

# SUNSET BOULEVARD GREENWAY POINTS OF INTEREST

## EDUCATIONAL WATERSHED SIGNS

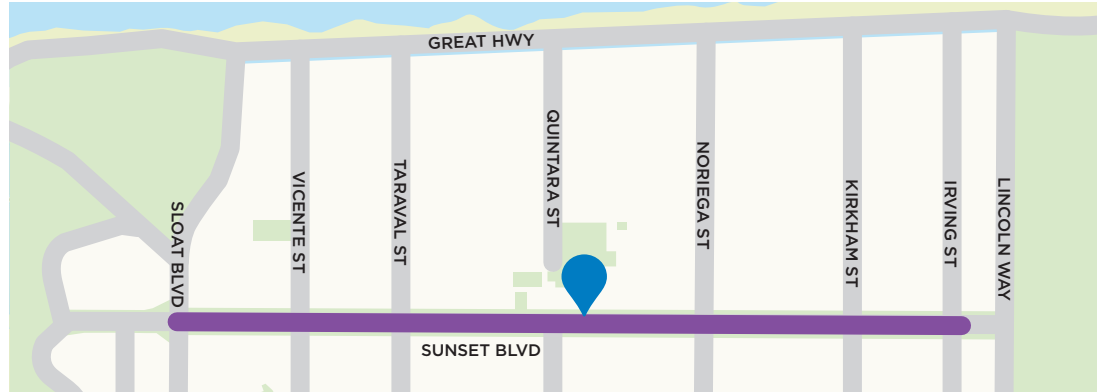


These interpretive signs will be installed at each of the eight green infrastructure projects being constructed by the SFPUC, one in each of San Francisco's watersheds. Signs offer detailed diagrams and brief explanations of how green infrastructure features will function at each project site and a history of the watershed that the project is located in.

## RAIN GARDENS



Rain gardens capture stormwater runoff from streets, roofs, and parking lots. Plants and soil absorb that water, reducing the amount of runoff entering the sewer system. This project has constructed a total of 30 rain gardens covering **21,095 square feet of land** between Sloat Boulevard and Irving Street.



**The Sunset Boulevard Greenway is a green infrastructure project extending over two miles of Sunset Boulevard from Sloat Boulevard to Irving Street.** The project features rain gardens that manage stormwater runoff from 14 blocks of Sunset Boulevard and 37th Avenue. Rain gardens have been placed strategically along the western side of the street in an effort to significantly reduce the stormwater entering the sewer system and infiltrate stormwater into the soil to help replenish groundwater reserves. This project is a partnership between San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) and the San Francisco Public Works. The initial Model Block, completed in the spring of 2016 between Ulloa and Vicente streets is estimated to have reduced the total volume of stormwater entering the sewer system from the project area by 95% (850,000 gallons) during the 2016-17 wet weather season.

In addition to reducing stormwater's impact on San Francisco's aging sewer system, these green infrastructure features can provide other benefits to the community and environment by improving streets for bicyclists and pedestrians, creating public open spaces, increasing biodiversity, and beautifying neighborhoods. With these and other green infrastructure projects, the SFPUC is moving closer to the City's goals of managing 1 billion gallons of stormwater with green infrastructure citywide by 2050. Take a self-guided walking tour and see these newly constructed project features today!



**NATIVE AND DROUGHT TOLERANT PLANTS** Native and drought tolerant plants were chosen for their resilience during wet and dry weather. Please do not attend to the plant life yourself! If you see any maintenance needs or issues, please report to **3-1-1**.

## INTERACTIVE EDUCATIONAL LEARNING LAB



Located directly in front of St. Ignatius College Preparatory, the educational learning lab is a community space for students to sit and experience green infrastructure in action firsthand.

**Stormwater Managed:**  
4.9 million gallons of  
stormwater each year

**Drainage Area:**  
19.9 acres, with 8.3  
acres of impervious  
surfaces

**Green Features:**  
21,095 square feet of  
rain gardens

**Number of rain gardens  
constructed: 30**