

**Table 2-9. Proposed Project Summary of Improvements**

Timing	Planning Area	Size (acres)	Description of Key Improvements
<b>Near-Term (5 – 10 years)  Phases 1 - 3</b>	Zoo Entry	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Streamlined parking, ticketing, membership services, and wheelchair and stroller rentals to improve accessibility</li> <li>80-foot-wide entry pathway with stops for aerial and ground trams</li> <li>Zoo Orientation Plaza with iconic fountain</li> <li>Lower terminals for aerial tram and funicular</li> </ul>
	California	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhanced and enlarged animal facilities</li> <li>A new California Visitor Center featuring Yosemite lodge-style architecture and relocated California Condor Rescue Zone</li> <li>Condor Canyon</li> <li>Funicular upper terminal</li> </ul>
	Rainforest	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An interpretive center and outdoor classroom area with new housing for rare and endangered species</li> <li>Hands-on conservation education, including interactions with ambassador animals and immersive habitats</li> </ul>
	Asia	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Substantially enlarged facilities for elephants, tigers, rhinos, and other species with new facilities</li> <li>Reconstructed Treetops Visitor Center with the iconic spires to function as a beacon and wayfinding feature</li> <li>Transformation of the buildings and structures to include Asian-themed architecture</li> </ul>
	Nature Play Park	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Access to natural areas and naturalistic play structures, featuring slides, balancing activities, and climbing structures</li> <li>A new food and beverage concession stand</li> <li>Inclusive playground design to give access to play for people of all abilities</li> </ul>
	Africa	23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open vistas across multiple ecoregions populated with mixed-species groupings</li> <li>An architecturally themed, thatched-roof Africa Visitor Center with interior classrooms, event spaces, and a veranda overlooking the savanna habitat</li> <li>Upper terminal for aerial tram</li> </ul>
<b>Long-Term (10 – 20 years)</b>	World Aviary	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrated water features and lush plantings with dozens of bird species from around the globe</li> <li>Renovated ramps and paths for accessibility</li> <li>Expanded and improved breeding facilities</li> </ul>
	Bird Show and Animal Programs	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhanced facility featuring encounters with ambassador animals</li> <li>Improved shade over the amphitheater and updated behind-the-scenes facilities</li> </ul>
	Islands	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Species from across the islands of Australia, Oceania, and Southeast Asia</li> </ul>