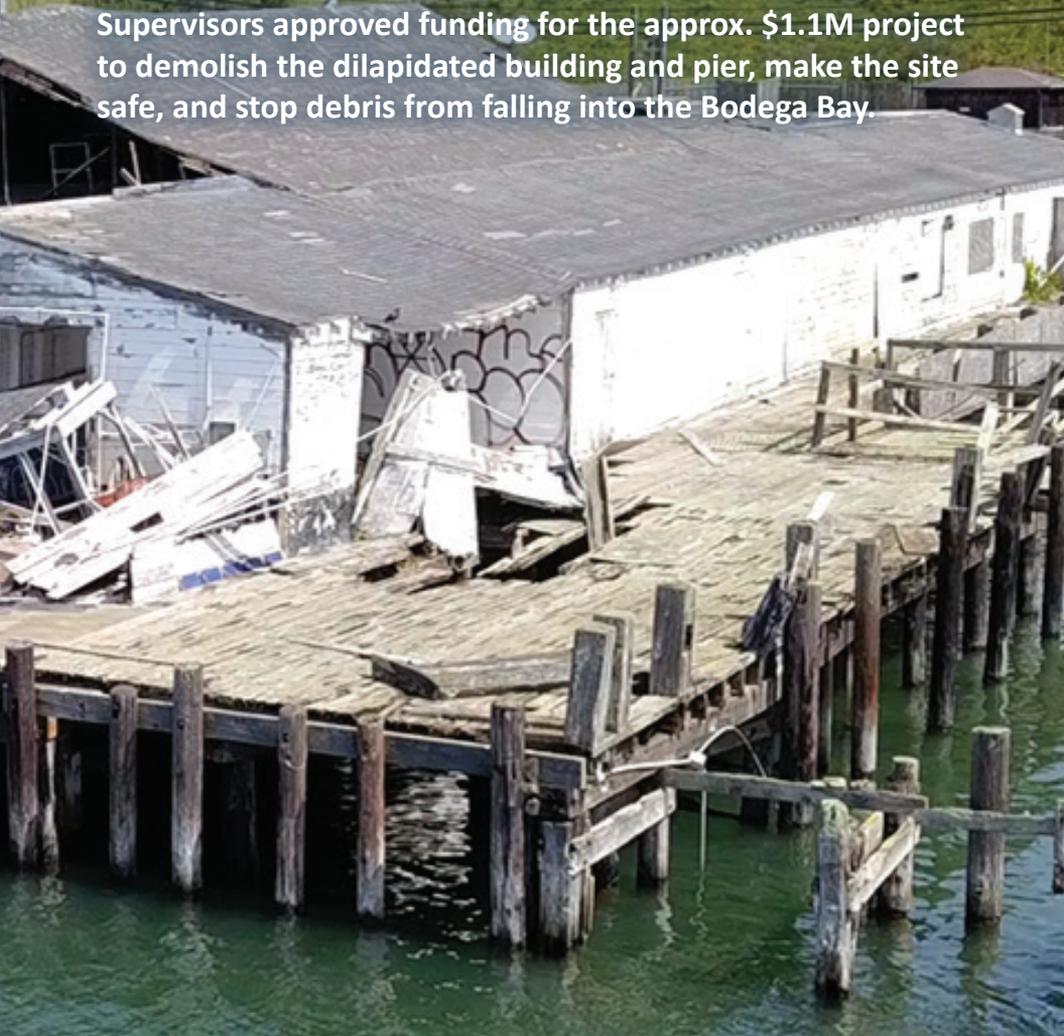


MEREDITH PIER DEMOLITION

Built in 1943 and a vibrant hive of fishing/processing activities for decades, the Meredith Wharf in Bodega Bay fell on hard times at the end of the last century. The old cannery building was abandoned and ultimately condemned in 2004. In June 2020 the County Board of Supervisors approved funding for the approx. \$1.1M project to demolish the dilapidated building and pier, make the site safe, and stop debris from falling into the Bodega Bay.



