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Documents Received On Or After Friday, December 30, 2011

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
1/13/2012	Alameda		Notice	MacArthur Transit Village Affordable Housing (Block D) - Request for Release of Funds	City of Oakland Community and Economic Development Agency	Catherine Payne, Pla	(510) 238-6168
BRIDGE Housing Corporation (BRIDGE), a non-profit affordable housing developer, is proposing to construct a new 90-unit apartment community as part of the planned redevelopment of Oakland's macArthur BART station parking lot and adjacent parcels, also known as the macArthur Transit Viillage project, located at 555-40th Street in oakland, California 94609. the BRIDGE project consists of a .074 acre parcel identified as Block D of the Transit Village Project. The project will provide 90 apartments in a mix of studio, on-, two-, and three-bedroom configurations. The design consists of a five-story wood frame structure over a single-level, primarily below-grade, concrete garage structure. The design includes shared amenities such as two outdoor courtyards, a flexible community room space, a manager's office and laundry facilities.							
	Alameda		Notice	Lower Sproul Projects	University of California Physical & Environmental Planning	Jennifer McDougall	(510) 642-7720
The proposed project is a multi-building replacement and renovation project with plaza improvements. The scope of the program includes: replacement of Eshleman Hall; relocations of the campus Career Center; expansion and renovation of King Student Union; renovations of Chavez Center and Anthony Hall; improvements to Lower Sproul Plaza access, structure and landscape; and renovation of Alumnae Hall at the Anna Head School to accommodate program uses during renovation and replacement projects.							
1/22/2012	Contra Costa		NOP	Paragon Apartments - Draft EIR	City of Walnut Creek	Chip Griffin	(925) 943-5834
The applicant is proposing to raze the existing 80,000 s.f. office building to construct a residential development consisting of 300 apartment units and 475 parking stalls. The development would consist of 200 one-bedroom and 100 two-bedroom apartment units ranging in size from 667 square feet (Jr. 1-bedroom, Type 1B) to 1,051 square feet (Inside Corner 2-bedroom, Type 2B). An at-grade, four-level parking structure is proposed at the center rear of the property and wrapped by the residential development on three sides. Guest parking stalls are proposed to occupy approximately one-half of the ground level of the parking structure and another sevel stalls located near the leasing office. Each floor of the prking structure would be accessible by foot from each corresponding floor of the project Site amenities include multiple landscaped common areas with outdoor furniture and outdoor grills, a swimming pool and pool decks, a roof deck, and community rooms.							
1/17/2012	Marin		Notice	39 West shore Road Proposed Residence, Dock & Boatlift - Mitigated Neg Dec	The City of Belvedere	Pierce Macdonald	(415) 435-3838

The current proposal includes requests for Planning commission review and approval of Demolition and Design Review. The applicant proposes to demolish the existing 4,091 - square foot two-story residence built in 1963 for the Menzel family from plans designed by Karl Treffinger and construct a new 3,984-square-foot, tow-story residence raised above the water on new steel or cement pilings. The size of the project residence and dock constitutes a 55-square-foot reduction in fill over the San Francisco Bay. A new boatlift is proposed which would constitute approximately 40 square feet of new fill, for a net reduction of 10 square feet of fill. The residence is located in the West short Road floodplain area and the VE Zone as designated on the FEMA flood maps (FIRM). A portion of the existing dock will be removed and a new area of dock will be created in the proposed construction. Project approvals entail an Architectural and Environmental Design Review pursuant to Title 20 of the Belvedere Municipal Code.

