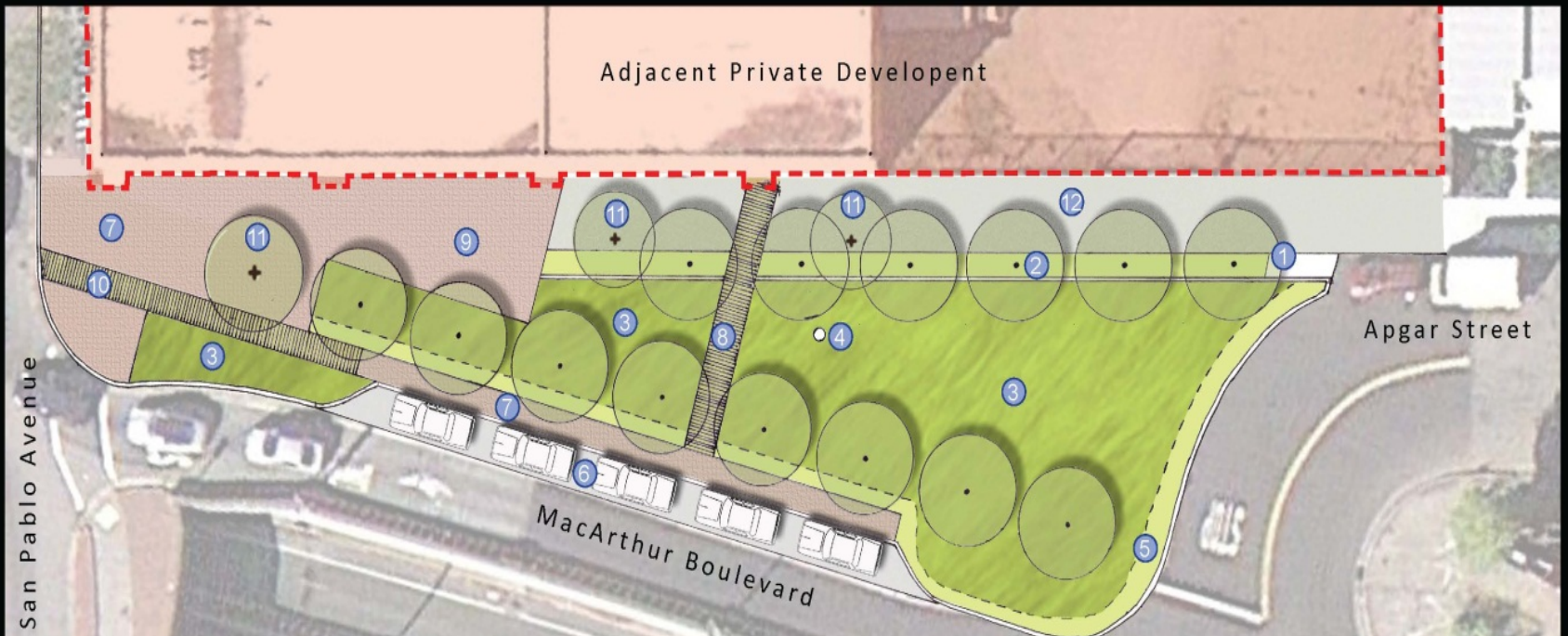
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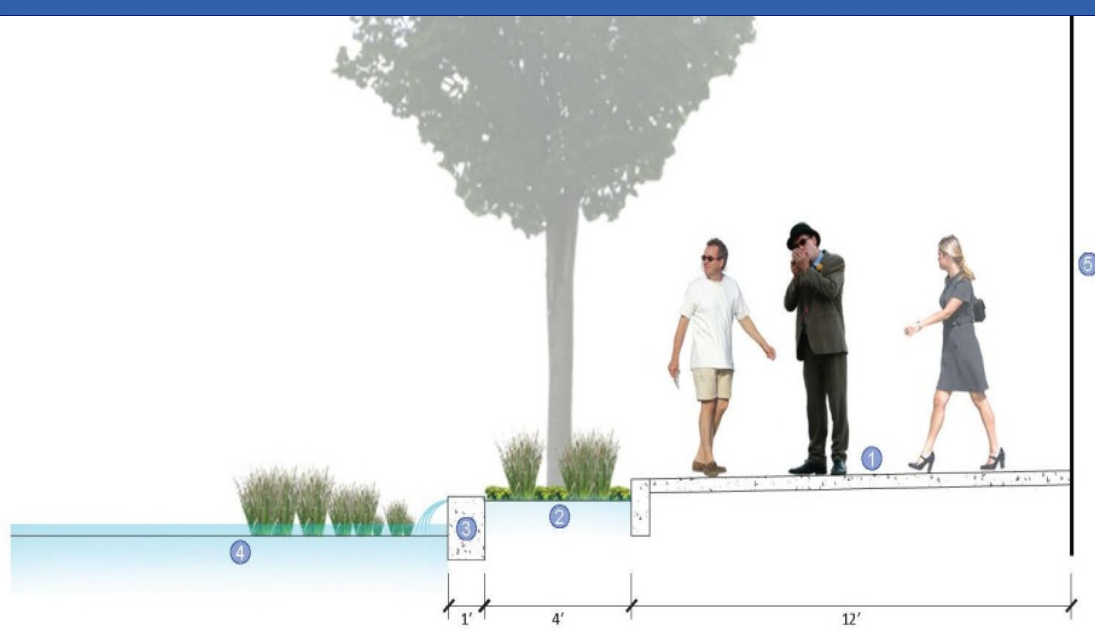
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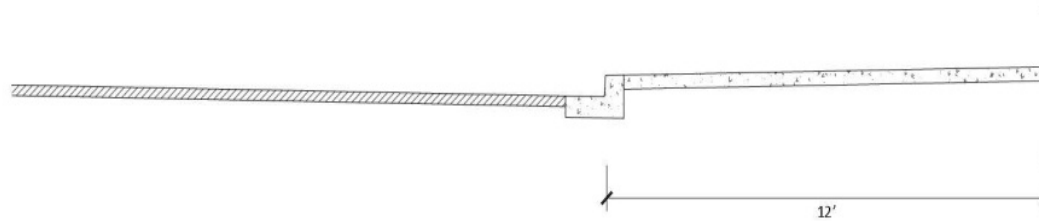






## Proposed Cross Section

Scale: 1"=3'



## Existing Cross Section

Scale: 1"=3'

- 1 Existing sidewalk location remains the current width and allows stormwater to sheet flow into adjacent green gutter
- 2 Landscaped green gutter captures runoff from Apgar Street (soil grade is slightly below existing gutter flow line)
- 3 A concrete retaining wall is used to separate grade from the green gutter to the rain garden landscape (cuts along the concrete retain wall allows water to spill over into the rain garden)
- 4 Rain garden finish grade is approximately 1' below existing gutter grade at its deepest location
- 5 The existing building overflow runoff could potentially be redirected into the rain garden through the concrete retain wall or by using an overhead conveyance system



**1**  
LOCATION

*Harrison (west) &  
San Pablo Ave*

**Opportunities:**

- Several “no parking zone” areas along curblines can be converted to landscape space
- The existing McDonald’s site frontage could be potentially used as a combined stormwater facility
- Highly visible project area in close proximity of Codornices Creek

**Constraints:**

- Existing mature trees limit the number and size of stormwater planters
- Stormwater catchment may be below the 1 acre capture goal

