Green Connections will increase access to parks, open space and the waterfront, by re-envisioning City streets and paths as ‘green connectors’. These streets will be designed to make it easier and safer for people and wildlife to connect to recreational amenities.

**WHAT IS THIS PROJECT?**
Green Connections will result in a Citywide network of green streets that can be built over time, improving pedestrian and bicycle access to parks, open space and the waterfront; reducing stormwater runoff; and enhancing wildlife habitat on city streets. At the end of the project, three products will be developed. These products will provide the framework to secure funding and implement Green Connections.

- A Citywide map of Green Connections
- A design toolkit of intersection and block treatments
- Concept designs in six neighborhoods

**WHO IS INVOLVED?**
Green Connections is a public collaboration led by the San Francisco Planning Department, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, San Francisco Department of Public Health, The San Francisco Department of the Environment, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, The Port of San Francisco and the Mayor’s Office of Housing. The City Agencies have partnered with three community-based organizations: San Francisco Parks Alliance, Walk San Francisco, and Nature in the City. The project is being funded by a grant from the California Sustainable Growth Council.

**PROJECT OVERVIEW & CONTEXT**

**OPEN SPACE**
A VISION FOR SAN FRANCISCO’S OPEN SPACE

**STORMWATER DESIGN GUIDELINES**
San Francisco’s stormwater management engages new development, existing CSO systems and some of the ground surfaces managed as public rights-of-way. The Stormwater Design Guidelines outline ways to incorporate on-site stormwater management using low impact design (LID) strategies, also known as green infrastructure. Adopted 2010.

**SAN FRANCISCO BICYCLE PLAN**
A plan establishing the Citywide Bicycle Network. The plan also includes transportation and Roadmap to Implementation.

**RECREATION & OPEN SPACE ELEMENT**
An Element of the City’s General Plan that provides a 20 year strategy for the development, protection, and enhancement of the City’s recreation and open space resources.

**KEY WALKING STREETS**
A plan identifying key walking streets throughout the City, due to demographics, street slope, and/or limited access to a transportation network. Key Walking Streets are characterized as having high pedestrian activity factors, and are located in areas where there might be more dependence on walking as a means of transportation.

**WALK-TEST, MAP OF KEY WALKING STREETS**
A process testing ideas and solutions related to safety, design, accessibility and pedestrian activity factors, and that enhance people’s walking or active mobility. If the validation shows that a design strategy is effective, it will be taken into account in future work.

**INVOLVEMENT & EngAGEMENT**
The project team is hosting many public events to engage communities in developing Green Connections.

- Visit the project website: [http://greenconnections.sfplanning.org](http://greenconnections.sfplanning.org)
- Join the project mailing list: [greenconnections@sfmailing.org](mailto:greenconnections@sfmailing.org)
- Participate in upcoming events: visit the project website.
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