

**Contra
Costa
County**

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
INITIAL STUDY OF
ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE**

PROJECT # **WZ0173**
CP# **12-42**

PROJECT NAME: **Byron Boys Ranch Sewer Pipeline Replacement Project**

PREPARED BY: Kimani Birden

DATE: **November 1, 2012**

APPROVED BY: _____

DATE: **Nov 8, 12**

RECOMMENDATIONS:

☒ Categorical Exemption (*Class 15302(c)*)

☐ 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 replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; pursuant to section 15302(c) of the CEQA guidelines.

What changes to the project would mitigate the identified impacts: n/a

USGS Quad Sheet: Clifton Court Forebay	Base Map Sheet #: Q-28	Parcel #: N/A
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GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- Location:** The project is located in east Contra Costa County near the unincorporated community of Byron (*Fig. I-3*).
- Project Description:** The purpose of this project is to remove and replace an above ground section of sewer pipe servicing the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility (Byron Boys Ranch). The pipe removal and replacement will occur between Camino Diablo Road and Byer Road. The pipeline section that will be replaced is above ground and is supported by concrete pillars. Recently sections of the sewage pipe have been struck by automobiles and farm vehicles. The age of the pipe, combined with the accidental strikes by vehicles could cause a breach of the pipe and potentially release raw sewage; therefore, the County is proposing to remove and replace this section of the sewage pipe. An approximately 1,260-foot-long plastic section will be flushed prior to removal, and a new steel pipe will be placed on the existing concrete pillars. The current sewage pipe will be removed using Best Management Practices (BMPs). The pipe removal and replacement will include conducting work over a filled in portion of a drainage ditch. Impacts to the drainage ditch will be avoided by placing barriers between the project construction area and ditch. Spill prevention and control materials will be present at the project site at all times. While the existing sewage pipe is being removed and replaced, Byron Boys Ranch will have its sewage removed by sewage truck. Utility relocations or adjustments may be necessary in support of the project.
- Does it appear that any feature of the project will generate significant public concern?
☐ yes ☒ no ☐ maybe (Nature of concern):
- Will the project require approval or permits by other than a County agency?
☐ yes ☒ no (Agency Name/s):
- Is the project within the Sphere of Influence of any city? n/a

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: Contra Costa County
Dept. of Conservation & Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

County Clerk
County of: Contra Costa

Project Title: **Byron Boys Ranch Sewer Pipeline Replacement Project, WZ0173, CP# 12-42**

Project Applicant: **Contra Costa County Public Works Department**

Project Location – Specific: **The project is located in east Contra Costa County in the unincorporated community of Byron.**

Project Location: **Byron area**

Project Location – County: **Contra Costa**

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this project is to remove and replace an above ground section of sewer pipe servicing the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility (Byron Boys Ranch). The pipe removal and replacement will occur between Camino Diablo Road and Byer Road. The pipeline section that will be replaced is above ground and is supported by concrete pillars. Recently, adjacent sections of the sewage pipe have been struck by automobiles and farm vehicles. The age of the pipe, combined with the potential for accidental strikes by vehicles could cause a breach of the pipe and potentially release raw sewage; therefore, the County is proposing to remove and replace this section of the sewage pipe. An approximately 1,260-foot-long section will be flushed prior to removal, and a new steel pipe will be placed on the existing concrete pillars. The current sewage pipe will be removed using Best Management Practices (BMPs). The pipe removal and replacement will include conducting work over a filled in portion of a drainage ditch. Impacts to the drainage ditch will be avoided by placing barriers between the project construction area and ditch. Spill prevention and control materials will be present at the project site at all times. While the existing sewage pipe is being removed and replaced, Byron Boys Ranch will have its sewage removed by sewage truck. Utility relocations or adjustments may be necessary in support of the project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: **Contra Costa County**

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: **Contra Costa County Public Works Department**

Exempt Status:

☐ Ministerial Project (Sec. 21080(b) (1); 15268;

☒ Categorical Exemption, Type and section no.: **(Class 15302(c))**

☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));

☐ Other Statutory Exemption, Code no.:

☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

☐ General Rule of Applicability

Reasons why project is exempt: **The project consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; pursuant to section 15302(c) of the CEQA guidelines.**

Lead Agency Contact Person: **Kimani Birden - Public Works Dept.** Area Code/Telephone/Extension: **(925) 313-2190**

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.

