

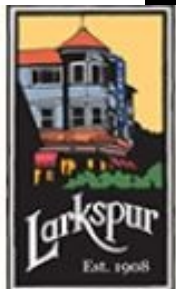
# Ross Valley Flood Protection & Watershed Program



## Flood Zone 9 Special Advisory Board Meeting

March 19, 2019, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Ross Town Hall



# Corte Madera Creek Flood Risk Management Project Update

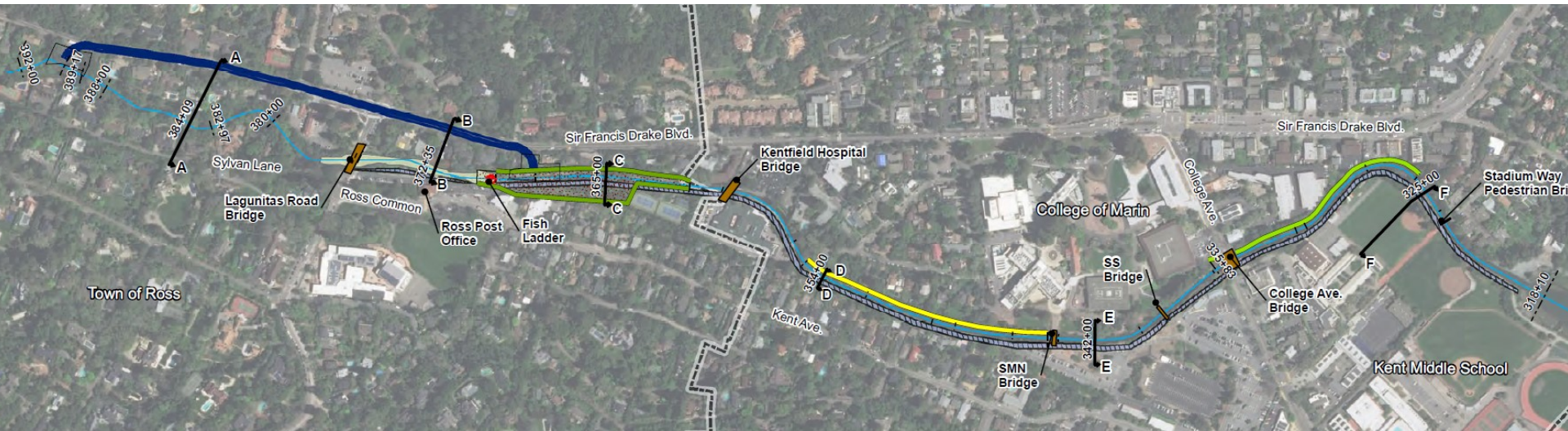
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## Presentation Agenda

1. Background
2. Status of Project
3. Draft Planning Objectives
4. Next Steps

# Alternative J – USACE Tentatively Selected Plan

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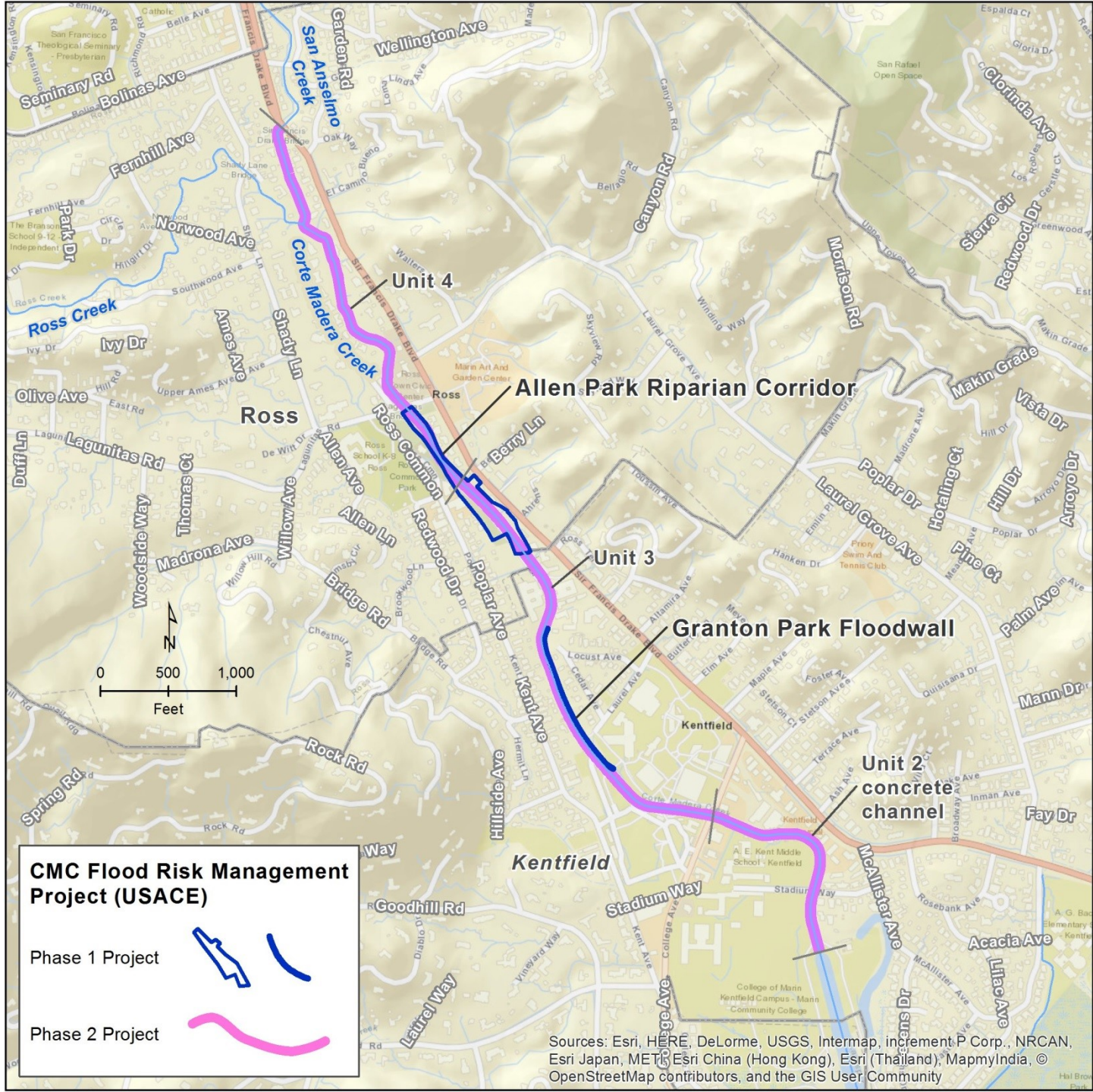
# USACE Previous Project Schedule Dates no longer applicable