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Meredith Wharf – a rich part of Bodega Bay’s historical past

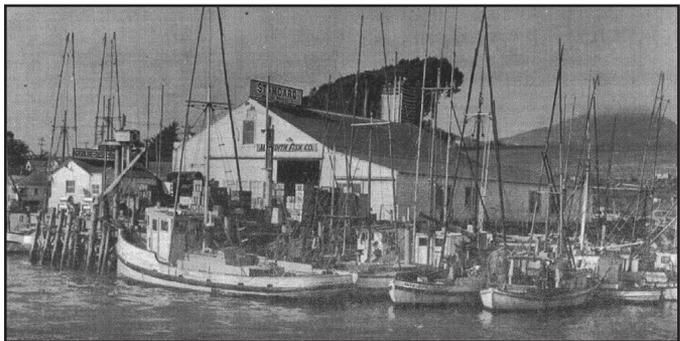
The Meredith Fish Company built the wharf to clean, fillet, and pack the many tons of fish, crustaceans, and other seafood caught in Bodega Bay. Through many years and changes of ownership, it served a variety of receiving and processing needs for the commercial fishing industry that dominated the area for decades.



Several generations of fishing families were born and raised in the area, including Amadeo Fomasi, a much-beloved fisherman’s friend who managed the Pier for 45 years. Although dormant and decaying today, the wharf is a nostalgic reminder of the past.

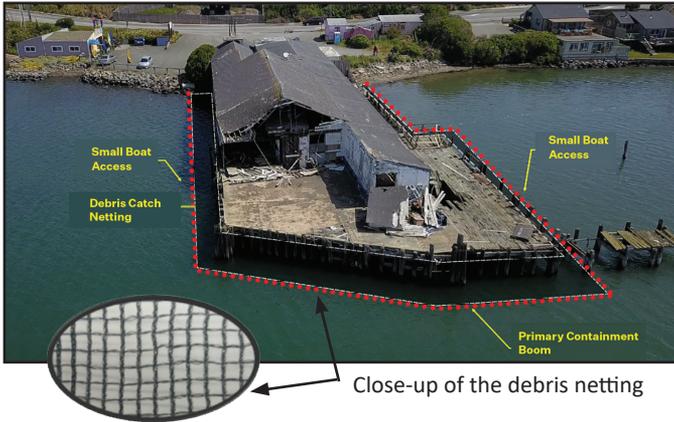


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...a last vestige of Old Bodega Bay

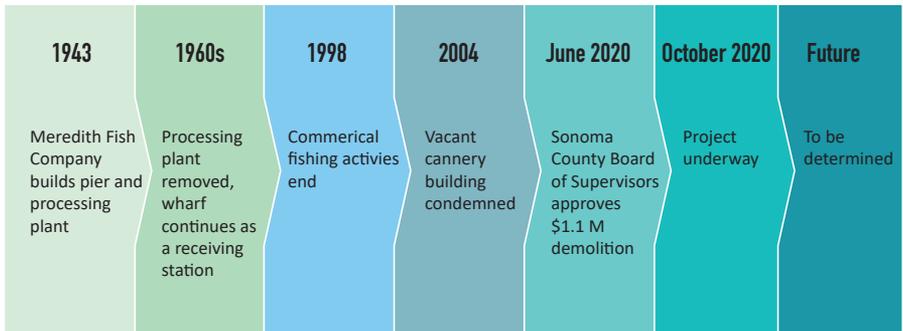
The Demolition Project



Careful research and planning by engineers, architects, biologists, and hazardous materials specialists have ensured the safe demolition and removal of all dangerous structures. The demolition strategy starts from shore, bringing refuse down, in, and out.

- Specialists on-site monitoring air, soil, and water
- Floating booms and netting around and beneath the site to keep debris from escaping
- A manned skiff serves as site monitor and back-up retrieval
- Hazmat crew work on-site with demolition crew to preclude potential hazards
- Site managers ensure safe public access to the parking lot and neighboring businesses

MEREDITH WHARF TIMELINE



After the removal of all hazardous structures and material, a concrete slab anchored deeply into the beachhead will remain. Plans for the future of this historic site are not yet determined.



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