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Notice of Exemption

Final Approval Date:

May 28, 2020

Case No.:

2020-002636EN\

Project Title:

Wawona Area Stormwater Improvement Project

Zoning:

various along the alignment

Block/Lot:

n/a.

Lot Size:

n/a

Lead Agency: Project Sponsor: San Francisco Planning Department

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Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Guidelines of the Secretary for Resources, and San Francisco requirements, this Notice of Exemption is transmitted to you for filing. At the end of the posting period, please return this Notice to the Staff Contact with a notation of the period it was posted.

Attached fee: ~ \$72 filing fee

Project Description

The project will install approximately 1.3 miles of new gravity-driven, combined sewer mains along Vicente Street between the intersections of Vicente and Wawona Streets and Vicente Street and 34th Avenue. This project also includes construction of a new water transmission and distribution mains on Vicente Street between 19th and 34th Avenues; on Vicente Street between Wawona Street and 15th Avenue; on 15th Avenue between Vicente and Wawona Streets; and on Wawona Street between Vicente Street and 15th Avenue. A total of approximately 16,000 linear feet of water and sewer lines will be constructed. New catchbasins will be constructed on Wawona Street between Vicente Street and 15th Avenue.

There are 3 primary types of construction for this project: cut & cover installation of sewer and water pipelines, trenchless sewer construction, and pavement resurfacing. In any location where cut & cover occurs, pavement resurfacing shall also occur. The trenchless pipeline construction will consist of excavation of two shafts on Vicente Street - one west of the intersection with 19th Avenue and the other near the

intersection of 14th Avenue. The 19th Avenue shaft will be constructed using interlocking sheet piles (impact driven) as the bottom portion of the shaft will be below the groundwater table. At the 14th Avenue receiving shaft, drilled soldier piles with wood lagging will be used. The shafts would then be used for tunneling operations, which would include tunneling with a microtunnel boring machine, and pipe ramming. Pipe ramming uses compressed air to operate a ramming tool which attaches to the rear of the casing or pipe in the shaft, which pushes the casing through the ground with repeated percussive blows. Once the tunnel is completed, the jacked carrier pipe will be grouted in place. After the carrier pipe is installed and grouted, a manhole will be installed in the shaft footprint and then the shaft will be backfilled.

Staging would occur on paved streets, along with a portion of Merced Manor Reservoir south of Sloat Boulevard.

Determination

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission decided to carry out and approve the project on April 13, 2021. The project was officially approved on May 14, 2021 when no appeal of the Categorical Exemption was filed during the 30-day appeal period. A copy of the documents may be examined at the Planning Department, 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA, 94103 in file no. 2020-002636ENV.

 An Exemption from Environmental Review has been pre under: 	pared pursuant to the provisions of CEQA
☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)	•
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))	
☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))	R.
☑ Categorical Exemption. State type and section numb	er: Class 3, Section 15303
☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number:	
☐ Community Plan Exemption (Sec. 21083.3; 15183)	
This project in its approved form has been determined to be exe would fall within the requirements of a Class 3 exemption, in that of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; would gethresholds; and would include archeological monitoring to redu	at it consists of the construction and location generate criteria emissions below BAAQMD
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Rich Hillis Planning Director	
Devyani Jain	November 23, 2021
By Lisa Goson	Date
Environmental Review Officer	



cc: Scott MacPherson, SFPUC Supervisor Myrna Melgar, District 7 Supervisor Gordon Mar, District 4 [other interested parties]

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