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### History

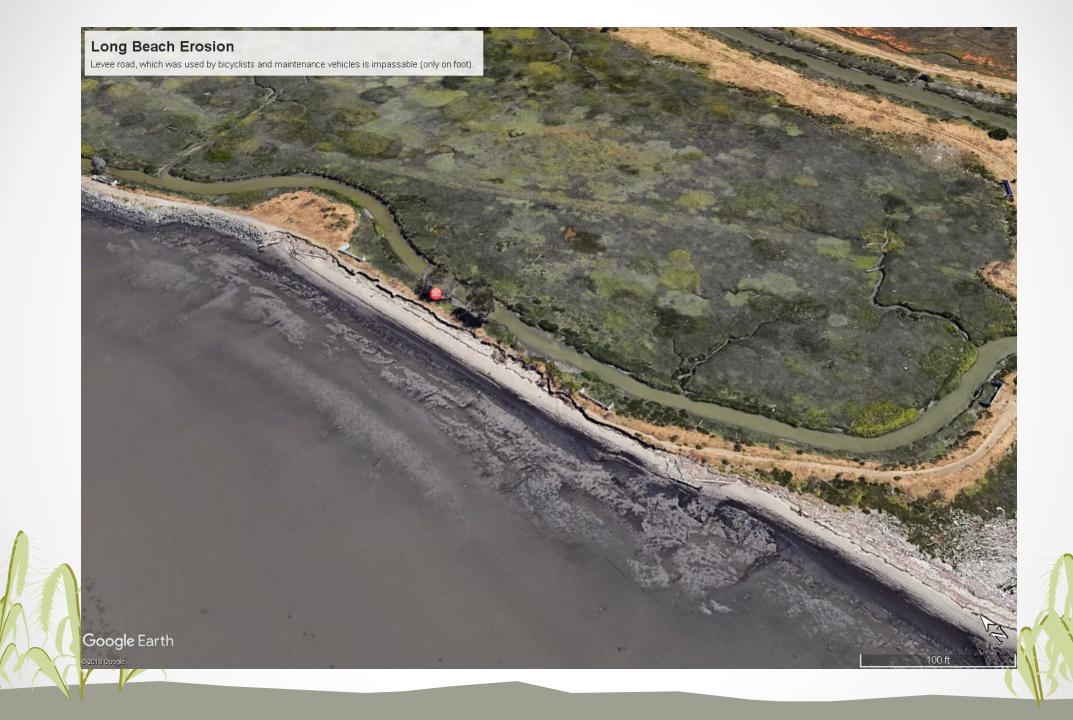
- Early 1900s
  - o Marshlands diked
  - o Trojan Powder Works
- Fate of Property Debated for 30+ years
  - o TPW closed in 1964
  - o Early development proposals for 2,000+ homes
  - o ~ 630 homes approved in mid-1990s
    - Dedication of 315 acres of permanent open space
- Beach Restoration
  - o 2008 Roberts Landing Shoreline Rehabilitation Technical Advisory Group





# Coastal Community Context

- San Leandro Marshlands one of largest marshes in central East Bay
- Historic sand spit One of last 'original' Bay beaches
  - o ~ 1,200 linear feet
  - o 23+ miles of Bay beach historically; 2008 conservative estimate is 7 miles
- · Dominant on-shore winds subject area to storm event damage
- · Beach restoration vs levee restoration vs nature-based shoreline protection
- San Francisco Bay Shoreline Adaptation Atlas
  - O San Francisco Estuary Institute/San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SFEI/SPUR) document provides framework to identify effective adaptation strategies

















# Biological Significance

- · Historic Least Tern training area for fledglings
- Suitable site for Suaeda californica (California seablite) re-introduction
  - o Endangered plant species last recorded there in 1960s
- Potential wintering/breeding for Western Snowy Plovers



o Last documented spawn in 2008











# Restoration Funding Efforts

- Beach Replenishment Program
  - o First discussed in 2007 as part of Marsh Management Manual
  - o Intended to establish barrier beach to buffer levees from wave erosion
  - o Obviate need for riprap
  - o Creation of habitat for endangered plant/animal species
- NFWF Resiliency Grant Proposal
  - o Planning & Design/Engineered Plans
  - o Submitted August 2018
  - o Notification (no award) November 2018
- · San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Grant Proposal
  - o Planning & Design/Engineered Plans + Construction
  - o Submitted November 2018
  - Notification (no award) April 2019



#### What's Next?

- · Submission for second round of NFWS pre-proposals made
- Field visit/report from Peter Baye, Coastal Plant Ecologist
- · Consultation with San Francisco Estuary Institute
- Re-application for Planning Grant from the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority (Measure AA)