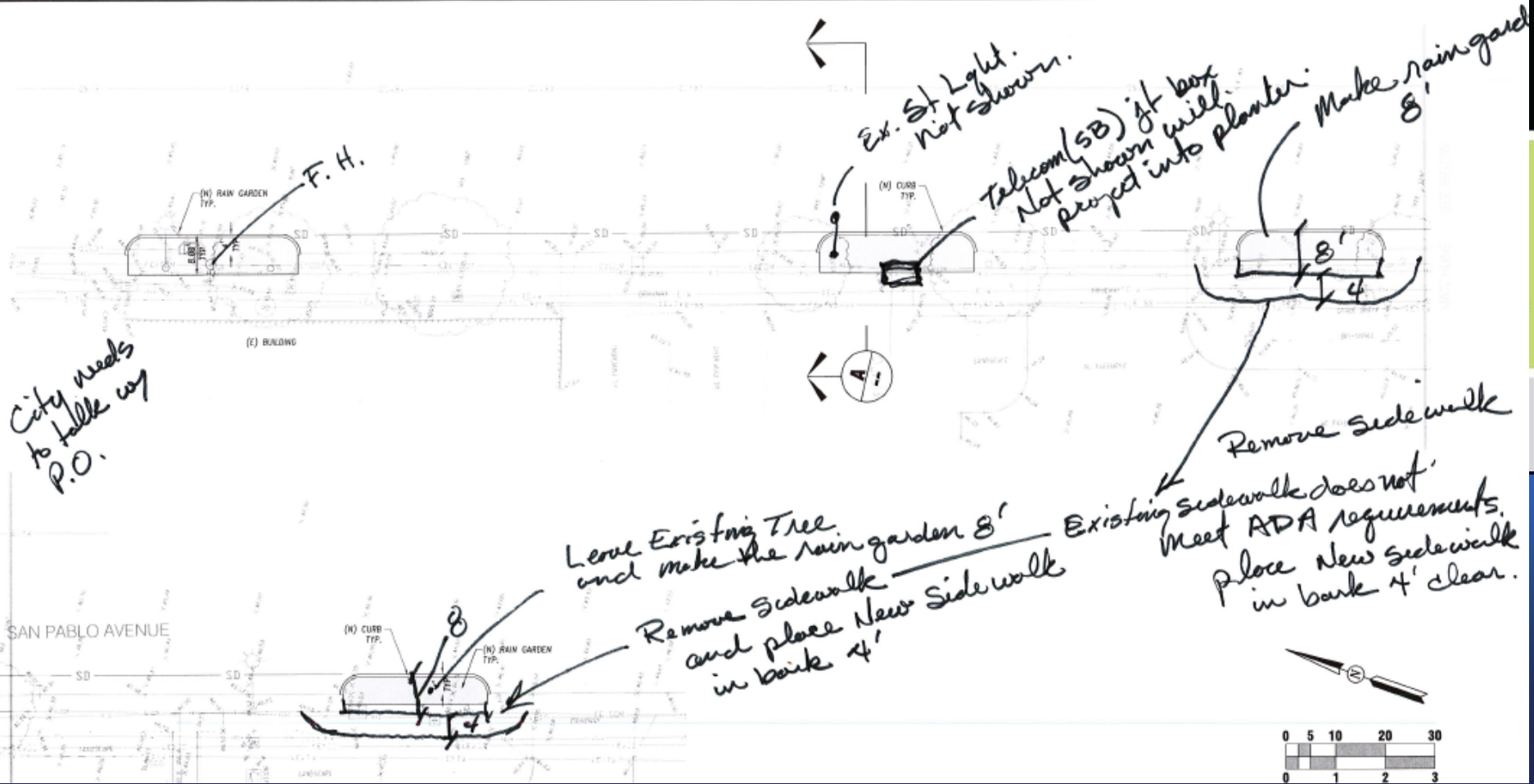
**Recommendation:**

- This is the design team’s first choice due to the potential for converting inefficient asphalt space to stormwater curb extensions. Also, the existing McDonald’s site already has on-site stormwater management and could help tell a complete stormwater story

