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

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Documents Received On Or After Friday, October 30, 2009

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
12/10/2009	MULTI-COUNTY		Notice	Rehabilitation of the Existing San Joaquin Pipelines Project	San Francisco Planning Department	Jamie Dean	(415) 575-9028

The San Francisco PUC is proposing the Rehabilitation of the Existing San Joaquin Pipelines Project (project or proposed project). The project consists of condition assessment, repair, rehabilitation, and maintenance of segments of the existing San Joaquin Pipelines. The San Joaquin Pipelines are part of the SFPUC's regional water system, providing water to the Bay Area from the Hetch Hetchy Reservoir. The San Joaquin Pipelines include three large-diameter pipelines that carry water nearly 48 miles across the San Joaquin Valley, and connect the Oakdale Portal in western Tuolumne County to the Coast Range Tunnel in western San Joaquin County. The San Joaquin Pipelines traverse portions of Tuolumne, Stanislaus, and San Joaquin counties, including the cities of Riverbank and Modesto. The project has several components, including condition assessment of the existing pipelines; repair or replacement of segments of the existing pipelines, as needed; installation of cathodic protection; and system maintenance.

12/17/2009	Alameda		Notice	Staples Ranch EIR and Public Hearing	City of Pleasanton Planning Commission	Robin Giffin	(925) 931-5612
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The Proposed Project evaluated in the Stoneridge Drive Specific Plan Amendments/Staples Ranch EIR assumed modification of the land uses of the Stoneridge Drive Specific Plan for the 124-acre Staples Ranch project site from 100 acres of retail and service commercial uses and a 17-acre community park to a 46-acre senior continuing care community, a 37-acre auto mall, an 1-acre retail/commercial center, a 5-acre neighborhood park and a 17-acre community park (Stoneridge Drive Specific Plan Amendment). The EIR also assessed the effects of a four-rink ice-skating center in the community park, together with the other Proposed Project land uses, as a project alternative (Ice Center Alternative).

	Alameda		Notice	Anna Head West Student Housing	University of California Physical & Environmental Planning	Jennifer McDougall	(510) 642-7720
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The proposed project is a student housing complex comprised of a sophomore residence hall with approximately 200 beds, upper division student apartment suites with approximately 224 beds and related common areas within 138,626 gross square feet. The project implements the campus' Long Range Development Plan, the impacts of which were evaluated in the Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) EIR (SCH # 2003082131). Addendum #6 to the LRDP EIR was prepared to determine project conformance with the LRDP and to evaluate whether the project would cause any new significant environmental effect not considered in the 2020 LRDP EIR, increase the severity of any impact previously found significant in the 2020 LRDP EIR, new information of substantial importance circumstances under which the LRDP is being implemented have changed to involved new significant environmental effects or substantially increased severity in environmental effects. The Addendum #6 concluded that the project is consistent with the LRDP and that none of the conditions requiring the preparation of subsequent environmental review to the LRDP EIR are present.

12/18/2009	Alameda		Notice	The Oak-to-9th Project Area Proposed Cleanup Plan is available for Public Review	State of California EPA Department of Toxic Substances Control	Tammy Pickens	(866) 495-5651
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The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is proposing a phased cleanup plan for Oakland Harbor Partners' Oak-to-9th Project Area located along the Oakland Estuary to the west of the I-880 freeway. Over the next 20 years, Oakland Harbor Partners plans to redevelop the Project Area into a mixed-use, waterfront, multi-family, urban residential neighborhood. The results of soil, soil gas and groundwater sampling show levels of contamination that will require environmental clean-up prior to redevelopment.

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
12/15/2009	Alameda		Neg. Dec.	Interstate 880 Southbound HOV Lane Extension - Marina Boulevard to Hegenberger Road	Caltrans Office of Environmental Analysis	Ed Pang	(510) 350-2343

The project is located in Alameda County on I-880 and proposes to extend the existing southbound high-occupancy vehicle lane from its current beginning point approximately 1700 feet south of the Marina Boulevard overcrossing to the Hegenberger Road onramp. The purpose of the project is to reduce travel time on southbound Interstate 880 and to encourage additional High Occupancy Vehicle usage in the Interstate 880 corridor by extending the existing HOV lane.

	Alameda		Final EIR	WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM 2040 (EBMUD) Final EIR	East Bay Municipal Utilities District	Water Supply Improve	
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EBMUD proposes to adopt and implement the Water Supply Management Program (WSMP) 2040. WSMP 2040 estimates water supply needs to the year 2040, and proposes a program of policy and project initiatives to meet those needs. EBMUD's water supplies are estimated to be sufficient during the planning period (2010-2040) in normal and wet years. The primary purpose of WSMP 2040 is to identify and recommend solutions to meet dry-year water needs through 2040.

12/18/2009	ALAMEDA COUNTY		DEIR Supp.	Stoneridge Drive Specific Plan Amendment/Staples Ranch EIR	City of Pleasanton	Robin Giffin	
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12/21/2009	City and County of San Francisco		Draft EIR	935-965 Market Street Project (Citiplace)	City and County of San Francisco Planning Department	Environmental Review	(415) 558-6378
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The project sponsor, Urban Realty Co., Inc. proposes to develop a new building in downtown San Francisco, on the south side of Market Street between Fifth and Sixth Streets. There are three parcels on the site that are developed with three mixed-use commercial and office buildings: 935-939 Market Street, 941-945 Market Street (named "CityPlace" by the project sponsor) would be five stories high and would contain new retail uses, associated building services, and a below-grade parking garage.

12/11/2009	Contra Costa		Plan	Lafayette General Plan - Housing Element	City of Lafayette Planning Services Division	Niroop K. Srivatsa	(925) 299-3206
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GP01-19: Amendments to the Housing Chapter of the Lafayette General Plan (Housing Element) to accommodate the regional housing needs allocation established by the State Department of Housing and Community Development. Key changes include revisions to the goals, policies and implementation programs, the inventory of housing sites, and background data. Consideration of the adoption of an addendum to the 2002 General Plan's Environmental Impact Report.

12/2/2009	Contra Costa		Notice	Town of Moraga 2009 Housing Element Update	Town of Moraga Planning Department	Lori Salamack	
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The Town of Moraga 2009 General Plan Housing Element Update provides policies to meet the Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG) Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA) for the Town in the 2007-2014 planning period. The ABAG 2007-2014 RHNA for Moraga, including AB1233 adjustments totals 307 housing units including: 84 units affordable to very low-income households; 64 units affordable to low-income households; 97 units affordable to moderate-income households; and 62 units affordable to above moderate-income households.

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
12/18/2009	Contra Costa		DEIR Supp.	Proposed Downtown El Sobrante General Plan Amendment	Contra Costa County7 Department of Conservation & Development	Patrick Roce	(925) 335-1203
<p>The project is a General Plan Amendment that would revise the Land Use Element and Transportation-Circulation Element of the Contra Costa County General Plan (2005-2020) affecting the unincorporated community of El Sobrante, CA. Contra Costa County is proposing to: 1: amend the Land Use Element to establish new "mixed use" land use designations along the south side of the San Pablo Dam Road, from El Portal Drive to Appian Way, and along Appian Way from Valley View to San Pablo Dam Road, and to revise and update the section in the Land Use Element under the heading "Policies for El Sobrante Area", to correspond with the proposed changes to the changes affecting San Pablo Dam Road and Appian Way; and, 2: to amend the Transportation-Circulation Element to remove all references to a planned six-lane bypass couplet for San Pablo Road between El Portal Drive and Appian Way and replace with a planned collector street connecting Pitt Way to Hillcrest Road and to remove all references to a planned four-lane roadway for Appian Way extending from San Pablo Dam Road to the Pinole city limits and retain the existing two-lane roadway configuration as the planned roadway.</p>							
12/21/2009	Contra Costa		NOP	Hercules Bayfront Development Project	City of Hercules	Lisa Hammon	(510) 799-8200
<p>The proposed project is a mixed-use, transit oriented development. Development of the site is governed by the City's General Plan, Waterfront District Master Plan (W DMP) and the Waterfront Master Plan Initiative (Initiative). The applicant is requesting a general plan amendment, zoning designation and text changes, amendments to the WDMP and changes to the development agreement relating to the site, which were originally approved by the Initiative. The applicant seeks to develop the following: - 1,302 residential units (125 of these units may be replaced with a 125-room hotel). 1 115,000 square feet of office uses. 1 90,000 square feet of retail uses. 1 134,000 square feet of "flex" uses (residential, office, and/or retail) of which no more than 67,000 square feet shall be retail uses; and if all 134,000 square feet were developed as residential uses, the maximum number of units would be 134. 1 Plazas, parks and open space and other associated uses. The Intermodal Transit Center (ITC) project (bus, train and ferry station and other improvements) is proposed to be located partially on property owned by the applicant (commonly referred to as Block I) and will be analyzed under a separate EIS/EIR. This EIR will consider the proposed ITC project as a cumulative project.</p>							
12/28/2009	San Francisco		Draft EIR	Candlestick Point - Hunters Point Shipyard Phase II Development Plan Project	San Francisco Planning Department and San Francisco Redevelopment Agency	Environmental Review	
<p>The Project is located on approximately 702-acres east of United States Route 101 (US-101) in the southeast area of the City and County of San Francisco (City). It occupies the waterfront area from south of India Basin to Candlestick Cove. Figure II-1 (Project Location) illustrates the regional location of the Project and the location of the Project within the City. The Project proposed by Lennar Urban includes a mixed-use community with a wide range of residential, retail, office, research and development, civic and community uses, and parks and recreational open space. A major component would be a new stadium for the San Francisco 49ers National Football League (NFL) team. Additionally, new transportation and utility infrastructure would serve the Project including a bridge across Yosemite Slough. Specifically, the Project proposes development of 10,500 residential units with an associated population of 24,465 residents; 885,000 gross square feet (gsf) of retail; 150,000 gsf of office; 2.5 million gsf of Research & Development (R&D) uses; a 220-room, 150,000 gsf hotel; 255,000 gsf of artist live/work space; 100,000 gsf of community services; 251.3 acres of new parks, sports fields, and waterfront a 75,000 gsf performance arena. The permanent employee population associated with the Project would be 10,730. In addition, a 300-slip marina would be provided. Shoreline improvements would also be provided to stabilize the shoreline. The Project would include structured and on-street parking and various infrastructure improvements to support the development. The Project includes amendments of the Bayview Hunters Point and Hunters Point Shipyard Redevelopment Plans, and amendments of the San Francisco General Plan and Planning Code, consistent with the development project.</p>							
1/2/2010	San Francisco		Notice	1645 Pacific Avenue Project	San Francisco Planning Department	Bill Wycko	(415) 558-6378
<p>The 1645 Pacific Avenue project site is in San Francisco's Russian Hill neighborhood on the south side of Pacific Avenue between Van Ness Avenue and Polk Street (Assessor's Block 0595, Lot 013). The approximately 15,959 square foot (-sq.ft.) project site slopes gently downward from southwest to northeast and is occupied by two contiguous commercial buildings containing 27,275 sq. ft. of space (1645 Pacific Avenue, two stories and approximately 30 feet in height; and 1661 Pacific Avenue, one store and approximately 18 feet in height). These two buildings occupy the entire site and are primarily used for automotive repair.</p>							
12/21/2009	San Mateo		NOP	Crystal Springs San Andreas Transmission Upgrade Project	San Francisco Planning Department	Bill Wycko	(415) 558-6409
<p>The San Francisco PUC proposes the Crystal Springs/San Andreas (CS/SA) Transmission Upgrade Project. The proposed project seeks to improve seismic and delivery reliability of the CS/SA Transmission System. The proposed project also seeks to meet the anticipated requirements of the California Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) for dam facilities in an emergency drawdown scenario. The Project would be located on City and County7 of San Francisco (CCSF)-owned lands in unincorporated portions of San Mateo County near the Town of Hillsborough and the cities of San Bruno, Burlingame, San Mateo, and Millbrae. The total proposed project area (including all construction, staging, and access areas) covers approximately 135 acres and is composed of five distinct project components that are oriented southeast to northwest, running approximately 7.6 miles across the Peninsula Watershed.</p>							

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
1/11/2010	San Mateo		Notice	South El Camino Real General Plan Amendment	City of South San Francisco, Department of Economic & Community Dev	Gerry Beaudin	(650) 877-8535
<p>This proposed Emendment aims to target higher intensities and mixed-use development in the soutehrn portion of El Camino Real in the City of South San Francisco, to stimulate revitalization, and transition the corridor into a thriving, pedestrian-oriented area, with a mix of uses. The proposed Amendment would incorporated a new land use designation, El Camino Real Mixed Use, into the General Plan. This designation is intended to accommodate high-intensity active uses and mixed-use development in the South El Camino Real area. Retail and department stores; eating and drinking establishments; hotels; commercial recreation; financial, business, and personal services; residential; educational and social services; and office uses are permitted.</p>							
12/24/2009	San Mateo		Notice	Big Wave Wellness Center and Office Park	San Mateo County Planning Department	Camille Leung	(650) 363-1826
<p>The 19.4-acre project site is located on Airport Street, northwest of the Princeton/Pillar Point Harbor area in unincorporated County of San Mateo and comprises two Assessor's Parcel Numbers 047-311-060 and 047-312-0404. The Big Wave Office Park would be cnstructed on 047-311-060 ("northern parcel"), which is approximately 14.25 acres in size. The Big Wave Wellness Center would be constructed on 047-312-0404 ("southern parcel"), which is approximately 5.28 acres.</p>							
12/8/2009	Santa Clara		Neg. Dec.	Live Oak and Ann Sobrato High Schools Solar Canopy Project	Morgan Hill Unified School District	Bonnie Tognazzini	(831) 649-1799
<p>The project includes the installation of solar panel structures at two high schools, Live Oak High School and Ann Sobrato High School. A total of ten panels are proposed at Live Oak, and eight are proposed at Ann Sobrato. The project includes the removal, trimming and planting of trees at the Live Oak campus and planting additional vegetation at the Ann Sobrato campus and the planting of trees and landscaping on both the eastern and western berms at the Ann Sobrato campus.</p>							
1/6/2010	Santa Clara		Draft EIR	Yahoo! Santa Clara Campus Project	City of Santa Clara Planning Division	Debby Fernandez	(408) 615-2450
<p>The proposed project is the phased development or 3,060,000 square feet office/research and development campus consisting of 13 six-story buildings, three two-story commons buildings, surfaced parking lots, two-levels of below grade parking site circulation and landscaping. The project involves the vacation of Democracy Way, a public street relocation of existing utilities and installation of new facilities in addition to the dedication of land at the soutwest corner of the project site for construction of a City owned and opearted 26,000 square foot 60/120kV electric substation. The project includes the use of the Hetch-Hetchy right-of-way for construction staging and project parking. The project also includes the construction of three new bus duck-outs and bus stops. One on each street frontage of the project site, and construction of a bike lane along the south side of Tasman Drive fronting the project. The project involves a rezone of the project site from Light Industrial (ML) to Planned Development (PD) to construct the proposed development; the Modification to reduce the on-site parking requirement from 10,200 to 9,900 spaces, with use of the Hetch-Hetchy right-of-way; a Vesting Tentative Parcel Map and vacation of Democracy Way to aggregate the project site for phased development; a 20-year Development Agreement specifying the terms and conditions for execution of the project; and Architectural Review by the City.</p>							
12/23/2009	Santa Clara		NOP	The Baseball Stadium in the Diridon/Arena Area	City of San Jose Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement	Akoni Danielsen	(408) 535-7823
<p>A major league baseball stadium with a seating capacity of up to 35,000 would be constructed on the project site under the modified project proposal. A detailed plan for the modified project has not yet been prepared but the modified stadium would have a similar configuration and orientation to that proposed in 2006. The stadium would be located on the same site as proposed in 2006 or, as an option, may be shifted approximately 100 feet to the south. Repositioning the stadium to the south would required that Park Avenue be narrowed from four lanes to two between Autumn Street and the railroad tracks but would avoid the need to reconfigure a Pacific, Gas and Electric (PG&E) substation located on the northwest corner of the proposed statium site.</p>							
12/18/2009	Solano		Neg. Dec.	Minor Subdivision Ms-06-09 (Dhillon)	SolanoCounty Department of Resource Management	Karen Avery	(707) 784-6765
<p>The 158 acre parcel is relatively flat and covered in grasses. There is an existing single family dwelling with an existing on-site well and an on-site septic system including a leachfield located in the northwestern corner of the parcel. An irrigation canal runs across the southwestern corner of this property. Irrigation drains run perpendicular to Hyde Road and are used to drain irrigation runoff. There is existing fencing located throughout the parcel which is used to corral livestock. The applicant proposes to subdivide Assessor Parcel number 0112-030-070 into three parcels: Parcel 1 (41 acres), Parcel 2 (64 acres) and Parcel 3 (53 acres). The existing single family dwelling will be located within proposed Parcel 1.</p>							

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1/15/2010	Sonoma		Draft EIR	Sutter Medical Center of Santa Rosa (Sutter) and the Luther Burbank Memorial Foundation (LBMF) Master Plan	County of Sonoma Permit Resource Management Department	Steve Dee	(707) 565-8350

An Initial Study was completed for the proposed project in February 2008. Since that time, the proposed project has been reduced in size and scope due to environmental concerns as well as the state of medical service delivery in Sonoma County. According to the proponent, nearly flat population growth and a declining market share have decreased the number of beds needed (Sutter Medical Center of Santa Rosa, Health Care Access Agreement Background and Business Plan, Nov. 2008, pp. 1-2). The health care needs of an aging population notwithstanding, the demand for inpatient beds is also decreasing due to new technology and the use of minimally invasive surgical technologies, which allow many procedures to be performed on an outpatient basis or with reduced hospital stays (Sutter Health News, November 2008).

A summary of the project as proposed in the 2008 Initial Study is provided below followed by a description of the revised project, which is the subject of this Draft EIR.

1/4/2010	Sonoma		Notice	20 Woodland Hills Drive	City of Cotati Planning Division		(707) 665-3638
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This project is an application for a 5-lot subdivision of a .77 acre property located at 20 Woodland Hills Drive (APN 144-650-020) and proposal to construct 5 single family affordable housing units ranging in size and height.