

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
INITIAL STUDY OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

PROJECT NUMBER: WO#1007  
CP# 19-11

PROJECT NAME: Danville Boulevard Underground Storage Tank Removal

PREPARED BY: Alex Nattkemper *AB* DATE: April 10, 2019

APPROVED BY: Felecia B. Moreno DATE: 4/17/19

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- Categorical Exemption: 15330 [Class 30(b)(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 removal of hazardous substances that have been stabilized, containerized and are designated for a lawfully permitted destination, pursuant to section 15330(b)(1) 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>198-132-017</u>
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**GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

- Location:** The project is located at the corner of Danville Blvd. and Hemme Ave. in Alamo [Figures 1-3].
- Project Description:** The purpose of this project is to remove, purge, clean and properly dispose of underground storage tank(s) (UST(s)) and associated product lines. The UST(s) are located within the road shoulder adjacent to Hemme Station Park (Park) at the southwestern corner of the intersection of Danville Boulevard and Hemme Avenue in Alamo (Site). The UST(s) were discovered during investigations at the Site. The outcome of the investigations was the discovery of a UST, which appears to be approximately 10 feet long and 4 feet in diameter. The UST is oriented in an east-west direction and extends no more than 2 feet into the adjacent Park. A large metallic object was also identified in a boring nearby at a depth similar to the known UST, suggesting the possibility of additional UST(s). Although additional borings were conducted, these attempts were unable to confirm the existence or absence of additional UST(s) since the metallic object was located directly underneath an existing tree just outside of the Park fence. In order to facilitate the removal of the UST(s) and reduce impacts to nesting birds, the tree was removed prior to the beginning of nesting bird season (February 15). Construction fencing will be setup to prevent street traffic, pedestrians, and park visitors from entering the work area. Outside of work hours, the Site will be secured and locked with perimeter chain-link fencing to prevent public access. If or when work extends into the public right-of-way, appropriate traffic control will be provided. Emergency vehicles will have access at all times. Utility adjustments or relocation may be necessary in support of the project. The project will comply with all applicable federal, state and local requirements. All required permits to pull the UST(s) will be obtained and the appropriate UST closure forms will be filed with all relevant agencies. Any associated soil contamination will be addressed according to applicable regulations. Appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be implemented to protect storm drain inlets. Any Park features or amenities damaged during removal work will be repaired or replaced, and restored to pre-project conditions.
- Does it appear that any feature of the project will generate significant public concern?**  
 Yes  No  maybe (Nature of concern): There is a potential for hazardous materials related to the tank(s).
- Will the project require approval or permits by other than a County agency?**  
 Yes  No Approval or permits by other agencies may be required only if contamination is present.
- Is the project within the Sphere of Influence of any city?** No.