# San Pablo Avenue Green Stormwater Spine Project

*City of Berkeley, California*







# Albany Site – Existing Conditions







## Albany Site #1

*Monroe Street and San Pablo Avenue*

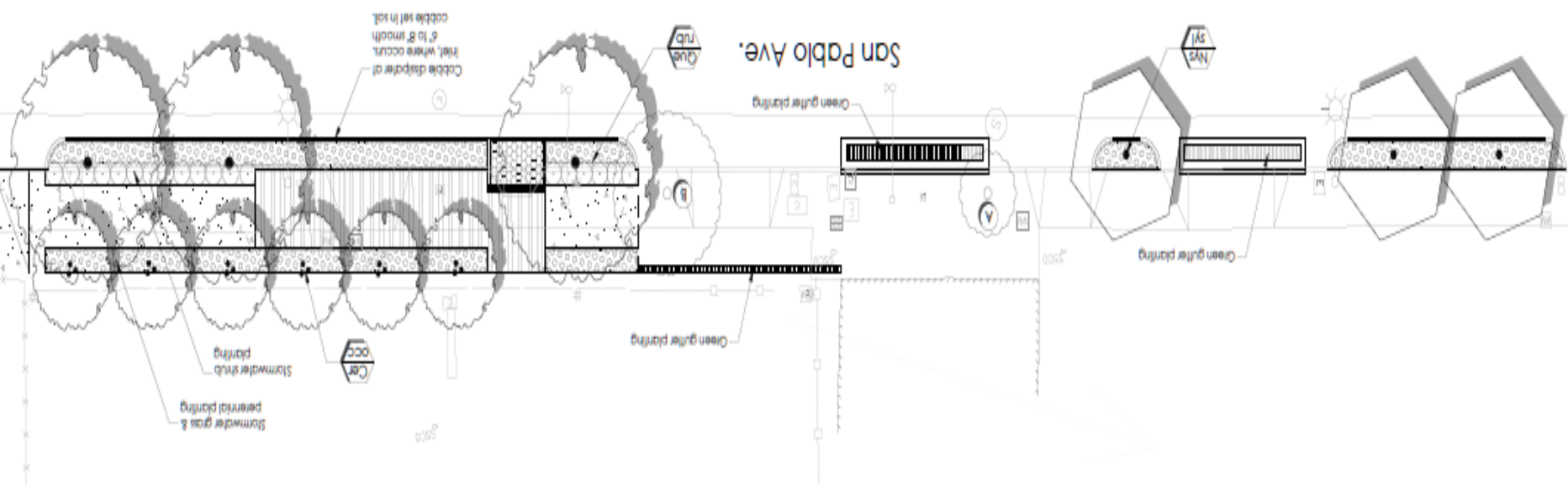
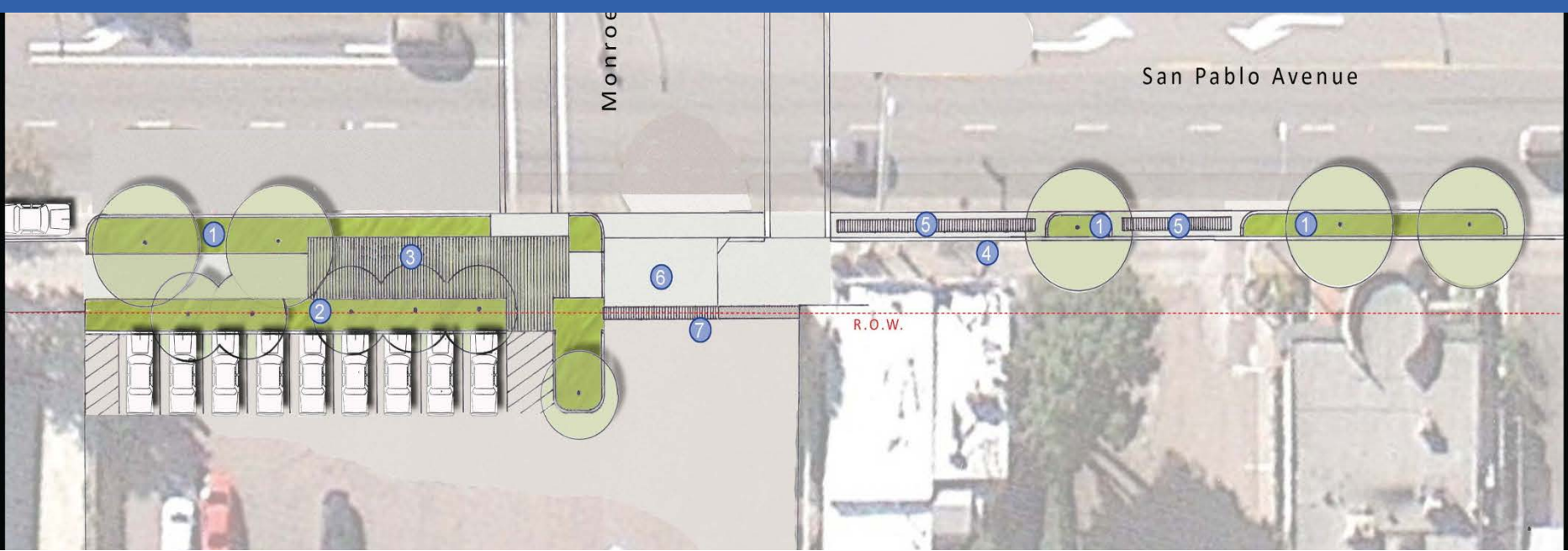
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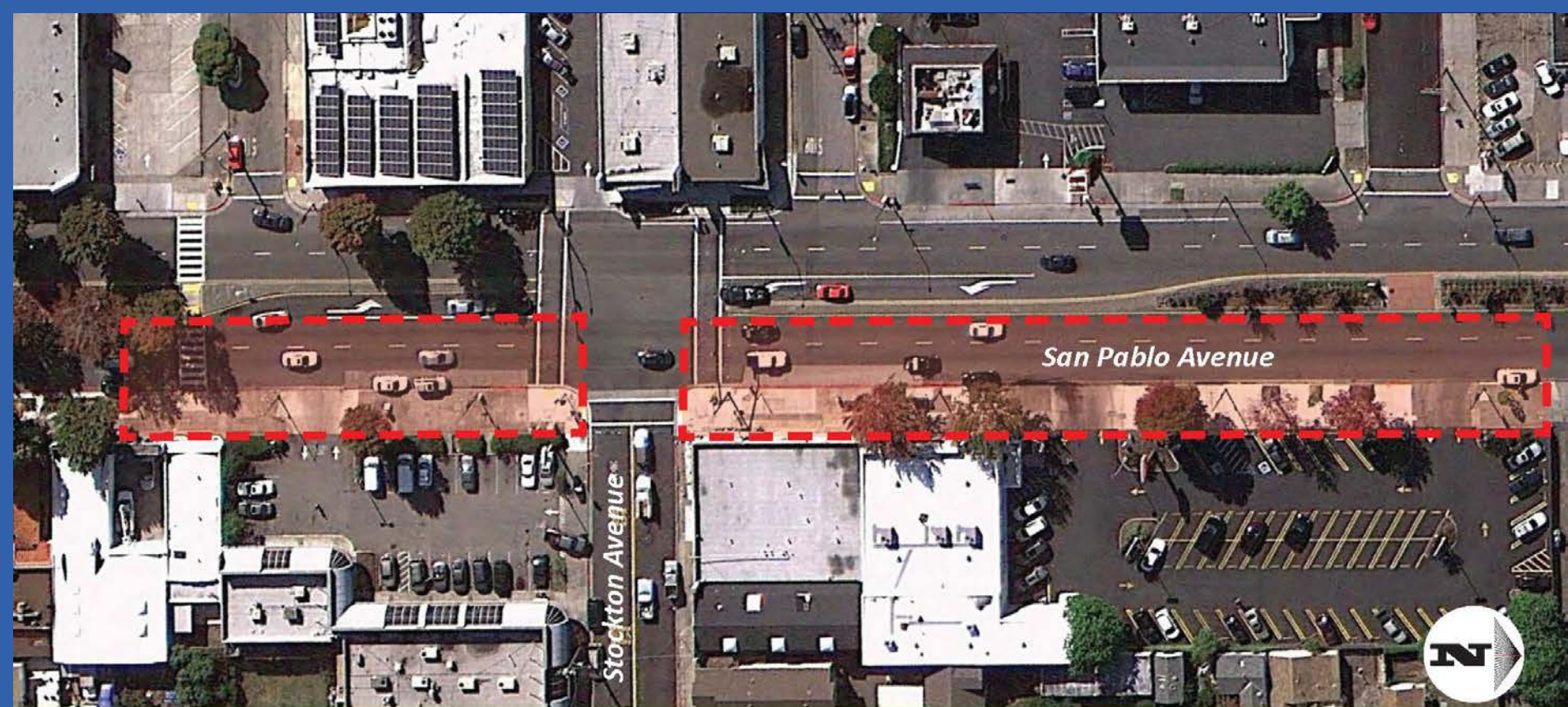
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LOCATION

Stockton Ave &  
San Pablo Ave

### Opportunities:

- Close to existing transit stop which provides a strong link to stormwater management and alternative transportation
- Could potentially manage private stormwater along San Pablo frontage
- Wide sidewalks and relatively low parking demand along San Pablo Avenue

### Constraints:

- Existing mature trees may limit the size and shape of stormwater planters
- There needs to be agreement and coordination with private developer to manage stormwater along frontage
- Considerable amount of impervious area entering the project site

