

**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:** Crockett Area Guardrail Upgrades  
Project No. 0662-6R4105, CP#20-11

**Project Applicant:** Contra Costa County Public Works Department  
255 Glacier Drive Martinez, CA 94553

**Project Location:** This project is located along several arterials and major collector roadways in the Crockett area in unincorporated West Contra Costa County.

**Lead Agency:** Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:** The purpose of this project is to reduce injuries and fatalities resulting from vehicle collisions with guardrails along several roadways in the Crockett area by upgrading existing guardrails and end treatments to current Caltrans standards. The project consists of installing approximately 12,000 linear feet of new guardrails to replace existing, outdated guardrails at 39 locations. Guardrail end treatments will also be upgraded at these locations. The County proposes to remove sub-standard Metal Beam Guardrails (MBGR) and end treatments and replace them with the current Caltrans standard Midwest Guardrail System (MGS) guardrails and end treatments. The installation process includes removal and replacement of guardrail and posts, relocation of several guardrail posts near end treatments with minor grading as needed, and miscellaneous repairs as needed. In limited instances, ground termination may be necessary due to the existing terrain. The project locations include segments of the following roadways:

- Crockett Boulevard
- Cummings Skyway
- Pomona Street
- Carquinez Scenic Drive east of Winslow Street to the end of the County-maintained road
- San Pablo Avenue northeast of Refinery Road and southwest of Dowrelia Road

This project is a continuation of the efforts currently underway to upgrade guardrails on Vasco Road, Marsh Creek Road, and San Pablo Dam Road. Project construction will be located entirely within the existing road right-of-way. No right-of-way acquisition is anticipated. Although localized vegetation removal may be necessary, tree removal is not expected. Excavations are limited to guardrail post installations. There may be short-duration lane closures required for this project, and there may be short traffic delays for deliveries or during ingress and egress from the sites. The advance warning area and transition area for traffic control may be longer due to poor sightlines and roadway curves. Emergency vehicles will have access at all times. Appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) to protect environmental resources will be implemented during construction.

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 2(c)  
 Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));             Other Statutory Exemption, Code No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));            Common Sense Exemption [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 15302(c) 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: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development**

- Signed by Lead Agency     Signed by Applicant

<b>AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING</b>	
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 *AB*  
Environmental Services Division  
Phone: (925) 313-2364

**Department of Fish and Game Fees Due**  
 EIR - \$3,343.25  
 Neg. Dec. - \$2,406.75  
 DeMinimis Findings - \$0  
 County Clerk - \$50  
 Conservation & Development - \$25