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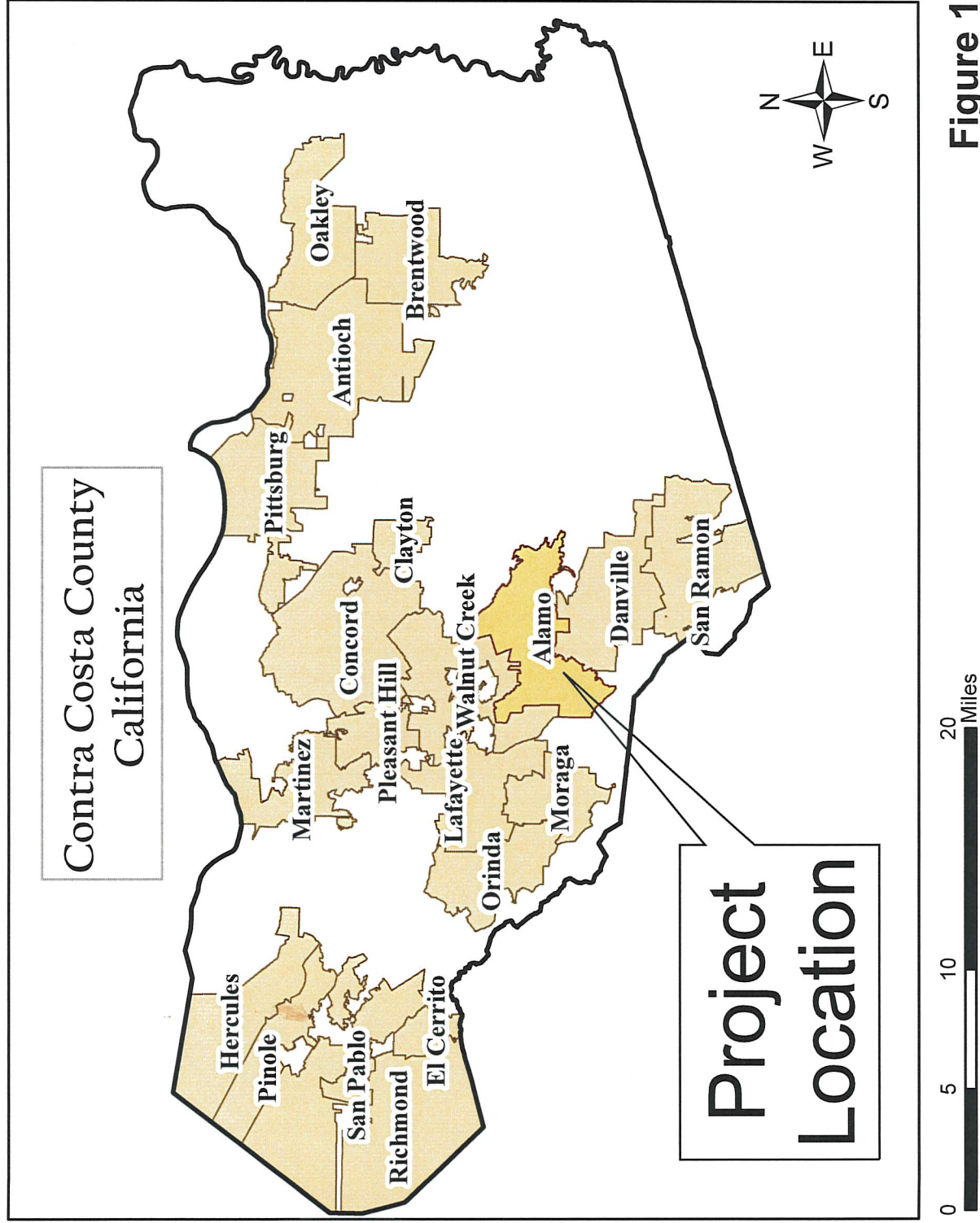