### Recommendation:

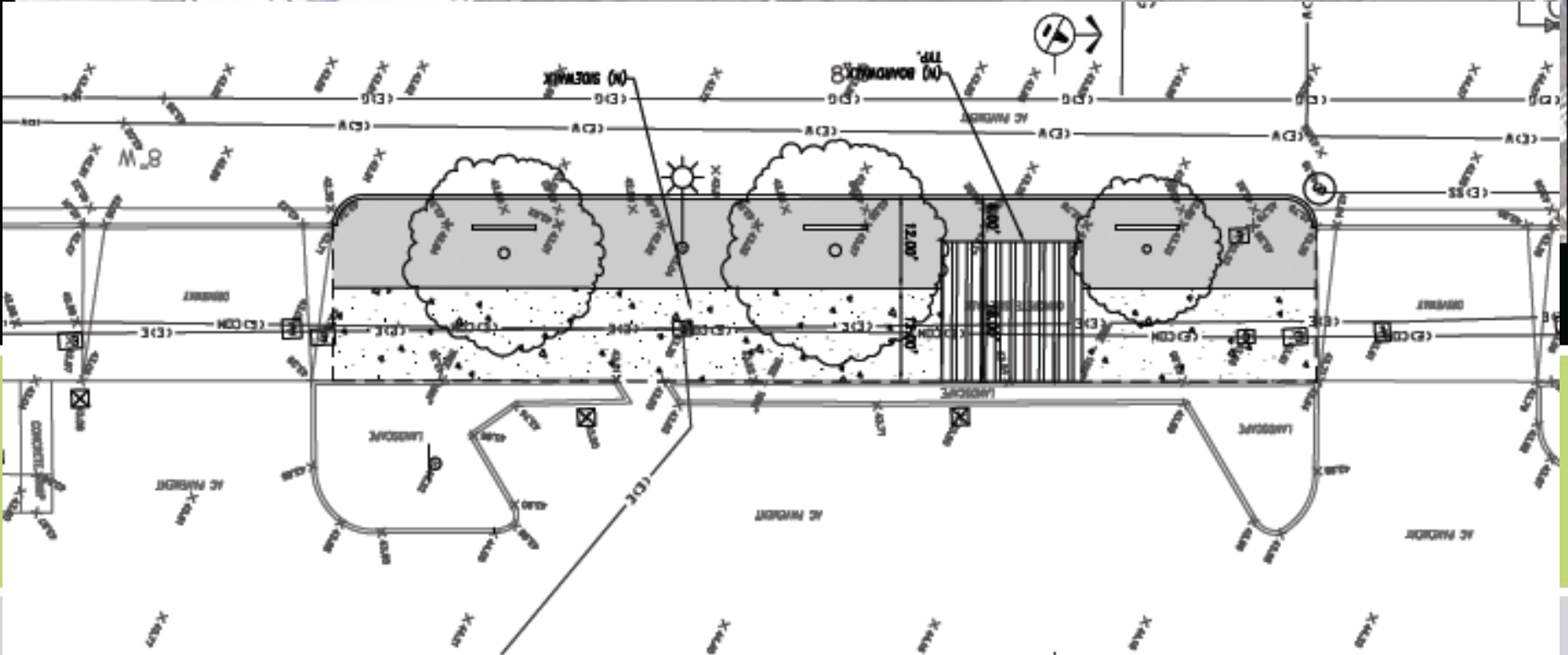
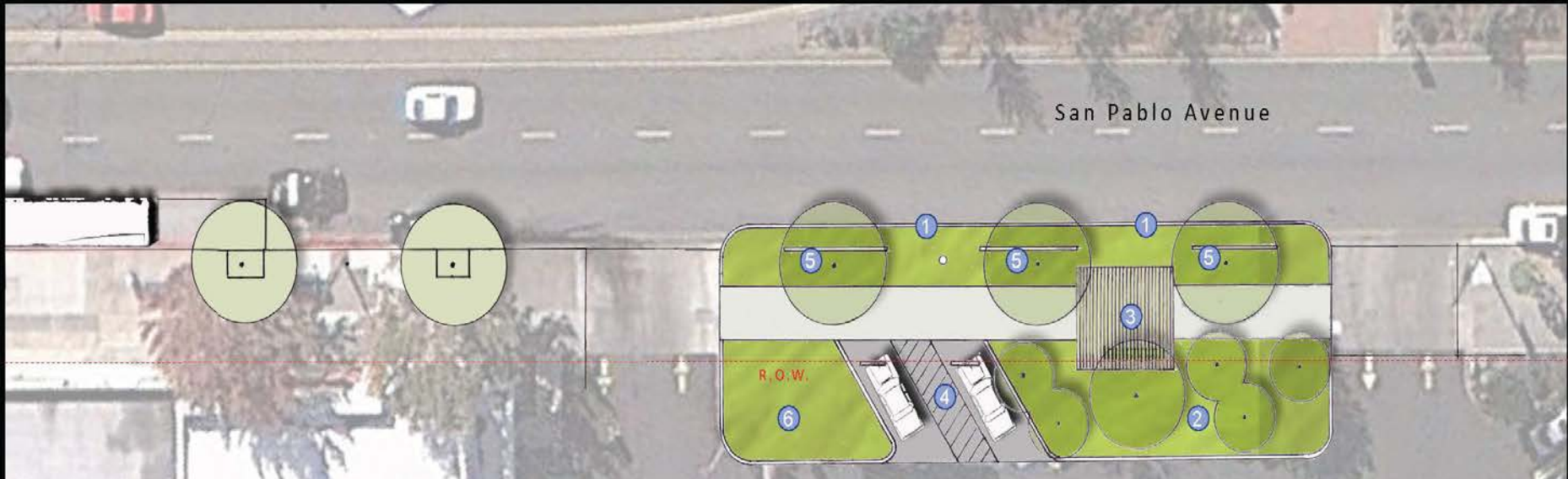
- Along with Site #1, this is the design team's first choice due to low parking demand along San Pablo Avenue, the potential to manage private stormwater along the San Pablo Avenue frontage, and the close proximity of a bus transit stop.