**Total Due: \$75.00**  
Total Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Receipt #: \_\_\_\_\_

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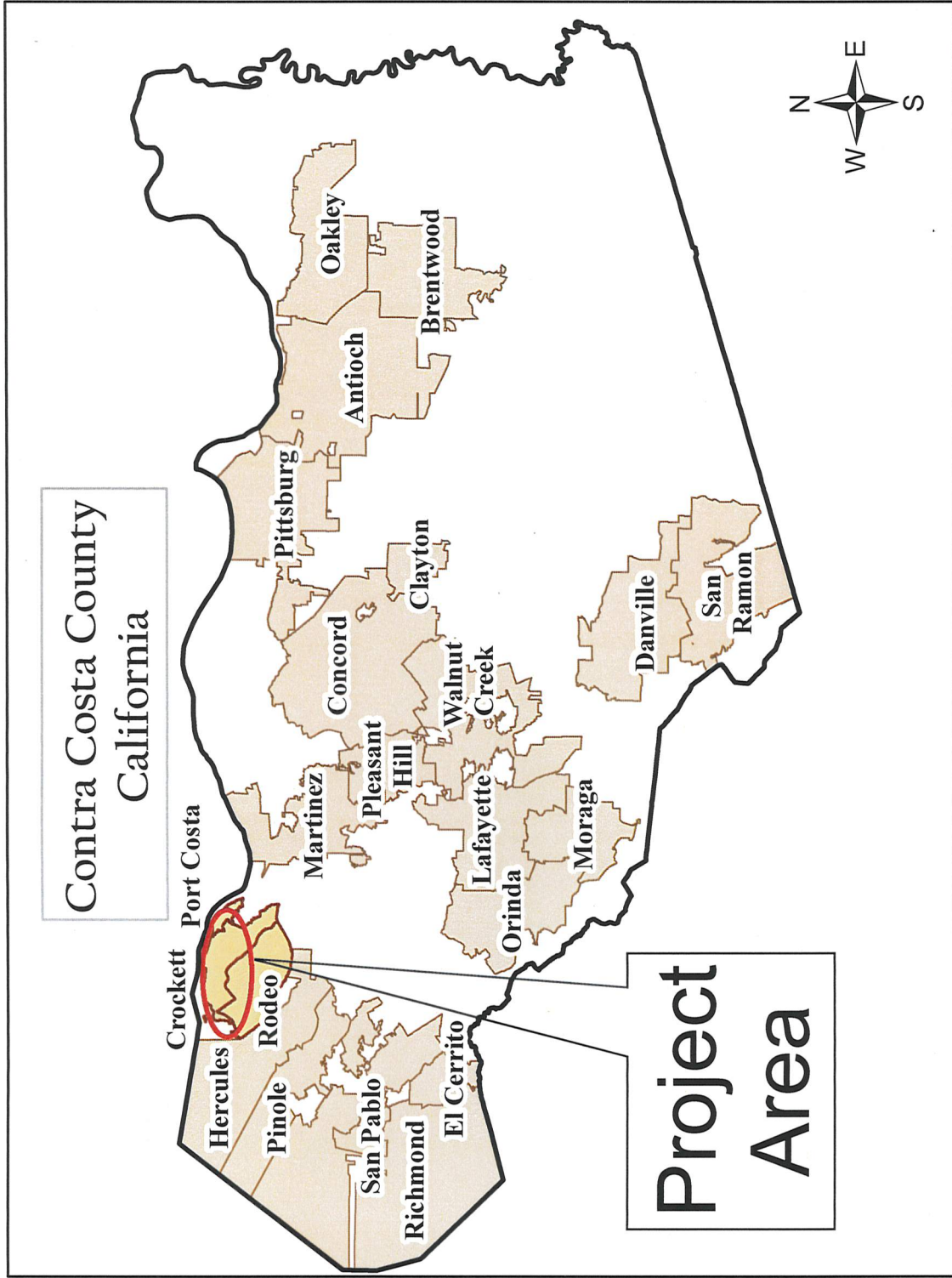
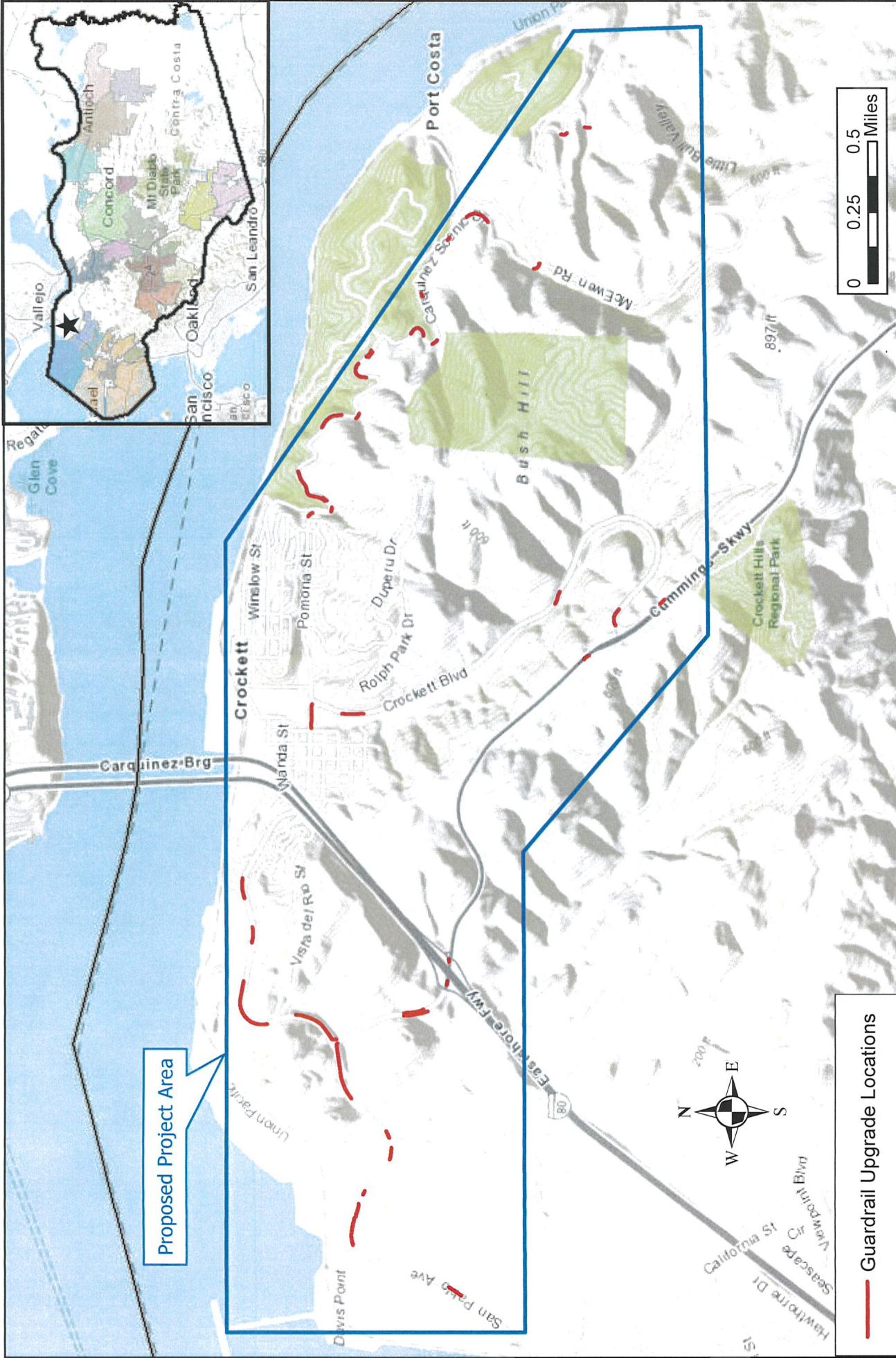


