

A detailed nautical chart of San Francisco Bay, showing the city of San Francisco, the Golden Gate, and various islands and points. The chart includes depth soundings, navigational markers, and labels for various locations. The title "2013 ANNUAL REPORT" is overlaid in large, bold, blue letters.

2013 ANNUAL REPORT



SAN FRANCISCO
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A MESSAGE FROM BAYKEEPER'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

SAN FRANCISCO BAY'S MOST DETERMINED AND EFFECTIVE ADVOCATE

"Baykeeper, what is your intent?"

On that foggy January morning, I heard the Coast Guard officer's voice crackle through the radio. After receiving a phone call saying that an oil tanker had hit the Bay Bridge, I was onboard the Baykeeper boat, monitoring the crash site for signs of an oil spill in San Francisco Bay.

Fortunately, the tanker's hull had not been breached, and no oil spilled into the Bay that day. But this near-miss highlighted the need for even greater vigilance in protecting the Bay from oil spills. After learning that low visibility may have been a factor in the crash (as it was in the *Cosco Busan* oil spill of 2007), Baykeeper joined the maritime community in calling for a navigation rule change that was quickly adopted. Now, large outbound ships are not allowed to sail under the Bay Bridge during heavy fog.

Since then, I breathe a sigh of relief when I look outside on a foggy day, knowing that another ship-bridge accident is much less likely.

Sometimes I think back to the Coast Guard officer's question, and its larger answer. What is Baykeeper's intent? We identify the greatest threats to the health of San Francisco Bay. Then we do what it takes to stop harm from those threats—from advocating for tougher pollution regulations, to collecting our own samples of contaminated runoff as evidence, to suing polluters under the Clean Water Act. I want to thank every Baykeeper supporter who has stood with us this year, in our firm intent to make San Francisco Bay a healthy waterway where wildlife flourishes, residents enjoy safe recreation, and unpolluted beauty can be seen at every shore.



A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Deb Self". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Deb Self, Baykeeper
and Executive Director

A YEAR OF

PERSEVERANCE

For years, outdated Bay Area sewage systems have spilled millions of gallons of sewage into the Bay and its watershed, threatening the health of the ecosystem and sickening swimmers, kilters, surfers, paddlers, and sailors.

But now, as a result of Baykeeper's multi-year Sick of Sewage campaign, sewer agencies serving twenty cities—including some of the Bay's worst-polluting systems—have agreed to repair leaky sewer pipes and upgrade outdated infrastructure.

Many cities where we reached our earliest agreements have already made repairs and dramatically reduced sewage spills. One city, South San Francisco, finished its required fixes three years early and no longer causes sewage pollution problems.

**BAYKEEPER CONTINUED
OUR STEADY DRIVE
TOWARD A SEWAGE-FREE
SAN FRANCISCO BAY**

Baykeeper will make sure the other agencies continue repairs, until we reach our goal of a San Francisco Bay that's free of sewage pollution.



Photo: Ingrid Taylar

A YEAR OF

LEGAL ACTION

OUR BAY-SAFE INDUSTRY CAMPAIGN IS REINING IN TOXIC INDUSTRIAL RUNOFF

Baykeeper launched our Bay-Safe Industry campaign last year to tackle one of San Francisco Bay's most pervasive pollution problems: toxic industrial runoff.

There are 1,300 industrial facilities in the Bay Area—such as metal recyclers, machine manufacturers, and shipping terminals—and the majority are not doing what's required to prevent heavy metals and toxic chemicals from being washed from their properties into the Bay by rain. This widespread contamination threatens the health of the Bay, its wildlife, and those who spend time in or near the water.

Baykeeper is making steady progress to rein in this source of toxic Bay pollution. We have expanded our legal docket and trained volunteer investigators to help us identify polluters. Our expert legal and science staff are able to evaluate each site and recommend the most effective pollution controls for that facility. So far, we have won cleanups at more than a dozen industrial runoff polluters, including the West Coast's largest dry dock and the nation's fourth largest steel foundry.





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THE BAYKEEPER TEAM

Above, left to right:
Senior Staff Attorney Sejal Choksi-Chugh, Staff Scientist Ian Wren, former Managing Attorney Jayni Foley Hein, Staff Attorney Andrea Kopecky, Program Director Jason Flanders, and Executive Director Deb Self.

Bottom, left to right:
Deb, Jason, Sejal, Andrea, and Ian.



