

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
INITIAL STUDY OF
ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

PROJECT NUMBER: 0662-6R4151

CP# 17-08

PROJECT NAME: San Pablo Dam Road Traffic Safety Improvements

PREPARED BY: Claudia Gemberling, Environmental Services Division *CG*

DATE: October 3, 2018

APPROVED BY: Teresa B. Moore

DATE: 10/12/18

RECOMMENDATIONS:

☒ **Categorical Exemption: 15301(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 structures in the same location with the same purpose and capacity involving negligible or no expansion of an existing use, pursuant to section 15301 of the CEQA guidelines.

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

USGS Quad Sheet: <u>Richmond/Briones Valley</u>	Base Map Sheet #: <u>L, M-8, N-9</u>	Parcel #: <u>N/A (within road right-of-way)</u>
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GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

1. **Location:** San Pablo Dam Road between the City of Richmond limit and City of Orinda limit (Figures 1-2).
2. **Project Description:** Contra Costa County Public Works Department proposes to provide systemic safety improvements to deter speeding along this stretch of the roadway and as such improve driver safety. The improvements include installation of rumble strips and delineators along the center of the road, reconstruction of the median, upgrades and replacement of signage for improved visibility, installation of speed advisory signs, and a surface overlay to preserve the integrity of the roadway (Figures 3 – 7). Project construction is expected to occur in spring 2020 and take approximately 30 working days to complete.

The project will not require acquisition of any right-of-way or easements nor utility adjustments or relocation. No tree removals will be necessary however some vegetation trimming may be required.

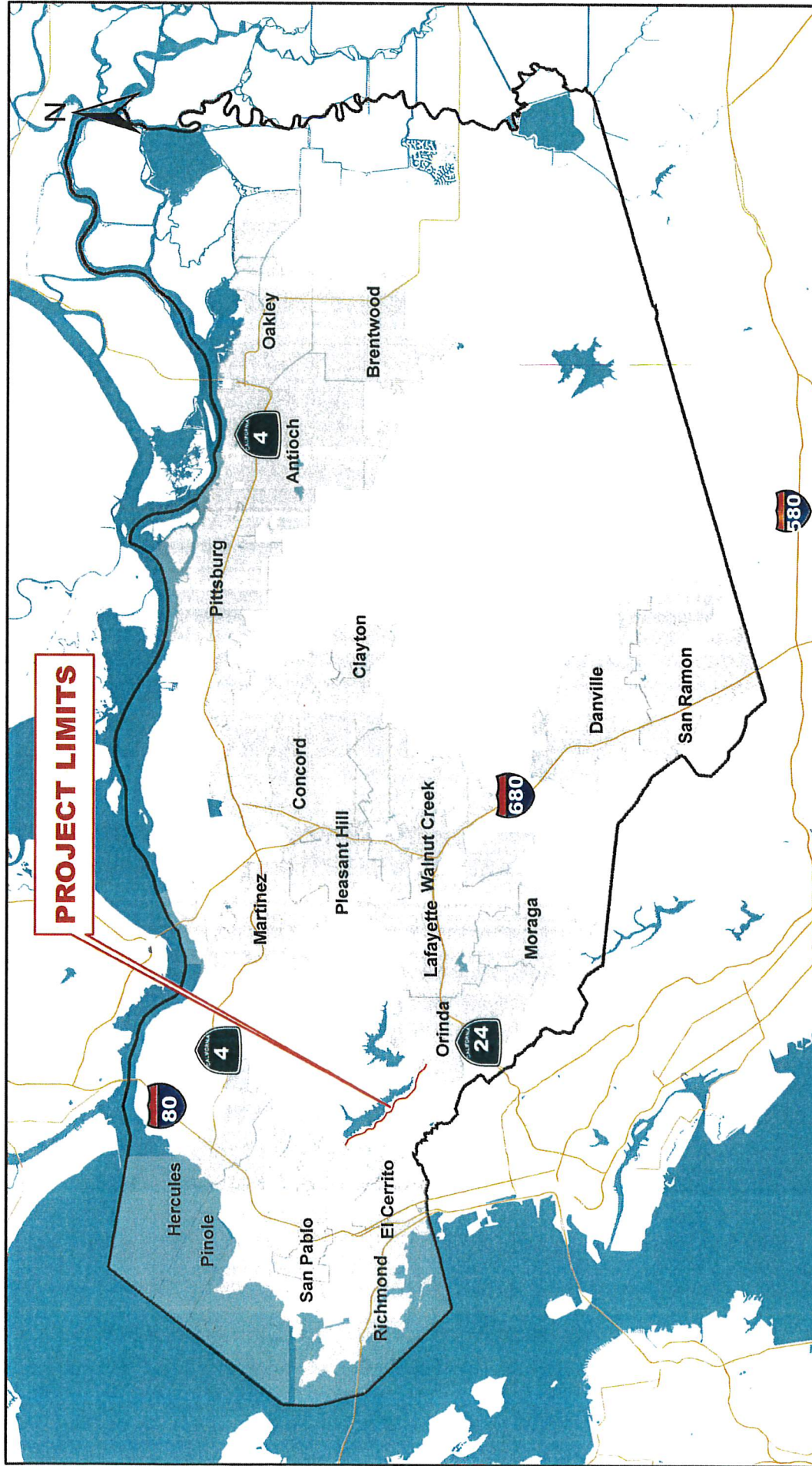
3. **Does it appear that any feature of the project will generate significant public concern?**

