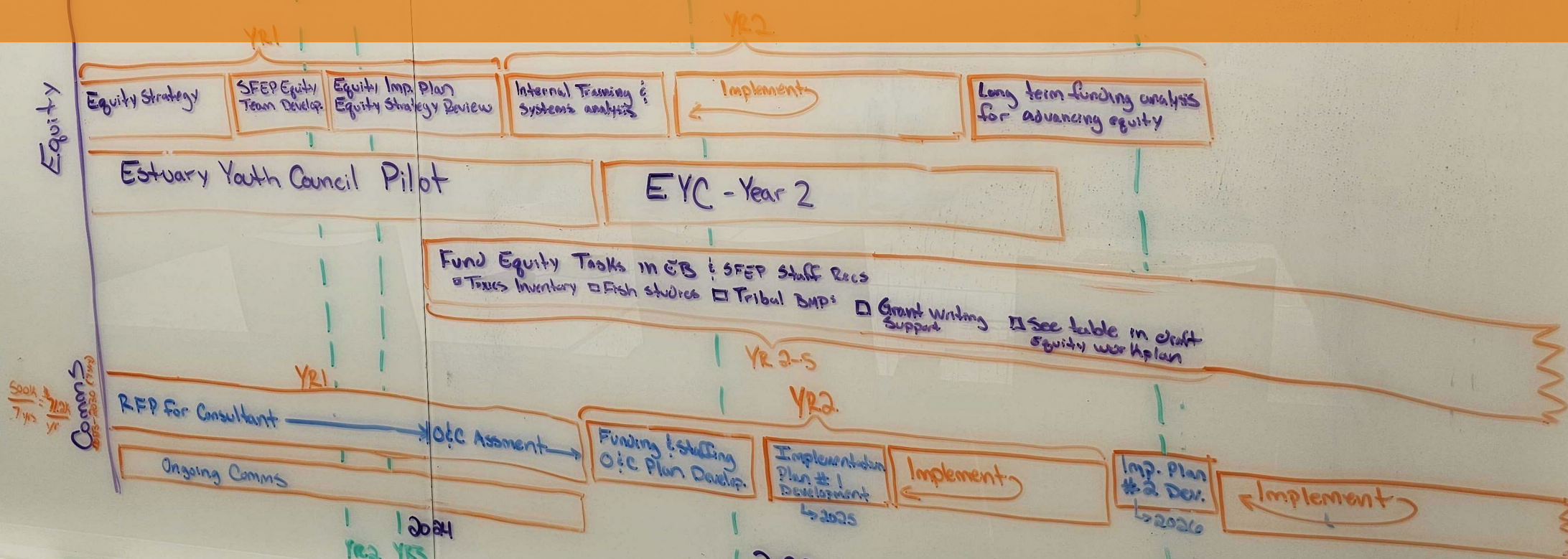


# Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Year 2 Workplan and Equity Strategy



# BIL Fundamentals

## BIL Priorities

- Tackle the Climate Crisis
- Advance Environmental Justice and Civil rights

## Eligible Project Types

- Assessment and Planning
- Implementation
- Research
- Outreach and Education

## BIL Funded Project Should

- Implement the Estuary Blueprint
- Benefit Disadvantaged and Underserved Communities
- Build Adaptive Capacity for Climate Change

## Other Considerations

- This funding is an opportunity to strategically increase the pace of climate change adaptation planning and implementation
- We must fulfill the Justice40 requirements



# Our BIL Approach

- **Nature Based Climate Adaptation Planning**
  - Work at regional, OLU, and watershed to scales to advance climate adaptation strategic planning efforts
  - Take advantage of opportunities to align various local planning efforts
- **Nature Based Climate Adaptation Project Implementation**
  - Implement strategic plans by designing and building climate adaptation projects