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
2/6/2012	Marin		Draft EIR	Ghoss Field Airport - Proposed Extension of Runway 13/31 DEIR	Department of Transportation - Federal Aviation Administration	Doug Pomeroy	(650) 827-7612
<p>Based on the cumulative findings of the said plans and studies, Marin County as the owner and operator of the Marin County Airport (Ghoss Field), has proposed improvements to enhance the Airport's capability to meet FAA standards for its current users. This joint EIS/EIR will assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed extension of Runway 13/31 and corresponding taxiway and runway safety areas (overruns); associated levee construction and realignment of drainage; and reprogramming of the GPS instrument approach to reflect the extended Runway 13/31. Collectively, these elements comprise the Proposed Project. Approval of the EIS will be required by the FAA to comply with the Federal requirements of NEPA and the County must certify the Final EIR to comply with the State of California's regulations embodied in CEQA</p>							
1/9/2012	MARIN COUNTY		Notice	Tiburon Housing Element Update - Negative Declaration	Town of Tiburon - Community Development Department	Scott Anderson, Direc	
<p>Notice of Intent - No description</p>							
1/23/2012	San Francisco		AI	UCSF Medical Center at Mission Bay - fourth Street Public Plaza Draft EIR	University of California San Francisco - Campus Planning	Diane Wong, Env. Co	(415) 502-5952
<p>The University proposes to construct and maintain a public plaza on the Fourth Street right-of-way between 16th and Mariposa Streets that would result in the closure of Fourth Street to vehicular through-traffic at this location (referred to in this document as the "Fourth Street Public Plaza Project" or the "Project"). The City and County of San Francisco's planned pedestrian access and bicycle route through fourth Street would be maintained.</p>							
2/1/2012	San Francisco City and County		Notice	Alice Griffith Public Housing Redevelopment Project, San Francisco, CA - Draft Environmental Impact Statement	City and County of San Francisco - Mayor's Office of Housing	Eugene T. Flannery	(415) 701-5598
<p>The 34-acre project site is located in the southeastern portion of the City of San Francisco and includes the existing Alice Griffity public housing site, owned by the San Francisco Housing Authority, and three adjacent parcels owned by other entities. The Project Site is general bounded by Gilman Avenue on the south, Hhawes Street on the west, Carroll Avenue on the north, and Arelious Walker Drive on the east, with a rectangular extension to the south along Giants Drive that includes a portion of th eCanlestick Park stadium parking area. The existing Alice Griffith public housing site contains 256 untis, playground areas and an Opportunity Center. The adjacent parcels contain paved and unpaved parking areas.</p>							
	San Mateo		Notice	Relocation of Airport Traffic Control Tower - San Francisco International Airport FONSI	Bureau of Planning & Environmental Affairs, SFO	Audrey Parks	(650) 821-7844
<p>City and County and the DOT, FAA, has published a Final Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed relocation of the Airport Traffic Control Tower at SFO. The FAA has approved a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on the project based on the analysis contained in the Final EA.</p>							
1/22/2012	San Mateo		NOP	Master environmental Impact Report Update for the Genentech master Plan - Draft Supplemental Master einvironmental Impact Report Update	City of South San Francisco Department of Economic and Community Development	Gerry Beaudin	(650) 877-8535
<p>The City of south San Francisco is processing an application from Genentech to update the Master Environmental impact Report (2007 Master EIR) for the Genentech master Plan District, which considered the environmental Impacts of the development on Genentech's 220-acre campus area (2007 Master Plan). The 2007 master EIR evaluated a study area of which is divided into the Lower, Upper, Mid, and West Campus neighborhoods. At buildout of the 2007 master Plan, Genentech expects to almost double its 2006 size (from 2.8 million square feet (sf) to roughly 6 million sf) of office, research and development, manufacturing space, amenities, and parking structures.</p>							
12/31/2011	San Mateo		Notice	Proposed 2580 El Camino Real Residential Project - Final EIR	City of Redwood City Planning Services	Maureen Riordan	(650) 780-7226
<p>Urban Housing Group has applied with the City for a Planned Development Permit and Vesting Tentative Map and proposes to demolish the subject 2.5 acre site's existing structures to build a 141-unit multi-family, residential development with 232 parking stalls and storage for 47 bicycles. The project is four stories in height along the El Camino Real frontage and transitions down to three storeis along the rear portion of the lot. The residential unit mix inclues one studio unit, 99 one-bedroom units and 41 two-bedroom units. Project doubles as an emergency vehicle access road, and an indoor fitness center and club house. The "Hetch Hetchy" water pipeline parcel, that aclips diagonally across the northeast corner of the site's El Camino Real frontage, is proposed to serve as a public sidewalk plaza with decorative paving and plantings. The El Camino Real sidewalks fronting the property will also be widened from its current condition of 7.5 feet to 12 feet and will contain new street trees and decorative pedestrian lighting. Vehicular access to the site will be provided from El Camion Real via a right-turn-in/right-turn-out driveway along the southern edge of the property.</p>							

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
1/23/2012	San Mateo		Notice	Facebook, Inc.Campus Project Draft EIR	City of Menlo Park Planning Commission	Rachel Grossman	(650) 330-6737

Facebook, Inc. (Project Sponsor) plans to mvoe its operations from its existing facilities in the City of Palo Alto to the project site in the City of Menlo Park. Under the proposed project, Facebook would occupy the East Campus as part of the first phase of the project and would expand to the West Campus in the second phase of the project (see Figure 1)

1/23/2012	Santa Clara		NOP	North Forty Specific Plan - Draft EIR	Town of Los Gatos Community Development Departments	Joel Paulson, Senior	(408) 354-6879
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The proposed project is the specific plan that will implement Town of Los Gatos 2020 General Plan guidance for development of the plan area. The plan is being prepared by the Town and will be evaluated in the EIR. The specific plan would place commercial and mixed use (residential or office over retail development) at the northern portion of the plan area and primarily residential development at the southern portion. The specific plan will set development ranges and overall development limits for the number of residential units and square footage of commercial use. Land uses are expected to include retail, restauranats, and office uses, as well as a 125-150-room hotel with conference center. The retail and restaurant development would consist mostly of one- and two-story buildings. The plan may allow for taller office buildings and a hotel. Surface parking and parking structures would serve the commercial development. Several of the existing commercial buildings are envisioned to remain at buld-out of the plan area. A set of mixed use buildings would feature retail space at the ground floor with up to three stories of residential units or office space above. The mixed use buildings would be arranged along the fronting streets, with a parking structure in the center. A "transitional area" along the central entry to the plan area provides the opportunity for additional mixed use development that will primarily feature neighborhood serving retail.

	Santa Clara		Notice	San Jose -- Parkmoor Retail Unit - Notice of Site Selection	United States Postal Service - Pacific Facilities Service Office	Laureen A. Yamakido	
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The following sites are under consideration for selection of the leased facility: 1) 545 Merdian Avenue, Suite D; 2) 1789 West San Carlos Avenue Estimated Project Size: 3,400 square feet. Based on the assessment of the direct and indirect emissions from the project, it was concluded that project emissions were below the de-minimus levels established in the final conformity rule (40 CRF part 51), and would create insignificant impacts on the regional air quality. No significant impact to the environment is anticipated, therefore, this project is declared dto the categorically excluded under Section 775.6 of the U.S. Postal Service environmental Procedures to impelent the national Environmental Policy Act (63 FR 166, August 27, 1998).

2/10/2012	Santa Clara		Notice	Mount Umunhum Environmental Restoration and Public Access Project - Draft EIR	Midipeninsula Regional Open Space District (MROSD)	Meredith Manning	(650) 691-1200
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The project site is located within the Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve on the summits of Mount Umunhum and Mount Thayer in the southern Santa Cruz Mountains. The project site consists of a former military complex comprised of operations, housing and support structures, and associated infrastructure. Among the structures associated with the former AFS, a five-story concrete radar tower is located near the peak of Mount Umunhum. The radar tower originally included a large "sail" which was removed some time ago. The project, proposed by MROSD, includes the demolition of existing structures, public access to the summit of Mount Umunhum, as well as roadway and access improvements, environmental restoration, development of public use facilities, and a range of possible amenities such as trails, observation and potential amenities include benches, a dedicated emergency callbox, hitching posts, bicycle posts, an non-potable water (for horses and fire protection) stored onsite. The primary purpose of the proposed project is to establish a fiscally and environmentally sustainable visitor desitnation that alignns with MROSD's mission by balancing public access, enjoyment and education with environmental restoration. Facilities at the summit will occur on land previously disturbed by activities associated with the former Almaden AFS.

1/9/2012	Solano		Neg. Dec.	Venoco Inc (Hunters Point)	Solano County Department of Resource Management	Eric Wilberg	
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Venoco proposes to drill three exploratory natural gas wells over a three year period from the proposed Hunter's Point Project Sit. If economical quantities of natural gas are discovered, Venoco would install the necessary production equipment and a natural gas pipeline from the producing wells to an existing natural gas pipeline located approximately 1.35 miles to the northwest. The proposed project includes three phases: a site preparation phase, a drilling and testing phase and a production phases.

1/26/2012	Solano		Draft EIR	Vanden Meadows Specific Plan and Development-Draft EIR	City of Vacaville Community Development Department	Christina Corsello	(707) 449-5307
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The Vanden Meadows Specific Plan and Development Project (Proposed Project) includes 939 single-family, clustered and multi-family units on approximately 265 acres, a Travis School District future school site of 28 acres, a 7-acre neighborhood park, connecting pedestrian trails, a bike station on Leisure Town Road within a 500-foot agricultrual buffer, and the extension of Foxboro Parkway from Nut Tree Road to Vanden Road. The Project site is located in the southeastern most part of th eCity of Vacaville between Leisure Town Road to the east and Nut Tree Road to the west, with the Southtown Development to the north.

Due Date	County	Impact Area	Documant Type	Document Title	Lead Agency	Contact	Phone
	Sonoma		Notice	Charles M. Schulz Sonoma County Airport Master Plan Implementation Project - Final EIR	County of Sonoma - Permit and Resource Management Department	Crystal Acker	(707) 565-8357

The Airport Master Plan (AMP) is a long-range plan to guide development and/or improvement of the Airport. It includes a variety of project elements that would be implemented at the approximately 1,000 acre Charles M. Schulz--Sonoma County Airport over the next twenty years. The master planning process considers the needs and demands of the Airport tenants, users, and the general public. The guiding principle of the airport master planning process is the development of a safe and efficient airport.

1/12/2012	Sonoma		NOP	North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan Project	City of Santa Rosa community Development Department	Jessica Jones, City PI	(707) 543-3410
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the North Santa Rosa Station is one of 14 stations being planned by Sonoma marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) for a commuter rail service along the Northwest Pacific rail corridor. The city of Santa Rosa Community Development Department is preparing a Specific Plan, which, if adopted, would guide future development of aporximately 987 acres surrounding the SMART station (Figure 2). The North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan will describe several elements, including: potential land uses; station access and circulation and infrastructure; land use regulations; infrastructure development and financing implementation strategies; and design guidelines to encourage appropriate transit-oriented development within the project area. If adopted, the Specific Plan will guide all new development in the Specific Plan area. The North Santa Rosa Staion Are Specific Plan will support the future SMART station by outling strategies to establish a transi-supportive environment by improving connections between the station and adjacent destinations, densifying and intensifying land uses at key locations within the project area, and enhancing the physical design of the urban environment. Thile much of the existing area is developed, a few large vacant parcels in the project area afford unique opportunities for transit-supportive development. The proposed project is a Specific Plan describing development on approximately 987 acres, including public rights-of-way. The proposed Specific Plan includes provisions for development of office, retail, institution, residential, industrial, recreation/parks, and transiportation/circulation facility land uses.