

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
INITIAL STUDY OF
ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

PROJECT # 0662-6R4209
CP# 07-91

PROJECT NAME: Stone Valley Road Bike Lane Gap Closure

PREPARED BY: Kimani Birden *cg*

DATE: January 14, 2014

APPROVED BY: *[Signature]*

DATE: 1-27-14

RECOMMENDATIONS:

☒ Categorical Exemption (**Class 2**)

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

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

USGS Quad Sheet:
LasTrampas Ridge

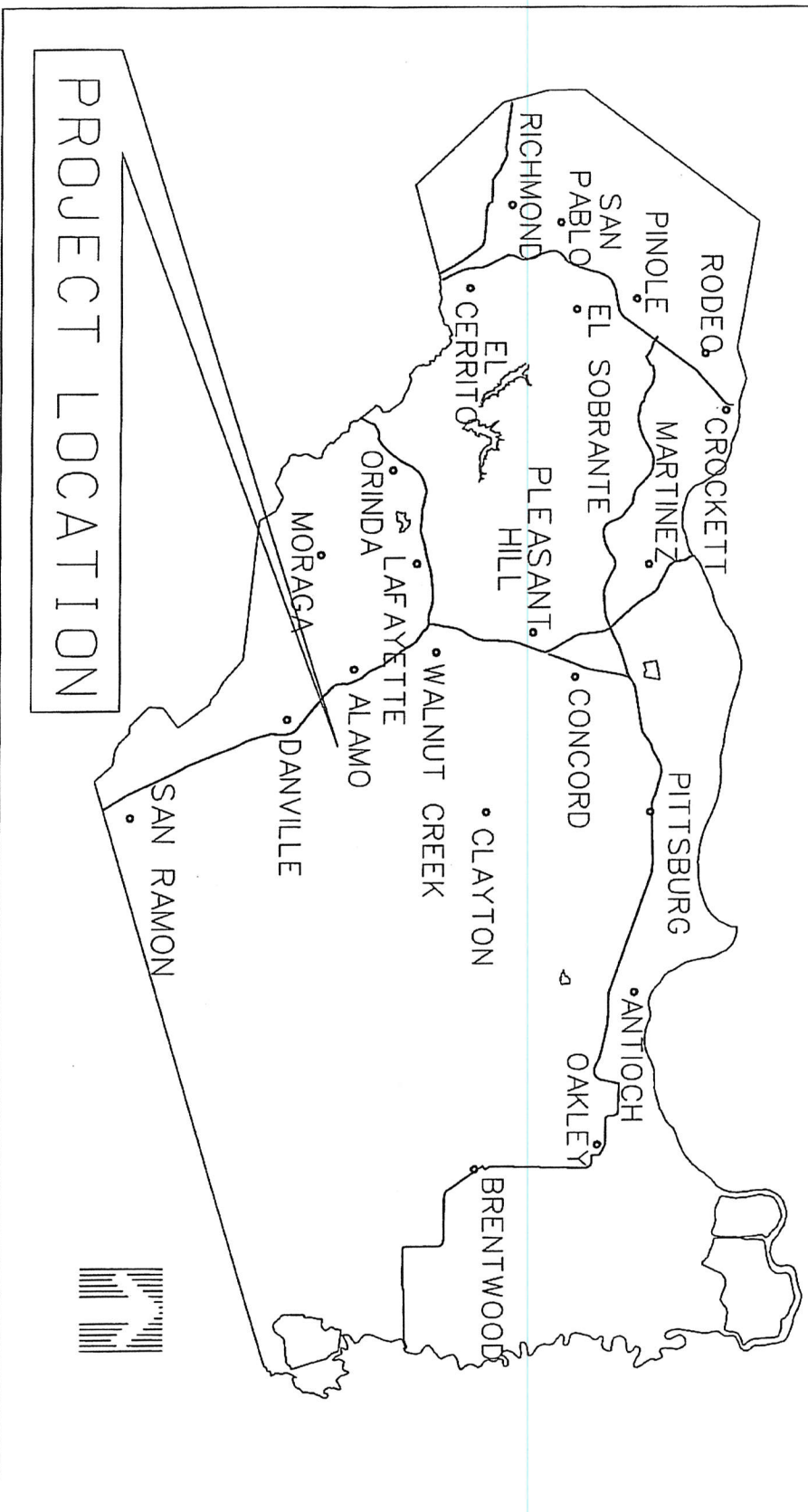
Base Map Sheet #:
R-15

Parcel #:
n/a

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- Location:** The project is located in unincorporated south Contra Costa County; along Stone Valley Road approximately 200 feet west of Miranda Avenue and 400 feet west of Green Valley Road in the community of Alamo (Figs. 1-4).
- Project Description:** The project consists of the closure of an approximately one (1) mile long gap in the bike lane between Round Valley Drive and Alamo Hills Drive. The gap closure will allow a continuous class II bike facility along the south side of Stone Valley Road. The project will widen the north and south sides of the roadway along the length of the project from one to four and a half feet depending on the existing roadway width. The project will add striping for the bike lanes and construct one median island. The project will include replacement of the existing curbs and dikes with Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) curb, Asphalt Concrete (AC) dike and