



Watershed walks to kickstart the year

We don't know about you, but after overindulging through holiday meals, feeling cooped up indoors and spending too much time on social media, we're looking for ways to reset the body and mind. It's a new year, after all. An opportunity to start fresh, embrace healthy habits, or simply take some deep breaths and exhale.

Nature walks can do us all a lot of good. Yes, the days are short. But they're getting longer! Are temperatures chilly? Throw on a jacket! A little rain? We need it! Fill a water bottle, turn off your phone and head outside. With 90 miles of trails spanning 29,000 acres of East Bay watershed, EBMUD's got you covered.

Here are a few staff picks for inspiration.

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| 1 | Skyline Trail
Berkeley | Beautiful ridgeline views of Mount Diablo to the east and San Francisco Bay to the west highlight this trail that features a wide assortment of native flora. |
| 2 | Oursan and Bear Creek Trails
Orinda | If you're up for longer mileage, these connected trails form a gorgeous loop around the clear waters of Briones Reservoir. You might spot a wandering coyote or California quail. |
| 3 | Pinole Ridge Trail
near Pinole | Hilltop vistas and serene oak woodlands reward narrow climbs through grasslands and coyote brush. Scan the sky for raptors circling overhead. |
| 4 | King Canyon Loop Trail
Moraga | Listen to birdsong, nod to grazing horses and meander among the oaks, pines and bay laurels that skirt Upper San Leandro Reservoir. |
| 5 | Rocky Ridge Loop Trail,
near San Ramon
<i>(background image)</i> | A combination of steep inclines and ridgeline rollers offer splendid views of lands beyond. Kelly green grasses that emerge in winter are joined by an eruption of golden poppies and wild lupine as the weather warms. |



- Learn more about EBMUD trails, download watershed maps and purchase a trail use permit at ebmud.com/eastbaytrails.
- Interested in exploring areas further afield? We have trails in the Sierra foothills too. Go to ebmud.com/sierratrails.



Investments in your water system

EBMUD continually invests in our critical infrastructure to ensure the water and wastewater services you depend on remain safe, reliable and affordable. Whether it's managing water supplies now and for the future, upgrading water treatment plants so every drop you drink is of the highest quality, replacing aging pipelines that deliver water to your taps, or improving the wastewater system that protects your health and the environment, we're always in action to meet our community's needs. This work across our interconnected systems benefits all 1.4 million EBMUD customers.

PVC Pipeline Replacement



Here are a few of the dozens of essential infrastructure projects underway to serve you better.

Aqueduct Relining

EBMUD's Mokelumne Aqueducts convey 90 percent of our water supply from the Sierra Nevada foothills to the East Bay. We will be repairing and relining sections of these 90-mile-long steel pipelines to improve structural integrity and water supply reliability.

Status: In design; construction in 2029-2032.

Orinda Water Treatment Plant Upgrades

This multiyear project will improve water treatment disinfection, reliability, and resiliency against water quality fluctuations caused by climate change. EBMUD's largest water treatment plant serves approximately 800,000 customers.

Status: Construction in progress; completion in 2028.

Pipeline Rebuild

Replacing aged distribution pipelines before they break reduces water loss, customer outages, and potential damage to assets and the environment. EBMUD takes a strategic approach. We plan to replace nearly 300 miles of pipeline over the next decade.

Status: Ongoing in multiple locations.

Wastewater Infrastructure

Most of our wastewater infrastructure was built 50-70 years ago and needs renewal. Wastewater pipeline repairs, structural retrofits, and equipment replacement will improve safety and reliability while reducing long-term maintenance costs.

Status: Construction in 2025-2031.

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Mokelumne Aqueducts



EBMUD Mission Statement

To manage the natural resources with which the District is entrusted; to provide reliable, high-quality water and wastewater services at fair and reasonable rates for the people of the East Bay; and to preserve and protect the environment for future generations.

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