

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
INITIAL STUDY OF
ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

PROJECT NUMBER: 0662-6R4024

CP# 16-48

PROJECT NAME: Bay Point Sign Upgrade Project

PREPARED BY: Trina Torres

DATE: October 12, 2016

APPROVED BY: _____

DATE: 10-24-16

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Categorical Exemption [Class 1(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 involves the minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond previously existing, pursuant to section 15301(c) of the CEQA guidelines. 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: <u>Honker Bay</u>	Base Map Sheet #: <u>various</u>	Parcel #: <u>N/A</u>
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GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

1. **Location:** The project is located in central Contra Costa County in the unincorporated community of Bay Point. [Figures 1-2]

2. **Project Description:** The purpose of this project is to replace existing traffic regulatory and warning signs along various County maintained roadways within the unincorporated Bay Point area.

The project will consist of the replacement of all regulatory and warning signs along Major Collectors, Minor Arterials, and Other Principal Arterials to meet Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Manual Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) standards. Roadways identified to receive the upgrades include; Bailey Road, Willow Pass Road, Port Chicago Highway, Pacifica Avenue, Driftwood Drive, and Evora Road. Additional signs will be replaced on several other secondary roadways. If additional funding is available, a sign audit will be conducted on the remaining Bay Point streets to determine the best uses of the funding and expend the remainder in the most beneficial areas. The sign audit will determine the number and condition of the signs that are not listed for replacement outside of the list above. Sign replacement will only require replacement of the sign face with higher standard diamond grade retroreflective sheeting, unless there is damage to the post or foundation. Signs may be relocated in order to improve pedestrian access or visibility.

Appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be implemented to protect storm drain inlets. One lane will remain open during construction activities to maintain general access. Emergency vehicles will have access at all times. Real property transactions may be necessary in support of this project. Trees and shrubbery may need trimming throughout the project area. No tree removal will be necessary.

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

Yes No maybe (Nature of concern):

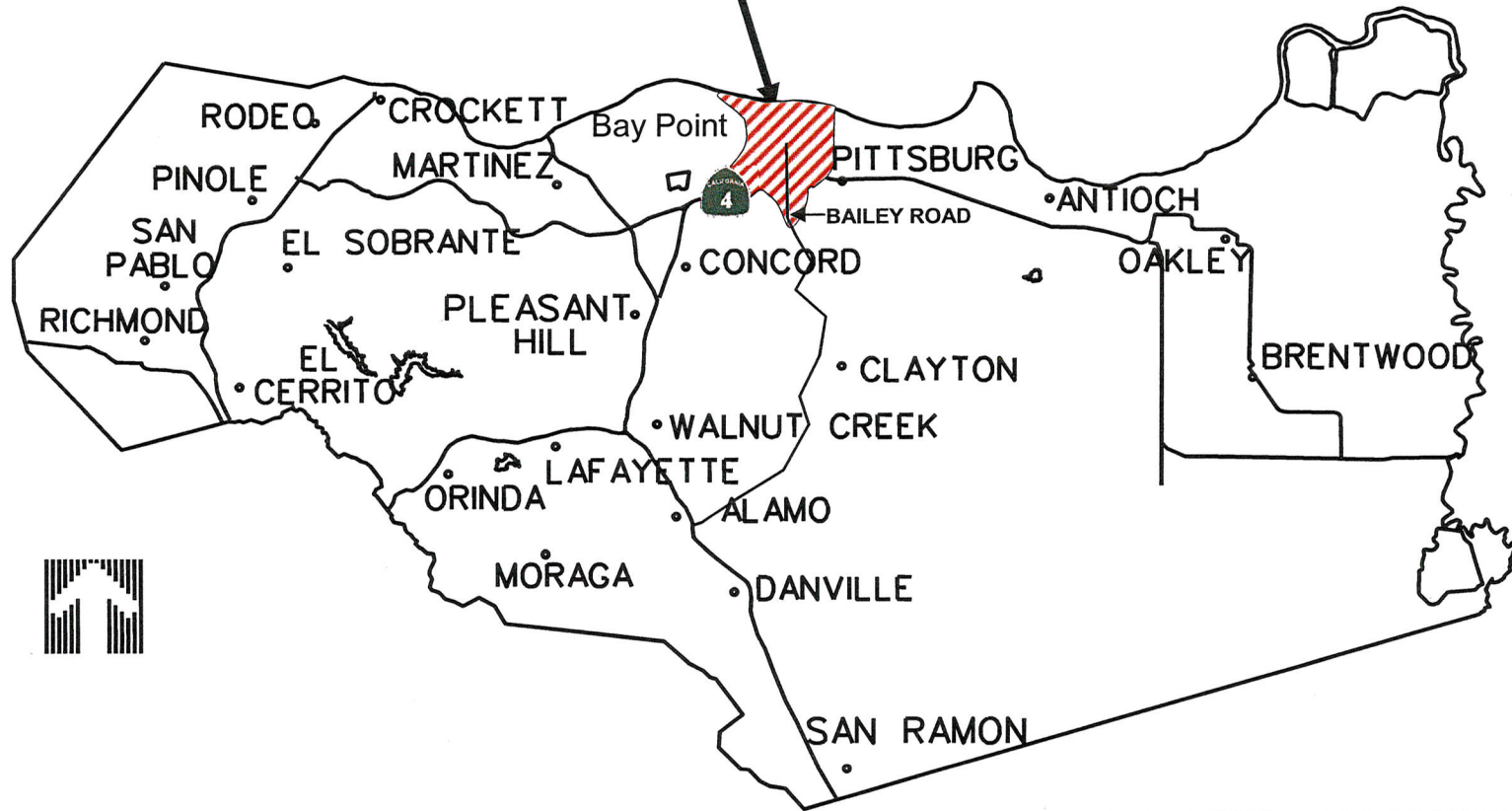
4. **Will the project require approval or permits by other than a County agency?**

