

Appendix B

Cultural Resources Record Search Memorandum

February 4, 2020

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Subject: *Cultural Resources Record Search Results for the KL Fenix Truck Terminal Project, City of Carson, Los Angeles County, California*

Dear Ms. Bhatia:

The City of Carson (City) retained Dudek to conduct a cultural resources assessment in support of the proposed KL Fenix Truck Terminal Project (Project). This letter report includes the following components: (1) a summary of the results of a California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) records search conducted at the South Central Coastal Information Center (SCCIC) addressing the Project site and surrounding 0.5-mile search radius; (2) the results of a Native American Heritage Commission's (NAHC) Sacred Lands File (SLF); and (3) based on the results of the CHRIS and NAHC SLF searches, an assessment of the potential for the Project site to contain cultural resources and what, if any, limitations they may pose to Project development. The Project proponent is KL Fenix Corporation. The City is the lead agency responsible for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and for considering approval of the Project proponent.

Project Location and Present Use

The Project site is located at 20601 South Main Street, within Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 7336-003-030, in the City of Carson in Los Angeles County. Specifically, the Project site is located within Section 7, Township 4 South, and Range 13 West on the *Torrance* U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle map (Attachment A: Figure 1). The Project site is immediately bound by Figueroa Boulevard to the west, businesses to the north and south, and Main Street to the east (Attachment A: Figure 2). The 14.5-acre site is currently vacant and is located directly east of Interstate 110 Figueroa on- and off-ramps. The subject parcel was the former location of the Gardena Valley Landfill No. 1 and 2, which was in operation between November 1956 and October 1959.

Project Description

The Project will facilitate the transferring of goods and the breaking down and assembling of tractor-trailer transportation (as defined by the City of Carson Municipal Code Section 9191.698). The Project will be used to mobilize both imported and exported goods that pass through the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. The Project will include an approximately 53,000-square foot warehouse/office building on the eastern portion of the Project site. This building will include approximately 39,000 square feet of warehouse space and 14,000 square feet of office use within an attached two-story office space. The Project will include 102 parking spaces for passenger vehicles, 475 spaces for cargo containers, and 15 loading docks. Exterior storage for stacked containers is not part of the Project.

Background Research

SCCIC Records Search

On January 22, 2020, Dudek completed a search of the CHRIS records at the SCCIC, located on the campus of California State University, Fullerton, of the Project site and a 0.5-mile (804-foot) records search area. This search included their collections of mapped prehistoric, historic, and built environment resources, Department of Parks and Recreation Site Records, technical reports, and ethnographic references. Additional consulted sources included historical maps of the study area, the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), the California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR), the California Historic Property Data File, the lists of California State Historical Landmarks, California Points of Historical Interest, and the Archaeological Determinations of Eligibility. The results of the records search are presented in Confidential Attachment B.

Previously Conducted Cultural Resource Investigations

The SCCIC records indicate that 15 cultural resources investigations have been previously conducted within 0.5-mile of the Project site between 1939 and 2010. Of these 15 studies, two overlap the Project site (LA-03583 and LA-6194) and one study (LA-00229) is adjacent to the Project site. The entirety of the Project site has been previously studied. Table 1, below, lists all 15 previously conducted cultural resources investigations within the records search area followed by a brief summary of the studies that overlap the Project site.

Table 1. Previous Cultural Resources Investigations Within 0.5-Mile of the Project Site

