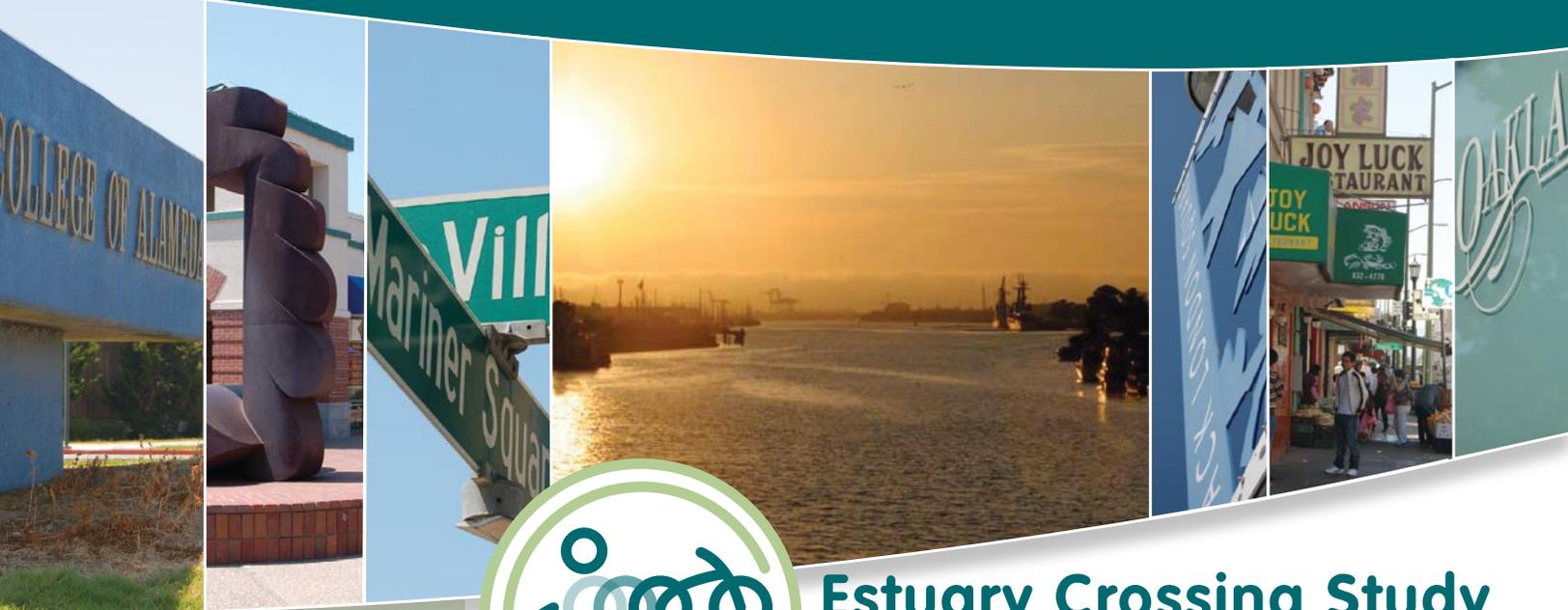


Celebrating Our Waterfront

Oakland/Alameda Estuary Crossing



Estuary Crossing Study

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About the Estuary Crossing Study

The City of Alameda is the lead agency examining potential alternatives for a bicycle/pedestrian estuary crossing between west Alameda and downtown Oakland, in conjunction with the Alameda County Transportation Improvement Authority (ACTIA), Caltrans, the City of Oakland, and other local agencies and groups.

In January 2008, the City began a year-long Estuary Crossing Study to identify and evaluate alternatives to the Posey Tube path for bicyclists and pedestrians. The vision for the estuary crossing is to create an easy-to-use, safe and enjoyable crossing to enhance the Bay Area's regional bicycle, pedestrian and transit networks. The study goal is to develop crossing designs that

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Why do we need another crossing?

