

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
INITIAL STUDY OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

PROJECT NUMBER: 0672-6U2340  
CP# 18-22

PROJECT NAME: Sequoia Way Culvert and Roadway Repair

PREPARED BY: Sandeep Singh *SB*

DATE: December 5, 2018

APPROVED BY: *[Signature]* B. Moore

DATE: 12/14/18

**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 the repair of existing public facilities including streets and similar features (culvert) involving negligible 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>Briones Valley</u>	Base Map Sheet #: <u>H-12</u>	Parcel #: <u>N/A</u>
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**GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

- Location:** The Project is located on the eastern embankment of Alhambra Creek where Sequoia Way/Deodara Way ends at the creek embankment in the unincorporated Martinez area [Figures 1-3].
- Project Description:** During the 2017 winter storms, a section of 30" culvert pipe on Sequoia Way/Deodara Way separated at a joint near the outfall on Alhambra Creek. This has caused water to exit the culvert at the open joint unabated, which has eroded the embankment and edge of the roadway.  
The purpose of this Project is to restore proper drainage of the existing system (30" culvert pipe) which collects water along Sequoia Way/Deodara Way and Wanda Way and drains to Alhambra Creek. The Project will also re-establish the embankment at the outfall on the creek bank at Sequoia Way/Deodara Way.  
The Project consists of excavating and compacting the area of eroded embankment at the damaged culvert outlet to prepare it for the replacement culvert piece. There will be fill placed beneath rock slope protection (RSP) that will surround the new culvert piece on the embankment. The RSP will be partially concreted to dissipate the heavy flows coming from the culvert outlet. Trees and vegetation removal may be necessary to prepare the eroded embankment area for the replacement culvert piece and RSP. The pavement will then be reconstructed. The Project area will be dewatered during construction.  
The Project will maintain the existing drainage pattern and will not create new impervious areas. Appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be implemented to protect storm drain inlets. Utility adjustments or relocation may be necessary in support of the Project. Emergency vehicles will have access at all times. Real Property transactions, including a temporary construction easement will be necessary in support of this 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 The California Department of Fish and Wildlife, The San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board, and The United States Army Corps of Engineers
- Is the project within the Sphere of Influence of any city?**  
The Project is within the Sphere of Influence of the City of Martinez.