2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature:_____Date:_____Title: _____

☐ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

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_____

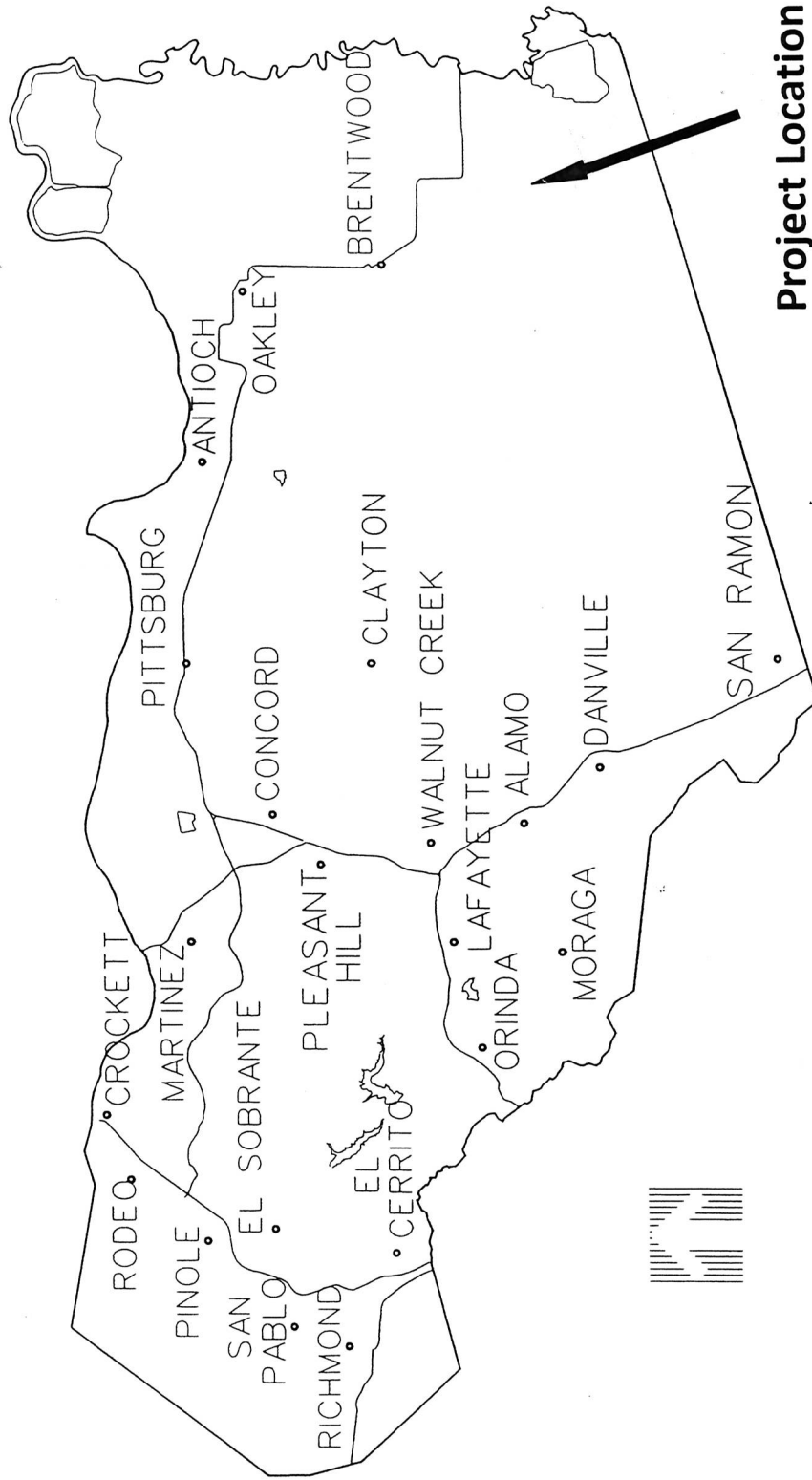
Applicant:
Public Works Department
255 Glacier Drive
Martinez, CA 94553
Attn: Kimani Birden,
Environmental Section

Department of Fish and Game Fees Due
☐ EIR - \$2,919.00
☐ Neg. Dec. - \$2,101.50
☐ DeMinimis Findings - \$0
☒ **County Clerk - \$50**
☒ **Conservation & Development - \$25**

Total Due: \$ 75.00
Total Paid \$ _____

Receipt #:

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY CALIFORNIA



LOCATION MAP



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Fig 2

Project location

Byron Boys Ranch Sewer Pipeline Replacement Project



■ Project Location

0 0.04 0.08 0.16 Miles

Fig 3