10/12/18	<b>Public Draft EIR/EIS Release, 45-day Comment Period Begins</b>
10/23/18	<b>Community Workshop #1, Town of Ross Residents</b> 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, Ross Town Hall
10/24/18	<b>Community Workshop #2, Ross Commercial Businesses</b> 10:00 am – 11:30 am, Ross Town Hall
10/25/18	<b>Community Workshop #3, Kentfield &amp; Unincorporated County</b> 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, Ross Town Hall
11/1/18	<b>Ross Valley Watershed Community Conversation w/ Congressman Huffman</b> 5:00 – 6:30 pm at Ross School Gym
11/13/18	<b>Public Hearing on Draft EIS/EIR</b> 5:30 pm, District Board of Supervisors, Marin County Civic Center, Rm 330
11/27/18	<b>Draft EIS/EIR Comment Period Closes</b>
Sept. 2019	<b>Final Project EIR/EIS Released</b>
Oct. 2019	<b>Public Hearing on Final Project EIS/EIR</b>
2019 - 2020	<b>Project Approval and Final Design</b>
2020 - 2025	<b>Construction (Phase 1, Phase 2)</b>

# Considerations for Project Transition

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1. Additional amplification/clarification of Draft EIS/EIR necessary to satisfy CEQA and address concerns related to potential impacts
2. Limitations on Budget/Schedule (per the USACE 3x3x3 Rule) to accommodate additional EIS/EIR analysis. Additional exemption to the 3x3x3 Rule deemed highly unlikely by USACE due to federal funding and authorization constraints.
3. USACE – District Cost Share Agreements limits 50% cost share. New agreement cannot be executed without exemption to the 3x3x3 Rule (“General Reevaluation Report for Corte Madera Creek, Feb 19, 2014).



# Draft Project Planning Objectives

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1. Transition to a locally-managed project
2. Continue close coordination with USACE for 408 permit
3. Retain local funding for project
4. Refine the Phase 1 project concept
5. Repurpose Draft Project EIS/EIR content and input
6. Integrated benefits for project design
7. Pursue other funding opportunities
8. Continue to work with USACE to explore other federal programs

# Next Steps

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1. Pending AB approval, District staff will work with USACE to close/suspend contract and continue to coordinate on 408 permits and other funding opportunities
2. Work with Town of Ross, environmental resource agencies and other stakeholders to develop refined project concept and tentative schedule including new CEQA process
3. District staff will present update at *May 23, 2019* Zone 9 Advisory Board Meeting



# Questions

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## Ross Valley Flood Protection & Watershed Program Flood Control Zone 9

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### Topics

The Ross Valley Flood Protection & Watershed Program has information on local conditions, meetings & events related to Ross Valley. You can also find resources, learn about watershed science, and learn how you can be involved.



Events & Meetings



Maintenance



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### MEETINGS & EVENTS

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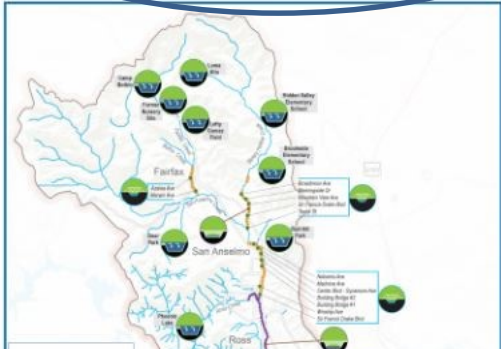


### CURRENT PROJECTS

See what's going on around Ross Valley



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1. Transition the proposed USACE-led Project concept to a locally-managed project supported by funds that are reserved for the feasibility, design and construction by closing the existing agreement for “General Reevaluation Report for Corte Madera Creek” between the District and USACE.

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2. Work with the USACE to transition the Project toward local control and coordinate closely with the development and approval of a USACE-required 408 permit.

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3. Retain reserved local funding to support a refined Project utilizing Zone 9 storm drainage fees and DWR grants.

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4. Refocus the proposed USACE-led Project toward refinement of the Phase 1 project concept to reflect local community interests and priorities through a collaborative public engagement process.

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5. Repurpose information and data collected through the USACE Draft Project EIS/EIR to refine the Phase 1 project concept scope and transition to a new Project EIR.

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6. Ensure project design integrates multiple benefits including flood risk mitigation, ecosystem restoration, improved fish passage for endangered species and recreational enhancements.

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7. Pursue other funding opportunities that could support further design and construction of new restoration opportunities downstream of the conceptual Phase 1 project area in the Town of Ross and at the Granton Park neighborhood in Kentfield.



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8. Continue to work with USACE to explore other federal programs that support flood mitigation and local integrated benefits in the future.