## San Pablo Avenue Green Stormwater Spine Project

City of El Cerrito, California



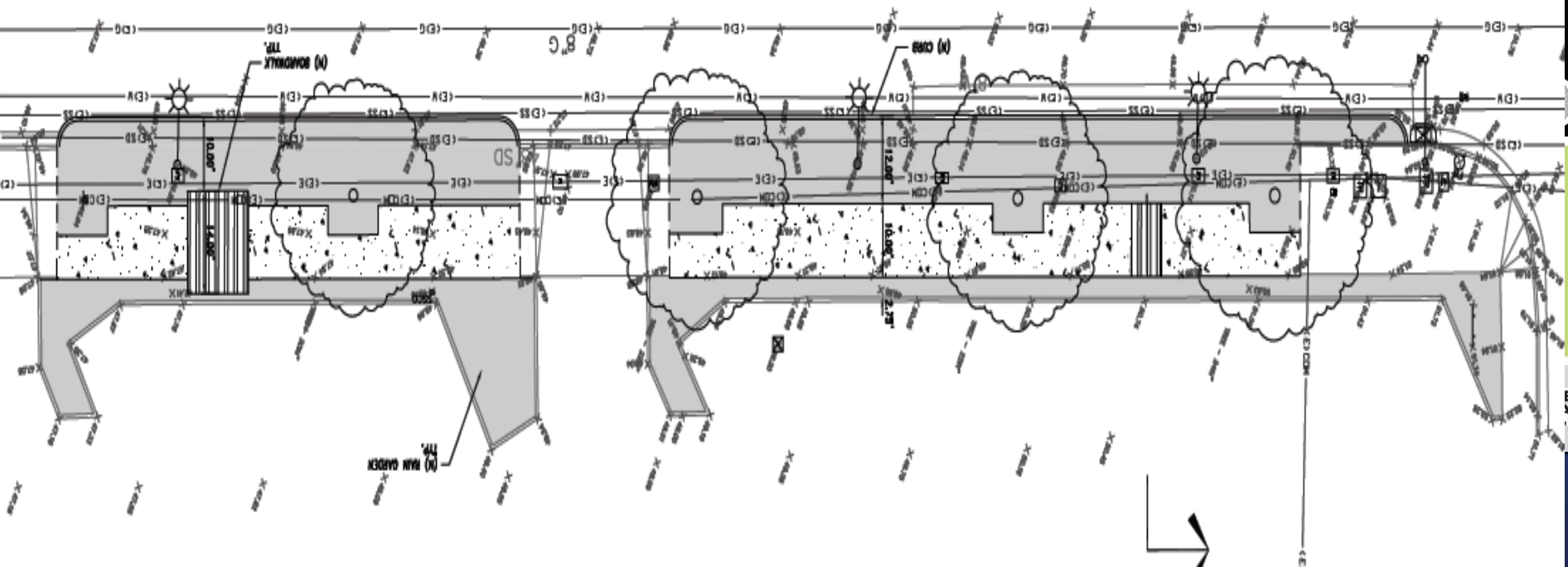
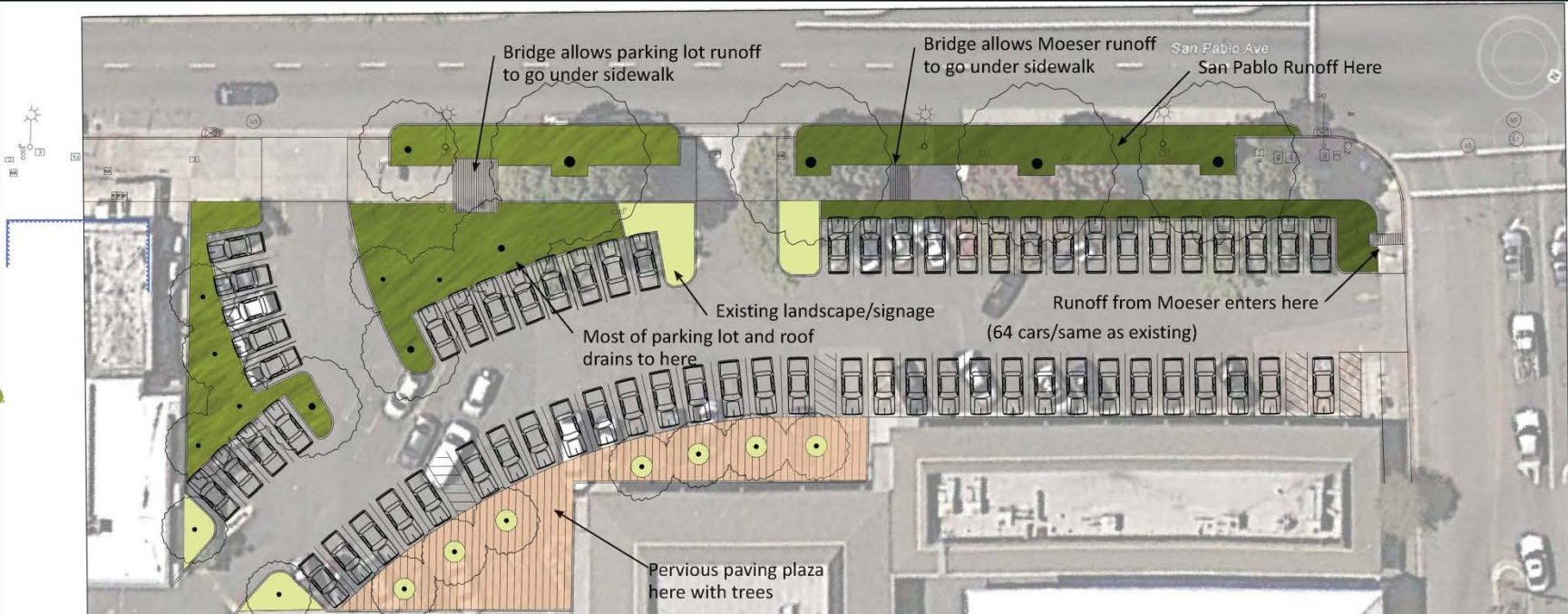
San Pablo Avenue













PARKING AT REAR  
Super COIN LAUNDRY  
ANDERSON APPLIANCE

BIKE ROUTE

SMOG CHECK  
IN BACK

I-80 BIKEWAY  
EL CERRITO

Alvarado B  
Pit Boss Barbeque

TORTA  
JUGOS  
AGUAS  
TAQUERIA  
SPECIALIDADES  
PUPUSAS  
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AMIT

ANDERSON APPLIANCE  
Super COIN-OP Laundry

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STOVES  
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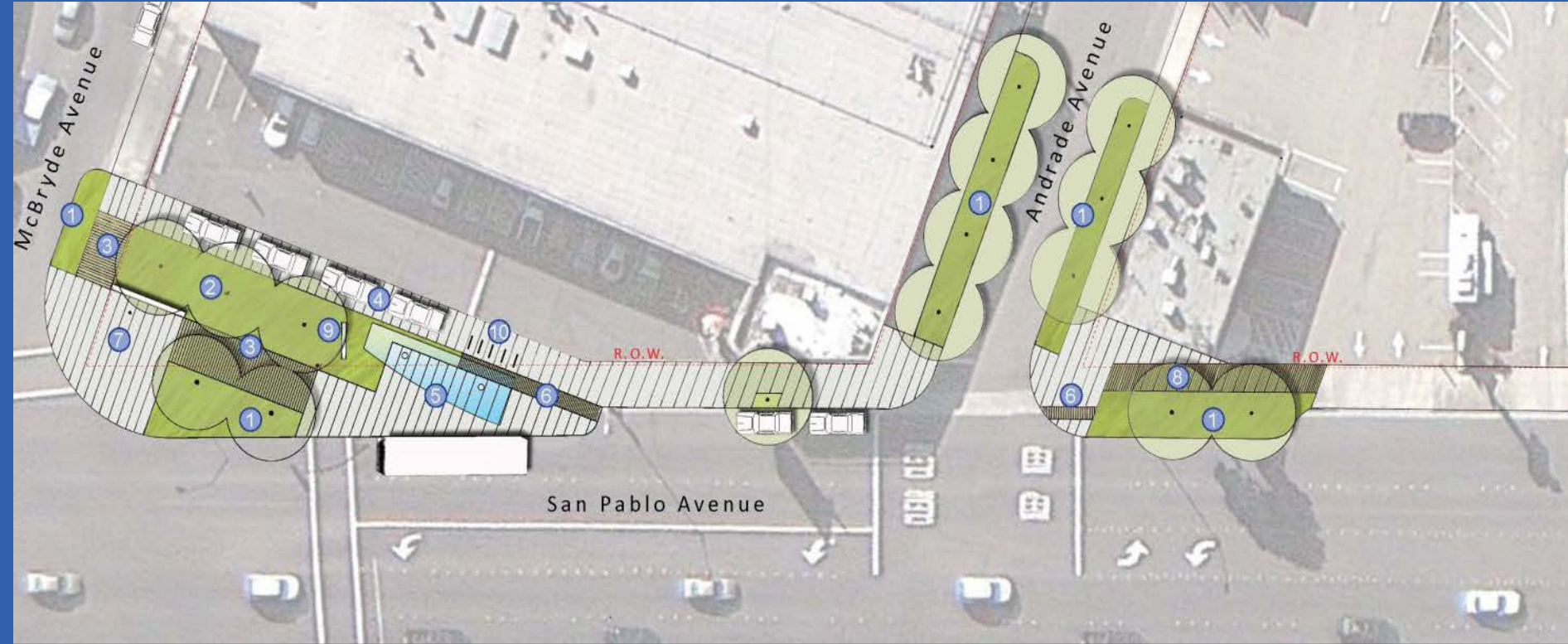
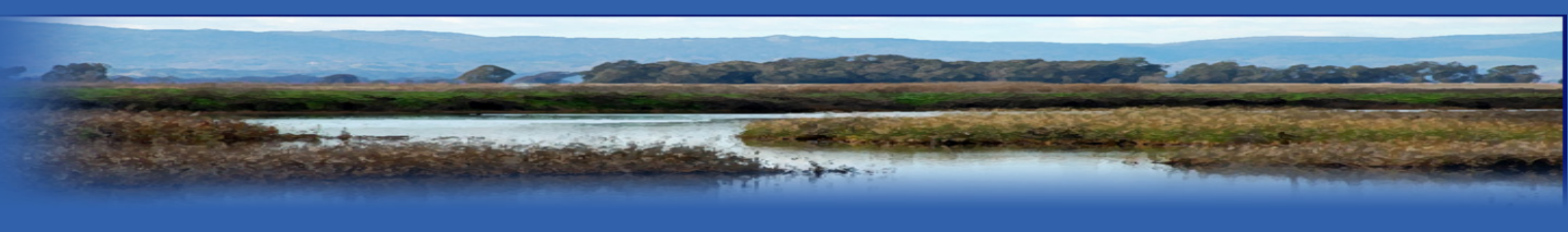
Person with stroller

