2022 Estuary Blueprint

BACKGROUND

The San Francisco Estuary Partnership's 2022 <u>Estuary Blueprint</u> is a collaborative, consensus-driven five-year roadmap for the San Francisco Estuary. The Blueprint identifies the top actions needed for:

- increased climate resilience
- improved water quality for animals and people
- healthier habitats and wildlife
- thriving human communities

The San Francisco Estuary Blueprint updates the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan, a requirement of the Clean Water Act. The Plan was first produced in 1993 and is the most comprehensive plan for the ecological health of the Estuary.



ESTUARY BLUEPRINT HIGHLIGHTS

The 2022 Blueprint will drive regional actions to:

- accelerate wetland restoration, sea level rise adaptation, and other multi-benefit nature-based projects along the shoreline
- cut through "green tape" and remove hurdles to implementing nature-based solutions
- elevate the role of frontline and underserved communities and Tribes in planning for and benefiting from a healthy, resilient Estuary
- decrease carbon emissions and increase carbon sequestration
- reconnect and restore creeks to provide habitat and reduce flooding
- increase use of dredged sediment and soils for flood management and restoration
- plus, many other actions on trash, water quality, habitats, and more.