gutter. Three drainage inlets will need to be relocated to accommodate the widened bike lane. Two locations (east and west of the intersection of Justin Morgan Dr. and Stone Valley Road) along the project site may require an approximately 3 foot tall, 500 foot long retaining wall along the side of the road to support the adjoining slope after construction. A Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) will be constructed at the existing crosswalk of Roundhill Drive. One existing crosswalk at Alamo Hills Drive will be removed. Sidewalk along the south side of Stone Valley Drive will be constructed from Roundhill Drive to Alamo Hills Drive. In order to accommodate the bike lane, the minor reconstruction of a hardscape median (narrowing by 1 foot) may be required. In order to minimize damage to any nearby trees, any roots exposed during excavation will be cut cleanly and tree branches will be trimmed. Three ornamental trees will be removed due to the project. Real property transactions may be necessary in support of this project. At least one lane of traffic will be open at all times during construction activities and emergency services access will be provided for at all times. Utilities may need relocation as a result 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?** NO

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Stone Valley Road Bike Lane Gap Closure

NO SCALE

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SEE 632 MAP

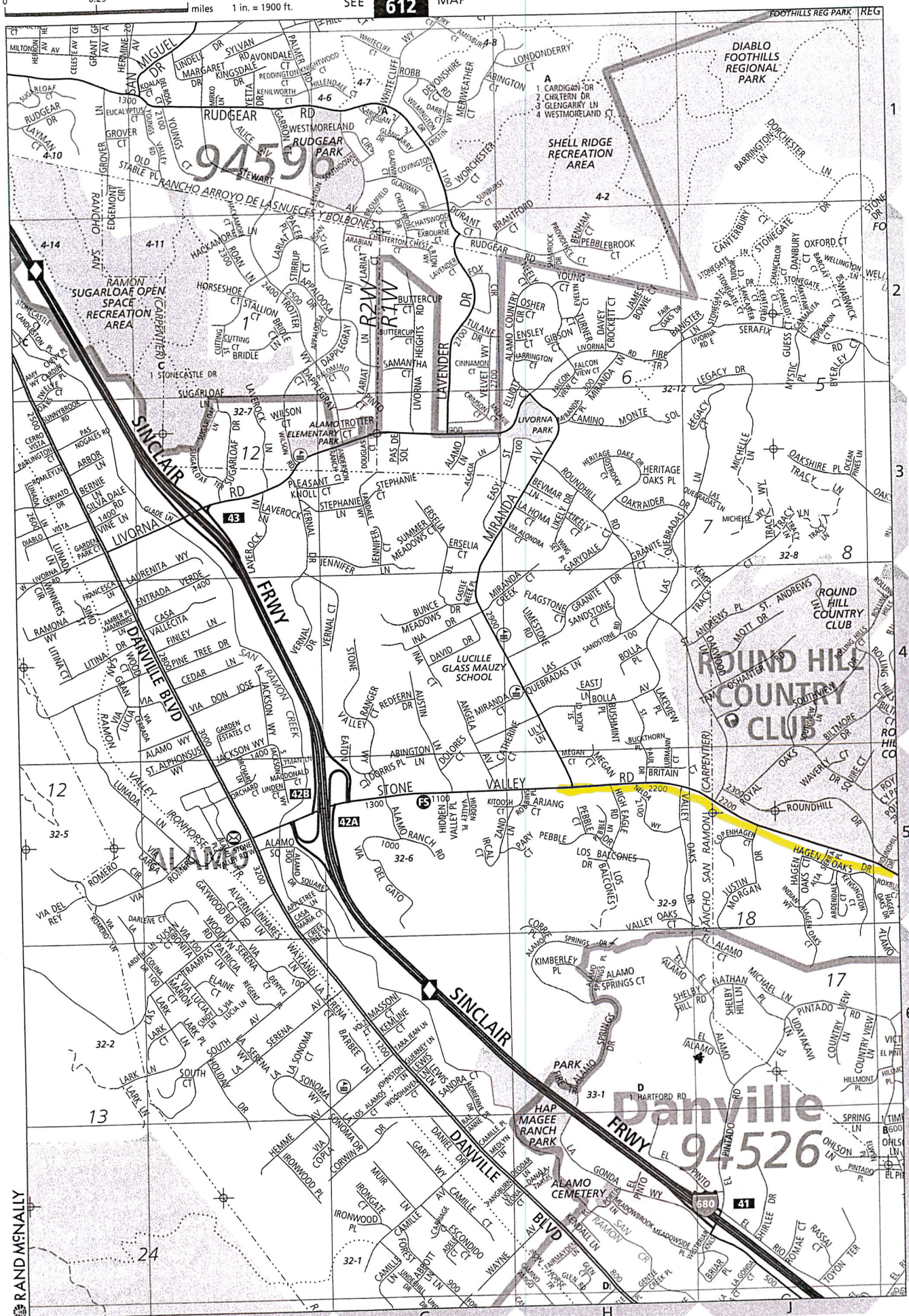
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ALAMO OAKS

