

Contra
Costa
County

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
INITIAL STUDY OF
ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

PROJECT # 0662-6U4028
CP# 06-16

PROJECT NAME: Pacheco Blvd. Sidewalk Gap Closure (Camino Del Sol to Windhover Way)

PREPARED BY: Trina Torres *YT* DATE: July 31, 2007

APPROVED BY: *[Signature]* DATE: 8-24-07

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Categorical Exemption (Class Ic) Negative Declaration

Environmental Impact Report Required Conditional Negative Declaration

The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. The recommendation is based on the following: The project consists of operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public structures or facilities, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond what is previous existing. The project will not result in the removal of any scenic resource.

What changes to the project would mitigate the identified impacts: N/A

USGS Quad Sheet: Benicia

Base Map Sheet #: F-13

Parcel #: N/A

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- 1. Location:** The project is located in central Contra Costa County (County) in the unincorporated community of Pacheco (Figs. 1-4).
- 2. Project Description:** The purpose of this project is to close the sidewalk gap on the north side of Pacheco Boulevard (Blvd.) between Camino Del Sol and Windhover Way, in order for pedestrians and the mobility impaired to access public transportation, stores, schools, and the neighborhood (Fig. 4).

The project consists of road widening (approx. 14ft. wide by 300 ft. long), excavating sections of soil, back filling, grading, installing asphalt concrete, and new concrete sidewalk (approx. 6ft. wide by 300 lf); removing or adjusting a fence, conforming driveways; removing existing curb ramps and installing ADA compliant curb ramps and gutters; installing and/or adjusting drainage inlets, adjusting utilities, and signs; relocating a traffic signal and extending curb to accommodate signal, trimming or removing shrubbery, and re-striping the roadway, including bike lanes throughout the project site.

A fence (6 ft. high by 20 ft. long) may need to be adjusted or removed in front of 3909 Pacheco Blvd., and limited tree removal may be necessary to accommodate installation of the new sidewalk. Approximately seven non-native trees ranging in size from 3" dbh to 15" dbh may need to be removed. Six of the trees are in front of 3907 Pacheco Blvd., the remaining tree is near 28 Camino Del Sol. These trees do not constitute a stand. In order to minimize damage to any other near by trees, any roots exposed during excavation will be cut cleanly and tree branches will be trimmed.

Real property transactions and utility relocations will be necessary in support of this project. At least one lane of traffic will be open at all times during construction activities. Emergency vehicles will have access at all times.

3. Does it appear that any feature of the project will generate significant public concern?

yes no maybe (Nature of concern):

4. Will the project require approval or permits by other than a County agency?

yes no (Agency Name/s):

5. Is the project within the Sphere of Influence of any city? Yes; Martinez

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Form Updated: July 21, 2006

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Notice of Exemption

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
651 PINE STREET 2ND FLOOR NORTH WING MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA 94553

Telephone: (925) 313 - 2176

Contact Person: Trina Torres - Public Works Dept.

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This project is exempt from CEQA as a:

- Ministerial Project (Sec. 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Sec. 15269(b) or (c))
- Categorical Exemption, Class 1c**
- Other Statutory Exemption, Section
- General Rule of Applicability [Section 15061(b)(3)]

for the following reason(s): The project consists of operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public structures or facilities, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond what is previous existing. The project will not result in the removal of any scenic resources.

