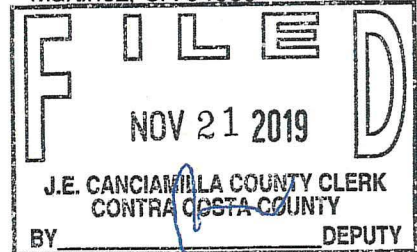


CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT  
NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To: ☒ Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

☒ County Clerk  
County of: Contra Costa

From: Contra Costa County  
Dept. of Conservation & Development  
30 Muir Road  
Martinez, CA 94553



State Clearinghouse Number: 2019099043

Project Title: Lower Walnut Creek Restoration Project  
Project No. 7520-6B-8285, CP# 19-25

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District  
255 Glacier Drive, Martinez, CA 94553

Project Location: The proposed project site is located in unincorporated Contra Costa County approximately 3 miles east of the City of Martinez, along the lower 2.5 miles of Walnut Creek and 1.5 miles of Pacheco Creek in Central Contra Costa County.

Lead Agency: Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

**Project Description:**

The purpose of this project is to restore and enhance wetlands and associated habitats in Lower Walnut Creek and provide sustainable flood management, while allowing opportunities for public access and recreation.

The proposed project would restore and enhance coastal wetlands and adjacent habitats along the southern shoreline of Suisun Bay and from the mouth of Walnut Creek at Suisun Bay upstream along Walnut Creek and Pacheco Creek, improving habitat quality, diversity, and connectivity along four miles of creek channel, over approximately 386 acres in total. Key project elements include:

- Restoration and enhancement of tidal and seasonal wetlands, lowland grasslands, and upland grasslands and scrub in all reaches through invasive plant species control, excavation and grading, and revegetation in all reaches
- Creation of new setback levees in the South and Middle reaches to provide sustainable flood protection
- Creation of new public access opportunities including trails and boardwalks, recreational water access points, and an interpretive center in the North Reach
- Opportunities for the future extension of the Iron Horse Trail in the South Reach
- Protection of existing water and wastewater infrastructure in the South and North Reaches and landfill infrastructure in the Middle Reach.

The project was approved on: 11/19/2019

1. The project ☐ will ☒ will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☐ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
☒ A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures ☒ were ☐ were not made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan ☒ was ☐ was not adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations ☐ was ☒ was not adopted for this project.
6. Findings ☒ were ☐ were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

Notice of Determination sent to Office of Planning and Research.\*

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

Contra Costa County Public Works Department  
255 Glacier Drive, Martinez, CA 94553

**Applicant:**

Public Works Department  
255 Glacier Drive  
Martinez, CA 94553  
Attn: Ave' Brown  
Environmental Services Division  
Phone: (925) 313-2311

**Department of Fish and Game Fees Due**

- ☐ EIR - \$3,271.00  
☒ Neg. Dec. - \$2,354.75  
☐ DeMinimis Findings - \$0  
☒ County Clerk - \$50  
☒ Conservation & Development - \$25

Total Due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Receipt #: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (Contra Costa County): Teresa B. Morana Title: Principal Planner

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Date: 11/20/2019 Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

**NOV 26 2019**

**NOV 21 2019**

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

I declare that on \_\_\_\_\_ I received and posted this notice as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152(c). Said notice will remain posted for 30 days from the filing date.

Signature: [Signature]

Title: Deputy Clerk

\*Notice of Determination may be sent by fax to (916) 323-3018, if followed up with a duplicate mailed copy.



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2019 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT**  
DFW 753.5a (REV. 12/01/18) Previously DFG 753.5a

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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

2019099043

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY CCC Department of Conservation and Development	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 11-21-2019
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING Contra Costa	DOCUMENT NUMBER 2019-473	

PROJECT TITLE

Lower Walnut Creek Restoration Project

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME CCC Public Works Dept	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (925) 313-2311
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 255 Glacier Drive	CITY Martinez	STATE Ca
	ZIP CODE 94553	

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency    ☐ School District    ☐ Other Special District    ☐ State Agency    ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,271.00	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,354.75	\$	2,354.75
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,112.00	\$	0.00

☐ Exempt from fee

☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)

☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$	50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash    ☐ Credit    ☐ Check    ☒ Other jv145600

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 2,404.75

SIGNATURE X	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE P. Cornelius, Deputy Clerk
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