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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Lower Alameda Creek Fish Restoration in Flood Control District Zone 5, Cities of Fremont and Union City

Lead Agency: Alameda County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (ACFCD)

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Project Location: Fremont and Union City Alameda
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The Proposed Project consists of: optimization of the existing low flow channel within the 230-foot wide flood control channel from the scour pool immediately downstream of the BART Weir to about 600 feet downstream of the UPRR crossing; modification of the RD2/Larinier fishway concrete structure; modification of existing grade control structures; modification of bridges footings in the channel; modification of UPRR bridge footing in the channel; protect PG&E gas main channel crossing upstream of UPRR; installation of a new modified grade control structure; install boulders to improve habitat; and plant native shrubs and grasses on the new low flow channel terrace or flood plain between the levees. The purpose of this Proposed Project is to remove migratory impediments and improve the migratory corridor below the BART Weir to allow Central California Coast steelhead and other fish movement within the flood control channel to access upstream spawning grounds. The Project will also facilitate sediment transport downstream and thereby reduce maintenance desilting of the flood control channel as required under the Corps' O&M manual.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The construction and maintenance of a low flow channel and modifications to existing Grade Control Sills within the Flood Control Channel would improve conditions to facilitate adult and juvenile steelhead passage and provide efficient sediment transport between San Francisco Bay and the ACFCD Drop Structure/BART Weir/RD1 fish ladder. Given the low intensity of construction and subsequent on-going maintenance of the proposed measures to avoid and minimize associated impacts, impacts would be minimal at a level of less-than-significant. The Proposed Project would contribute significantly and positively to the regional recovery of steelhead fish in the Alameda Creek watershed.

Prior to adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), ACFCD would consider and adopt a Mitigation and Monitoring Plan cataloging all proposed mitigation measures (Table 7 in the IS/MND) and specifying the parties responsible for their implementation. Monitoring, reporting, and recordkeeping requirements would be specified.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

None.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
California Department of Fish and Wildlife
Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission