

Uniting Nature Based Futurists

Our window is closing to freely organize, fund, recruit and engage humans around the world, to offer alternative narratives focused on hope.

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Executive summary

Many humans are lost and disconnected from their biology and community, exhausted from the corruption driven headwinds, and need a lighthouse to follow us to safety, where we can create a regenerative future together. The forces opposed to us organizing and creating and celebrating our biology and relationships, grow stronger each day. The unabashed embracing of corruption and self interest on public display in the U.S., is a canary in the coalmine. **Uniting Nature Based Futurists is urgent, and the focal point for these ideas.**

Safe & Open

Develop, trial and road test new ideas and established projects, within a safe & open container that is protected by an alliance.

Belonging & Equity

The deepest root to pull is “othering” and our species disconnectedness, that allows inequitable valuations of human lives, and all non-human life.

Spiritual Capacity

Reconnecting lost humans to their biology and need for community, while growing wisdom, compassion and the spiritual capacity to imagine another way of living on our planet, is mission critical.

How do we begin a globally connected local movement?



Inspire Humans

B³ Fridays, a novel idea for creating a repetitive global wave of social activism, with minimal cost to participate and enormous possibility for impact, offers a unifying olive branch for humanity to find our common ground.

And it opens unimaginable pathways for flexing the muscle of the majority, which we, the commons, are.

Peaceful Protest with Enormous Impact



Avoids providing context for a Federal response to civil unrest

The U.S. Federal Government (DOGE) could be creating novel profiles linking American's social security ID with scoring from scrubbing social media and other sources, for a future when marshal law is declared and citizens are reviewed and restricted based on these profiles.

Boycott Big Business: B³ Fridays

An invitation to pause and observe our relationship to big business.

Creates the heartbeat for the “Nature Based Futurists” (NBF) movement.


Our activism addresses UN SDG #12 - reducing consumption & production.



Weaving together a global movement

- B3 Fridays is a global social activism movement centered around boycotting big business for 24 hours each Friday.
- The movement aims to combat the threat of AI domination, connect people to nature and community, and reduce consumption.
- A B3 Fridays app will introduce users to local Neighborsheds, which are community groups focused on place-based participation in a novel regenerative economic model.
- The movement's framework centers around community engagement, place-based programming, and regenerative technology.

Neighborhoods



A novel concept grounded in a bioregional place, that channels mind, body and spirit into a common purpose, finding passion in service and care for all life, human and non-human.

Neighborhoods are urban, suburban and rural based community groupings, that enable innerwork for the masses via participation in novel, place based regenerative economic models.

Neighborhoods organize communities to improve circularity for food and water via both rewilding urban and suburban landscaping and implementing agroforestry practices.

Creating Pathways
to a New World

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B³ Fridays App Creates Future Pathways

Connection & Communication

Offered by a trusted publisher and goes far beyond providing an alarm clock reminder to boycott big business for 24 hours, beginning at 6am local time each Friday.

The app could target a particular industry or company, remind to stock up on staples and gas in advance of Friday, and share local community events and ideas for B³ Fridays such as being outdoors, gardening, gathering, etc.

The app could become a gateway to joining local Neighborhoods and foster unimaginable possibilities for growing our regenerative movement supporting a future based on nature, not Artificial Intelligence.

- **Form team of collaborators**
Trusted collaborators, co-founding a novel alliance, with future intentions, exponentially improves our speed, reach and outcomes.
- **Build App & Begin B³ Fridays**
In either order and with urgency, remembering, “perfect should not be the enemy of good.”
- **Build Regen Tech Stack**
Neighborhoods require regen tech and a myriad of options exist for beta versions while building.
- **Place Based Programming**
Neighborhoods can promote and support existing and emerging community programming.

A Regenerative Future

Recruit everyone. Regen tech provisions, welcomes, assigns, supports, connects, etc. based on inputs

Nature Based Futurist
Welcome!

Bioregional nodes connected to geopolitical constructs comprised of “Neighborsheds”

Place - where do you call home?

Regen tech maps interests to regenerative future

Planetary Health - how do your passion & purpose align?

Regen tech maps to regenerative future

Regenerative Principles - how do your passion & purpose align?

Regenerative Framework



Uniting humans **opposed to** a future where AI dominates nature in service to extraction & inequitable wealth distributions.



Framework Summarized

Community Engagement

Recruit to download B³ Fridays App. Extend to joining local Neighborshed when available. Connection, community, mutual learning, offers & needs, ++

Place Based Programming

Neighborsheds offer participatory, educational services for foodscaping & rewilding landscapes, water gardens, emergency preparedness, ++

Regenerative Tech

Maps our current world to our ideas of regeneration and a participation economy based on place, planetary health & regenerative principles.

Alliance of the Commons


Mycelial network we co-create based on bioregional nodes that link to geo-political boundaries comprised of Neighborsheds.

The People United by Common Ground

BIPOC, labor, civics, philanthropy, sustainable businesses and all humans in favor of nature based futures & opposed to a future of AI dominating nature.

Power


We gain influence, governance and authority from our novel bioregional based, regenerative focus with DEI frameworks for representation.

A photograph of a glowing orange tent pitched on a grassy mountain ridge at dusk. The tent is illuminated from within, casting a warm light. In the background, dark, rugged mountains rise against a sky filled with heavy, dark clouds, with a hint of sunset or sunrise light on the horizon.

**“It is easier to imagine
the end of the world than
the end of capitalism.”**

~ Fredric Jameson and Slavoj Žižek

Mark Fisher, in his book, *Capitalist Realism* argues that capitalism's particular confluence of neoliberalism and postmodernism creates such a powerful mix of disorientation, societal depression and consumerist escapism that it ultimately resigns us to the belief that nothing else is possible.



I know how it looks.
But just start.
Nothing is
insurmountable.

~ Lin-Manuel Miranda

Let's begin prototyping
regenerative, participation
economic models in
Richmond California.

How do we start?

Novel and regenerative tech, with place based programming, can prototype a participation economic model, grounded in place and focused on planetary health, with Neighborshed members creating abundance that is shared equitably and based on sufficiency and belonging without othering.

I see potential for a pilot in the Bay Delta Bioregion, beginning with a small, discretely funded rewilding and edible landscaping offering, via established partners (Groundwork Richmond and the Richmond Rising Youth Fellow Program) as a complimentary offering to the Richmond Rising project area in **Contra Costa County.**

Contra Costa County, California

90 miles of shoreline that includes the San Francisco, San Pablo and the Suisun Bay, and where the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River join and form the entrance to the Sacramento–San Joaquin River Delta and into the Pacific Ocean.

Home to the UC Davis Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory in the town of Byron, that is central to the future of the Bay Delta Estuary and since 1992 has worked to protect the little fish we call Smelt that did NOT cause the LA wildfires.

Home to four of the five Bay Area fossil fuel refineries, which make up the second largest refining center on the West Coast of North America and the tenth largest center of oil and gas extraction in California.

The Contra Costa Refinery Transition Partnership was formed in 2020, as a coalition to prepare for the energy transition in Contra Costa and develop strategies to ensure a just transition. The UC Berkeley Labor Center serves as the lead research partner for the CC RTP.

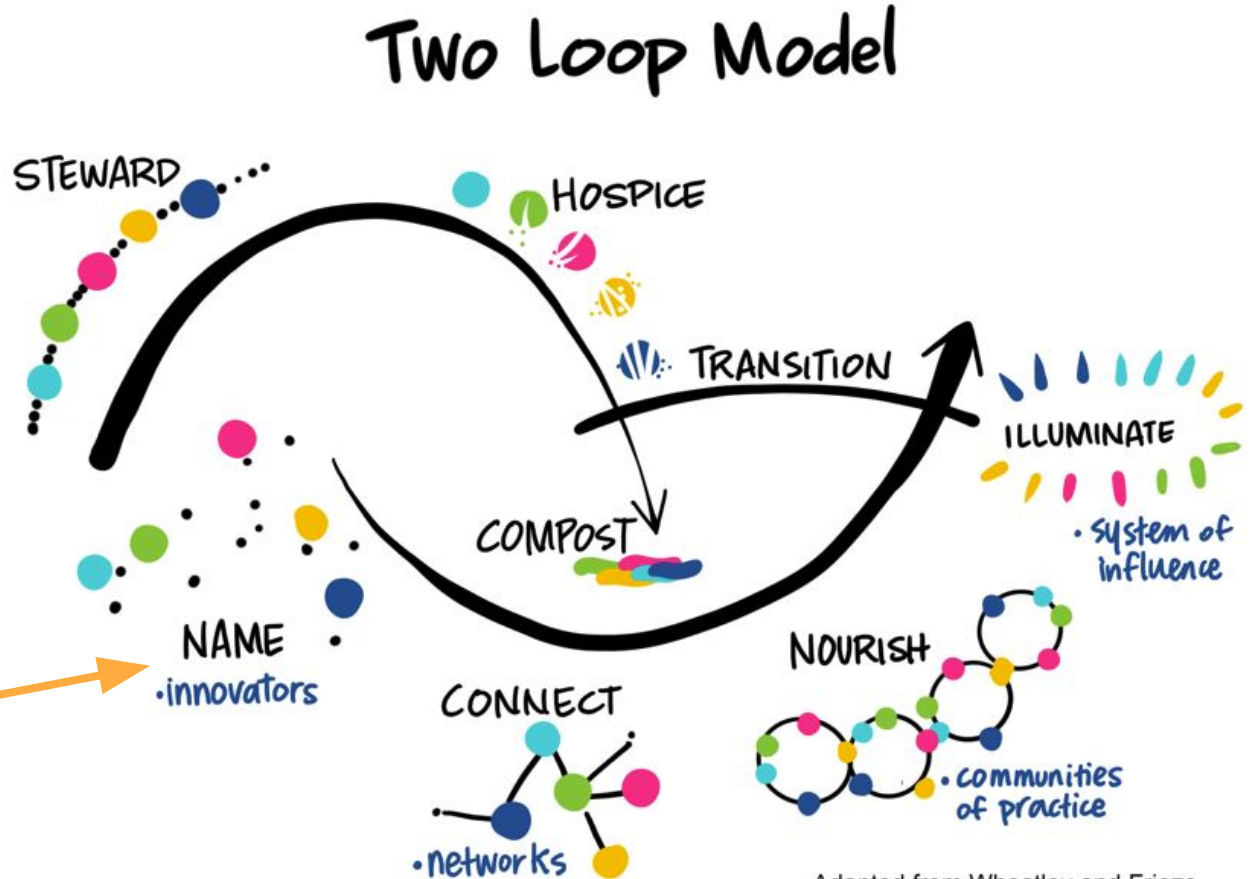
Shares a northern border with Solano County, where the tech bro billionaires continue to push against residents to build their imagined city state called California Forever which is passionately opposed by Solano Together.

