

# **HCPA** East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservation Plan Association

## **HCPA Coordination Group Meeting**

Thursday, February 20, 2003  
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

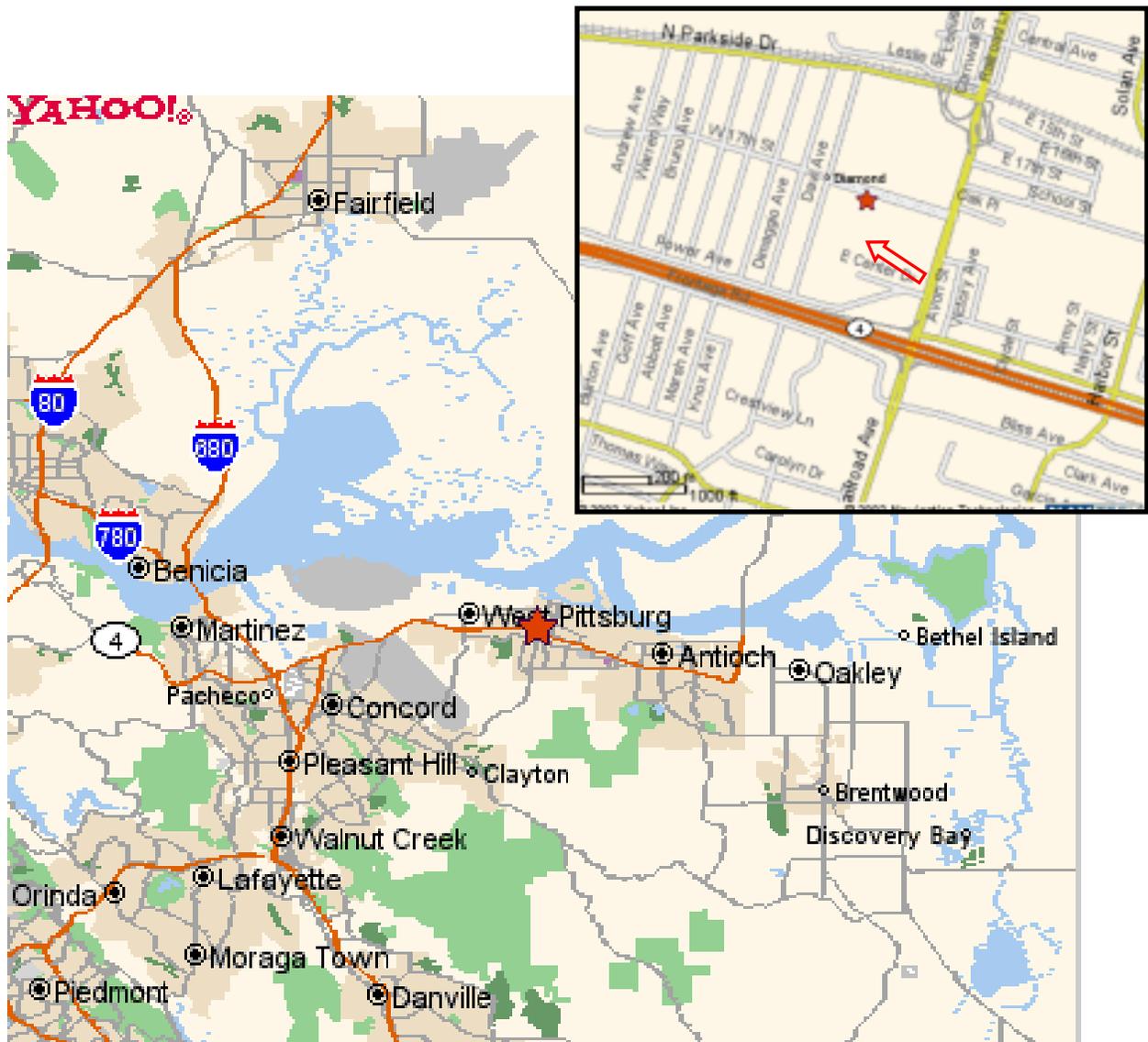
City of Pittsburg Council Chambers  
65 Civic Drive in Pittsburg, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
(see map on reverse)