Figure 1



Proposed Project Area

— Guardrail Upgrade Locations

Contra Costa County  
Public Works  
Department



PROJECT VICINITY MAP - CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

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Figure 2

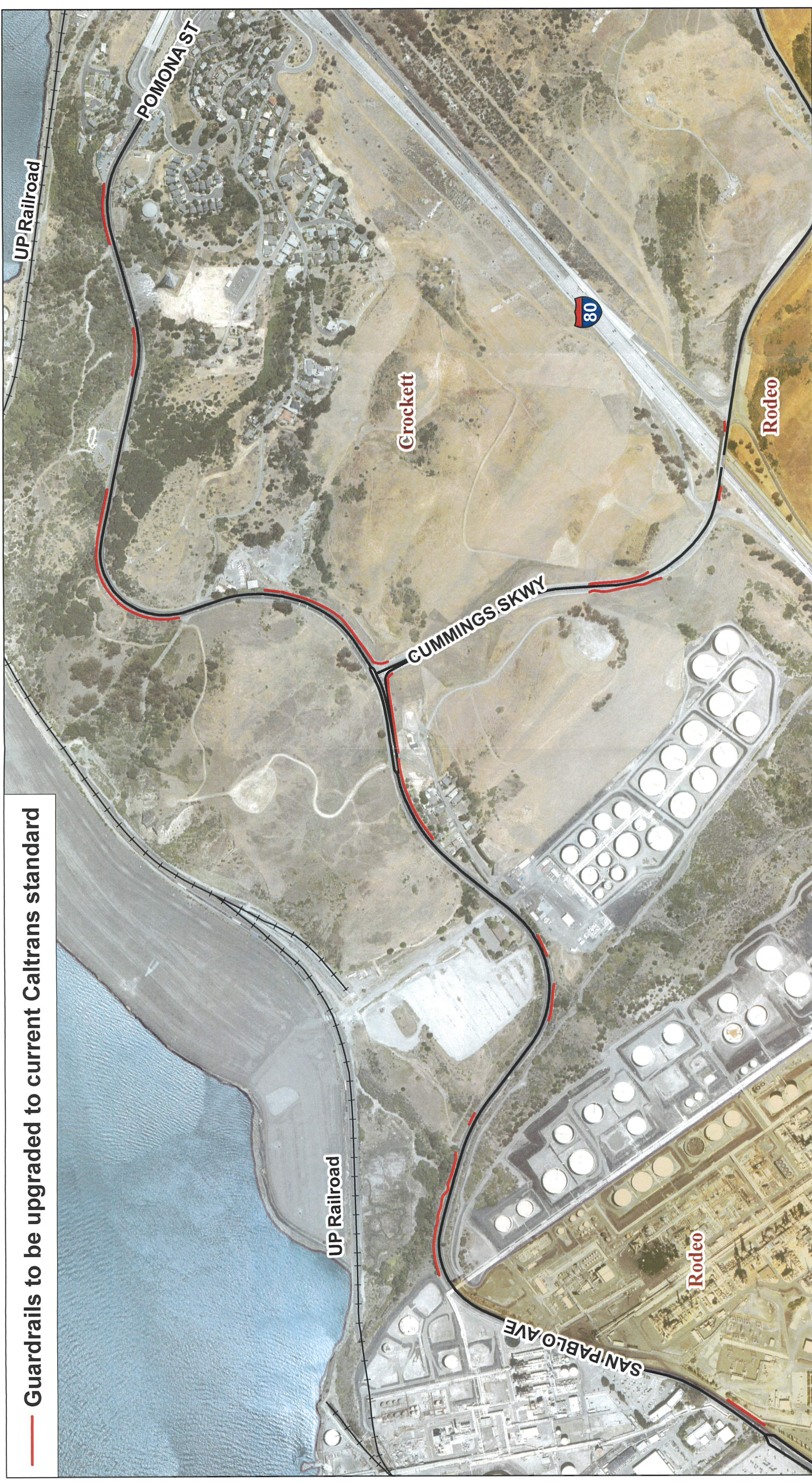
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# Crockett Area Guardrail Upgrades - Western Portion



— Guardrails to be upgraded to current Caltrans standard



Figure 3

# Crockett Area Guardrail Upgrades - Eastern Portion



Figure 4