SCCIC Report Number	Title	Author	Year	Proximity to Project Site
LA-00229	Letter Report on the Archaeological Survey of a Los Angeles County Sanitation District Project Engineer Report for Main Street Relief Trunk Sewer Section 1	Hector, Susan M.	1976	Adjacent
LA-03204	The Results of a Phase 1 Archaeological Study for the Proposed Del Amo Boulevard Extension Project, City of Carson, Los Angeles County, California	Wlodarski, Robert J.	1995	Outside
LA-03583	The Los Angeles Basin and Vicinity: A Gazetteer and Compilation of Archaeological Site Information	Bucknam, Bonnie M.	1974	Overlapping
LA-03809	Historic Property Survey, Del Amo Blvd.-Figueroa St. to Avalon Blvd.	Publisher: Caltrans	1979	Outside
LA-03810	Historic Property Survey, Del Amo Boulevard - Normandie Avenue to Harbor Freeway	Publisher: Caltrans	1978	Outside
LA-04512	Cultural Resources Inventory of the City of Carson, California	Eggers, A.V.	1977	Adjacent
LA-04758	Cultural Resource Assessment for Pacific Bell Mobile Services Facility La 564-02, County of Los Angeles, California	Duke, Curt	1999	Outside
LA-05331	Archaeological Survey Report for the 07-Ia-110 Harbor Freeway Transitway Corridor Project	Romani, John F.	1982	Outside
LA-06194	Records Search Results for the Carson Town Center Project EDA Grant, City of Carson, Los Angeles County, California	White, Laura S.	2002	Overlapping
LA-06874	NEPA Screening for Wireless Telecommunication Site-Magellan, 736 West Del Amo Boulevard, Torrance, Los Angeles County, California	Bell, Heather	2001	Outside
LA-11101	Cultural Resources Records Search and Site Visit for T-Mobile USA Inc. LA23222A/Riostone, 21130 S. Main Street, Carson, Los Angeles County, California 90746	Johnson, Brent	2010	Outside
LA-11482	Camp Sites in Harbor District - F.H. Racer	Racer, F.H.	1939	Outside
LA-12870	Cultural Resources Overview and Assessment: The City of Los Angeles, West Carson Transit Oriented District (TOD) Specific Plan Project Area, Los Angeles County, California	McKenna, Jeanette A.	n.d.	Outside
Note: n.d. = no date				

LA-03583

Report LA-03583, *The Los Angeles Basin and Vicinity: A Gazetteer and Compilation of Archaeological Site Information* (Bucknam 1974), is a summary of previously recorded archaeological resources within the Los Angeles Basin and vicinity. The gazetteer includes all available information for each site within the area, including references for each resource and is not intended to be a full compendium of all resources for the Los Angeles Basin, but rather, a guide to the resources available when the 1974 document was drafted.

The locations of the resources identified were taken directly from maps at the University of California, Los Angeles, and Archaeological Research, Inc. Although this 1974 report overlaps approximately 50% of the current Project site, the SCCIC records did not have any mapped resources identified within this report that overlaps the Project site.

LA-06194

Report LA-06194, *Records Search Results for the Carson Town Center Project EDA Grant, City of Carson, Los Angeles County, California* (White 2002), is a cultural resources inventory that was completed in support of a federal assistance application to be reviewed by the Economic Development Administration (EDA) for the Carson Town Centers Project. It should be noted the study did not include a pedestrian survey of the property. The report states that although no cultural resources were identified within the study area, there were four previously identified resources within 1.0-mile of the project site. Additionally, the study stated that four cultural resources surveys had been conducted within the study area, though these previous studies did not result in the identification of cultural resources. Based on the cultural resources study completed for the Carson Town Centers Project, the author stated that there is a moderate potential for encountering prehistoric archaeological materials, however, the author states that the property studied had been highly disturbed by construction and as such, prehistoric resources that may have been present within the property may have been “eradicated.” The 2002 study encompasses the entirety of the current Project site, however, SCCIC records did not identify any cultural resources within the Project site.

Previously Recorded Cultural Resources

The CHRIS records indicate that no previously recorded cultural resources exists within or adjacent to the Project site. There are a total of two previously recorded cultural resources within 0.5-mile of the Project site. Both resources identified consist of prehistoric habitation debris identified along the slough of former “Nigger Slough,” which was later renamed Laguna Dominguez and is now the present-day Dominguez Channel. No previously recorded prehistoric resources or resources of Native American origin were identified within the Project site as a result of the CHRIS search. Table 2, below, provides further details of the previously recorded cultural resources within the records search area.

Table 2. Previously Recorded Archaeological Resources Within 0.5-Mile of the Project Site

Primary Number	Age and Type	Description	NRHP/CRHR Status	Year/Recorded By	Proximity to Project Site
P-19-000088	Prehistoric: Habitation debris	Racer's Miscellaneous Sites #1; resources identified along the bank of former Lagunas de los Dominguez (present-day Dominguez Channel) and include shell midden, flint chips, and broken manos.	Code 7: Not Evaluated for NRHP or CRHR	1939 (F. H. Racer)	Approximately 0.47 miles north

Table 2. Previously Recorded Archaeological Resources Within 0.5-Mile of the Project Site

Primary Number	Age and Type	Description	NRHP/CRHR Status	Year/Recorded By	Proximity to Project Site
P-19-000099	Prehistoric: Habitation debris	Racer's Miscellaneous Sites #11; resources identified on the edge of former "Nigger Slough" (present-day Dominguez Channel); resources include broken manos and mortars.	Code 7: Not Evaluated for NRHP or CRHR	1939 (F. H. Racer)	Approximately 0.28 miles southeast

NAHC Sacred Lands File Search

Dudek contacted the NAHC on January 20, 2020 and requested a review of the SLF. The NAHC replied via email on February 4, 2020 stating that the SLF search was completed with negative results. Because the SLF search does not include an exhaustive list of Native American cultural resources, the NAHC suggested contacting Native American individuals and/or tribal organizations who may have direct knowledge of cultural resources in or near the Project site. This outreach was conducted for informational purposes only and did not constitute formal government-to-government consultation as specified by Assembly Bill 52. The NAHC SLF results are provided in Attachment C.

