

# Docktown Marina Update

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*In advance of a draft Docktown Plan being released for public review on Nov. 15, this blog helps to answer several questions from community members about Docktown Marina and next steps with regard to Plan development and implementation.*

An environmental assessment of Redwood Creek and waters surrounding Docktown Marina, which was performed by a third-party environmental consulting firm, is now complete. The assessment of the study area (Redwood Creek and the adjacent slough) concludes that Docktown Marina is not a significant source of bacteriological or chemical contamination.

Completion of the assessment, required under the terms of a settlement agreement to resolve outstanding issues related to a lawsuit filed against the City over the Docktown Marina, represents an important step in the City's preparation of the draft Docktown Plan.

In considering potential human health impacts, the environmental assessment looked at recreational use, fish consumption and water quality in Redwood Creek and the adjacent slough, including areas upstream and downstream of Docktown Marina. Among the findings:

- Individuals who play or wade in water in the study area are not at significant health risk, and the less-than-significant risks in the study area are similar to those observed throughout San Francisco Bay.
- As in other areas of the Bay, the bioaccumulation of chemicals in fish caught by anglers in the study area is of potential concern. Fish consumption advisories issued by the State of California for San Francisco Bay should be followed for all fish caught in the Bay, including in the study area.
- Docktown Marina is not a likely source of bacterial or chemical contamination in Redwood Creek or the adjacent slough and public health is not at risk due to activities at Docktown.
- No additional environmental investigation or remediation of sediments/water associated with Docktown Marina is warranted.

The results of the assessment are available below in the documents section.

The City is moving ahead to develop a draft Docktown Plan consistent with State law and State Lands Commission policies. A draft Plan is anticipated to be released to the public on November 15 and will be followed by a substantial public process to assure that the voices of the Docktown community members and residents at large can be heard. A recommended Docktown Plan, which

will consider public input received on the draft Plan, will be presented to the City Council at its December 12 meeting. A Docketown Plan must be adopted by the end of 2016.

The process of implementing the Plan is expected to begin in early 2017. City officials anticipate that implementing the Plan will take some time. The City Council's goal is to provide community members with meaningful assistance and a reasonable time frame to transition. Community members are invited to provide comments at any time at [docketown@redwoodcity.org](mailto:docketown@redwoodcity.org).