



San Francisco Water Power Sewer

Services of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

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Dear Ocean Beach Community Member,

This email is to provide updates on the ongoing development and implementation of the Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project. Updates and recent changes to project delivery and schedules are detailed below.

Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project

Recent coordination with the California Coastal Commission (CCC) has resulted in project design changes and a delay in anticipated start of construction on the [Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project](#).

These changes are intended to reduce hardscape in the coastal zone, enhance resiliency by creating as much space as possible for sea level rise adaptation, and maximize public access to the coast. There may be additional updates and design modifications prior to construction. The project team is currently working on the changes listed below:

- Analysis and design for an **additional restroom** located at the Skyline Boulevard parking lot.
- Relocating the **beach access stairs** farther north to maintain safe public entry.
- Adding **coastal overlooks** along the coastal trail to give visitors places to rest and enjoy ocean views.
- **Eliminating the service road** on the Great Highway south of Sloat Boulevard between the Oceanside Treatment Plant and the Westside Pump Station.
- **Shifting the multi-use trail inland** to reduce the amount of hardscape in the coastal zone. By eliminating the service road, we're redesigning the multi-use trail to be set back from the buried seawall as much as possible.
- **Redesign of the slope** stabilization layer, which is part of the design to protect the Lake Merced Tunnel, to a flatter slope where possible to support dune restoration, wave runup, and create a more resilient dune habitat.

- **Modifying the dune landscape** so that the back dunes are west of the multi-use trail . Under the original design, the dune landscape was separated by the multi-use trail.
- The City is **redesigning the intersection** where Sloat Boulevard meets the Great Highway to allow for vehicle access to the Westside Pump Station from Sloat Boulevard. The design will include measures to allow for safe walking, cycling, and driving in the area.



As a reminder, this multi-agency project grew out of the Ocean Beach Master Plan. While this project was being developed, we've made a number of short-term improvements, including beach nourishment activities and installation of sandbags along the southern portion of Ocean Beach fronting the Great Highway (most recently completed this past Spring of 2025).