Project Location

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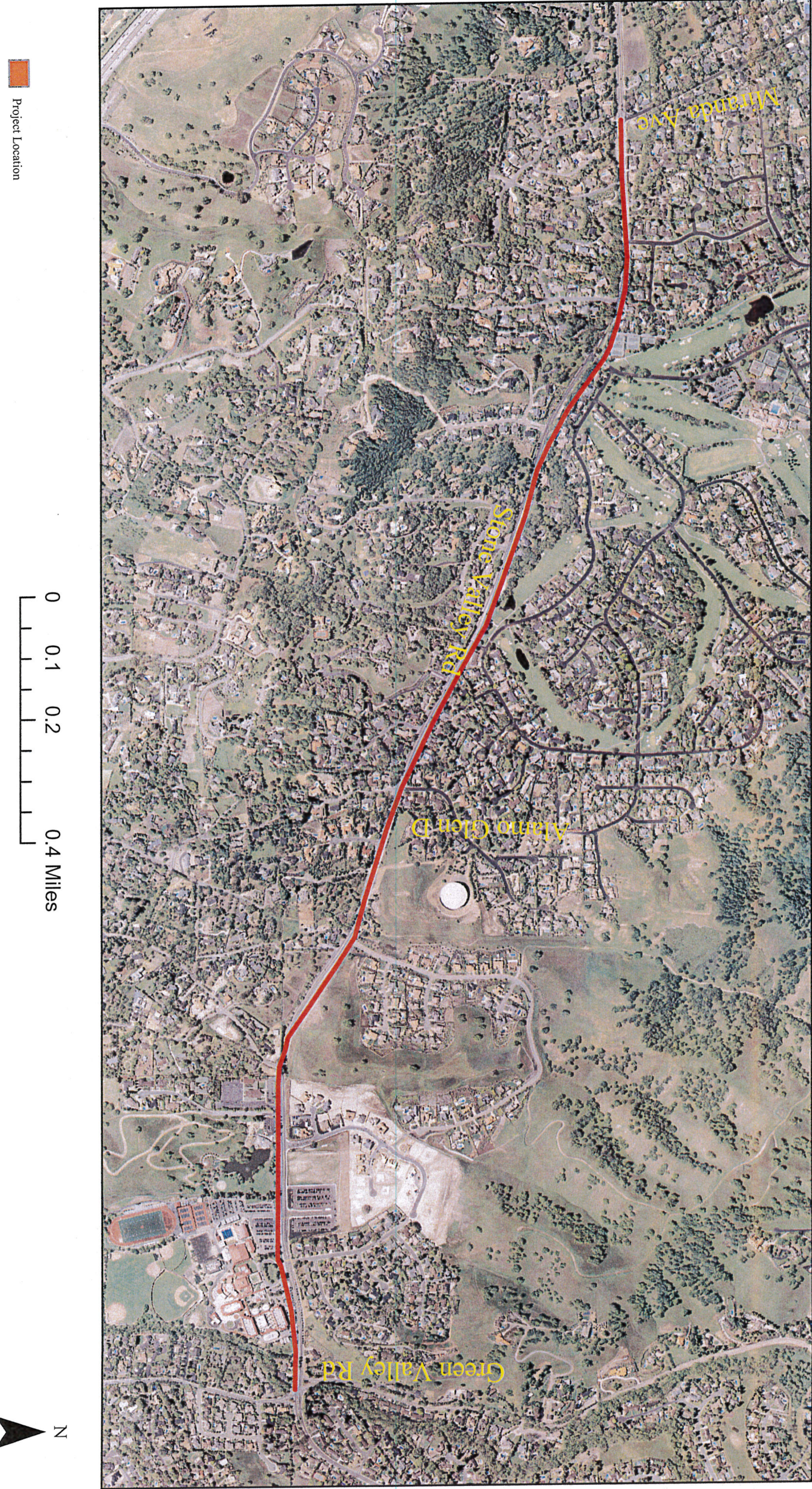


