



CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
Notice of Exemption

To: [] Office of Planning and Research
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From: Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation and
Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

[x] County Clerk, County of Contra Costa

Project Title: Carquinez Radio Tower Replacement

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Dept., 255 Glacier Drive, Martinez CA 94553
Contact: Claudia Gemberling (925) 313-2192

Project Location - Specific: East Bay Regional Park District, 1001 Arabian Heights (APN 372-140-001)

Project Location - City: Martinez

Lead Agency: Department of Conservation and Development, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553
Contact: Telma B. Moreira (925) 655-2863

Project Description:

The County's former administration building at 651 Pine Street, Martinez is the current site of the County's emergency communications system for the County, City of Martinez, Contra Costa Regional Medical Center, Contra Costa Fire Protection District, and other public emergency services. The former administration building will be demolished and therefore, the emergency communication services will be relocated to an existing telecommunications tower site within East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) property (APN 372-140-001). A new 50-foot-tall support structure and an approximately 350-square foot associated equipment building will replace the existing 50-foot telecommunications tower at the EBRPD site. The new structure will be constructed within a 3,790-square feet area that will be graded and encompassed by a gated chain-link fence; additional grading would occur approximately 20 feet around the fence to provide a fire safety zone. The existing 50-foot tall tower will be removed after construction of the new telecommunications tower is installed. An existing dirt access road extends to the site from an EBRPD gate just west of Panoramic Drive. An electrical service line will be installed below and along the already disturbed access road. The road will be improved with concrete-grooved pavement from the EBRPD gate access for approximately 300 feet and with aggregate base to the site along with necessary drainage improvements. Unimproved sloped areas will be applied with hydroseed for erosion control. Employee access to the project site would be allowed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Construction of the new telecommunications tower will take approximately four months; removal of the existing tower will take approximately one month.

The project also encompasses the County entering into a 25-year ground lease with the EBRPD for the new telecommunication site.

Exempt Status:

- [] Ministerial Project (Sec. 21080[b][1]; 15268) [x] Categorical Exemption (Sec. 15302)
[] Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080[b][3]; 15269[a]) [] General Rule of Applicability (Sec. 15061[b][3])
[] Emergency Project (Sec. 21080[b][4]; 15269[b][c]) [] Other Statutory Exemption (Sec.)

Reasons why project is exempt: Pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302 of the CEQA guidelines, the project consists of replacement of an existing structure on the same site that will substantially have the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

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: Telma B. Moreira Date 10/07/2021 Title Principal Planner

Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

- [x] 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: 313-2192

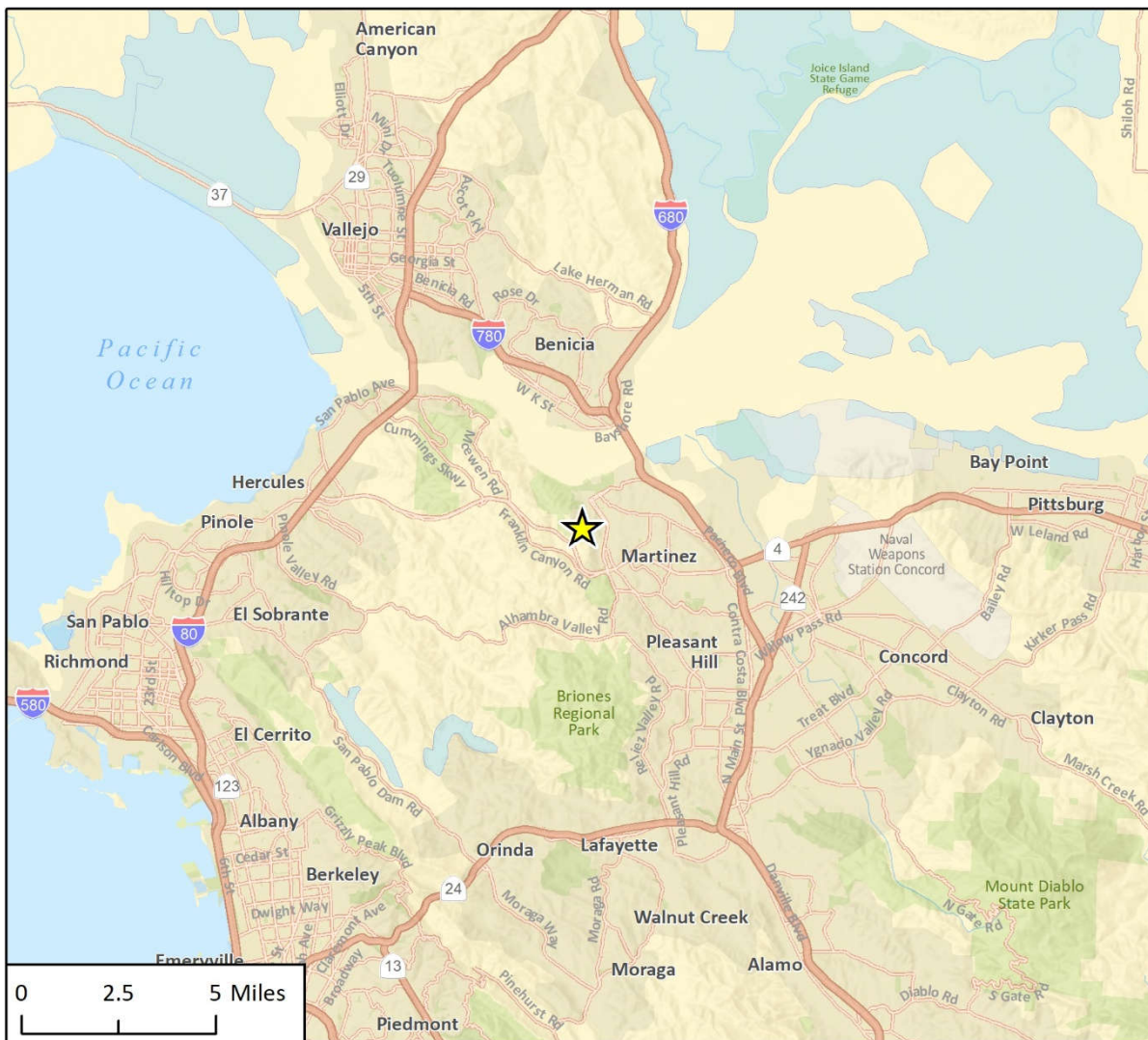
Department of Fish and Wildlife Fees Due

- De Minimis Finding - \$0
- County Clerk - \$50
- Conservation and Development - \$25