Figure 1



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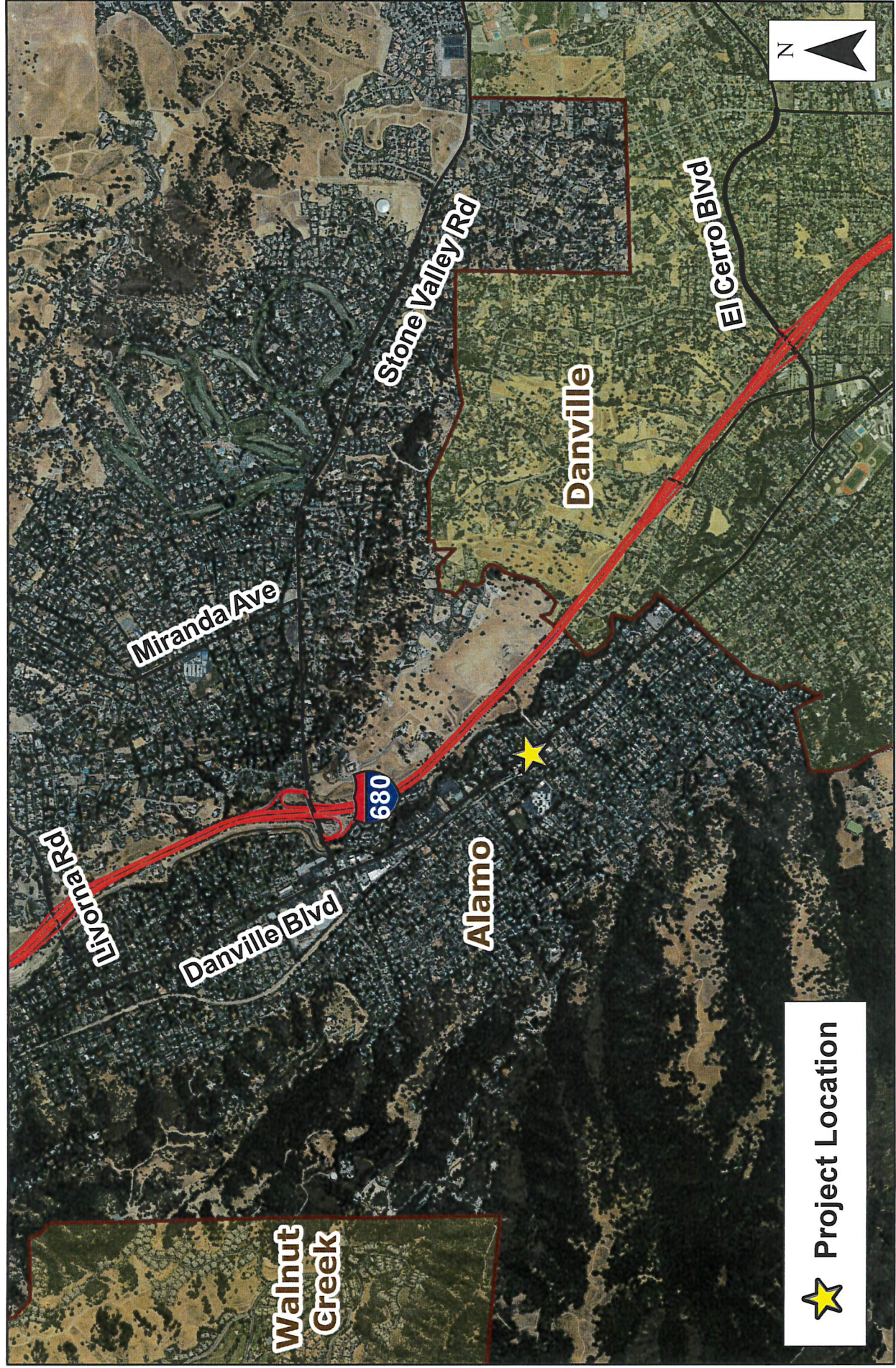
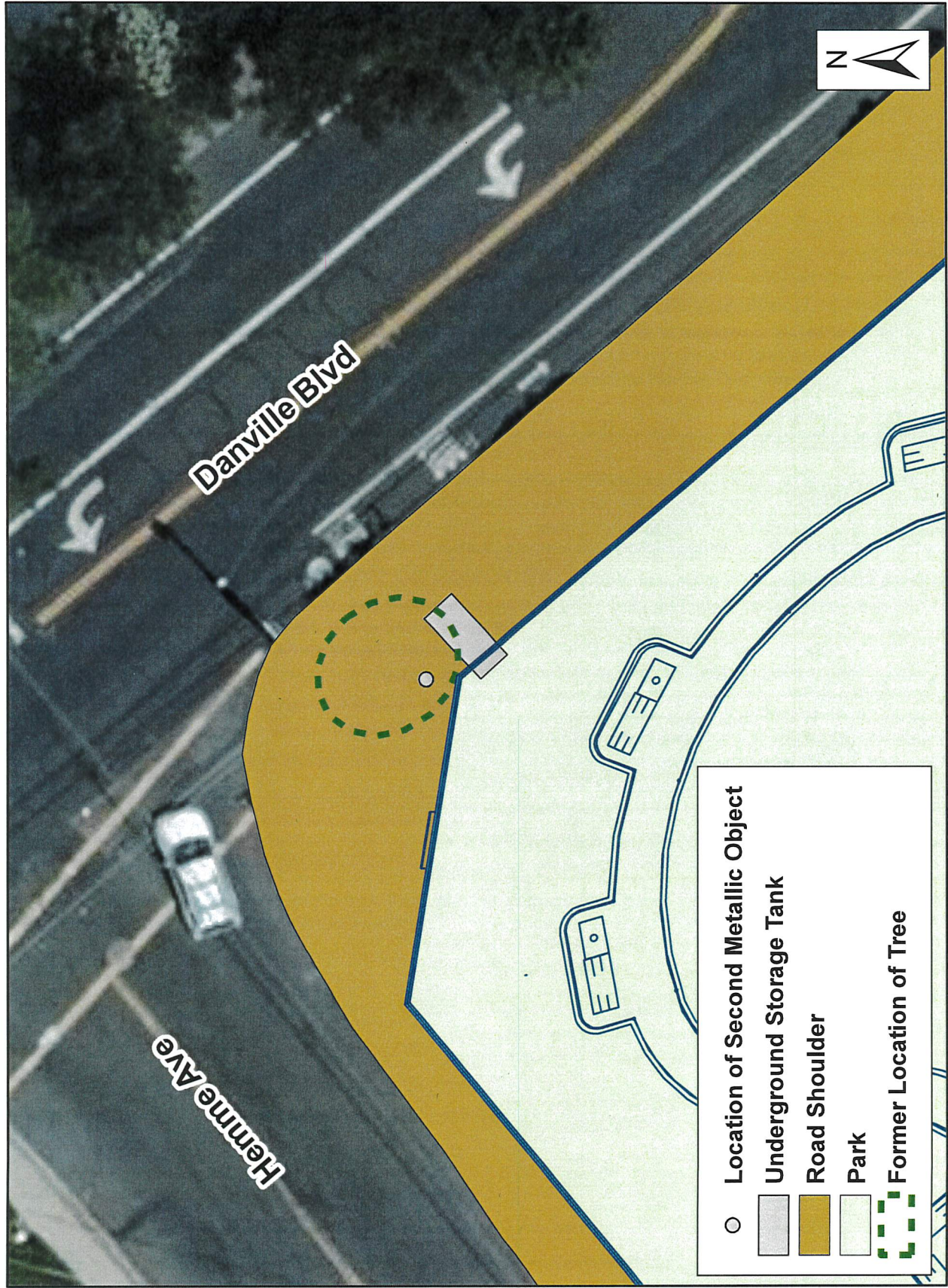