Yes No

5. **Is the project within the Sphere of Influence of any city?** Yes-Pittsburg

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PROJECT LOCATION

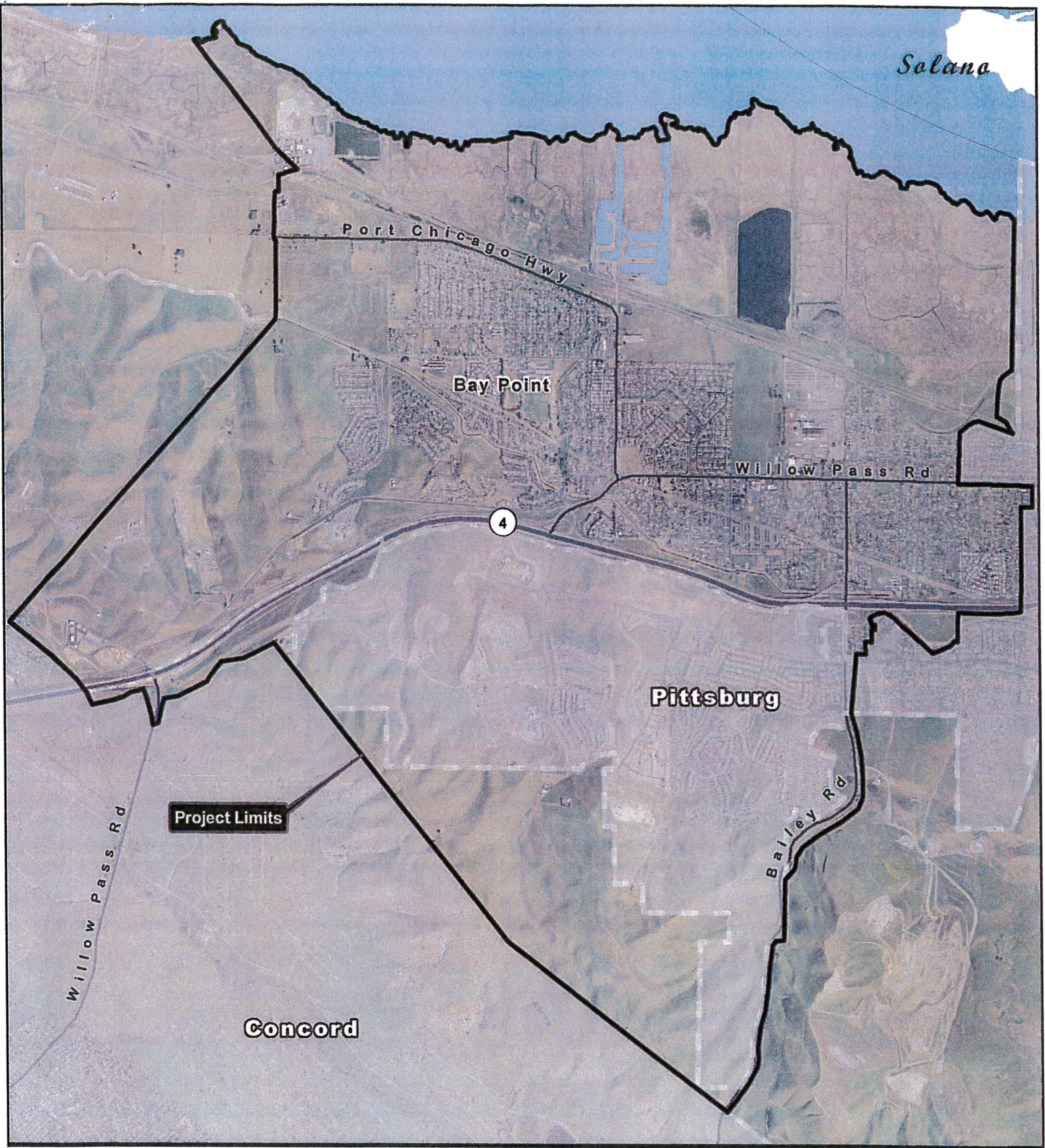


Contra Costa County
Public Works
Department

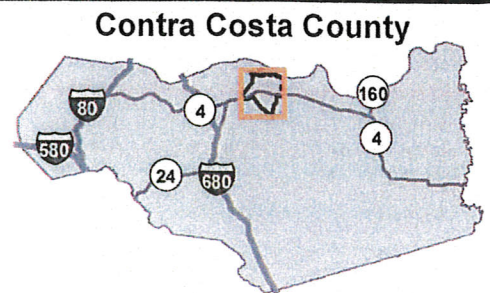
255 GLACIER DRIVE, MARTINEZ, CA 94553 PH: (925)313-2000 FAX: (925)313-2333

Figure 1

Bay Point Sign Upgrade Project



**Bay Point Sign Upgrade Project
Project Location Map
Figure 2**



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: Bay Point Sign Upgrade Project,
Project No. 0662-6R4024 & CP#16-48

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Department

Project Location - Specific: various County-maintained roads in Bay Point

Project Location: Unincorporated Community of Bay Point Project Location - County: Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this project is to replace existing traffic regulatory and warning signs along various County maintained roadways within the unincorporated Bay Point area.

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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));
 Categorical Exemption: Class 1(c)
 Other Statutory Exemption, Code No.:
 General Rule of Applicability [Article 5, Section 15061 (b)(3)]

Reasons why project is exempt: The project involves the minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond previously existing, pursuant to section 15301(c) of the CEQA guidelines. The project will not result in the removal of any scenic resource.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Trina Torres - Public Works Dept. Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (925) 313-2176

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: Trina Torres
Environmental Services Division
Phone: (925) 313-2176

Department of Fish and Game Fees Due

- EIR - \$3,078.25
 Neg. Dec. - \$2,216.25
 DeMinimis Findings - \$0
 County Clerk - \$50
 Conservation & Development - \$25

Total Due: \$ 75.00
Total Paid \$
Receipt #: