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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

# AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC DRAFT Environmental impact report And notice of public meeting

| PROJECT INFORMATION |   | PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION  |  |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------------|--|
| Project Title:      | Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation<br>Project  | Hearing Date:<br>Time:      | January 6, 2022<br>1:00 pm or later  |
| Project Address:    | Ocean Beach and the Great Highway<br>between Sloat and Skyline Boulevards, and<br>Ocean Beach north of Lincoln Way  | Location:                   | Remote or in-person hearing<br>(see below and visit<br><u>https://sfplanning.org/planning-</u> |
| Case No.:           | 2019-020115ENV  |                             | <u>commission</u> for details)   |
| Block/Lot Nos.:     | 7281/006, 007, 009, 010<br>7282/008, 009  | Case Type:<br>Hearing Body: | Environmental (Draft EIR)<br>Planning Commission   |
| Zoning District(s): | P (Public) and RH-1D (Residential House,<br>One Family Detached)<br>Zoning Districts; OS (Open Space) Height<br>and Bulk District                           |                             | J  |
| Neighborhoods:      | Lakeshore, Parkside, Outer Richmond   |                             |  |
| Project Sponsor:    | San Francisco Public Utilities Commission –<br>Karen Frye – 415.554.1652<br>San Francisco Recreation and Parks<br>Department – Brian Stokle<br>628.652.6611 |                             |  |
| EIR Coordinator:    | Julie Moore – 628.652.7566<br>CPC.OceanBeachEIR@sfgov.org   |                             |  |

The San Francisco Planning Department (San Francisco Planning) has studied this project's potential physical environmental effects and welcomes your comments on the adequacy of the draft environmental impact report (EIR). Refer to the Project Description and Purpose of Notice sections below for more information.

#### **Project Description**

The City and County of San Francisco (city) proposes the project to improve the portion of Ocean Beach from Sloat Boulevard to Fort Funston known as "South Ocean Beach." The project would include a portion of Ocean Beach north of Lincoln Boulevard where sand is harvested for placement south of Sloat Boulevard. The project would address shoreline erosion, severe coastal storm and wave hazards, and sea-level rise which threaten city infrastructure, coastal access and recreational facilities, and public safety. Major project components include: (1) permanently closing the Great Highway between Sloat and Skyline boulevards, and reconfiguring affected intersections and San Francisco Zoo parking access; (2) removing rock and sandbag revetments, and rubble and debris from the beach, and reshaping the bluff to provide a more gradual transition between beach and upland areas, and planting native vegetation; (3) constructing a multi-use trail, beach access stairway, coastal access parking, and restrooms, and enhancing habitat; (4) constructing a buried wall to protect existing wastewater infrastructure from shoreline erosion; and (5) long-term beach nourishment (sand replenishment). The project is a collaborative, multi-agency initiative involving the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC), San Francisco Recreation and Parks, San Francisco Public Works, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), the Federal Highway Administration, and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, a unit of the National Park Service. The city is also coordinating with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) on the potential for beneficially using Corps dredged sand for the project's beach nourishment program.

**DRAFT EIR:** The Draft EIR finds that implementation of the project could result in significant unavoidable project-level impacts related to biological resources, noise, and vehicle miles traveled. The Draft EIR provides a detailed project description, an analysis of physical environmental effects of the project, and identifies feasible mitigation measures and alternatives that would avoid or lessen the severity of project impacts. The Draft EIR is available for public review and comment on the San Francisco Planning Department's website at <u>sfplanning.org/sfceqadocs</u> and at the San Francisco Permit Center, 49 South Van Ness Avenue, 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103. Paper copies and electronic copies (on a flash drive) of the Draft EIR are available upon request to the project planner. Referenced materials are available at <u>https://tinyurl.com/OceanBeachEIR</u>.

#### **Purpose of Notice**

You are not required to take any action. If you wish to comment on the adequacy of the Draft EIR, you may do so in either or both of the following ways:

| WRITTEN COMMENTS   |  | COMMENTS AT THE PUBLIC HEARING   |                                  |
|--|--|--|----------------------------------|
| Planner:   | Julie Moore  | Live Stream:   | https://sfgovtv.org/planning, or |
| Via Mail:  | 49 South Van Ness Ave, Suite 1400                      |  | live on Cable Channel 78         |
| Via Email:   | San Francisco, CA 94103<br>CPC.OceanBeachEIR@sfgov.org | January 6, at 1 p.m. or later  |                                  |
| From: December 9, 2021 to 5 p.m. on Monday, January 24, 2022 |  | Due to the COVID-19 emergency, this hearing<br>may occur in person at San Francisco City Hall or<br>remotely using videoconferencing technology. |                                  |

The purpose of the public hearing is for the San Francisco Planning Commission and San Francisco Planning staff to receive comments on the adequacy and accuracy of the Draft EIR. The commission will not respond to any of the comments or take action on the project at this hearing. Certification of the Final EIR will be considered at a later hearing. Additional information may be found on San Francisco Planning's website or by contacting the EIR coordinator listed above.



#### **General Information About Procedures**

Members of the public are not required to provide personal identifying information when they communicate with the department. All written or oral communications available, including submitted personal contact information, may be made available for inspection and copying upon request from the public. These communications may also be posted on the department's website or in other public documents. Only commenters on the Draft EIR will be permitted to file an appeal of the certification of the Final EIR to the Board of Supervisors.

