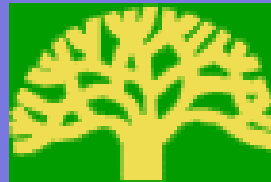


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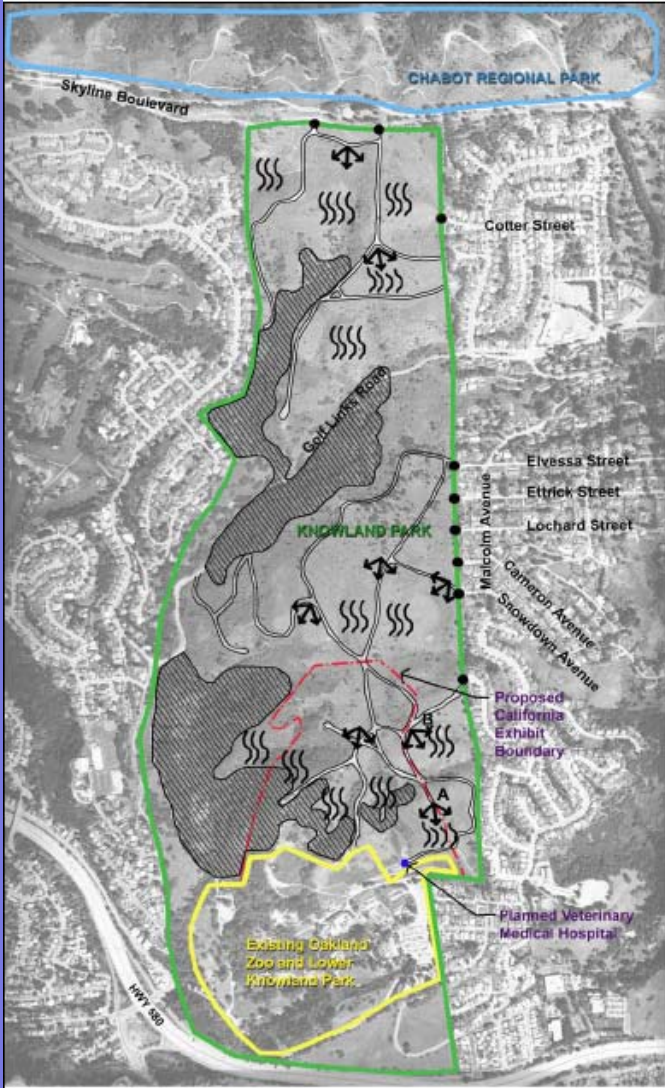
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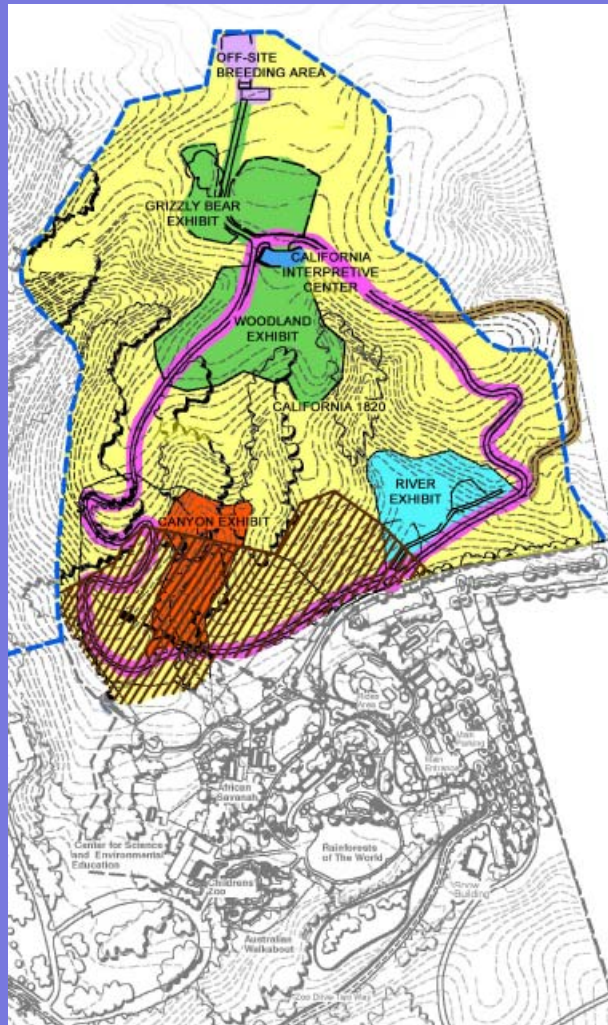
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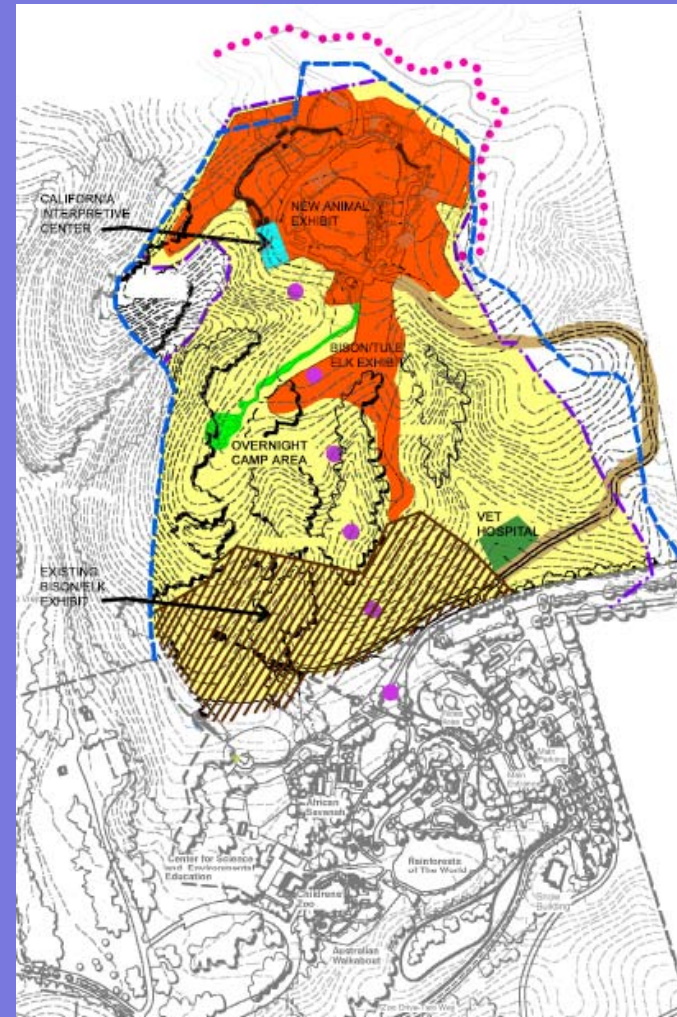
# Oakland Zoo in Knowland Park