Date: _____ By: _____ Dept. of Conservation & Development Representative

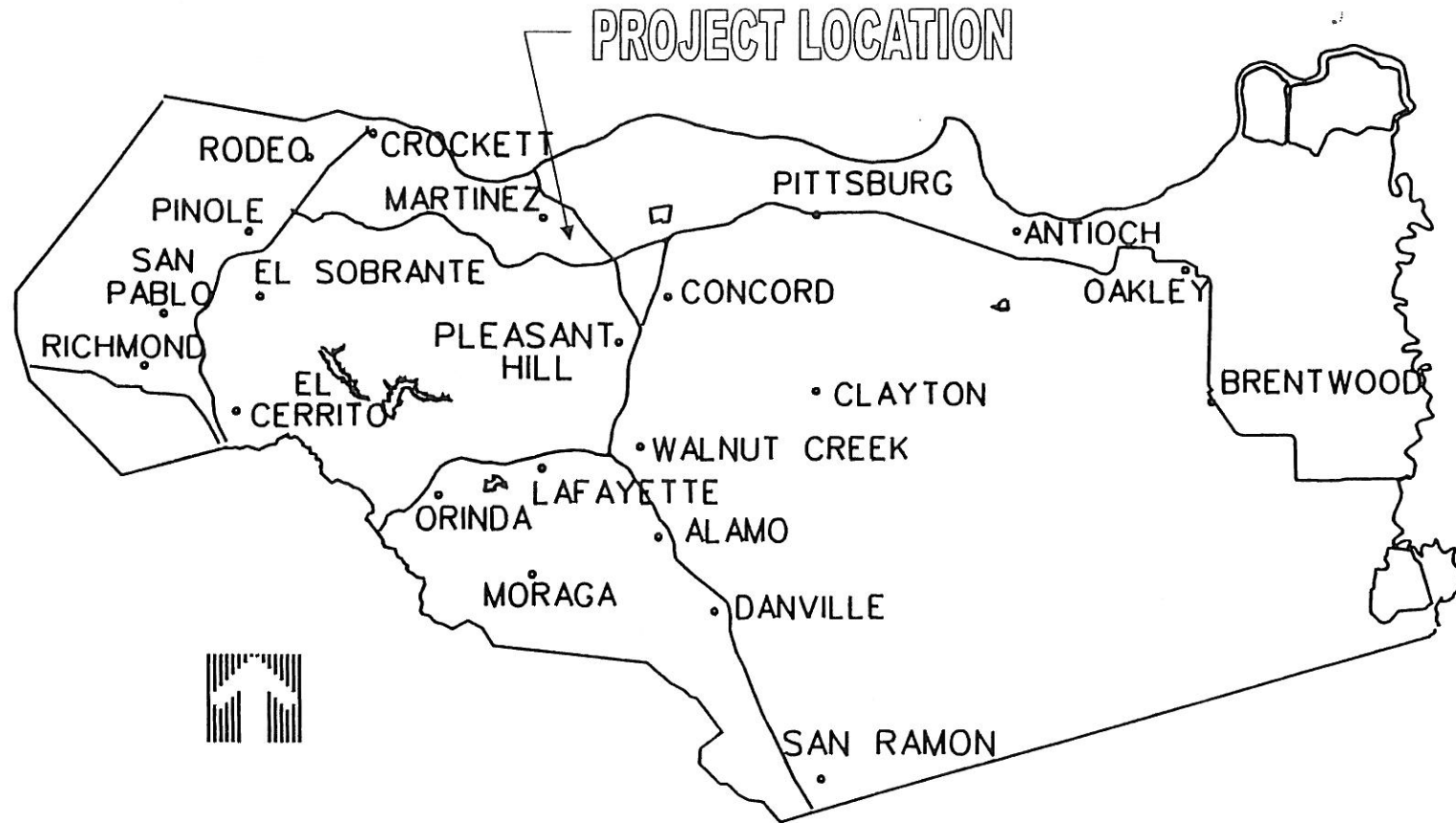
AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

I declare that on _____ I received and posted this notice as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152(c). Said notice will remain posted for 30 days from the filing date.

