

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: Imhoff Drive Bicycle Shoulder Striping
Proj. No. WO #1025 CP#18-01

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

Project Location – **Specific:** Imhoff Drive between Blum Road and Waterbird Way

Project Location: Unincorporated Martinez Project Location – County: **Central Contra Costa**

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Public Works Department of Contra Costa County is proposing to improve bicyclist safety along Imhoff Drive between Blum Road and Waterbird Way in unincorporated Martinez. Currently, there are no bicycle facilities along Imhoff Drive between Blum Road and Waterbird Way, but the State Route (SR) 4 Bikeway begins east of Waterbird Way. The proposed Project would allow bicyclists to safely access the SR 4 Bikeway, which connects the City of Martinez to the City of Concord. This roadway segment is included in the 2009 Contra Costa Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

The existing roadway within the Project limits varies in width from 30 to 40 feet without shoulders for bicyclists to utilize for travel. Currently, bicyclists must share the road with vehicular traffic without any bicycle signage or shoulders. The striped shoulders and related improvements will provide an additional mode of transportation for commuting and recreational use.

The Project will stripe shoulders to create Class II bike lanes for 0.3 miles along Imhoff Drive from Blum Road to Waterbird Way within the existing roadway. Existing vehicle lane widths would be narrowed to accommodate the increased shoulder width, which will vary from three to five feet. Appropriate signage will be installed to designate the proposed bike lanes. Safety would be improved by installing shoulder striping that will reduce the travel lane widths and provide a delineated, paved shoulder for bicycle travel. Because striping activities would occur along the existing roadway, no tree removal will be necessary. Existing grated storm drain inlets will be replaced as necessary to ensure bicycle compatibility. However, the Project will maintain the existing drainage pattern and will not create new impervious areas. In addition, appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be implemented to protect storm drain inlets. One lane will be open during construction activities. Emergency vehicles will have access at all times.

While not anticipated, utility adjustments or relocation may be necessary in support of the Project. Real Property transactions, including right-of-way acquisition 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 15301(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 [Article 5, Section 15061 (b)(3)]

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project consists of minor alternations of existing public facilities involving no expansion of use pursuant to section 15301(c) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person: **Matt Kawashima** - **Public Works Dept.** Area Code/Telephone/Extension: **(925) 313-2161**

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: Matt Kawashima
Environmental Services Division
Phone: (925) 313-2161

Department of Fish and Game Fees Due

☐ EIR - \$3,168.⁰⁰
☐ Neg. Dec. - \$2,280.⁷⁵
☐ DeMinimis Findings - \$0
☒ **County Clerk - \$50**
☒ **Conservation & Development - \$25**

Total Due: \$75.⁰⁰
Total Paid \$ _____

Receipt #: _____