A YEAR OF HANDS-ON CLEANUP

One of San Francisco Bay's rare, wild beaches lies on the shore of Point Molate in Richmond, but the area had been closed off for more than a decade. Toxic debris polluted the waters and shoreline, including hundreds of logs contaminated with creosote, a now-banned wood preservative that poses a health risk to people and wildlife.

In a four-month effort this year, Baykeeper and our volunteers removed 96 tons of debris from Point Molate. Eliminating this toxic pollution source will improve the health of eelgrass beds along the shoreline, which provide important habitat for sea life near the beach.

For several years, Point Molate was considered as a site for a mega-casino. Baykeeper helped defeat that proposal. Our shoreline cleanup this year helped make it possible for Point Molate Beach Park to be reopened, making this natural treasure accessible to all Bay Area residents.

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POINT MOLATE
BEACH PARK**

SAN RAFAEL

POINT MOLATE



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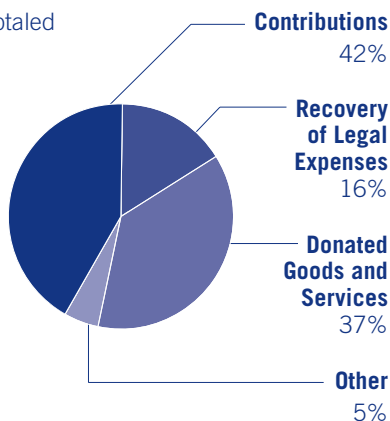


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JULY 1, 2012 – JUNE 30, 2013

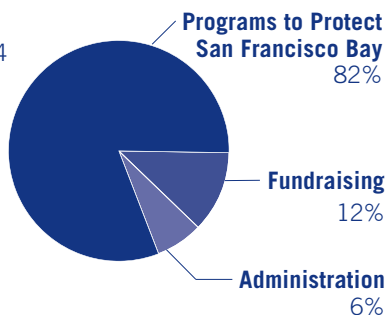
REVENUE

During 2012-2013, Baykeeper revenue totaled \$1,376,203. Our supporters generously contributed \$571,686 (42%). When we settle a lawsuit against a polluter, the Clean Water Act allows Baykeeper to recover our fees and costs to bring the case as well as monitor the resulting reductions in pollution; in 2012-2013, this amounted to \$215,971 (16%). In addition, we received more than \$500,000 in donated services from our outside attorneys.



EXPENSES

During 2012-13, Baykeeper's expenses totaled \$1,509,122. We spent \$1,230,254 (82%) on programs to strengthen clean water laws and compel polluters to stop contaminating San Francisco Bay. Baykeeper keeps other expenses very low, spending \$180,317 (12%) on fundraising and \$98,552 (6%) on administrative costs.



WHY WERE EXPENSES HIGHER THAN REVENUE?

For the past two years, Baykeeper has expanded our legal docket, with more cases in our Bay-Safe Industry campaign to rein in toxic industrial pollution to the Bay. When these cases settle in future fiscal years, we will recover 2012-2013 fees and costs. Baykeeper is investing our resources strategically to achieve the greatest possible benefit to the health of the Bay.

These figures are preliminary. Baykeeper's full audited financial statements will be available once completed at www.baykeeper.org.



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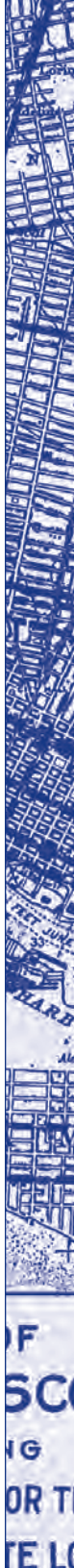
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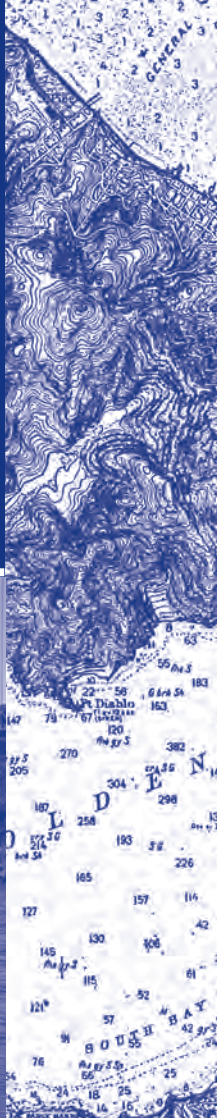
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25 YEARS
OF SUCCESSFUL ACTION TO
PROTECT SAN FRANCISCO BAY.



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