

1 [Yosemite Creek Watershed Restoration Study]

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3 **Resolution Urging the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission to Study**  
4 **Opportunities to Restore the Yosemite Creek Watershed.**

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6 WHEREAS, The Yosemite Creek Watershed, whose headwaters are located in the  
7 heights of McClaren Park and lower catchment is in Yosemite Slough, was once the largest  
8 wetland watershed on the eastern shoreline of San Francisco; and

9 WHEREAS, The lower catchment of this watershed is the only site along San  
10 Francisco's southern Bayside waterfront with substantial wetland and watershed restoration  
11 opportunities; and

12 WHEREAS, The opportunity for wetland and watershed restoration is enhanced by the  
13 expression of interest on the part of San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) staff  
14 interest in exploring the possibility of daylighting and restoring portions of the culverted stream  
15 to the northwest of Yosemite Slough; and

16 WHEREAS, The area around the lower catchment has been included in the Bayview  
17 Hunters Point Redevelopment Plan area and the Hunters Point Shipyard Redevelopment Plan  
18 area and these areas are expected to undergo new development over the next several years;  
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20 WHEREAS, Development of a long-term restoration program for the watershed could  
21 complement these redevelopment efforts; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the SFPUC to prepare a study that  
23 evaluates the watershed and wetlands restoration opportunities for this important ecological  
24 area, identifies how the restoration of this watershed can enhanced redevelopment efforts in  
25 the area, identifies possible locations for wetland restoration and other waterfront features,

1 determines the feasibility of using living shorelines instead of rip rap and other forms of  
2 armoring not conducive to habitat production and establishes criteria for this purpose; and, be  
3 it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board urges the SFPUC to provide the study to the  
5 Board of Supervisors and the public for comment and consideration in time to coordinate any  
6 desired restoration efforts with the redevelopment activities planned for this area.

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