A Proposed Model of Change

California Counties

→ LAFCO's

◆ Neighborhoods



Adapted from Wheatley and Frieze

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Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) could be a “magic key”

- LAFCOs were created by the State Legislature in 1963 in response to the rapid growth and sporadic formation of cities and special districts in California in the years following World War II.
- LAFCOs are independent public agencies which administer the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000. Created by the State but with local (not State appointees), each of the 58 counties in the State of California has a LAFCO.
- Among the purposes of a LAFCO are discouraging urban sprawl, preserving open-space and prime agricultural lands, efficiently providing governmental services, and encouraging the orderly formation and development of local agencies based upon local conditions and circumstances.

LAFCO AUTHORITY

Responsible for coordinating logical and timely changes in local governmental boundaries, conducting special studies that review ways to reorganize, simplify, and streamline governmental structure and preparing a sphere of influence for each city and special district within each county.

- Boundary Changes
- Sphere of Influence Studies
- Service Reviews
- Initiation of Special District Consolidations
- Out of Agency Service Agreements
- Adoption of Local Policies

Prototyping in
Richmond's defined
project area.

Piloting
Neighborhoods in
Contra Costa
County.

Expanding pilots
throughout the Bay
Delta Bioregion.


Growing abundant
fractals that weave
into a novel,
regenerative
ordering to our
world that is planet
positive and life
affirming.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE (CDFW) REGIONS	COUNTY	RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (RCD)	Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)
7 Regions	58 Counties	96 California RCDs which are Special Districts RCDs listed by region	58 total with one public agency in each county with county-wide jurisdiction that regulate the boundaries of cities and special districts in California.
GOVERNANCE:	County Board of Supervisors	Dept. of Conservation	Legislated and supported by 501-C https://calafco.org/index.php
BAY DELTA BIOREGION CDFW REGION #3	Alameda	https://acrcd.org/	https://alamedalaftco.org/
	Contra Costa	https://www.ccrco.org/	https://www.contracostalaftco.org/
	Marin	https://www.marincrd.org/	https://www.marinlaftco.org/
	Napa	https://alamedalaftco.org/	https://napa.lafco.ca.gov/
	Sacramento (west I-5)	multiple	https://sacraftco.saccounty.gov/Pages/default.aspx
	San Mateo	https://www.sanmateorcd.org/	https://www.smcgov.org/lafco
	Santa Clara	Multiple	https://santaclaralaftco.org/
	Santa Cruz	https://www.rcdsantacruz.org/	https://santacruzlaftco.org/
	San Francisco	n/a see water control board	https://www.sfgov.org/lafco/
	San Joaquin (west I-5)	http://www.sjrcrd.com/	https://www.sjlaftco.org/
	Solano	https://www.solanorcd.org/	https://www.solanolaftco.com/
	Sonoma	https://sonomarcd.org/	https://sonomalaftco.org/
	Yolo (south I-80)	https://yolorcd.org/	https://www.yololaftco.org/

Supporting Documents



- [LAFCO's linking geopolitical boundaries](#) to future bioregional nodes
- [Ideas for a pilot in Richmond California,](#) plugging into the infrastructure of the Rising Richmond project funded by the \$35 million Transformative Climate Communities Grant
- Introducing a novel concept called [Neighborhoods](#)



You cannot change how someone
thinks, but you can give them a
tool to use, which will lead them to
think differently.

~Buckminster Fuller

Thank you!

I'm eager for work and
available to hire!

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