SUMMARY AND MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Dudek completed a CHRIS search of the records at the SCCIC of the Project site and a 0.5-mile (804-foot) records search area. Results of the records search indicate that two previous cultural resources investigations have been conducted within the Project site, though none of these studies identified cultural resources within the Project site. The CHRIS records indicate that no previously recorded cultural resources exists within the Project site; however, SCCIC records identified two prehistoric habitation sites were approximately 0.48 miles north (P-19-000088) and 0.28 miles (P-19-000099) southeast of the Project site. Additionally, a search of the NAHC's SLF for the Project site and surrounding 0.5-mile area did not identify the presence of Native American resources. Furthermore, the Project site operated as a landfill between 1956 and 1959, which indicates that there is a low potential to encounter intact archaeological deposits subsurface.

Based on the results of the CHRIS and NAHC's SLF records searches, there are no previously recorded cultural resources within the Project site that will be impacted by the Project.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this letter report and its findings, please contact Linda Kry by email at lkry@dudek.com or phone at (626) 590-1739.

Sincerely,



Linda Kry, B.A.
Archaeologist

cc: Collin Ramsey, Dudek

*Att: Attachment A: Figures
Attachment B: Confidential SCCIC Records Search Results
Attachment C: NAHC SLF Results*

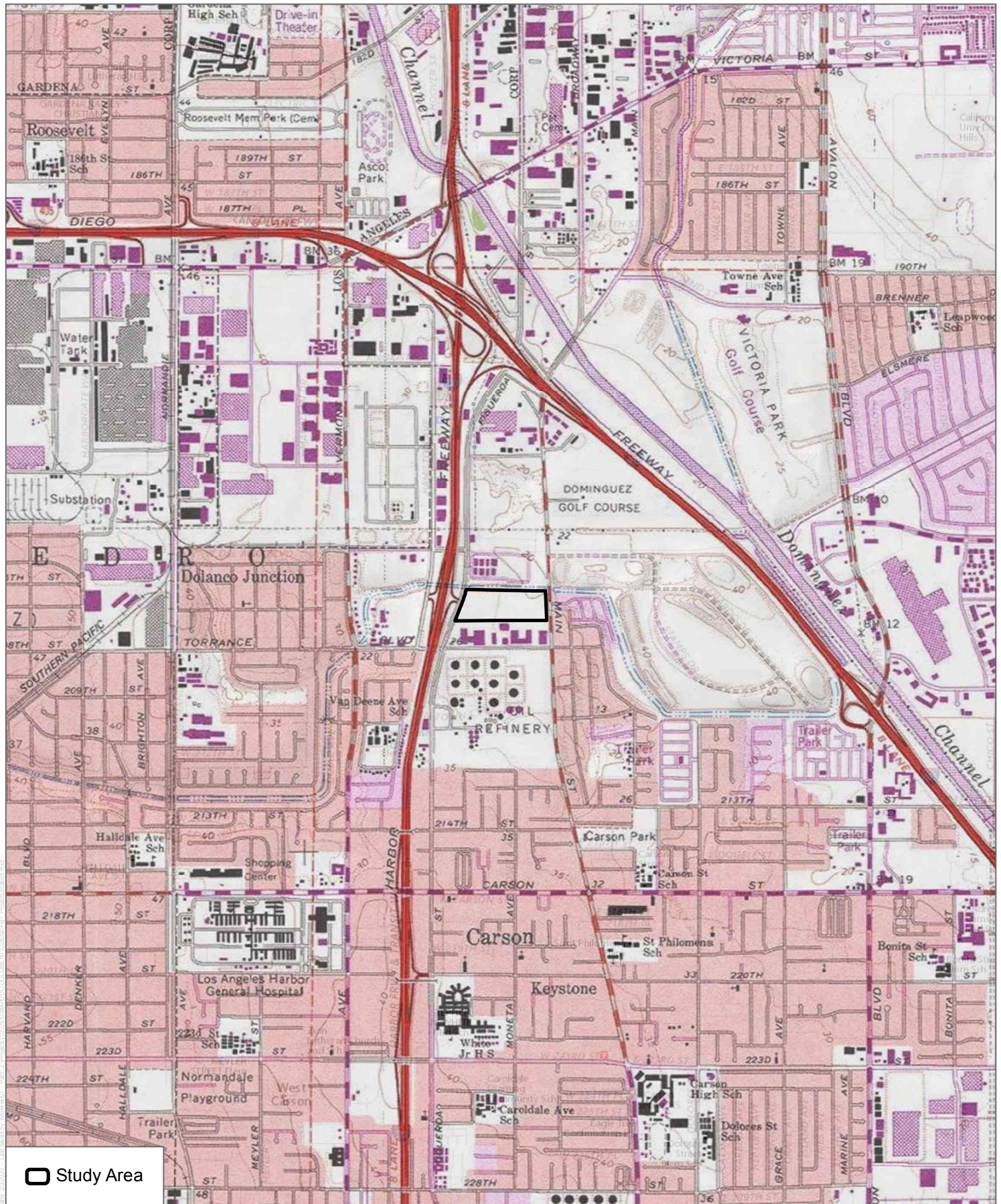
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Bucknam, Bonnie M. 1974. The Los Angeles Basin and Vicinity: a Gazetteer and Compilation of Archaeological Site Information. Prepared for California State University, Long Beach. Long Beach, California. Prepared by Archaeological Research, Inc.

