

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
INITIAL STUDY OF
ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

PROJECT NUMBER: 0662-6R4128
CP# 17-33

PROJECT NAME: Danville Boulevard/Orchard Court Complete Streets Improvements

PREPARED BY: Sandeep Singh *AS*

DATE: July 30, 2018

APPROVED BY: Tegan B. Moore

DATE: 8/7/2018

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Categorical Exemption: 15301 [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 consists of minor alterations of existing public and private facilities, involving no expansion of use, pursuant to section 15301 Class 1(c) of the CEQA guidelines.

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

USGS Quad Sheet: <u>Las Trampas Ridge</u>	Base Map Sheet #: <u>R-15</u>	Parcel #: <u>191-180-014, 191-180-015, 191-180-018</u>
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GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

1. **Location:** The Project is located on Danville Boulevard between Jackson Way and Stone Valley Road in downtown Alamo, south Contra Costa County [Figures 1-2].

2. **Project Description:** The purpose of this Project is to improve traffic, bicycle, and pedestrian safety on Danville Boulevard between Jackson Way and Stone Valley Road by installing complete street improvements.

The Project includes constructing a roundabout and sidewalk improvements that include curb extensions, curb ramps, and entry medians at the Danville Boulevard/Orchard Court intersection. New curb extensions and curb ramps will be installed to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. Danville Boulevard currently has an existing five-lane configuration south of Orchard Court and four lanes north of the intersection. A newly constructed roundabout at the Danville Boulevard/Orchard Court intersection will reduce the lanes down to one lane at the approach to the roundabout, thus reducing traffic speeds entering the heavily used intersection. This will enhance bicycle and pedestrian mobility and safety. The project will maintain existing street drainage. Storm drain inlets will need to be relocated or adjusted to accommodate new curb and gutter locations associated with the new roundabout. Other Project features include road treatment slurry seal, signage modification, relocation of existing street lights and possibility of new street lights on Danville Boulevard to accommodate the new sidewalk location, and other roadside features. Utilities may need to be relocated or adjusted in order to ensure new sidewalk construction meets ADA clearance requirements. Mature oak trees within the existing sidewalk will be protected during reconstruction to the extent possible. However, it is anticipated that one oak tree will be removed and additional landscape trees may need to be removed to accommodate proposed improvements. The maximum depth of excavation is expected to be approximately four feet below the current grade. All roadway and sidewalk construction for this project will take place within existing roadway and urban areas.

The Project will maintain the existing drainage pattern and will not create new impervious areas. Standard Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be implemented during construction. One lane will be open during construction activities. Emergency vehicles will have access at all times. Real Property transactions, including right-of-way acquisition may be necessary in support of this project.

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

Yes No maybe (Nature of concern):