Signature Title

Applicant: Public Works Department 255 Glacier Drive Martinez, CA 94553 Attn: <u>Trina Torres</u> Environmental Section	Department of Fish and Game Fees Due <input type="checkbox"/> EIR - \$2,768. ²⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> Neg. Dec. - \$1,993. ⁰⁰ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk - \$50 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Department of Conservation and Development - \$25	Total Due: \$ 75.00 Total Paid \$ _____ Receipt #: _____
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LOCATION MAP: Pacheco Blvd. Sidewalk Gap Closure

Figure 1

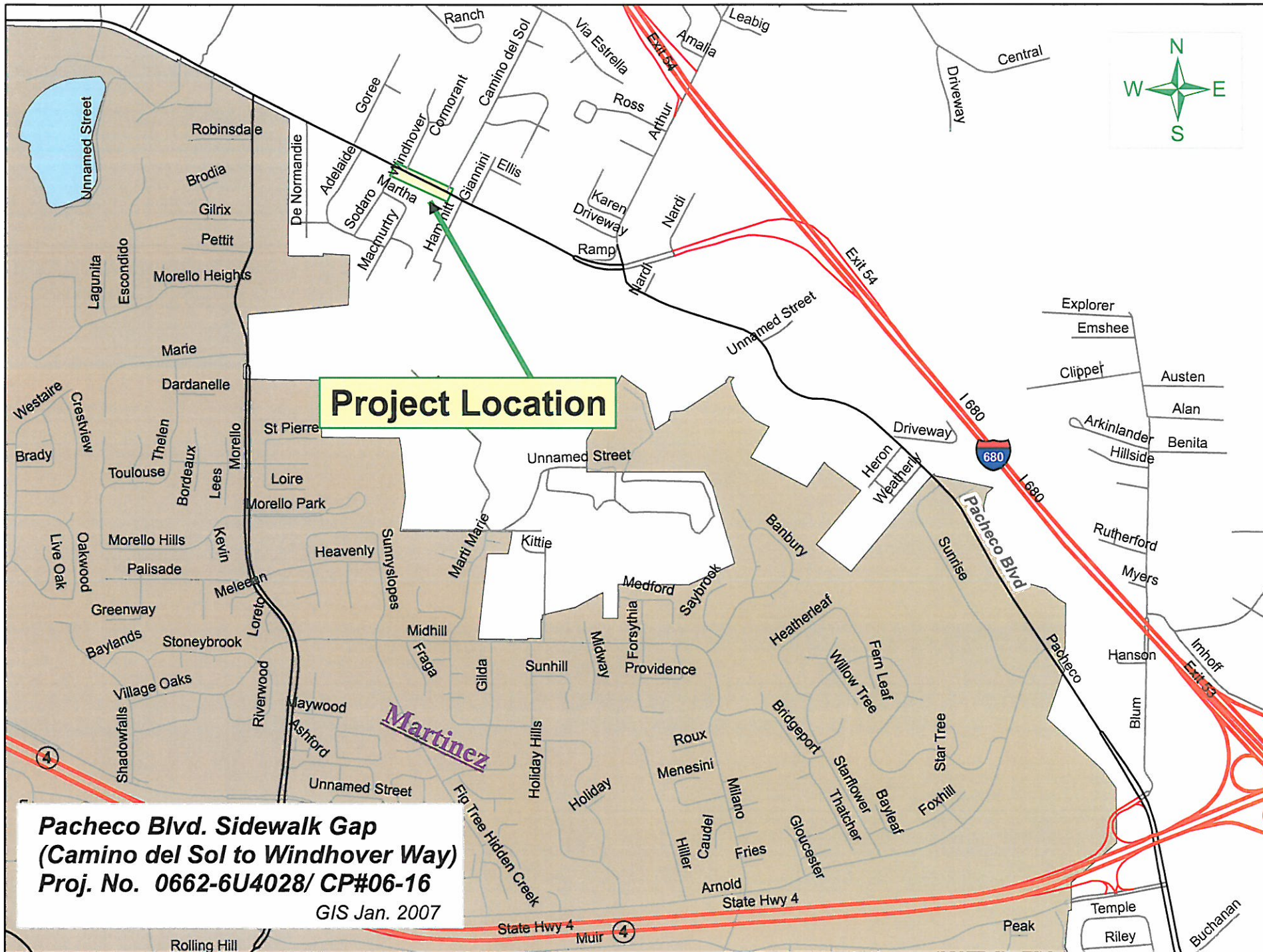


Figure 2



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Vicinity Map

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WARDEN CREEK FLOOD CONTROL CHANNEL