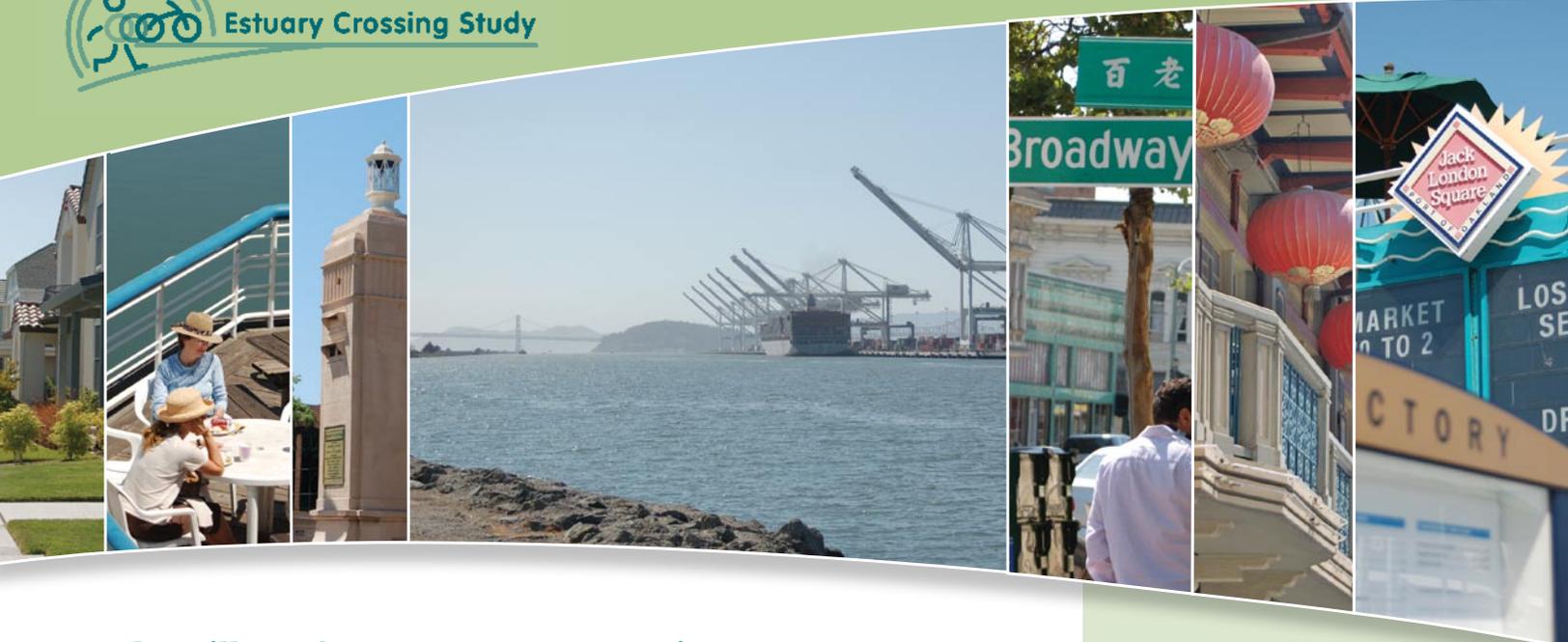
Today, bicyclists and pedestrians traveling between the west end of Alameda and Oakland's downtown must use either a bus or a narrow path in the Posey Tube with two-way pedestrian and bicycle traffic. Due to the limitations of this estuary crossing, pedestrians and bicyclists are reluctant to use it, which reduces the potential diversion from automobiles to walking and bicycling in this heavily congested corridor. As the populations of West Alameda and Oakland grow, congestion and conditions in the tube will worsen. A new crossing for bicyclists, pedestrians and perhaps for transit will help provide a safe, convenient option for recreational riders, tourists and commuters.

Who will use the new crossing?

As jobs, housing and tourism grow in the East Bay, more residents, workers, students and tourists will cross the estuary. Significant destinations along the estuary include the College of Alameda, the Webster Street Business District, Marina Village, Jack London Square, transit hubs such as BART, Amtrak and bus stops, Oakland Chinatown, the new Alameda Landing project currently under development, and the potential future redevelopment of Alameda Point.

Where will the new crossing be?

No location has been chosen for the new crossing yet. The Estuary Crossing Study is exploring project alternatives between the Marina Village Shopping Center and the Main Street Ferry Terminal on the Alameda side and the Estuary Park and the Oakland Ferry Terminal on the Oakland side.



Who will pay for a new estuary crossing?

The funding breakdown for the study is as follows:

- Measure B Bike/Pedestrian Discretionary: \$100,000 (Alameda County Transportation Improvement Authority)
- City of Alameda Measure B Local Funds: \$100,000
- City of Oakland: \$10,000
- TOTAL: \$210,000

Caltrans also is contributing in-kind support by providing the study with the use of its on-call outreach consultants.

It is anticipated that implementation of major projects identified from the Estuary Crossing Study will need regional, state, or federal funding.

What will the new crossing look like?

The project team invites community members to help develop the new estuary crossing! Potential options range from a new tube to a bridge to a ferry to amphibious vehicles, bus barges, and beyond. Add your ideas to the mix!

When are the next community meetings?

In Alameda: Saturday, September 13, 10 am to 12 pm

Pasta Pelican Restaurant
2455 Mariner Square Drive

In Oakland: Thursday, September 18, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Oakland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Oakland City Hall
1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Hearing Room 4 (second floor, north side of building)

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appeal to the patron, adjacent communities, decision-makers, transit providers and funding authorities. The new crossing is expected to be part of the San Francisco Bay Trail.

For more information...

To learn more about the Estuary Crossing Study, visit the study website:

www.estuarycrossing.org

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