Total Due: \$75

Receipt #: _____

Figure 1 Regional Location



★ Project Location

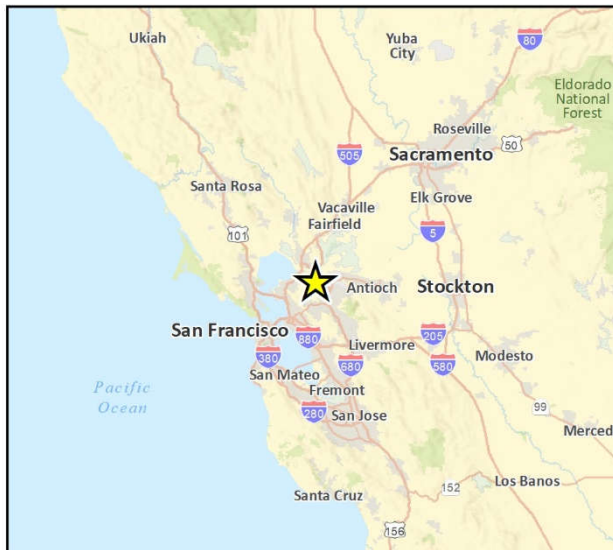
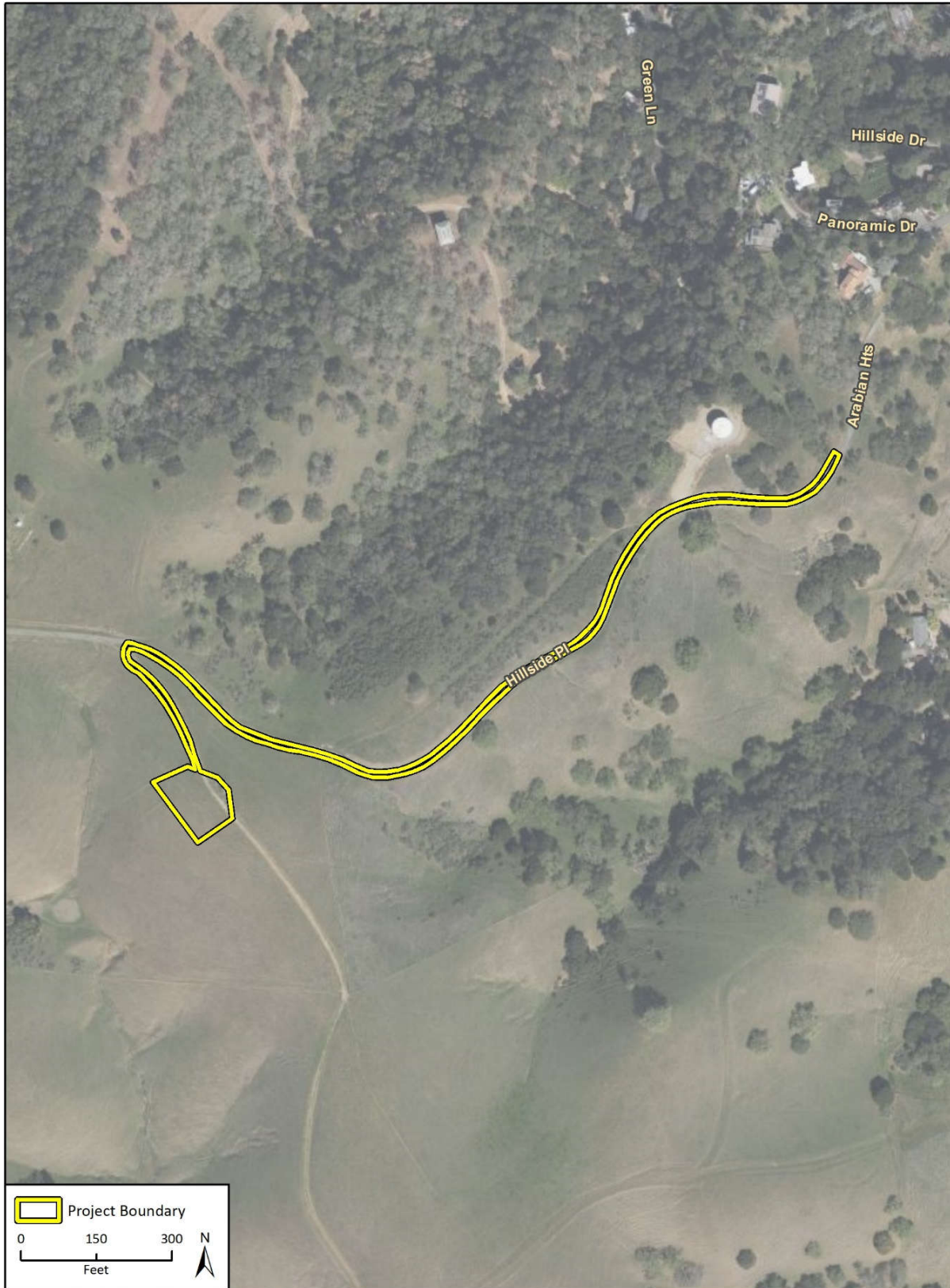


Fig 3 Regional Location

Figure 2 Project Site



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Fig 1- Project Site Location

Figure 3 Proposed Site Plan



Source: CSI Telecommunications, Inc.



Figure 4 Photographs of the Project Site



Photograph 1. View of the project site looking northeast



Photograph 2. View from the project site looking east