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ maybe (Nature of concern):

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

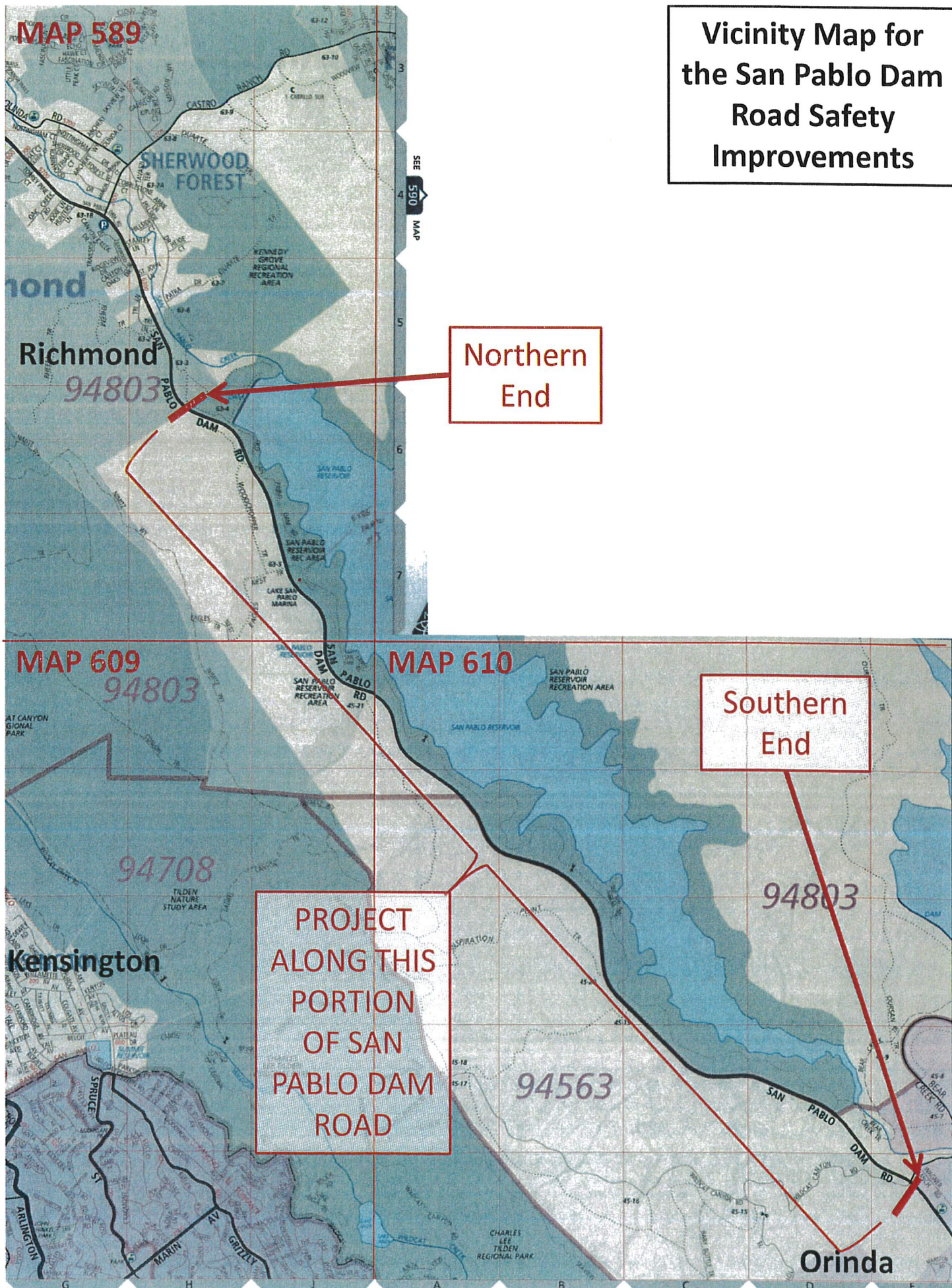
5. **Is the project within the Sphere of Influence of any city?** No



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FIGURE 1

Vicinity Map for
the San Pablo Dam
Road Safety
Improvements



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: San Pablo Dam Road Traffic Safety Improvements
Project No. 0662-6R4151 CP# 17-08

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Department

Project Location - San Pablo Dam Road: City of Richmond limits to Bear Creek Road north of Orinda

Project Location: Orinda, Richmond areas

Project Location - County: West Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

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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: <u>Class 15301(c)</u> |
| <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 the replacement or reconstruction of existing facilities in the same location and with the same purpose and capacity as the facility replaced or reconstructed involving negligible or no expansion of capacity, pursuant to section 15301 of the CEQA guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Claudia Gemberling - Public Works Dept. 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:

Public Works Department
255 Glacier Drive
Martinez, CA 94553
Attn: Claudia Gemberling
Environmental Services Division
Phone: (925) 313-2192

Department of Fish and Game Fees Due

- | |
|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EIR - \$3,168.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neg. Dec. - \$2,280.75 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DeMinimis Findings - \$0 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk - \$50 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conservation & Development - \$25 |

Total Due: \$75.00

Total Paid \$ _____

Receipt #: _____