At the close of the public review period, San Francisco Planning will prepare and publish a Responses to Comments document to respond to all substantive comments on the Draft EIR presented at the public hearing and received in writing during the public review period. It may also specify changes to this Draft EIR. This Responses to Comments document and all other associated documents will be made available at <u>sfplanning.org/sfceqadocs</u>. All commenters that provide an email or physical address will receive a notice of the Responses to Comments document availability. This Draft EIR together with the Responses to Comments document will be considered by the San Francisco Planning Commission in an advertised public meeting and will be certified as a Final EIR if deemed adequate.

This notice is being issued during the suspension of certain CEQA filing and posting requirements pursuant to executive orders N-54-20 and N-80-20, and its issuance complies with the alternative posting requirements stated in the order. This notice also complies with local requirements under the March 23, 2020, Fifth Supplement to the Mayoral Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency dated February 25, 2021.





#### Date: 12/8/2021

The San Francisco Planning Department is studying a project's potential environmental effects and welcomes your comments. The enclosed notice concerns a project located at **Great Highway between Sloat and Skyline boulevards (2019-020115ENV)**. The other side of this page describes the environmental review process under state law. You may provide comments by **1/24/2022** or request future project updates from the staff contact indicated in the attached notice. There is a hearing before the Planning Commission scheduled for **1/6/2022**.

To obtain information about this notice in Spanish, Chinese, or Filipino, please call **628.652.7550**. Please be advised that the Planning Department will require at least one business day to respond to any call.

三藩市規劃局 (San Francisco Planning Department) 正在研究一項專案的潛在環境影響, 歡迎大家踴躍提出意見。本函所附的通知書涉及位於 Great Highway between Sloat and Skyline boulevards (2019-020115ENV)

的專案。本頁背面對加州法律規定的環境影響審核流程做了詳細說明。請於 1/24/2022 日之前針 對本案提出評論,或者向本函所附通知書中指定的聯絡人提出要求,繼續瞭解專案的最新發展。 [規劃委員會定於 2022 年 1 月 6 日召開聽證會]。

#### 請致電 628.652.7550 以索取通知書中文版本資訊。請注意,規劃局需要至少一個工作天才能回電。

El Departamento de Planificación está estudiando los posibles efectos medioambientales de un proyecto y desea saber su opinión. El aviso incluido concierne a un proyecto ubicado en **Great Highway Between Sloat and Skyline boulevards (2019-020115ENV)**. Al reverso de esta página se describe el proceso de análisis medioambiental según la ley estatal. Usted puede entregar sus opiniones y comentarios a más tardar el **1/24/2022** o solicitar futuras actualizaciones sobre el proyecto al contacto indicado en el aviso adjunto. Hay una audiencia ante la Comisión de Planificación programada para el 6 de enero del 2022.

Para obtener información sobre este aviso en español, llame al **628.652.7550**. Le informamos que el Departamento de Planificación necesitará por lo menos un día hábil para responder cualquier llamada.

Pinag-aaralan ng Kagawaran ng Pagpaplano ng San Francisco ang mga potensyal na epekto sa kapaligiran ng isang proyekto at tinatanggap ang iyong mga komento. Ang nakapaloob na paunawa ay patungkol sa isang proyekto na matatagpuan sa **Great Highway between Sloat and Skyline boulevards (2019-020115ENV)**. Inilalarawan ng kabilang panig ng pahinang ito ang proseso ng pagsusuri sa kapaligiran sa ilalim ng batas ng estado. Maaari kang magbigay ng mga komento sa **1/24/2022** o humiling ng mga bagong kaalaman sa proyekto sa hinaharap mula sa pagkontak sa kawani na nakalagay sa kalakip na abiso. Mayroong pagdinig bago sa naka-iskedyul na Komisyon sa Pagpaplano para sa 1/6/2022.

Upang makakuha ng impormasyon tungkol sa paunawang ito sa Filipino, mangyaring tumawag sa **628.652.7550**. Mangyaring maabisuhan na ang Kagawaran ng Pagpaplano ay mangangailangan ng kahit isang araw ng may trabaho o pasok upang tumugon sa anumang tawag.



The San Francisco Planning Department (SF Planning) reviews projects for potential environmental impacts. This is CEQA, which stands for the

**California Environmental** Quality Act, a state law created in 1970.

# THE BASIC GOALS OF CEQA ARE TO:

## **INFORM**

### PREVENT

decision makers and the public about the potential significant environmental impacts

significant, avoidable damage to the environment by requiring changes to a project

## **IDENTIFY**

the ways that the evironmental damage can be avoided or reduced

## DISCLOSE

to the public the reasons why decisions are made if significant impacts occur

# WHO IS INVOLVED?

- SF Planning is responsible for conducting environmental review in San Francisco.
- Various stakeholders including the public
- City decision makers
- Government or private project sponsors (person/group proposing the change)

# WHEN IS CEQA DONE?

Environmental review is not an approval of a project, but it must be complete before city decision makers determine whether or not to approve a project that could impact the environment.

Example projects include:

- Public or private projects
- Board of Supervisors legislation
- Allocation of public funding to projects

In San Francisco, SF Planning informs the public of many types of environmental impacts, including impacts on air quality, noise, wind, shadow, transportation, and other topics.

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Para obtener más información, visite: 請造訪,以瞭解詳情: Upang madagdagan ang kaalaman, mangyaring bumisita sa: To learn more, please visit:

https://sfplanning.org/environmental-review