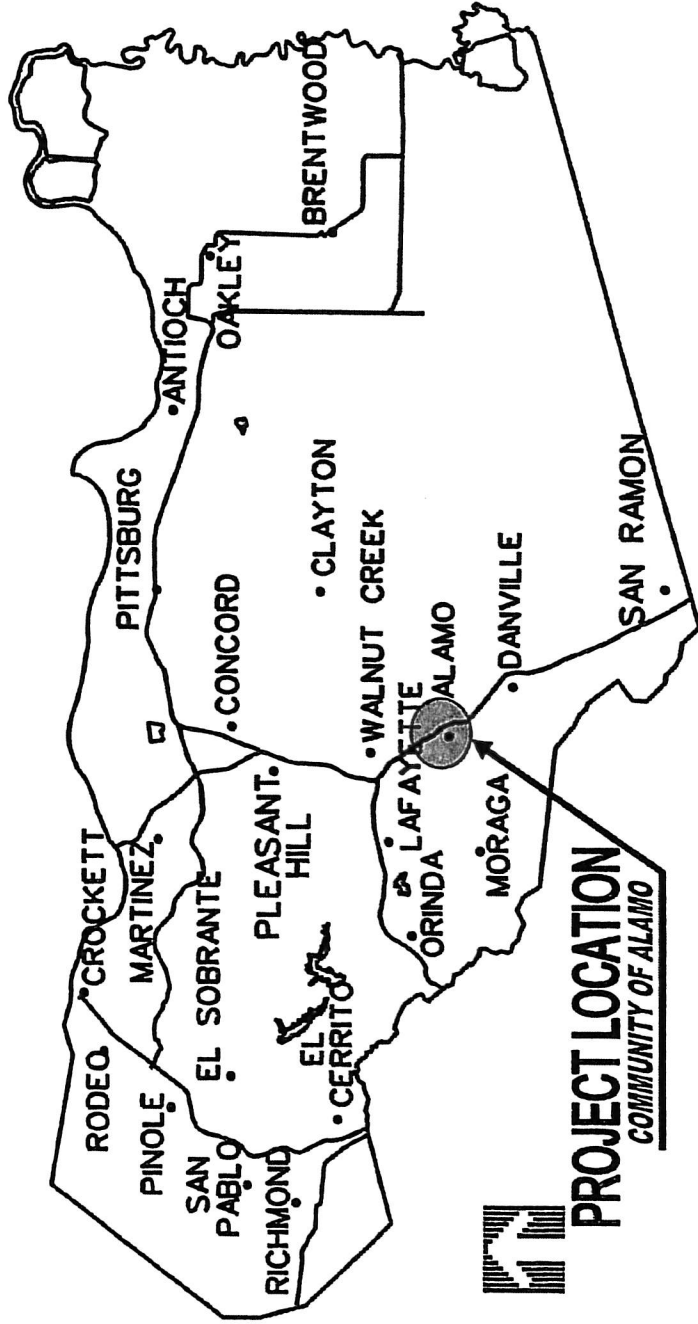
4. Will the project require approval or permits by other than a County agency?

Yes No

5. Is the project within the Sphere of Influence of any city?

No

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Contra Costa County
Public Works
Department

