

WIND RIVER OFFICE PARK

City of Alameda

THE PROJECT:

During the growth period of high technology industries that occurred throughout Bay Area, the City of Alameda gained the name “Silicon Island” due to the desirability of its waterfront locations and small-town charm. Wind River, the software company that designed the navigation system for the Mars Rover space mission, wanted a new corporate campus on the Alameda waterfront and the City of Alameda was eager to have them. Wind River had one overriding requirement - they wanted to complete their project’s approval process, build the first building, and take occupancy within 365 days.

LAMPHIER-GREGORY'S ROLE:

Lamphier-Gregory worked as an adjunct of City staff to take charge of the planning process, prepare the necessary environmental review documents, bring the project forward for the Council’s review and approval, and do it all quickly. Part of our assignment included coordinating with the project design team to ensure the integration of shoreline trails, public access and landscape improvements as part of this waterfront site.

THE OUTCOME

Lamphier-Gregory was able to complete the planning, environmental review and entitlement process for Wind River within 5 months. We also assisted Wind River in obtaining all subsequent federal, regional and local permits and provided mitigation monitoring on site during construction to enable Wind River to begin operations out of its new building within 1 year. Wind River now occupies 4 buildings at the edge of the Oakland/Alameda Estuary and is a major economic presence in the City of Alameda’s “Silicon Island” hub of corporate campuses.