White van, Silver pickup truck, Black sedan

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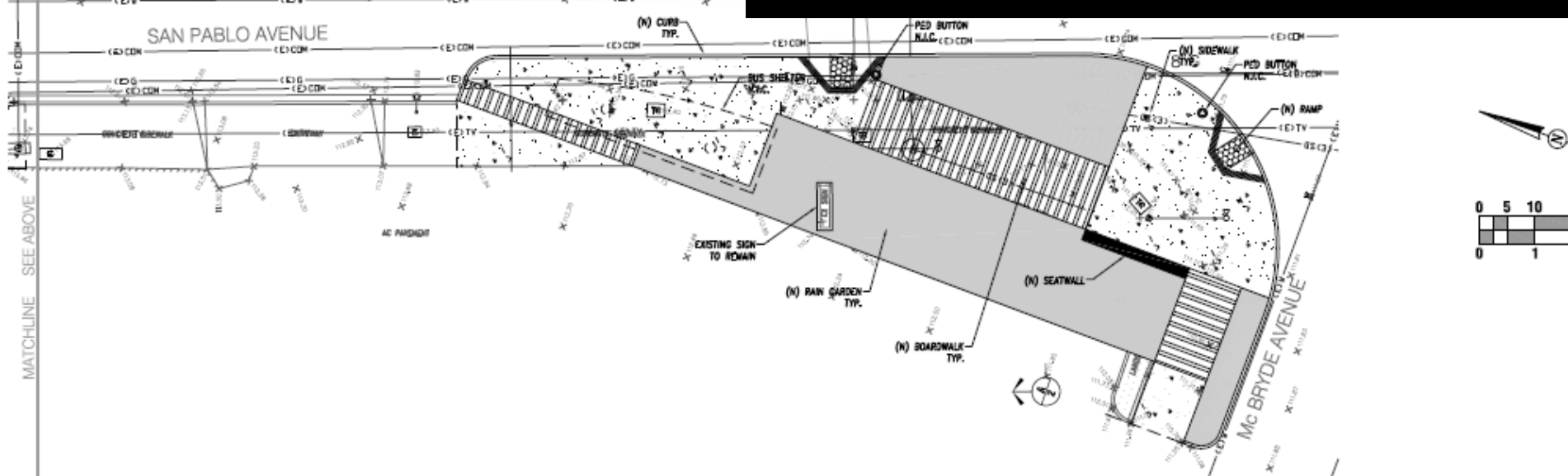
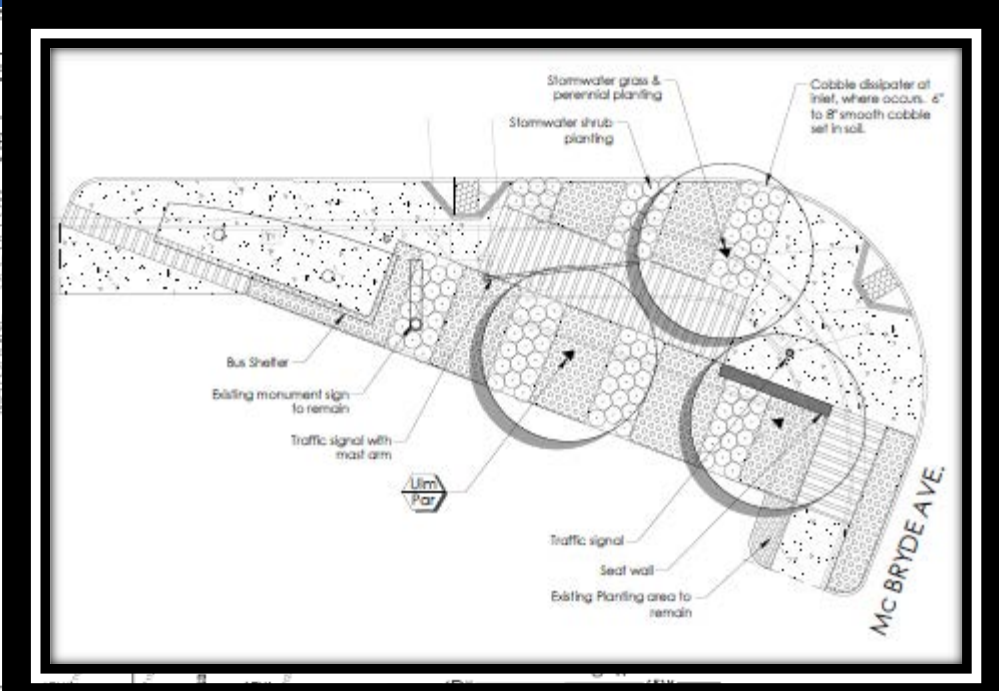
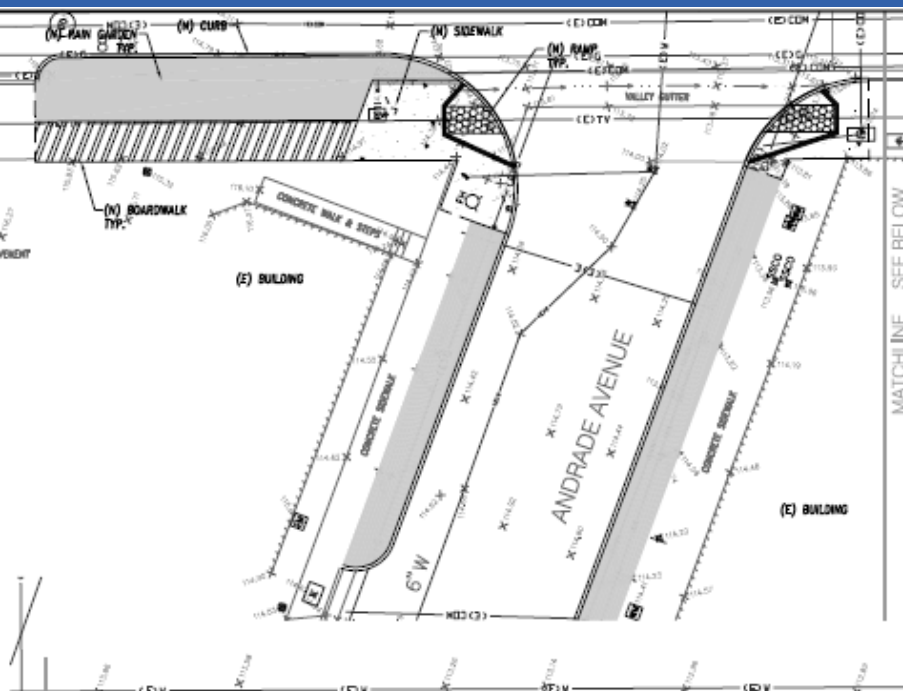
## Stormwater Improvement Concept Plan