# Our BIL Approach

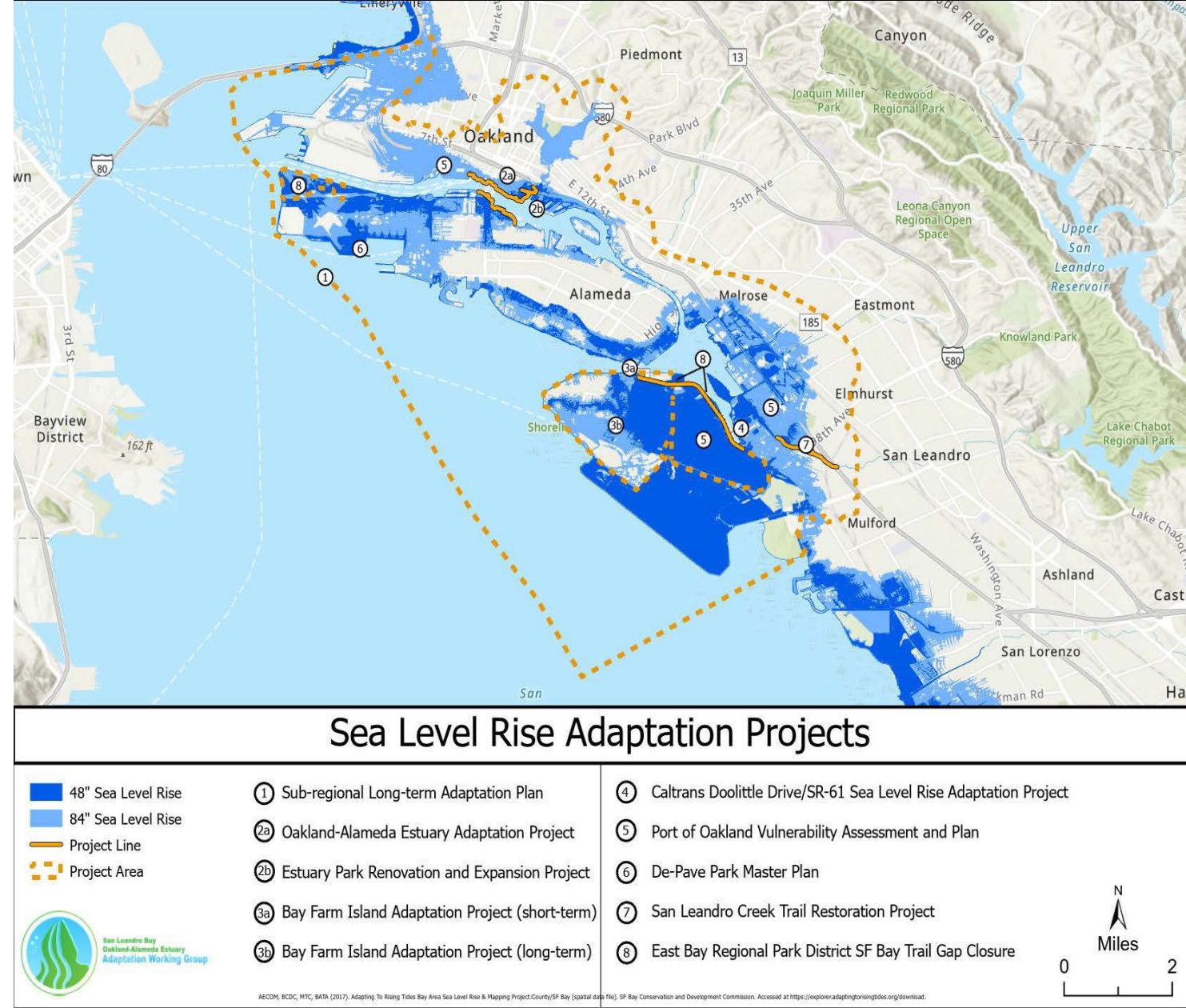
- Equity
  - Advance equity through internal training/evaluation
  - Implement Estuary Blueprint tasks with an equity core
  - Support communities' needs
  - Develop a long-term funding approach
- Outreach & Communications
  - Assess current outreach and communications pathways





# NBS Climate Adaptation Planning and Implementation: Year 1

- San Leandro OLU
  - Locally-driven OLU based adaptation planning with regional partnership and support
  - Needs Assessment and Action Plan
- Oro Loma Horizontal Levee
  - Partial Reconstruction of 2 – 3 cells to test more efficient designs





# NBS Climate Adaptation Planning and Implementation: Year 2

- **Novato Creek OLU**
  - Locally-driven OLU based adaptation planning with regional partnership and support
  - Develop Strategic Plan and prioritized list of projects to advance
  - Align SR37, SMART, RCIS and other planning efforts.
- **Wildcat Creek OLU**
  - Locally-driven OLU based adaptation planning with regional partnership and support
  - Stakeholder convening and organization
  - Support grant writing efforts to fund OLU scale planning and project prioritization





