

## Correspondence on Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 Amendment

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**Comment:**

Dear PBA Staff;

In contemplating the proposed TIP improvements, I have previously written about the extent to which these improvements depend on the proposed sea walls in many locations for their endurance.

It also occurred that in building sea walls, PBA 2050 may assume flood liability for private property in the event of a sea wall system breach or failure; liability presently resting solely on individuals, families or commercial owners of real property.

If civic structures such as the proposed sea walls were to fail; overwhelmed or undermined by Bay water; it is assured that those affected and their insurance companies would turn to the municipal entities for restitution. If so; this liability then becomes a public cost; representing a new, enduring liability associated with the costs of the sea walls. Actually beyond 2050.

While it is budgeted that the sea walls are currently captured to 2050 as a cost; subsequent development over the next 25 years will rely on the sea wall strategy as a permanent solution, encouraging any privately financed development to rely on them for the projected life of their approved construction.

The likely public liability associated with sea wall failure or inadequacy resulting in private or corporate property losses, should be treated as a valid, related public liability, associated with all elements of the sea wall engineering and construction; for the duration of improvements built to depend on them. This represents a set of additional specific, long-range budgetary line items.

Yours,  
Bill Mayben