### **Agenda**

- 1:00 Introductions. Review contents of meeting packet.
- 1:05 Review and approve Draft Meeting Record of the January 23, 2003 Coordination Group meeting.
- 1:10 Continue discussion of Preliminary Draft Conservation Strategies and Alternatives, a partial, early draft of the Conservation Strategy Chapter of the HCP/NCCP. Several preliminary draft work products will be discussed under this item, though the restoration and management components of the Conservation Strategies document and the conclusion of the Impact Analysis will be the primary focus this time:
- Cover memo putting the series of partial draft documents into context
  - Main body of Preliminary Draft Conservation Strategies and Alternatives
  - Preliminary Impacts Analysis Memo
  - Memo on proposed approach to wetlands permitting
  - Preliminary economic analysis materials, including draft memos on land valuation and potential funding sources
  - Revised draft of Biological Goals
- These documents (minus color maps) are available on the project website under the January 23 meeting materials. Hard copies of these documents with the color maps were handed out last month and a few additional copies will be available at the meeting. All of these documents may also be obtained by contacting staff.
- 2:40 Discuss schedule for collecting input and developing recommendations on the Preliminary Draft Conservation Strategies and Alternatives and associated documents.
- 2:50 Confirm upcoming meeting dates. Upcoming Coordination Group meetings are scheduled as follows for the City of Pittsburg Council Chambers (usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays):  
Thursday, March 20, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.(tentative)  
Thursday, April 17, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.(tentative)  
(*Science Advisory Panel scheduled to meet again on 2/26 at 11 a.m.*)
- 2:55 Public comment.
- 3:00 Adjourn.

*Times are approximate. If you have questions about this agenda or desire additional meeting materials, you may contact John Kopchik of the Contra Costa County Community Development Department at 925-335-1227.*

## Map and Directions to Pittsburg City Hall 65 Civic Drive



### Directions from I-680, Central County

- 1) Take Hwy 4 East toward Antioch/Stockton
- 2) Follow Hwy East over the hill (Willow Pass)
- 3) Exit Railroad Ave. (the 2<sup>nd</sup> exit after the hill)
- 4) At the end of the exit ramp, turn left on Railroad Ave.
- 5) Turn left at the second intersection, East Center Drive (signs for various city offices will also point you this way)
- 6) Immediately bear right into the large parking lot next to City Hall
- 7) Meeting is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

### Directions from Antioch and points east

- 1) Take Hwy 4 West toward Martinez/Richmond
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# DRAFT MEETING RECORD

## East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservation Plan Association (HCPA) Coordination Group Meeting

Thursday, January 23, 2003  
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

City of Pittsburg Council Chambers

**1:00 Welcome and introductions.** Meeting attendees introduced themselves. Coordination Group members in attendance were:

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| Carol Arnold, CCRC                      | Randy Jerome, City of Pittsburg        |
| Chris Barton, City of Pittsburg         | Sheila Larson, U.S. Fish and Wildlife  |
| Paul Cylinder, Jones & Stokes, Inc.     | Kathy Leighton, Byron MAC              |
| Mike Daley, Sierra Club, Bay Chapter    | Jody Merriam, Byron MAC                |
| Abby Fateman, CCC Community Dev.        | Nancy Thomas, CCRC                     |
| Jim Gwerder, CCC Citizens Land Alliance | Kerri Watt, Shea Homes                 |
| Barry Hand, City of Oakley              | Carl Wilcox, CA Dept. of Fish and Game |
| Cheryl Johnson, U.S. Fish and Wildlife  | David Zippin, Jones & Stokes, Inc.     |
| John Kopchik, CCC Community Dev.        |  |

Others in attendance included: John Hopkins, Institute for Ecological Health

**1:05 Review and approve Draft Meeting Record of the December 19, 2002 Coordination Group meeting.** The meeting record was approved.

**1:10 Presentation on, and initial discussion of, Preliminary Draft Conservation Strategies and Alternatives, a partial, early draft of the Conservation Strategy Chapter of the HCP/NCCP.** Several preliminary draft work products will be discussed under this item, though the Conservation Strategies document will be the primary focus:

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John Kopchik introduced the presentation. He reiterated that the Preliminary Draft Conservation Strategies and Alternatives is a working draft that will be refined based on comments and the already agreed-upon additional data collection (presuming funding is secured). David Zippin presented the materials and walked the group through the different components of the Conservation Strategies document using a slide presentation. Some discussion topics prompted by the presentation included: implementation costs, the evolving nature of the document, permit status of Los Vaqueros expansion and the relationship of that proposal to the HCP, management costs and legal costs of defending

easements, the need for Science Panel input not to be constrained by draft documents, inclusion of land uses on the other side of the county line in maps, and the Jump Start and Stay Ahead provisions.

**2:40 Discuss schedule for collecting input and developing recommendations on the Preliminary Draft Conservation Strategies and Alternatives and associated documents.** Comments on the Preliminary Draft Conservation Strategies and Alternatives and associated documents will be accepted for at least two months in verbal form at the meetings. A specific deadline and schedule for those wishing to submit written comments will be determined at the February 20<sup>th</sup> Coordination Group meeting.

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**2:55 Public comment.** None.

**3:00 Adjourn.**