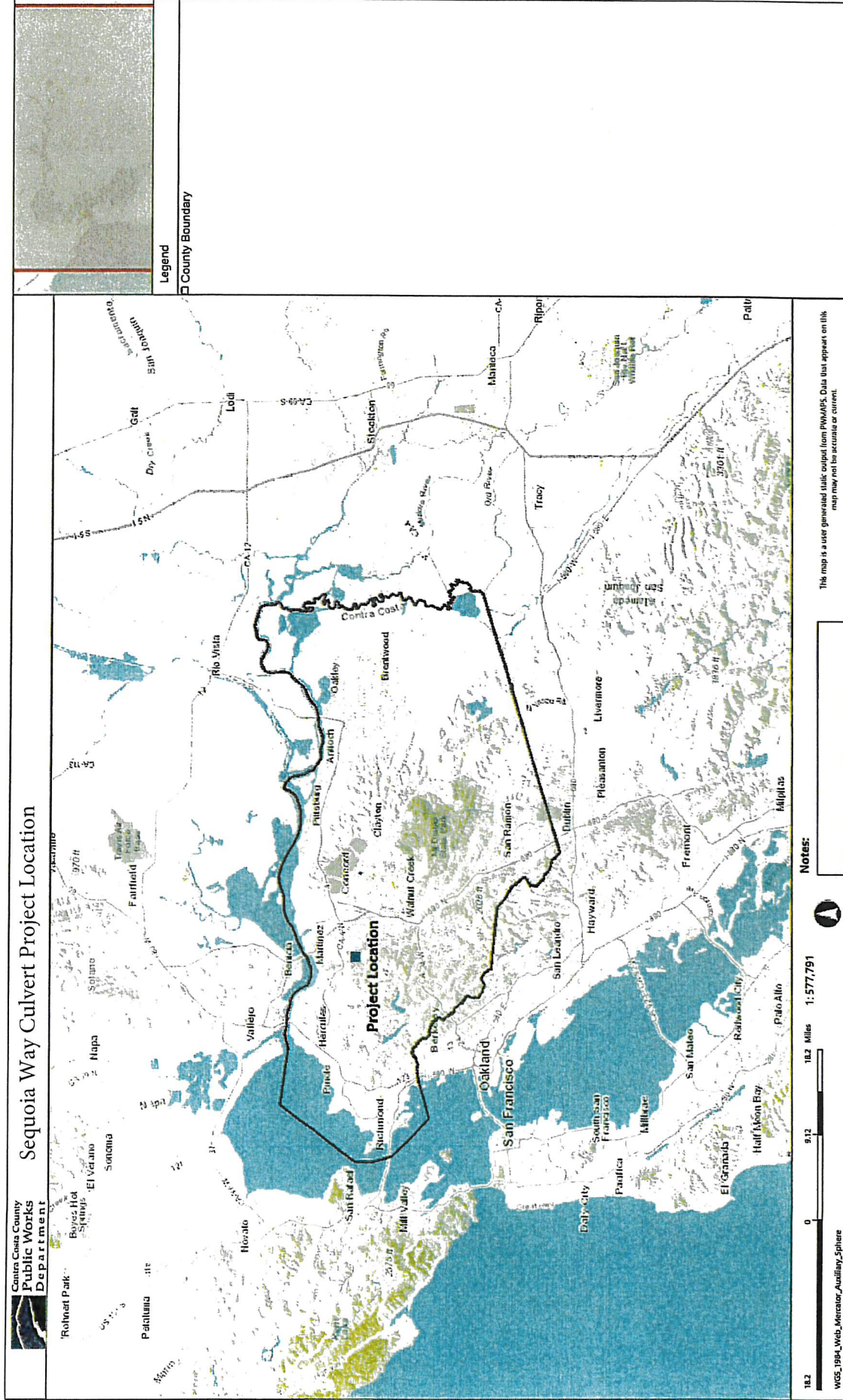


Figure 1: Regional Location Map



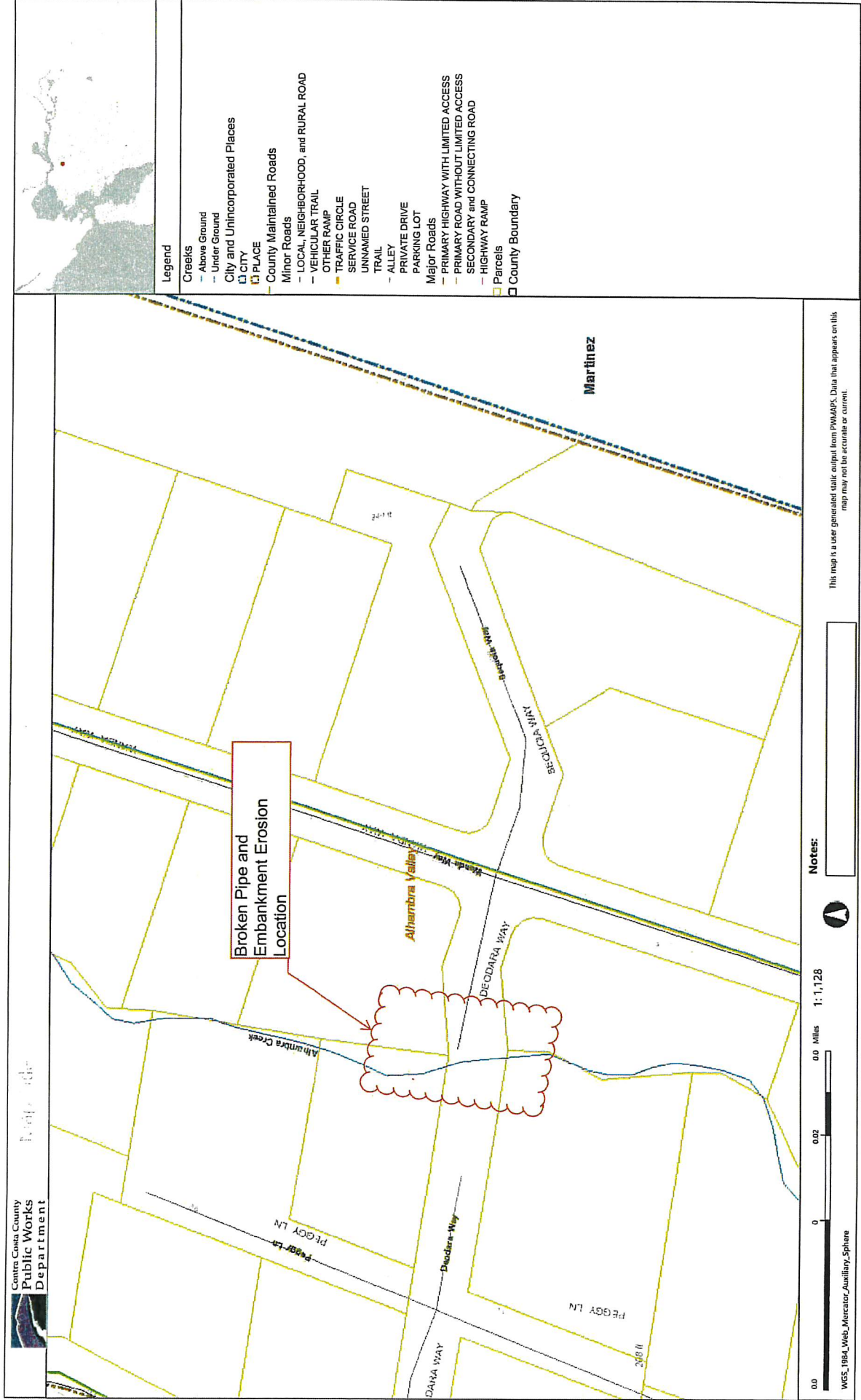


Figure 2: Project Location Map



Figure 3: Project Location Map



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: Sequoia Way Culvert and Roadway Repair  
Proj. No. 0672-6U2340 CP#18-22

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Department  
Project Location – Specific: The project is located on the eastern embankment of Alhambra Creek where Sequoia Way/Deodara Way ends at the creek embankment.

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

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:  
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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: 15301 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 consists of the repair of existing public facilities including streets and similar features (culvert) involving negligible 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: Department of Fish and Game Fees Due  
Public Works Department [ ] EIR - \$3,271.00 Total Due: \$75.00  
255 Glacier Drive [ ] Neg. Dec. - \$2,354.75 Total Paid \$  
Martinez, CA 94553 [ ] DeMinimis Findings - \$0 Receipt #:  
Attn: Sandeep Singh [ ] County Clerk - \$50  
Environmental Services Division [ ] Conservation & Development - \$25  
Phone: (925) 313-2022