# 1998 Master Plan vs. Amended Master Plan



1998 Master Plan



Amended Master Plan



# *1998 Master Plan vs. Amended Master Plan*

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| <b>Impact</b>            | <b>1998<br/>Master Plan</b> | <b>Amended<br/>Master Plan</b> | <b>Change</b> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Expansion Area</b>    | <b>62 acres</b>             | <b>56 acres</b>                | <b>- 10%</b>  |
| <b>Whipsnake Habitat</b> | <b>36 acres</b>             | <b>21 acres</b>                | <b>- 42%</b>  |
| <b>Native Grasslands</b> | <b>5.6 acres</b>            | <b>4.4 acres</b>               | <b>- 21%</b>  |



# *Visual Simulations*

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**View of California Exhibit from within Knowland Park**



## *Visual Simulations (cont'd)*



**View of California Interpretive Center from Golf Links Road**



## *Visual Simulations (cont'd)*



**View of California Interpretive Center from Interstate 580**



## *Visual Simulations (cont'd)*



**View of aerial gondola from adjacent neighborhood**





# *Habitat Enhancement Plan (HEP)*

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- Reduces impacts to less-than-significant
- Technically feasible: “enhancement” rather than “restoration”
- Geographically feasible: adequate area on-site
- Financially feasible:
  - Cost estimate = \$15,000 - \$85,000 per year
  - Zoo demonstrated financial capacity
  - Condition of approval requires Zoo demonstrate funding is available before City issues construction permits
- Annual Review by Parks & Rec. Advisory Comm.



# *Reasons for Approval*

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1. Enhance City facility by providing unique and valuable recreational and educational opportunity
2. Expansion area reduced from 62 acres to 56 acres
3. Aerial gondola: less impact than approved shuttle bus system
4. Vet. Hospital: provide improved animal care
5. Overnight camping area: provide unique experience
6. Perimeter fence adjustments: reduce encroachment into valuable habitat; preserve public access to scenic knolls
7. Public walking path: enhance public access to fire roads
8. Snowdown emergency access road: enhance emergency access
9. Consistent with Zoning and General Plan
10. Substantial open space would remain in Knowland Park and surrounding area



*Thank you*

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