Scale: 1"=25'  
May 2013



- 1 Stormwater curb extensions capture runoff from San Pablo Avenue, Andrade Avenue, and McBryde Avenue.
- 2 A new rain gardens capture stormwater from private parking lot. This will require acceptance and coordination of improvements with private owner.
- 3 Boardwalks allow stormwater to be connected between the curb extensions and rain garden.
- 4 Existing parking spaces are modified to allow for only parallel parking, however, additional parallel parking is allowed on McBryde Avenue
- 5 A new bus stop canopy conveys stormwater to adjacent rain garden (by others).
- 6 Trench drains used for stormwater conveyance.
- 7 A new corner plaza for placemaking opportunity (art, pedestrian seating, other amenities by others).
- 8 Boardwalk allows for additional stormwater storage adjacent to stormwater curb extension.
- 9 Existing private signage/utilities are to be protected within rain garden.
- 10 Optional new bike racks (by others)





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Project No.	Client	Date

SAN PABLO AVENUE  
 GREEN STORMWATER SPINE  
 RICHMOND, CA SITE  
 STREET IMPROVEMENTS  
 CONTRA COSTA COUNTY





**1**  
LOCATION

*Evergreen Terrace  
&  
San Pablo Ave*

**Opportunities:**

- Could potentially manage building and street stormwater along the San Pablo frontage
- Highly visible site with many users
- Can potentially route a portion of San Pablo Street overflow runoff into adjacent private development stormwater facilities

**Constraints:**

- Minimal opportunity to manage stormwater within the street due to existing bike infrastructure
- Existing mature trees exclude or limit the use of stormwater planters

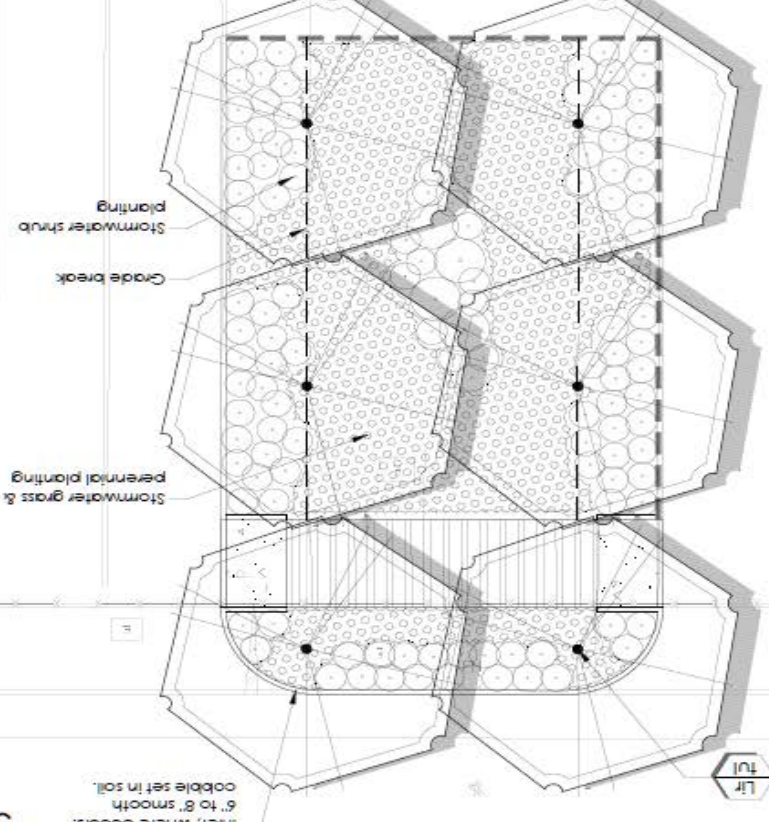
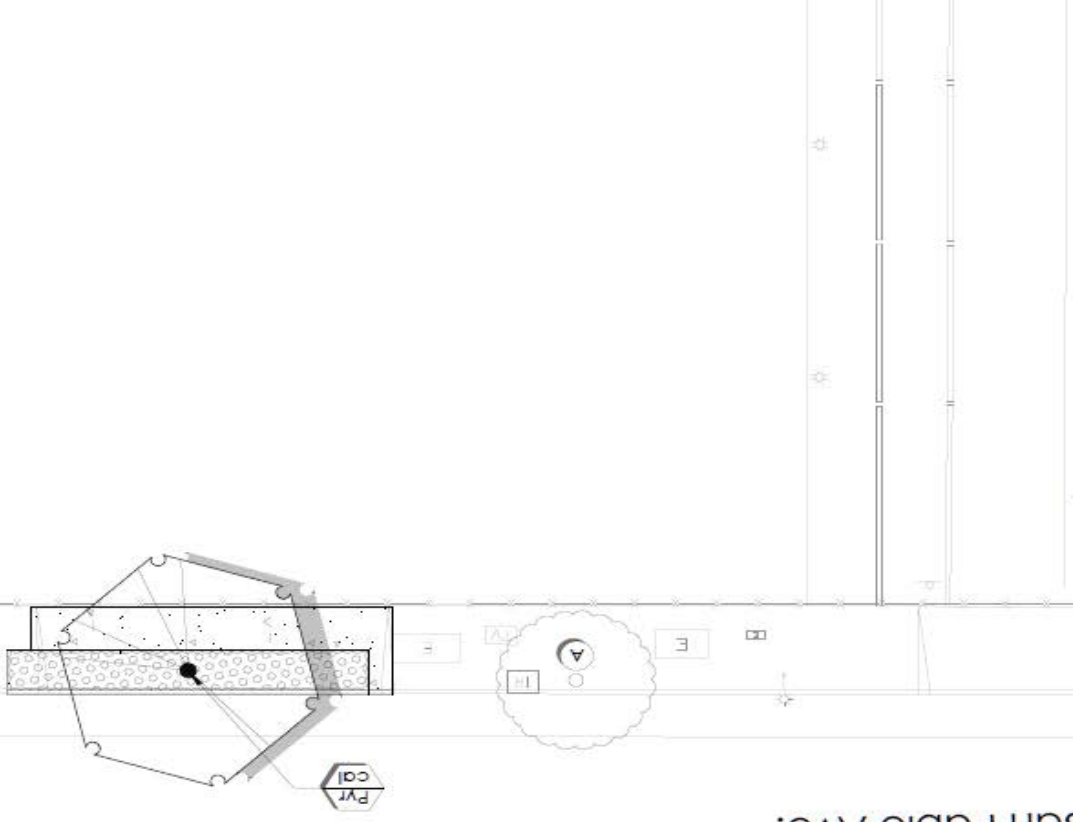
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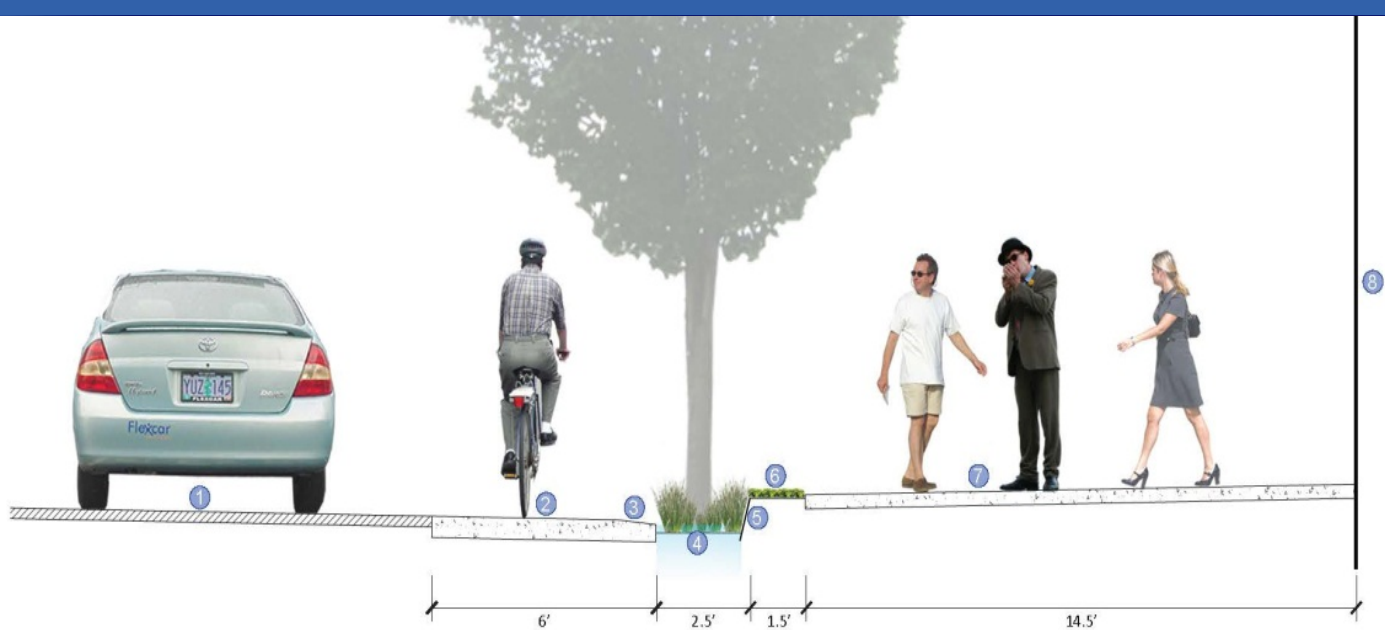
- The design team recommends this site due to its proximity to a highly used development project and the ability to potentially manage building and street runoff along the San Pablo Avenue frontage

