

San Mateo County

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, July 14, 2016

Office of Sustainability Overview



The Office of Sustainability began in 2014 as:

A one year pilot program in the County Manager's Office to oversee and coordinate stormwater work and centralize County sustainability initiatives.

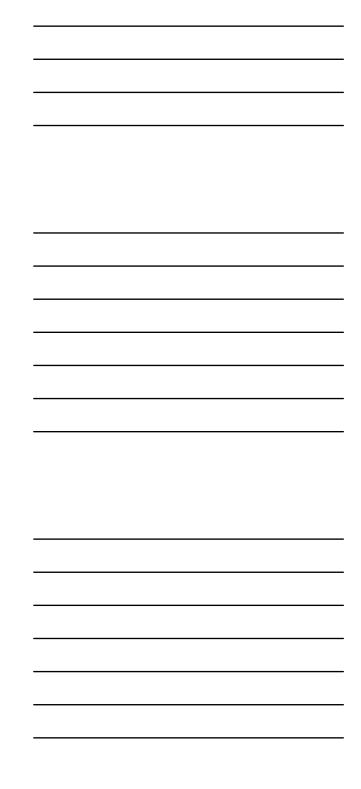
Overview



July 2014:

- Started with Six Staff
- Four Core Work Functions:
- 1. Stormwater Management
 - Municipal Regional Permit (MRP)
 - Fitzgerald Marine Reserve (ASBS)
 - Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)

Overview





- 2. Sustainability Projects
- Energy Upgrade California (BayREN)





 Climate Action Plan Implementation





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- 2. Sustainability Projects (cont'd)
- MTC Connect Redwood City (Bike Share)





 Illegal Dumping – Department Coordination





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3. Commute Alternatives Program





4. CEQA Assistance to County Departments



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Growth 2015

- Office of Sustainability established, merged with RecycleWorks
- Staffing grew from about 20 to about 40
- Two divisions established:
 - Natural ResourcesLiveable Communities



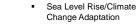
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Added Projects & Responsibilities

 Peninsula Clean Energy













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- Groundwater Management Collaboration with SMC Environmental Health
 - South County/E.P.A./San Francisquito Creek
- Environmental Purchasing Policy
- Battery Recycling/Purchasing Program
- Jobs/Housing Task Force
- Active Transportation
- Surplus Property



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Website Portals:

- Peninsula Clean Energy
- Sea Level Rise
- RecycleWorks
- North Fair Oaks Forward





Outreach and Education

- Employees, Residents, Schools, and Community Stakeholders
- Sustainability Resource - "Solving for Tomorrow"





Opportunities:

- Groundwater Sustainability Planning
- Water Conservation, Management, and Re-Use
- Reducing Trash in Stormwater Systems
- Urban Tree Planting and Protection
- Reducing Food Packaging
- Improving Health Through Active Transportation



Accomplishments:

- Beacon Award
- Bicycle Friendly Community Award
- Active Transportation
 Program Cycle 2 Grant Award

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