

**Contra Costa Resilient Shoreline Staff Report for
Contra Costa Resilient Shoreline Committee
September 8, 2025**

Key activities since the Resilient Shoreline Committee's meeting on February 18, 2025, are listed below.

Senate Bill 1 Grant
<p>The \$1,499,285 grant awarded by the California Ocean Protection Council (OPC) through the Senate Bill 1 Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant Program (SB 1 Grant Program) will support the development of the Contra Costa Resilient Shoreline Plan (Plan).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The SB 1 Grant was executed in May 2025. Staff have begun work on the grant, which will occur through June 2027.• Seven shoreline cities have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the County to facilitate collaboration with shoreline cities during the term of the grant.• Request for Proposals (RFPs) for community engagement and technical subcontractors to assist with the development of the Plan were released in June 2025. Staff are in the process of contracting with the selected subcontractors and expect to have finalized agreements this fall.• Staff submitted the first quarterly report to OPC in July 2025.
Contra Costa County Shoreline Leadership Academy
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The project team began planning for the Contra Costa County Shoreline Leadership Academy (SLA) in summer 2025. The SLA will engage a cohort of residents from shoreline communities in a six-month process in which they will be trained by experts in sea level rise, shoreline adaptation, nature-based solutions, shoreline contamination remediation, and other topics through virtual and in-person experiences to be prepared to engage in policy, planning, and projects related to shoreline adaptation and the development of the Contra Costa Resilient Shoreline Plan. The program is a collaboration among the County, the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, the Delta Stewardship Council, the Exploratorium, The Watershed Project, and the Contra Costa Resource Conservation District.• Recruitment for the SLA will begin in September with applications due in October. The SLA is expected to begin in January 2026.
Contra Costa Resilient Shoreline Coalition
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff continue to meet with other local and regional public agencies to coordinate sea level rise planning efforts and build the Contra Costa Resilient Shoreline Coalition to support the planning and development of the Contra Costa Resilient Shoreline Plan.• Staff continue to participate in regional sea level rise planning to raise awareness of the County's adaptation and resilience planning efforts and to ensure the Plan is consistent with regional guidelines.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ In August 2025, staff attended the Bay Point Community Resource Fair and Contra Costa Block Party to talk with residents about the County's shoreline resilience planning efforts and other sustainability initiatives.○ On July 15, 2025, staff presented at the East Bay Leadership Council's Water and Energy Task Force, providing an overview of the Resilient Shoreline Coalition and other County efforts to support collaboration related to shoreline resilience.○ On May 9, 2025, staff presented at the Bay Planning Coalition Spring Summit, giving an overview of regional shoreline adaptation efforts in Contra Costa County.

Other Grant Opportunities

- **National Coastal Resilience Fund 2025 – Application Submitted.** Staff submitted an application to the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation's (NFWF) 2025 National Coastal Resilience Fund on July 17, 2025, for just under \$750,000. The funds would supplement SB 1 Grant Program funding in key areas to develop the Contra Costa Resilient Shoreline Plan. Staff expect to hear from NFWF about decisions and potential next steps in November.
- Staff continue to monitor state and federal grant opportunities and prepare to apply for funding to support the Contra Costa Resilient Shoreline Plan. The Plan will create focused adaptation strategies and implementation actions for the communities along Contra Costa County's shoreline.