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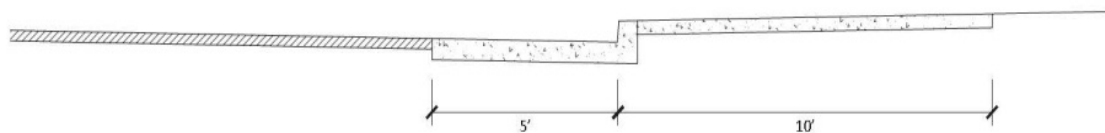






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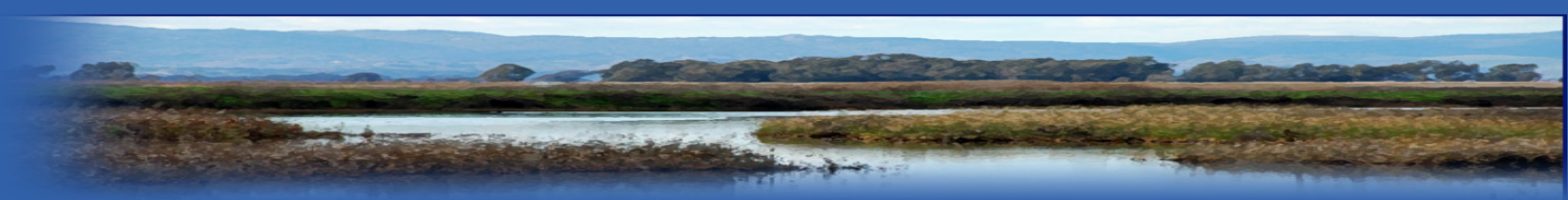
- ① Existing asphalt travel lane remains the same
- ② Existing concrete bike lane/gutter pan is widened to 6 feet.
- ③ Outside edge of bike lane is graded to incite stormwater sheet flow into green gutter as lessens grade change between bike surface and landscape surface
- ④ Stormwater is captured in shallow green gutter system
- ⑤ A thin profile metal retaining wall is used to separate grade from the sidewalk zone to the green gutter landscape (The grade change from the sidewalk to the landscape area is only about 9")
- ⑥ An 18" landscape strip captures sidewalk runoff and acts as a tactile warning measure along the sidewalk zone.
- ⑦ Sidewalk zone is expanded from the current 10' to approximately 14.5'
- ⑧ Approximate building face location (varies)





## 30% Design Summary Info

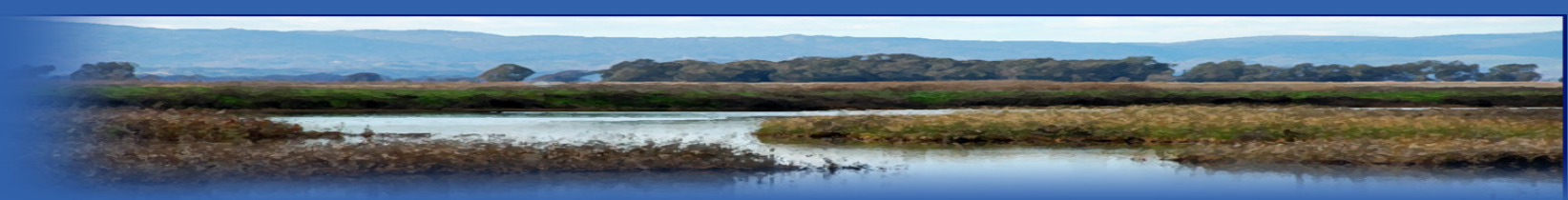
- **Total Area Treated: 10.9 acres (9.4 ac to Caltrans)**
- **Total Cost: \$1.7M (no contingency, no irrigation)**
  - Irrigation estimate: \$100K for all sites, including design
- **Total with Irrigation + Contingency (25%) =  
\$2.25M**



## 60% Design

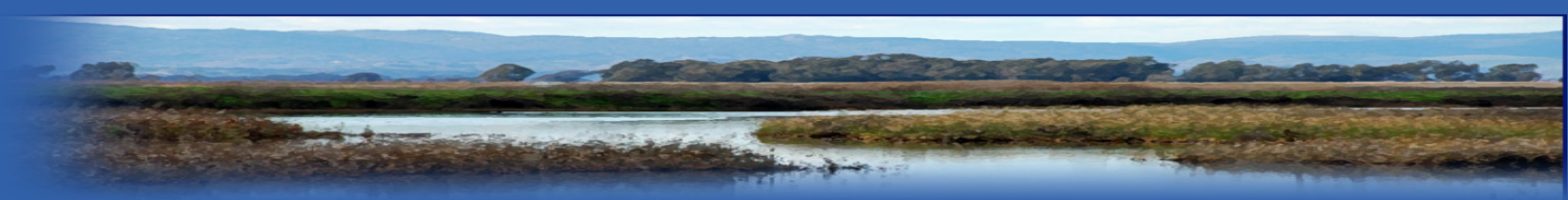
- 60% Title Sheet
- 60% Demolition Plan
- 60% Street Improvement Designs (including utility relocations)
- 60% Typical Cross Section(s)
- 60% Landscape Planting Plans
- 60% Construction and Planting Details
- 60% Cost Estimate
- Special Provisions (Caltrans format: single edition TBD)





# Draft Green Streets Model Ordinance

- Literature Search
- Compiled Existing & Model Ordinances and Guidance Documents
- Solicited support from select City Partners
- Draft Ordinance & Memorandum on Basecamp for review/feedback



# DRAFT COMMUNITY MEETING AGENDA

## ■ Project Overview

- Goals
- Funders/Partners
- Roles
- Schedule

## ■ Review Draft Plans

- Highlights of each plan
- Why selected (opportunities/constraints)

## ■ Identify Local Issues/Concerns

## ■ Breakout – Posters (Community attendees)

- Sticky notes + drawing on plan sets



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