

**Contra
Costa
County**

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

Project Number # 0662-6R4211
CP# 13-45

PROJECT NAME: **Tara Hills Pedestrian Infrastructure Project**

PREPARED BY: **Kimani Birden** *cg*

DATE: **January 15, 2014**

APPROVED BY: *[Signature]*

DATE: 1-27-14

RECOMMENDATIONS:

☒ **Categorical Exemption (Class 1c)**

☐ **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 minor alteration of existing public facilities, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination, pursuant to section 15301(c) of the CEQA guidelines.**

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

USGS Quad Sheet:
Richmond

Base Map Sheet #:
G-5, G-6

Parcel #:
N/A

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

1. Location: The project is in west Contra Costa County; in the unincorporated community of Tara Hills; in the Pinole area. (Figs. 1-3)

2. Project Description: The purpose of this project is to provide Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramps for the local residents and students attending Tara Hills Elementary and North Campus Continuing Education High School. The project will install twenty-two (22) curb ramps at selected intersections close to both schools. The project will construct four bulb-outs, remove existing signage and install new signage and pavement markings at the intersection. Several storm drain inlets may need to be relocated or installed to accommodate the proposed improvements. Nesting bird surveys will be conducted if the project is constructed in the bird nesting season. In order to minimize damage to any nearby trees, any roots exposed during excavation will be cut cleanly and tree branches will be trimmed. No tree removals are anticipated. Temporary lane closure may be required during the construction of the project. Real property transactions and utility relocations may be necessary in support of this project.

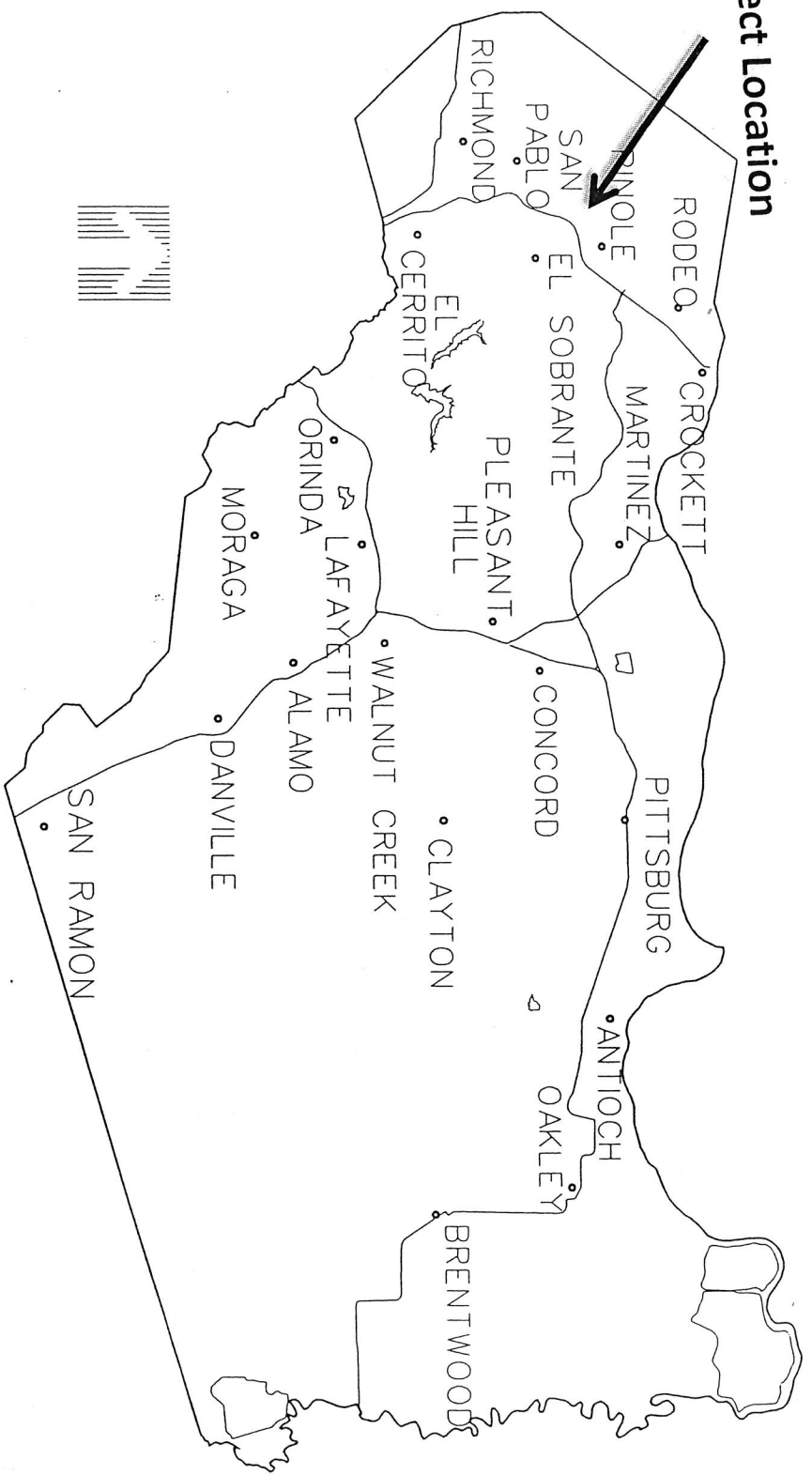
3. Does it appear that any feature of the project will generate significant public concern?
☐ yes ☒ **no** ☐ maybe