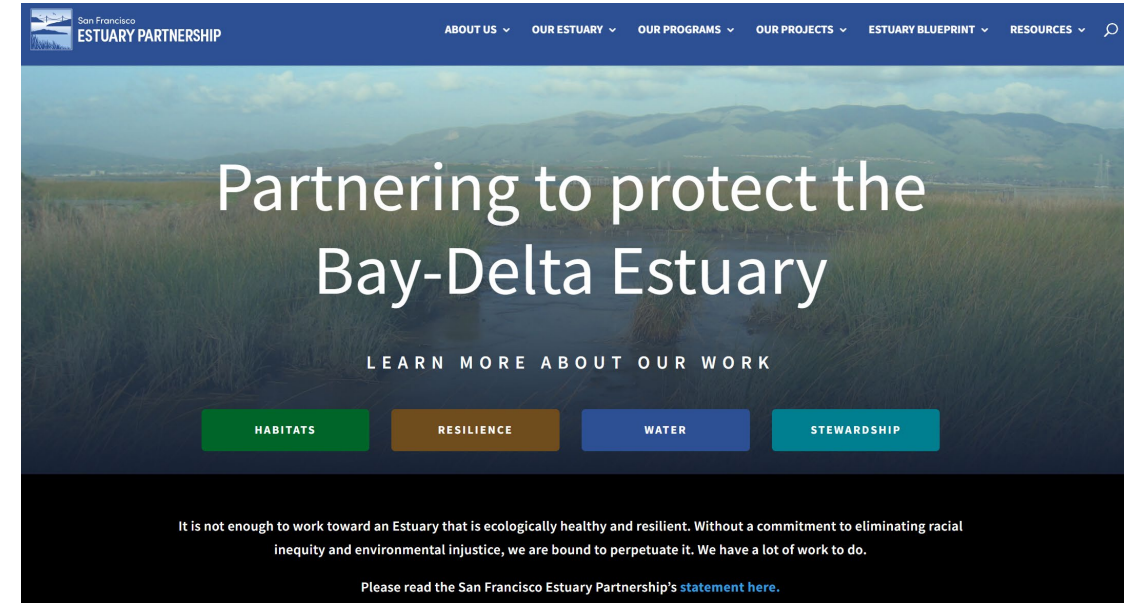
# Equity

- Equity (Years 1 and 2)
  - SFEP Equity Team
  - Implementation Plan
  - Internal training and systems review
  - Estuary Youth Council
  - Grant writing assistance for CBO's and Tribes



# Outreach and Communications

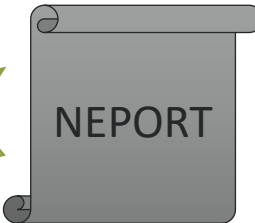
- Outreach and Communications
  - Continued existing outreach and communications efforts
  - Outreach and Communications Assessment and Plan
    - **Assess and analyze** existing outreach & communication channels, assets, audiences, and stakeholders
    - **Identify gaps** and opportunities for improvement;
    - **Improve awareness** of and increase support for the collaborative work of SFEP and its partners, as well as the overall NEP
    - Develop long-term funding and staffing plan
    - Develop yearly implementation plans





# Equity Strategy

- EPA required document to ensure 0% match
- Requirements
  - Define Disadvantaged and Underserved Communities
  - Define baseline and tracking method
  - Define numeric target
  - Identify key activities



## Activity 1

SFEP Equity Team

Equity Implementation Plan

Staff training and internal assessment

## Activity 2

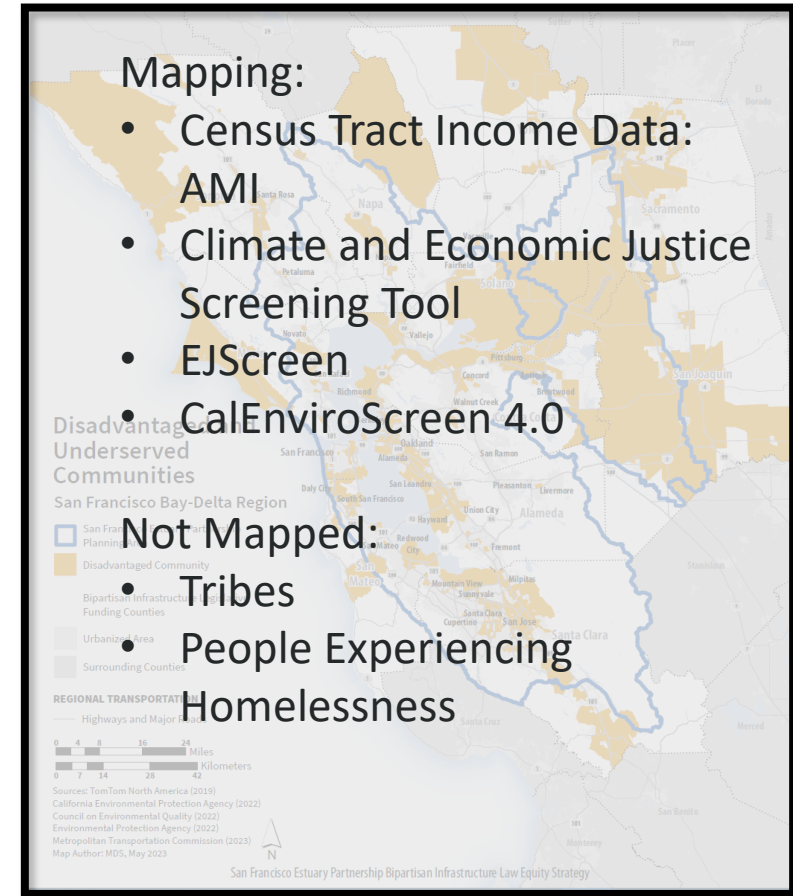
Implement Estuary Blueprint equity tasks (12)

## Activity 3

Advance resilience and nature-based adaptation planning and implementation in areas with Disadvantaged and Underserved Communities

## Activity 4

Implement staff recommendations to advance equity (including grant writing technical support, Estuary Youth Council, expansion of social science advisory team scope, and others)



# Equity Strategy Review and Opportunities for Input



- SFEP Equity team
  - SFEP staff members
  - MTC Access(ibility), Culture, Racial, Equity Office
  - Community and Tribal input
- Re-mapping region as needed
- IC feedback and input is welcome