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SEE **633** MAP

Figure 3b

Stone Valley Road Bike Lane Gap Closure Project



Project Location

Figure 4

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Contra Costa
From: Contra Costa County
Dept. of Conservation & Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

Project Title: Stone Valley Road Bike Lane Gap Closure, Project #0662-6R4209, CP# 07-91
Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Department
Project Location: The project is in unincorporated Alamo
Project Location: Southern Contra Costa County
Project Location - County: Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The project consists of the closure of an approximately one (1) mile long gap in the bike lane between Round Valley Drive and Alamo Hills Drive. The gap closure will allow a continuous class II bike facility along the south side of Stone Valley Road. The project will widen the north and south sides of the roadway along the length of the project from one to four and a half feet depending on the existing roadway width. The project will add striping for the bike lanes and construct one median island. The project will include replacement of the existing curbs and dikes with Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) curb, Asphalt Concrete (AC) dike and gutter. Three drainage inlets will need to be relocated to accommodate the widened bike lane. Two locations (east and west of the intersection of Justin Morgan Dr. and Stone Valley Road) along the project site may require an approximately 3 foot tall, 500 foot long retaining wall along the side of the road to support the adjoining slope after construction. A Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) will be constructed at the existing crosswalk of Roundhill Drive. One existing crosswalk at Alamo Hills Drive will be removed. Sidewalk along the south side of Stone Valley Drive will be constructed from Roundhill Drive to Alamo Hills Drive. In order to accommodate the bike lane, the minor reconstruction of a hardscape median (narrowing by 1 foot) may be required. In order to minimize damage to any nearby trees, any roots exposed during excavation will be cut cleanly and tree branches will be trimmed. Three ornamental trees will be removed due to the project. Real property transactions may be necessary in support of this project. At least one lane of traffic will be open at all times during construction activities and emergency services access will be provided for at all times. Utilities may need relocation as a result 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;
[] Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
[] Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
[X] Categorical Exemption: Class 2
[] Other Statutory Exemption, Code No.:
[] General Rule of Applicability [Article 5, Section 15061 (b)(3)]

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of the replacement of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the existing structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, pursuant to section 15302 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: Department of Fish and Game Fees Due
Public Works Department
255 Glacier Drive
Martinez, CA 94553
Attn: Kimani Birden
Environmental Services Division
Phone: (925) 313-2190
[] EIR - \$3,029.75
[] Neg. Dec. - \$2,181.25
[] DeMinimis Findings - \$0
[X] County Clerk - \$50
[X] Conservation & Development - \$25
Total Due: \$ 75.00
Total Paid \$
Receipt #: