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A listing from the Association of Bay Area Governments of Projects Affecting The Nine-County San Francisco Bay Area

Guide to Listing: Project applications shown in the Newsletter are received and published monthly to notify local governments and other parties about programs requiring intergovernmental review and projects of special significance. For more information, call either the ABAG Clearinghouse at (510) 464-7993 or the contact person.

Documents Received On Or After Sunday, January 16, 2011

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
	MULTI-COUNTY		Form 424	BAAQMD - EcoCrane Demonstration (Clean Diesel Emerging Technology Funding Assistance Program)	Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District)	Damian Breen	(415) 749-5041
Replace conventional diesel engines on two (2) rubber tired gantry cranes with diesel electric hybrid technology							
	MULTI-COUNTY		Form 424	Bay Area Air Quality Management District Shadowood Truck Technology Demonstration	Bay Area Air Quality Management District	Damian Breen	(415) 749-5020
Retrofit 36 on-road heavy-duty trucks with Shadowood High HP TEC 2010 technology.							
2/28/2011	Alameda		Notice	460 Grand Avenue Mixed Use Development	City of Oakland Community and Economic Development Agency	Eric Angstadt	(510) 238-3941
The proposed project is located at 460 Grand Avenue, Oakland, California. The subject property is an approximately 29,621 square foot vacant lot with a portion of it currently used as a pay parking lot serving surrounding uses, located at the corner of Grand Avenue and Bellevue Avenue in the Adams Point neighborhood. The project proposes new construction of a single five-story mixed use building with 74 units and up to 4,600 square feet of ground floor commercial parking. Due to the grade of the site a portion of the podium is below grade. The project will include a community room, management office and shared open space located at the podium level. Targeted incomes will range from 30% to 60% of the Area Median Income.							
3/14/2011	Alameda		Notice	Oakland Zoo Master Plan	City of Oakland-Community and Economic Development Agency	Darin Ranelletti	
The East Bay Zoological Society proposes to amend the previously approved 1998 Master Plan for the Oakland Zoo to refine and revise certain elements of the Master Plan including, but not limited to, reconfiguration of the previously approved new California Exhibit, replacement of the existing veterinary care center with a new Veterinary Medical Hospital, replacement of the previously approved loop road shuttle bus system with a new aerial electric gondola system, and establishment of the specific location of the proposed perimeter fence with modifications from the previously approved general location.							
	Alameda		Notice	Alameda Creek Watershed	Alameda County Resource Conservation District	Leslie Koenig	(925) 372-0154
The Alameda County Resource Conservation District (ACRCD) in partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is evaluating and addressing streamflow problems in the Arroyo de la Laguna, a tributary of Alameda Creek. NRCS is furnishing assistance to this process under the authority of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, Public Law 83-566. The proposed action is a project to demonstrate the use of bioengineered stream restoration practices that will focus on the control of streamflow in the Arroyo de la Laguna at the Verona Bridge. The ACRCD and NRCS are presently preparing an environmental assessment of the potential impacts of this proposal. The assessment will be used to determine if an environmental impact statement will be required. We are seeking your help in identifying the scope of the issues to be considered. If you have concerns that you believe should be addressed, please let us know.							

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
2/28/2011	Alameda		Neg. Dec.	Hacienda Transit Oriented Development Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration	City of Pleasanton Community Development Department		(925) 931-5606

This Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) provides the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) environmental analysis for the proposed major modification to the PUD development regulations for Hacienda, to adopt Hacienda TOD Standards and Design Guidelines. The environmental analysis for the proposed project uses current and historical documented information derived from proximate projects as well as previous development applications of the subject sites. The historical information has been reviewed and analyzed to ensure that no changed circumstances exist related to that information.

3/5/2011	Alameda		Neg. Dec.	Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area Land Use Plan Amendment (Spring 2011) - Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration	East Bay Regional Park District	Everett James	(510) 544-2320
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The goals of this Land Use Plan Amendment are to: 1. Improve previously quarried areas to create a more natural park-like landscape. Of particular importance are areas formerly intended to become the California Splash Water Park. 2. Expand and enhance degraded wetland and wildlife habitat areas. 3. Enhance the user experience by providing a more natural and attractive park landscape, a variety of accessible loop trail experiences and expanded interpretive opportunities. 4. Continue to attract park users seeking both passive and active recreation.

3/4/2011	Alameda		Plan	Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area Land Use Plan Amendment (Spring 2011)	East Bay Regional Park District	Everett James	(510) 544-2320
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3/7/2011	Contra Costa		Notice	Hercules Bayfront Project	City of Hercules	Dennis Tagashira	(510) 799-8243
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The applicant, Hercules Bayfront LLC, is proposing to develop 42.36 acres within the Historic Town Center and Transit Village subdistricts of the WDMP with a transit-oriented, mixed-use of project that includes a variety of dwelling types, retail and office, and a system of streets, pedestrian interconnections and public plazas.

	Contra Costa		Notice	Revised Draft Housing Element of the Lafayette General Plan	City of Lafayette City Planning & Building Services Division	Niroop K. Srivatsa	(925) 284-1976
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Section 1 Housing Background: The information presented in the Housing Background section summarizes the following: demographic characteristics; employment trends; inventory of vacant residential land; and the existing constraints to the construction of housing in Lafayette. Section II: Goals, Policies and Programs - Section II contains an analysis of the housing needs of all economic segments of the community. Appendices: The appendices include an evaluation of the previous housing element and an inventory of vacant and underdeveloped parcels.

2/18/2011	Contra Costa		Notice	841 Chevron Way, Richmond California 94802	City of Richmond Planning Department	Lamont Thompson	(510) 620-6706
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Chevron proposes to replace five existing petroleum storage tanks with five newly constructed tanks, and to construct a new firewater tank in the Quarry Tank Field. The five petroleum storage tanks will be field-fabricated within existing Refinery tank fields. Total Capacity of new petroleum tanks will be 541,000 barrels. Total Capacity of petroleum tanks removed from service is 366,000 barrels. The petroleum tanks will be provided with secondary containment in accordance with state and federal law, and will be covered to minimize air emissions. The firewater storage tank will store recycled water from plant operations to increase the fire management capabilities at the Refinery.

3/17/2011	Contra Costa		Notice	Contra Costa Community College District - New Brentwood Center Project	Contra Costa Community College District	Ray Pyle	(925) 229-1000
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The project proposes the construction of a new education center, a satellite site of Los Medanos College, that would serve a maximum of 5,000 full- and part-time students. The center would have a total of 80 full-time and 200 part-time employees, including faculty and staff. As an education center, the proposed project would offer general education curriculum, but would not function as a full-service community college campus. Consequently, it would be limited to classrooms, laboratories and administrative and faculty offices and would not have other uses typically associated with a community college campus, such as a library, gymnasium, athletic fields, auditorium/theatre, cafeteria, bookstore, student union or other student services.

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
3/3/2011	Marin		NOP	Road and Trail Management Plan Project - EIR	Marin County Parks and Open Space Department	Elise Holland	(415) 507-2820

The District has initiated a comprehensive community outreach and public involvement program that will be ongoing throughout the planning and CEQA review process. Requests for Qualifications ("RFQ"), and Requests for Proposals ("RFP") from qualified private partners will assist the District in work on both the RTMP and the EIR. The District has decided to prepare a Program EIR pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15168, to study the environmental impacts of the overall program of road and trail management to be included in the RTMP. Subsequent discretionary decisions by the District regarding implementation of the RTMP will tier from and rely upon the Program EIR. The nature and extent of CEQA review for any future decisions regarding the RTMP implementation, however, will be determined at the time those decisions are proposed.

2/24/2011	Marin		Final EIR	Sir Francis Drake Boulevard Rehabilitation Project Final EIR	Marin County Department of Public Works	Ernest Klock	(415) 499-7877
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The roadway rehabilitation project consists of pavement rehabilitation, drainage improvements, pullout 1 (Shafter Bridge to Station 100+00) will be rehabilitated using the crack and seat technique that reuses the existing concrete as a base for overlay of new asphalt concrete; Segment 2 (Station 100+00 to Platform Bridge Road) will be rehabilitated by milling the existing roadway surface and applying an overlay of rubberized concrete. All existing culverts comprised of corrugated metallic or plastic, within the right-of-way, will be removed and replaced. Those portions of existing culverts outside of the right-of-way will not be removed and replaced. Regularly spaced pullouts will be provided along the roadway and paved with permeable asphalt. The proposal is to sign the formalized pullouts as no-parking zones. Other areas along the roadway currently used as informal pullouts will be landscaped to prohibit their use as vehicle pullouts. The existing unstable slope at Station 270+00 will be repaired. The slope repair will require the removal of 8 trees. In addition, the proposed height, would be constructed to provide additional paved shoulder width of SFDB. Small retaining walls, less than 3 feet in height would be constructed to provide additional paved shoulder width. The proposed project as designed would not require the removal of any other trees.

3/31/2011	Napa		Notice	Napa Pipe Draft EIR	Napa County Conservation, Development and Planning	Sean Trippi	(707) 253-4417
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The project proposal includes amendments to the County General Plan and zoning ordinance and would redevelop "brownfield" site involving the remediation of contaminated soil and groundwater, importing fill to raise the elevation of the site above the base flood elevation, and construction of a new neighborhood with: •2,580 dwelling units, consisting of apartments and town houses, with an average size of 1,200 square feet (20% of the units constructed will be affordable)

- 150-unit continuing care retirement center for seniors
- 40,000 square feet of neighborhood serving retail uses
- 190,000 square feet of business park space (office, warehouse, \$&D)
- A 150-room condominium hotel with supporting uses
- 34 acres of publicly accessible parks and open space w/connections to Kennedy Park and region trails
- Privately-maintained roads, infrastructure and community facilities

3/11/2011	San Francisco City and County		NOP	The 34th America's Cup Races and James R. Herman Cruise Terminal and Northeast Wharf Plaza	San Francisco Planning Department	Bill Wycko	(415) 558-6378
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Several of the sites proposed for the America's Cup races are piers, water areas, and facilities managed by the San Francisco Port Commission including: Pier 80, Piers 32-36 water basin, Piers 30-32, Seawall Lot 330, Pier 26, Pier 28, Pier 19, Pier 19 1/2, Pier 23, and Piers 27-29 1/2.

3/28/2011	San Francisco City and County		Notice	Environmental Impact Report for Pier 36/Brannan Street Wharf	San Francisco Planning Department	Bill Wycko	(510) 558-6378
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The project site is located between Pier 30-32 and Pier 38, fronting on the east side of The Embarcadero, in proximity to the intersections of Brannan and Townsend Streets, within the South of Market (SOMA) district of San Francisco. The proposed project involves the demolition of the existing Pier 36, including 133,000 square feet of pile-supported concrete and wooden decks and piles, the 35,000 sq.ft. Pier 36 warehouse building, and approximately 18,800 sq.ft. of marginal wharf which runs between Piers 30-32 and Pier 38, and construction of a new approximately 57,000 sq. ft. open space park. The proposed open space, "the Brannan Street Wharf", would be approximately 830 feet long (parallel to The Embarcadero), and would vary in width from 10 feet to 140 feet. The proposed park would consist of a raised lawn that could accommodate a variety of passive recreational uses and would include a 2,000 square-foot craft float that would provide a temporary boat tie-up area for landing and launching of hand-powered and small craft boats. The construction of the proposed Brannan Street Wharf would require driving 269 new piles and reinforcing the adjacent seawall.

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
3/4/2011	San Francisco City and County		NOP	Beach Chalet Athletic Fields Renovation	San Francisco Planning Department	Bill Wycko	(415) 558-6378

The Beach Chalet Athletic Facility is approximately 10.9 acres in size and is locaaated at the western end of the 1,017 acre Golden Gate Park, close to the Great Highway and the Beach Chalet Restaurant. The project proposes the renovation of the Beach Chalet Athletic Fields facility including the conversion of the four existing grass soccer fields to synthetic turf. The proposed project also includes the installation of ten 60-foot-tall athletic field light standards to allow for evening use. The new light standards would be placed within the perimeter of the field area and are anticipated to be turned on until 10 p.m. on a daily basis. In addition to the turf conversion and lights, the project would include the following: installation of black vinyl fencing around the fields; the installation of a play structure, picnic tables and barbeque pits; the construction of a new maintenance shed; the renovation of the existing restroom building involving modification of existing openings and construction of a concrete paved entry plaza; irrigation and storm drainage improvements; and, re-configuration and expansion of the existing 50-space parking lot to accommodate approximately 20 additional stalls. The project would also involved the removal of 14 trees and 44 shrubs. Golden Gate Park is listed on the National and California Registers of Historic Places as a historic district containing 133 contributing resources, including the soccer fields and the restroom building.

3/10/2011	San Mateo		Notice	Oyster Point Specific Plan and Phase I Project - DEIR	City of South San Francisco Planning Division	Gerry Beaudin	(650) 877-8535
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The Oyster Point Specific Plan (OPSP) would include replacing the existing light industrial/office park with up to 2,300,000 square foot of Office/Research and Development (R&D) development, improvements to the site circulation, utilities and the landfill cap, provision of a flexible use recreation area and bay-front open space, and replacement of uses in the Oyster Point Marina area, potentially including one or two hotels with an aggregate of up to 350 rooms. Approval must be given by the City of South San Francisco and turstee agencies, including the Regional Water Quality Control Boards and Bay Conservation and Development Commission before construction may begin. The OPSP is analyzed on a programmatic level in this EIR

2/28/2011	Santa Clara		NOP	City of Mountain View General Plan and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Program - EIR	City of Mountain View Planning Division	Stephanie Williams,	(650) 903-6306
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The City of Mountain View will be the Lead Agency for the preparation of a Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR), as defined in Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines for a proposed update to the City's General Plan, which was adopted in 1992 and currently serves as Mountain View's blueprint for developmenet (Figures 1 and 2 depict Mountain View's Regional/Vicinity Location Map and the Conceptual Land Use Plan). The General Plan will include an updated vision, with goals, policies, and actions anticipating a 2030 build-out reflecting the current needs and preferences of the community, and ensuring compliance with State law.

2/23/2011	Santa Clara		NOP	The Sun Garden Redevelopment Project	City of San Jose, Department of Planning, Bulding & Code Enforcement	Janice Moore	(408) 535-7815
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The project proposes a General Plan Amendment to change the land use designation to Combined Industrial/Commercial and a rezoning of the site to CG(PD) Planned Development to allow for the eventual demolition of existing structures and the construction of up to 282,300 square feet of new retail buildings. Access to the site will be from five driveways on Monterey Road. The main driveway will be signalized and centrally located along the Monterey Road frontage (in lie with Cottage Grove Avenue). There will also be one driveway north of the main driveway and three drieways south of the main driveway. There is an active railroad spur easement along the east edge of the site. The project applicant has acquired a portion of this easement to also provide access from Alma Avenue. Parking will be provided in surface parking lots throughout the site and along the Alma access drive aisle.

3/17/2010	Solano		NOP	Vacaville General Plan Update and Climate Action Plans	City of Vacaville Community Development Department	Tyra Hays	(707) 449-5366
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The City of Vacaville is preparing a comprehensive update to its exiting General Plan. The update is expected to be completed in 2012 and will guide the City's development and conservation for the next 20 years. The project also includes a preparation of a Climate Action Plan (CAP). The CAP will be a separate document that sets targets and establishes measures to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in Vacaville.

3/17/2011	Solano		NOP	Brighton Landing Specific Plan EIR	City of Vacaville Community Development Department	Fred Buderl	
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The City of Vacaville has accepted an application for the Brighton Landing Specific Plan and related development approvals. The basic concept for the Specific Plan is to build a residential neighborhood comprised of a variety of housing types interconnected by trails and landscaped corridors. A major feature of the Specific Plan will be a private Catholic high school. Other features of the plan include an elementary school site, a neighborhood park and a small amount of commercial uses.