White, Laura S. 2002. Records Search Results for the Carson Town Center Project EDA Grant, City of Carson, Los Angeles County, California. Prepared for Ultra Systems Environmental. Carson, California. Carson, California. Prepared by Archaeological Associates.

ATTACHMENT A

Figures



SOURCE: USGS 7.5-Minute Series Torrance Quadrangle

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FIGURE 1
Project Location
KL Fenix Truck Terminal Project



SOURCE: Bing 2020



FIGURE 2
Project Site

ATTACHMENT B

SCCIC Records Search Results – Confidential

ATTACHMENT C

NAHC SLF Results

Linda Kry

From: Candise Vogel
Sent: Monday, January 20, 2020 2:37 PM
To: nahc@nahc.ca.gov
Cc: Linda Kry; Heather McDevitt; Adriane Gusick
Subject: Request for Sacred Lands File Search_Dudek (#10029.10)
Attachments: 10029.10_NAHC SLF_Request.pdf; 10029.10 KL Fenix Truck Terminal_Records_Search_Map.pdf

Dear NAHC,

Please find attached the NAHC Sacred Lands File Search request and project location map for the proposed KL Fenix Truck Terminal Project (Dudek #10029.10). Dudek is requesting a NAHC search for any sacred sites, tribal cultural resources, or other places of Native American community value that may fall within a 0.5-mile radius of the proposed Project site.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this project. You can email the results to Linda Kry at lkry@dudek.com.

Thank you in advance,

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Sacred Lands File & Native American Contacts List Request

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Information Below is Required for a Sacred Lands File Search