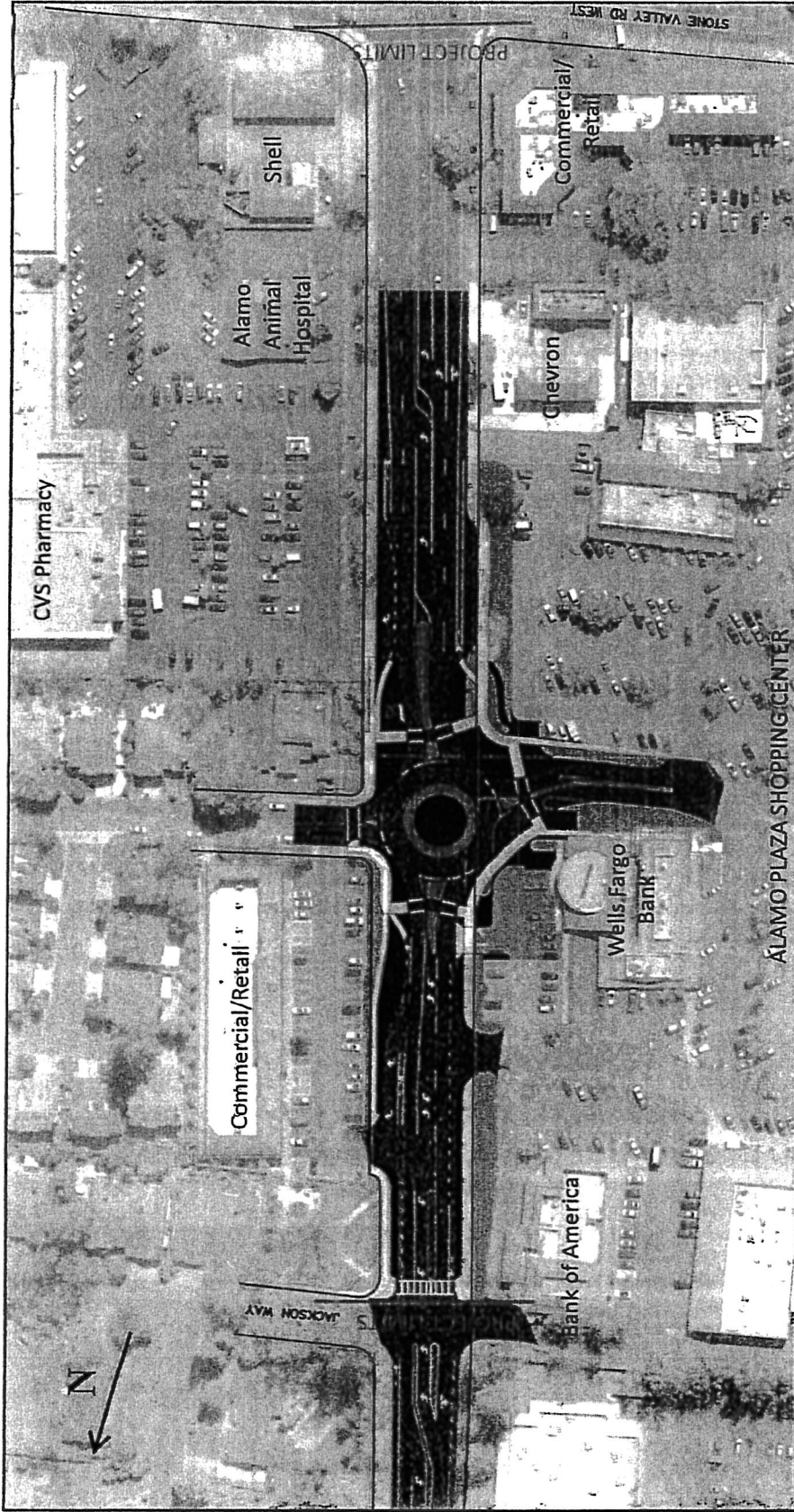
PROJECT LOCATION MAP

Danville Blvd/Orchard Ct Complete Streets Improvements

DB: TC CB: DATE: Aug 2016 SHEET 1 OF 1

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Figure 1




 <p>Contra Costa County Public Works Department</p> <p>255 GLACIER DRIVE, MARTINEZ, CA 94553 PH: (925)313-2000 FAX: (925)313-2333</p>	PROJECT LAYOUT			SHEET 1 OF 1
	DANVILLE BOULEVARD-ORCHARD COURT COMPLETE STREETS IMPROVEMENTS			DATE: AUGUST 2016
SCALE: 1" = 90'	DB: TM	CB:		

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: Danville Boulevard/Orchard Court Complete Streets Improvements
Proj. No. 0662-6R4128 CP#17-33

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

Project Location – **Specific:** Danville Boulevard between Jackson Way and Stone Valley Road

Project Location: Unincorporated Alamo

Project Location – County: Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this Project is to improve traffic, bicycle, and pedestrian safety on Danville Boulevard between Jackson Way and Stone Valley Road by installing complete street improvements (Figures 1-2).

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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:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial Project (Sec. 21080(b) (1); 15268; | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption: 15301 Class 1(c) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)); | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Statutory Exemption, Code No.: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)); | <input type="checkbox"/> General Rule of Applicability [Article 5, Section 15061 (b)(3)] |

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of minor alterations of existing public and private facilities, involving no expansion of use, pursuant to Section 15301 Class 1(c) of the CEQA guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person: **Sandeep Singh - Public Works Dept.** Area Code/Telephone/Extension: **(925) 313-2022**

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: **Sandeep Singh**
Environmental Services Division
Phone: (925) 313-2022

Department of Fish and Game Fees Due

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| <input type="checkbox"/> EIR - \$3,168. ⁰⁰ | Total Due: \$75.⁰⁰ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neg. Dec. - \$2,280. ⁷⁵ | | Total Paid \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DeMinimis Findings - \$0 | | Receipt #: _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk - \$50 | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conservation & Development - \$25 | | |