# East Bay



# Greenway



Concept Plan for a Bicycle and Pedestrian Path A healthier, greener, and safer passage from Oakland to Hayward



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