

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Contra Costa County
Dept. of Conservation & Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

County Clerk
County of: Contra Costa

Project Title: **Central Kitchen Renovation**
Project No. WH316B, CP#20-30

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

Project Location: 303 41st Street, Richmond in West Contra Costa County

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

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The County provides meals to over 2000 children at Head Start classrooms across the county. The existing kitchen is located in a space that is out of date and no longer provides an efficient workspace. The County has access to federal funds to relocate the kitchen and to build a state-of-the-art facility that will allow the program to expand in the future.

The project is a county owned building that was recently occupied by Children's Mental Health. The building is structurally two approximately equal spaces with one portion originally built in the 1940's and the second portion built in the 1960's. The newer portion will be renovated for the kitchen and the older portioned will not be remodeled. Both sides are moderately reinforced concrete block with a wood truss (flat) roofing system. The building is a single story and is 6,204 square feet. A Phase I, Asbestos, and Lead Sampling have been conducted recently for the property and no environmental hazards were identified.

The project will be done in two phases. The first phase is a demo/make ready of the building shell and will include a seismic retrofit of the entire structure, add two new exterior doorways for improved egress, and will demo the non-bearing wall partitions and ceilings (T-Bar) in the area to be used as a kitchen. The existing offices and ADA bathrooms in the older portion of the building will be used as an office space in the future and will not be remodeled. The second phase will be the building out of the commercial kitchen, which will include a new HVAC system, flooring, wall finishes, and equipment. The existing utilities to the building are adequate for the new kitchen. It is not anticipated that exterior changes will needed to the building.

Real Estate transactions, such as a lease agreement, and utility relocations may be necessary.

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 15303(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"/> Common Sense Exemption [Section 15061 (b)(3)] |

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of the conversion of an existing small structure from some use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. It is a commercial building located in an urbanized area not exceeding 10,000 square feet in floor area on a site zoned for such use. It does not involve the use of significant amounts of hazardous substances where all necessary public services and facilities are available, and the area is not environmentally sensitive. It is therefore exempt, pursuant to Section 15303(c) of the CEQA guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person: **Emma Burckert - Public Works Dept.** Area Code/Telephone/Extension: **(925) 313-2161**

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: *Julia B. Moreira* Date: 12/10/2020 Title: Principal Planner

Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

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: Emma Burckert *AB*

Environmental Services Division

Phone: (925) 313-2161

Department of Fish and Game Fees Due:

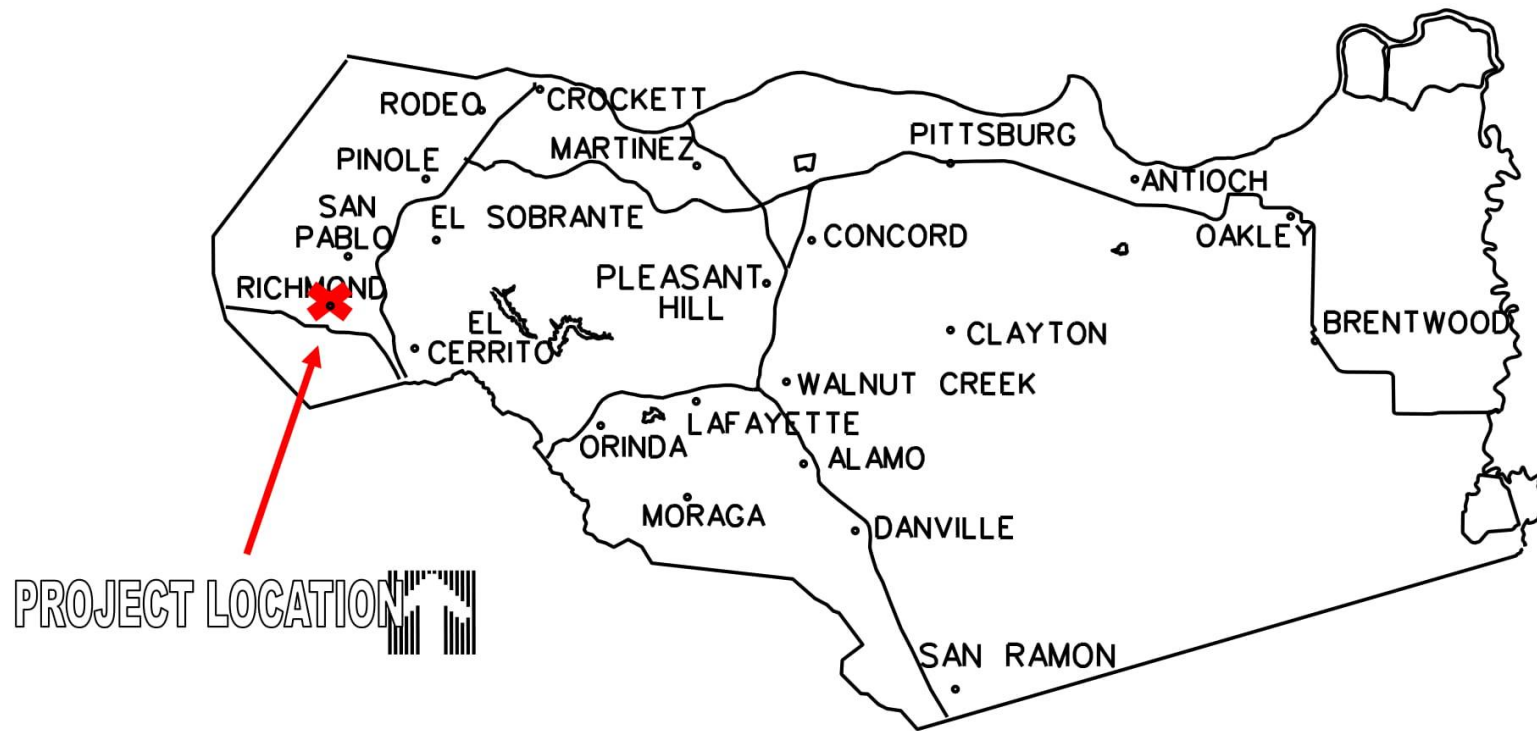
- EIR - \$3,445.²⁵
- Neg. Dec. - \$2,480.²⁵
- DeMinimis Findings - \$0
- County Clerk - \$50**
- Conservation & Development - \$25**

Total Due: \$ 75.⁰⁰

Total Paid \$ _____

Receipt #: _____

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**FIGURE 1: Central Kitchen
Renovation Regional Location Map**

Figure 2: Central Kitchen Renovation Project Location

