



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
INITIAL STUDY OF
ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

PROJECT NUMBER: 250-1703, WH140E/F
CP# 17-26

PROJECT NAME: Morrow House Rehabilitation

PREPARED BY: Claudia Gemberling, Environmental Services Division  DATE: July 26, 2017

APPROVED BY:  DATE: 8-1-17

RECOMMENDATIONS:

☒ **Categorical Exemption: 15301(d) [Class 1]**

☐ 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 rehabilitation of deteriorated structures, facilities, and mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety pursuant to section **15301(d)** of the CEQA guidelines.

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

USGS Quad Sheet: <u>Benicia</u>	Base Map Sheet #: <u>G-11</u>	Parcel #: <u>373-061-001</u>
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GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- Location:** The Morrow House is located at 1236 Escobar Street in downtown Martinez [Figures 1-3].
- Project Description:** The Morrow House is an unoccupied County-owned building that has previously been used as office space and is in need of repair and maintenance. The County proposes to rehabilitate the house for temporary County office use during construction of the new County Administration building and other County uses. The house was constructed in 1918 and therefore, in order to protect its potential historic integrity, the rehabilitation will not result in major changes to the building. Rehabilitation includes in-kind replacement or repair to the roof, downspouts and gutters, paint, finishes, and renovations to the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems. A hazardous materials assessment will be conducted prior to the improvements for worker health and safety and to identify proper disposal methods.

General Plan Conformance will be necessary from the City of Martinez.

- 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

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

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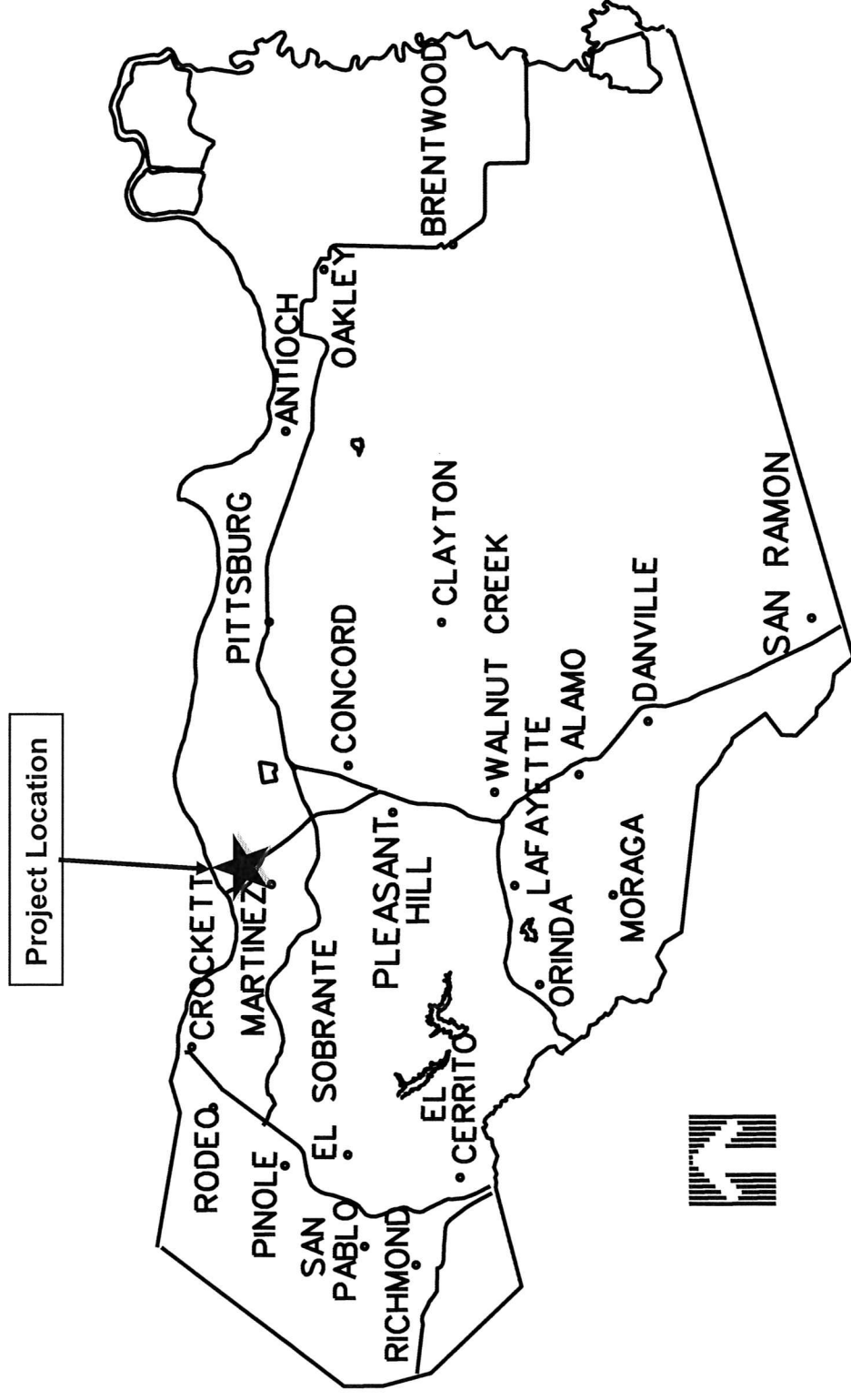


