

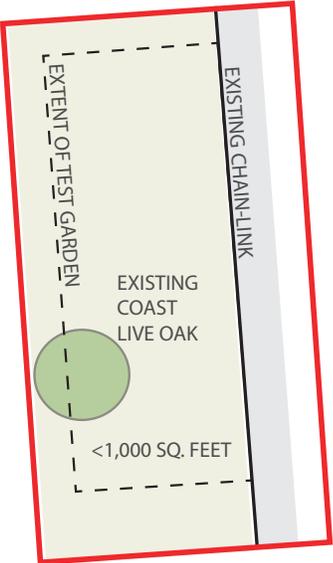
Potrero Gateway Eco-Patch

What is the project?

Building on the work done to establish 17th Street between San Bruno Avenue and Vermont Street as a gateway to Potrero Hill, we envision a portion of the swath of land along Vermont Street as a demonstration garden. The demonstration garden will feature plants native to San Francisco and adapted to serpentine soils with the intention of providing wildlife habitat and increasing biodiversity in San Francisco.

As the first stage of the project, a test garden just shy of 1,000 SF will be planted with a number of plants from our proposed plant palette. The test garden will be monitored to determine the site suitability of specific plants and the success of different weed management strategies.

- **Site access:** *the existing fence stays in place and although the garden will be visible from the sidewalk there won't be public access to site.*
- **Safety:** Planting will stay low to maintain lines of sight for site safety.
- **Timing:** sheet mulching and other weed management for the test garden will begin in the coming weeks. Planting for the test garden will occur in October 2020.
- **Additional information:** for more information and to keep up-to-date as the project progresses, please visit www.potrerogatewaypark.org.



Test garden diagram

We welcome your input and involvement!

We want this project to be an asset to the neighborhood and value your feedback. The test garden project will be funded by the GBD and maintenance of the open space area around the test garden will continue to be done by GBD service crews. The installation, weeding, watering, and monitoring of the test garden will be a volunteer effort and so we welcome anyone who is interested in contributing. Please contact pgploop@gmail.com for more information on how to get involved and/or to provide feedback.

- **Mulch day:** sheet mulching will happen in July as a means of removing existing vegetation and amending the soil prior to planting in October.
- **iNaturalist:** wildlife monitoring will be done through iNaturalist. A project has been set up here: <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/potrero-eco-patch-monitoring-area>
- **Planting and ongoing management:** Test garden planting will happen in October and subsequent maintenance, watering and monitoring will happen throughout the year.



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Test garden location

Eco-Patch extent TBD