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SCH #: N/A

Project Title: Calabazas Creek Bank Rehabilitation Project

Lead Agency: Santa Clara Valley Water District

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Project Location: Cupertino, Santa Clara County
City *County*

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

Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) is proposing bank rehabilitation at 10 sites where creek banks have eroded. Bank rehabilitation work totals approximately 1,555 linear feet and 0.54 acre of work across approximately 0.7 mile of Calabazas Creek between Miller Avenue (downstream end) and Bollinger Road (upstream end) within the City of Cupertino. Generally, two bank rehabilitation treatments would be applied: riprap bank protection and sheet pile walls. Riprap bank protection involves the placement of large rocks or boulders along the bank to stabilize the bank, whereas sheet pile walls involve installation of vertical, metal walls to protect the bank from further erosion. Work would generally be conducted in three phases for each site: 1) site preparation, 2) bank protection, and 3) site restoration. Following the bank rehabilitation work, the Project area would be restored to a natural, riparian habitat to the maximum extent practicable.

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

• San Francisco Dusky-Footed Woodrat. Disturbance of woodrats or their nests could occur during construction. Implementation of Mitigation Measure (MM-) BIO-1 and MM-BIO-2 would reduce these impacts to a less than significant level by requiring an environmental awareness training, surveys for nests, and no-work buffers if nests are found.
• Western Red Bat. Disturbance of bats or their roosts could occur during construction. MM-BIO-3 would reduce this impact to a less than significant level by requiring pre-construction surveys for roosting bats and no-work buffers if found.
• Riparian Habitat. The Project would result in permanent impacts to approximately 0.08 acre of riparian habitat from the placement of riprap and installation of sheet pile walls. MM-BIO-4 would reduce this impact to a less than significant level by requiring restoration and/or enhancement of any permanently impacted riparian habitat at a 2:1 ratio.
• Trees Protected under City Ordinance. The Project would remove nine trees protected under the City of Cupertino's Protected Trees Ordinance. MM-BIO-5 would reduce this impact to a less than significant level by requiring Valley Water coordinate with the City to determine the tree replacement requirements or pay the required in-lieu tree replacement fee to the City's Tree Fund prior to the start of construction.
• Construction Noise. Construction would require the use of heavy equipment that would temporarily increase noise at properties adjacent to the work sites. MM-NV-1 through MM-NV-4 would reduce this impact to a less than significant level by requiring advanced notification of work, implementation of noise control measures, designation of a noise coordinator for adjacent residents, and noise barriers to keep the noise below the City Noise Ordinance threshold.

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

1. Impacts on riparian habitat
2. Construction noise at adjacent residences.

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

1. California Department of Fish and Wildlife
2. San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board
3. City of Cupertino