FIGURE 1: PROJECT LOCATION MAP

Contra Costa County Public Works Department
Morrow House Rehabilitation (Work Order #: 250-1703, WH140E/F)

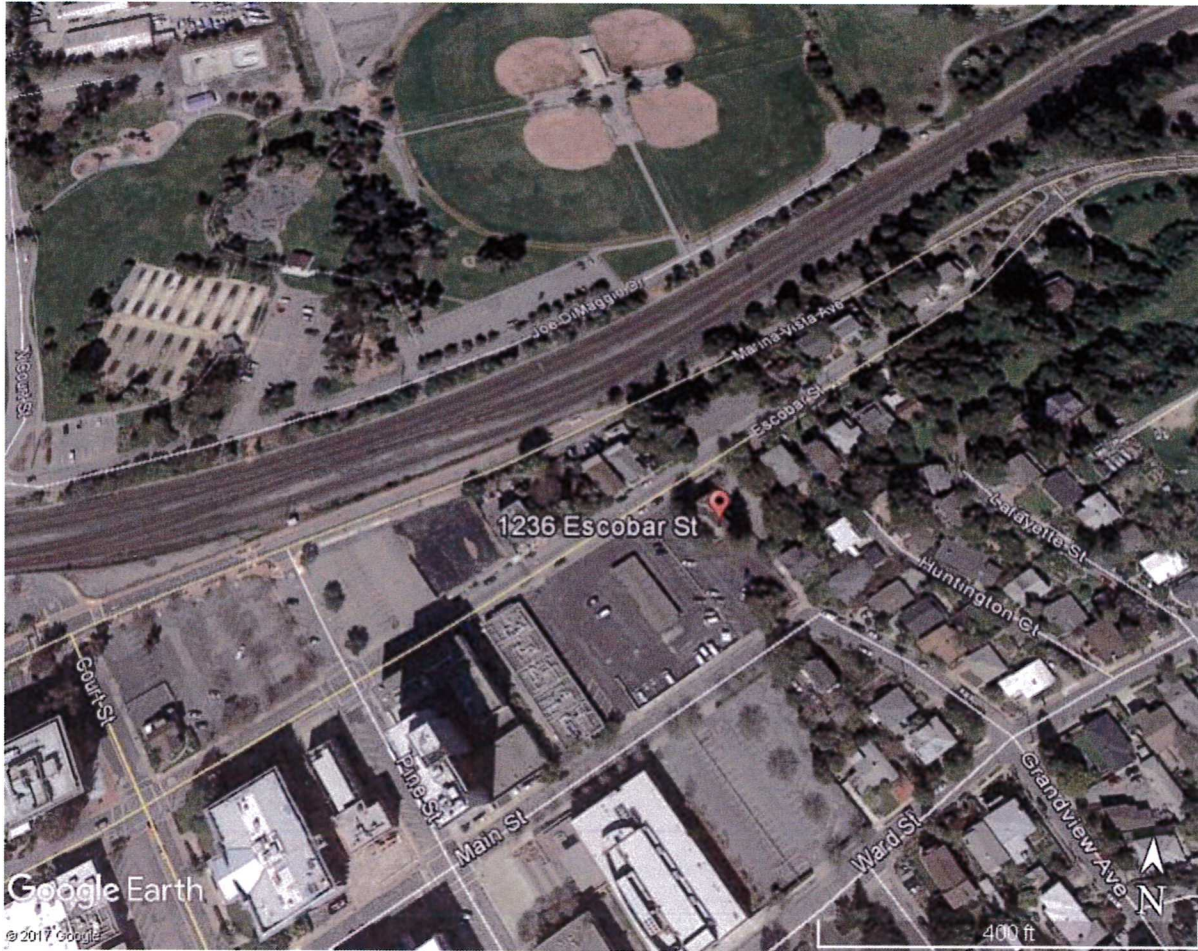


Figure 2

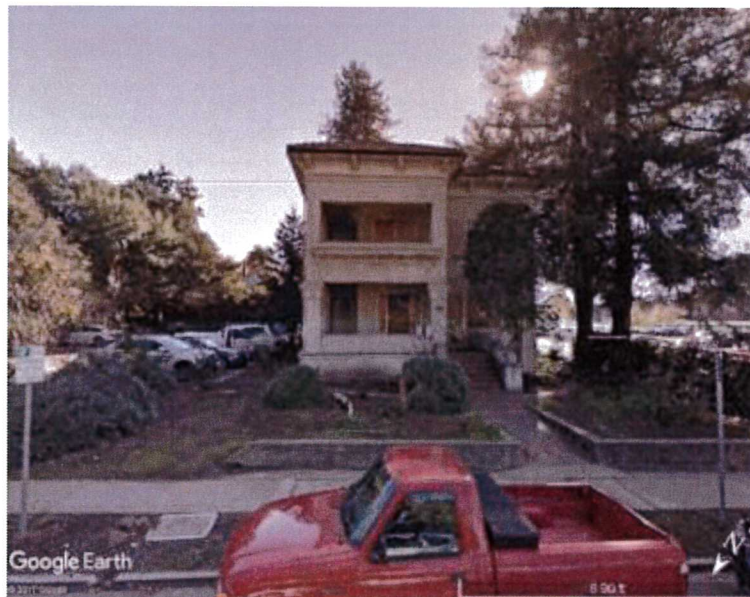


Figure 3

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: Morrow House Rehabilitation
Project No.: 250-1703, WH140E/F CP# 17-26

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Department

Project Location – Specific: 1236 Escobar Avenue

Project Location: Martinez Project Location – County: North-central Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The Morrow House is an unoccupied County-owned building that has previously been used as office space and is in need of repair and maintenance. The County proposes to rehabilitate the house for temporary County office use during construction of the new County Administration building and other County uses. The house was constructed in 1918 and therefore, in order to protect its potential historic integrity, the rehabilitation will not result in major changes to the building. Rehabilitation includes in-kind replacement or repair to the roof, downspouts and gutters, paint, finishes, and renovations to the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems. A hazardous materials assessment will be conducted prior to the improvements for worker health and safety and to identify proper disposal methods.

General Plan Conformance is necessary from the City of Martinez.

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: 15301(d) (Class 1)
[] Other Statutory Exemption, Code No.:
[] General Rule of Applicability [Article 5, Section 15061 (b)(3)]

Reasons why project is exempt: The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. The recommendation is based on the following: The project consists of the rehabilitation of deteriorated structures, facilities, and mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety pursuant to section 15301(d) of the CEQA guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Claudia Gemberling, Public Works Department Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (925) 313-2192

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 [] EIR - \$3,078.25 Total Due: \$75.00
255 Glacier Drive [] Neg. Dec. - \$2,216.25 Total Paid \$
Martinez, CA 94553 [] DeMinimis Findings - \$0
Attn: C. Gemberling [X] County Clerk - \$50 Receipt #:
Environmental Services Division [X] Conservation & Development - \$25
Phone: (925) 313-2192