4. Will the project require approval or permits by other than a County agency?
☐ yes ☒ **no**

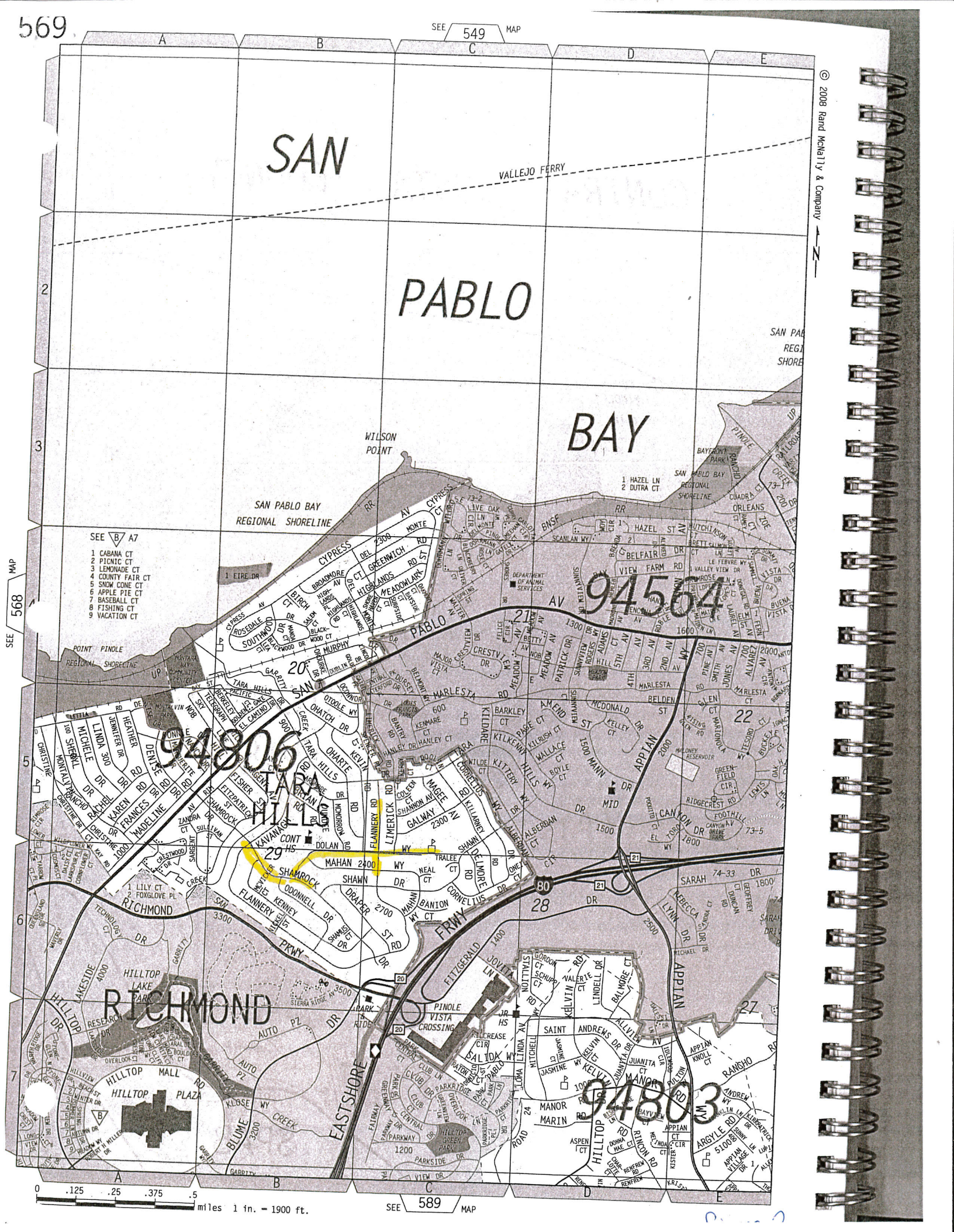
5. Is the project within the Sphere of Influence of any city? **The City of Pinole**

