



Myth: A's have sought shortcuts and exemptions from environmental laws

Truth:

- AB 734 holds A's to higher environmental standards, including the construction being all LEED-Gold certified, full greenhouse neutrality.
- A's are currently amidst an intensive, year-long environmental review process in collaboration with the City of Oakland, the Port of Oakland, BCDC, the State Lands Commission and applicable statewide natural resource agencies.
- The CEQA process evaluates a range of environmental impacts of the project: air quality, transportation, biological resources, hazards, water quality and noise.
- Only after thorough review of those issues will we seek certification of the Final EIR from the Oakland City Council and seek project approvals from the City, the Port, BCDC, the State Lands Commission and applicable resource agencies.

Myth: Howard Terminal has insufficient transit and a ballpark will increase greenhouse gas emissions from vehicles going to and from the new stadium

Truth:

- The A's are committed to a transit-first approach, including reducing car trips by 20 percent, expanding public transportation options, investing in bike safety and infrastructure, and pedestrian walkways and bridges.
- The A's have committed to 50% local offsets, an investment of millions of dollars in the West Oakland community and something no other project in the state has included.

Myth: Howard Terminal is contaminated by land toxins

Truth:

- A's have publicly committed to transforming the industrial site through environmental mitigation and remediation with private dollars that will allow 18 acres of new parks and open space for public use
- The A's ballpark project will serve as an essential catalyst to addressing longstanding environmental issues at the Port and in West Oakland.
- The A's have developed a partnership with the West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project (WOEIP), a resident-led, community-based environmental justice organization, to develop a shared environmental justice agenda on issues of public health, air quality, land use, and equity.
- The project will help improve air quality in the surrounding communities, achieves net zero greenhouse gas emissions (GHG), and numerous other broad-based benefits that turn an environmental "negative" to an environmental "positive."

Myth: The site is susceptible for sea-level rise

Truth:

- A's will invest in new protections and fortifications against anticipated sea level rise and shore erosion.