**Contra Costa County
Public Works Dept.**

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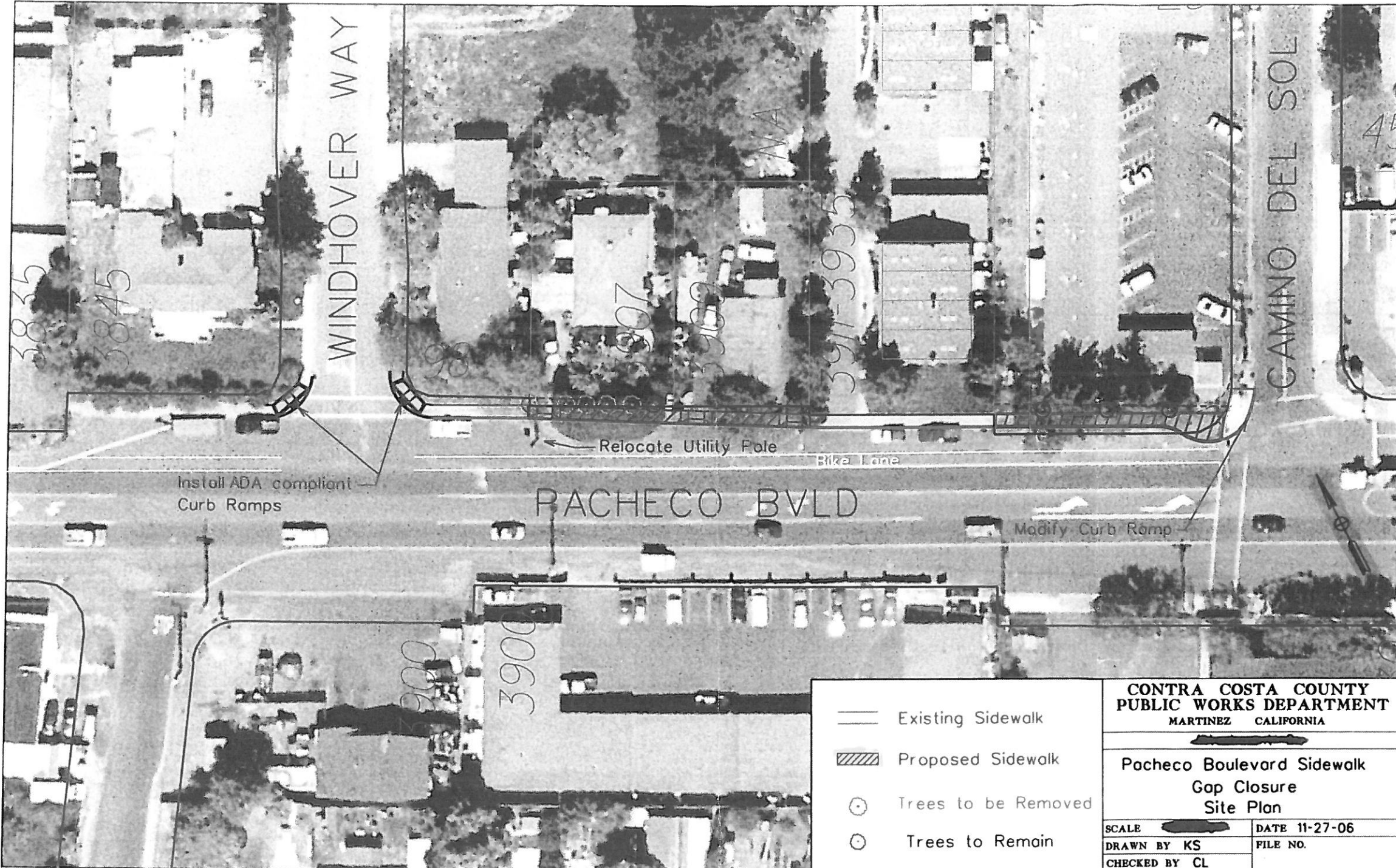
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