CONTRA COSTA CALIFORNIA COUNTY

Project Location



LOCATION MAP



SAN

PABLO

BAY

SEE B/A7

- 1 CABANA CT
- 2 PIONIC CT
- 3 LEMONADE CT
- 4 COUNTY FAIR CT
- 5 SNOW CONE CT
- 6 APPLE PIE CT
- 7 BASEBALL CT
- 8 FISHING CT
- 9 VACATION CT

94806


94564

RICHMOND

94803

Tara Hills Pedestrian Infrastructure Project



 Project Location

0 0.05 0.1 0.2 Miles



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: **Tara Hills Pedestrian Infrastructure Project, 0662-6R4211, CP# 13-45**

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

Project Location: **The project is in unincorporated Tara Hills**

Project Location: **Western Contra Costa County**

Project Location – County: **Contra Costa**

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this project is to provide Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramps for the local residents and students attending Tara Hills Elementary and North Campus Continuing Education High School. The project will install twenty-two (22) curb ramps at selected intersections close to both schools. The project will construct four bulb-outs, remove existing signage and install new signage and pavement markings at the intersection. Several storm drain inlets may need to be relocated or installed to accommodate the proposed improvements. Nesting bird surveys will be conducted if the project is constructed in the bird nesting season. In order to minimize damage to any nearby trees, any roots exposed during excavation will be cut cleanly and tree branches will be trimmed. No tree removals are anticipated. Temporary lane closure may be required during the construction of the project. Real property transactions and utility relocations may be necessary in support of this 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: **Class 1c**
☐ 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 [Article 5, Section 15061 (b)(3)]

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of minor alteration of existing public facilities, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agencies determination, pursuant to section 15301(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 Services Division
Phone: (925) 313-2190

Department of Fish and Game Fees Due

- ☐ EIR - \$3,029.⁷⁵
☐ Neg. Dec. - \$2,181.²⁵
☐ DeMinimis Findings - \$0
☒ County Clerk - \$50
☒ Conservation & Development - \$25

Total Due: \$ 75.⁰⁰

Total Paid \$ _____

Receipt #: _____