

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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SCH #

Project Title: Pajaro River Flood Risk Management Project

Lead Agency: Santa Cruz County Flood Control and Water Conservation District - Zone 7 Contact Person: Antonella Gentile, Resource Planner
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 City: Santa Cruz Zip: 95060 County: Santa Cruz

Project Location: County: Santa Cruz and Monterey City/Nearest Community: Watsonville, Town of Pajaro
 Cross Streets: Highway 1, State Route 152, State Route 126; *Lat/Long is denoted for the Main Street Bridge crossing in Watsonville Zip Code: Various
 Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 36 ° 54 ' 18.78 " N / 121 ° 45 ' 4.02 " W Total Acres: 10,000
 Assessor's Parcel No.: Various - Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties Section: 9 Twp.: 12S Range: 2E Base: Mt Diablo
 Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 1, 129, 152 Waterways: Pajaro River, Salsipuedes Creek, Corralitos Creek
 Airports: Watsonville Municipal Railways: Union Pacific Schools: Watsonville High School; Cieba Prep

Document Type:

CEQA: NOP Draft EIR NEPA: NOI Other: Joint Document
 Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document
 Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) Draft EIS Other: _____
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Local Action Type:

General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone Annexation
 General Plan Amendment Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment
 General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Use Permit Coastal Permit
 Community Plan Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other: Public Service Project

Development Type:

Residential: Units _____ Acres _____ Transportation: Type _____
 Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Mining: Mineral _____
 Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Power: Type _____ MW _____
 Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
 Educational: _____ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
 Recreational: _____ Other: _____
 Water Facilities: Type Flood Control MGD N/A

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Project Issues Discussed in Document:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aesthetic/Visual	<input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recreation/Parks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vegetation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Land	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flood Plain/Flooding	<input type="checkbox"/> Schools/Universities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Quality
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest Land/Fire Hazard	<input type="checkbox"/> Septic Systems	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Supply/Groundwater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Archeological/Historical	<input type="checkbox"/> Geologic/Seismic	<input type="checkbox"/> Sewer Capacity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetland/Riparian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources	<input type="checkbox"/> Minerals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Growth Inducement
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coastal Zone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noise	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solid Waste	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drainage/Absorption	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Population/Housing Balance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toxic/Hazardous	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cumulative Effects
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic/Jobs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Services/Facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic/Circulation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Aquatic Resources</u>

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Agricultural, Residential, Commercial, Industrial

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

Refer to the attached Notice of Preparation for a description of the project.

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Reviewing Agencies Checklist

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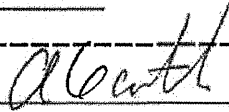
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol | <input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # 5 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy | <input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm. |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board | <input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # 3 & 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Pajaro River Watershed Flood Prevention Authority</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>United State Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission | |

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date January 27, 2020 Ending Date February 25, 2020

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 1/24/2020

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

NOP – Pajaro River Flood Risk Management Project EIR

Recreational Resources

- Potential increase in use of existing recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of facilities would occur or be accelerated
- Potential for degradation of recreation experiences during project construction

Transportation and Traffic

- Increase in traffic volumes along designated roadways in the vicinity of the project area during construction
- Increased emergency response times or inadequate emergency access during construction
- Decreased performance or safety of alternative modes of transportation during construction

Utilities and Public Services

- Temporary disruption of irrigation water supply
- Disruption of on-site drainage
- Generation of solid waste potentially exceeding permitted capacity of local landfills
- Loss of agricultural water supply wells
- Removal, relocation or replacement of utilities in areas of levee encroachment

8 TECHNICAL STUDIES

Several technical studies necessary to adequately address environmental issues will be prepared as part of the EIR process. These studies include, but are not limited to: an updated traffic study describing construction-related traffic and circulation effects; an air quality and greenhouse gas analysis estimating Project construction emissions; a noise analysis that quantifies construction noise effects; a biological assessment that includes identification of any potential wetlands and critical habitats; and a cultural and tribal cultural resources assessment that identifies known and potential historical, archeological and tribal resources within the Project area.

9 ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

The EIR will include analysis of Project alternatives, including the No-Project Alternative. Three Project alternatives have been identified: the Proposed Project; Federal Project; and Basic Project alternatives. The District encourages suggestions and recommendations during the NOP comment period regarding the nature and content of the alternatives to be considered.

10 CUMULATIVE IMPACTS

The EIR will address the cumulative considerable incremental impacts of Project implementation along with the impacts of other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future that could contribute to significant cumulative impacts. The analysis will be based on a list of past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future projects in the Pajaro River watershed, as well as development forecasts in the Santa Cruz County General Plan and Monterey County General Plan.