TIMELINE OF RACIALLY EXCLUSIONARY POLICIES AND PRACTICES IN THE BAY AREA

pre–1850 to post-1970

State Violence and Dispossession
Statutes enacted by Spanish, Mexican, and US (local, state and federal) governments resulting in dispossession of land and exclusion from the right to property, and enforcement of these laws through police violence.

pre–1850 to post-1970

Extrajudicial and Militia Violence
Acts of violence against individuals (e.g. assault, murder) and/or their homes (e.g. arson, vandalism) to force or keep specific racial groups out.

1870 to post-1970

Implicitly Racial Zoning
Local land use regulations that are race-neutral on paper but have a racially exclusionary effect.

1880–1966

Racially Restrictive Covenants and Homeowner Association Bylaws
Deed restrictions prohibiting the sale or lease of homes to specific racial groups; bylaws restricting HOA membership by race.

1890–1917

Explicitly Racial Zoning
Land use regulations that explicitly exclude certain racial groups.

late 1800s–post 1970

Racial Steering & Blockbusting
A realtor practice of steering homebuyers away or toward certain neighborhoods depending on the race of the buyer.

1937–post-1970

Racialized Public Housing Policies
Local housing authority segregation policies & racial quotas, barriers (e.g. voter referenda) to building new public housing, demolition of public housing without replacement.

1950–post-1970

Urban Renewal
State acquisition of private land through eminent domain & forced displacement of residents to allow for redevelopment.

1945 to post-1970

White Flight and Municipal Fragmentation
Movement of white households away from urban centers to suburbs, incorporation of new suburban municipalities.

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