Figure 2



# Danville Boulevard Underground Storage Tank Removal



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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

From: Contra Costa County  
Dept. of Conservation & Development  
30 Muir Road  
Martinez, CA 94553

County Clerk  
County of: Contra Costa

**Project Title:** Danville Boulevard Underground Storage Tank Removal  
Project. No. WO#1007 CP# 19-11

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

**Project Location – Specific:** Southwestern corner of Danville Blvd. and Hemme Ave.

**Project Location:** Alamo

**Project Location – County:** South Contra Costa

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:** The purpose of this project is to remove, purge, clean and properly dispose of underground storage tank(s) (UST(s)) and associated product lines. The UST(s) are located within the road shoulder adjacent to Hemme Station Park (Park) at the southwestern corner of the intersection of Danville Boulevard and Hemme Avenue in Alamo (Site). The UST(s) were discovered during investigations at the Site. The outcome of the investigations was the discovery of a UST, which appears to be approximately 10 feet long and 4 feet in diameter. The UST is oriented in an east-west direction and extends no more than 2 feet into the adjacent Park. A large metallic object was also identified in a boring nearby at a depth similar to the known UST, suggesting the possibility of additional UST(s). Although additional borings were conducted, these attempts were unable to confirm the existence or absence of additional UST(s) since the metallic object was located directly underneath an existing tree just outside of the Park fence. In order to facilitate the removal of the UST(s) and reduce impacts to nesting birds, the tree was removed prior to the beginning of nesting bird season (February 15). Construction fencing will be setup to prevent street traffic, pedestrians, and park visitors from entering the work area. Outside of work hours, the Site will be secured and locked with perimeter chain-link fencing to prevent public access. If or when work extends into the public right-of-way, appropriate traffic control will be provided. Emergency vehicles will have access at all times. Utility adjustments or relocation may be necessary in support of the project. The project will comply with all applicable federal, state and local requirements. All required permits to pull the UST(s) will be obtained and the appropriate UST closure forms will be filed with all relevant agencies. Any associated soil contamination will be addressed according to applicable regulations. Appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be implemented to protect storm drain inlets. Any Park features or amenities damaged during removal work will be repaired or replaced, and restored to pre-project conditions.

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: <u>Class 30(b)(1)</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"/> Common Sense Exemption [Section 15061 (b)(3)]           |

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project consists of removal of hazardous substances that have been stabilized, containerized and are designated for a lawfully permitted destination, pursuant to section 15330(b)(1) of the CEQA guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person: **Alex Nattkemper - Public Works Dept.** Area Code/Telephone/Extension: **(925) 313-2364**

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: Alex Nattkemper  
Environmental Services Division  
Phone: (925) 313-2364

**Department of Fish and Game Fees Due**

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EIR - \$3,271. <sup>00</sup>                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neg. Dec. - \$2,354. <sup>75</sup>           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DeMinimis Findings - \$0                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk - \$50               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conservation & Development - \$25 |

**Total Due: \$75.<sup>00</sup>**

Total Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Receipt #: \_\_\_\_\_