Project: KL Fenix Truck Terminal Project (Dudek #10029.10)
County: Torrance

USGS Quadrangle

Name: Torrance

Township: 4S Range: 13W Section(s): 7

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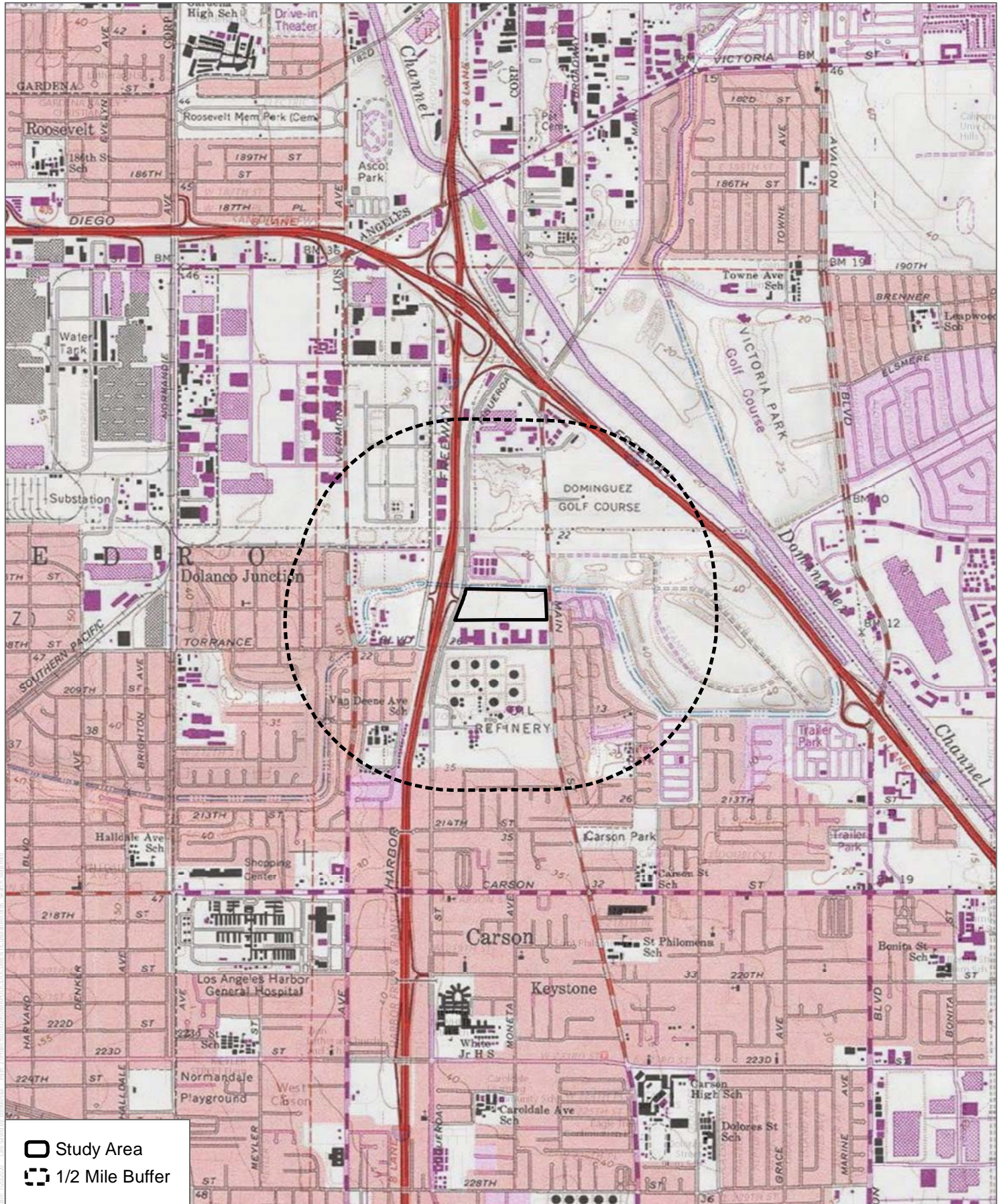
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Project Location Map is attached



Linda Kry

From: Quinn, Steven@NAHC <Steven.Quinn@nahc.ca.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2020 2:55 PM
To: Linda Kry
Subject: KL Fenix Truck Terminal Project
Attachments: SLFNoKLFenix 2.4.2020.pdf; KLFenix 2.4.2020.pdf

Good Afternoon,

Attached is the response to the project referenced above. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact our office email at nahc@nahc.ca.gov.

Regards,

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NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION

February 4, 2020

Linda Kry
Dudek

Via Email to: lkry@dudek.com

Re: KL Fenix Truck Terminal Project, Los Angeles County

Dear Ms. Kry:

A record search of the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) Sacred Lands File (SLF) was completed for the information you have submitted for the above referenced project. The results were negative. However, the absence of specific site information in the SLF does not indicate the absence of cultural resources in any project area. Other sources of cultural resources should also be contacted for information regarding known and recorded sites.

Attached is a list of Native American tribes who may also have knowledge of cultural resources in the project area. This list should provide a starting place in locating areas of potential adverse impact within the proposed project area. I suggest you contact all of those indicated; if they cannot supply information, they might recommend others with specific knowledge. By contacting all those listed, your organization will be better able to respond to claims of failure to consult with the appropriate tribe. If a response has not been received within two weeks of notification, the Commission requests that you follow-up with a telephone call or email to ensure that the project information has been received.

If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from tribes, please notify me. With your assistance, we can assure that our lists contain current information.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at my email address: steven.quinn@nahc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

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This list is only applicable for contacting local Native Americans with regard to cultural resources assessment for the proposed KL Fenix Truck Terminal Project, Los Angeles County.